

2 soldiers die of injuries day after attack on Army patrol in Jammu and Kashmir's Pulwama

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Two soldiers who were injured in Monday's improvised explosive device (IED) blast in Jammu and Kashmir's Pulwama district succumbed to injuries on Tuesday, the Army said. "Two soldiers, brought to the hospital with severe contusions/concussions, have succumbed to their injuries while undergoing treatment in 92 Base Hospital. We deeply mourn the demise of our bravehearts," the Army said



in a statement. The two soldiers who were part of a patrol were among the injured after a 'vehicle-based IED' targeted their truck in the evening. The Army spokesman had termed the attack as a failed

attempt and had described the injuries of the soldiers as minor. The spokesman said the damage was minimised due to the alertness of the patrol party. He did not specify the number of injured soldiers. Sources, however, said that nine soldiers who were part of the patrol were injured in the blast. The injured soldiers were shifted to the army's base hospital in Srinagar. Another army officer, Major Ketan Sharma was killed in a separate encounter in Anantnag on Monday. The IED attack on the army patrol in Pulwama took place four months after a Jaish-e-Mohammad suicide bomber rammed an explosives laden car into a bus killing 40 CRPF troopers in the same district. The bus was part of a convoy from Jammu to Srinagar.

4 year old kid happy to see mother survive rare tumor Timely treatment helps mother of two escape paralysis

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30 year old housewife was successfully treated at Artemis Hospital recently. She had been suffering from a rare spinal cord tumor for over 6 months, which was persistently troubling her daily chores and could have left her paralyzed. "Even though the tumor was in stage I, if left untreated, it would have left her paralyzed from one side. Such tumors are benign in nature and are very rare, with only 0.5 - 1% of the population being affected. Keeping in mind the size and location of the tumor, which would have been risky to treat with conventional

radiotherapy, the team decided to perform cyberknife robotic surgery. The procedure took 40 minutes and the patient was discharged immediately. Radiographic reports revealed that the tumor had subsided completely after the first session without affecting the healthy cells." Says Dr Aditya Gupta, Director, Neurosurgery and Cyberknife Centre, Agrim Institute for neuro sciences, Artemis Hospital. The patient had always been ignoring the aggravated pain in her left shoulder for months. Being a mother of two, she thought the pain was due to exertion, but she had been in consistent and

unbearable pain that led to difficulty in walking at times. It was only then, when she started paying heed to. She started losing sensation in her arms and legs. "Even though conventional surgery was kept as an alternative, but had a mild risk on patient getting paralysis and hence was not advisable. This is where cyberknife is effective and a safer treatment option. Being a non-invasive and pain free procedure, the tumor was completely removed with high dosage of targeted radiation." Added Dr Gupta. Early diagnosis is an important factor in the outcome of spinal cord

tumors. Though many other treatment methods may be available for treating spinal tumors but due to the advantage of being totally non-invasive and eliminates the requirement of any kind of anesthetics, cyberknife is a very useful tool saving the patient's time and helping in better and quicker recovery. Treatment for spinal tumors remaining a challenge in India, due to the reason that only limited technology is available, and also the fact that the spine is sensitive and can receive only limited amount of radiation. Cyberknife being flexible in producing radiations is one of the best options for treatment of spinal tumor.

Mounting calls for conferring Bharat Ratna on Dalai Lama

By: NJ Thakuria

Dharamshala: Indian supporters for a free Tibet have urged the Union government in New Delhi to confer Bharat Ratna, the country's highest civilian honour, on the Tibetan spiritual leader His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama for his immense contributions in creating goodwill for India in the last six decades. In a declaration, adopted in the 6th All India Tibet Support Groups' Conference held on 15 and 16 June in Dharamshala township of Himachal Pradesh under the chairmanship of Rinchin Khandu Khriemey, national convener of Core Group for Tibetan Cause, it was accomplished that the Nobel laureate continues to be a holy ambassador of Indian culture enriched with non-violence, compassion and religious harmony. The Dharamshala declaration also called upon New Delhi to prevail over the People's Republic of China for a constructive negotiation with the representatives of Central Tibetan Administration (formerly Tibetan government in exile) under the guidance of Dalai Lama for the sustainable solution of Tibet issue. It also appealed to the international community to support the Dharamshala based CTA in its relentless pursuit for a peaceful resolution to Tibetan issues comprising the quest of millions of Tibetans (inside and outside Tibet) for

