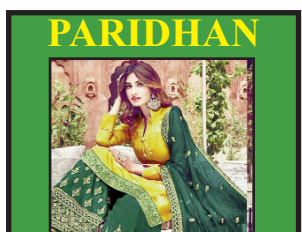


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## Lt Governor addresses Balaji Foundation's 'Bharat Shiksha Summit' at New Delhi

**In the educational journey, students develop consciousness and their moral values become sharper: LG Sinha**  
NEW DELHI, APR 3

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha today addressed 'Bharat Shiksha Summit' organised by Balaji Foundation at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. Brajesh Pathak, Deputy Chief Minister, Uttar Pradesh also graced the occasion. In his keynote address, the Lieutenant Governor highlighted the importance of Ethics, Values and National Identity in education and pointed out that Ethics and Values, guides us for the welfare of society and nation-building. He said the deliberations and exchange of ideas during the Summit on overarching issues in education will explore challenges and opportunities and prepare a



future roadmap for educational institutions. "In the educational journey, students develop consciousness and their moral values become sharper. During this journey, students adopt life values like compassion, peace, truth, love, virtuous life, harmony and benevolence and collect all the experiences. All

these physical, intellectual and emotional experiences together develop student's knowledge" the Lieutenant Governor said. He said the aim of National Education Policy 2020 is that students should become a living source of knowledge rather than a storehouse of memories obtained from books. "National

Education Policy promotes creative imagination, ethical values and a sense of determination to contribute towards building an equitable, inclusive and pluralistic society," he further added. The Lieutenant Governor asked the educational institutions to focus on developing personalities that are perfect blend of compassion and innovation. "Three 'H'-Head, Heart and Heritage- will help in this mission and they will also restore the broken moral link in the education system. We need students who are proficient in algorithms, talented in their chosen field, sensitive towards social issues and also realise their duty towards nation building."  
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## Kathua combing operation enters 12th day to track down terrorists on the run

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The multi-tier operation to track down three infiltrating terrorists, who escaped three encounters and are believed to be hiding in a forested area in Kathua, has entered its 12th consecutive day with security agencies also cracking down on terrorist supporters and setting up ambushes. Additional troops have been deployed to beef up the multi-tier cordon and set up ambushes over a 6-7 km radius in the region. "The combing operation has been going on. It is underway to track down terrorists on the run," said an officer. The search operation was intensified with aerial surveillance,

including the use of established multiple ambushes in a large area to apprehend the terrorists. They have further expanded the area of operation to include Billawar, Bhaddu, Ghatti and Kog-Mandli. To dismantle the overground network supporting terrorists, security agencies are focusing on OGWs and cracking down on them to cut off the supply of food, shelter, reaches. The troops have  
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## Javed Rana lauds efforts of stakeholders in achieving target under 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign

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Jammu and Kashmir has successfully met its ambitious goal of planting 150 lakh seedlings under 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign. Lauding the achievement of Forest, Ecology and Environment, Javed Ahmed Rana credited it to the collective efforts of government agencies, village-level institutions,



local people and other degraded land for a sustainable future," he said adding that the campaign aligns with the quest for sustainable promote restoration of  
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## India's 'Grievance Redressal' model globally emulated, Dr Jitendra tells Rajya Sabha

NEW DELHI, APR 3

The Modi Government's citizen-centric "Grievance Redressal" model is being globally emulated, with several countries actively studying and adopting India's innovative mechanisms for effective public service delivery. Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Science and Technology; Earth Sciences and Minister of



State for PMO, Department of Atomic Energy, Department of Space, Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Dr. Jitendra Singh highlighted the international recognition of the Centralized Pension Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPENGRAMS) while responding to a question in the Rajya

Sabha today. Dr. Jitendra Singh stated that CPENGRAMS has significantly improved grievance redressal for pensioners, ensuring timely and conclusive resolution of complaints. Over the past two years, from March 1, 2023, to February 28, 2025, the system has successfully addressed 1,94,611 grievances. "The Government has not only streamlined the resolution process but  
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## Govt committed to equitable development of all sections: Javed Rana

JAMMU, APR 3: Minister for Tribal Affairs, Javed Ahmed Rana, today said that Omar Abdullah led government is committed to inclusive, balanced and equitable development of all regions and sub-regions of Jammu and Kashmir. He said this while speaking with a delegation of S C / S T / O B C representatives who raised various issues concerning welfare of  
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## Tawi, Ravi Canals being recharged on April 7-2025

