

Kishtwar riots happened due to failure of State Govt: PDP

Excelsior Correspondent
SRINAGAR, Aug 19: Paying rich compliments to people of the State for displaying exemplary poise, dignity and maturity in the face of very serious mischief in Kishtwar, People's Democratic Party (PDP) today said the recent incidents in the Chenab Valley and their fallout at some isolated places resulted from the gross failures of the Coalition Government.

At a meeting of Party's Political Affairs Committee held here today, a review was also made of the general political situation prevailing in the State. The Committee also discussed party affairs in the context of the forthcoming general elections to Lok Sabha.

The meeting was presided over by the party patron Mufi Mohammad Sayeed and attended by the president Mehbooba Mufti, former Deputy Chief Minister Muzaffar Hussain Baig

Concern over stopping of Machail Mata yatris

Excelsior Correspondent
JAMMU, Aug 19: The Sarv Shakti Sewak Sanstha which is the managing body of holy Machail Mata Yatra has criticized the Government for not allowing the yatis to proceed towards the holy shrine from various parts of Jammu region and stopping them at the isolated areas.

In a statement issued here today, Dr Dshvir Singh Jamwal chairperson of the Sanstha said that the Sanstha held an emergency meeting here in which grave concern was expressed over the harassment meted out to the pilgrims through the hands of the administration.

He said the Sanstha has received various complaints from the pilgrims that they were not allowed to proceed for yatra and stopped at isolated places on way

VHP warns against transfer of Mata Vaishno Devi land

Excelsior Correspondent
JAMMU, Aug 19: VHP State president, Dr Rama Kant Dubey while expressing his dismay over the reported move of the Government to transfer the land allotted to Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine by the then Maharaja of State Maharaja Gulab Singh after taking the reins of State administration in 1846 to Katra Municipality on behalf of some politicians, urged the Government not to go ahead with the decision as it will have serious consequences.

Talking to reporters here today, he said that soon after taking over as the ruler of the State, Maharaja Gulab Singh visited the holy shrine of Mata Vaishno Devi to pay his obeisance and perform darshan.

He said the Maharaja allotted 1,48,466 kanals and two marlas of land to holy shrine on the same time. He said Dharmarth Trust was already constituted and the Baridaran, pujaris and chowkidars of the shrine were kept on its roll as employees.

He said the land was allotted to the shrine for its maintenance and preservation of ecology of Trikuta hills.

KPC holds workshop on preservation of culture

Excelsior Correspondent
NEW DELHI, Aug 19: Kashmiri Pandit Conference (KPC) has appealed the displaced Pandit community settled all over the globe to preserve and protect the Kashmiri language as it is a link to the roots and helps in maintaining the cultural identity.

The KPC, made the appeal at the workshop organised by it here today for preserving the Kashmiri Hindu culture and traditions.

The KPC also expressed concern over the growing divorce rate in the community and said a new trend has taken place after the mass exodus which should be arrested as divorce is not the part of our rich culture. It also urged the community to avoid the family planning as this way the population of the community will decrease considerably. It reiterated

DB sets aside judgment in murder case, remands case back for fresh trial

Excelsior Correspondent
JAMMU, Aug 19: In a rarest of rare case High Court has set aside the judgment of Trial Court whereby accused in murder case was acquitted and remanded the case back to the Sessions Court Poonch for fresh trial.

According to the police case, on the intervening night of August 6-7, 2004 the accused shot dead the retired Sub Inspector Mohd Bashir. Initially, the killing was suspected to be handiwork of the militants operating in the area. Later, the case was transferred to Crime Branch which during investigation came to know that Mohd Bashir, son of Lal Din and his son Zaheer Abbas hatched a conspiracy with accused SP Mohd Iqbal and in pursuance of the same killed the deceased.

After hearing AAG Ravinder

BJP nominates Mandal team

Excelsior Correspondent
POONCH, Aug 19: BJP Poonch district president Sunil Gupta, in consultation with State Secretary & Distt. Prabhari S. Charanjit Singh Khalsa, has nominated Mandal team of Mendhar with Vikas Sharma as Mandal President.