dignity, justice and peace in their land, which has been occupied by the Communist regime in Beijing since 1959. The declaration insisted on complete freedom of language and culture pursued by the Tibetan Buddhists with an end to repressions over the people and exploitations of natural resources inside Tibet which might have severe ecological implications to various neighbouring countries like India, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Cambodia, Thailand etc. Over 200 delegates from 21 States of India, while attending the two-day conference, strongly condemned the Chinese government for systemic violations of human rights under its illegal occupation over the land of Dalai Lama and also the militarization of Tibetan plateau threatening the peace across the Indian sub-continent. The conference commemorated the 60th year since the first ever Tibet support convention held at Kolkata in May 1959 under the leadership of under the leadership of Loknayak Jayprakash Narayan soon after Pawanpuja Dalai Lama with many fellow Tibetans fled to India with an aim to escape Chinese oppressions. Mentioning about the Kolkata convention, Dr Anand Kumar, general secretary, India Tibet Friendship Society, commented that the little assembly of responsible citizens helped nurturing a big river of consciousness,

humanity and solidarity for Tibetan causes in present time. He also termed the Tibetan transition as remarkable for their wisdom, commitment and resilience against a mightiest empire in the world. Addressing the inaugural session, Indresh Kumar, patron of Bharat Tibbat Sahyog Manch, termed Beijing's recent political and military advances as a threat to India's national security. He disclosed that the conflict-ridden India-China border was once used to be a friendly boundary between India and Tibet. An ideologist of Rashtriya Swayam Sewak, Kumar however asserted that New Delhi won't deter from taking strong actions against the Chinese advance. Earlier delivering the keynote address, Tibetan leader Dr Lobsang Sangay expressed his warmth and gratitude to India and its people for generous supports to the Tibetan authority saying that no other country has done (or can do) more than India and none could be helpful for Tibet than the people of India. CTA President Sangay explained about the middle

way approach for resolving Tibetan issues. A Hindi translation of Sangay's 'Tibet was Never Part of China but the Middle Way Approach Remains a Viable Solution' was released in the function, where the bright and highly educated Tibetan leader highlighted on their demand for the genuine autonomy for Tibetan people with emphasizes on constitutional rights for preserving their distinct language and culture. Others who spoke in the conference included Dr Abanti Bhattacharya, professor on Chinese Studies in Delhi University, Prof Ramu Manivannam from Madras University, Thinlay Chukki, CTA information & international relations officer, Dechen Palmo, CTA research fellow, Ajai Singh, president of India Tibet Friendship Association, Vijay Kranti, journalist from Doodardarshan, Surrender Kumar, co-convenor of CGTC, where the closing session was graced by Choekyong Wangchuk, health minister in CTA, Dharamshala.

Sport News

Rohit Sharma speaks about challenges, new role with KL Rahul as opening partner

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Communication had been the biggest USP in Rohit Sharma and Shikhar Dhawan's enormously successful opening partnership and the Indian vice-captain wants to create the same level of understanding with KL Rahul by the time World Cup reaches business end. Dhawan's fractured left-hand has put Rahul in the line of fire in a stage like World Cup but his senior opening partner is confident that they will slowly be able to build up the right level of communication required in such big event. In fact against Pakistan, Rohit allowed Rahul to take first strike, which he normally does when Dhawan is around. "Yeah, KL also likes to take the strike, and for me it was important to give him that because just like me, he also has the mindset of taking the first ball. That is his comfort. He is playing his first game as an opener here, so I wanted to make sure that he's comfortable," Rohit said while making it clear what his responsibilities are as a senior player. Rahul, on his part, knows that a big opportunity it is and he is ready to fill in the big boots of Dhawan till the time he comes back (if at all in this tournament).

