

Police extends helping hand to tourists and general public amid heavy snowfall in Ganderbal

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GANDERBAL, JAN 23:

Demonstrating its unwavering commitment to public service, Police in Ganderbal has been providing timely assistance to tourists and local residents stranded due to heavy snowfall and adverse weather conditions at Gund and Sonamarg. Police teams, deployed on the ground despite harsh conditions, are working relentlessly to ensure the safety and well-being of the stranded individuals. The assistance included evacuation of vehicles stuck in deep snow, facilitation of safe movement, and on-spot help to vulnerable commuters. The swift and coordinated response of J&K Police is widely appreciated by tourists and locals alike, reflecting the force's dedication to humanitarian duties beyond law enforcement. Police appeals to the general public and tourists to exercise utmost caution, adhere to travel advisories, and strictly follow safety protocols while travelling.

Police assist woman & her newborn amid heavy snowfall in Kulgam

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KULGAM, JAN 23:

Police in Kulgam, in a display of prompt action, compassion, dedication and commitment to public service, responded to another distress call amidst incessant snowfall and slippery road in the region. A distress call from Uppermunda, Qazigund was received for assistance, stating that one lady along with her new born baby were stuck on way at Chango Crossing and the family members were unable to take them to home at their own because of incessant snowfall and slippery road. On the directions of SSP Kulgam Shri Anayat Ali Chowdhary-IPS a team of police led by IC PP Jawahar Tunnel under the supervision of ASP NHW Qazigund, Kulgam Shri Mumtaz Ali Bhatti-JKPS was constituted and despite of adverse weather conditions, shifted the lady along with her new born baby on foot to their residential place at Uppermunda Gujjar basti, Qazigund safely, where the respectables especially family members of the said lady thanked SSP Kulgam for prompt action and assistance. The timely intervention underscore J&K Police's unwavering dedication to serving the community, even in challenging circumstances. Police urges the public to exercise caution during severe weather conditions and to reach out in emergencies for assistance.

GCW Udhampur celebrates Basant Panchami with devotional musical programme

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UDHAMPUR, JAN 23:

The Department of Music, Government College for Women (GCW) Udhampur, organized a devotional and culturally enriching programme on the auspicious occasion of Basant Panchami under the aegis of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) at the college campus. The event was held under the able supervision and guidance of the Principal, Dr. Nalini Pathania. The programme commenced with the traditional lighting of the sacred jyoti, symbolizing knowledge, wisdom, and enlightenment. On the occasion, Dr. Seema Sharma, Former Head of the Department of Music, along with faculty members of the Music Department, other teaching staff, and students, participated in the ceremonial inauguration. Students of the Department of Music presented soulful devotional songs, Saraswati Mata bhajans, and stutis, beautifully capturing the spiritual essence of Goddess Saraswati, the deity of knowledge, art, and music. The melodious performances created a serene and devotional ambience across the campus and were highly appreciated by the audience. The programme concluded on a pious note with the distribution of prasad among all attendees, leaving behind an atmosphere of devotion, harmony, and cultural enrichment.

TNTA President Abhinav Anand meets Chief Engineer PWD (R&B) Jammu

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President, Trikuta Nagar Traders Association, Sector-7, Canal Site, Jammu (J&K), Abhinav Anand today met the Chief Engineer, PWD (R&B), Jammu, Er. R.K. Agastam, and held a detailed discussion on various important developmental works of the Jammu Division. During the meeting, Abhinav Anand highlighted several key infrastructure issues, particularly concerning major roads of the division, and emphasized the need for timely execution and upgradation of these projects to facilitate smoother traffic flow and improve public convenience. He urged the Chief Engineer to take up certain critical works on a priority basis, keeping in view the growing commercial and residential needs of the area. The Chief Engineer, PWD (R&B), Jammu, gave a patient hearing to the issues raised and assured that the concerns brought to his notice would be examined carefully. He further stated that appropriate action would be initiated at the earliest as per feasibility and departmental norms. The meeting reflected the proactive role of the Trikuta Nagar Traders Association in advocating for infrastructure development and public welfare in Jammu.

