

Terrorism

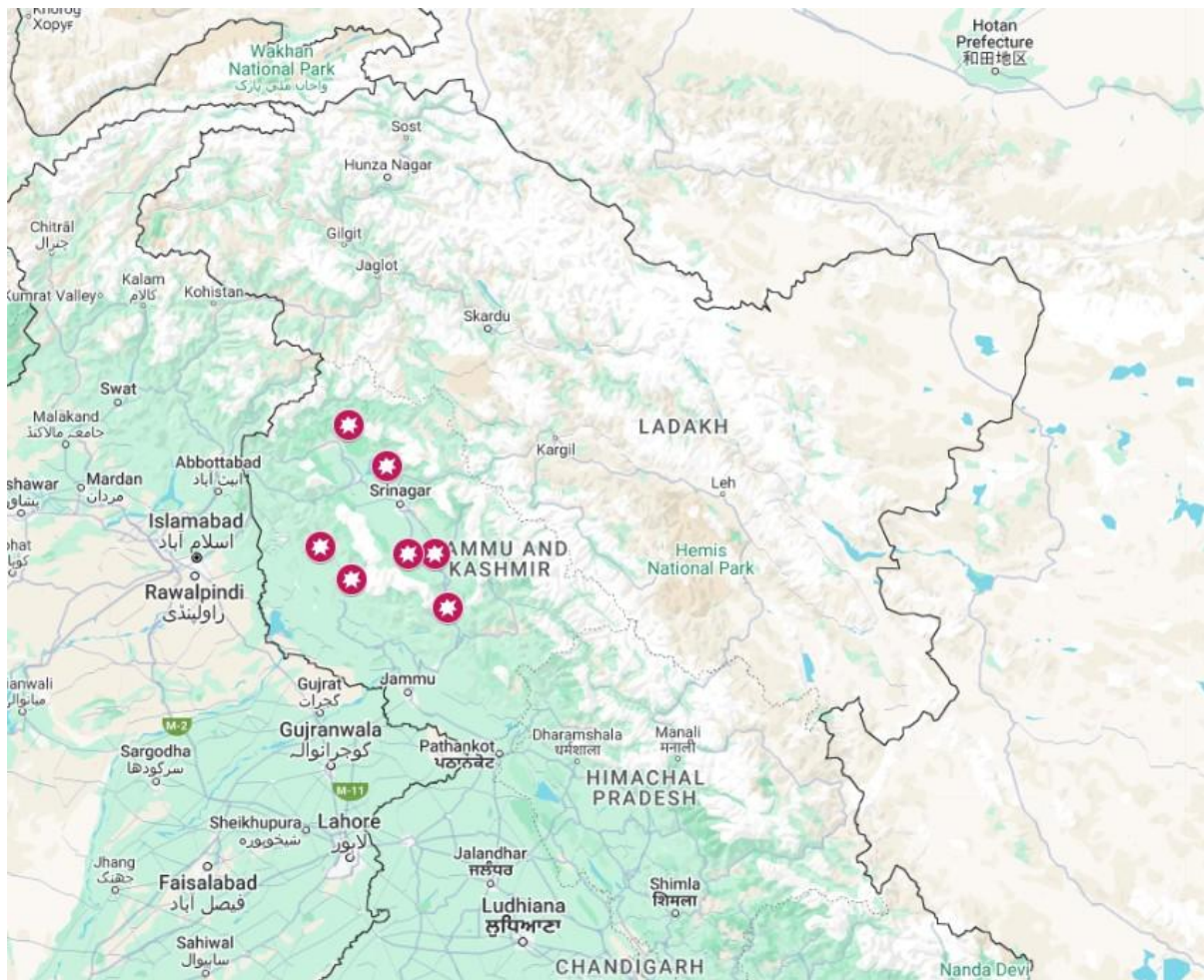
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IED/Explosion Incidents

