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**Sinha pays tributes to Kargil war martyrs**

LG Manoj Sinha on Friday paid tributes to the martyrs of the 1999 Kargil war.

"On the 25th anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas, I pay my humble tributes to the brave armed forces personnel, who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of the motherland during India's victory in 'Operation Vijay'," he posted on X.

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**Construction of GMCs in 4 distts approved**

The Administrative Council, which met here under the chairmanship of LG Manoj Sinha, accorded sanction for the construction works of Government Medical Colleges in the four districts of Kathua, Doda, Anantnag and Baramulla.

The proposals were revised keeping in view the constraints like distance, location specific designs and development of land.

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**Govt nod to raising facilities for staff, students at dental hospital**

The Administrative Council, which met here under the chairmanship of LG Manoj Sinha, gave its nod to the construction of facilities for staff and students at Indira Gandhi Government Dental Hospital (IGGDH) at Amphala here.

The AC approved taking up construction of hostel for PG boys, hostel for PG girls, bedroom apartment for married PG students, hostel for UG boys, hostel for UG girls, teaching staff quarters, guest house, parking, indoor sports hall, non-teaching staff quarters, development of

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**Drone-dropped pistol, bullets seized**

**Himalayan Mail News JAMMU, JULY 26**

Security forces today seized a drone-dropped consignment of a pistol and bullets from border Sehar village in Nowshera sub-sector of Rajouri.

A drone was sighted near the LoC in Mangla battalion area late last night, following which troops fired at it but it flew back to PoJK without being bit by the bullets, officials said.

A massive search operation was launched in Sehar

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**NEET UG revised results out**

**NEW DELHI, JULY 26:** The National Testing Agency (NTA) released the revised scorecards for the NEET-UG 2024 exam today, following a Supreme Court directive.

Students can access their updated NEET-UG 2024 results on the official website, exams.nta.ac.in.

The revised final result followed a Supreme Court directive to retract compensatory marks awarded to some students for a Physics question. The NTA previously granted extra marks due to an error in an old class 12 NCERT science

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## Pak using terror, proxy wars to stay relevant: Modi

**Targets Oppn over Agnipath**

**DRASS (LADAKH), JULY 26:** In a stern warning to Islamabad on the 25th anniversary of India's victory in the Kargil conflict, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said Pakistan has been trying to stay relevant by using terrorism and proxy wars and Indian soldiers will crush all its terror attempts with full force. He also targeted opposition over Agnipath scheme, saying the aim of scheme was to keep Army continuously fit for war.

"Falsehood and terror were brought down to their knees by truth in the 1999 war," he said in his address on Kargil Vijay Diwas here to mark the 25th anniversary of victory in Kargil war.

He also noted that Pakistan had not learnt anything from its past.

"Today, I am speaking at a place from where the masters of terror can hear my voice directly. I want to tell these patrons of terrorism that their nefarious intentions will never succeed," Modi said in the presence of India's top military brass.

Condemning terrorism, Modi said Pakistan has always faced defeat in the past and asserted that the evil in-



tentions of terrorists will never be fulfilled.

"Pakistan has not learnt anything from its past and has continued to wage war in the garb of terrorism and proxy wars to stay relevant," he said.

"Our bravehearts will trample all the terror attempts," Modi asserted.

The prime minister also paid glowing tributes to soldiers who had made supreme sacrifices in the Kargil war.

"In Kargil, we not only won the war, we presented an incredible example of truth, restraint and strength," he remarked.

Kargil Vijay Diwas, the prime minister said, reminds us that the sacrifices made for the nation are immortal.

"The nation is forever indebted and

deeply grateful to the mighty superheroes of our armed forces," Modi said.

On July 26, 1999, the Indian Army announced the successful culmination of Operation Vijay, declaring victory after a nearly three-month battle on the icy heights of Kargil in Ladakh. The day is observed as Kargil Vijay Diwas to commemorate India's victory over Pakistan.

In his remarks at the Shradhdhanjali Samaroh, Modi said the victory in Kargil war was not of any government or any party.

"This victory belongs to the country."

Recalling the days of the Kargil war, Modi said he was fortunate to be amidst soldiers back then and added that he still remembers how the soldiers carried out a difficult operation at such a height.

