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Rains, thunderstorms likely

The weather department today forecast generally cloudy weather with intermittent rains, thunderstorms, lightning and gusty winds across Jammu and Kashmir over the next several days.

It said that on June 17, the weather was expected to remain partly to generally cloudy with light rains, brief intense showers, thunder, lightning and gusty winds at many places, particularly during the afternoon hours.

2 killed in car accident

A car today skidded off the road and fell into a deep gorge near Gujjar Sumbal on the Aru valley road in Pahalgam area of Kashmir's Anantnag district, resulting in the death of its two occupants.

Officials said that an Alto car plunged into a gorge near Gujjar Sumbal after its driver failed to negotiate a sharp curve.

White Knight Corps GOC reviews security along LoC



White Knight Corps GOC, Lt Gen P K Mishra today visited forward areas along the Line of Control in Naushera sub-sector of Rajouri and took stock of the security situation and combat readiness of troops.

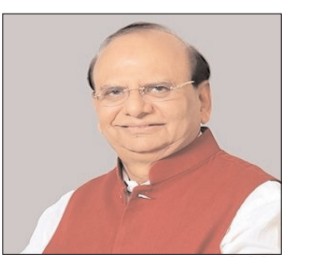
Accompanied by GOC, Ace of Spades Division, Maj Gen Kaushik Mukherjee, he also inter

Par Panel flags exam irregularities, seeks reforms

NEW DELHI, JUN 17: A Parliamentary Committee has expressed concern over continuing examination irregularities despite measures taken by the government, and recommended that the Ministry of Education publish a time-bound roadmap for implementing reforms suggested by a high-level panel.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports, headed by Rajya Sabha MP Digvijaya Singh, presented its 38th action taken report on the recommendations on

Saxena approves constitution of Pashmina Board



LEH, JUN 17: Ladakh LG Vinai Kumar Saxena has approved the setting up of Ladakh Pashmina Development Board.

The board is said to be the country's first dedicated body to promote Ladakhi Pashmina globally, thereby transforming the Pashmina value chain and empowering the pastoral communi

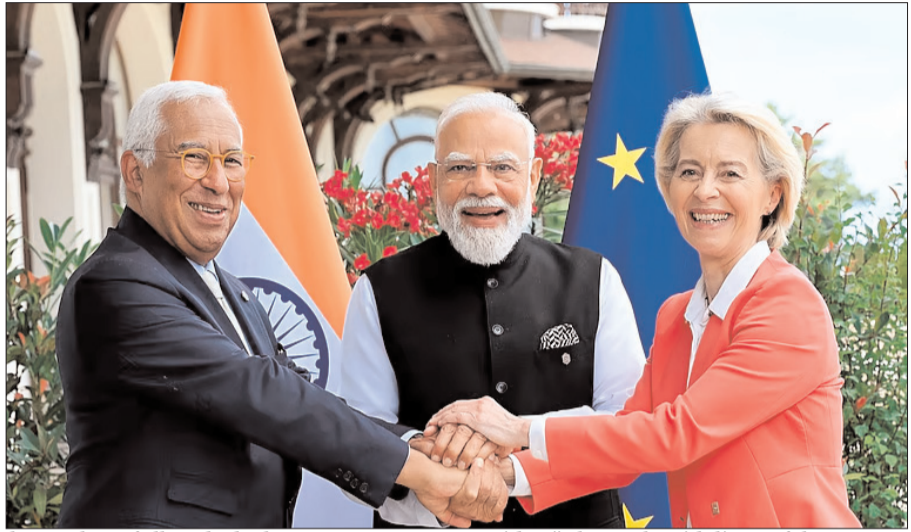
India, EU eye year-end FTA after Modi-Leyen talks

PM meets Merz on trade, defence

Says West Asia crisis hurting Global South

EVIAN-LES-BAINS (FRANCE), JUN 17: While Prime Minister Narendra Modi today emerged as the voice of Global South, saying the West Asia crisis was hurting it, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen said after talks with the PM on the sidelines of G7 summit that 'India and the European Union aim to conclude a long-awaited free trade agreement by the end of the year'.

The leaders also agreed to deepen cooperation in security and defence, underscoring efforts to strengthen strategic ties amid growing geopolitical uncertainty. The meeting was also attended by European Council President Antonio Costa.



the mother of all trade deals, we have been moving fast to deliver on our commitments. We will sign the Free Trade Agreement by the end of the year. And, accelerate work on an investment agreement," Von der Leyen said on social media.

"We will also step up security & defence cooperation. And join forces for better connectivity by advancing IMEC, the India-Middle East-Europe Corridor," she said.

the sidelines of the G7 summit in this French commune, the two leaders also exchanged views on the situation in West Asia and the Russia-Ukraine conflict.

