



JAMMU

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Today, at the BJP headquarters in Jammu, I met with a delegation from the Jammu and Kashmir All Jogi Biradari and held detailed discussions on various issues related to the community as well as important matters of public interest.



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Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation marks a victory for the youth of the country. Accountability has finally been fixed for the repeated paper leaks. However, violence must be nipped in the bud. India will not allow itself to descend into situations like those witnessed in Nepal or Sri Lanka, whether orchestrated by the deep state or by foreign actors.



KARGIL VIJAY DIWAS

July 26 in Indian history is globally celebrated as Kargil Vijay Diwas, marking the triumphant end of the 1999 Kargil War. On this day, the Indian Army successfully reclaimed all mountain posts occupied by Pakistani forces in Ladakh.



TEHSIL:

In the entire Jammu district, 21 is the total of tehsils.



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Legislators call on CM Omar Abdullah

SRINAGAR: MLAs Vijay Kumar (Hiranagar) and Rajeev Kumar (Bishnah) called on Chief Minister Omar Abdullah in Srinagar. They discussed various developmental matters and public issues concerning their respective constituencies.

Admin invites applications for pre, post Matric SC scholarships

JAMMU: The District Magistrate, Jammu, on Saturday informed that the office of the District Social Welfare Officer has issued a notification inviting applications for the Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes for Scheduled Caste (SC) students for the academic session 2026-27.

According to the notification, eligible Scheduled Caste students studying in recognised educational institutions can apply for the scholarship under the respective schemes within the prescribed timeline.

The scholarship aims to provide financial assistance to SC students to support their education and encourage them to continue their studies without financial constraints.

Students and their parents have been advised to carefully read the eligibility criteria and application guidelines issued by the District Social Welfare Office before submitting their applications.

The District Administration urged all eligible students to avail themselves of the opportunity and complete the application process well before the deadline to avoid any inconvenience.

Rana continues extensive tour of flood-hit Pir Panjal

POONCH: Continuing his outreach to flood and landslide-affected communities, Minister for Jal Shakti, Forest, Ecology & Environment and Tribal Affairs, Javed Ahmed Rana, on Saturday visited Dhara Sangla in Surankote and interacted with the families who suffered losses in the recent landslides and flash floods.

The visit formed part of the Minister's extensive tour of flood and landslide-affected Pir Panjal region over the past several days, aimed at assessing the ground situation, reviewing relief and restoration efforts and ensuring timely assistance to the affected population.

At Dhara Sangla, Rana offered condolences to the families who lost their loved ones and assured them that the Government shares their grief and stands firmly with them during this difficult time.

He was accompanied by MLA Surankote, Choudhary Mohammad Akram along with officers from various departments.

"The Government stands firmly with every family affected by this tragedy. We will remain with you through this difficult time and ensure timely support, including immediate relief, rehabilitation assistance and compensation, to help you rebuild your lives," the Minister said.

He also told the residents that the Government is closely monitoring the situation and remains fully committed to restore normalcy at the earliest.

During the ongoing tour, the Minister has been visiting some of the worst-hit villages and remote habitations, interacting with the affected families and inspecting damage to homes, roads, water supply schemes, irrigation facilities and agricultural land. He is also reviewing the pace of relief and rehabilitation works being carried out by the district administration and line departments.

DGP Nalin interacts with IPS officer trainees, highlights J&K Police's counter-terrorism role



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JAMMU: Director General of Police (DGP) Nalin Prabhat on Saturday interacted with 21 IPS officer trainees of the 78th Regular Recruit (RR) batch at the Jammu and Kashmir Police Headquarters, where they were briefed on the force's pivotal role in combating Pakistan-sponsored terrorism and maintaining peace in the Union Territory.

The interaction formed part of the trainees' orientation pro-

gramme aimed at providing first-hand insight into the security challenges, operational environment and policing strategies adopted by the Jammu and Kashmir Police in one of the country's most sensitive regions.

During the session, the DGP highlighted the immense sacrifices made by J&K Police personnel over the years in the fight against terrorism. He paid tribute to the martyrs who laid down their lives while safeguarding the nation and emphasised that their courage

and commitment continue to inspire the force.

Prabhat also briefed the young officers on the evolving nature of Pakistan-sponsored terrorism and the comprehensive operational strategies employed by the police to eliminate the menace. He explained how intelligence-based operations, close coordination with security agencies, modern technology and sustained community engagement have strengthened the force's counter-terrorism capabilities.

