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Lt Governor addresses Alumni Meet of Sharda University at Srinagar

LG exhorts the youth to put the skills acquired at the University to good use in nation-building and improving the lives of the people

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Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha addressed the Alumni Meet of Sharda University at Srinagar. In his address, the Lieutenant Governor extended his felicitations to the Alumni, Management, Faculty and Students of Sharda University. He exhorted the youth to put the skills acquired at the University to good use in nation-building and improving the lives of the people. "Education is a rare opportunity and represents infinite power. Education is the only asset and it is like a small lamp which has the power to defeat the immense darkness. Youth should explore the spiritual and cultural dimension



of education and cherish its value system," the Lieutenant Governor said. The Lieutenant Governor highlighted that the alumni play a crucial role in networking and mentorship, building the reputation of the educational institution and helping in knowledge sharing. The Lieutenant Governor said, "Alumni serve as a role model and inspire young students to achieve their goals. The next two-decades is expected to be the best time for knowledge economies in the world. You as the knowledge keeper will be responsible for transferring

expertise earned in the university to the economic sector to drive growth and build developed India. To give back to society and nation, Alumni should promote value-based system in the jobs or enterprises so while developing their full potential, they can also motivate the young generations to contribute towards nation-building". The Lieutenant Governor also spoke on the transformation taking place in the educational landscape in J&K, under the guidance of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. He impressed upon the educational institutions and teaching community for implementing National Education Policy 2020

Over 300 projects receive forest clearance in J&K

Javed Rana asks for aggressive compensatory afforestation

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In a significant push to infrastructure and economic growth in Jammu and Kashmir, over 300 development projects, pending clearances at different stages, have received forest clearances. From key road networks to water supply schemes, tourism, defence and 4G saturation, these approvals will pave the way for enhanced connectivity, economic progress and improved public services. A total of 302 cases have received final approval and 84 cases have received In-Principle approval from the government between January to March this year. The signifies government's broader vision of development, prioritising projects that address long-standing infrastructural gaps and further improve the public services. Delay in land acquisition and forest clearances were some of the reasons for these



projects being stalked or running behind schedule and at times leading to cost overruns. A number of projects related to road development have been granted approval, enabling timely implementation of key initiatives.

DM Jammu pushes for strict enforcement of traffic rules at RTA meeting

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District Magistrate Sachin Kumar Vaishya today chaired a meeting of the Regional Transport Authority (RTA) and issued a string of directives aimed at improving traffic management and road safety in the district. Emphasising the need for strict enforcement of traffic rules in rural areas, the DM instructed concerned departments to



conduct rigorous drives to curb violations. He further directed the School Education Department and Traffic Police to intensify awareness campaigns on road safety, particularly targeting

Dr Jitendra updates Lok Sabha about Modi Govt's 'Pension Adalat' concept

NEW DELHI, APR 2

Updating the Lok Sabha about the 'Pension Adalat' concept introduced by the Modi Government which has helped resolve cases, particularly family pension cases pertaining to widows or survivors, that had remained unresolved for decades together under the successive governments in the past, Union Minister for Personnel, Public Grievances, and



Pensions, Dr. Jitendra Singh said that in last less than five years, 4,944 long pending cases have been resolved through these Pension Adalats. In reply to a

pioneering concept introduced under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The Union Minister emphasized that this mechanism, launched in 2017, has successfully resolved 4,944 cases in the last five years, bringing long-overdue relief to thousands of pensioners, particularly destitute widows and elderly citizens who had been waiting for justice for decades. Dr. Jitendra

RTO Jammu cracks down on overloading, wrong parking & traffic violations

JAMMU, Apr 2: In a

decisive move to regulate traffic and curb violations, Team RTO Jammu, under the directions of Transport Commissioner Vishesh Mahajan and the guidance of RTO Jammu Jasmeet Singh, conducted a special drive at Bikram Chowk to tackle overloading by mini-buses, wrong parking by taxis, private cars, and three-wheelers, as well as inspections of school buses.