Azeem Choudhary and Sayed Shahid Hussain Shah have been nominated as Mandal vice-presidents while Rashad Ahmed Khan has been nominated as Mandal general secretary.

Pt Bhajan Sopori, Abhay Rustum selected for 'AAA' award

Excelsior Correspondent
JAMMU, Aug 19: Pandit Bhajan Sopori, the legendary musician from Jammu and Kashmir and young music maestro Abhay Rustum Sopori have been selected for the 'Asian Admirable Achievers' award.

Pt Sopori, regarded as the cultural bridge of J&K State and rest of the country, is hailed as the "Saint of the Santoor" and the "King of Strings". He has led the revival of Sufism to spread the message of humanism amongst the masses. Having composed over 5000 songs, his compositions and recitals bear the distinctive stamp of his virtuosity and erudition. He has used his Santoor and his compositions to highlight the concept of oneness and foster unity enshrining the idea of national integration, humanism and peace amongst the common man and the youth in particular.

Abhay Rustum Sopori is recognized for his enormous contribution in the revival of culture in the country especially Jammu and Kashmir State and has the credit for creating a Cultural Revolution bringing the youth together through music and creating a new generation of music connoisseurs bringing more recognition to the art and culture of the country.

Acclaimed for the young face of J&K culture, Abhay is one of the most prominent musicians of the present generation.

Mangotra elected president of JKRFA

Excelsior Correspondent
JAMMU, Aug 19: AK Mangotra was today elected unanimously as president of J&K Retired Foresters Association (JKRFA) in a meeting of the Association held here today.

He was also authorized to name his team of office bearers and constitute the executive committee at an early date.

The meeting also discussed the matter regarding allotment of accommodation to house the office of the Association, which unfortunately had been withdrawn by the department years ago.

Student drowns

Excelsior Correspondent
SRINAGAR, Aug 19: An engineering student drowned while bathing in Dal Lake near Moti Mahal in Srinagar last evening.

Police said that he has been identified as Adil Rashid, 21, son of Abdul Rashid of Saloora, Ganderbal. They said his body is yet to be retrieved.

5 injured in accidents

Excelsior Correspondent
SRINAGAR, Aug 19: Five persons were injured in different road traffic accidents across the Valley today.

A police spokesman said two persons were injured when the motorcycle PB18K/2107 hit them at Bidhard in Anantnag district.

The spokesman said they have been identified as Irfan Ahmad Awan son of Mohammad Hussain of Bidhard and a pillion Shaker Ahmad Malik son of Gulzar Ahmad of Draway. Both the injured have been shifted to a hospital for treatment, he said.

A pedestrian, Fardeen Ahmad Shalla son of Nissar Ahmad of Uranhall Bijbehara in district Anantnag was injured

Satish highlights benefits of Aadhaar Card

Excelsior Correspondent
SAMBA, Aug 19: Satish Sharma, president LYC Jammu Poonch, visited various areas of District Samba including Ratnu Chak, Birpur, Purnamadal and met people.

The purpose of the visit was to make people aware of the benefits of Aadhaar Card, which will serve as a single unique identity proof throughout the country for availing various benefits with regard to Railway Reservation tickets, Cash Subsidy transfer, Booking of LPG connection and many other benefits.

Dilip Singh Azad passes away

Excelsior Correspondent
JAMMU, Aug 19: Dilip Singh Azad a senior trade unionist and founder president of Provincial Electric Employees Union (PEEU) breathed his last today after a prolonged illness. He was 70.

Mr Azad had founded the PEEU in 1964 and had taken an active part in the Trade Union Movement of the State. He was associated member of All J&K Low Paid Government Employees Federation (LPEF) to which his organization was affiliated. He was also a member of Indian National Electricity Workers Federation, head quartered at Jaipur.

Mr Azad, while leading the power employees struggle in State has given slogan "save power save nation".

