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**P3 CITY**

## COMMISSIONER SMC REVIEWS ENFORCEMENT OF SMC ADMINISTRATIVE WARDS

Commissioner SMC Athar Aamir Khan Monday took a detailed ward-wise review of building activities and enforcement at central office Karan Nagar. Amir reviewed all the 35 SMC administrative...

**THINK P7**

## WHY WE NEED TO STOP JUSTIFYING ISLAM THROUGH SECULAR PARADIGMS

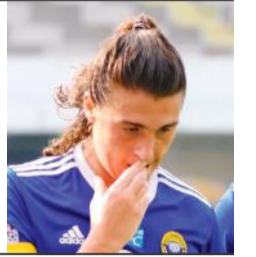
Toni Morrison famously cites racism's greatest achievement as distraction. Like the resonating tones of a standing bell, this quote only appears to...



**P11 SPORTS**

## REAL KASHMIR CAPTAIN MASON ROBERTSON APPEALS TO AIFF TO REVOKE BAN

Real Kashmir FC (RKFC) captain Mason Robertson on Monday appealed to the All India Football Federation (AIFF) for an immediate revocation of his four-match ban and...



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**NEWS DIGEST**

### J&K Reports One More Corona Death

SRINAGAR: Coronavirus claimed the life of one more person in Jammu and Kashmir, while 70 fresh cases of Covid-19, including twenty-one travellers were detected across the Union Territory during the last 24 hours. The death caused by coronavirus has been reported from Jammu division, taking **More On P10**

### Soldier 'Commits Suicide' Along LoC

SRINAGAR: An army man allegedly committed suicide along the Line of Control (LoC) in Keran sector of Jammu and Kashmir's Kupwara district, reports said Monday. Trived Prakash of army's 6 RR committed suicide by shooting himself death with his service rifle at Shakti post in Keran sector around 2145 hours Sunday, news agency GNS reported while quoting an unnamed official. "It was not **More On P10**

### Misfire Injures Cop In Jammu

SRINAGAR: A policeman on Monday was injured when his service rifle went off in Bhalwal area of the Jammu city outskirts. Constable Abid Ahmad was performing his duty inside the sentry post of seventh battalion headquarters of Jammu and Kashmir armed police in Balwal area when his Insas rifle went off injuring his hand, reports said. A resident of **More On P10**

### 20 Shops Gutted In Midnight Blaze

SRINAGAR: At least 20 shops were damaged in a massive midnight blaze in the Watergam area of Rafiabad in Baramulla district. Fire broke out in a two-storey shopping complex in the Watergam area during the intervening night of March 7-8 leaving goods worth lakhs completely damaged, an official said. The fire, he said, broke out in one of the shops before spreading to others inside the complex. **More On P10**

### Cattle Thief Nabbed In Kulgam: Police

SRINAGAR: Police on Monday claimed to have solved a cattle theft case by arresting a man from south Kashmir's Kulgam district. Acting on several complaints of cattle theft, police filed a case FIR No. 27/2021 under relevant sections of law and constituted a special investigation team to investigate the matter, a police spokesperson said Monday. During the course of investigation using **More On P10**

# 80% Students Qualify 12th Exam, Girls Outshine Boys



Agencies

SRINAGAR: Girls dominated top positions in all four streams as 80 percent students passed 12th class examinations, the results of which were declared by the J&K Board of School Education on Monday. In all 46987 out of 58397

students who appeared in the examination have been declared successful, said a BOSE official. Among the total students who appeared included 30960 boys and 27437 girls. Of these, 24291 boys and 22696 girls passed the examinations with overall pass percentage of 80.46%. In all 155 students have secured

top ten positions in all four streams—Science, Commerce, Arts and Home Science and of them 125 have been bagged by the girls and 30 by the boys. The results of the examinations held last year amid covid-19 pandemic were declared by the Board this morning. The first **More On P10**

## LG Announces Super-75 Scholarship Scheme For Poor Girls



Women Entrepreneurs To Receive Rs 5L Under Tejaswini Scheme

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir government on Monday announced

Super-75 scholarship scheme to support education of meritorious girls belonging to poor families while a financial Assistance Scheme of Rs 5 lakh under 'Mission Youth' to girls from 18 years to 35 years to start their business Keeping in view of this **More On P10**

## HC Notice To MEA, CID On Mehbooba's Passport Plea

Says Police Not Barred To 'Expedite Verification' While Petition Is Pending Before It

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir High Court on Monday issued



notice returnable by two weeks on a petition filed **More On P10**

## Farooq's Plea Listed For March 18

Jammu and Kashmir High Court Monday heard and listed on March 18 again a petition filed by National Conference president Farooq Abdullah's against an Enforcement Directorate's order attaching his properties in a case of alleged **More On P10**

## 5 Bank ACs Of 'Drug Cartel' Frozen: ANTF

Press Trust Of India

JAMMU: The Anti Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) on Monday froze five bank accounts amounting to over Rs 54.27 lakh of a drug cartel in Jammu and Kashmir, officials said.

"We have got five bank accounts frozen by a drug cartel in Kashmir. The head of this cartel is Masood Ahmed Dar of Bijbehara of Anantnag," Superintendent of Police (ANTF) Jammu Vinay Sharma told reporters here.

Three cases have been registered against him, he said.

"The total amount of these accounts is Rs 54.27 lakh. All the amount has been proven to be proceeds of the narcotics," he said.

These orders are a first of its kind in which bank accounts have been frozen by the **More On P10**

## Bukhari Threatens Stir Over Statehood

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Stating that Article 370 can be restored only by the parliament, J&K Apni Party chief Syed Altaf Bukhari Monday said that they will not hesitate to hit the streets, if New Delhi fails to restore the Statehood to J&K UT.

Addressing reporters on the occasion of the first foundation day anniversary of the party, J&K Apni party chief said that much was promised in 1947, but nothing was given back.

"We have to fight for the restoration of statehood to J&K. Our demand also is to hold Assembly elections as soon as possible," Bukhari said, adding that "This is the pledge Apni Party is taking on the eve of first foundation of the party."

J&K Apni Party was floated on



March 08, 2020. He said the agenda framed by the Apni Party on the day of its birth was pursued in letter and spirit but certain things like prolonged shutdown in the wake of Article 370 revocation **More On P10**

## Snowfall In Upper Reaches, Rains In Plains

Press Trust Of India

SRINAGAR: Snowfall in upper reaches and rains in plains of the Kashmir Valley on Monday brought a fresh cold wave as the mercury slipped seven degrees below the normal temperature for this part of the year, officials said.

