

# JAMMU

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J&K Police Mountain Rescue Teams conducted a mock drill across 18 locations on Pahalgam and Baltal axes to strengthen emergency preparedness for #SAN-JY2026, ensuring a safe and secure Yatra for all devotees.  
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Smart City projects in both Jammu and Srinagar must be transparent. Such transparency is essential for the government to build public trust and confidence.



## NATIONAL STATISTICS DAY

June 29 is celebrated annually as National Statistics Day in India to recognize the immense contributions of Professor Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis who was born on June 29, 1893. Recognized as the "Father of Indian Statistics," he founded the Indian Statistical Institute and laid the foundational framework for India's national economic planning.



## GRAM PANCHAYATS:

In the entire Rajouri district of Jammu division, 312 are the total Gram Panchayats.

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## Division-level Pulse Polio drive launched at Sarwal

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**JAMMU:** The Division-Level Launch Programme of National Immunisation Day (NID) 2026 under the Pulse Polio Immunisation Programme was held on Sunday at Government Hospital Sarwal Jammu.

The Pulse Polio Campaign 2026 across Jammu Division is being conducted on a large scale, with 5,402 vaccination booths established across the Division. A total of 22,304 health workers and volunteers have been deployed to implement the programme. To cover children on the move, 148 transit vaccination points and 130 mobile teams have been set up. Through these arrangements, the campaign aims to administer Oral Polio Vaccine to approximately 8.24 lakh children under the five years of age across the Division, ensuring that no child is missed and the region's polio-free status is sustained.

Member of Parliament Sat Sharma (CA), Chief Guest, inaugurated the programme by administering polio drops to children. MLA Jammu West Arvind Gupta attended as Guest of Honour.



Addressing the gathering, the dignitaries highlighted the importance of immunisation in protecting children from vaccine-preventable diseases and noted the achievements of the Pulse Polio Programme in India. They appealed to parents and caregivers to participate actively in the campaign and ensure that every child below five years of age receives polio drops during the National Immunisation Day and the subsequent house-to-house activity.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Guest appreciated the efforts of the Health Department and

frontline workers in implementing immunisation programmes across Jammu and Kashmir. He called for continued public participation and awareness to maintain the gains achieved under the Pulse Polio Programme.

Among those present were Director Health Services Jammu Dr Poonam Sethi; Assistant Director (Family Welfare, MCH and Immunisation) Jammu Dr Sunil Kaul; Medical Superintendent Government Hospital Sarwal Dr Monika Kotwal, besides senior health officers, medical officers, field functionaries and healthcare workers.



## Sakeena launches Pulse Polio Immunization drive

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**KULGAM:** Minister for Health and Medical Education, Social Welfare and Education, Sakeena Itoo, on Sunday launched the Pulse Polio Immunization drive from the District Hospital Kulgam by administering polio drops to a newborn baby.

Deputy Commissioner Kulgam, Shahzad Alam, Director Family welfare J&K, Chief Medical Officer, Medical Superintendent and other officers were also present.

The Minister emphasized that immunization is one of the most effective measures to protect the children from preventable diseases and ensure a healthy future for the younger generation. She urged the parents and caregivers to bring all children in the 0-5 years age group to the nearest vaccination centres and ensure that no child is left out of the immunization campaign. She stressed that achieving and sustaining a polio-free status requires active community participation and collective responsibility.

## Satish reiterates commitment to grassroots governance

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**JAMMU:** Minister for Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, Information Technology, Youth Services & Sports, Science & Technology and ARI & Trainings, Satish Sharma, on Sunday, while laying the foundation stone for a series of developmental works in Block Maira Mandrian, Akhnour, reaffirming the Government's commitment towards strengthening the public infrastructure and ensuring efficient service delivery at the grassroots level.

Among the major projects inaugurated was the upgradation and construction of the Godhan-Tuppa road under NABARD RIDF-XXXI (2025-26), a project aimed at improving the road connectivity, facilitating easier movement of people and goods besides



enhancing access to essential services for residents of the area.

Following the foundation stone laying ceremony, the Minister presided over a public meeting at Godhan, where he interacted extensively with the local residents, public representatives and officers from various departments. Senior district and sec-

toral officers attended the meeting to ensure on-the-spot redress of public grievances and to expedite solutions to issues raised by the people.

Addressing the gathering, Satish Sharma said that the government is committed to create robust public infrastructure that directly improves the quality of life of citizens.

## BJP gears up for Nitin Nabin's J&K visit

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**JAMMU:** Jammu & Kashmir Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) held a meeting of its office bearers at the party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu, to review ongoing organizational activities and finalize the roadmap for upcoming programmes.

