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**Key planners of 26/11 attack still unpunished: EAM**  
MUMBAI, Oct 28:

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar today said the key conspirators and planners of the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks continue to remain protected and unpunished, and stressed that India understands the cost of terrorism more than others.

He said that when it comes to proscribing some terrorists, the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) has "regret-

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**No salary to staff not registered on JKHRMS**  
Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Oct 28: The Government today called upon all DDOs to disburse salary for the month of October 2022 to only those employees who have registered themselves on Jammu and Kashmir Human Resource Management System (JKHRMS).

An order to this effect was issued today by GAD Secretary Dr Piyush Singla.

"It has been observed that (Contd on page 4 Col 3)

**Musk fires top twitter executives**  
NEW YORK, Oct 28:

"Let the good times roll", billionaire Elon Musk tweeted today, hours after he completed his acquisition of Twitter for a whopping USD 44 billion and started off as the social media giant's new owner by firing its top executives, including CEO Parag Agrawal.

"The bird is freed," Musk had tweeted on Friday after completing the takeover of Twitter and firing the social media giant's four top executives.

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**Azam Khan disqualified**  
LUCKNOW, Oct 28:

The Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly Secretariat today announced the disqualification of Samajwadi Party leader Azam Khan from the House, a day after a court sentenced him to three years in jail in a hate speech case.

Principal Secretary of the UP Legislative Assembly Pradeep Dubey said that the Assembly Secretariat declared the Rampur Sadar Assembly seat as vacant.

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**Lal Singh among several served eviction notices**  
Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Oct 28: Former Minister Choudhary Lal Singh and family of ex Chief Minister G M Shah among more than half a dozen politicians have been served notices to vacate Government accommodation in Jammu.

Sources told the Excelsior that notices were served by the Department of Estates on October 25 asking the 'illegal (Contd on page 4 Col 7)

## DM inaugurates 75 projects including 38 in J&K, Ladakh Lack of infra development in J&K for decades one of reasons behind militancy: Rajnath

■ **Shyok will now be known as 'River of Life not Death'**

**Sanjeev Pargal**

JAMMU, Oct 28: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh today said that lack of infrastructure development in Jammu and Kashmir for decades post Independence was one of the reasons behind the rise of terrorism in the Union Territory, as he e-inaugurated 75 new projects including bridges, roads and helipads in border areas from village Shyok in Leh district of Ladakh.

Union Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) Dr Jitendra Singh joined inaugu-

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ration of the projects through video conferencing from New Delhi. Eight projects were part of his Udhampur-Doda-Kathua Parliamentary constituency.

The 75 projects implemented by the Border Roads

Organisation (BRO) included 45 bridges, 27 roads, two helipads and one 'Carbon Neutral Habitat'. Twenty of the projects are in Jammu and Kashmir, 18 each in



Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurating 75 projects at Shyok in Leh district on Friday. Another pic on page 4.

Ladakh and Arunachal Pradesh, five in Uttarakhand and 14 in other border states of Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab and Rajasthan.

"Lack of infrastructure development in Jammu and Kashmir for decades post independence was one of the reasons behind the rise of terrorism in the Union

said at the event. He noted that infrastructure development along with the valour of the armed forces was the main reason that helped India effectively deal with the recent situation in the northern sector, in an apparent reference to Indian military's response to Chinese PLA's aggressive behaviour in Eastern Ladakh where Sino-Indian troops are engaged in eyeball-to-eyeball position in some conflict zones though troops from both sides have withdrawn from other areas.

Singh dedicated the projects costing Rs 2180 crore spread across six States and two Union Territories, all sharing borders with Punjab and China, at a function held at Eastern Ladakh's strategic Darbuk-Shyok-Daulat Beg Oldi (DS-DBO) road that provides connectivity to the India's northern-most outpost of Daulat Beg Oldi.

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## Work on J&K's longest flyover complete in all respects Maximum of Jammu-Akhnor road widening project to be completed by March 2023

**Nishikant Khajuria**

JAMMU, Oct 28: With the completion of J&K's longest flyover and execution of more than 60 percent work on 20 km long stretch under Package-III so far, maximum portion of Jammu-Akhnor road will get widened by March 2023.

Executed under Package- II of the mega project, J&K's longest flyover from Canal Head to Ganesh Vihar Muthi near the Directorate of School Education Jammu has been fully completed and also thrown open for the traffic though unofficially as the executing agency is waiting for nod of some high profile dignitary in the Government of India for its formal inauguration.

National Highway and Infrastructure Development



A view of flyover from Muthi to Canal Head. — Excelsior/Rakesh

Corporation Limited (NHIDCL), a company under the Ministry of Roads and Highways, is executing the Jammu-Akhnor road widening project costing Rs

1345 crores, which has been divided into four Packages. While the flyover under Package - II has been fully prepared in all respect and more than

Territory. These internal disturbances resulted in significant decline in tourist footfall that impacted Ladakh also, as well as the entire nation," Rajnath Singh

60 percent work on 20 km long stretch under Package - III has been completed, Package - I work on 0.8 km long stretch from Bhagwati Nagar Chowk (4th Tawi Bridge) to Canal Head is all set to begin and work on 4-km long stretch from Hanuman Chowk to Army Area under Phase-IV is likely to be taken up by January next as tenders for the

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## CCTVs, e-record maintenance must for licenses, renewal Medical devices now under ambit of regulations, DFCO issues guidelines

**Irfan Tramboo**

SRINAGAR, Oct 28: Directions for the registration of medical devices, which were formerly unregulated but are now covered by rules, have been issued by the Drug and Food Control Organization (DFCO), J&K.