JAMMU, APR 3: The Irrigation Department has geared up to release waters in Tawi and Ravi Canals on the coming Monday, a departmental notification stated today. "It is notified for the information of the public in general and farmers in particular that the water in Tawi and Ravi Canals of this department shall be released from 07.04.2025. The Executive Engineers of RCC U/Division,  
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## IRS to augment disaster response on ICS pattern in US CS takes stock of preparedness for its introduction

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Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo, today chaired a meeting of the concerned officers to take their inputs for implementation of the Incident Response System (IRS) for efficient disaster response in the UT. Besides Principal Secretary, DMRR&R, the meeting was attended by Financial Commissioner



(Revenue); Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir and Jammu besides other concerned officers. The Chief Secretary enquired from each of the participants about the effective method of its implementation. He asked about the roles and responsibilities of different government departments and law enforcement agencies as well. Dulloo observed that this system has an

added significance for our part of the globe is prone to certain disasters. He further noted that since the UT has diverse topography and climatic conditions across its divisions it is imperative to strategize and plan keeping these challenges in mind. He called upon all to give it a considerate thought so that a best possible response mechanism is put in place with a right mix of professionals to  
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## District Level Workshop on AWAAS PLUS 2.0 held at Panchayat Bhawan

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A one day District Level Workshop cum Awareness Programme on AWAAS PLUS 2.0 - PMAY (G) was today organized here at Panchayat Bhawan. In his inaugural address, Director Rural Development Mohammad Mumtaz Ali exhorted the departmental functionaries to complete the registration



process by April 30, 2025- the timeline set by the government. He lauded the efforts put in by the Officers and Officials of Rural Development Department of District Jammu for registering 13,426 beneficiaries as on date. Earlier, Assistant Commissioner Development Dr. Vikas Sharma provided an overview of PMAY-G and the achievements with respect to District Jammu. "Since the  
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## DIPR artists promote anti-drug campaign among GDC Sidhra Students

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A Nukkad Natak cum Cultural Awareness Programme on "Nasha Mukh Bharat" (Say No to Drugs) campaign was organised by the Cultural Unit, Department of Information & Public Relations here at Government Degree College Sidhra. The initiative aimed to spread awareness about the detrimental effects of drug abuse and encourage a drug-free society. Artists of the Cultural Unit presented theme-based songs and Nukkad

Natak depicting real-life consequences of substance abuse and the importance of rehabilitation and awareness. The performers skillfully highlighted how drug addiction impacts individuals, families and society at large. Speaking on the occasion, the College Principal Dr G.S. Rakwal shared his views and also made the students and the audience aware of the topic. He appreciated the Department of Information and Public Relations for organising such a meaningful event  
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## Union Secretary, Food & Public Distribution visits J&K Takes review of FCS&CA Dept, FCI

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Union Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution, Sanjeev Chopra today visited Jammu and reviewed the functioning of Department of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs and FCI here. He also assessed the status of implementation of schemes and other reforms across Jammu and Kashmir. Interacting with the officers of the FCS&CA Department, J&K and FCI, J&K, here, the Union Secretary hailed the efforts made by the



department in making the Public Distribution System clean and efficient. He asked the officers to continue these efforts and take follow up actions on suspect beneficiaries, whose details are being shared by the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Government of India, with States/UTs. The Union Secretary while advising the Department to share details of savings made, subsequent to implementation of Optimized Route Plan, also instructed the FCI to make available food grains in different districts as per Route Optimization Plan.  
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## LMD penalises E-Commerce Platform for Labelling Violations in Jammu

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On the directive of Controller Legal Metrology J&K Anuradha Gupta, the field staff of Legal Metrology, Consumer Protection Unit, Jammu imposed a penalty of ₹1.50 lakh on a prominent e-commerce platform operating in the region. The step is a significant move to uphold consumer rights and ensure compliance with packaging regulations. The concerned e-commerce platform has recently expanded its services to Jammu by opening stores, including one in Jammu,

primarily offering instant delivery of a wide range of products such as groceries, fresh fruits, vegetables, meat, stationery, bakery items, personal care, baby care, pet care products, snacks, and flowers. The action was initiated following an inspection by the area Inspector, under the supervision of Assistant Controller Consumer Protection Jammu. During the inspection approximately 1200 packages were seized for failing to meet mandatory labelling requirements as stipulated under the Legal Metrology Act, 2009 and  
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