



OGW held with 2 hand grenades

An OGW of terrorists was apprehended by security forces at WussanBangil in Kunzer area of Baramulla district of the valley along with two hand grenades. According to officials, he was taken into custody after he made an attempt to flee on seeing a naka party at WussanBangil. The naka was jointly organised by Army, police and CRPF. After his search led forces to the recovery of two hand grenades, he was immediately taken into custody and shifted to the concerned police station.

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BJP leader booked in cheating case

Police have booked a senior BJP leader in Anantnag district of the valley in an alleged cheating case. According to officials, Anantnag district general secretary Abid Nengroo was booked by police for allegedly cheating some persons on the pretext of securing a government job and facilitating permission for installation of tents at Pahalgam during

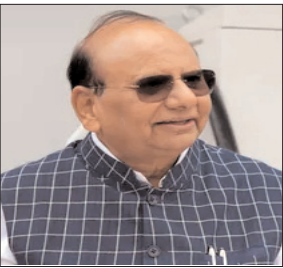
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Ruhullah to quit NC, resign as Sgr MP

National Conference MP Aa Ruhullah Mehdi has confirmed plans to resign from Parliament and quit the party, citing ideological differences over the NC stand on restoring Article 370. His decision follows party president Farooq Abdullah's challenge to resign and seek a fresh mandate. Ruhullah said he would formally submit his resignation to the Lok Sabha Speaker and NC president Farooq Abdullah on

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Saxena orders crackdown on food safety violations



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LG Vinai Kumar Saxena today ordered a crackdown on food safety violations across Ladakh, ensuring uncompromising food quality and dealing with violators with an iron hand. He ordered "zero toler

Weapons, narco-smuggling modules busted

CHANDIGARH, AUG 28: Punjab police have busted two separate smuggling modules involved in the trafficking of weapons and narcotics and arrested six people. In a post on X, DGP Gaurav Yadav said nearly three kg of heroin along with eight pistols were recovered from the accused. "In a major breakthrough, State Special Operation Cell, Amritsar and Counter Intelligence, Amritsar, in two separate operations, bust weapons and narcotics smuggling modules, apprehend 06 accused, and recovers 2.920 kg of heroin along with 8

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Ladakh gets High Court bench after Prez Murmu's approval

LG welcomes promulgation

NEW DELHI, AUG 28: In a significant move aimed at bringing the higher judicial services closer to the people of Ladakh, President Droupadi Murmu has promulgated a regulation enabling the High Court of J&K and Ladakh to hold sittings in the Union Territory. The regulation, titled 'The Union Territory of Ladakh (Sitting of the Bench of the High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh in Ladakh) Regulation, 2026,' was promulgated by President Murmu on August 27 and published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary on the same day. Issued by the Ministry of Law and Justice, the regulation seeks to establish a high court bench in Ladakh and address related matters, fulfilling a long-standing demand from the people of



Ladakh for improved access to higher judicial remedies in the geographically remote area. LG Vinai Kumar Saxena welcomed the promulgation, stating that the notification was issued within seven days of the Union Cabinet's decision. He emphasised that 'this quick action demonstrates the Centre's commitment to addressing the aspirations

of the people of Ladakh'. According to officials, the UT of Ladakh (Sitting of Bench of the High Court of Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh in Ladakh) Regulation, 2026, was promulgated on August 27 under Article 240 of the Constitution, read with Section 58(2) of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019. The regulation provides the legal framework for a bench of the common High Court to sit in Ladakh. It states that the Judges and Division Courts of the High Court may sit at a place in Ladakh as may be appointed by the Chief Justice, with the approval of the LG of Ladakh. At the same time, the regulation keeps the existing principal seat of the High Court unchanged. It also

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Death toll rises to 579 in Nepal floods

KATHMANDU, AUG 28: The death toll from flash floods in central Nepal rose to 579 on Friday, with more bodies recovered as search and rescue operations resume at full pace after a brief slowdown due to fear of fresh floods following an increase in the water level in the Bhotekoshi River area. The National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority (NDRMA) said rising water levels at the site of a devastating flash flood earlier this week increased the risk of another flood in the area. "The water level mixed with mud has increased at the same place where the

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India to buy US Javelin Anti-Tank missiles