"Obviously Shikhar and Rohit for the last three or four years have been such a dangerous combination having done so well. They have owned those positions. I had to wait for my chance and I am just happy that I got to bat in the top of the order," Rahul told reporters. However, during their stand of 136, there were a couple of occasions when Rohit could have nearly got run out primarily because of the lack of communication between the two. But the champion opener is game for this new challenge as that's what international cricket is all about - clearing new obstacles every passing day. "These are the sort of challenges you face - the understanding of when he wants to run that two, when I want to take that single, and things like that. "These are very small little things, but of course, eventually they add up to a whole lot for the team because at that point we never wanted to get run out. That was the last thing in my mind to do that," said Rohit. But since they batted for nearly 24 overs (23.5 to be precise), they had communicated a lot and it's only going to improve from here on, feels Rohit "But we had a lot of communication

(during game against Pakistan) while we were batting, so slowly we will build on it. Now that I know he's going to open for the next few games as well. "So that conversation between us is really, really important, and I hope that continues because it's going to only help both of us." For Rahul, the biggest challenge against Pakistan was to play out Mohammed Amir's first spell, which they did with a fair degree of success "Look I mean, with the new ball against any bowler, you have to see off the first few overs and didn't know what to expect from the wicket as it was under covers for the first two days. It was important that we saw off the first spell," the talented Karnataka batsman said. Amir, whether it was Champions Trophy final in 2017 or the Asia Cup T20, a year before that, he had always struck in the very first over that he bowled but this time around the Indians had done their homework. "We needed to focus from ball one as he has earlier done damage in the first over itself. We were switched on from ball one and we didn't take too many chances in the first few overs. We gave their bowlers and the ball the respect it deserved and carried on from there," Rahul said.

Sarfraz Ahmed ignores Imran Khan, faces heat

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Leading Pakistan on the cricket field had always called for a balancing act. But it probably was never as hazardous as it is now with the Prime Minister a World Cup winning captain, one of the finest all-rounders the game has seen, a legend who had backed talent like Wasim Akram and Inzamam-ul-Haq. Sarfraz Ahmed, captain of the current side, too can claim success in an ICC tournament, having won the 2017 Champions Trophy, beating India in the final. A chirpy wicket-

keeper, Ahmed is perceived as a bold leader who doesn't back out easily. But this time, he may have crossed a line. Ahmed's decision to bowl on winning the toss against India was baffling. Chasing isn't, and probably never was, Pakistan's forte. Case in point is last week's match against Australia in Taunton. Set 308 to win, Pakistan were 136/2 before they lost three wickets for 11 runs and slid to defeat. Repeating the mistake against the best Indian bowling attack they have faced in a long while defied logic, especially when they had beaten England batting first at the start of the tournament.

Imran Khan has been busy since he assumed office last August. But he hasn't taken his eyes off cricket, be it inviting the team to his home before the World Cup or reportedly admonishing Inzamam, now the chief selector, for not including Mohammed Amir (he was included later). Having spent decades in the county circuit, no Pakistani cricketer knows about English conditions better than Khan. So, when he takes to Twitter to advise the team how to deal with a superior India—something he has been doing often in this World Cup—it's best to heed that advice. Khan had two firm suggestions for Ahmed: "To have a winning offensive strategy, Sarfraz must go in with specialist batsmen and bowlers because 'Raiilu Kattas' rarely perform under pressure - especially the intense kind that will be generated today. 2. Unless pitch is damp, Sarfraz must win the toss & bat." "Raiilu Kattas" means a "wandering calf" in Pakistani street cricket lingo—someone who has no specific skill and doesn't contribute to the team. Khan could have been hinting at Shoaib Malik, who has had a horrendous tour so far with scores of 8, 0 and 0. Not many would mind the expression though. To rely on spin-bowling all-rounders in a team with a legacy of fast bowling all-rounders can be a bitter pill to swallow.

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