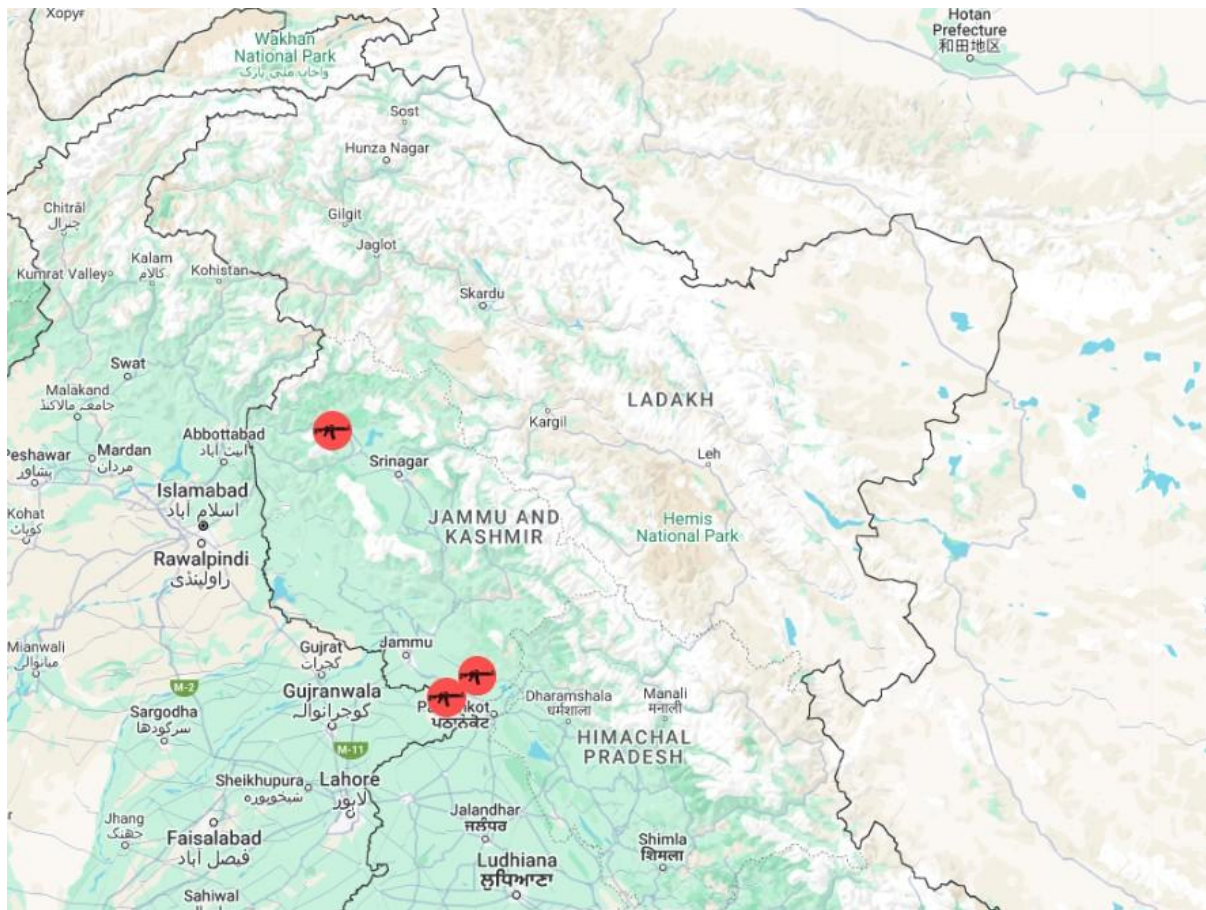


- **March 16:** Security forces recovered and neutralized an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) in the Narikut forest of Kupwara District, Jammu and Kashmir.
- **March 17:** An IED was discovered in the Reshipora Qoimoh area of Kulgam District. A bomb disposal squad was deployed to defuse the device.
- **March 18:** Security forces recovered an IED in the Habdipora area of Shopian District.
- **March 19:** An IED was detected on the main road near Sunset Point on the Bandipora Highway in North Kashmir. The bomb disposal squad was called into action.
- **March 20:** A blast-like sound was heard in the Thannamandi area of Rajouri District. No damage was reported.
- **March 24:** A soldier was injured in an accidental explosion in Bagyal Dara, Poonch District, near the Line of Control (LoC). The incident occurred while a patrolling party was on duty. The injured soldier was hospitalized, and an investigation is underway.
- **March 28:** Security forces discovered an IED in the Ramsoo area of Ramban District. A cooker IED was found in the Shrine Board Washroom near Ceigall Company. The bomb disposal squad was called in to diffuse the device on the spot.