Gulmarg tourist destination in north Kashmir received nearly two feet of fresh snow since Sunday night while many other hilly areas of Kashmir received **More On P10**

## Stranded Traffic To Ply On Highway Today

SRINAGAR: The Jammu-Srinagar highway, the only surface link connecting Kashmir valley with the outside world, shall remain open for stranded vehicles on the thoroughfare on Tuesday, officials said.

"In view of inclement weather prediction issued by the MET department for the next few days, there are chances of blockade of the highway. Peoples are advised to avoid journeys on the thoroughfare," the traffic authorities said. **More On P10**

## J&K Govt Amends Warrant Of Precedence

DDC Chairpersons Given Status Of Admin Secretaries/IGPs

Agencies

SRINAGAR: The administration in Jammu & Kashmir Union Territory on Monday amended its warrant of precedence, placing chairpersons of district development councils equal to administrative secretaries and inspector generals of police.

According to the warrant of precedence issued by J&K's Hospitality and Protocol department, DDC chairpersons have been placed at serial number 26.

They have been placed alongside administrative secretaries, divisional commissioners, IGPs, joint secretaries to the Government of India and officers of equivalent rank, officers of the rank of Major-General or equivalent rank.

Their deputies, who figure at serial number 27 in the revised warrant of precedence, will have protocol equivalent to the vice-chancellors of universities within the state/UT.

The DDC members have been placed at the bottom

in the warrant of precedence and have protocol equivalent to the block development council chairpersons, presidents of municipal councils and municipalities, district magistrates, officers of the rank of brigadier and equivalent, major head of departments and district and sessions judges. They figure at serial number 28 in the list.

The warrant of precedence of J&K UT is the protocol list (hierarchy of important positions) in which the functionaries, dignitaries and officials are listed according to their rank and office.

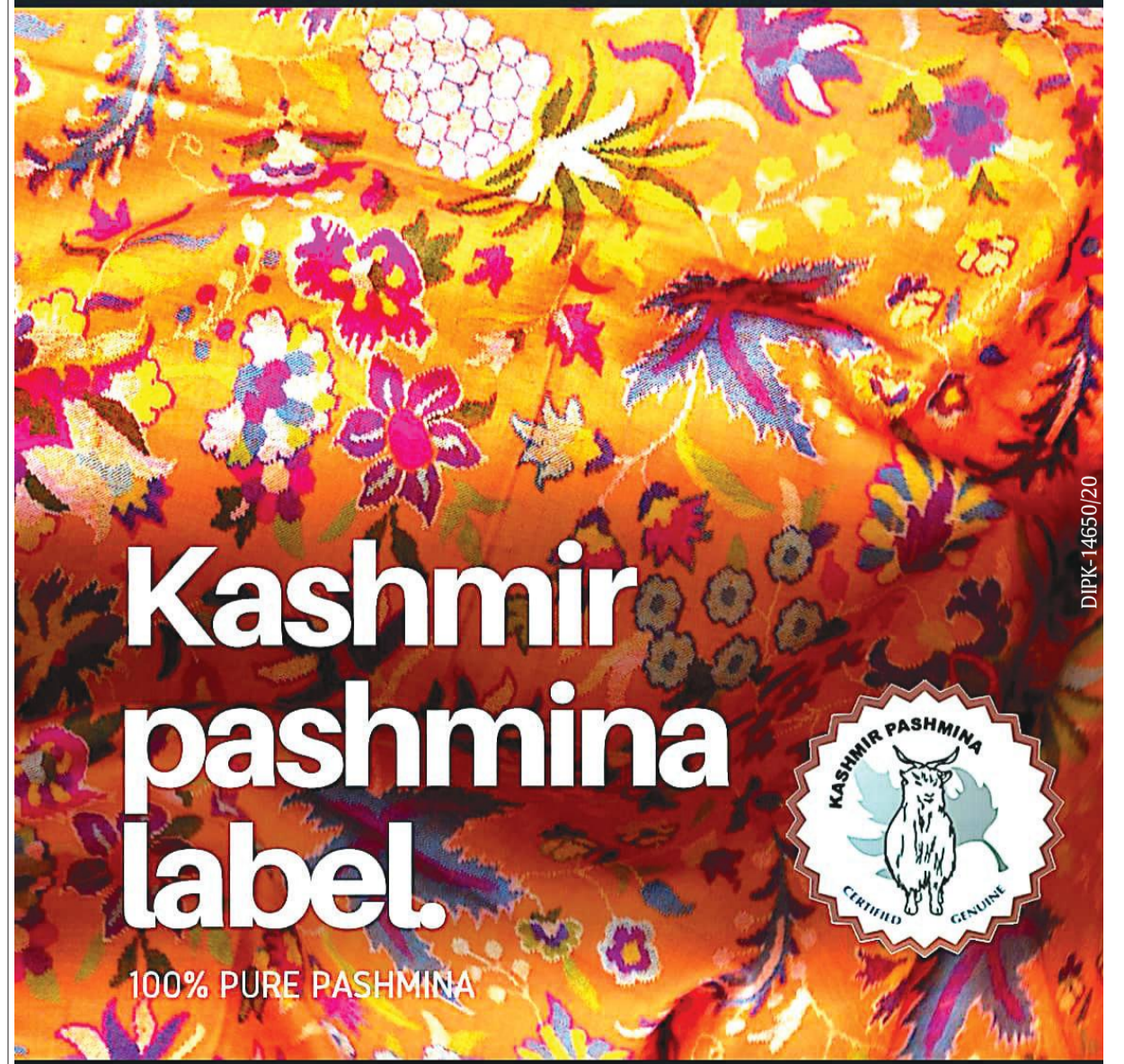
The government amended the warrant of precedence nearly two weeks after the constitution of district development councils in all 20 districts of the UT.

Meanwhile, sources said that the government has also finalized honorarium for DDC chairpersons, vice-chairpersons and members.

According to them, chairperson will get honorarium of Rs 35000 per **More On P10**

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School-based dental programme linked to reduced cavities

Agencies school-based dental programme may reduce cavities, says a new study. The findings published in the Journal of the American Dental Association, showed that after six visits, the prevalence of untreated cavities decreased by more than 50 per cent.

York University. Dental cavities are the most common chronic disease in children, and one in five elementary school children have at least one untreated cavity. While cavities can be prevented with dental visits and good at-home oral hygiene, some families experience barriers to seeing a dentist, including cost and parents having to take time off of work.



nish, sealants, and minimally invasive fillings to stabilize cavities without drilling. Students also received oral hygiene instructions, toothbrushes, and fluoride toothpaste to take home. If more complex care was required, students were referred to local dentists. Notably, the procedures used do not create aerosols, which limits the risk of transmitting viruses through the air. In one group of schools, cavities were reduced from a baseline of 39 per cent to 18 per cent, and in a second group, cavities decreased from 28 per cent to 10 per cent. The prevention programme reduced cavities in both baby and permanent teeth.

