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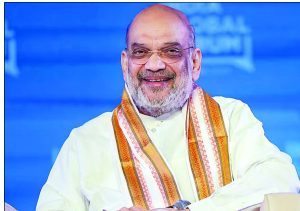
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## PM Modi led regime determined to make India great nation by 2047: Amit Shah

Says strict action being taken against drugs cartels smuggling, selling drugs in 'paan shops or kiosks

NEW DELHI, SEP 16

Asserting that the government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has set a target of 2047 to make India a fully developed and great nation, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Tuesday said that to achieve this goal country has to be fully secure. Addressing the second national conference of heads of Anti-Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) of States and Union Territories here, Shah, according to the news agency, said, "PM Modi has set forth the vision of creating an India by 2047 that will be the world's number one in every aspect and fully developed — a nation secure enough that no one can penetrate. For this, our youth are the biggest hope, and if they



are determined, nothing is impossible, as they are the foundation of any nation." The Union Home Minister said that the government led by PM Modi is determined to wipe out the drug menace from the country and is making all-out efforts to achieve this goal. He asked the law

help of the CBI, they should make the arrangement for the extradition of fugitives here. This will not only help in breaking the narcotics gangs but also terrorism gangs too." Shah said that strict action is being taken against drugs cartels which are smuggling and selling drugs 'pudiya' (small packets) in 'paan' shops or kiosks.

He said a triangular strategy has to be adopted in the fight against drugs. "For the drug supply chain, we should have a ruthless approach, a strategic approach in demand reduction, and a human approach in harm reduction. The ANTF should move forward with these three approaches," he said. The

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## Gadkari chairs high-level meeting to review situation

Omar Abdullah seeks uninterrupted movement of fruit-laden trucks

2800 trucks cleared via Mughal road in past 2 days; heavy vehicle movement from Srinagar to Jammu allowed tomorrow: IG Traffic

GY CORRESPONDENT SRINAGAR, SEP 16

Amid growing public outrage in Kashmir Valley over the stranding of apple-laden trucks along the Srinagar-Jammu National Highway (NH-44), the Union Government stepped in on Monday to address the escalating crisis. Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari, chaired a high-level review meeting in New Delhi to assess the situation.

As per the news agency, the meeting was attended by Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, his cabinet colleagues, senior bureaucrats from Jammu & Kashmir, and officials from the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). Following the meeting, Gadkari



reaffirmed the government's commitment to restoring the highway to full operational capacity at the earliest. "We are determined to restore this vital national highway to full strength at the earliest, ensuring safety and convenience for all road users," Gadkari stated in a post

on X, formerly Twitter. He added that NHAI teams are working tirelessly to keep the highway functional despite relentless rains and a major landslide. "A two-lane temporary diversion has been built, and traffic movement has resumed. Over a dozen excavators and more than 50 earthmovers are

deployed round the clock for clearing and repairs," he said. An official spokesperson said that Chief Minister Omar Abdullah urged the Union Ministry to ensure uninterrupted passage for heavy vehicles. Omar emphasized that while road maintenance and blacktopping are important,

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## 3 J&K Police Officers Sent On Deputation To Ladakh

GY CORRESPONDENT SRINAGAR, SEP 16

The Jammu and Kashmir Government has deputed three police officers to the Union Territory of Ladakh for a period of two years. As per Government Order, the officers include Dy SP (SDPO Kangari) Faraz Hussain Shah, Dy SP (17th BR) Adil Mushtaq Sheikh, and Inspector (Security Wing J&K) Vijay Singh Choudhary. The

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## Distance-Mode Engineering Degree Can't Add Weightage: DB

GY CORRESPONDENT JAMMU, SEP 16

The High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh at Jammu has held that engineering degrees obtained through distance mode from deemed universities cannot be given weightage in government recruitment processes, dismissing petitions filed by a candidate in a long-pending Motor Vehicle Inspector (MVI) selection case.

