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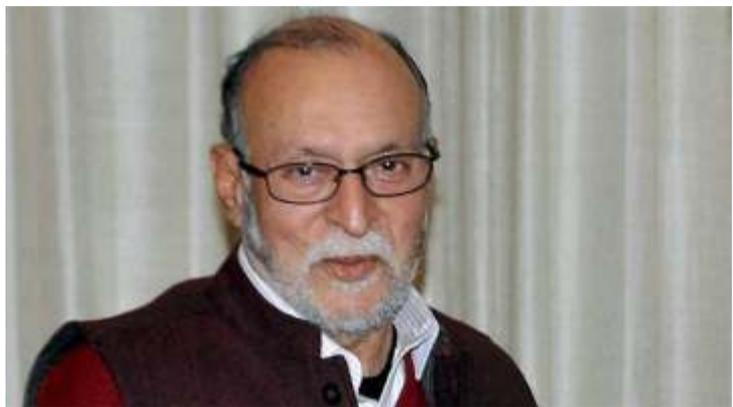
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L-G tells Cops: Upgrade Use of Technology



The directive came after the police briefed the L-G on the future challenges they were likely to face

New Delhi: Lt Governor Anil Baijal on Friday reviewed the Delhi police's vision document for the next 10 years and directed them to develop

institutional linkages with eminent educational institutions and upgrade technology for systematic capacity-building.

During a meeting with Delhi police personnel, the L-G was provided with an overview regarding possible trends over the last ten years. Senior police officers told the L-G that the changing trends included population growth, the total number of IPC crimes registered, the trend in economic offences and online fraud cases, issues of mobility, connectivity, cloud computing and social media among others.

The L-G was also briefed about the possible future scenario visualised by the Delhi Police based on

discussions with academia like IIT, IIIT-D and the Delhi University. "The scenario envisages the development of smart cities, globalisation, rapid urbanisation, Internet of Things (IoT), artificial Intelligence, wearable devices, new mass transportation models including driverless cars, and artificial intelligence among others," the LG's office said in a statement.

Outlining its future strategic priorities, the Delhi police informed the changes that would be required in the broad aspects of policing included investigation, intelligence, prevention of crime, traffic management, law and order, human resources

and logistics, and the various ways to integrate them.

The L-G also directed the police to upgrade their use of technology in a bid to better understand the changing requirements of today's society.

"The Lt Governor also reminded the Delhi Police that their main objective is to prevent and detect crime while pursuing justice for all. He asked them to come up with definite actionable time-bound plans focusing on immediate requirements keeping in view their technological and personnel capabilities," the statement added.



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has come up with new shape and vision after a stop gap. It is great news that the Journal will now on be published every month with latest news of policing system, latest security and defence appliances and the latest news of Foundation for Police Research (FPR). Recently completed Police Expo in Vietnam is focused in this issue. FPR's next gala event of Police Expo and Conference will be convened in the month of 10-11 May, 2018 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.

Foundation for Police Research feels that propensity of criminals and terrorism to cross national borders-to engage in "transnational crime"- is certainly not a new phenomenon; it is probably as

old as the borders themselves. Borders were established to delineate the jurisdiction claimed by each state, and crossing national borders has often provided criminals with a way to mitigate or avoid the consequences of illegal acts. Yet in spite of a long, eventful history, there is strong evidence that transnational crime and terrorist activities have become more prevalent and serious today than ever before. Hence, our next theme is kept as *the Future Challenge in Combating Transnational Terrorism and Crime*.

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'Police should be equipped with advanced technology'

POKHARA: Deputy Basic Training 105th Inspector General of Batch Convocation Nepal Police held at the Western Kedarman Singh Regional Armed Bhandari stressed Police Battalion in the importance of Pokhara today.

advanced technology to cope with crimes.

DIG Bhandari said that the police should be equipped with the advanced technology to cope with the ever so changing criminal enterprises. He said while being aware of the human rights.

"Peace, security and crime control have become considerable challenge for the police force", said Bhandari in the programme urging the new graduates to devote themselves in the peace and security of the people

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TITA Train Police Recruits on Digital Media, Cyber Security

Hyderabad: Telangana Information Technology Association (TITA) in collaboration with Telangana Police Department has conducted a comprehensive training program on digital media, cyber security to the new police recruits.