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Encounters:



- **March 17:** Security forces engaged in an encounter with terrorists in Krumhoora village, located in Zachaldara, Kupwara District, Jammu and Kashmir. A Pakistani terrorist commander, identified as Saifullaah, was killed during the operation. Authorities recovered an AK rifle, four magazines, grenades, and additional ammunition from the site.



- **March 23:** A seven-year-old girl, Anchal Kumari, sustained injuries during an encounter between security forces and terrorists in Sanyal village, Hiranagar sector, Kathua District, Jammu and Kashmir. Security forces confronted a group of terrorists who had infiltrated from across the border and were hiding in a dense nursery. The gunfight lasted over half an hour. The terrorists were believed to have entered a day prior using a ravine route and a newly created tunnel. While attempting to flee, they left behind several items, including 4 M4 magazines, 4 IED packs, Pairs of shoes, Bulletproof jacket, Sleeping bag, Adidas Tracksuit and other belongings.



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It is noteworthy that the terrorists affiliated with KT, who were killed in an encounter by security forces in Doda on June 26, 2024, were wearing the same type of Adidas tracksuits that were recovered during this operation. Images are provided below for reference.



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- **March 27:** Two Kashmir Tigers (KT) terrorists, affiliated with Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), were killed in a gunfight at Safiyan Jakhole village, Kathua District, Jammu and Kashmir. Four police personnel—Tariq Ahmad, Jaswant Singh, Jagbir Singh, and Balwinder Singh—lost their lives, while seven others, including Deputy Superintendent of Police (DySP) Border Dheeraj Katoch and a Para soldier, sustained injuries. The encounter involved heavy firing, grenade use, and the deployment of rocket launchers by the Army. The neutralized terrorists were reportedly part of the same group that had evaded security forces in Sanyal Forest since March 23.

One of the killed terrorists has been identified as Abu Tala. Security forces recovered an M4 rifle equipped with a Trijicon Advanced Combat Optical Gunsight (ACOG) 4X32 BAC and an AK-series rifle from the deceased militants. While Kashmir Tigers (KT) has not claimed the slain terrorists, Facebook accounts linked to certain Jaish-e-Mohammed handlers in Pakistan have acknowledged them as their cadres.