Public Notice

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Note: Anybody having any objection, shall report within seven days after the publication of this list. No claim will be accepted afterwards

CHAIRMAN

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‘Unstable work life leads to future mental health problems in youth’

Agencies new study has found that a precarious, unstable initiation by young people to working life is associated with poorer future mental health. The study was conducted by researchers from the Center for Research in Occupational Health (CISAL), a joint group of UPF and the Hospital del Mar Medical Research Institute in Barcelona, Spain.

researcher at the Barcelona Institute for Global Health (ISGlobal), a centre driven by the ‘la Caixa’ Foundation. Amaya Ayala-Garcia, the first author of the article, said that ‘to evaluate job stability, we apply a statistical technique that has allowed us to take an initial photo of the previous 10 years of working life, in which we identified four different patterns of participation in the labour market’.

These four patterns are a stable, permanent job, increasing stability (a decrease in the number of transitions between temporary contracts and lack of social security coverage towards permanent contracts), unstable employment with varying types



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از نیابت ماگام یا اجلاس جناب نائب تحصیلدار صاحب ماگام عنوان: مضمون درخواست تاجدین ولد کریم دین گویر ساکنہ موضع ماگام براد عطا گی ST سرٹیفکیٹ تحت SRO294 اشتہار براد آگاہی ہر خاص و عام معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکن نے ایک درخواست براد ST سرٹیفکیٹ کی ہے۔ جو کہ فتر ہذا میں زیر کاروائی ہے اور اجرا کرنے مطلوب ہے کہ یہ تاجدین ولد کریم گویر نذیر احمد ولد تاجدین گلعلیہ تنظیم زوجہ نذیر احمد رستم دختر نذیر شہین اختر دختر شہراز احمد پسر مسکان دختر عادل احمد پسر انشاء دختر اسکے علاوہ عمرہ کی مہلت آمدنی زریعہ وغیرہ زریعہ 7500 سے سرٹیفکیٹ زیر بحث ادا کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص یا اشخاص کو کوئی عذر یا اعتراض ہو تو وہ اپنا عذر یا اعتراض ساتھ یوم کے اندر پیش کریں۔ معیار گزرنے کے بعد کوئی عذر یا اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہو گا۔

از نیابت درگولہ عنوان: مضمون درخواست رئیس احمد - عمر احمد، عمر فاروق و نیلوفر فاروق اولادان فاروق احمد گنائی ساکنہ موضع کیرگام براد عطا گی RBA تحت SRO294 اشتہار براد آگاہی ہر خاص و عام معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں درخواست ساکن دختر ہذا میں زیر کاروائی ہے اس نسبت پناہی حلقہ سے رپورٹ بشمول مطلوبہ تقوالات ریکارڈ طلب گئے جس سے عیاں ہوتا ہے کہ ساکن ساکنہ موضع کیرگام کاسکونٹ دار ہے کہینہ کی سالانہ آمدنی مبلغ 42000 روپے تک ہے۔ کہینہ بذیل افراد پر مشتمل ہے

از نیابت سمیل مضمون کاغذات درخواست. بلاال احمد راقہ ولد مرحوم غلام محمد راقہ ساکنہ سرائے ڈاگر پورہ تحصیل سوناوارنی براد عطا گی نیگلی بھیر سرٹیفکیٹ اپبٹ ڈیگ اشتہار براد آگاہی ہر خاص و عام معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں درخواست ساکن دختر ہذا میں زیر کاروائی ہے اس سلسلے میں پناہی حلقہ سے رپورٹ بشمول ریکارڈ طلب کیا گیا ہے جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکن کا والد مسیحی غلام محمد راقہ ولد مرحوم حدیق راقہ ساکنہ سرائے ڈاگر پورہ مورخہ 09-10-2019ء فوت ہوچکی ہے کہینہ بذیل افراد پر مشتمل ہے

از نیابت نائب تحصیلدار ماگام مضمون کاغذات درخواست منجانب ہلال احمد لون ولد غلام محمد لون ساکنہ موضع ماگام براد عطا گی کیوار ڈاگرا سرٹیفکیٹ تحت 294 SRO اشتہار براد آگاہی ہر خاص و عام معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں درخواست ساکن دختر ہذا میں زیر کاروائی ہے اس سلسلے میں پناہی حلقہ سے رپورٹ بشمول ریکارڈ طلب کیا گیا ہے جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکن موضع ماگام میں رہائش پذیر ہے اور کہینہ بذیل افراد پر مشتمل ہے

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The Jammu And Kashmir State Board Of School Education, BRANCH OFFICE MAGAM The candidates whose photograph is published in this notice is claiming to have lost the Migration certificate under Below mentioned particulars

از نیابت نائب تحصیلدار یا اجلاس ماگام یا اجلاس صاحب صاحبہ صاحبہ درخواست منجانب: عمران شفیع ولد شفیع منجانب: صاحبہ صاحبہ ناز بھوشی حصول سوشل کاسٹ سرٹیفکیٹ SRO 294 اشتہار براد آگاہی ہر خاص و عام معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکن صدر نے ایک درخواست بھوشی حصول سوشل کاسٹ سرٹیفکیٹ دختر ہذا میں پیش کیا ہے جسب رپورٹ پناہی حلقہ تفصیل افراد ذیل درج ہے۔

از عدالت ایگزیکٹیو ججز عدت درجہ اول (نائب تحصیلدار است ناگ) یا اجلاس زیراہمیش صاحبہ درخواست منجانب: عبدالرشید موچی ولد عبدالرحیم موچی ساکنہ کورہ است ناگ بھوشی اجرائی تاریخ پیدائش سرٹیفکیٹ نام و ماں سین موچی عبدالرحیم موچی اشتہار براد آگاہی ہر خاص و عام معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکنہ کورہ والا نے عدالت ہذا میں ایک درخواست علی بیان پیش کیا ہے ساکن کے دختر تاریخ پیدائش 14/11/2016ء ہے اس ضمن میں سرٹیفکیٹ پیدا کیے جانے کا خواہ ہے لہذا سرٹیفکیٹ مذکورہ کورہ اجرا کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی عذر یا اعتراض ہو تو وہ ایک ہفتہ کے اندر اندر عدالت دہتری اوقات میں پیش کرے بصورت دیگر کوئی بھی اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔







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K O V I E W

## Changing tack on Kashmir

The General Officer Commanding (GOC) of the 15 Corps in Srinagar Lt Gen BS Raju has in a recent interview to News18 said that the number of militants in Kashmir was lowest in a decade. According to him there are over 125 local militants and 90 foreign militants. "We will like to keep it that way or reduce it further for peace to prosper in the Valley," said Lt Gen Raju. The Army commander who is set to take over as the next Director General of Military Operations was speaking in the wake of the re-affirmation of the 2003 ceasefire agreement along the Line of Control by India and Pakistan. The agreement, the GOC said, will contribute to peace along the LoC and also in Kashmir.

