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IMD issues advisories as temperatures soar

With temperatures rising across several regions, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) today released detailed heat-wave guidelines and advisories. These include avoiding prolonged exposure to direct sunlight, especially during peak afternoon hours, staying adequately hydrated, wearing light and breathable clothing, and avoiding strenuous outdoor activities during high-temperature peri

Properties of narco-smugglers attached

Police today attached Rs 3.5 cr worth properties belonging to narcotics smugglers in the valley. According to officials, Sangam police station attached two immovable properties linked to two accused - Shakeel Ahmad Ganie & Farooq Ahmad Mir, both residents of Noorbagh's Kreshbal - under section 68F of NDPS Act.

Digital devices recovered from Srinagar jail

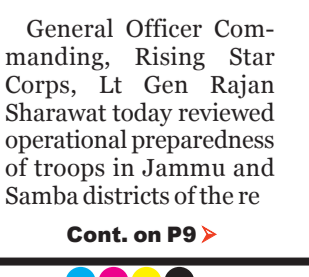
The Counter Intelligence wing of police today recovered various digital communication devices and incriminating material from inside Srinagar Central Jail while conducting searches in a terror-linked case. The case is registered under various sections of the erstwhile Indian Penal Code and the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA). Acting on credible inputs indicating the presence of suspicious digital signatures within the Srinagar central jail

Govt reconstitutes Niti Aayog

NEW DELHI, APR 25: The government has reconstituted the Niti Aayog, appointing Ashok Kumar Lahiri as vice chairman and five full-time members, including economist KV Raju, Director of AIIMS M Srinivas and Abhay Karandikar, Secretary, Department of Science and Technology. Making the announcement, Prime Minister Narendra Modi wished a productive and impactful tenure to Lahiri and the new full-time members, including scientist Gobardhan Das and former cabinet secretary Rajiv Gauba.

Rising Star Corps GOC reviews operational preparedness

General Officer Commanding, Rising Star Corps, Lt Gen Rajan Sharawat today reviewed operational preparedness of troops in Jammu and Samba districts of the



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When people stand united, history bows, says LG Sinha

Joins people's movement against drugs at Samba

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LG Manoj Sinha, who today joined a massive rally taken out in Samba town of Jammu under the 100-day 'Drug-Free J&K Campaign', emphasised that collective action had the power to alter the course of events, overcome impossible challenges, and reshape the future.

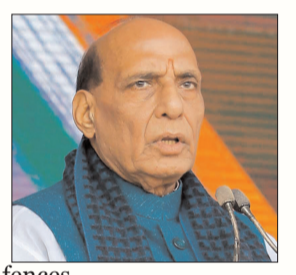
"This 100-day movement will inspire future generations and stand as proof that when people rise as one, they can change history," he said in his address after taking part in the rally. "I assure citizens that we will strike hard against drug networks. Yet this fight cannot be won by law alone, it must be won within society through awareness, cooperation, and collective effort. We are building a Jammu & Kashmir where drugs have no place," the LG said.



He said every Panchayat must be drug-free, and every police station must be free of drug traffickers. "Success in the next 85 days will not be measured by marches or slogans, but by how deeply the drug menace is cleaned out from villages and city neighborhoods. Weekly outcomes must be clear-how many people were rehabilitated, how many smugglers prosecuted, how many fake centers shut down, how many cases registered, how much contraband seized, and how many women's committees formed in panchayats and city wards," he said. "The continuous auditing of drug-free J&K campaign is essential. Deputy Commissioners, SSPs and other enforcement agencies must review weekly marches and programmes to ensure this

'Big promise' Will fence borders, implement CAA if BJP forms govt in WB: Rajnath

NEW DELHI, APR 25: Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday declared that Bharatiya Janata Party would "fence the borders" of West Bengal and implement Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) if it rose to power there. Asked about West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee's opposition against the BJP closing off the state's borders, he reiterated that the saffron party would win in the state, and that it would acquire land to erect the



fences. "When I was Home Minister, I personally asked for land to complete the border fencing. At that time, she was not ready to provide it. The land must be provided for national security," Rajnath said.