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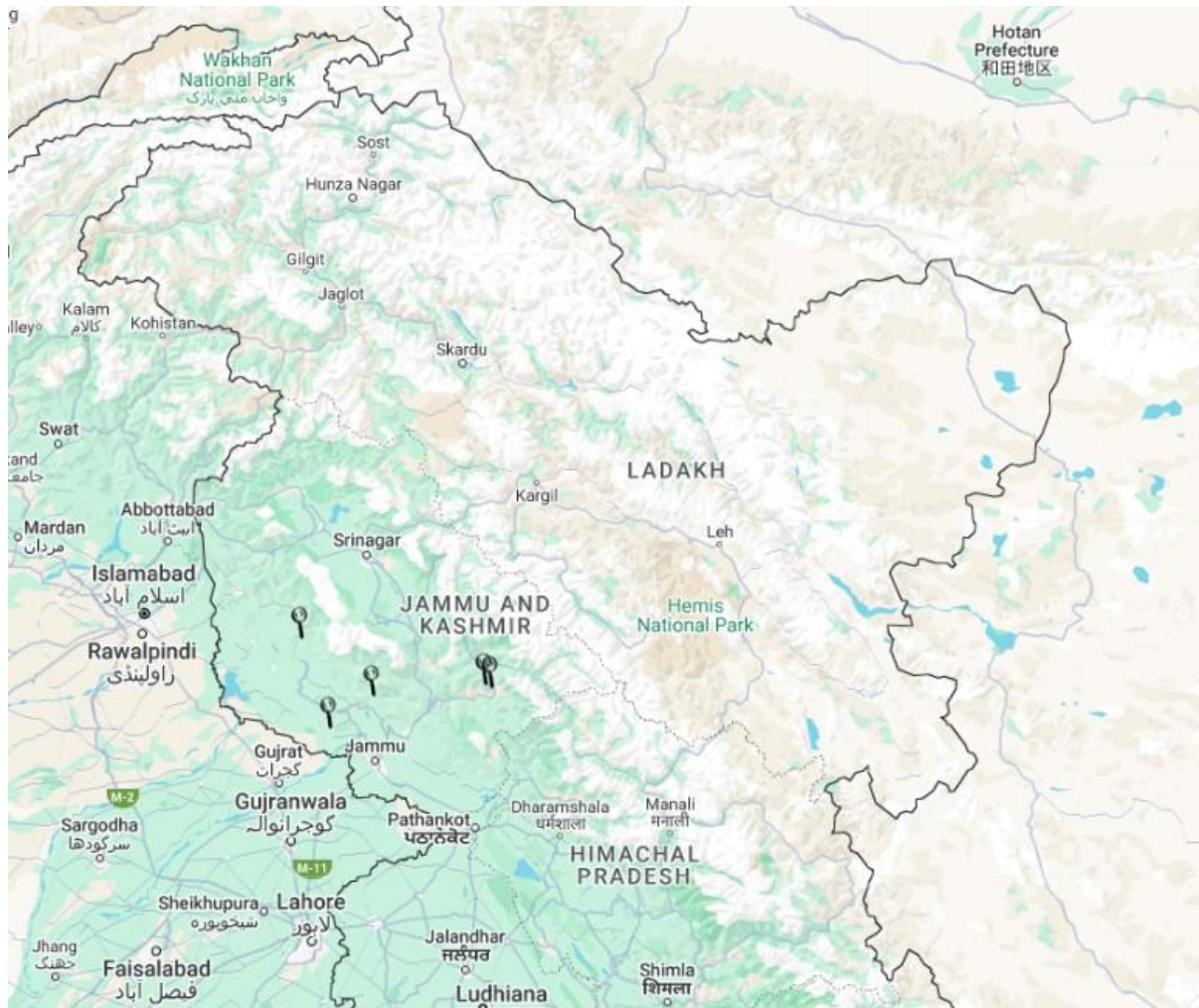


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- **March 31:** Three men wearing black robes and carrying bags entered the house of Shanker in Rui village, requesting water from an elderly woman who was alone at the time. The operation is ongoing in the Panjtirthi area of the Ramkote belt, Kathua, according to an official. This marks the third such encounter in the past eight days. In response to the violent confrontation, a night cordon has been established to prevent the three terrorists hiding in the forest from escaping, sources reported. These three men could be the same group of terrorists who managed to escape during the March 27 encounter at Safiyan Jakhole village in Kathua. On Monday, security forces also initiated search operations in the Samba sector near the International Border, along with Reasi and Udhampur districts.



