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Holding on to anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else; you are the one who gets burned.

-Buddha

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**INBRIEF**

**Op Sindoor reinforced zero-tolerance policy: Govt**

**NEW DELHI:** As Prime Minister Narendra Modi completes 12 years in office, the Central government on Wednesday said India has a zero tolerance policy against terrorism and Operation Sindoor has only made it "clearer".

In a document -- titled "Nation First, the Core Mantra" -- issued to mark the current government's 12 years, the Centre emphasised its vision of "Rashtra Pratham (nation first)" and asserted that it is no longer just a sentiment but the lifeblood of India.

The document begins with a statement attributed to Modi: "Our policy is of zero tolerance against terrorism. Operation Sindoor has made it even clearer. Anyone who tries to spill the blood of Indians will

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**4,399 Days & Counting: Modi 'tops' record for longest elected PM term**

'Nation understands value of political stability'

**NEW DELHI:** As he became India's longest continuously serving elected prime minister, Narendra Modi on Wednesday said people of the country have now understood the importance of political stability and the decisiveness of a stable government.

Modi also said the dream of a 'Viksit Bharat' does not belong to a person or party, but has become the resolve of every person in the country.

"For me, people represent God," he said at an NDA conclave here.

"People of the country have understood the importance of political stability at the national level. It is their maturity that they gave me an opportunity to serve them for such a long time," Modi said.

"Many decades before 2014 were full of instability and upheavals but peo-



ple are now witnessing the work of a stable government and are admiring its decisiveness," he added.

Modi also said a big success of 12 years of NDA rule was that it freed the country from the Congress' "vicious trap".

"When the NDA won in 2014, I had said today there is a dawn of a new hope for the common person. After

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**Modi receives greetings from world leaders**

**SINGAPORE/JOHANNESBURG:** World Leaders on Wednesday greeted Narendra Modi on becoming India's longest-serving elected prime minister, praising his leadership and dedication to public service.

Narendra Modi reached the milestone of becoming India's longest-serving prime minister on Wednesday, with an unbroken tenure of 4,399 days in office, surpassing the record of the first prime minister, Jawaharlal

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**LG reviews preparations for SANJY 2026 beginning July 3**

DG CRPF takes stock of security in Kashmir

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**SRINAGAR:** Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Wednesday reviewed preparations for the upcoming Shri Amarnathji Yatra (SANJY), scheduled to begin on July 3.

"Today, chaired a high-level review meeting on preparations for Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2026 and directed all departments and security agencies to ensure timely completion of arrangements from infrastructure and security to healthcare, san-



itation, connectivity, and pilgrim services," Sinha said in a post on X.

Several preparatory

meetings have already been held at the district and base camp levels in Jammu, Anantnag and Gander-

bal districts to ensure the smooth conduct of the annual pilgrimage, officials

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**Farooq: PM committed to restoring Statehood**

**SRINAGAR:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi has told Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah that he would fulfil his promise of statehood to Jammu and Kashmir, National Conference president Farooq Abdullah said on Wednesday.

He said they are waiting for the Centre to fulfil its promise.

"Prime Minister has recently told Omar that he will fulfil his promise (on restoration of statehood to Jammu and Kashmir),"

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**J-K living in peace, PoJK facing "brutality": MoS**

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**SRINAGAR:** Amid reports of unrest in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth on Wednesday said the people in Jammu and Kashmir were living in peace and the region was prospering, while those across the border were being killed.

Speaking to reporters here, Seth asked people not to worry about their security, saying that "no one can even dare to raise an eye" against India.

"The citizens of the country need not worry. Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and our Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, there is nothing

to worry. No one can even dare to raise an eye," Seth said.

The minister was in Srinagar to visit the revered Hazratbal shrine, where he inaugurated a cleanliness drive under the theme '12 saal bemisaal' marking Modi's 12 years in office.

"See how much peace there is (in Jammu and Kashmir). Between January 1, 2025 and December 31, 2025, after the (Pahalgam terror attack) incident, 1.77 crore tourists visited here. And my assessment is that this time, in 2026, the number of tourists will reach three crores," he said.

Seth said people are enthusiastic to visit the Kashmir valley. "Our people want to come here."

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**Panel to probe Cable Car fault**

**SRINAGAR:** Jammu and Kashmir government on Wednesday formed a five-member committee to inquire into circumstances that led to the malfunctioning of Gulmarg cable car services last month.

The General Administration Department (GAD) appointed the Managing Director of Kashmir Power Distribution Corporation Limited, Mahmood Shah, as chairman of the committee, which has been asked to submit a report within 10 days.

On May 25, the Gulmarg cable car services, popularly known as Gondola rides, developed a technical snag that left more than 300 tourists stranded mid-air.

The stranded tourists and local guides were evacuated after a massive rescue operation launched by the Army, Police, the National Disaster Response Force and the State Disaster Response Force. According to the GAD order,

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**Army Chief reviews Ops preparedness**

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**JAMMU:** Chief of Army Staff (COAS) General Upenendra Dwivedi has visited the Northern Command headquarters in Udhampur district and reviewed its operational preparedness, capability development and ongoing modernisation initiatives, officials said on Wednesday.