A Division Bench comprising Justice Vinod Chatterji Koul and Justice Sanjay Dhar delivered the ruling while deciding two

writ petitions filed by Engineer Chaggar Singh Billworia against the Central Administrative Tribunal's (CAT) June 2025 judgment. The Tribunal had directed the appointment of another candidate, Ramandeep Singh, to the post of Motor Vehicle Inspector (Technical) in the Transport Department. The Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board (JKSSB) had in 2008 advertised four posts of MVI (Technical), but the recruitment process stretched for years due to re-advertisements, revised eligibility norms, and

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## JKSSB to conduct Junior Engineer (Civil) exam on November 2

GY CORRESPONDENT JAMMU, SEP 16

The Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board (JKSSB) on Tuesday announced fresh dates for the written examination of Junior Engineer (Civil), which had earlier been postponed. According to an official notification, the OMR-based test will now be held on November 2, 2025. The exam pertains to posts

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## CM Omar Abdullah to lead J&K delegation at Global Tourism fair in Paris

GY CORRESPONDENT SRINAGAR, SEP 16

The Jammu and Kashmir Government has deputed an official delegation, led by Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, to represent the Union Territory at the prestigious IFTM top Resa tourism exhibition in Paris from September 23 to 25.

The IFTM expo takes place every year in Paris at the Porte de Versailles exhibition center and again this year it is going to be held there from Sep 23 to Sep 25, 2025. IFTM Paris provides valuable opportunities for exhibitors to promote

their tourism offerings, gain new clients, and learn about industry trends. News agency reported that CM Omar Abdullah, who also holds the Tourism portfolio, will showcase the region's tourism potential before an international audience of industry leaders, stakeholders, and investors. The event is widely regarded as one of Europe's leading travel and tourism trade fairs, offering a global platform for destinations to present their unique attractions. The

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## AIP leaders detained during protest over NH blockade in Sgr's Press Enclave

GY CORRESPONDENT SRINAGAR, SEP 16

Police on Tuesday detained several leaders of the Awami Itihaad Party (AIP) after the party staged a protest in Srinagar against the prolonged blockade on the Srinagar-Jammu National Highway, which has left thousands of fruit-laden trucks stranded. Scores of AIP activists led by MLA Langate Sheikh Khurshheed assembled at Press Colony and held a sit-in demonstration, raising slogans of "Save Apple, Save Kashmir."

According to the news agency, protesters carried placards, highlighting that the continued halt of apple consignments has devastated the Valley's horticulture sector. Speaking to reporters, Sheikh Khurshheed said the delay in clearing trucks was causing heavy losses to growers. "Lakhs of families depend on horticulture for survival. Keeping apple consignments stranded for days amounts to an economic assault on Kashmir," he said, urging authorities to intervene immediately. Cont. on page 11

## Doctors on PG Courses Without Joining Duty Not Entitled to Salary: HC

GY CORRESPONDENT JAMMU, SEP 16

The High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh at Jammu has ruled that government doctors who pursue postgraduate (PG) courses without physically joining their duties are not entitled to salary or allowances for that period.

A Division Bench of Justice Sanjay Kumar and Justice Sanjay Parihar delivered the judgment while allowing a writ petition filed by the Union Territory of J&K

and its Health & Medical Education Department against a Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) order. The case involved Dr. Anju Kumari and Dr. Nishu Bhushan, appointed as Assistant Surgeons in 2011. Instead of joining their posts, both doctors continued their PG studies at Government Medical College, Jammu. They later approached the Tribunal, which in February 2025 directed the

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## CM chairs review meeting on development of emerging tourist destinations in J&K

CM launches J&K Tourism App



GY CORRESPONDENT SRINAGAR, SEP 16

Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today chaired a meeting to review the development of emerging tourist destinations across

Jammu and Kashmir. The meeting was attended by Advisor to the CM Nasir Aslam Wani, Chief Secretary Atal Dulloo, Additional Chief Secretary to the CM

Dheeraaj Gupta, Additional Chief Secretary Tourism Dr. Ashish Chandra Verma, Director Tourism Kashmir Raja Yaqoob Farooq, Cont. on page 11

## TADA court rejects bail plea of two accused in Mirwaiz Moulvi Farooq's assassination case

GY CORRESPONDENT SRINAGAR, SEP 16

A designated TADA Court in Jammu on Tuesday rejected the bail applications of two accused in the assassination of Mirwaiz Moulvi Mohammad Farooq, who was killed in Srinagar in the early 1990s. The duo has been sent to Central Jail.