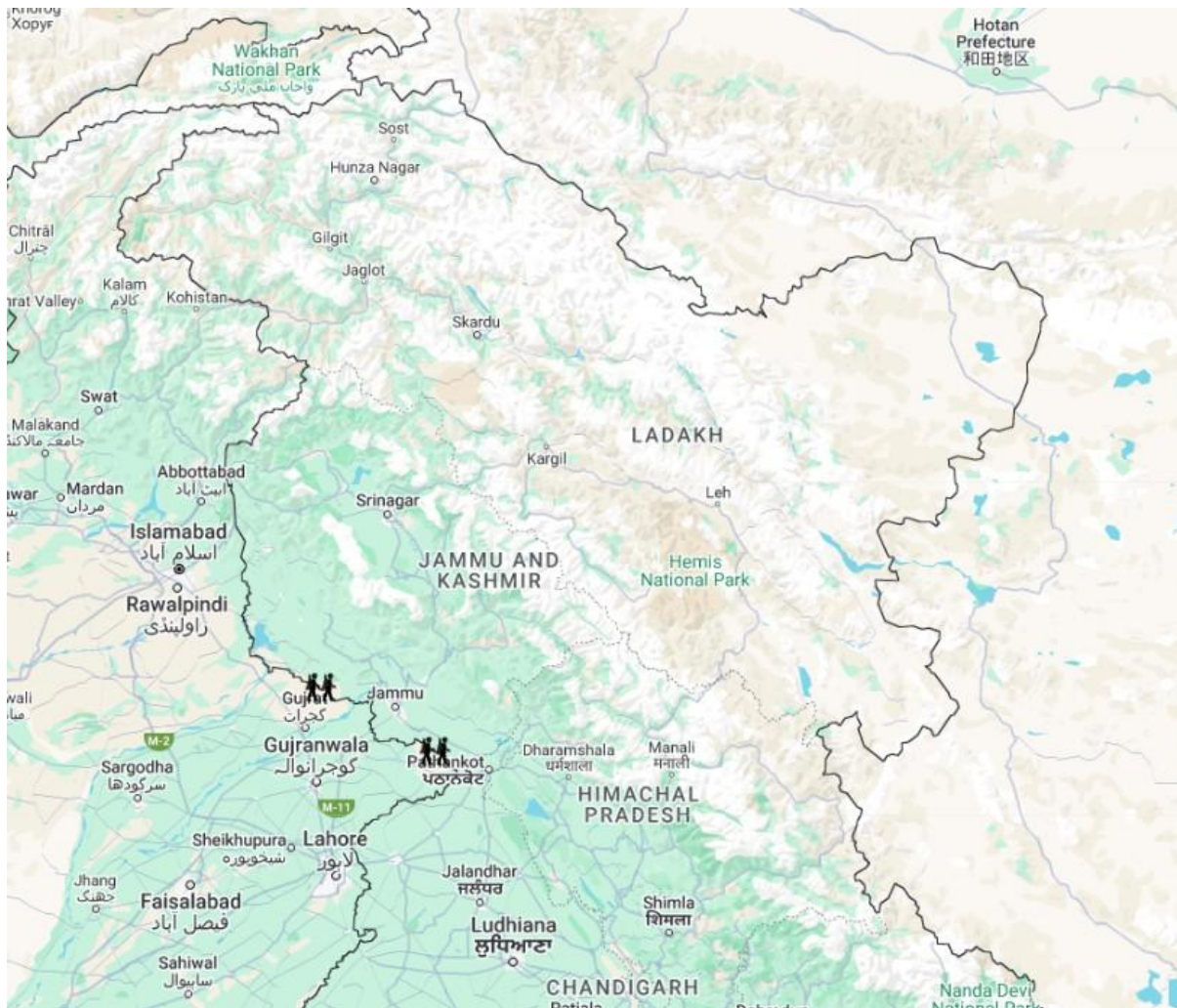
Search Operations:



- **March 17:** Security forces launched a search operation in Gandeh village, Sunderbani sector, Rajouri District, after an ex-serviceman reported spotting two suspicious individuals. The retired soldier, who was gathering fodder for his goats in a nearby forest, saw the suspects dressed in black moving towards a hilltop.
- **March 20:** Security forces conducted a Cordon and Search Operation (CASO) in Naidgam Chatroo, Kishtwar.
- **March 25:** A search operation continued for the third consecutive day in a forested area of Kathua District to track down a group of infiltrating terrorists.
- **March 25:** Security forces launched a search operation in Surankote tehsil, Poonch District. Led by senior district police officers, the operation involved police, SOG, CRPF, and army personnel working together across multiple locations.
- **March 28:** Security forces initiated a search operation in a forested area of Reasi District following reports of suspicious movement.



Infiltration:



- **March 19:** Security forces arrested a Pakistani intruder, identified as Qadir Baksh, along the International Border in the Hiranagar sector of Kathua District.
- **March 25:** A Pakistani intruder, identified as Yaqoob, was arrested along the Line of Control in Rajouri District. He had crossed over from Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir and was confronted by alert troops. No incriminating material was found in his possession, and he appeared to be under the influence of drugs. Further investigation is ongoing.