Telangana Yuva Nirmaan volunteers trained the 8th Battalion of the recruits on cyber security, digital media and other nitty-gritty of the technology applications. The recruits were also given training on Drug Abuse through e-learning program that was recently launched by TITA.

Commandant H Satyanarayana Rao on this occasion said that it has become inevitable for all the government departments to be well versed in digital media technologies.

Appreciating the efforts of TITA on digital literacy programs he said that such training would be helpful for cops to tackle situations while on duty and give them a detailed idea of the digital processes.

Assistant Commandant B Chandrashekhar on this occasion said that cops must be aware of the cyber security since there has been an increase in the cybercrimes. Training on the technology will definitely help the department to trouble shoot any cybercrime. He said that more such service would be needed for the department in coming days and cops must be aware of technology updates every year.

TITA Global President Sundeep Kumar Makthala said that cyber security was the most important for all the government departments now especially police department. He said that Telangana needs more number of cyber security experts.

He opined that there was a need that every cop must be aware of digital media, cyber security and related technologies and each police station must have one such expert in the future.

He appreciated that cyber security experts of police department have successfully tackled the menace of Wannacry cyberattack occurred recently. The trained recruits have carried out a rally after the daylong workshop on digital media.

Mumbai: 15% reduction in complaints against traffic police



● The Mumbai Traffic Police (MTP) app, which was launched three weeks ago, has been downloaded by 10,000 citizens so far and used to shoot off 3,650 complaints to city police headquarters. Over 50% of the complaints are over illegal parking, followed by helmetless bikers at 30%, rash driving at 10%, and fancy number plates and use of tinted glass on vehicles at 5% each.

Mumbai: In good news for the Mumbai Traffic police, complaints against traffic cops have decreased by 15 per cent, dropping from 725 in June to 637 in July. The officials claim that the new gadgets will help them do their work well but it will take some time to show results regarding the complaints. The traffic police is gearing up with body cameras to control corruption.

The MTP's efforts of introducing various gadgets and technol-

ogy were with a simple aim of reducing corruption allegations and complaints put on them by the citizens over emails and contact numbers provided on their website which, in turn, could be misused.

The Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic) Amitesh Kumar had filed an affidavit last month laying down several steps that have already been taken to curb the corruption in the Traffic police department and to ensure transparency

after a retired police constable Sunil Toke alleging rampant corruption in the police department, reported The Asian Age. Mr Kumar told The Asian Age, "The new technology used to curb corruption has been put in place, which will give out good results in time."

The number of complaints registered since these steps were taken has fallen by a 15 per cent from the month of June to July. The complaints registered in the months of May and

June were 762 and 725 respectively regarding of traffic cops.

An officer of the Mumbai police's traffic department said on the condition of anonymity that in order to minimise the handling of cash by police personnel, a cashless system of collecting fines and penalties through an E-challan system was put into place, but as the motorists were flouting and missing the payment deadlines, the officials had no option but to start collecting fines in cash.

Vietnam's only Defence and Security event inaugurated by Lieutenant General Le Van Minh, Ministry of Public Security, Govt. of Vietnam



Vietnam has faced adverse impacts caused by the complicated changes in the region and the world in terms of security. Besides that, economic growth has been maintained at a reasonable rate and observed a gradual recovery since last few years. Vietnam is located at strategic location on world map where it gives many challenges to its security and safety at both fronts: internal as well as external.

With growing needs of the Security, Safety and Defence products and technology, the

country is looking forward for the modernization of the forces. Latest equipment to upgrade the forces has been displayed by the many international companies from around the world at 2nd edition of Homeland Security Expo. The exhibition was organized on 29th and 30th Aug. 2017 at I.C.E. Hanoi, Vietnam in association with Government of Vietnam.

The exhibition was organized and hosted by Ministry of Public Security, Government of Vietnam. It was first time when government has hosted any defence and security exhibition on royal land of Vietnam. On the first day, the exhibition was inaugurated by Direc-

tor General, Ministry of Public Security, Govt. of Vietnam.

