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Sinha pays obeisance at Ram Mandir



LG Manoj Sinha today paid obeisance at the ancient Shri Ram Mandir at Purani Mandi in the heart of old city here, and prayed for the happiness, well-being and prosperity of all.

During his visit, he also extended his heartfelt best

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Ktwr admin issues weather advisory

The Kishtwar district administration today issued a weather advisory of heavy rainfall, thunderstorms, flash floods and landslides till July 5 in the region, urging people, particularly those living near riverbanks, to remain cautious and avoid vulnerable areas.

According to the advisory, the district is likely to witness generally cloudy weather accompanied by spells of light to moderate

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2 AICC members suspended for 'anti-party' activities

The All-India Congress Committee (AICC) today suspended two of its members from Jammu and Kashmir from the party's primary membership with immediate effect over 'anti-party' activities.

According to an order issued by the AICC, the decision was approved by the Congress president and applies to Mohammad Anwar Bhatt and Bashir Ahmad Khan, both of whom were serving as AICC members from Jammu and Kashmir.

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J&K to receive 275 AI-enabled X-ray machines

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The Government of India has allocated 275 AI-enabled portable handheld X-ray machines, 9 MRI (1.5 Tesla) units and 4 digital mammography units to Jammu & Kashmir under the Prime Minister's Fund, providing a significant boost to the diagnostic healthcare infrastructure in the UT.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between the Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and the

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ISRO HQ receives bomb threat email

BENGALURU, JUL 02: A bomb threat email sent to the headquarters of ISRO here on Thursday triggered an extensive search operation.

Police personnel, along with the dog squad and Bomb Detection and Disposal Squad (BDDS), rushed to the premises after the threat was received, police said.

According to police, all staff were evacuated as a precautionary measure while a thorough search of the building was carried out.

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Shri Amarnathji Yatra

Amid 'Bam Bam Bholey' chants, LG flags-off first batch of pilgrims

Extends best wishes to yatriss

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As 'Har Har Mahadev', 'Bam Bam Bholey' slogans rent the air, LG Manoj Sinha today flagged-off the first batch of pilgrims from Bhagwati Nagar base camp here to the holy cave shrine of Almighty Shiva in South Kashmir Himalayas. Elaborate security arrangements were made on the occasion for the safety of yatriss and the smooth conduct of pilgrimage.

A total of 4,822 pilgrims are part of the convoy, 2,312 of them left for the Baltal axis and 2,510 for the Pahalgam axis. The convoy comprises 259 vehicles, including buses, LMVs and two-wheelers.



While the Baltal axis convoy departed at 6.10 am, the Pahalgam axis convoy started at 6.35 am. The pilgrims include men, women, children, sadhus and sadhvis.

While the convoy was escorted under heavy security, traffic restrictions and area domination measures had been enforced along the

Jammu-Srinagar road to ensure the safe movement of pilgrims.

Traffic restrictions will remain in force on various stretches of the highway from July 2 to August 28, with daily advisories and sector-wise cut-off timings to regulate traffic, officials said.

The 57-day pilgrimage to

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India, Japan unveil defence pact after Modi-Takaichi talks

NEW DELHI, JUL 02: With an emphasis on economic cooperation and technology partnerships, Prime Minister Narendra Modi today held summit talks with Japanese counterpart Sanae Takaichi, focusing on resilient semiconductor supply chains and critical technologies.

Following the talks at the Hyderabad House, the two sides unveiled a raft of initiatives, including an economic partnership framework and a defence pact to co-develop military hardware.

The two sides also rolled out measures to solidify



their cooperation in key sectors such as energy and critical technology.

Speaking to the media after the talks, PM Modi addressed the Japanese prime

minister as his "younger sister."

"Your Excellency, and meri chhoti behen" (my younger sister) Prime Minister

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Venezuela earthquake death toll tops 2,200

MEXICO CITY, JUL 02: The death toll caused by the twin earthquakes that struck northern Venezuela last week has risen to more than 2,200, reports said, citing Venezuelan authorities. More than 11,000 people have been injured, and several thousand others are left displaced.

Search-and-rescue operations are still being attempted across the worst-hit areas. The emergency teams are now shifting their focus towards recovery as hopes of finding more survivors diminish. The earthquakes struck just seconds

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No one should object to India-Pak dialogue: Omar



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Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today said no one should object to the dialogue between India and Pakistan aimed at improving bilateral relations.

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DGP reviews security at Pahalgam



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DGP Nalin Prabhat today conducted a comprehensive review of security and pilgrim facilitation arrangements at the Nunwan frisking point in Pahalgam, directing security personnel to maintain the highest standards of vigilance while ensuring a smooth and has

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'Terrorist is terrorist'

India calls for collective action to root out murderous ideology

UNITED NATIONS, JUL 02: Asserting that a "terrorist is a terrorist", India has called on the international community to work collectively to root out the "murderous ideology" without finding any grievance to justify terrorism.

"India has been a victim of cross-border terrorism for decades. Our people have paid the price of terrorism in lives lost, families scarred, and societies shattered. This experience has shaped India's approach; there can be no justification for terrorism," India's Permanent Representative to the UN Ambassador Harish Parvathaneni said.

"Irrespective of any grievance, political cause or strategic calculation, terrorism in all its forms and manifestations must be condemned unequivocally," he added.

Assessing the UN General Assembly on the adoption of the Ninth Review of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (GCTS), Parvathaneni



said the international community must reject double standards in counter-terrorism.