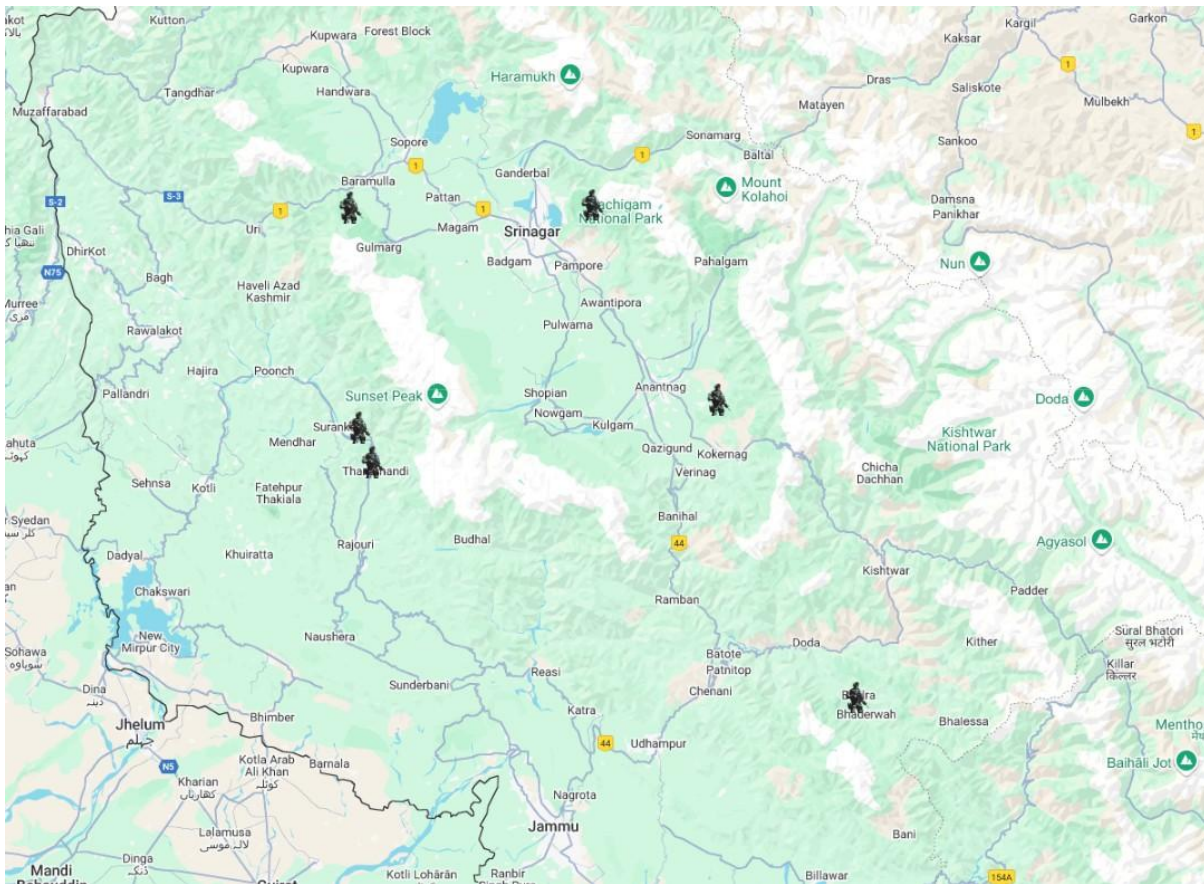
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Raids:

- **March 19:** The National Investigation Agency conducted raids at over 12 locations across Jammu and Kashmir as part of an ongoing investigation into terrorist infiltration from Pakistan and recent attacks on security forces and civilians. These raids are believed to be linked to newly formed offshoots and affiliates of banned terrorist organizations. Intelligence inputs suggest that active terrorists from Lashkar-e-Toiba and Jaish-e-Mohammed entered through the International Border and Line of Control. Investigations indicate that Over Ground Workers and other terror associates in villages across the Jammu region provided logistical support, including food, shelter, and financial aid, to these infiltrators.
- **March 25:** Police carried out multiple searches in Shuhama, Duderhama, Saloora, Tulmulla, and Lar in Ganderbal District as part of an ongoing investigation related to the banned organization Tehreek-e-Hurriyat. Incriminating materials were recovered during these operations. The Government of India had declared Tehreek-e-Hurriyat an unlawful organization under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act in December 2023.
- **March 29:** Police conducted raids on individuals linked to Jamaat-e-Islami in Sopore, Baramulla District. During the searches, incriminating materials connected to the activities of the banned outfit were seized as evidence in an ongoing investigation under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act. The raids were carried out in the presence of Magistrates and independent witnesses to ensure legal compliance and procedural transparency.



