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## 'Violence down but people's hopes high from PM' LG's frontal attack on Farooq, lists massacres when he was CM

**Sanjeev Pargal**  
 JAMMU, Oct 18: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha today launched frontal attack on National Conference president and former Chief Minister Dr Farooq Abdullah, though without naming him, on his remarks that the killings in the Kashmir valley won't stop till justice is done as he quoted series of massacres across erstwhile State which took place when he was the CM from 1996-2002.

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"Some persons talk of justice. To whom it (the justice) has to be given?" he asked at a book release function at Raj Bhawan Srinagar. Only yesterday, Dr Farooq Abdullah, in a function at Reasi, stated that the killings would not stop till justice is delivered.

Sinha quoted the story of a Taliban commander in his speech saying he indulged in reckless killings to create sense of insecurity among the people to convey that neither the civil-

**\*Record of previous rulers bad enough**  
 ians nor the administration can live peacefully till there was Taliban rule.

"A Taliban commander was known for series of barbaric killings even in hospitals, schools, places of crowd and funerals. On being confronted



by a person as to what moral ground he has to defend such killings, the commander 'honestly' replied that they don't do public service. Neither can they give water, power, road, schools or hospitals to the people. So, they promise sense of security to the people but how will they give security till they create sense of insecurity," he quoted the recent story.

Without naming Dr Farooq Abdullah, who headed

the National Conference Government from 1996-2002, the Lieutenant Governor said if he quoted the figures their faces will be blackened...they will render red faced and have no place to hide.

"But I feel it necessary to say that the persons who run this State for long must know that 26 Kashmiri Pandits were massacred at Wandhama in 1998. Who was (the CM) then? Twenty six civilians were killed at Prankote in Udhampur in 1998. There was a carnage at Chapanari in Doda in which 25 civilians lost their lives. Thirty five Sikhs were killed at Chittisinghpura in 2000. Thirty two persons including seven Muslim brethren died during terror attack on Shri Amarnath Ji yatra in 2000. Seventeen persons were killed in Litter. Many died at Qasim Nagar," Sinha said quoting the massacres that took place during Farooq's tenure as the Chief Minister.

Sinha hit out at the critics of the Government on killings of (Contd on page 4 Col 3)

## Jan Abhiyan: PWD to implement 100 pc Online payments Self-employment for 63,000, 100 new tourist spots, 5 Ind Estates among Govt initiatives

**Excelsior Correspondent**  
 JAMMU, Oct 18: The Jammu and Kashmir Government planned to provide self-employment to nearly 63,000 persons, identify and demarcate 100 tourist destinations, allot land worth Rs 6248 crore projects, initiate five Industrial Estates and shift to Ration Card Management System during 11 days long 'Jan Abhiyan' ahead of fourth phase of 'Back to Village Programme' (B2V4).

The Government has assigned responsibilities to different departments for the 'Jan Abhiyan'. Official sources told the Excelsior that the Finance department has been asked to provide self employment to at least 15 persons per Panchayat through Jammu and Kashmir Bank, EDI and Labour Department. There are around 4200 Panchayats in Jammu and Kashmir which will take self-employments to be generated during the 'Jan Abhiyan' to nearly 63,000.

The banks will set up counters at Panchayat level for verification, sanctioning and dis-

bursement of cases and also accepting fresh applications.

The Tourism Department will identify, delineate and demarcate at least five tourist destinations, circuits, themes and treks per district taking total number of destinations to 100 as there are 10 districts each in Jammu and Kashmir divisions.

"The Tourism Department will also identify home stays and establish Village Cooperatives for providing support to tourist activities," the officials said.

In another significant decision, the Public Works (R&B) Department will implement 100 percent Online payments with no manual interface. Similarly, the Mining Department will implement 100 percent e-challan with zero manual interface.

The Industries and Commerce Department will issue land allotment for projects to the tune of Rs 6248 crores. It will also make live Online the Central Inspection System on JK Single Window System.

"The Industries and Commerce Department will also initiate development work of five (Contd on page 11 Col 1)

## 'India combating terrorism for several decades' PM calls upon Intl community to eliminate safe terror havens

**NEW DELHI, Oct 18:** Calling the global community to work faster to "eliminate safe havens" for terrorists, criminals and the corrupt, Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said when the "forces of good cooperate, the forces of crime cannot operate".

**FIA chief silent on Dawood, Azhar**  
**NEW DELHI, Oct 18:**

Chief of Pakistan's Federal Investigation Agency Mohsin Butt chose to remain silent when confronted with questions from the media here today about handing over to India Dawood Ibrahim and other fugitive terrorists suspected to be safely cocooned in his country.

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Inaugurating the 90th General Assembly of Interpol, the Prime Minister warned about the harmful globalised threats that the world faces -- terrorism, corruption, drug trafficking,

poaching and organised crime. "The pace of change of these dangers is faster than earlier. When threats are global, the response cannot be just local! It is high time that the world

Modi was introduced to the Executive Committee by the Interpol president.

In his address to the gathering of 195 member countries of Interpol which included a dele-



Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressing at the 90th Interpol General Assembly, in New Delhi on Tuesday. (UNI)

gation of Pakistan led by its Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) Director General Mohsin Butt, the Prime Minister said India has been combating transnational terrorism for several decades.

"Long before the world woke up to it, we knew the price of safety and security. Thousands of our people made

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## Rain, snowfall in J&K, Ladakh; Mughal Road closed 4 tourists killed as Thar skids on snow clad road at Khardungla Pass

**Gopal Sharma**

**\*Army, police rescue 100 passengers**  
 JAMMU/SRINAGAR, Oct 18: Four tourists were killed as a vehicle (Thar) skidded off the slippery snow clad road and fell down into a deep gorge near Khardungla Pass in Ladakh area while higher reaches of J&K including Pir Ki Gali on Mughal Road experienced fresh snowfall forcing authorities to close the road for traffic.