EOW Kashmir cracks major property fraud; chargesheet filed in Ompora land scam

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SRINAGAR, JAN 23:

In a significant breakthrough against land-related fraud, the Economic Offences Wing (EOW) Kashmir of Crime Branch J&K has filed a chargesheet before the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Budgam, in a high-profile case involving allegations of cheating, forgery, and use of fabricated documents to illegally claim ownership of a government housing plot at Ompora, Budgam. The chargesheet has been filed in connection with FIR No. 61/2023 under Sections 420, 467, 468, and 471 IPC, pertaining to Plot No. 1165, measuring 30x50 feet, located at the Government Housing Colony, Ompora. The case originated from a written complaint by a woman who claimed lawful ownership of the plot through a valid chain of powers of attorney from the original allottee. Simultaneously, another individual claimed ownership based on a separate set of documents, raising suspicion of fraud and criminal conspiracy. A detailed investigation was conducted, during which statements of the complainant, original allottee Satish Kumar Sharma, and other relevant persons were recorded. Official verification from the offices of Sub Registrar Budgam and Sub Registrar IV, 2nd Additional Munsif Jammu, revealed that an alleged irrevocable General Power of Attorney purportedly executed in 2010 was never registered. The original allottee categorically denied executing such a document. The investigation established that Gh. Mohi-ud-Din Dar S/o Mohd Shaban Dar R/o Nowgam Bypass, Srinagar, had fraudulently used forged documents to claim ownership and execute further transactions. Confirmation from the J&K Housing Department validated the complainant as the legitimate owner. Accordingly, EOW Kashmir has established a prima facie case and filed the chargesheet for judicial adjudication. The Economic Offences Wing, Kashmir, reiterated its firm resolve to take stringent action against fraudulent land and property dealings and to safeguard public assets under the rule of law.

Shiv Sena pays tribute to Balasaheb; Sahni addresses meat sale controversy in Jammu



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The Shiv Sena (UBT) Jammu and Kashmir unit today paid heartfelt tributes to the party's founder, Hindu Hriday Samrat Balasaheb Thackeray, on the occasion of his birth centenary at a programme held at the party's state central office. Speaking on the occasion, State Chief Manish Sahni addressed the ongoing controversy related to a peaceful awareness campaign against the open sale of meat in Jammu, the City of Temples. He firmly refuted what he termed as baseless and misleading statements being circulated by certain elements, stating that the issue was being unnecessarily given a communal colour despite it being a matter of public health, law, and religious sensitivity.

Sahni criticized those who, according to him, remained

silent against violations of rules by vendors openly selling meat, while instead targeting those who raised concerns through a peaceful campaign. He said such actions hurt the religious sentiments of the Hindu community and compromise public health norms. He further stated that attempts to label the issue as Hindu-Muslim dispute were mischievous and aimed at derailing the real concern. Referring to the incident at Gujjar Nagar, Sahni said that during the peaceful campaign, a small group of Shiv Sainiks was allegedly manhandled by a large crowd. He added that due to the timely intervention and vigilance of the police administration, a major untoward incident was averted. While an FIR has reportedly been registered against Shiv Sainiks, Sahni questioned why no similar action was

being demanded against those who allegedly attacked them or against vendors flouting established rules. Reiterating the party's ideological commitment, Sahni said that Shiv Sainiks, inspired by Balasaheb Thackeray, remain steadfast in safeguarding Sanatan Dharma and religious values, and will continue to raise their voice through democratic and peaceful means. He also appreciated the police administration for maintaining law and order and thanked various Hindu organizations for extending their support. Prominent party leaders present on the occasion included Vikas Bakshi (General Secretary), Sanjeev Kohli (Working President), Raj Singh (President Kamgar), Aditya Mahajan (Vice President), Raju Kapoor (Co-Chairman), and Shashi Pal, among others.