J&K BJP President and Rajya Sabha MP Sat Sharma chaired the meeting. It was addressed by Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh, BJP General Secretary (Organization) Ashok Koul, Vice-President Priya Sethi, General Secretaries Sanjita Dogra, Baldev Singh Billawaria, Anwar Khan, and Gopal Mahajan, besides Rajya Sabha MP Ghulam Ali Khatana.

On the occasion, a book documenting the major developmental initiatives and projects undertaken in the Udhampur-Kathua-Doda Parliamentary Constituency was also released. Sat Sharma, addressing the meeting, reviewed the ongoing or-



ganizational activities and emphasized the need for the successful execution of all forthcoming party programmes at every organizational level. He shared details of six key programmes scheduled by the party and highlighted the significance of observing the birth anniversary of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookherjee on July 6, being commemorated as part of the Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookherjee Smriti Pakhwada from June 23 to July 6. He also informed the party leaders that BJP National President Nitin Nabin would visit Jammu on July 6 and 7, during which he would address party

workers, public conventions, and organizational meetings. Ashok Koul elaborated on the ongoing and forthcoming organizational programmes and stressed the importance of conducting regular meetings at every level, from the district to the booth, to strengthen the party's grassroots network. He called for seminars on the life and contributions of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookherjee on July 6, encouraged extensive plantation drives during the monsoon season, and emphasized the need for party leaders and workers to actively participate in the party's digital learning programme.

## CB registers FIR in Rs 68 lakh fraud case

**JAMMU:** Following an internal vigilance inquiry uncovered suspected fake loan accounts, unauthorised transactions and diversion of funds in Jammu and Kashmir Grameen Bank, the Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of Crime Branch on Sunday registered an FIR into an alleged fraud of more than Rs 68 lakh.

The case was filed under sections 420 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Code after complaints forwarded by the Crime Headquarters, J-K, through the director, Anti-Corruption Bureau, were received from a chief of audits, inspection and vigilance of the bank, a spokesperson of the Crime Branch Jammu said.

During an internal inquiry, the official said it was found that at the Kaluchak branch, 58 loan accounts under 15 joint liability groups (JLGs) and two cash credit limit accounts were allegedly opened and operated fraudulently without the knowledge or consent of the account holders concerned, resulting in a suspected fraud of approximately Rs 42 lakh.

It was further revealed that around Rs 12 lakh was allegedly diverted to bank accounts reportedly maintained in the name of deceased senior manager Bhagwan Singh Saini, while the remaining loan amounts were allegedly withdrawn through ATMs. The inquiry also disclosed that a daily wage engaged at the branch had allegedly admitted to utilising loan proceeds of Rs 2 lakh in one JLG account for personal use, following which recovery was affected in two accounts, the spokesperson said. In a separate complaint relating to the Surankote branch, the official said allegations have been made against branch head Rohit Kumar and others regarding unauthorised transactions and debits amounting to Rs 7.37 lakh, besides fraudulent sanction and withdrawal of loans worth about Rs 19 lakh through five fake loan accounts allegedly opened without the knowledge or consent of the borrowers.

## BJP suspends Lateef Khan, Burhan for indiscipline

**JAMMU:** Bharatiya Janata Party, Jammu & Kashmir, suspended Lateef Khan and Burhan from the primary membership of party for a period of two years, following the recommendations of the Party's Disciplinary Committee.

This was shared by J&K BJP General Secretary & Headquarters Incharge Sanjita Dogra in a handout released from the party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

The decision was taken after a detailed scrutiny of the matter under the chairmanship of Sunil Sethi, Chairman, Disciplinary Committee, Bharatiya Janata Party, Jammu & Kashmir. The Committee thoroughly examined all the available evidence, records, and relevant facts pertaining to the case and concluded that both individuals were involved in serious acts of indiscipline, which are in violation of the party's constitution, discipline, and organizational values.

## IGP Bhim Sen reviews security preparedness

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**JAMMU:** The Inspector General of Police, Jammu Zone, Bhim Sen Tuti, conducted a comprehensive visit to District Poonch on Sunday to review the prevailing security scenario and assess the operational preparedness of the police force in this strategically significant border district. The visit underscored the commitment of the Jammu and Kashmir Police towards ensuring peace, stability, and public safety through a robust and responsive security framework. He was accompanied by the Deputy Inspector General of Police, Rajouri-Poonch Range, Sandeep Wazir.

During the course of the visit, the IGP inspected Po-



lice Station Mendhar, where he undertook a detailed evaluation of the station's functioning, including its administrative structure, infrastructure, maintenance of official records, investigative standards, and mechanisms for public service delivery. He laid particular emphasis on upholding the highest

standards of professionalism, discipline, transparency, and accountability in policing. Stressing the importance of efficient governance, he directed officers to ensure the prompt redressal of public grievances and the conduct of fair, expeditious, and high-quality investigations.