Power shutdown

JAMMU, APR 2: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL Jammu has informed that the power supply to Chatha Mill, Chatha Pind, Brij Nagar, SKUAST, Chatha Bhour, Lower Gadigarh, Dharap, Indranagar, Sudan Heart Care, Airport, Airforce Station and adjoining areas will remain affected on April 07 from 8 am to 12 noon. Similarly, the power supply to Bathindi, Sunjwan and adjoining areas will remain affected on April 03, 05, 08 and 12 from 8

Chief Justice for collaborated efforts to fight drug abuse

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Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Justice Tashi Rabstan, today called for a collaborated and integrated approach in fighting drug menace in Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh. He was speaking as chief guest in a seminar on the topic "DRUG USE; ADDICTION, EFFECTS AND SOLUTIONS: A CUE FOR CAPACITY



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Manhas and their team for taking up such a noble cause. Sharing his experience, the Chief Justice revealed that during his tenure as Chairperson of SALSA, he would educate students in schools and colleges through innovative methods like nukkad natak, skits and drama in addition to interactive sessions with a panel of lawyers. Terming lawyers as backbone of the society, the Chief Justice called upon the legal fraternity

KVK employees meet Dy CM; highlight service issues, seek resolution

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A delegation of Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) employees from SKUAST Jammu today met with Deputy Chief Minister, Surinder Kumar Choudhary, apprising him of their issues and concerns. They highlighted several challenges being faced by them which inter alia included significant cuts to essential allowances such as medical,



transport and employer's contribution to the National Pension Scheme (NPS). The delegation explained that these reductions have caused financial strain for KVK staff, who work tirelessly in rural areas to promote agricultural innovation and support farmer welfare schemes. They urged the university to address these disparities by

J&K political parties oppose Waqf Bill, term it 'interference in religious matters'

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Political parties in Kashmir on Wednesday opposed the amendments made to the Waqf Act saying it was an interference in religious matters and an attempt to disempower Muslims. Union Minority Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju on Wednesday tabled the Waqf (Amendment) Bill, 2025, in the Lok Sabha. The Bill seeks to improve the functioning of Waqf properties, address complexities, ensure transparency and introduce technology-driven management. Opposition parties have slammed it as "unconstitutional" and against the interest of the Muslim community. "This bill is designed to disempower Muslims. I don't have any hope with BJP as we have been seeing for the past 10-11 years how Muslims are



lynched and mosques demolished... but the Hindu brethren should step forward because this is the nation of Gandhi, it should run as per the constitution," PDP president Mehbooba Mufti told reporters here. She said the secular forces should intervene to prevent the country becoming another Myanmar. "They (Hindus) have to if they do not want another Myanmar here, if they do not want the same to happen to Muslims what happened to Kashmiri Pandits.

District administration Jammu hosts training session for Resource Persons under Nasha Mukta J&K Abhiyan

JAMMU, APR 2: Additional District

Magistrate Ansuya Jamwal today chaired a training session for resource persons under the Nasha Mukta J&K Abhiyan, aimed at intensifying anti-drug awareness efforts in urban local bodies across the district. The initiative is part of the administration's broader strategy to combat drug abuse through education, counselling and community-driven interventions. During the session, the ADM highlighted the critical role of trained personnel

Three held with heroin-like-substance

29XNEWS KATRA, APR 2

Continuing the drive against drug abuse launched by District Police Reasi, a major breakthrough was achieved today, during routine vehicle checking at Naka, Kakryal, intercepted an auto-rickshaw and seized 6.3 grams of a heroin-like substance along with an unauthorized weapon. The contraband was recovered from the driver namely Ajay Singh alias Aju S/o Rattan Singh R/o Village Pothal, Katra, Reasi. Two other individuals, Mulk Raj S/o Darshan Kumar and Bhushan



Kumar S/o Bikru Ram seriousness of the both R/o Mani, Ramnagar, were found accompanying him and were also taken into custody. In addition to the drug seizure, the police team also recovered a toka (an edged weapon) from the vehicle, further escalating the

successful operation was carried out under the leadership of SHO Police Station Katra, Inspector Khyatimaan Khajuria, under the supervision of SDPO Katra, Dr. Bishm Dubey and SP Katra Vipan Chandran. While sharing the details, SSP Reasi, Paramvir Singh, reaffirmed the commitment of Reasi Police to eradicating drug abuse and illicit liquor smuggling from the district. He urged the people of Reasi to come forward and support the police in this crucial fight against narcotics. Citizens can share any