"General Upenendra Dwivedi, COAS, visited Northern Command and reviewed its operational preparedness, capability development and modernisation initiatives," Army's Additional Directorate General of Public Information (ADGPI) said on X.

During the visit on Tuesday, the army chief was briefed on the conduct of multi-domain operations, technology absorption, infrastructure development and integrated combat readiness across the full spectrum of military operations, officials said.

Interacting with officers of the Northern Command and various formation headquarters through a hybrid format, General Dwivedi emphasised the importance of harnessing emerging technologies and fostering innovation to enhance operational effectiveness in an increasingly dynamic security

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**Pakistan Army's Mi-17 helicopter crashes in PoJK**

**ISLAMABAD:** An Mi-17 helicopter of the Pakistan Army Aviation crashed near Muzaffarabad in Pakistan-occupied Jammu & Kashmir (POJK) on Wednesday, killing all personnel on board, the army said.

"There were no survivors," the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR), the media wing of the Pakistan military, said, without giving the number of those killed.

In a brief statement, it said that the accident occurred "during take-off due to a technical fault".

Rescue and recovery teams immediately

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**Railway Min announces 'halt' for Vande Bharat at Anantnag**

**NEW DELHI:** In a significant move to enhance regional connectivity, Minister for Railways, Ashwini Vaishnaw, met with the Chief Minister of Jammu & Kashmir, Omar Abdullah, on Tuesday to discuss ongoing and future railway projects aimed at accelerating economic growth in the J&K region.

During the high-level meeting, a landmark decision was reached to introduce a commercial stoppage for the prestigious Jammu-Srinagar Vande Bharat Express at Anantnag. This strategic halt will significantly benefit commuters, tourists, and trad-



ers, providing a faster and more reliable transport link

to one of Kashmir's most

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**LG calls for 'Immuno-AI Fusion' systems and climate resilience**

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**SRINAGAR:** Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Wednesday attended the inaugural session of the Annual Conference of the Indian Immunology Society 'IMMUNOCON-2026', at Srinagar.

The prestigious event, organised by the Advanced Centre for Human Genetics SKIMS, is themed "Beneath the Grandeur of Chinar: Illuminating Mysteries from Fundamentals to Translational Frontiers in Health".

In his keynote address, the Lieutenant Governor



highlighted the evolving role of immunology in biomedical innovation and

healthcare. The Lieutenant Governor hailed the

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**100-DAY NASHA MUKT JK ABHIYAAN**

STOP DRUGS

**DAY 61** The EARTH NEWS joins the campaign launched by Honourable Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha Ji to eradicate drug menace from union territory of J&K.

**Houses of 2 drug peddlers demolished; asset attached**

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**JAMMU:** Authorities on Wednesday demolished three residential houses allegedly belonging to drug peddlers here as part of an ongoing crackdown against narcotics trafficking and illegal assets linked to the drug trade, officials said.

The houses of Falla Gujjar and Bashir Ahmad at Chak Waziru in Bishnah area on the outskirts of Jammu were demolished following due legal



procedures amid security arrangements, in presence

of senior civil and police

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**Drug awareness prog conducted at PS Janipur**

**JAMMU:** As part of the ongoing efforts to combat drug abuse and promote a healthy, drug-free society, Janipur Police organized an awareness programme under the Nasha Mukta J-K Abhiyaan at Ramleela Ground, Janipur Colony.

The programme witnessed active participation from local residents, youth, and prominent members of

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**2 drug peddlers held with heroin worth over Rs 50L**

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**JAMMU:** Police have arrested two alleged drug peddlers on Wednesday in separate operations in Jammu and Kashmir's Samba district, recovering narcotics valued over Rs 50 lakh, along with a weighing machine and cash, from them, officials said.

Acting on information, a police team from Vijaypur police station set up a checkpoint at Tarapur

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**SPO involved in NDPS case 'disengaged' from services**

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**SRINAGAR:** A special police officer (SPO) was 'disengaged' from service in Baramulla district for his alleged involvement in an NDPS case, police said on Wednesday.

Baramulla Police has disengaged SPO Khalid Nazir Khan, a resident of Katipora, Tangmarg, from the SPO cadre with immediate effect following his involvement in an NDPS case, a police spokesman said.

He said that during naka checking at Wussan Crossing in Kunzer area of the north Kashmir district on April 23 this year, police intercepted a vehicle.

The occupants in the vehicle, including the SPO, were found in a suspicious condition, the spokesman said.

During checking, among syringes and needles, the police also recovered a silver foil paper used for the consumption of narcotic substances was

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**Apply For - Contractual Positions**

In continuation to Notification No.: JKB/HR/Rectt/2026-253 Dated: - 18.05.2026, it is notified that the date for receipt of applications for the advertised positions of Zonal Security Officers and FL Counsellors is extended from 10.06.2026 till 20.06.2026.

Interested candidates are requested to apply through the link made available on Banks website (jkb.bank.in) under careers tab. The candidate shall have to pay the requisite fee of Rs. 500/- per application.

The detailed notification for the Contractual Positions is available on Bank's website.

Note: Candidates who have already applied for the advertised positions in response to Notification No.: JKB/HR/Rectt/2026-253 Dated: - 18.05.2026, need not to apply again.

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