18th Board of Studies meeting of SoECE held at SMVDU

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KATRA, JAN 23:

The 18th Board of Studies (BoS) meeting of the School of Electronics and Communication Engineering (SoECE), Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, was successfully held under the chairmanship of the Head of SoECE. The meeting witnessed active participation from all faculty members, who provided valuable inputs towards strengthening and updating the academic curriculum in line with emerging academic and industry needs.

The meeting was further enriched by the presence of Prof. Asok De, Bharti ARIAN Chair Professor, and Prof. K. R. Jha, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, who offered insightful suggestions and expert guidance on curriculum design, academic excellence, and future-oriented program development. The session also witnessed the esteemed participation of the external expert Prof. Rajeshwari Pandey from Delhi Technological University (DTU), who joined the meeting through online mode. Prof. Pandey provided valuable recommendations focusing on curriculum enhancement, industry alignment, and the promotion of research- and innovation-driven initiatives. During the meeting, the Board deliberated on key

academic agenda items aimed at keeping pace with emerging technologies and evolving industry requirements. The Board approved partial modifications to the syllabuses of select courses to enhance conceptual understanding and practical relevance. To foster innovation, entrepreneurship, and a startup culture among students, the Board approved the introduction of a new subject titled "Understanding, Incubation and Entrepreneurship." Recognizing the growing demand for skilled professionals in advanced technology domains, the Board also approved the introduction of a new M.Tech. program in VLSI, with specializations in VLSI Design and IoT and Sensor Systems.

In addition, the existing course structure of the M.Tech. ECE program was

reviewed and suitably modified to ensure curriculum modernization, flexibility, and better alignment with current research trends and industry expectations. The Head of SoECE appreciated the constructive contributions of faculty members and external experts, emphasizing that the decisions taken during the meeting would significantly enhance academic quality, research orientation, innovation culture, and student employability.

Brotherhood and diversity: Pillars of India's strength a vision for Viksit Bharat 2047

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India's aspiration to achieve Viksit Bharat 2047 encompasses more than just economic expansion, technological advancement, and infrastructural progress; it is also contingent upon the robustness of its social fabric, cultural integration, and institutional development. Within a nation characterized by unparalleled linguistic, cultural, and geographic diversity, the concepts of brotherhood and unity transcend mere abstraction, manifesting as tangible realities that unify the populace. India's most significant asset resides in its diversity, wherein a multitude of languages, traditions, and identities coexist in a state of harmony, thereby collectively fostering national advancement.

Educational establishments, athletic venues, cultural platforms, research facilities, and civic organizations serve as the arenas where this diversity is cultivated into a source of national strength. Furthermore, India's musicians, dancers, and cinematic artists have historically functioned as crucial representatives of unity and national pride.

Legendary Hindustani musicians such as Pandit Ravi Shankar, Pandit Bhimsen Joshi, Pandit Hridyanath Mangeshkar, Ustad Bismillah Khan, Ustad Amjad Ali Khan, Ustad Zakir Hussain, and Ustad Alla Rakha, along with Carnatic stalwarts like M.S. Subbulakshmi, Dr. M. Balamuralikrishna, Dr. K.J. Yesudas, and K.S. Chithra, have brought India's diverse musical heritage to global audiences while uniting millions at home across linguistic and regional lines. Kathak dancers, folk performers such as Chaturbhuj Rathod, and other regional artists preserve indigenous arts while integrating them into the national consciousness.

Contemporary icons like Ilaiyaraaja, Jagjit Singh, Pandit Shivkumar Sharma, and Pandit Vishwa Mohan Bhatt demonstrate how classical depth, innovation, and cross-cultural collaboration can create pan-Indian and global impact. Cinema, with collaborative produc-

tions across Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Marathi, Gujarati, and Bengali and other regional film industries, amplifies stories rooted in regional identity to a national and international stage, cultivating empathy, shared narratives, and cultural pride. In the realm of music, Indian luminaries like Lata Mangeshkar, Mukesh, Kishore Kumar, Mohd. Rafi, Rahat Dev Burman, Zubin Mehta, Channi Singh, Biddhu and A.R. Rahman and many other Indian legends exemplify artists who have projected Indian music onto the international arena. Their artistic achievements and collaborative endeavors across cultures have bolstered national musical integration and simultaneously cultivated global cultural ties. Their respective artistic trajectories illustrate music's capacity to transcend linguistic, geographical, and national boundaries, thereby functioning as a potent instrument of unity and a shared mode of human expression.

