



Police advisory for Amarnath pilgrims

Police in Kashmir have issued an advisory for Amarnath pilgrims, urging them to travel only in designated convoys.

The 38-day pilgrimage commenced on Thursday and is taking place against the backdrop of April 22 Pahalgam terror attack that left 25 Hindu holidayers and a local dead.

In a post in X, Kashmir zone police said, "Advisory for yatris of Shri Amarnathji Yatra. All the pilgrims are advised to travel only in designated convoys

Chargesheet filed against 'doctor'

The Economic Offences Wing of crime branch, Kashmir, has filed a chargesheet in the court of chief judicial magistrate, Srinagar, against a Srinagar resident accused of securing employment at a government hospital using forged medical credentials.

According to officials, the chargesheet, filed under sections 420, 467, 468, 471 and 201 of RPC was submitted against Numan Farooq Wani, son of Fa

Grievance cell set up at PCR for terror victims

A zonal level grievance cell has been established at Police Control Room, Kashmir, for victims of terrorism in the valley.

"Kashmir Zone police has established a zonal-level Grievance Cell at the Police Control Room (PCR), Kashmir. The cell aims to address the grievances of terrorism-affected families in the valley by providing structured institutional support," officials said.

The grievance cell shall operate six days a week (Monday to Saturday) from 10 am to 6 pm, the officials added.

Union Minister Shobha Karandlaje joins Amarnath pilgrims



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Union Minister Shobha Karandlaje today visited the Amarnath Yatra base camp at Baltal and expressed her joy over the spiritual journey and the ongoing development

No insurance for rash driving deaths: SC

NEW DELHI, JULY 03: The Supreme Court has said that insurance companies are not liable to pay compensation to the families of individuals who die as a result of their own rash and reckless driving.

A bench of Justices PS Narasimha and R Mahadevan refused to grant 80 lakh compensation sought by the wife, son and parents of a man who died while driving a car at high speed.

The top court refused to interfere with the Karnataka High Court's order dated November 23 last

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Modi pushes for effective reforms in global governance

Says strong India will contribute to more stable, prosperous world

>Becomes first Indian Prime Minister to address Ghana Parliament

ACCRA, JULY 03: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday said a strong India would contribute to a more stable and prosperous world as he pushed for credible and effective reforms in global governance in the wake of changing circumstances.

In his address to the Parliament in Ghana, he also said that progress cannot come without giving voice to the Global South.

"In these times of global uncertainty, India's democratic stability shines as a ray of hope. India's rapid progress is a catalyst for global growth. As the world's largest democracy, India is a pillar of strength for the world. A strong India will contribute to a more stable and prosperous world," the prime minister said.



Noting that India is the fastest-growing emerging economy, Modi said that on the foundations of stable polity and governance, India will soon become the third-largest economy.

"We already contribute nearly 16% to global growth. Our demography is paying its dividend. India now has the world's third-largest start-up ecosystem. India is an innovation and technology hub, where global companies want to converge," he said.

The Prime Minister underlined that the world order created after World War II is changing fast. "The revolution in technology, the rise of the Global South, and the shifting demographics are contributing to its pace and scale," he said.

"The world is also facing new and complex crises such as climate change, pandemics, terrorism, and cybersecurity. Institutions created in the last century

are struggling to respond. The changing circumstances demand credible and effective reforms in global governance," he added.

He said progress cannot come without giving voice to the Global South. "We need more than slogans. We need action. That is why, during India's G20 Presidency, we worked with the vision - One Earth, One Family, One Future," he added.

"We put emphasis on Africa's rightful place at the global high table. We are proud that the African Union became a permanent member of the G20 during our Presidency," he said.

The Prime Minister said India "remains a committed partner" in Africa's development journey. "We support Africa's Development Framework, Agenda 2063, to secure a bright and sustainable future for its people."

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Ops continues in Kishtwar woods

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A search operation, which was launched yesterday by security forces in Kuchal woods of Chatroo, Kishtwar, to track down two to three terrorists, said to be hiding in the area, continued throughout the day today.