The assassination, which shook Kashmir over three decades ago, was investigated by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI).

According to the CBI, the conspiracy was hatched by Hizbul Mujahideen commanders Abdullah Bangroo and Rehman Shigan, and executed by their operatives—Ayub Dar, Javid Bhat, and Zahoor Bhat. Both Bangroo and Shigan were later killed in separate encounters with security forces. Of the operatives, Dar was arrested soon after the incident and sentenced to life imprisonment. Javid Bhat and Zahoor Bhat, however,

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## BSF Recovers Arms And Ammunition, Including AK Rifle In Budhwar Jammu.

GY CORRESPONDENT JAMMU, SEP 16

Border Security Forces on Tuesday recovered arms and ammunition during searches in Budhwar area of Jammu district. Officials told that during search operation by the BSF party recovered arms and ammunition including 1 AK-47 rifle along with an empty AK-47 Magazine in the area. Official further stated that weapon recovering indicates possible terrorist movement in the area. Meanwhile, Cont. on page 11

## CS reviews implementation of flagship schemes of key departments

GY CORRESPONDENT JAMMU, SEP 16

Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo today convened a high-level meeting to review the progress of flagship schemes being implemented by major departments including Housing & Urban Development (H&UD), Rural Development (RDD), School Education, Social Welfare, Health & Medical Education (H&ME), Revenue, Skill Development (SDD), Industries & Commerce (I&C), and Cooperatives. The meeting was



attended by Additional Chief Secretary, Planning Department & Monitoring Department; Administrative Secretaries of concerned departments; Director General, Planning; Director

Planning; and other senior officers. During the review, the Chief Secretary took a detailed appraisal of both physical and financial progress under each scheme, assessed achievements vis-a-vis the set objectives, and examined timelines for completion. For Housing & Urban Development Department (H&UD) projects under AMRUT 2.0 including 65 Water Supply Schemes, 3 Sewerage & Septage Management projects, and 22 projects for rejuvenation Cont. on page 11

## Kashmir apple growers report rising losses as transport costs triple, prices fall

Say Rs 1,200 crore already lost, fear it could be 'worst in history'

GY CORRESPONDENT SRINAGAR, SEP 16

Freight charges for apple consignments in Kashmir have tripled from Rs 100 to over Rs 350 per box, even as market prices for apples have crashed by nearly half due to non-transportation on the Srinagar-Jammu National Highway. This has prompted desperate growers to demand unhindered movement of fruit trucks and urgent government intervention

to save the industry. The growers, speaking to the news agency, said Kashmirers have hiked charges per box from Rs 100 earlier to Rs 300-350, citing the closure of the national highway and diversion through the longer, hilly Mughal Road. "On one side, our apples are not reaching markets, and on the other, transport costs have tripled," said Faizal War, one of the transport in-charge Cont. on page 11

## Parl Committee on Commerce visits Pahalgal to discuss revival of tourism post-terror attack

Delegation interacts with stakeholders, says efforts on to restore confidence, normalcy

GY CORRESPONDENT PAHALGAM, SEP 16

Parliamentary Committee on Commerce delegation on Tuesday led by its Chairperson, Dola Sen, interacted with stakeholders in Pahalgal on Tuesday to review the challenges faced by the tourism sector in the aftermath of the terror attack in April earlier this year. Speaking to reporters after the meeting, Sen, as per the news agency, said the committee has been touring different parts of Jammu and Kashmir to assess the ground

situation. "We are here in Pahalgal today after meeting stakeholders in Srinagar yesterday, and tomorrow we will be in Leh to continue the discussions. Our primary objective is to understand the concerns of all stakeholders and prepare a comprehensive report that will be submitted to the concerned ministries and higher authorities of both the Union and the local government," she said. The Chairperson acknowledged the tragic

loss of innocent lives in the recent incident, calling it an unfortunate event that has deeply saddened the nation. "While we share the grief of the victims' families, we are also determined to ensure that such incidents do not permanently derail the growth of tourism and commerce in Jammu and Kashmir," she said. Sen said the committee is committed to acting as a catalyst for the revival of commerce and tourism in the region. "We have a duty and responsibility to stand Cont. on page 11