Sport serves as a significant platform for national integration, uniting regional identities beneath the national flag. Olympic and international athletes like Neeraj Chopra, P.V. Sindhu, Mary Kom, Bajrang Punia, and Dutee Chand, along with hockey and cricket teams, represent a multitude of states, languages, and communities, yet they collectively foster a sense of national pride.

Sporting accomplishments cultivate discipline, teamwork, resilience, and ethical competition, mirroring values essential for leadership and national unity. Through inter-state training academies, grassroots initiatives, and national leagues, sport exemplifies how localized talent and institutional collaboration converge to achieve excellence, thereby functioning as a metaphor for national progress and collaborative leadership.

Furthermore, India's scientific and technological advancements provide additional evidence of the integrative potential inherent in its diversity.

In the world of sports, cricket especially, figures like Sunil Gavaskar, Kapil Dev, Mohammad Azharuddin, Sachin Tendulkar, Vinod Kambla,

Sourav Ganguly, Rahul Dravid, Mahendra Singh Dhoni, Virender Sehwag, Virat Kohli, Yuvraj Singh, Rohit Sharma, and Irfan Pathan, alongside badminton stars Prakash Padukone, Pullela Gopichand, P.V. Sindhu, and Saina Nehwal, and tennis greats Mahesh Bhupathi, Leander Paes, and Sania Mirza, and many others have repeatedly put India on the global map. Hailing from all corners of the country, speaking different languages, and coming from various walks of life, these athletes embody qualities like teamwork, discipline, leadership, and the ability to bounce back. Their accolades have done more than just

bring India international acclaim;

they've also boosted national pride,

fostered social unity, and highlighted

the enduring strength of India's

diversity.

The advancement of the

nation is demonstrably driven by the

fusion of knowledge from varied

origins, as evidenced by the achieve-

ments of figures like C.V. Raman,

Homi Bhabha, Jayant Narlikar,

and A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, in conjunc-

tion with the efforts of modern entities

such as ISRO, IITs, IIMs, and AI

research institutions. This progress is

facilitated by a commitment to

national priorities, superseding indi-

vidual ambitions, and a selfless

devotion to the country, reflecting its

diverse cultural heritage.

Moreover, India's international

reputation is strengthened by collab-

orative research, space exploration,

public health initiatives, and the cul-

mination of startup ecosystems, all of

which illustrate the ability of knowl-

edge, creativity, and innovation to

overcome linguistic and regional

barriers. In the realm of science and

intellectual leadership, India has pro-

duced globally influential figures

who have contributed to the expan-

sion of human knowledge and the

enhancement of societal welfare.

Prof. Venkatraman Ramakrishnan

received the Nobel Prize in

Chemistry in 2009, recognizing his

pioneering research on ribosomal

structure and function, which has

had a profound influence on contem-

porary biology, medicine, and phar-

maceutical sciences. Likewise, Prof.

Amartya Sen, awarded the Nobel

Prize in Economic Sciences in 1998,

reshaped the global development

conversation through his contribu-

tions to welfare economics, social

choice theory, and human develop-

ment, underscoring the importance

of education, health, equity, and

human dignity for advancement.

Their worldwide influence illus-

trates how India's intellectual diversity and

ethical scholarship foster both

national unity and global leadership.

Social reformers and humanitarian

leaders have, in turn, translated the

principle of brotherhood into con-

crete societal outcomes.

Mahatma Jyotirao Phule and

Savitribai Phule, Vinoba Bhave, Dr.