

## Post 370 major change in terror strategy NIA unearths deep rooted conspiracy of Pak based outfits

**Fayaz Bukhari**  
SRINAGAR, Apr 8: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) today filed a charge sheet against 25 persons for their involvement in various militancy cases in Kashmir. The charge sheet against these persons was filed in Special Court NIA in New Delhi. These persons were arrested in Kashmir during raids for the last six months for their alleged involvement in various militancy cases. They were accused for hatching of conspiracy both on physical as well as cyberspace for undertaking violent militancy acts in J&K and other parts of

the country. They belong to Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT), Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), Hizb-ul-Mujahideen (HM), Al-Badr and their affiliates The Resistance Front (TRF) and People Anti-Fascist Forces (PAFF). The NIA in a statement said that investigation has unearthed a deep rooted conspiracy of Pakistan based organisations, joining hands in the form of a united group and shifting of their modus operandi by floating pseudo offshoot outfits portrayed as indigenous resistance groups, in whose name militant activities are being carried out. "After the abrogation of Article 370, this shift was discernible in claims of terrorist

acts done in J&K. Many affiliate/offshoots outfits such as The Resistance Front (TRF), People Against Fascist Forces (PAFF), United Liberation Front J&K (ULF), Muslim Janbaaz Force (MJF), Kashmir Janbaaz Force (KJF), Kashmir Tigers, Kashmir Fight, Mujahideen Gazwat-ul-Hind, Kashmir Gazvani Force etc had suddenly mushroomed, laying claims to various terrorist acts," the statement said. It said that the investigation established that all these pseudo-outfits are in fact offshoots of the Pakistan based militant outfits. It further said that they have been floated under a deep-rooted conspiracy to portray Kashmir

## Three of a family among 6 killed in road accidents, 6 injured

**Excelsior Correspondent**  
UDHAMPUR, Apr 8: Six persons including three members of a family were killed in two separate road accidents here today.

In a road accident, husband-wife duo and their son were killed. Police sources said that three people, who were among those holding a protest demanding repair of drinking water supply pipes, were killed after a truck bearing registration number JK01X-4682 accidentally knocked them down at Baishty area on Sudh Mahadev-Chenani link road. The truck driver failed to

negotiate a blind curve and ended up ramming into few people, who were staging a protest demanding that the pipes supplying drinking water to their hamlet in Chenani area be repaired. In the accident, three persons died on the spot while six others received injuries. After getting information, Sub Divisional Police Officer (SDPO) Chenani Ahmad Shaafi and SHO Police Station Chenani Inspector Charanjeet Singh along with police personnel rushed to the spot and started rescue operation. All the injured persons were shifted to Primary Health Centre (PHC) Chenani from where four were later referred to District Hospital Udhampur for

## Hafiz Saeed sentenced in 2 more terror cases

**Excelsior Correspondent**  
LAHORE, Apr 8: An anti-terrorism court in Pakistan today sentenced Mumbai terror attack mastermind and banned Jamat-ud-Dawa (JuD) chief Hafiz Saeed to 32 years in jail in two more terror financing cases. Earlier in five such cases,

3 MVD Inspectors attacked. SRINAGAR, Apr 8: The Government today attached three Motor Vehicle Inspectors of Motor Vehicles Department of Kashmir in the office of Regional Transport Officer, Jammu with immediate effect, as they were involved in the issuance of driving licenses and fitness certificates by accepting

## 200 MW shortfall in demand & supply even in April Power supply situation to turn grim in Jammu in coming days

**\*Govt unable to purchase power due to high market rate**  
**Mohinder Verma**

JAMMU, Apr 8: Power supply situation across the Jammu region will turn grim in the coming days as even in the month of April the Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Limited (JPDCCL) is facing shortfall of 200 Mega Watts (MW) because of unexpected rise in the temperature and non-availability of sufficient electricity from the Northern Grid.