2nd edition of Homeland Security Expo embodied a set of activities like an astonishing Opening Ceremony, Technical Presentations, B2G meetings between exhibitors and government officials, and B2B meetings between the local partners and exhibitors, high level delegation visits from Ministry of Public Security, Airforce, Army, Ministry of Defence etc. There were more than 40 participants who displayed the modern equipment, technology and weapons in the exhibition. The exhibition introduced various companies pertaining to Guided Missiles Systems, Advanced Ar-

mored Vehicles, Tanks, Forensics, Cyber Security, Body Armor, Traffic, Firearms, Riot Control, Patrolling Vehicles, Access Control, Facial Recognition System, SMART City Solutions, Tactical Communication, Small Arms Ammunitions, Artillery Rounds, Grenade launchers. CCTV, Support Weapon Tools, Fire Protection, Indoor Shooting Range, Training, Documents Verification Devices, Surveillance, Rescue systems, Disaster Management, Thermal Imaging, Night Vision, UAV, Wireless and many more. The exhibitors came from various countries like Singapore, Belarus, Bulgaria, Lithuania, Israel, Italy, Czech Republic, France, USA, South Africa, UAE etc.

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This decision comes in order to keep a tab on the performances of the police officials and also to change the image of Delhi Police.

In a directive issued by the Delhi Police Commissioner Amulya Patnaik states that all the station house officers (SHOs) across the city have to fill performance appraisal forms every two months. This decision comes in order to keep a tab on the performances of the police officials and also to change the image of Delhi Police. As per the report by the Indian Express, a corporate-style 'bi-monthly performance appraisal form' comprises of several sections that includes a table to record cases of robbery, snatching, murder, vehicle theft, etc, in the previous year and the current one. A section also includes a col-



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umn for "remarks" by the SHO.

The directive states that 'a police station is the backbone of any police system since it is the first point of contact for the general public to report crime', reported the Indian Express. Explaining the reason behind the behind the

form Patnaik said, "We wanted to make sure that his (SHO's) effectiveness in ensuring service delivery in his concerned jurisdiction needs to be assessed on a periodic basis." He added for the first time a bi-monthly performance appraisal proforma is being implemented that will help not

only in improving the performance of the police stations and the overall image of the Delhi Police, but also in identifying consistent non-performers for suitable corrective action.

Patnaik also claimed steps will be taken to motivate the official to work positively if they are found not performing up to the mark. The circular has been sent to all the special commissioners of police (law and order), all the joint commissioners of police (JCPs) and DCPs, asking them to brief all the SHOs about this new exercise. The exercise will commence from the second half of 2017, calling for reports for the months of July and August, reported the Indian Express.

How police used drones to bring down crime rate in Bhupalpalli

In summer the crime rate came down to 'zero', says police



The zero crime rate means a lot to the police but it is much more to the people who constantly live in fear of threat from house burglars and anti-social elements particularly in burgeoning industrial town like Bhupalpalli.

The police came up with an idea to use the drone cameras being used to shoot public functions for their security and surveillance which yielded good results for them. "Can you imagine there is not a single crime during last summer in the town?," says Superintendent of Police R. Bhaskaran.

Bhupalpalli was just a

small village until the Singareni Collieries started coal mining operations a few years ago. Now the town has 70,000 population spread over 2.5 km amid thick forests all around.

However, the crime rate was related to land disputes, alcoholism and debauching owing to sudden prosperity of people and soaring land prices. Young and tech-savvy Mr. Bhaskaran says it was common that people openly booze and take women to outskirts during dark hours. Many of such encounters end up in crime and law and order

problems.

Ever since the police started using drone cameras, people intending to resort to extremes felt threatened. The town police take the drone cameras during evening hours with a mobile control room to check the outskirts of town. Spotting the drone camera movements those boozing openly run away hiding in thick foliage for fearing of being identified.

Mr. Bhaskaran said that representatives of some political parties objected to the police using drone cameras. "They say their cadre is being identified and booked in cases. But, our purpose is to identify the mischief mongers," he asserted.

Elated at the achievement of zero crime rate in town, Mr. Bhaskaran said that they propose to use the drone cameras for security and surveillance on borders of Chattisgarh.

Apple adds 'police button' feature to iPhones that lets you quickly switch off the fingerprint scanner

New feature will allow users to temporarily disable TouchID on their iPhones

'Emergency SOS' will stop users from being forced to access their devices

On the occasion, top trainees Sandeep Basnet, Top Bahadur Chauhan, Santosh Kumar Gaha, Aman

Chaudhary, Prabin Saru, Shikhar Khadka, Upendra Gurung were honoured.