The operation was launched by forces following a brief encounter with terrorists in the woods at about 7.30 pm on Wednesday. One terrorist was said to have been injured in the exchange of fire but there was no offi

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Suse posted as MD JPDCL; 3 JKAS officers transferred, posted

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The government today posted Shrikant Balasaheb Suse as Managing Director of Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Limited (JPDCCL), besides ordering the transfers and postings of three JKAS officers.

"In the interest of administration, Shrikant Balasaheb Suse, consequent upon his transfer to the Union

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Message conveyed with clarity: EAM on objective of Op Sindoor

NEW YORK/WASHINGTON, JULY 03: Operation Sindoor conveyed to the world with great clarity that India will act against terrorism, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said in a statement in line with the UN Security Council calling for those responsible for the Pahalgam attacks to be brought to justice.

"What is important for us in the Quad statement, as also the statement that the Security Council had issued on April 25, is that the perpetrators of terrorism must be held accountable. They must be brought to justice," Jaishankar said during a press conference in Washington.

"And that's important because we then have to communicate to the world what we did. On May 7, the objective of Operation Sindoor is that if there are terrorist attacks, we will act against the perpetrators, the supporters, the financiers, and the enablers. So that message, I think, was conveyed with great clarity," he said.



A joint statement issued by Quad Foreign Ministers- Jaishankar, U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio, Foreign Minister of Australia Penny Wong, and Japanese Foreign Minister Takeshi Iwaya- unequivocally condemned all acts of terrorism and violent extremism in all their forms and manifestations, including cross-border terrorism.

The Quad Foreign Ministers condemned in the "strongest terms" the April 22 terrorist attack in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir, which left 26 people dead.

"We call for the perpetrators, organisers, and financiers of this reprehensible act to be brought to justice without any delay and urge all U.N. member states, in accordance with their obligations under in-

ternational law and relevant UNSCRs (UN Security Council resolutions), to cooperate actively with all relevant authorities in this regard," the joint statement said.

The U.N. Security Council press statement condemned the Pahalgam attack, with members of the Security Council underlining the need to hold perpetrators, organisers, financiers and sponsors of this reprehensible act of terrorism accountable and bringing them to justice.

The council members stressed that those responsible for these killings should be held accountable.

India had launched Operation Sindoor targeting terror infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir in retaliation for the Pahalgam attack, whose responsibility was claimed by The Resistance Front (TRF), a front for Pakistan-based terrorist group Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT).

Mr. Jaishankar said he

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Shri Amarnathji Yatra Second batch of 5,246 pilgrims leaves for holy cave shrine

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Amid tight security, the second batch of 5,246 pilgrims left Bhagwati Nagar base camp here this morning for the holy cave shrine of Baba Amarnath in South Kashmir Himalayas.

The 38-day pilgrimage to the 3,880-mt-high shrine commenced on Thursday via the twin tracks - the traditional 48-km-long Nunwan-Pahalgam route in Anantnag district and the 14-km shorter but steeper Baltal route in Ganderbal district. The yatra will conclude on August 9.

The pilgrims left the Bhagwati Nagar base camp in a cavalcade of 168 vehicles

escorted by police and central paramilitary forces.

"With this, the number of pilgrims who have in two days left for the shrine from the Jammu base camp has reached 11,138," officials said.

The second batch of pilgrims includes 4,074 men, 786 women and 19 children.

A group of pilgrims on way to the shrine said they were not deterred by the April 22 Pahalgam attack that left 26 people dead. "We do not fear terrorists or Pakistan, which has engineered attacks on innocent and unarmed tourists. It is a cowardly act. They cannot stop us from paying obeisance at Baba Barfani by triggering fear through terror incidents," a pilgrim

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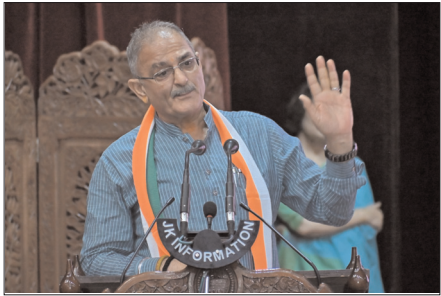
India will continue to lead charge against terror: Kavinder

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Senior BJP leader and ex-deputy CM Kavinder Gupta today said that India would continue to lead the charge against terror, with global partners standing in solidarity.