This comes after the end of the first phase of elections in the state came to an end on April 23, with the state seeing a record voter turnout of 92.35 per cent for the 3.6-cr electorate-touted as the highest in the state since Independence. Speaking at a rally at Sonarpur Uttar in the South 24 Parganas district, he reiterated the BJP's claims of the TMC being on its way out in the state, and said that the saffron

As Araghchi leaves, Trump cancels US negotiators' trip to Pak

WASHINGTON/ISLAMABAD, APR 25: As Iran's foreign minister Abbas Araghchi left Islamabad on Saturday evening before any sign that US envoys had even arrived for indirect talks on the fragile ceasefire, Donald Trump cancelled US negotiators' trip to Pakistan. Araghchi was seen off at an airport, officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity because they were not authorised to speak to the media. He had met with Pakistani Army Chief Field Marshal Asim Munir and

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif about what he called Iran's red lines for negotiations, and said Tehran would engage with Pakistan's mediation efforts "until a result is achieved." An open-ended ceasefire has paused most fighting, but the economic fallout grows with global shipments of oil, liquefied natural gas, fertilizer and other supplies disrupted by the near-closure of the Strait of Hormuz. Iranian officials have openly asked how they can trust the US after talks last year and early this year

over Tehran's nuclear program ended with it being attacked by the US and Israel. Islamabad had been in near-lockdown ahead of the expected talks. Pakistan has been trying to get U.S. and Iran back to the table since Trump this week announced an indefinite extension of the ceasefire, honoring Islamabad's request for more diplomatic outreach. The White House on Friday said Trump was sending Witkoff and Kushner to

6 Pak nationals get 20 yrs prison for smuggling heroin

NEW DELHI, APR 25: A special Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) court in Gujarat's Bhuj has sentenced six Pakistan nationals to 20 years of rigorous imprisonment each for smuggling approximately 77 kg of heroin, valued at ₹384.68 crore, into Indian maritime waters in December 2021. The court also imposed a fine of Rs 2 lakh each on the accused people. The convicts are: Mohammad Imran Mohammad Tariq Vagher, 31; Danis Mohammad Husen

Kutchi Vagher, 24; Sagar Mohammad Kutchi Vagher, 23; Ismail Ibrahim Barala, 75; Mohammad Sajid Mohammad Husen Yakublala Kungra, 24; and Ashfaq Mohammad Ishaq Vagher, 26, all residents of Karachi, Pakistan. The judgment was delivered by sixth additional district judge VA Buddha. District government pleader HB Jadeja, who appeared for the prosecution, said the court held that such acts of supplying narcotic substances cannot be treated as ordinary offences and that the accused

were part of a planned operation. He said the court observed that large-scale drug trafficking affects not only individuals but also the nation's structure and internal security. During the trial, the prosecution placed 203 documentary evidences and examined 13 witnesses, he said adding that the court convicted all six accused and awarded 20 years' rigorous imprisonment along with a fine of ₹2 lakh each. The case relates to an operation in December 2021

MEA Secy holds talks with UNGA Prez on fight against terrorism

UNITED NATIONS, APR 25: Secretary (West) in the Ministry of External Affairs, Sibi George today met with Annalena Baerbock, President of the United Nations General Assembly, and discussed several issues, including reformed multilateralism and global fight against terrorism. The meeting came ahead of Baerbock's visit to India next week. George had a "productive meeting" with the top UN official "on diverse issues, including peace and security, development, reformed multilateralism and the global fight against terrorism," MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said in a post on X. Baerbock will undertake official duty travel to New Delhi and Beijing next week, spokesperson for the General Assembly President, La Neice Collins, said.

While in India, Baerbock will hold "multiple bilateral meetings with various government officials," as well as meet with the UN country team in India led by UN Resident Coordinator Stefan Priesner. George also met Alexandre Zouev, Acting Under-Secretary-General for Counter-Terrorism, and discussed India's strong cooperation with United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism in countering the threat of terrorism, Jaiswal said in another post on X. "He thanked India for its longstanding role in global Counter-Terrorism efforts, including support to UN-OCT capacity building programmes," the UNOCT said in a post on X. Earlier this week, George met UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres and underscored India's strong commitment to multilateralism. He also held a series of discussions with top UN

officials and addressed key meetings where he highlighted the need for greater representation in the permanent membership of the Security Council, particularly of countries from the Global South. India has reiterated its strong commitment to multilateralism and called for greater representation of the Global South during a high-level meeting at the United Nations. According to Jaiswal, George had also met the United Nations Secretary General, Antonio Guterres, to discuss key global issues, including UN reforms. In a post on X, Jaiswal said, 'Secretary (West) Sibi George called on Secretary-General Antonio Guterres of the UN.' He added, 'Secretary (West) underscored India's strong commitment to multilateralism.' The spokesperson said that both exchanged views on UN reforms and im