Subsequently, Bhim Sen Tuti chaired a comprehensive security review meeting attended by senior officers and field functionaries of the district. The deliberations focused on an in-depth assessment of the prevailing security environment, including the effectiveness of the existing security grid, operational readiness, counter-terrorism measures, border security management, intelligence gathering, and inter-agency coordination.

The IGP directed all officers to remain exceptionally vigilant and proactive in light of evolving security challenges. He emphasised the need to strengthen intelligence-based operations, enhance surveillance in vulnerable areas, and ensure effective area domination.

## 8 CISF personnel, driver injured as bus overturns

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**JAMMU:** Eight Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) personnel and a civilian driver were injured after a bus carrying them overturned near Mata Vaishno Devi shrine in Reasi district of Jammu and Kashmir on Sunday, officials said.

The accident occurred along the Tarakote route to the shrine, and the condition of three injured CISF personnel — head constables Samy Kumar and M M Dubey and constable P K Traya — was stated to be seri-

ously, they said. The seriously injured personnel were admitted in Narayana hospital for specialized treatment, the officials said.

The rest of the injured, who included a sub-inspector and the civilian driver, Virender Singh, were admitted to the Community Health Centre in Katra, where their condition was reported to be stable, they said.

The officials said the CISF personnel, deployed in the shrine area, were heading back to their camp after completing their duty.

## Rajouri's Amit Sharma represents India at 9th CICA Youth Council meet in Azerbaijan

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**RAJOURI:** Amit Sharma, a lawyer and a youth leader from Rajouri, is representing India at the prestigious 9th Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA) Youth Council Meeting 2026, a two-day international conference in Baku, Azerbaijan.

Selected by the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Amit Sharma is among only three young leaders from across the country chosen to represent India at this high-level international forum, reflecting his commitment to youth leadership and nation-building.

For the past 10 years, Sharma has remained actively engaged in social and political spheres, working extensively for youth empowerment, leadership development, public outreach,



and advancing the vision of 'Viksit Bharat 2047'. Through his active involvement in youth-centric initiatives and public affairs, he has consistently worked towards encouraging greater participation of young people in nation-building.

Expressing his gratitude, Amit Sharma thanked the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) for approving his nomination. He conveyed his sincere appreciation to

the Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, the ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, and all officials associated with facilitating India's participation in the event. He said it was a matter of immense pride and honour to be entrusted with the responsibility of representing the country and representing the aspirations of India's youth on an international platform.

## Culminating ceremony of RSS Sangh Shiksha Varg held

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**HIRANAGAR:** The concluding ceremony of the 15-day ongoing Sangh Shiksha Varg (General) organized by the Jammu & Kashmir Prant of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) was held on Sunday (June 28) at Sai International School in Hiranagar, Kathua district. RSS Uttar Kshetra Pracharak Shriman Jatin Ji was the keynote speaker for the event, while Pujya Shri Gangadhar Shastri Ji Maharaj from the Holy Samadhi Shal, Sohanjara, Jammu, graced the occasion as the chief guest.

Addressing the gathering, the keynote speaker and RSS Kshetra Pracharak Shriman Jatin Ji called upon the society and volunteers (Swayamsevaks) to adopt the 'Panch Parivartan' (Five



Transformations) in their lives. He stated that under the Panch Parivartan, everyone should incorporate social harmony, family awakening (Parivar Prabodhan), an environment-friendly lifestyle, adherence to civic duties, and Swadeshi into their daily lives.

Discussing the 100-year journey of the Sangh, Shri Jatin Ji mentioned that the revered Dr. Keshav Baliram Hegdegar Ji—affectionately known as 'Poojaneya Doctor

Sahib"—deeply analyzed the prevailing circumstances in India at the time and concluded that nothing could be achieved without organizing the Hindu society. Consequently, he founded the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh in 1925. Highlighting the current curiosity within society to learn about the Sangh, Jatin Ji urged people to understand the organization not from the outside, but by coming inside and experiencing it firsthand.

## 'Mann Ki Baat' inspires people for nation-building: MP Sat

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**JAMMU:** Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Jammu & Kashmir, organized mass listening programmes across the Union Territory as party leaders, workers, and citizens came together to listen to the latest episode of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's widely acclaimed radio programme 'Mann Ki Baat'.

J&K BJP President and Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha), Sat Sharma (CA), along with Jammu Bahu MLA Vikram Randhawa, attended a special screening

of Mann Ki Baat by the BJP Transport Cell, J&K at Sainik Colony, Jammu.

J&K BJP All Cell Incharge Ved Sharma, District President Naresh Singh Jasrotia, Transport Cell Convenor Ashu Gupta, and others were also present. The programme was coordinated by Kamalpreet Singh, Co-Convenor, BJP Transport Cell, J&K UT, and K.S. Manhas, Co-Convenor, BJP District Transport Cell, Jammu South. A large number of local residents, party workers, and office bearers participated enthusiastically in the event.