True, there's hope that the ceasefire agreement and likely resumption of dialogue between the two countries could go some way to reduce the violence in Kashmir. More so, when there's already a precedent for this when the LoC ceasefire agreement was first signed. The 2003-07 peace process between the neighbours not only came close to resolving Kashmir issue but also for the first time since its beginning in 1989, militancy went through a progressive decline. According to the South Asia Terrorism Portal, from 2,542 militancy related fatalities in 2003, the number went down to 777 by 2007. A similar history can very well repeat itself. The talks and the progress towards resolution of the issues between the two countries will go a long to positively impact the situation in Kashmir.

But things can go awry too. As far as the number of militants there are over 200 active militants in J&K if we go by the estimate of the Lt Gen Raju. This has been more or less the annual number of militants over the past four years. And there's little hope there will be marked decline in the near future. The simultaneous recruitment of the local youth in the militant ranks and the infiltration from across the border invariably replenishes the shortfall caused by the killings of the militants. And it will continue to do so unless the dynamic that animates the militancy is addressed. And this redressal is not in the killing of the militants but in a meaningful political outreach to the people of J&K and also in a dialogue between India and Pakistan. But this outreach and the bilateral talks with Pakistan have been more or less absent over the past six years. The LoC truce has generated fresh hope on this score. Here's hoping it's followed by a sustainable dialogue.

O T H E R O P I N O N

## Dissent vs Sedition

Rejecting a petition that sought action against former Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) chief minister and one of the country's senior-most leaders, Farooq Abdullah, for his comments opposing the Centre's changes in the erstwhile state, a two-judge Supreme Court (SC) bench on Wednesday said that dissent cannot be considered sedition. The bench said that "the expression of a view which is a dissent from a decision taken by the Central government itself cannot be said to be seditious". This is an important judicial intervention and merits unequivocal support. And it comes soon after a Delhi court, while granting bail to activist Disha Ravi, who too was charged with sedition, had said that offence of sedition could not be invoked to minister to "the wounded vanity of governments".

Any State must carefully defend its sovereignty, territorial integrity, and security interests. But this cannot be the basis to undermine the equally cherished constitutional tenets of freedom and the political structure of democracy and deny citizens their fundamental rights. Unfortunately, the executive has shown an increasing tendency to use the framework of sedition in recent years. The ministry of home affairs informed the Rajya Sabha that out of the 96 people arrested for sedition in 2019, only two were convicted. There was a 25% increase in sedition cases in 2019, which resulted in a spike in arrests, but the abysmal conviction record suggests that the cases are often not grounded in adequate evidence.

There is a larger principle involved here. India's legal architecture has enough room to charge those whose statements or actions are meant to stir up violence against the State. Sedition, a colonial-era law, often used to implicate citizens who are exercising democratic rights of dissent, should have no space in the Constitution.

Hindustan Times

# Pope in Iraq

Pope's historical Iraq visit underlined his commitment to interfaith dialogue, tolerance and coexistence, and their necessity in today's world



Asad Mirza

Though symbolic, this sort of messaging carries enough weight and support amongst people, many of whom are guided by such spiritual and kind-hearted initiatives by their religious leaders

The Head of the Catholic Church, Pope Francis arrived in Iraq, last Friday, 5 March, to a red carpet and military-band reception, at the beginning of the first-ever papal visit to Iraq. He went with a plea for the country to protect its centuries-old diversity, urging Muslims to embrace their Christian neighbours and asking the embattled Christian community - "though small like a mustard seed" - to persevere.

The aim of the trip was to encourage Iraq's dwindling Christian communities, which have faced violent persecution by the now defunct Islamic State group, to stop fleeing Iraq and to promote greater dialogue with Iraq's Shiite majority.

The visit was marred by controversy due to Pope's decision to travel during the continuing pandemic, but the Vatican defended his decision, saying all health care precautions had been taken and that the trip was an "act of love for this land, for its people and for its Christians."

During his meeting in Baghdad with Iraqi President Barham Salih, Pope Francis said Christians and other minorities in Iraq deserve the same rights and protections as the Shiite Muslim majority. He said that the religious, cultural and ethnic diversity that has been a hallmark of Iraqi society for millennia is a precious resource on which to draw, not an obstacle to eliminate, and urged Iraqis to show everyone, especially in the Middle East, that diversity, instead of giving rise to conflict, should lead to harmonious co-operation in society.

President Salih, belonging to ethnic Kurdish minority, echoed his call. He was of the view that the East cannot be imagined without Christians and the continued migration of Christians from the countries of the east will have dire consequences for the region in future.

In his long and momentous meeting with Iraq's Grand Ayatollah Ali Al Sistani, the most influential Shiite cleric, in the holy city of Najaf, the Pope urged Muslims to embrace Iraq's beleaguered Christian minority. On his part, the Shiite cleric affirmed his concern for Christians and said that they should live like all Iraqis in peace and security, and with their full constitutional rights. He also said that religious authorities have a role in protecting Iraq's Christians.

The Vatican said Francis thanked Al Sistani for having "raised his voice in defence of the

weakest and most persecuted" during some of the most violent times in Iraq's recent history. The Pope further said that Al Sistani's message of peace affirmed "the sacredness of human life and the importance of the unity of the Iraqi people".

### Cradle of Civilisation

The Pope later visited the ruins of ancient Ur in southern Iraq, revered as the birthplace of Prophet Abraham, father of Judaism, Christianity and Islam, to reinforce his message of inter-religious tolerance and fraternity.

In his speech, Pope urged Iraq's Muslim and Christian religious leaders to put aside animosities and work together for peace and unity. He underlined that hostility, extremism and violence are not born of a religious heart. He also urged Iraq's Muslim and Christian religious leaders to put aside animosities and work together for peace and unity during an interfaith meeting in the traditional birthplace of Prophet Abraham.

In Irbil, the head of Iraq's Kurdistan region, Nechirvan Barzani, welcomed him. He then travelled by helicopter on to Mosul where he visited Church Square to pray for the victims of a war which left thousands of civilians dead.

Referring to the historic region of Mesopotamia, which covered much of modern Iraq including Mosul, Pope Francis wondered aloud how cruel it is that this country, the cradle of civilisation, should have been afflicted by so barbarous a blow, with ancient places of worship destroyed and many thousands of people - Muslims, Christians, Yazidis and others - forcibly displaced or killed.