Hideouts:



- **March 21:** Security forces neutralised an underground hideout in the Pehlipora area of Dachigam forests, Srinagar District. The hideout, a bunker-type structure, was stocked with logistical supplies. However, the terrorists had already vacated the site before the raid, prompting a search operation by the authorities.
- **March 22:** A terrorist hideout was neutralised in the Bhalra forest area of Bholderwah, Doda district. Recovered items included a pistol, three magazines with six rounds, and 25 rounds of AK assault rifle ammunition.



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- **March 23:** In the Sarabara area near Sangla Top in Surankote, Poonch District, security forces neutralised a hideout. The recovered materials included three AK rifles, 23

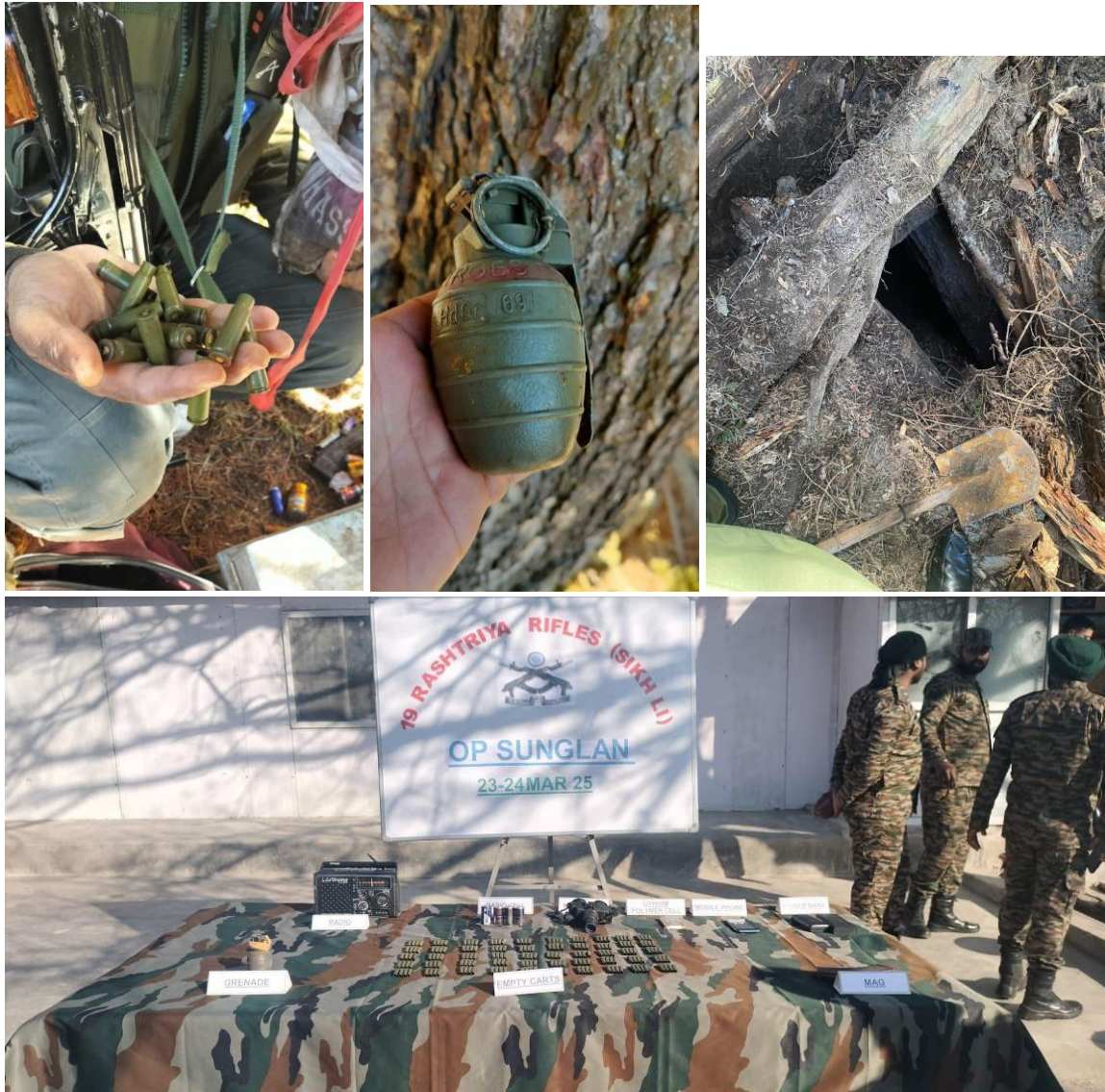


magazines, 922 rounds of ammunition, seven grenades, four Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs), one timer mechanism, 19 detonators, three meters of cortex, a four-inch cylinder, one combat dress, 10 safety fuzes, and 200 grams of heroin. The IEDs and other dangerous materials were destroyed by the Bomb Disposal Squad on-site.