"I salute the brave sons of the country who made the supreme sacrifice to protect the motherland," he said.

"India will overcome all challenges that come in the way of development, be it Ladakh or Jammu and Kashmir," he said.

The abrogation of Article 370, Modi reminded, will complete five years on

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## 'Unprecedented fiscal mismanagement'

### Congress slams govt over J&K Budget

**NEW DELHI, JULY 26:** Days after the Budget for Jammu and Kashmir was presented in Parliament, the Congress on Friday accused the government of "unprecedented fiscal mismanagement" and asked why Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman was "benevolent" to Andhra Pradesh and Bihar but not to the Union territory.

Congress general secretary in-charge of communications Jairam Ramesh

said that on July 23, Sitharaman presented the Budget for Jammu and Kashmir in Parliament.

"The present Finance Minister has the dubious distinction of being the only Finance Minister of India who has presented six state budgets, since the Union government has refused to hold Assembly Elections since the dissolution of the J&K Legislative Assembly in November 2018," Ramesh said in a statement.

"It is our sincere hope that the next J&K budget is presented in the J&K legislature, by an elected Finance Minister, and discussed by legislators elected by the people of J&K," he said.

The tragedy of the Union finance minister's presentation of the Budget aside, the Budget documents also reveal some astonishing details, Ramesh claimed.

"The FM got approval from Parliament to borrow

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**Soldiers displayed ultimate valour during Kargil war: Shah**



**NEW DELHI, JULY 26:** Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday said Indian soldiers displayed the ultimate valour in the inaccessible hills of the Himalayas during the Kargil War and forced the enemy army to kneel.

Kargil Vijay Diwas is a symbol of the unwavering

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**Industrial Land Allotment Policy ammended**

**Himalayan Mail News JAMMU, JULY 26**

The Administrative Council, which met here under the chairmanship of LG Manoj Sinha, approved amendments in the Jammu and Kashmir Industrial Land Allotment Policy 2021-30.

Firming up the changes, the Industries and Commerce Department has included views and comments from stakeholders for effectiveness in updation of existing policy.

Based upon feedbacks,

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**Property of narco-terrorist attached**

**Himalayan Mail News JAMMU, JULY 26**

In a crackdown on narco-terrorism, the State Investigative Agency (SIA) has attached the property of narco-terrorist Mohammad Liyaqat who was currently evading arrest.

The attached property raised on 1 kanal 9 marlas is situated at Khari Karmara in Poonch district, according to officials.

The action follows an FIR registered against him at Poonch police station under section 83 of Criminal Procedure Code

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## BIMSTEC meeting

### Doval speaks of combating terrorism, drug trafficking

**NAYPPITAW (MYANMAR), JULY 26:**

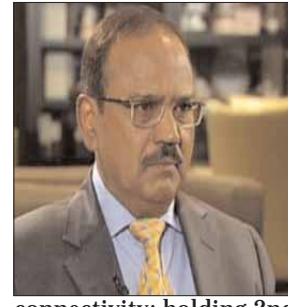
Speaking at the 4th Annual Meeting of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) Security Chiefs in Myanmar's capital city Naypyitaw, National Security Advisor Ajit Doval on Friday spoke on strengthening cooperation in counter-terrorism and combating drug trafficking.

As a leader of the Indian delegation at the meeting, Doval delivered India's national statement where he spoke about strengthening cooperation in counter-terrorism and combating drug trafficking and organized crime.

In a post on X, the Indian embassy in Myanmar said, "NSA delivered India's national statement at #BIMSTEC meet. He spoke on strengthening cooperation in counter-terrorism; combating drug trafficking, arms smuggling and organized crime; BIMSTEC

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Doval met the Myanmar National Security Advisor Admiral Moe Aung on Thursday and BIMSTEC Security Chiefs called on Prime Minister Senior

General Min Aung Hlaing. In a post on X, the Indian Embassy in Myanmar said, "NSA Shri Ajit Doval is leading the Indian delegation at the 4th Annual Meeting of #BIMSTEC Security Chiefs being held in Naypyitaw today. He met with the Myanmar NSA Admiral Moe Aung yesterday, and BIMSTEC Security Chiefs called on Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing."