All 99 police constables participating the graduation programme after completion of the 11-month Basic Training, have taken duty in the designated areas today itself.



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10,000 cybercrime cases, only 34 convictions in Maharashtra between 2012 and 2017



MUMBAI: Cheated by a cyber fraud and want to see the accused jailed? But the odds are staked in his favour. The reason: the conviction rate in cybercrime cases was 18.47% in the state between 2012 and July 2017, showed data obtained from the Maharashtra police. Of the 10,419 cases filed, trial was completed in just 184

cases and conviction was secured in just 34 cases. The police have filed charge sheets in 2,279 cases (22%), while investigations are underway in the rest.

If the total number of cases is divided by the 34 convictions, the rate falls to 0.3%.

Another alarming fact, which had been

reported by HT earlier this month, is the poor detection rate. In the past five-and-a-half years, 3,167 cases or 30% were detected.

Experts condemned the 'poor' conviction and detection rates and demanded more resources to improve them.

Former director general of police D

The poor conviction rate may dissuade victims from filing cases, say experts

Sivanandhan said, "The picture is abominable. The detection rate is extremely poor. It is calculated on the tried cases. If we calculate it on the number of cases, what would be the percentage? I have been reiterating that the police need advanced technology."

Experts have called for more courts for speedy trials of cybercrime cases.

Of the 2,279 cases in which charge sheets have been filed, only 184 trials have been completed.

Another 8,140 cases are under investigation the state, which

means the number of pending cases is likely to increase, said a senior police official.

"We need more courts so that the cyber-crime cases are disposed of as soon as possible. As cases remain pending for years, to secure a conviction becomes more difficult. The conviction rate is low as there are several cases which have been compounded and others where the complainant withdraw their complaints."

Balsing Rajput, SP (cyber), said, "We are focusing on cybercrime. Most cases are investigated at the police

station level. There is a law officer in every district to assist them with the case. We are providing training to officials on three levels." An official informed that 150 officials and men have received the special training.

IPS officer-turned-lawyer YP Singh said, "There are three reasons for the poor performance. Officials are not well versed with cybercrimes.

"They send a weak charge sheet which does not stand court's scrutiny. Many offences such as defamation are non-cognizable are investigated under the IT Act."

Hyderabad: E-point books for cops soon

Hyderabad: Manual point books used to record the visits of beat constables are now being replaced by e-point books.

The term 'point book means', a notebook or register kept at a designated place for recording the visit of a beat constable or any other official on patrol. During the visit the policeman signs in the book as proof of his visit. Generally, the point books are kept at places of worship, banks and residents welfare association offices.

With the city police embracing technology, notebooks are now being replaced by e-point books. "Beat constables go to the designated point and log into the tablet PC provided. They then record their visit in the e-point book option available. The time of the visit will be recorded and any senior can monitor the patrol party sitting in his office," said DCP (south) V. Satyanarayana. The point book can be accessed by all police officials right from the station house officer to the police commissioner.

MAHARASHTRA GOVT NOD TO POLICE CONTROL ROOM MODERNISATION PROJECT

The system at the district-level police control rooms was lacking modern technology, he said. In the current system, the police face limitations to respond to people calling the control rooms in emergency.

The Maharashtra government has approved a project worth Rs 429 crore to modernise police control rooms in the state and to establish a control, planning and data analysis centre at Worli in central Mumbai. A Government Resolution (GR) to the effect was issued on September 4, a top official of the Home department said. The project cost includes Rs 44.54 crore for setting up

the centre in Worli, he said. "Any kind of emergency situation faced by people will be handled from the Worli centre promptly," the official said.

The government was since some time considering modernisation of the police control rooms to provide effective service to the people in an emergency situation, he said. The system at the district-level police control rooms was lacking modern technology, he said. In the current system, the police face limitations to respond to people calling the control rooms in emergency.

The modernisation of the control rooms will help reduce the



response time and enable the police to provide effective service to the people in need, he said. Police will be able to send nearest vehicle to the spot where help is needed, with the help of Global Positioning System (GPS), he said. The people will also be able to connect with the emergency response system through mobile apps, SMS, emails and chats, the official said.

With the new technology, police will be able to identify the person and place from where he is calling and officials in the control room will also have a detailed data analysis of the call, he said. The information received in control rooms will be shared with the control, planning and analysis centre at Mumbai, the official added.