Police bust major narco-terror network in Punjab

AK rifle, heroin, cash, vehicles seized

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In a major breakthrough, Jammu police have arrested three key operatives of an interstate narcotics syndicate from Amritsar, Punjab, and recovered a large cache of arms, ammunition, heroin, cash and vehicles during a coordinated operation.

The accused were identified as Surajdeep Singh alias Suraj of Jandiala, Harpreet Singh alias Raju, and Jaspreet.



According to officials, the arrests were made in connection with multiple cases registered at Miran Sahib police station, Bishnah police station, Nagrota police station and Gangyal police station.

28 newly promoted DSPs adjusted; 32 transferred, posted

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In a major reshuffle, the police headquarters has ordered the adjustment of 28 newly promoted DSPs, besides transferring and posting 32 others.

According to a PHQ order, Sanjay Gupta is adjusted as DSP CID SB, Ramban, Riyaz Mustafa as DSP CTC, Lethpora, Mir Zahid as DSP arms/ammunition, HQ, Arif Ahmad Anhangar as DSP STC, Sheeri, Ashwani Kumar as DSP ACB, Nasir Syed Kir-

mani as DSP CICE, Srinagar, Tahir Ahmad as DSP IT Crime, HQ, Iftikhar Ahmad Mir as DSP PTS, Manigam, Ramesh Kumar Pandita as DSP SKPA, Udhampur, Raj Kumar Dhar as DSP STC, Talwara, Sunil Kumar Ganjoo as DSP (A) CID HQ, Javaid Akhter as DSP 1 JKAP Women, Ajay Bhat as DSP 1 JKAP Border, Arun Kotwal as DSP STC, Talwara, Vijay Kotwal as DSP SIA, Jammu, Mohammad Araf as DSP 4 JKAP Sec, Shabir Ahmad as DSP 5 JKAP IR, Kulbir Singh as DSP 18 JKAP IR, Chaman Gorkha as DSP 7 JKAP Sec, Sanjeev Kumar as DSP CID CI (JIC), Jammu, Sunil Kumar as DSP 14 JKAP IR, Jag Jiwan Ram as DSP 1 JKAP IR, Naveen Angral as DSP Security Airport, Jammu, Som Raj as DSP 1 JKAP Border, Yog Raj as DSP 9 JKAP IR, Yasir Arfat as DSP 20 JKAP IR, Hargopal Singh as DSP 11 JKAP IR and Lateef Ahmad as DSP Railways, Kashmir.

NC won't sell its morals for power: Omar on TMC, Sena splits

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Asserting that NC would never compromise its principles or "sell its morals" for power, Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today said the party's ideology and commitment to the people could not be traded regardless of the changing political equations.

Reacting to the question of MPs from the Trinamool Congress (TMC) and Shiv Sena (UBT) backing NDA on certain issues, he said no offer or political



arrangement could persuade NC to abandon its core values. "No matter what is offered to us or who chooses to support NDA, NC will not sell its morals and val-

PDD Inspector terminated from service over 'terror links'

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The government has terminated the services of a Power Development Department (PDD) Inspector for his involvement in terror activities.

"Mohammad Shafi Malik (51) of Arwani, Bijbehara, has been dismissed from service," officials said.

Malik, a PDD Inspector, was presently posted at Hassanpora Tawella, Bijbehara. Several FIRs under different sections of law were registered against him at Bijbehara police station.

Officials said the government had adopted a zero-tolerance policy towards terrorism.

The action is part of an ongoing security crackdown launched in 2019, under which more than 80 government employees

have been dismissed by invoking Article 311(2)(c) of the Constitution, citing concerns of national security.

Over the past five years, LG Manoj Sinha has pursued a clear and focused strategy to dismantle the terrorist infrastructure in Jammu and Kashmir while enforcing a strict zero-tolerance policy against terrorists and their supporters.

On January 13, 2026, the LG's administration had terminated five government employees from the service and invoked special provisions of Article 311 against them for their terror links.

Officials said the employees were terminated after LG Sinha had invoked the provisions of Article 311 (2) (c), which does not require any departmental inquiry. All the terminations were carried out on the basis of reports prepared by the security agencies.

Trump praises Modi as 'tough negotiator' after talks on G7 sidelines

EVIAN-LES-BAINS (FRANCE), JUN 17: US President Donald Trump on Wednesday praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi as a "very tough negotiator" and said he would visit India in the future, as the two leaders met on the sidelines of the G7 Summit here.

Responding to a question on how close the two countries were to finalising a trade deal, Trump lauded Modi's negotiating skills.

"Very close," he said while speaking alongside Modi. "We have been there for a little while. He is a very tough negotiator. One of the toughest," he added.

Praising the prime minister in his trademark style, Trump said, "He is the most



beautiful looking man, he looks so nice, he is like an angel. But, actually he is just tough, he is a killer."

"But he looks so good, he gets you by surprise. People say he is such a nice man,

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