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**PM chairs annual general meeting of PMML Society**  
 NEW DELHI, JUN 23: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday chaired a key meeting of the Prime Ministers' Museum and Library (PMML) Society, which was also attended by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, people familiar with the matter said.  
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**Arab countries next target of US, Israel: Farooq Abdullah**  
 SRINAGAR, JUN 23: National Conference (NC) president Farooq Abdullah warned the Arab countries on Monday that they will be the next target of Israel and the US as Tel Aviv and Washington are eyeing their oil and gas.  
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**J-K Police arrests drug kingpin from Himachal**  
 JAMMU, JUN 23: Jammu and Kashmir Police on Monday said an interstate drug kingpin was arrested from Chamba district of Himachal Pradesh. Dhani Ram, a resident of Salooni village of Chamba, was wanted in connection with a case registered under various sections of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act at Chenani  
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**Govt reschedules summer vacations for Kashmir Division Colleges**  
 JAMMU, JUN 23: The Jammu and Kashmir Higher Education Department has revised the summer vacation schedule for Government Degree  
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**J&K-born IAS Officer Qummer ul Zaman appointed DC Bharatpur in Rajasthan**  
 JAMMU, JUN 23: IAS officer Qummer ul Zaman Choudhary, a native of Jammu and Kashmir and a 2014 batch officer, has been appointed as the District  
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**Air India Express flight to Jammu returns to Delhi due to suspected 'GPS interference'**  
 JAMMU, JUN 23: An Air India Express flight from Delhi to Srinagar via Jammu returned to its origin airport before landing here on Monday afternoon, officials said. A spokesman of the airline said the flight returned to Delhi as a precautionary measure following a suspected "GPS interference" and an alternative aircraft was later provided to the passengers to reach their  
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**Heavy rains trigger landslide on Mata Vaishno Devi track; no casualties**  
 JAMMU, JUN 23: A massive landslide hit the new track to Mata Vaishno Devi shrine atop Trikuta hills in Reasi district on Monday, forcing the suspension of the battery car service, officials said. No one was injured in the landslide which was triggered by heavy rains, the officials said. They said the pilgrimage was diverted to the old route and was continuing without any disruption. The landslide occurred  
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**J&K gets major infra boost; 19 road and tunnel projects worth Rs 10,637 Crore approved**

**JAMMU BULLETIN BUREAU**  
**JAMMU, JUN 23:** Lieutenant Governor Shri Manoj Sinha has expressed his gratitude to the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and Hon'ble Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways Shri Nitin Gadkari for giving approval to 19 mega road and tunnel projects worth 10, 637 crore with length of 296 kms for J&K UT. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has approved the Action plan of 2025-26 in respect of National Highways of J&K and sanctioned major projects include construction of Peer-Ki-Gali tunnel on NH-701A (Rs 3830 Cr), Construction of Sadhana tunnel on NH-701 (Rs 3330 Cr), Construction of Zaznar Shopian section of NH-701A (Rs 852 Cr), 4-L flyover from Lal Chowk to Parimpora (Rs 700 Cr), Construction of Trehgam Chamkote section of NH-701 (Rs 966 Cr), Construction of 4-Lane Magam Flyover on Narbal-Gulmarg section of NH 701-A (Rs 445 Cr), Construction of Qazigund Bypass (Rs



► Lieutenant Governor, CM Omar Abdullah express gratitude to PM Modi and Union MoRTH Nitin Gadkari for sanctioning mega road and tunnel projects for J&K UT  
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95 Cr), Construction of 2-L bridge over Rambhara at Shopian on NH-444 (Rs 71 Cr) and various other, including road safety projects. "Many strategically important projects will improve logistical support and troops mobility. Projects will improve Infrastructure in the Union Territory and connect various tourist destinations. Construction of tunnels will reduce the travel time, ensure all-weather connectivity and spur economic growth," the Lieutenant Governor said. The Ministry has also sanctioned preparation of DPR/Feasibility Study for various NH works to be up in next 3 years. These include widening and upgradation of NH-444 from Srinagar to Qazigund (63 kms), Construction of 2L+PS road from Shopian to Magam on NH-701A (75 kms), Construction of 10.80 Km long Panjtarni tunnel including approach (31 kms), Development of Domail - Katra - Bamla of NH-144 to 4-L specifications (82 kms).  
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**PM Modi honoured SP Mookerjee's sacrifice by abrogating Article 370: Pradhan**  
 NEW DELHI, JUN 23: Prime Minister Narendra Modi honoured Syama Prasad Mookerjee's sacrifice by abrogating Article 370 of the Constitution, which had granted a special status to the  
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**No comments on judge's impeachment as matter not before Parliament yet: LS Speaker Om Birla**  
 MUMBAI, JUN 23: Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Monday said the matter related to the impeachment of Justice Yashwant Varma is not before Parliament yet and there is no point commenting  
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**Sustainability is a necessity, not a slogan anymore: Prez**