ACB files chargesheets against former Patwari, Ex-Lumberdar in trap case

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SRINAGAR: The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB), J&K, has filed a chargesheet before the Hon'ble Special Judge, Anti-Corruption, Baramulla, against Fida Hussain Shah, the then Patwari Halqa Khawaja Bagh, Baramulla, and Manzoor Ahmad Mir, Ex-Lumberdar, Gutiyar, Baramulla, in case FIR No. 04/2024 registered at Police Station ACB Baramulla.

The case was registered on 16.04.2024 on the basis of a complaint alleging demand of illegal gratification in connection with the handing over of revenue/ NOC reports required for processing building permission applications submitted by the complainant and his father.

During the course of investigation, the ACB collected oral, documentary, electronic and scientific evidence, including recovery of the tainted amount and forensic examination of relevant exhibits. The evidence collected during investigation, including statements

of witnesses, documentary records, digital evidence and other corroborative material, prima facie indicated the involvement of the accused persons in the alleged offences and their respective roles in the demand and acceptance of illegal gratification.

The competent authority, Government of Jammu & Kashmir, accorded sanction for prosecution of the then Patwari. Accordingly, the chargesheet has been filed against Fida Hussain Shah, the then Patwari Halqa Khawaja Bagh, Baramulla, and Manzoor Ahmad Mir, Ex-Lumberdar, Gutiyar, Baramulla, for offences punishable under Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, as amended in 2018, read with Section 120-B IPC, and other relevant provisions of law, as applicable.

Both accused persons were produced before the Hon'ble Special Judge, Anti-Corruption, Baramulla, along with the chargesheet/ final report. The Hon'ble Court has fixed 12-11-2026 as the next date of hearing in the matter.

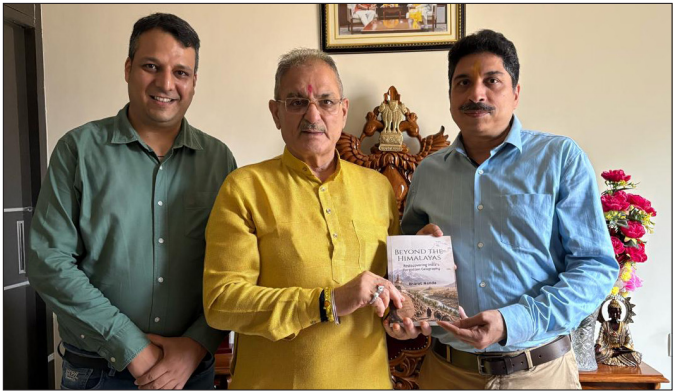
'Beyond the Himalayas' unveiled by HP Governor Kavinder Gupta

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JAMMU: Rediscovering India's Forgotten Geography, the latest work by Jammu-based author, geopolitical analyst and technology professional Bharat Nanda, was formally unveiled today by Kavinder Gupta, Hon'ble Governor of Himachal Pradesh, at a function held in Jammu.

The book explores India's forgotten civilizational geography beyond the Himalayas, tracing the ancient roads, Buddhist centres, caravan towns and cultural networks that once connected the Indian subcontinent with Tibet, Xinjiang and Central Asia. Drawing upon historical maps, manuscripts, archaeological evidence and travel accounts, it presents the Himalayas not as barriers but as bridges through which ideas, faith, knowledge and commerce travelled across Asia for centuries.

Speaking on the occasion,



the Hon'ble Governor appreciated the effort to bring attention to an important yet often overlooked chapter of India's civilizational history. The author noted that the book seeks to encourage readers to rediscover India's historical connections with the wider trans-Himalayan world through rigorous research presented in an accessible style.

Written for general readers, students and history enthusiasts, Beyond the Himalayas

highlights the historical significance of places such as Khotan, Kucha, Agni-desa, Turpan, Aksu, Yarkand, Kashgar, Aksai Chin, Demchok and Taklakot, offering a fresh perspective on India's enduring cultural influence across Asia.

The unveiling marks the formal launch of a work that aims to contribute to the growing discourse on India's civilizational heritage and historical geography.

BJP launches 'Samrasata Sankalp Abhiyan'; Sat hails Bharat Bhoomi saints for humanity

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SRINAGAR: BJP J&K President and Rajya Sabha MP Sat Sharma (CA) addressed a district workshop in Akhnoor under the 'Samrasata Sankalp Abhiyan', being organized to commemorate the 650th birth anniversary of Sant Shiromani Shri Guru Ravidas Maharaj Ji.