Various Trade Union leaders have condoled his demise. PEEU held a meeting at Kathua under the chairmanship of PC Sharma its president in which services of Mr

when a Tata Sumo JK03A/0467 hit him, the spokesman said. He said Shalla has been shifted to a hospital for treatment.

A boy, Mohammad Afzal son of Mohammad Maqbool Bhat of Hanjiwara Pattan was hit by a Tata Sumo bearing registration number JK01C/3036 at Hanjiwara in district Baramulla. The spokesman said he was shifted to JVC hospital, Srinagar, for treatment.

In a collision between a BSF vehicle bearing registration number PB-08AG/9499 and a Maruti Car bearing registration number JK03B/2969 at Delhi Public School crossing at Panthachowk, the Maruti driver was injured. He was shifted to SMHS, Srinagar, for treatment, the spokesman added.

He stressed that the purpose of Aadhaar was to check pilferage so that the benefits of the welfare schemes could be directly transferred to the end user. Under the leadership of Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi, many people friendly schemes have been launched for the ultimate benefit of the country's population, he said.

Among others who accompanied Satish Sharma, included Waaseem Kohli, Paramjeet Singh, Rajan, Sarpanch and Naib-Sarpanch Birpur, Bilal Malik and Murtaza Wani.

Others condoled his demise.

Residents stage stir, demand basic facilities

Excelsior Correspondent
SRINAGAR, Aug 19: Hundreds of residents of village Chirait in Aglar protested against the Government for failing to provide them basic facilities like water, roads and electricity.

The protesters poured on the Aglar-Wachi road and blocked it for more than four hours.

The agitating people said lack of electricity, water supply and bad roads have made their life miserable, but shamelessly the administration was least concerned about it.

They rued that from last more than one-and-half-year they have been complaining about it to the Government, but they had not taken any action regarding it.

Naturals' Unisex Salon launches its 1st unit in Jammu

Excelsior Correspondent
JAMMU, Aug 19: Naturals' Unisex Salon and Spa launched its first unit in Jammu. With Bollywood actress Genelia D'Souza appointed as its Brand Ambassador and 260+ outlets across the country, the award



An inner view of Naturals' Unisex Salon & Spa located at Trikuta Nagar in Jammu.

L'Oreal, Schwarzkopf, Christian Valmy, Kraylon etc are some of the products used at the salon. Abreast of the latest international trends, a host of exotic services including reflexology massage, hair spa, and rejuvenation facials find place in its service catalogue. The Salon and Spa is unisex in nature but has separate dedicated space for men and women.

It is a one stop destination for all personal grooming and beauty care needs for women, men and children. Services for women include essentials ranging from waxing, threading, manicure and pedicure to exotic facials, hair care and styling, exclusive skin care therapies and make up for regular care and special occasions, bridal services, body care, reflexology and spa experience with elaborate or quick finish beauty care sessions.

Naturals' also offers essential services for men like moustache trimming, shaving and hair care solutions to spa treatments, range of facials, manicure, pedicure and elaborate grooming and styling sessions.

ARMR Sewa Sanstha Trust elects body

Excelsior Correspondent
JAMMU, Aug 19: Ardh Ratri Maha Regheneya (ARMR) Sewa Sanstha Trust, Mata Kheer Bhawani Peeth, Janipur, conducted elections to elect its new body for the term 2013-16 here on Sunday.

The new body comprised of LD Kaul as president, Ram Krishen Kaul as vice-president, Ajay Raina as secretary, RK Khazanchi as treasurer and ML Safaya as organizer.

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3.	State Pollution Control Board (SPCB)	i) Monitor the compliance of the standards regarding ground water, ambient air leachate quality and the compost quality including incineration standards as specified under Schedule II, III & IV. ii) Issuance of authorization to the municipal authority or an operator of a facility stipulating compliance criteria and standards. iii) Prepare and submit to the CPCB an annual report with regard to the implementation of the rules.

As per Hon'ble Supreme court order on management of MSW dated 5th Oct, 2004, State Govt. has to file an affidavit regarding action plan for implementation of MSW Rules prepared by Ministry of Urban Development in consultation with all concerned at the earliest as the time period granted has already expired.

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