**NEW DELHI, JUN 23:** Sustainability is a necessity and not a slogan anymore, President Droupadi Murmu said on Monday as she emphasised the need for corporates to keep environmental costs in mind. She was speaking at the 12th National Students' Convocation 2025  
 function of The Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICMAI) in the national capital. "Throughout our history, accountants have enjoyed high esteem in our society. The reason for that, I believe, is that accounting and accountability are deeply  
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**PM Modi's dynamism, willingness to engage remains 'prime asset' for India on global stage: Tharoor**

**NEW DELHI, JUN 23:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi's energy, dynamism and willingness to engage remains a "prime asset" for India on the global stage but deserves greater backing, Congress MP Shashi Tharoor said on Monday, in remarks that are likely to irk his party and widen the growing cracks in his ties with its leadership. Tharoor's praise for the prime minister comes at a time when the Congress  
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**Naxalism eradication in March 2026 to be one of most significant moments since Independence: Shah**

**RAIPUR, JUN 23:** Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday said the country getting rid of the Naxalism menace in March 2026 will be one of the most significant moments since Independence. He said when the saga of victory over Naxalism will be written, the hard work, sacrifice, and dedication of the security personnel will be etched in golden letters. Shah interact-

ed with security forces' commanders and personnel involved in major anti-Naxal operations in Chhattisgarh in Nava Raipur on the last day of his two-day visit to the state. His scheduled visit to Narayanpur was, however, cancelled due to inclement weather. Security personnel involved in the anti-naxal operations wherein CPI (Maoist) general secretary Nambala Keshav Rao alias Basavaraju (70) was killed last month were also present. The programme, titled 'Sankalp - Interaction with Force Commanders and Commandos', was attended by Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai and Deputy CM Vijay Sharma, who also holds the Home portfolio. Addressing the security personnel, Shah said when India becomes free from Naxalism  
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**CS for time-bound upgradation of services at SKIMS, Soura**

**Reviews institute's functioning, plans for future expansion**  
**JAMMU BULLETIN BUREAU**  
**SRINAGAR, JUN 23:** In a high-level meeting convened today, Chief Secretary Atal Dulloo had a comprehensive review of functioning of the Sher-i-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences (SKIMS), Soura. Present in the meeting were Secretary, Health & Medical Education (H&ME); Secretary, Public Works Department (PWD);  
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**Congress demanded only 'Home Rule', not independence till 1930: Dr Jitendra**



**NEW DELHI, JUN 23:** In a powerful and unflinching address during the launch of the book "History That India Ignored" authored by veteran journalist and ANI Chairman Prem Prakash,

Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh delivered a scathing critique of the Congress Party's selective reading of India's freedom struggle, asserting that it was never at the forefront of the freedom movement and that the Congress party had demanded only "Home Rule" under Governor General appointed by the British empire, not complete independence, until as late as 1930. Speaking at the event organised by Prabha Khaitan Foundation, Dr. Jitendra Singh stated unequivocally "The Congress Party was, until 1930, content with being a loyalist club demanding Home Rule. It was only the countrywide public outrage during the hanging of Bhagat Singh and his comrades in 1931 that forced them to shift stance." Dr. Jitendra Singh did not mince words as he  
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**Pahalgam terror attack: NIA gets 5-day remand of two accused**

**JAMMU BULLETIN BUREAU**  
**JAMMU, JUN 23:** A local court on Monday granted the National Investigation Agency (NIA) five-day remand of two accused who were arrested for harbouring the Pakistani terrorists behind the deadly Pahalgam terror attack in April, officials said here. The two men - Parvaiz Ahmad Jothar from Batkote, Pahalgam, and Bashir Ahmad Jothar of Hill Park,



Pahalgam - were arrested by NIA on Sunday in the first major breakthrough in the investigations into the attack that left 26 persons, mostly tourists, dead and 16 others injured on April 22. According to the NIA, the arrested accused have disclosed the identities of the three armed terrorists involved in the attack, and have also confirmed that they were Pakistani nationals  
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**IRCTC to serve Kashmiri vegetarian cuisine on Katra-Srinagar Vande Bharat Train**

**NEW DELHI, JUN 23:** The IRCTC has decided to serve Kashmiri vegetarian cuisine to passengers travelling on the Katra-Srinagar Vande Bharat train from the second week of July. "We are working out a plan to serve local cuisine on the Katra-Srinagar Vande Bharat train and it is expected to start from the second week of July," Anand Kumar Jha, Additional General Manager, IRCTC, said. "Popular local cuisine, such as ambal kaddu,

babru, Jammu paratha in breakfast and paneer chaman, Kashmiri dum aloo and Jammu rajma in lunch, will be served to those who wish to try the flavour of local food during their Katra-Srinagar train ride," an Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation Limited (IRCTC) official said. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Katra-Srinagar Vande Bharat train on June 6, connecting Srinagar with the country's rail network. The Indian Railways started its commercial operations from the next day and the IRCTC treated passengers with its usual menu. "A decision has been taken to promote local cuisine on premier trains and we have worked out a special plan for the Katra-Srinagar Vande Bharat. We spoke to all top food outlets and hotels, such as Nathu's, Holiday Inn, JW Marriott and ITC among  
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