"The days of tolerance towards terrorism are over," he said while welcoming the strong message issued by the Quad grouping over the recent Pahalgam terror attack.

A joint statement released by the Quad foreign ministers from India, the United States, Australia, and Japan, during their meeting in Washington, unequivocally



condemned the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack. The statement called for the perpetrators, organisers, and financiers of the attack to be brought to justice without delay, urging all UN member states to cooperate in line with international law and rele

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Has enhanced profile of Jammu amplified its voice ?

Sahil Mahajan

These are interesting times : train from Katra to Srinagar is chugging along since June 6 when Prime Minister Narendra Modi flagged off. It will start running from Jammu from September; Amarnath Yatra will see pilgrims on their way to cave shrine in security covered and escorted convoys . This is transformation in Jammu's profile . The new educational and professional institutions , from IIM, IIT and Central University have enriched the profile of Jammu.

Indeed, it has .

But if there still is a feeling of neglect and that too when an elected government is dominating the political and eco-

nomic horizon , it should lead to the question , why ? This is a very critical issue: Are the people of Jammu an ever-grumbling lot , or do they refuse to recognize the dynamics of the democracy that the party or the parties with majority are mandated to rule , or, is Jammu having its own bias against others whom they did not elect.

A bit of all this is true. This also is true that there exists a perennial perception that Jammu has been squeezed further in the recent past as its voice is not being heard, and whenever it makes a plea that gets delayed response or not at all. It is a recipe of frustration , which cannot be removed anytime soon unless there is a sincere reality check

Before proceeding further , it needs to be understood that

right from 1947, Jammu has been made part of the conflict that is now part of Jammu and Kashmir. While there is an element of truth that Pakistan-backed tribesmen invaded the princely state and Jammu became part of their target. It had to fight back the invaders . It did . It also saved the territory that the Indian Army was able to claim after the instrument of accession was signed The wars of 1965 and 1971 were fought on its borders, so it became a part of these wars. Kargil war, fought in Himalayas in Ladakh, also involved the region – the borders became hot, border residents had to migrate , and a new economic burden surfaced.

Kashmir conflict , owing to Pakistan sponsored terrorism with the support of some of the

traditional anti-India and pro-Pakistan individuals and groups , erupted in late 1989 . It has been going on since , though brakes have been applied with strong counter-terrorism measures initiated and sustained by the Central Government after the constitutional changes were made in August 2019 . There were credible and visible changes . Jammu, however, could not become part of that, because it had already fought and defeated terrorism on its own. There was a sprinkling of terror attacks beginning 2022.

The migration of Kashmiri Hindus from the Valley created another situation for the region. It is now more than 36-year old history of Jammu's extraordinary hospitality toward the migrants . They were not

simply hosted , Jammu shared with them their economic resources, jobs and cultural space . They are Indians, so it was duty of the people of Jammu to help fellow Indians. Kashmiri Pandits were hounded out of the Valley because they represented and stood for India.

Political leaders of all hues keep on mentioning this unique spirit of hospitality all the time , but that has not moved beyond the lip service. Jammu's share in politics, economic opportunities and jobs should have been increased automatically . That did not happen . Kashmir suffered a lot during all these decades of terrorism , Jammu suffered equally

This , in itself should have been the reason for the Centre and the local governments to

do the hand holding of Jammu to give it a sense of equal justice . The Central Government has undertaken some of the revolutionary projects in Jammu and Kashmir. Only the other day, Centre announced Rs. 10,637 crore road and tunnel projects . Jammu was looking at its share . It was told look at the proposed tunnel of Pir ki Gali . The tunnel on the Mughal road is a necessity. When constructed , it will improve connectivity between south Kashmir and Rajouri-Poonch districts. But the people had expected something regarding tunnels in Kishtwar and Doda .

Jammu has a feeling of being discriminated against. It is deepening , and this is not good for polity . The men who matter must ponder and include Jammu in the growth story of