### Christian-Muslim Relations

Pope's Iraq visit was in keeping with Francis' long-standing efforts to improve relations with the Muslim world, which have been augmented in recent years with his friendship with the leading Sunni cleric, Sheikh Ahmed Al Tayeb. Sheikh is an imam and academic at the Al Azhar University in Cairo and he signed a landmark document on February 4 in Abu Dhabi, with the Pope.

The document calls for greater mutual understanding and solidarity to confront the problems facing the world. With the backing of the United Arab Emirates, the initiative has gone on to create a high-level commission to spread the message and plans are under way to build a centre in Abu Dhabi with a synagogue, mosque and church to demonstrate the feasi-

bility of interfaith coexistence and sharing.

### Christians in Iraq

In Iraq, the pontiff brought his call for tolerance to a country rich in ethnic and religious diversity but one which has been intercepted by problems. After the invasion of the country by the US in 2003, it has seen vicious sectarian violence between Shiites and Sunni Muslims, clashes and rising tensions between Arabs and Kurds, and militant atrocities against minorities like Christians and Yazidis.

In Iraq, Christian presence goes back nearly to the time of Christ. They subscribe to a number of rites and denominations, of which the Chaldean Catholic is the largest sect, along with Syriac Catholics, Assyrians and several Orthodox churches. They once constituted a sizable minority in Iraq, estimated at around 1.4 million. But their numbers began to fall rapidly.

### Pope's call for Tolerance and Coexistence

Pope Francis' efforts to promote tolerance and coexistence amongst faiths and particularly between Christians and Muslims are nothing new. His efforts have earlier seen endorsing partnership with Sheikh Tayeb in the recent past and the messaging, which he conveyed in Iraq.

Though symbolic, this sort of messaging carries enough weight and support amongst people, many of whom are guided by such spiritual and kind-hearted initiatives by their religious leaders. Such gestures and meetings become the cornerstone of long lasting partnership among faiths, which has been a hallmark of Iraq particularly, which is often described as the cradle of civilisation and has seen co-existence of Christians, Jews and Muslims together in a tolerant manner, each paying tribute to other's faith and holding all faiths as equal.

Pope's Iraq visit underlined his commitment to interfaith dialogue, tolerance and coexistence and it is need of the hour to promote these sentiments amongst the masses and the political leadership too, particularly in the backdrop of the continuing pandemic, when each can help the other with sensitivity and sympathy, and in countries where these values were the hallmark of their secular setup but are now being eroded due to narrow interests.

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## Kudos to Kashmir Observer

I belong to a category of people, who still don't prefer to have breakfast before having a brief glimpse of newspapers just to know about the daily happenings in and around the globe. From the past few years, newspaper content has become the casualty after the muzzling of genuine voices of journalists by regimes in power, that has led to decreasing readership of newspapers, in fact some of my known friends who happened to be avid readers of

newspapers have stopped reading newspapers altogether. This is because impartial and unbiased reporting with good editorial policy seems to have become the thing of the past. But some newspapers have converted this adversity into an opportunity and kept the flame of professional journalism alive.

I am writing this from the deep depths of my heart: Kashmir Observer belongs to that category of newspaper whose content is food for thought

for avid newspaper readers like me. I love to read editorials, features and op-ed articles on KO. The bottom line report especially is always carrying something unique and path breaking which often leads to a creation of narrative among the masses to know further about it.

Last but not the least, Kashmir Observer's multimedia team is doing a very good job. Unlike other multimedia videos, KO's are a treat to watch.

I am hopeful the Kashmir Observer news media team will keep on getting better and better to serve its readers with impartial and unbiased news reports without carrying an agenda. I would like to take this opportunity to suggest everyone to read Kashmir Observer and recommend it to friends as well.

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## Why We Need to Stop Justifying Islam Through Secular Paradigms

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**With age, the rage incited by the kind of open, shameless bigotry often levelled against Islam tends to loose its impassioned sheen, leaving a jaded and hardened shell of emotion devoid of any motivating impulse that might render it productive**

Toni Morrison famously cites racism's greatest achievement as distraction. Like the resonating tones of a standing bell, this quote only appears to reverberate within my consciousness, renewing and deepening my understanding of it with time.

And so it was, as I unwound from another day of emergency covid home schooling, that the viral clip of Zara Mohammed on BBC Woman's Hour reared its infuriating head on my Twitter feed. I tend to refrain from surveying mainstream news outtakes that are doing the rounds on Muslim Twitter with all the ease of a veteran. With age, the rage incited by the kind of open, shameless bigotry often levelled against Islam tends to loose its impassioned sheen, leaving a jaded and hardened shell of emotion devoid of any motivating impulse that might render it productive.

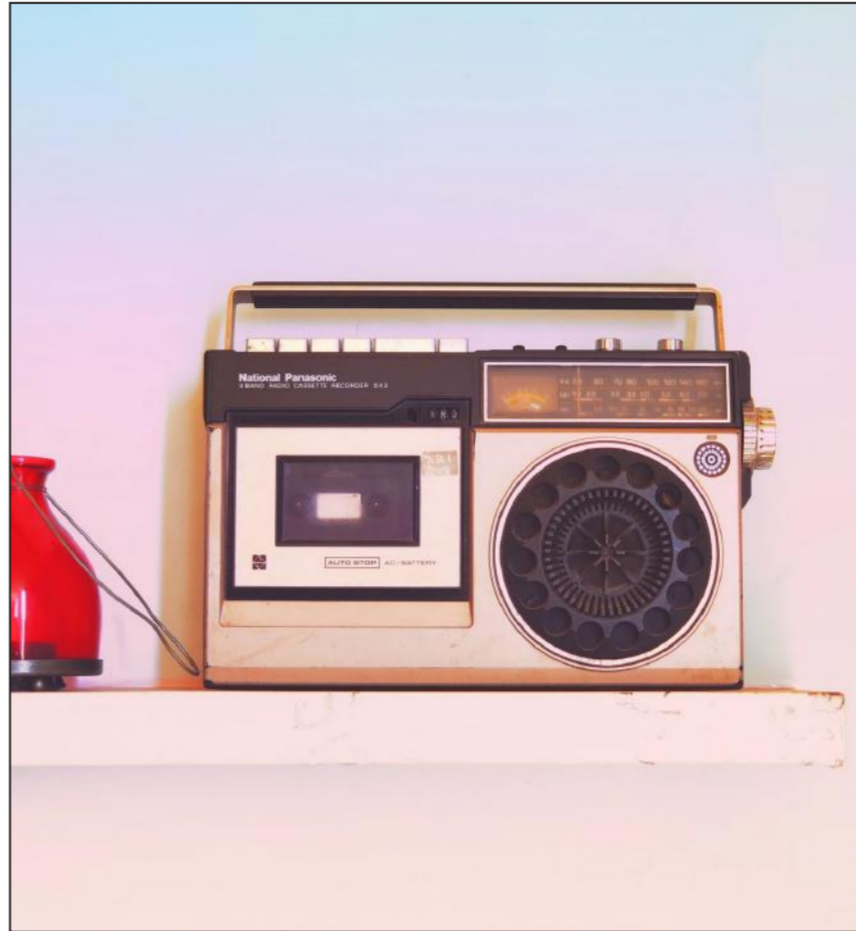
Unfortunately the justified optimism I felt at Zara's appointment as the youngest, and first female leader of MCB (Muslim Council of Britain) meant I let my guard down and pressed play expectantly. The bitter taste it left in my mouth distracted me from the rest of the evenings planned activities. The emotional muscle memory threw me off course from the communal, celebratory sentiment of this moment in British Muslim history. It jettisoned the next few minutes of mindless internet browsing in exchange for several hastily drafted, and soon deleted, messages to friends to pent out the frustrations it gave rise to. And ultimately it's led to me sitting here typing out this riposte, despite my best intentions not to.

