



Former IAS Officer Divya Mittal Announces Entry Into Politics, Says Will Begin Journey From Uttar Pradesh

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Khusha Kapila & Sheeba Chaddha team up for 'Likhe Jo Khat Tujhe'

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Search operations underway in 3 distts

Security forces have launched search operations at nearly a dozen locations across the border districts of Kathua, Rajouri&Poonch in Jammu region, following reports of suspicious movements.

The searches were being jointly conducted by Army, police, CRPF & BSF in the remote and densely forested areas of the three districts, officials said.

"Operations are going on in Peer Khana, Potha Narota, Andh, Thanda Pani and Kansar area of Rajouri; Panjwari, Kathera & adjoining areas

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DGP reviews anti-terror operations



DGP Nalin Prabhat, along with IGP, Jammu zone, Tejinder Singh, chaired a high-level security review meeting with senior officers of Rajouri

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Saxena flags off Ladakh Lilium for national markets



Ladakh LG Vinai Kumar Saxenatoday flagged off the first consignment of 15,000 'A-grade' Lilium stems for the national flower markets, marking a historic initiative towards establishing a new eco

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10 military-grade drones seized at Delhi airport

NEW DELHI, SEP 29: Three Indian passengers were intercepted at Delhi airport with 10 professional-grade drones equipped with thermal imaging and laser range finders, described as military-grade unmanned aerial vehicles.

The drones, valued at over Rs 1.03 cr, were recovered from the passengers who had arrived at Terminal-3 from Hong Kong through Vietnam, an official statement said.

They were intercepted while crossing the green channel, based on intelligence developed by customs

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Jitendra holds public darbar



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Union Minister Jitendra Singh today held a public darbar at Tikri in Udhampur district and listen to the grievances and demands of locals.

On the occasion, he interacted with members of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs), public delegations and local citizens, and lis

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Terrorism stemming from 'Pakistan' remains India's primary concern: EAM

Flags US lack of empathy over terror concerns

NEW YORK, SEP 29: *Alluding to India-US relations amid an upswing in the Washington-Islamabad ties, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said that 'terrorism emanating from its neighbour is one of India's primary concerns, and if this is not fully appreciated by New Delhi's partners, it impacts bilateral ties'.*

Jaishankar has addressed prominent members of the Indian-American and diaspora community as well as policy experts at a special conversation hosted at Asia Society, as the high-level week of the 81st session of the UN General Assembly wrapped up on Monday.

During a conversation moderated by former American diplomat and dis-



tinguished fellow at the Asia Society Policy Institute Daniel Russel, Jaishankar was asked about US-India relations, particularly amid developments related to trade and tariffs over the past year, and what would have to happen to put the bilateral relationship on a "better track".

"Well, I think if I stand back and look at the rela-

tionship, I note that much of the world has had a more difficult relationship with the US. I mean that may not be a consolation, but that's a reality," Jaishankar said.

He then alluded to ties between the US and Pakistan, which have seen an upswing over the past year, especially just months after the second term of the Donald Trump administration

commenced in January 2025.

One of the issues "pertains to the sensitivities of each country," Jaishankar said.

"What for us in India is particularly important is the issue of terrorism. That we feel that...as a country perhaps there are very few countries which have been subjected to the kind of terrorism that we have from a neighbour as part of a deliberate, conscious policy over many, many decades," Jaishankar said, making a reference to Pakistan.

"Now, if something which matters so deeply to us, there isn't enough understanding or appreciation or empathy of that, I think that creates a problem too. That you know if... one of my primary concerns is not fully

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LA passes 5 key Bills

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The legislative assembly today passed five key Bills moved by Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, covering key areas including municipal governance, Ease of Doing Business and Ease of Living, taxation, legislative members' pension, and rationalisation and decriminalisation of offences.

The bills were introduced by the chief minister on September 24 and September 28, after being circulated among the members on the respective dates, and were taken up for considera

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First-time MLA schooled on QH procedure

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Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today schooled first-time BJP MLA Devyani Rana on Question Hour procedure in the legislative assembly after she raised an unrelated issue while asking supplementaries.

She had asked a question on digitisation of land records in Jammu and Kashmir. The chief minister replied as per procedure.

However, when Speaker Abdul Rahim Rather allowed her to ask a supplementary question, she

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SC to hear plea seeking CEC's suspension

NEW DELHI, SEP 29: The Supreme Court today agreed to hear next week a PIL seeking suspension of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar and challenging the manner in which the poll panel led by him took decisions allegedly without the approval of two Election Commissioners.

The matter was mentioned before a bench of Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Jyomalya Bagchi and V Mohana.