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## AC approves transfer of land for development of industrial estates

The Administrative Council, which met here under the chairmanship of LG Manoj Sinha, approved proposals for transfer of different categories of land for development of Industrial Estates in various districts of Jammu and Kashmir.

A total of 3,188 kanals and 8 marlas of land was transferred to the Industries and Commerce Department for the said purpose.

The transferred land par-

cel includes 114 kanals and 3 marlas in Kupwara district, 1,000 kanals in Bandipora district, 1,094 kanals and 16 marlas in Anantnag district, 375 kanals and 06 marlas in Pulwama district, 240 kanals in Baramulla district, and 364 kanals and 3 marlas in Budgam district.

It is pertinent to mention here that the development of industrial infrastructures has been a focus area post-2019 and has been considered as main vehicle for accelerating economic activity, besides providing employment to unemployed youth & skilled

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workers. Industries & Commerce Department has come up with various initiatives for setting up industries in the UT of J&K. In order to carry out activities effectively for attracting investment, the main requirement is to make land available to the Industries & Commerce Department.

The land transferred thus, shall enable establishing Industrial Estates for overall development of the area and creation of various employment opportunities.

LG's advisor Rajeev Rai

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## Explore possibility to table Shah Commission report on Emergency: Dhankhar

**NEW DELHI, JULY 26:** Rajya Sabha Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar on Friday asked the government to explore the possibility of placing an authentic copy of the Shah Commission report on Emergency excesses on the table of the House, as it had investigated the "darkest period of democracy".

The Shah Commission report relates to atrocities committed during the Emergency imposed in 1975.

During the Zero Hour, Dhankhar asked the government to take note of the issue raised by Deepak



Prakash, a BJP MP from Jharkhand, regarding the matter relating to the Shah Commission report.

"The government must examine the possibility of having the authentic report (of Shah Commission) and place it on the table of the

House for the benefit of the members and public at large," he said.

The Shah Commission was set up to investigate the 'darkest period of democracy' and the report relates to atrocities committed during the Emergency imposed in 1975, he noted.

Earlier raising the issue, Prakash said, the Shah Commission, which was set up in 1977, conducted 100 sittings and evaluated 48,000 documents.

The final report was presented on August 6, 1978.

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## HC appointments Over 200 proposals sent by collegiums at various stages

**NEW DELHI, JULY 26:** Over 200 proposals sent by various high court collegiums for high court judgeship are at various stages of processing, the Lok Sabha was told on Friday.

In a written reply, Law Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal also cited an opinion of the Supreme Court Collegium that expression of views by a candidate does not disentitle him or her to hold a constitutional office so long as the person proposed for judgeship is a person of competence, merit

and integrity.

There have been instances in the past where the government had either held back or returned to the collegium for consideration names of persons who had expressed their views on various issues as advocates.

Meghwal told the House that the government, as an important stakeholder in the process of appointment of Judges in the high courts and as laid down in the Memorandum of Procedure, provides inputs which mainly contain information

on the suitability, competence and integrity of the candidates under consideration for appointment to high constitutional post in the judiciary.

The recommendations along with inputs are then submitted to the SC Collegium for advice.

As per the procedure, the high court collegiums send their recommendations to the Department of Justice in the law ministry which adds inputs on the candidate along with IB reports and

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## India replaces China as Chair of Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre

**NEW DELHI, JULY 26:** India on Friday assumed the Chair of the Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC) with a promise that the country will play a global and regional leadership role in the field of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), officials in the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) said.

The officials said that India has taken over as the ADPC Chair as China's tenure comes to an end. "Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India is

playing a global and regional leadership role in the field of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and the country has taken a number of global initiatives in this direction, especially in establishing an international Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)," a senior MHA official said.

As a representative of the central government, Rajendra Singh, Member & HoD, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), has taken over the Chair of

Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC) from China for the year 2024-25 in Bangkok on Thursday, the official further said.

ADPC is an autonomous international organisation for cooperation in and implementation of disaster risk reduction and building climate resilience in Asia and the Pacific region.

India and eight other countries in the region -- Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka and

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