I fully acknowledge the well worn argument that Muslim women's energy is wasted responding to the rippling impacts of bigotry and false stereotype.

The 'Inception' levels of irony that I sit here wasting time and energy responding to an incident in which another Muslim woman's time and energy were wasted, is not in any way lost on me. But what prompts the response is, similarly, what I feel occurred during that barely one-minute long excerpt: an inability for us as Muslims, and Britons, to address what I feel is the true matter at hand, a kind of restrictive cultural straight-jacket which prevents us from being able to have anywhere near a meaningful dialogue concerning difference.

There is no doubt that Zara behaved with composure and grace throughout the interview, and maintained every level of grace despite the unabashed levels of arrogance and paternalism displayed in that now infamous clip. And contrary to what either side of the debate said – I believe Mohammed was more statesmanlike than many of today's seasoned politicians, I believe she responded to the confrontation in the only way it could have been, given the circumstances.

It is clear she was well appointed, and my optimism doesn't wane in the slightest in light of the events that unfolded under the obviously performative outrage of the show's host. Conversely, I also don't blame Barnett personally for the glaring misgivings exhibited in the clip any more than I blame her for showing bias against any other guest that may not align with her own strategic political positioning. The illusion of impartiality in broadcast journalism no longer exists



for me. And I do buy into the argument that Muslim leaders should be held to account in the same way that other political or cultural figures are, while simultaneously acknowledging that, like most BBC broadcasters, Barnett will shrewdly choose whether or not to give a guest a run for their proverbial, or actual, money.

What angered me about the clip, and the specific reason the presenter, Emma Barnett, was able to get away with the charade of mock outrage in this instance, has less to do with what was said, and more to do with what was left unsaid.

It exposed the parameters of public debate in such an acute and jarring way, that it left me with all the frustration of an unvoiced truth, of a topic that, due to social conditioning, language appears to be inadequate for. The presenter has Zara in a rhetorical headlock, knowing full well the power imbalance was in her favour and not the Muslim guest's, because there are certain issues that Muslim public figures simply cannot address, and some tropes concerning Islam that are so entrenched in popular consciousness that we appear to have to forbear them. There is a brick wall when it comes to public conversation that encloses Islam and presents certain topics as off limits outside of the incendiary, mainstream narratives that have come to define them.

I don't believe that the BBC Women's Hour team is obtuse enough to be entirely ignorant to the fact that Islamic institutions and structures are not analogous to those of Christianity or Judaism.

I'm sure even if she was unaware that Islam has no system of clergy, that she would at least know that our practice of worship is so starkly different that the very role of an Imam has no comparison outside of Islam from which to draw a parallel. I am sure she might even be able to stretch her mind

enough to encompass the fact that these may not be hierarchical structures in Islamic thought. Yet she continued her line of interrogation knowing full well that the well ingrained asymmetry of gender relations in secular patriarchy, constantly imposed on Islam, meant there was absolutely no way to have anything other than a polemic debate on the issue. An issue which I think it would be insulting to say requires nuance because, frankly, it's discourteous to human intellect to continually imply that anything beyond the forged and farcical black and white, Islamophobic narrative requires additional thinking.

By now, 1442 years on, we as a human race should surely have moved past the idea that Islam is a shadowed inversion of liberal humanism or the equally fallacious notion of Judeo-Christian values.

Emma Barnett's self-positioning as a paragon of liberal virtue meant she was able to probe and interrogate Zara on issues of gender in Islam with the absolute impunity granted of someone from a non-Muslim, white-passing background. She was able to impose her very singular, privileged idea of gender equality onto the rich tradition of Islam, and use that as a measure of objective worth. We as an audience have become so accustomed to accepting that anything other than secular, liberal endeavours toward gender parity fall short of a universal standard of fairness and equality. Islam is so marred in public imagination and political discourse that there is simply no rhetorical space to pursue anything other than a secular standard of gender equality. Therefore there was no way a meaningful discussion regarding the role of religious leadership could be had.

At this point, the rest of the interview may as well have been done in full clown make-up to match the sheer pretence and reshaped nature of this

farcical, mime of a performance, the physical and ideological posturing, as though you might actually expect a response to a question as politically loaded and condemning as 'How many female Imams are there in Britain' – a question which I would expect to see misspelled on the placard of a disoriented participant of an EDL march. So direct is the line between so-called sophisticated political discourse and racist yob culture. This cat and mouse game was one that, politically speaking, left no room for dialogue or debate. Any response other than diverting the question would have overshadowed more than the interview and Zara's appointment, and for that reason alone, I commend her for so expertly doing so, and not falling into the trap of incrimination. And it was this air of resignation that rang through the interview, and which felt almost palpable.

Islam in Britain is currently relegated to playing a catch-up game to the tune of modern, liberal culture, which starves it of its own language and value system. We are so distracted by this constant effort to justify and qualify our belief system we often lose sight of it entirely.

While it needn't be said, given its glaring omission in dominant narratives; female leadership has a long and healthy tradition in Islamic law and scholarship. The issue of leading prayer, for the majority of Muslims who follow the orthodox position on this, is not nuanced, or complicated. It follows an illustrious tradition leading back to the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), in which men are instructed to lead mixed-gender prayers. And a fact that would unite Muslims on either end of the liberal/orthodox spectrum is that either way, this does not lessen the benefit or reward for women.