NEW DELHI, AUG 28: India has sealed a deal with the US to procure Javelin anti-tank guided missile systems to bolster the Indian Army's combat prowess. US Ambassador Sergio Gor said the agreement reflects a bilateral defence partnership that is growing "deeper, more capable, and more consequential." It is not immediately known the number of Javelin anti-tank guided missile systems India is procuring or the overall cost of the procurement. The United States welcomes the Indian Army's signing of a Letter of Offer

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3rd Vande Bharat train soon: Jitendra



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Union Minister Jitendra Singh today said the third Vande Bharat train between Jammu and Srinagar would be launched soon. "The Ministry of Railways has also approved a halt at Udhampur on public demand," he said in a video

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Shri Amarnathji Yatra Pilgrimage concludes with Chhari-Mubarak puja at cave shrine

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The 57-day Shri Amarnathji Yatra formally concluded today on the eve of Raksha Bandhan with the arrival of 'Chhari-Mubarak' - the saffron-robed holy mace of Almighty Shiva - at the holy cave shrine in south Kashmir Himalayas for special prayers. The conclusion of the yatra, which began on July 2 from Jammu, coincided with the festival of Raksha Bandhan and came nearly three weeks after the pilgrimage was suspended for the year on August 9 due to damage to the yatra track and adverse weather conditions. The 'Chhari-Mubarak', carried by a group of sadhus led by its custodian Mahant Dipendra Giri, reached the

BRICS summit We have invited partner, outreach countries as well: MEA

NEW DELHI, AUG 28: The Ministry of External Affairs today said India had invited its partners and outreach countries to the 18th BRICS Summit, which would be held in the national capital on September 12 and 13 under the country's chairmanship. "India will host the summit in New Delhi as it assumes the responsibility of steering the grouping," MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said. "India is hosting this event. The 18th BRICS Summit will be held in Delhi on September 12 and

Courts must protect environment while weighing development: CJI

NEW DELHI, AUG 28: Chief Justice of India Surya Kant today said that courts must search for solutions that protect the environment without losing sight of the legitimate needs of development. "Both environment and development need not always be cast as choices in which one must defeat the other," he said while speaking at the high-level Commonwealth Policy Dialogue on Climate Justice organised by the Commonwealth of Nations and the Commonwealth Legal Education Association (CLEA) at the Commonwealth Secretariat in Marlborough

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Kavinder pays obeisance at Tirupati Balaji temple

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On the auspicious occasion of Raksha Bandhan and Shraavan Purnima, Himachal Pradesh Governor Kavinder Guptatoday paid obeisance at the highly revered Sri Venkateswara Swamy Temple (Tirupati Balaji Temple) on the city outskirts here. He also participated in the special 'Abhishek' ceremony of Almighty Venkateswara and offered prayers for peace, prosperity and the welfare of the nation. "Festivals, such as Raksha Bandhan & Shraavan Purnima, embody India's timeless spiritual and cultural traditions and reinforce the values of affection, brotherhood, harmony and mutual respect that bind society together," Gupta said while

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holy cave shrine in the early hours of Friday. Special prayers were held at the cave shrine following the arrival of the holy mace. The shrine houses the naturally formed ice-Shivalingam. The group of sadhus and devotees trekked 42 km from Pahalgam to reach the shrine, with night halts at Chandanwari, Sheshnag and Panchtarani. After prayers at the cave shrine, the holy mace began its return journey. The 'pujan' and 'visarjan' (immersion) ceremonies will, however, be performed on the banks of the Liddar river at Pahalgam on Sunday before the holy mace returns to its abode at Dashnami Akhara's Amareshwar Temple here, officials said. More than 4.80 lakh pilgrims undertook the pilgrimage this year.

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matters concerning political and economic governance. The New Delhi summit is expected to provide an opportunity for leaders to discuss issues of common interest and deepen cooperation across areas of mutual interest. India, as the current BRICS chair, has emphasised consensus, dialogue and diplomacy as central to the grouping's functioning, particularly amid differences among member countries over issues concerning the Iran-UAE situation and the wider West

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imagined. "This, too, is a reminder that the climate crisis will test the boundaries of legal categories we have long taken for granted. Our task as judges and as institutions is to ensure that the law does not become most uncertain precisely where people are most vulnerable," he said. CJI Kant pointed out that countries that are finally industrialising are being asked to move rapidly towards renewable power and are often made to bear the brunt of criticism when they cannot move fast enough. Emphasising the need to

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addressing a gathering on the occasion. He expressed happiness over the construction of Tirupati Balaji Temple in Jammu and described it as a significant addition to the region's spiritual and cul

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