In this regard, the officials said that the sale/distribution of all Medical Devices, previously unregulated, including in-vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices have been brought under the ambit of regulation by the Government of India.

They said that any person not holding a license and intends to sell medical devices exclusively shall obtain a registration certificate as provided per the rules. DFCO said that in this connec-

tion, it has appointed competent authority to issue a Registration Certificate on Form MD-42 in terms of Order No. 78-DFO of 2022 dated: 20.10.2022.

"All relevant information is available on the official website of DFCO and can be reached at <https://dfcojk.org>. The intending applicants are directed to submit their application on Form MD-41 along with requisite documents in the shape of a hard copy in person."

As per the amended rules, any person who intends to sell, stock, exhibit or offer for sale or distribute a medical device including in vitro diagnostic medical device, shall make an application in Form MD-41 to the State Licensing Authority for grant of registration certificate to sell, stock, exhibit or

offer for sale or distribution. Meanwhile, the authorities have also issued renewed directions, asking the licensing authorities to ensure that before granting the licenses, it is made sure that there are necessary arrangements done concerning the installation of CCTVs.

The officials said that the menace of drug abuse is assuming an alarming situation and instances have been reported where the pharma fraternity has been found indulging in unethical trade practices, particularly concerning the sale of intoxicating pharmaceutical preparations.

"The department has already initiated several steps to ensure that habit-forming drugs are sold by retail strictly as per legal provisions mandated under the (Contd on page 4 Col 5)

Warns against forces pushing youth to extremism

## PM moots idea of 'One Nation' One Uniform' for police

SRAJKUND (HARYANA), Oct 28:

the youth of the country," he said. Modi said for the sake of the

any such forces to flourish in our country". He said such forces get sig-

Prime Minister Narendra Modi today mooted the idea of "One Nation, One Uniform" for police, saying it is just a suggestion for consideration and he is not trying to impose it on the states.

Addressing a "Chintan Shivir" of State Home Ministers through video-conferencing, Modi also warned of forces that are increasing their intellectual sphere to push the youth towards extremism and pervert the minds of coming generations.

"Every form of Naxalism, be it the one with guns or the one with pens, have to be uprooted to prevent them from misleading



Prime Minister Narendra Modi addresses Chintan Shivir of Home Ministers of States in Surajkund, via video conferencing, in New Delhi on Friday. (UNI)

unity and integrity of the nation and with the inspiration of Sardar Patel "we can not allow

nificant help internationally. About his "One Nation, One (Contd on page 4 Col 4)

## SIA charge sheets 3 LeT militants including juveniles

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Oct 28: State Investigation Agency (SIA) Kashmir today produced a charge sheet against three militants of Lashkar-e-Toiba including two juveniles in a special court.

The SIA said that today Police Station CIK/SIA Srinagar produced charge-sheet before the Court of Special Judge (Designated under NIA Act (TADA/POTA) against three accused Rahid Mushtaq Ganie son of Mushtaq Ahmad Ganie, resident of Amargrah Sopore, Amir Shafat Mir son of Mohammad Shafi Mir resident of Amargrah Sopore and Tahir Nisar Sheikh son of Nisar Rahid Mushtaq Ganie resident of Baghe-Rehmat Sopore. Two juveniles

were produced before the Juvenile Justice Board, Baramulla.

The case was initially registered in Police Station Tarzoo, Sopore on the receipt of a docket from Police Component Sopore that militants are in search of an opportunity to attack police and security forces in the general area of Takiybal Sopore.

Based on the information, a joint naka was established at Takiybal Sopore near Govt Primary School by security forces. During naka checking, three persons were seen under suspicious conditions coming from Darnambal towards Takiybal Sopore. On seeing the naka parties, the trio tried to escape, but were caught by the security forces promptly and tactfully.

The statement said that on their search, one pistol with magazine and seven live cartridges of pistol were recovered from the possession of Rahid Mushtaq Ganie, one AK 47 rifle and one live hand grenade were recovered from the possession of Amir Shafat Mir and one pistol with magazine and three live cartridges of pistol were recovered from the possession of Tahir Nisar Sheikh.

The trio are un-categorized militants of proscribe militant organization LeT and had planned to carry out a militant attack. The recovered arms and ammunition were seized and case FIR No. 61/2022 stands registered in P/S Tarzoo, Sopore.

However, the investigation of the case was transferred to SIA, (Contd on page 4 Col 5)

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## New hospital coming up at cost of Rs 6 cr Shifting of TB hospital irks patients in Anantnag

**Suhail Bhat**

SRINAGAR, Oct 28: Patients in South Kashmir's Anantnag district are miffed over the Tuberculosis Hospital's relocation from the main town to the district's periphery, while the administration describes it as a temporary arrangement, noting that the Government has approved a new building for the facility for which land has been identified.

The patients told the Excelsior that the hospital's current location is difficult to get to and that they are even having trouble in finding the facility, prompting them to seek care in neighbouring areas.

Patients said that the hospital is located near Mattan, about 8 kilometres from the main town of Anantnag, it is difficult for patients to locate the Primary Health Centre (PHC), where the hospital currently operates.

"Such a facility should be easily accessible to patients, but the fact that it is moved from an easily accessible location to a challenging," a local said.

The facility known as the District Tuberculosis Centre (DTC) was operating out of a building outside the Government Medical College (GMC) in the Jangalt Mandi neighbourhood of Anantnag town before it was demolished to make way for multi-level car (Contd on page 4 Col 4)