In perennially justifying Islamic practices through secular paradigms, we lose sight of the fact that worship and prayer are done entirely for Allah alone, and despite the imposition of man-made structures of value, these acts are judged by Allah solely.

Female prayer is no less valuable in the sight of Allah depending on its physical positioning, relative to men, on earth.

The male standard is not what we judge ourselves by.

The worth of our prayer as women is not diminished by the nature of our gender.

We need not inherit hang-ups from a very reductive notion of feminism, and allow our religious identity to be the site for projected social anxieties; this is not our battle. And until we begin to normalise this, first in our own minds, and then through public debate and expression, we will continue to have these false 'gotcha!' moments that privilege a singular way of seeing, and which create an unspoken subtext to every debate, tying ourselves up in rhetorical knots and distracting us from the very nature and purpose of our creation. Therefore, while I commend Zara Mohammed, while not particularly caring for or condemning Emma Barnett, I do feel an abiding sense of sorrow for this protracted distraction which, as Toni Morrison says, is one of racism's greatest achievements.

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## Could coronavirus have vanished from India?

I was fined for not wearing a mask when travelling in my own car, with my wife and kids

Mahmood Saberi

Scientists seemed to be puzzled that while some countries are facing second and third waves, India seems to have learnt to live with the virus. Some say it is because of the youthful population, while others say it because of exposure to viruses over the years.

For one full year I have been trying to learn what the difference is between the virus with a crown and the common flu. Doctors have said both the coronavirus infection and the common flu have similar symptoms. "If you sneeze to the left, it is flu. If you also have fever, just stay at home, dummy," scientists and doctors had said.

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Sometimes, scientists do not have all the answers, unlike my algebra teacher who always got the equation right. The CDC (Centres for Disease Control and Prevention) in US initially told people there was no need to wear a mask, then the WHO said, yes there is a need to wear a mask. Now, we are told it is better to wear two masks.

Why was I confused by the science guys who could not make up their minds whether I should stay one foot away from my fellow beings, or six feet away. I was also told that I could travel in a packed plane as it is safe because the air in the closed metal cabin is freshened up every

now and then, but just not to eat anything during the flight.

**Back seat driving**

I wish to know why I was fined for not wearing a mask when travelling in my own car, with my own wife and my own children? I can understand not smoking with children in the car, but have you tried putting a mask on a wife in a car who loves to do back seat driving?

Finally, just when scientists perfected the vaccine against the infection and just when I was primed up to receiving the 'jab', I was told that I had to wait until after the front-line workers, who are at the forefront of the fight against the pandemic, and who are risking their lives every day to save people, are vaccinated.

A while later I was told it is now the turn of the essential service providers such as the food delivery guys and online retail delivery persons who are an essential part of the economy.

Anyway, the other good news is that I may have herd immunity and that is why I am immune to the virus. Herd immunity FYI, happens when a lot of people go for shopping together.

Gulf News

I heard wonderful news that coronavirus has disappeared from India and people are going to shopping malls and visiting hairdressing salons once again.

One woman with a toddler told a newspaper reporter that she was fed up sitting at home and did what most people do when they have "cabin fever" – she went to one of the biggest malls in India, just outside Delhi.

(According to medicalnews.com, 'cabin fever' is a feeling of restlessness and irritability that happens to people when they cannot interact with other people and are confined in their homes).

The woman from Delhi also said she flew to two local destinations for holidays. She said initially she was scared of crowds and afraid of getting infected. Now, she sees the infection rates dropping dramatically in India.

Our neighbour also had flown to the north-east to "sit and watch the mountain" from her hotel and meditate and de-stress. She returned home and then again disappeared, and from her Facebook posts, she is in Kerala and enjoying the lush vegetation and the calm atmosphere at a hill resort, that is dubbed the Kashmir of south India.



## Eating daily servings of fruits and vegetables helpful for longer life

### Agencies

Researchers during a recent study found that eating about five daily servings, two of which were fruits and three vegetables, is likely the optimal amount needed in order to sustain longer life.

The study representing nearly two million adults worldwide was published in the American Heart Association's flagship journal *Circulation*.

Diets rich in fruits and vegetables help reduce the risk for numerous chronic health conditions that are leading causes of death, including cardiovascular disease and cancer. Yet, only about one in 10 adults eat enough fruits or vegetables, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"While groups like the American Heart Association recommend four to five servings each of fruits and vegetables daily, consumers likely get inconsistent messages about what defines optimal daily

intake of fruits and vegetables such as the recommended amount, and which foods to include and avoid," said lead study author Dong D. Wang, M.D., Sc.D., an epidemiologist, nutritionist and a member of the medical faculty at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Wang and colleagues analyzed data from the Nurses' Health Study and the Health Professionals Follow-Up Study, two studies including more than 100,000 adults who were followed for up to 30 years. Both datasets included detailed dietary information repeatedly collected every two to four years. For this analysis, researchers also pooled data on fruit and vegetable intake and death from 26 studies that included about 1.9 million participants from 29 countries and territories in North and South America, Europe, Asia, Africa, and Australia.

Analysis of all studies, with a composite of more than two million participants, revealed:

-Intake of about five servings of fruits

and vegetables daily was associated with the lowest risk of death. Eating more than five servings was not associated with an additional benefit.

-Eating about two servings daily of fruits and three servings daily of vegetables was associated with the greatest longevity.

-Compared to those who consumed two servings of fruit and vegetables per day, participants who consumed five servings a day of fruits and vegetable had a 13% lower risk of death from all causes; a 12 per cent lower risk of death from cardiovascular disease, including heart disease and stroke; a 10 per cent lower risk of death from cancer; and a 35 per cent lower risk of death from respiratory diseases, such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

-Not all foods that one might consider to be fruits and vegetables offered the same benefits. For example, Starchy vegetables, such as peas and corn, fruit juices and potatoes were not associated with reduced risk of death from all causes or specific chronic diseases.

On the other hand, green leafy vegetables, including spinach, lettuce and kale, and fruit and vegetables rich in beta carotene and vitamin C, such as citrus fruits, berries, and carrots, showed benefits.

"Our analysis in the two cohorts of U.S. men and women yielded results similar to those from 26 cohorts around the world, which supports the biological plausibility of our findings and suggests these findings can be applied to broader populations," Wang said.

Wang said this study identifies an optimal intake level of fruits and vegetables and supports the evidence-based, succinct public health message of '5-a-day,' meaning people should ideally consume five servings of fruit and vegetable each day.

"This amount likely offers the most benefit in terms of prevention of major chronic disease and is a relatively achievable intake for the general public," he said.