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- **March 24:** In the higher reaches of the Sanglan Forest area, located within the jurisdiction of Police Station Uttersoo in the Anantnag district, security forces discovered a militant hideout in a forested area. Items recovered included 200 empty AK cartridges, two gas cylinders, a Chinese grenade, a night vision device, bedding, utensils, and food packets. The operation was conducted by a joint team comprising the Special Operations Group (SOG) Anantnag, the 19 Rashtriya Rifles (RR), and the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF).



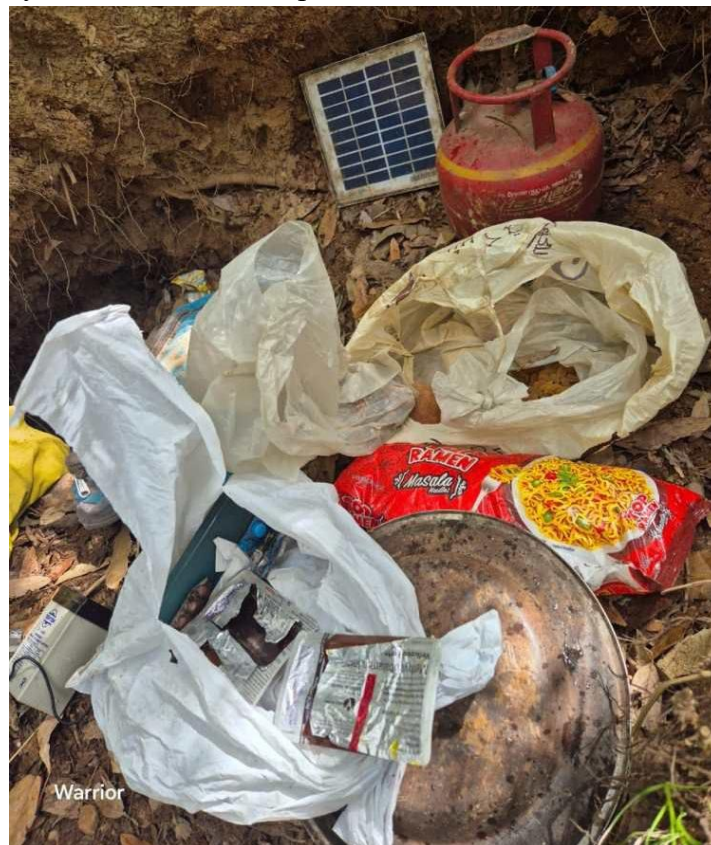
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- **March 26:** A terrorist hideout was uncovered in the Namblan forest area of Baramulla, North Kashmir. Recovered materials included one pressure cooker IED, two hand grenades, 104 AK rounds, two AK magazines, a detonator set with wire, a map sheet, and a magazine pouch.



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- **March 27:** Security forces unearthed a hideout in the Manyal Gali forests of Thannamandi, Rajouri District. The recovered items included five live rounds, one grenade, one gas cylinder, a small solar panel, and some food items.



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