Air Conditioners (ACs) on large scale as such the consumption of electricity by the domestic consumers has increased considerably much to the disappointment of the Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Limited. On the other side, because of less discharge of water in the rivers and subsequent acute shortfall in the generation of electricity by the hydro-electric projects the Northern Grid is not in a position to provide electricity as per the contract signed with the Government of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

at present there is requirement of 1100 Mega Watts of electricity per day across the Jammu region while as availability from all the sources is just 900 Mega Watts as such there is shortfall of 200 Mega Watts. Due to inability of the Northern Grid to provide electricity as per the agreement, the Government has left with the only option of purchasing power from the market, which is not feasible keeping in view hefty rate of Rs 15 per unit. "If the generation from the hydro-electric projects remains static or declines in the coming days the market rate of the electricity will

## Both bodies want issues to be discussed on table Centre sends feelers to LAB, KDA: dilute Statehood demand for talks

**Sanjeev Pargal**  
JAMMU, Apr 8: In a significant development aimed at preventing agitation in sensitive Union Territory of Ladakh, the Centre is reported to have sent feelers to certain leaders that dialogue can be held with representatives of the two districts if they dilute demand for the Statehood.

talks can be held on the table and the Central Government can convey its stand to representatives of Ladakh during a meeting. But for that, the MHA first had to set up a Panel for holding dialogue with LAB and KDA jointly as promised by Minister of State for Home Nityanand Rai during his visit to Leh," they added.

The feeler by the Central Government clearly indicated that they were averse to demand of the Statehood to Ladakh as they had fulfilled decades old demand, which mainly originated in Leh district, for Union Territory status to Himalayan region on August 5, 2019, the day erstwhile State of Jammu

talks must be held on all four major demands including Statehood for Ladakh, Sixth Schedule like status, two Parliamentary seats instead of present one and creation of more job opportunities. "The LAB and KDA appeared to be of the view that

## Andrabi gets MoS status

**Excelsior Correspondent**  
JAMMU, Apr 6: The Government today accorded the status of Minister of State to Dr Drakshan Andrabi, Chairperson, Jammu and Kashmir Waqaf Board.

Administration Department. DA of Ladakh employees hiked to 34 pc. LADAKH, Apr 8: Administration of Union Territory (UT) of Ladakh has ordered a hike in Dearness Allowance (DA) payable to the employees working in the UT from the existing rate of 31 per cent to 34 per cent of the basic

From the middle of March till date the temperature in Jammu has witnessed unexpected rise and this has led to use of

## Mankotia, Kundal, Tony among many join AAP Many schemes of development for J&K will be announced: Sisodia

**Gopal Sharma**  
JAMMU, Apr 8: In a major boost to the Aam Aadmi Party to strengthen its base in Jammu and Kashmir, two former Legislators from J&K National Panthers Party, former senior bureaucrat BA Runyal from district Ramban, besides about 50 DDC/BDC members and scores of Sarpanches today joined Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) in New Delhi.

Reports said two times MLA of Panthers Party from Udhampur-Balwanti Singh

Sabha; senior Congress leader and renowned social activist Surinder Singh Shingari from Jammu West, sitting DDC Member from Mahore - Master Mohd Ismail, Bilal Ahmed

NPP leaders BS Mankotia, YP Kundal and others being welcomed in party fold by AAP Minister Gopal Rai at a joining function in New Delhi on Friday. Mankotia and former NPP MLA from Samba Yashpal Kundal (former MoS) and sitting DDC member from Suchetgarh Taranjit Singh Tony; Gambhir Dev Singh Charak, Youth wing president of Dogra Saddar

## Team Sanjeev Pargal sweeps Press Club Jammu elections, wins all 11 posts

**Excelsior Correspondent**  
JAMMU, Apr 8: Team Sanjeev Pargal today secured landslide victory in the Press Club of Jammu elections

Association, who acted as Returning Officer for the elections and Assistant Returning Officers including Pawan Maini, Ravinder Sharma, CM Sharma, all Advocates and Sanjeet

All posts of the Press Club of Jammu were captured by the candidates of Team Sanjeev Pargal as the opponents couldn't get a single post. Election was held for a total of 11 posts including four office bearers and seven of the Managing

Committee. Zorawar Singh Jamwal was elected as vice president by securing 404 votes while his opponent Ravinder Singh got 87 votes.

declared late tonight by winning all four posts of office bearers and seven of Managing Committees, the voting for which was held in the day earlier. The team was backed by two former presidents of the Press Club—Manu Shrivatvas and Ashwani Kumar. Results were announced after nearly seven hours long counting by Mohinder Bhardwaj, president Jammu Bar

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