Senior advocate Vikas Singh, who mentioned the matter, told the bench that as per the statutory scheme, decisions of the multi-member Election Commis

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Mother tongue foundation of cultural identity, says LG Sinha

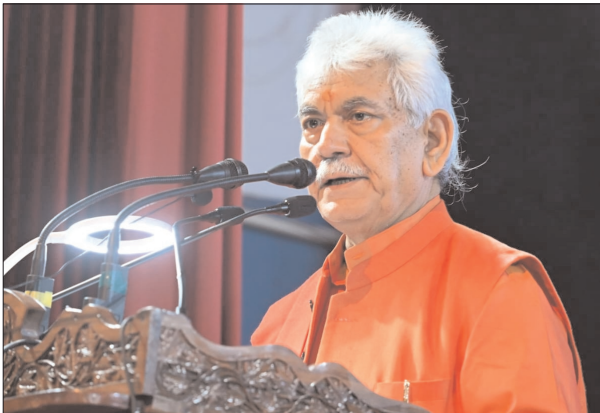
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Asserting that children must be rooted in their heritage while being given wings to soar, LG Manoj Sinha today said 'mother tongue is the foundation of modern India, and our cultural identity'.

Highlighting the significance of the mother tongue, he said it was not just a medium of communication but an identity, memory, and sensibility connected to the soul.

"J&K's linguistic diversity reflects the confluence of India's shared culture," the LG said while congratulating meritorious students at a felicitation ceremony organised by Wadies Hindi Shiksha Samiti in collaboration with the Jammu & Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture & Languages.

Extending greetings to



students, teachers, parents, and organisers, he said the honoured students were not merely winners of a competition but also torchbearers of India's rich tradition of knowledge, literature, and culture.

"National Education Policy places special emphasis on early education in the mother tongue and Indian languages, enabling children to learn and grow with confidence," Sinha said.

"Mother tongue is the foundation of a modern In-

dia," he said and urged that children must be rooted in their heritage while being given wings to soar globally.

He also said that true development of Jammu & Kashmir would be realised when every child in the border villages was able to confidently pursue their dreams.

"The real development of Jammu & Kashmir will come when a child in our border villages can say with

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Int'l Buyer-Seller Meet

Omar calls for global partnerships to take J&K products to world markets

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Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today called for sustained business partnerships between J&K entrepreneurs and buyers from across India and abroad, emphasising that the government was working to create an enabling environment for investment, trade and industry while protecting the unique identity of the region's traditional products.

"The government's efforts to promote exports and attract investment must go



hand in hand with making it easier for businesses to operate in J&K," he said while addressing the inaugural function of the two-day Jammu and Kashmir International Buyer-Seller

meet. The event has been organised by J&K Trade Promotion Organisation (JK-TPO) in collaboration with Trade Promotion Council of

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2 officers among 4 killed as CISF cop opens fire

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In an incident of fratricide that took place at a hydel project in Kathua district of Jammu this evening, four CISF personnel, including two officers of the rank of an assistant commandant (company commander) & a Sub-Inspector, were killed.

According to officials, the incident took place at about 7.30pm at Sewa-III hydro-electric power project in Mashka village of Basohli, which falls on the border of Chamba district of Himachal Pradesh.

Officials said an argument took place between two cops over some issue and later one of them opened indiscriminate firing as a result of which four CISF personnel sustained serious injuries.

All the injured were evacuated to a nearby NHPC hospital, where they succumbed to their wounds.

Officials identified the dead as Assistant Commander (company commander) Ankit Kumar Pandey, Sub-Inspector Lakshman Singh and constables - Rafiq Ahmed and Sandeep Kumar.

The accused, identified as

Head Constable Abhidesh Kumar, was overpowered by his colleagues after the firing and later arrested. His service weapon was also seized as part of the investigation, officials said.

Officials said a Central Industrial Security Force company was deployed on the J&K side of Chamera Dam over Ravi river.

A police party from Basohli was on its way to the site when reports last came in.

One has to travel through Himachal Pradesh to reach the incident spot as the area falls at the extreme end of

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Kavinder attends Hanuman Katha by Bageshwar Dham

LUDHIANA, SEP 29 : Himachal Pradesh Governor Kavinder Gupta today attended Shree Hanuman Katha being delivered by renowned spiritual preacher and Peethadhiswar of Bageshwar Dham, Dharendra Krishna Shastri, here.

He paid obeisance to Almighty Hanuman and expressed his deep reverence for the spiritual traditions and rich cultural heritage of Sanatan Dharma.

"Such spiritual gatherings provide an opportunity for society to reconnect with its timeless values and strengthen the spirit of compassion, service, devotion and righteousness," the gov-



ernor said.

"The life of Hanuman inspires every individual to remain committed to duty, humility, courage and selfless service," he said and emphasised that spirituality is not merely a personal pursuit but also a source of strength for building a harmonious, compassionate

and responsible society.

The governor also appreciated Dharendra Shastri for his efforts to connect the younger generation with India's spiritual and cultural heritage. "The country's rich civilisational legacy provides valuable guidance for

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