The event was held as part of the 'Samrasata Sankalp Abhiyan' organized to mark the 650th birth anniversary of Sant Shiromani Shri Guru Ravidas Maharaj Ji, reaffirming the Bharatiya Janata Party's commitment to strengthening India's civilizational values and promoting social harmony.

Sat Sharma, while addressing the party leaders, said that the saints of Bharat Bhoomi have enriched the nation's history and cul-



ture by giving timeless principles of humanity, equality, compassion and social justice, ensuring the welfare of every section of society. He said that these ideals remain the foundation of a strong and prosperous India.

Describing Sant Shiromani Shri Guru Ravidas Maharaj Ji as a great social reformer, Sat Sharma said that Guru Ravidas united society against prevailing social evils and spread the universal message of humanity, unity, equality and oneness. He asserted that BJP

workers must carry this message to every village, ward and household with enthusiasm, making the Samrasata Sankalp Abhiyan a mission to reconnect society with its cultural roots and strengthen social harmony.

Meanwhile, BJP J&K General Secretary (Organization) Ashok Koul chaired an organizational meeting at the party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu, to finalize preparations for the Samrasata Sankalp Abhiyan and the upcoming Har Ghar Tiranga campaign.

Panun Kashmir to hold hunger strike on Sept 5, rally over homeland

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JAMMU: Days after staging a protest in Delhi and submitting a memorandum to the Prime Minister's Office, Panun Kashmir on Saturday announced the next phase of its campaign, including a hunger strike on September 5 and a mass demonstration in Jammu on September 14 to press for justice and a separate homeland in the valley.

Panun Kashmir Chairman Tito Ganju said the organisation has initiated the process of reaching out to various Kashmiri Hindu organisations, community bodies and representative institutions seeking their support and participation in the forthcoming programmes.

"We have decided to

organise a one-day Nyaya Sankalpa (hunger strike) in Jammu on September 5, followed by a mass public demonstration on September 14 September (Balidan Diwas)," Ganju said after a meeting of senior activists here.

Referring to the July 20 protest in Delhi and the submitting of a memorandum to the Prime Minister's Office, he said while the organisation is hopeful of a favourable response from the government, democratic engagement cannot come to a halt until the aspirations of the displaced community receive meaningful constitutional attention.

"The memorandum submitted to the Prime Minister's Office reflects the collective aspirations of our community.

BRO restores road connectivity in Rajouri, Poonch, Reasi amid heavy rain, landslides

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JAMMU: In the wake of incessant rainfall that triggered multiple landslides across the border districts of Rajouri, Poonch and Reasi, the Border Roads Organisation (BRO), under Project Sampark, launched a swift and coordinated response to restore disrupted road connectivity and ensure uninterrupted movement of security forces and essential services.

The heavy downpour during 19 - 24 July 2026 led to numerous landslides at several locations, blocking key roads and affecting normal movement in the region. Demonstrating exceptional commitment and operational readiness, BRO immediately mobilised its men, heavy machinery and equipment to undertake round-the-clock road clearance operations despite adverse weather conditions and chal-



lenging terrain.

The heavy downpour resulted in landslides on important roads to include Rajouri - Poonch NH 144 A. The teams immediately moved to site and cleared landslide to ensure movement of critical resources, essential services, and local populace. The roads leading from Reasi to Mahore and Rajouri to Budhal and further to Mahore and Gul experienced many land-

slides. One diversion created at Badora nallah was also washed away in heavy flow of water. The monsoon preparedness ensured quick deployment of resources at already identified critical locations. The various arteries in forward locations were also immediately restored to ensure timely movement of security forces. At Baodra nallah, based on past experience a 200 feet Bailey Bridge has already been launched

allowing smooth movement of traffic thereby, devoiding cutting off the areas of Mahore from Rajouri and Budhal.

The unrelenting rains caused heavy damage to road infrastructure and equipment deployed by the teams of contractors working on Rajouri-Thanamandi road and NH 144 site location in Poonch and other locations. Overcoming the issue, the teams stood resolved in ensuring road connectivity. Working tirelessly under hazardous conditions, BRO teams successfully removed debris, stabilised vulnerable stretches and restored traffic on the affected routes in the shortest possible time. Their prompt action ensured that critical road links remained operational, facilitating the movement of security forces, emergency responders and essential supplies to the affected areas.