Jammu sizzles at 39.5 Deg C

Himalayan Mail News JAMMU, APR 25 As severe heatwave conditions gripped the plains, Jammu today sweltered, with the City of Temples recording a high of 39.5 degrees Celsius - 5.1 notches above normal. The minimum temperature in the city also remained above average at 22.8 degrees Celsius, 2.0 degrees above normal, a meteorological department spokesperson said. Katra town, the base camp for pilgrims visiting

'Chintan Shivir' Becoming global sporting powerhouse must not remain on paper: Mandaviya

Himalayan Mail News JAMMU, APR 25 Union Sports Minister Mansukh Mandaviya, who today chaired Chintan Shivir of Ministers of Youth Affairs & Sports in Srinagar, said the roadmap to becoming a global sporting powerhouse must not remain on paper only but it should come alive in every playground. "Our 10-year roadmap to becoming a global sporting powerhouse must not re-



main on paper, it must come alive in every playground, every district, and every young dream," he said in his inaugural address. The 'Chintan Shivir' of Ministers of Youth Affairs & Sports of states and

Union Territories commenced in Srinagar with focused deliberations on strengthening India's sports ecosystem through coordinated action, systemic reforms, policy convergence, and grassroots execution. On the occasion, Mandaviya set the tone for the deliberations by emphasising that India's sporting ambitions would be realised through execution on the ground. LG Manoj Sinha also at

Former judges reservoir of wisdom: CJI

JAIPUR, APR 25: Chief Justice of India Justice Surya Kant on Saturday said the judiciary and its allied institutions enjoy deep public trust and it is their responsibility to preserve and strengthen this faith. Addressing a programme organised by the

Prepare action plan to implement guidelines for ICUs: SC to states

NEW DELHI, APR 25: The Supreme Court has asked all the states and Union Territories to prepare a "realistic and practical" action plan to implement the guidelines necessary as a minimum standard for intensive care units (ICUs). The apex court was informed that "Guidelines for Organisation and Delivery of Intensive Care Services", on which there is consensus and which is practical, implementable and necessary as a minimum standard for an ICU, has been prepared.

A bench of Justices Ah-sanuddin Amanullah and R Mahadevan said copies of the guidelines should be shared with all the states and UTs. "Moving further, as an immediate measure, let all the additional chief secretaries/secretaries ... heading the department of health and medical education in the states and the UTs, convene a meeting of all experts involved in this exercise to prepare an action plan for implementation of the guidelines. Such a plan shall be realistic and practical," the bench said

in its April 20 order. The top court was hearing a matter relating to healthcare services, including guidelines for the treatment of patients in the ICU or critical care unit. The bench said five basic issues shall be identified and prioritised in the first instance. "The challenge ... lies in determining what ought to be treated as absolutely essential and mandatory; accordingly, an initial list of five basic requirements, in terms of priority, relating to both manpower and

BJP washing machine back: Congress

NEW DELHI, APR 25: Congress today took a sharp dig at the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), reviving the "washing machine" metaphor after reports that several Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Rajya Sabha MPs had switched sides to the ruling party. Reacting on social media platform X, Congress leader Jairam Ramesh said leaders who had long projected themselves as symbols of "virtue, integrity and ideology" had been "brutally exposed," alleging that the BJP's political outreach mechanism was once again on display.

EC asks WB govt to suspend 5 police personnel for 'serious misconduct'

NEW DELHI, APR 25: The West Bengal government has been directed by the Election Commission (EC) to suspend five police officials in Diamond Harbour and take disciplinary action against them, for "serious misconduct" and allegedly failing to maintain neutrality during the assembly polls. The poll body informed the state chief secretary that the action was recommended on the basis of a report submitted by the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of West Bengal about the conduct of the

concerned police personnel. The officers to be suspended are Additional Superintendent of Police Sandip Garai, SDPO Sajal Mondal, Diamond Harbour police station's inspector-in-charge Mausam Chakraborty, Falta police station inspector-in-charge Ajay Bag and Usthi police station officer-in-charge Subhechha Bag. "After considering the facts and circumstances of the matter, the commission directs that these officers may be suspended forthwith and disciplinary pro-

ceedings be initiated for their serious misconduct and failure to maintain neutrality during West Bengal Legislative Elections 2026," the EC said in its order dated April 24. The poll panel further asked the state government to send a report on Additional Superintendent of Police Garai, an IPS officer, to his cadre controlling authority in the Ministry of Home Affairs. In the same order, the poll panel asked the state government to issue a warning to Diamond Har