He emphasised that there is an obligation to hold perpetrators, organisers, financiers and sponsors of terrorism accountable and bring them to justice.

Member states should ensure full cooperation in this regard, he said.

"A terrorist is a terrorist!! We must work hand in hand to root out the murderous ideology without finding any grievance to justify terrorism," he said.

India said counter-terrorism should not be hollowed out by false equiva-

lences or politicised narratives.

"We must address the conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism, but we must never confuse context with justification. We must uphold human rights and the rule of law, but we must also recognise that the first human right is the right to life, and terrorism is the most direct assault on this human right," Parvathaneni said.

India also stressed that counter-terror financing must remain central to the international community's collective efforts.

"The international community must improve fi

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ISI-backed terror module busted; 4 held, arms recovered

NEW DELHI, JUL 02: The Special Cell of Delhi Police on Thursday arrested four operatives linked to an ISI-sponsored inter-state terror and arms network that was said to be plotting a terror attack in the national capital.

The arrested terror sympathisers were identified as Shubdeep Singh alias Vishal, Gurjant Singh alias Rishi, Sajjan Singh alias Honey, and Gaganpreet.

Police said two foreign-made pistols, nine live cartridges and five mobile phones were recovered during the operation.



Deputy Commissioner of Police Praveen Kumar Tripathi said, "The arrests were made following intelligence inputs suggesting that Pakistan-based handler Shahzad Bhatti and his associates were recruiting

youths from Punjab to carry out a planned attack in Delhi-NCR."

He said, "The accused were using foreign phone numbers arranged by their Pakistan-based handlers to

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'Methyl Isocyanate of law'

SC quashes verdict based on AI-generated precedents

NEW DELHI, JUL 02: Red flagging the use of "non-existent, fake, and hallucinated" judgements generated by artificial intelligence (AI), the Supreme Court on Thursday set aside a verdict of the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT), saying that courts must adopt zero tolerance against citing or using AI-generated precedents.

The bench comprising Justices P S Narasimha and Alok Aradhya said, "The production of fake, non-existent, and hallucinated mate-

rial and its utilisation as precedents in law, is like the release of methyl Isocyanate in the province of law and justice: invisible, insidious, and catastrophic by the time anyone notices. It not only contaminates but takes away the very lifeblood of judicial determination."

It set aside an NCLT judgement on Essel Infraprojects insolvency after finding that the tribunal had relied on non-existent, fake and hallucinated judgement precedents generated through AI tools.

"It is necessary for courts to adopt a zero-tolerance mode for producing, citing or using AI-generated precedents without verification. It is a misconduct on the part of an advocate to cite such judgments without verification," the verdict said.

The bench said it was equally a "serious lapse" if a judge relies on such a fake or hallucinated AI-generated material as precedents in support of the determination.

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'Positive progress' in US-Iran indirect talks

Next round after Khamenei's funeral

DOHA, JULY 02: The next indirect US-Iran talks will come after the late Iranian supreme leader's funeral, mediators said Thursday, as diplomacy inches ahead on ending the Middle East war.

Following the foes' indirect discussions in Doha on Wednesday, US President Donald Trump as well as mediators offered signs that diplomacy was holding, despite exchanges of fire this week.

An interim deal was agreed to reopen the vital

Strait of Hormuz and end hostilities, but major questions still need to be tackled in talks, including Iran's nuclear programme.

"The mediators concluded separate meetings with the US and Iranian negotiators in Doha, with positive progress made," Pakistan said.

The sides agreed to keep talking, "with the next meeting to be set at the earliest possible time following the funeral processions of the former Iranian Supreme Leader", it said.

Ayatollah Ali Khamenei was killed aged 86 at his compound in the centre of the Iranian capital on February 28, the first day of the war. Power was swiftly passed to his son Mojtaba.

Ali Khamenei's public funeral will begin on Saturday, with his body lying in state at the colossal complex in central Tehran that hosts major Friday prayers, official ceremonies and religious gatherings.

His burial will take place on July 9 at the shrine of

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Collective efforts vital for building prosperous Himachal: Kavinder

SHIMLA, JUL 02: Stressing social service and women's empowerment for inclusive growth, Governor Kavinder Gupta today said 'collective efforts are vital for building a prosperous Himachal Pradesh'.

"Service to humanity is service to the Almighty," he said in his address after releasing the poster of "Ladli Swarozgar Yojana - Empowered Women, Empowered Himachal" at Lok Bhavan here during a courtesy call by office-bearers of the Ladli Foundation, Himachal Pradesh. The initiative aims to



promote self-employment among women by enabling them to market and sell products made through their own skills and craftsmanship, thereby encouraging financial indepen-

dence and entrepreneurship.

Congratulating the foundation on the initiative, the governor conveyed his best wishes for the successful

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J&K Bank crosses historic Rs 3 trillion business milestone

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In a landmark achievement reflecting strong growth and transformation, J&K Bank has crossed the historic Rs 3 trillion total business mark at the close of the June quarter (Q1 FY 2026-27), reinforcing its position among the country's leading financial institutions.

The bank registered a total business of Rs 3.04 trillion, comprising Rs 1.73 trillion in deposits and Rs 1.31 trillion in gross advances. The achievement



comes with an impressive year-on-year growth of over 20 per cent, driven by a healthy rise of over 16 per cent in deposits and more than 25 per cent growth in gross advances. The milestone was cele-

brated across the bank, with the main function held at the corporate headquarters in Srinagar.

Managing Director and CEO Amitava Chatterjee chaired the event in the

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