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The rain lashed many parts of Kashmir and Jammu region today and this has witnessed a sharp fall in temperature. A large number of vehicles have been trapped and stranded at Pir Ki

Gali, Poshana and other areas in Poonch and Shopian. The police and Army rescued over 100 passengers travelling in 26 light vehicles on Poonch side late this evening.



Mughal road closed due to snowfall at Pir Ki Gali on Tuesday.

Reports from Leh said that four tourists on way to Nubra

from Leh met with a tragic accident as their Mahindra Thar vehicle rolled down into more than 150 feet deep gorge on slippery road near Khardungla Pass, at the height of more than



18,000 ft from sea level today. (Contd on page 4 Col 3)

## His son figured among top 10 BSF's CO arrested by CBI in SIs' paper leak scam

**Excelsior Correspondent**

**JAMMU, Oct 18:** The Central Bureau of Investigations (CBI) today arrested Commandant and Medical Officer of BSF, Dr Karnail Singh, posted at Paloura Headquarters in connection with Jammu and Kashmir Police (JKP) Sub Inspectors recruitment scam.

This has taken number of total arrests in the scam to nine. Eight scamsters are still in the jail.

"Dr Karnail Singh was called for questioning by the CBI this morning. However, he didn't give satisfactory replies and was formally arrested," the officials said.

He will be produced in the court tomorrow.

As per the officials, Karnail Singh had leaked paper to 10-12 students at his

residence at Ganesh Nagar near TV Tower in Patoli including his son Shubam Kala, who secured 132 marks and was among the Top 10 performers in the exam, which has now been cancelled.

Karnail had reportedly charged Rs 15 lakh per benefi-

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## Militants flee from cordon in Shopian 2 labourers killed in grenade blast; main accused, accomplice arrested

**Fayaz Bukhari**

**SRINAGAR, Oct 18 :** Police today arrested the main accused and his accomplice behind the overnight grenade blast in Harmain Shopian in which two migrant labourers were killed last night.

Additional Director General of Police Vijay Kumar said that the main attacker was arrested

**\* Pic on page 4**  
**Video on**  
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during the night and later his

associate was also nabbed within hours of the incident.

"Further investigation is going on," he told reporters at the incident site, adding, "the attacker was working for Lashkar commanders Danish and Abid."

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## HC upholds attachment, eviction of property

**Excelsior Correspondent**

**SRINAGAR, Oct 18:** The High Court has dismissed the plea of two brothers challenging the attachment of property and eviction order under Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) issued by the Enforcement Directorate for

## SIA raids house of SM handler

**Excelsior Correspondent**

**SRINAGAR, Oct 18:** The State Investigation Agency (SIA) Kashmir today conducted a raid at the residence of Social Media handler in Magam area for involvement in publishing of criminal content on Social Media.

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## SIU conducts searches in IED case

**Excelsior Correspondent**

**SRINAGAR, Oct 18:** Special Investigation Unit

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(SIU) of Jammu and Kashmir Police this morning conducted

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## DySPs transferred

**Excelsior Correspondent**

**JAMMU, Oct 18:** Five Inspectors in the Anti Corruption Bureau, J&K, who were recently promoted, have been posted as Deputy Superintendents of Police in the Bureau, with immediate effect.

An order in this regard was (Contd on page 11 Col 1)

## 'Income of RBA certificate seeker, not parents need to be determined' In absence of public servant's dishonest motive criminal prosecution cannot be launched: HC

**\*Quashes ACB FIR for not disclosing cognizable offence**

**Mohinder Verma**

**JAMMU, Oct 18:** High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh has held that in the absence of any dishonest motive or intention on the part of public servant the criminal prosecution cannot be launched against him or her under the Prevention of Corruption Act and the court can exercise inherent power under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC) to secure the ends of justice.

High Court was dealing with

a petition challenging FIR No.16/2015 for offence under Section 5(2) of the J&K Prevention of Corruption Act, 2006 registered with Police Station, Vigilance Organization Jammu (now Anti-Corruption Bureau).

As per the impugned FIR, verification, on the basis of a complaint against the officers/officials of J&K PSC regarding the concealment of facts and inclusion of fake RBA/OSC/ALC certificates by most of the selected KAS candidates, was conducted by the

**Vigilance Organization, Jammu.**

During the verification, it was revealed that RBA certificate in favour of the petitioner Indra Thakur has been issued in violation of the provisions of J&K Reservation Act 2004 inasmuch as, the annual income of father of the petitioner exceeded the prescribed ceiling limit and that the petitioner had not completed her entire school education from the local area.

It was found that the facts are reflected in the report of the con-

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## Says J&K facing pol, economic crisis; people distressed Will make efforts to get Art 370 back; but can't promise it: Azad

**Excelsior Correspondent**

**SRINAGAR, Oct 18:** Democratic Azad Party (DAP) chief and former Chief Minister, Ghulam Nabi Azad

Addressing a public gathering in North Kashmir's Karnah, Azad also said that he would not

promise to get Article 370 back, but would make efforts in this direction.

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DAP chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad addressing public gathering at Karnah on Tuesday.

"I do not promise to bring back Article 370, but I will try to bring it back. I raised my voice everywhere, be it Rajya Sabha or the Lok Sabha; but the solution cannot come out until like-minded people are in the absolute majority," Azad said.

He noted that getting back Article 370 was totally in the hands of the Central Government while underlining that he is in (Contd on page 4 Col 5)

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