

## Infiltration bid foiled, militant killed

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SRINAGAR, Aug 6: Security forces today foiled

\* Pic on page 2 Video on

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an infiltration bid when they killed a militant near the Line of Control (LoC) in Kupwara district.

An official said that

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## Centre to hike DA by 3 pc

NEW DELHI, Aug 6:

The Central Government is likely to increase the Dearness Allowance (DA) for its over one crore employees and pensioners by three percentage points to 45 per cent from the existing 42 per cent as per the agreed formula for the purpose.

The Dearness Allowance

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## DP urges Ladakhis living in Delhi to provide info

NEW DELHI, Aug 6:

The Delhi Police has urged people from the Northeastern region, Gorkhas from Darjeeling and those belonging to Ladakh residing in the national capital for providing information about themselves in order to ensure better policing and

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## Lays foundation stone for redevelopment of 508 Jammu Tawi Rly Stn to be inspired by famous Raghunath temple: PM

J&K's 3 Stns to be modernized with Rs 294 cr

Sanjeev Pargal

JAMMU, Aug 6: Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said that redevelopment of Jammu Tawi Railway Station will be inspired by the famous Raghunath temple, located in heart of the temple City.

Addressing a function after laying foundation stone of 508 Railway Stations across the country for redevelopment including three in Jammu and Kashmir (Jammu, Udhampur and Budgam), through video conferencing from New Delhi, Modi made specific mention of three stations—



PM Narendra Modi addressing after foundation stone laying ceremony of Railway Stations.

one each in Jammu and Kashmir, Rajasthan and Nagaland which will be

inspired by local history.

"Jaipur Railway Station will have glimpses of Hawa Mahal and Amer Fort from Rajasthan, Jammu Tawi Railway Station in Jammu and Kashmir will be inspired by the famous Raghunath Mandir and Dimapur Station of Nagaland will showcase local architecture of 16 different tribes from the region," the Prime Minister said.

Raghunath Mandir is (Contd on page 2 Col 1)

## Searches continue for ultras 3 groups of militants active in Rajouri-Poonch: ADGP

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JAMMU, Aug 6: Security forces continued

searches for the militants at Gunda Khwas and surrounding areas in Koteranka belt of Budhal in the border district of Rajouri for second consecutive day today even as body of the slain militant, who was eliminated by the troops yesterday, was recovered this morning.

ADGP Jammu Zone Mukesh Singh and GOC Romeo Force Maj Gen Mohit Trivedi addressing a press conference in Rajouri. Another pic on page 2.

\*Watch video on www.excelsiornews.com

Teams of Army, CRPF, SOG and Police also recovered one AK-47 rifle, five magazines, two pistols with magazines, four hand grenades, one bag, Pakistan-

## Rlys approve survey on 5 new lines in Kashmir: LG

Excelsior Correspondent

BUDGAM, Aug 6: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha today attended the ceremony of 508 Railway Stations redevelopment launched by PM Narendra Modi at an event at Budgam Railway Station.

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In his address, Sinha expressed gratitude to the Prime Minister for including three stations of J&K viz,

it also brings economic prosperity and transforms standard of living and creates a new destiny of the concerned region," the Lt Governor said.

He highlighted the ongoing railway projects and the overall transformation taking place in the railway sector.

"Under the guidance of the Prime Minister, we are witnessing rail projects of unprecedented magnitude in Kashmir valley," he said.

"Kashmir will be connected to Kanyakumari by the end of this financial year. It will connect the Valley with all important commercial regions but

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## Bandipora bids tearful farewell to martyred soldier

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Aug 6: Hundreds of people joined the last rites of Sepoy Waseem Ahmad Bhat, a

soldier hailing from Dachigam area of Bandipora, who laid his life in Kulgam along with two other soldiers, which were held with full military honours in Bandipora today.

\*Watch video on www.excelsiornews.com

The 31-year-old Bhat was among three Army sol-

diers taken to 92 Base Hospital after sustaining critical injuries during the Halan Kulgam operation - where all of them succumbed to their injuries.

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## 'Modi took personal interest in development of far off areas' Udhampur, Katra to be linked to Kashmir by rail either this year end or early next year: Dr Jitendra

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UDHAMPUR, Aug 6: Union Minister in PMO with independent charge of Science and Technology, Dr Jitendra today said that by the end of this year or early next year Kashmir will be linked to other parts of the country through rail.

Talking to reporters here, on the sidelines of lay-

ing of foundation for Udhampur Amrit Railways Station on the occasion of e-

launch of 508 Amrit Railway Stations across the country by Prime Minister

Dr Jitendra Singh said "Either by the end of this year or by the next year, Udhampur, Katra

will be connected to the Kashmir valley through rail.

Giving all credit to the Prime Minister, for taking personal interest in development of hitherto neglected areas of Jammu and

of development could not take place prior to 2014 which has taken place in last nine years of Narendra Modi led Government.

The Union Minister said

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## 2585 pilgrims perform darshan

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JAMMU, Aug 6: After remaining suspended for one day yesterday, the Amarnath Yatra resumed from here early this morning, with a fresh batch of 1,626 pilgrims leaving the base camp here to join the

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## UP ATS arrests Anantnag man

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SRINAGAR, Aug 6: The Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) of the Uttar Pradesh Police arrested a man from Anantnag who they say is a member of Hizbul Mujahideen.

An official said that

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