"We also found that not all fruits and vegetables offer the same degree of benefit, even though current dietary recommenda-

tions generally treat all types of fruits and vegetables, including starchy vegetables, fruit juices and potatoes, the same," added Wang.

A limitation of the research is that it is observational, showing an association between fruit and vegetable consumption and risk of death; it does not confer a direct cause-and-effect relationship.

"The American Heart Association recommends filling at least half your plate with fruits and vegetables at each meal," said Anne Thorndike, M.D., M.P.H., chair of the American Heart Association's nutrition committee and an associate professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School in Boston.

"This research provides strong evidence for the lifelong benefits of eating fruits and vegetables and suggests a goal amount to consume daily for ideal health. Fruits and vegetables are naturally packaged sources of nutrients that can be included in most meals and snacks, and they are essential for keeping our hearts and bodies healthy," added Thorndike.

## Greenhouse gas emissions associated with dietary guidelines vary between countries: Study

### Agencies

Greenhouse gas emissions associated with national dietary guidelines advocating a healthy diet vary greatly between countries, with US guidelines having the largest carbon footprint and India having the smallest, according to a study involving seven countries.

The study was published in the open-access *Nutrition Journal*. The variations result from differences in recommendations for and consumptions of individual foods within the six main food groups - protein foods, dairy, grains, fruits, vegetables, and oils/fats.

Diego Rose, the corresponding author said, "Many countries provide recommendations about foods that people should eat for a healthy diet and previous simulations have shown that if the public were to eat according to their government's recommendations, their diets would be both healthier and have a lower carbon footprint."

Rose added, "However, for the US the opposite has been shown; greenhouse gas emissions were simulated to go up if people followed dietary guidelines. This anomaly prompted us to investigate how dietary guidelines vary between countries and the consequent implications for greenhouse gas emissions."

To investigate differences in greenhouse gas emissions associated with different dietary guidelines, a team of researchers at Tulane University compared the dietary guidelines and food consumption patterns of seven countries: Germany, India, the Netherlands, Oman, Thailand, Uruguay, and the United States.

The authors found that the carbon footprint of India's dietary guidelines was compar-



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atively low, with the recommended diet associated with the equivalent of 0.86 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per day, compared to the US's with 3.83 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per day.

The carbon footprint of the US dietary guidelines was found to be about 1.2 times that of the Netherlands (equivalent to 2.86 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per day) and about 1.5 times that of Germany (equivalent to 2.25 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per day). The US vegetarian dietary guideline, while much lower than the main US guideline in terms of greenhouse gas emissions (equivalent to 1.80 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per day), was still over twice that of India's largely due to the high US dairy recommendation.

The authors also found that the principal difference between the dietary guidelines of the various countries was the wide range of daily recommended amounts for each food group, particularly protein and dairy foods. Daily recommended amounts of dairy foods ranged from 118ml per day for Oman to 710ml per day for the US. The greenhouse gas emissions associated with

these two recommendations were equivalent to 0.17 and 1.10 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per day, respectively. The greenhouse gas emissions associated with the protein food recommendations ranged 0.03 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per day in India to 1.84 kg CO<sub>2</sub> in the US, for recommended amounts of 75g per day and 156g per day, respectively.

Guidelines also varied in terms of which foods were included in each food group. Protein food recommendations in Germany and Uruguay only included animal proteins, the US and Thailand recommended a full spectrum of plant and animal protein foods, whereas India recommended just plant proteins. The US vegetarian guideline recommended plant proteins, as well as dairy and eggs.

Brittany Kovacs, the lead author said, "As there is great variation in the global warming impacts of these individual foods, which foods people consume and how much of them has an impact on the carbon footprint of dietary guidelines. For example, consumption

of beef, mutton, and lamb in Uruguay accounts for 31 per cent of protein foods, whereas in Germany it is only 16 per cent. Thus, our calculated greenhouse gas emissions for Uruguay's protein food recommendation is 53 per cent higher than Germany's, despite the fact that both countries' quantity recommendations for protein foods as a food group are about the same."

Rose added, "The US Vegetarian guideline is almost identical in recommendations to the main US guideline, except for the protein group - which recommends legumes, soy, nuts, and seeds, as well as eggs - resulting in an overall carbon footprint that is less than half."

The authors caution that the study only considers a single environmental impact of diets, greenhouse gas emissions. Other environmental impacts, such as land and water use, should be considered when evaluating the overall impact of a diet. The study is restricted to the daily quantitative recommendations of seven countries' dietary guidelines, which may limit its generalizability to other countries.

Kovacs said, "These findings hold insights for future development of dietary guidelines and highlight the importance of including sustainability considerations, such as reductions of protein food and dairy recommendations and/or the inclusion of more plant-based substitutions for animal-based products. By including more sustainable, yet still health-based, considerations into dietary recommendations, it is possible to influence the environmental impacts of the larger food and agriculture sector in various countries and worldwide."

## Future iPhones may arrive with Smart Magnetic Connectors

### Agencies

Apple has patented different types of Magnetic Smart Connector systems that might be used in the company's iPads and iPhones.

According to a Patentlyo-based report, the Cupertino-based giant has patented various styles of smart connectors. The US Patent and Trademark Office granted the smartphone manufacturer a patent that details various smart connectors for chargers and smart accessories.

The patent application was filed on April 10, 2018.

The patent is titled 'Magnetic surface contacts' and covers a range of applications relating to magnetic smart connectors.

Most of Apple's portable electronics product lineup has shifted to wireless charging right from the Apple Watch to the iPhone,



with some devices being MagSafe compatible.

Meanwhile, Apple is reportedly working on two MagSafe battery pack models for iPhone 12 and one version of the battery pack is expected to feature reverse charging support.

With reverse charging, the battery pack will be

able to charge an iPhone 12 while also charging AirPods from the other side at the same time.

A US Federal Communications Commission (FCC) filing published after the iPhone 12 series debuted last year revealed Apple's MagSafe protocol supports bilateral charging.

## 'Wildfire smoke more harmful than other pollution sources'

Fine particles in wildfire smoke can be several times more harmful to human respiratory health than particulate matter from other sources such as car exhaust, say researchers.

While this distinction has been previously identified in laboratory experiments, the new study, published in the journal *Nature Communications*, confirms it at the population level.

This study reveals the risks of tiny airborne particles with diameters of up to 2.5 microns, about one-20th that of a human hair.

These particles - termed

PM2.5 - are the main component of wildfire smoke and can penetrate the human respiratory tract, enter the bloodstream and impair vital organs.

"There is a daily threshold for the amount of PM2.5 in the air that is considered acceptable by the county and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)," said researcher Rosana Aguilera from University of California - San Diego.

"The problem with this standard is that it doesn't account for different sources of emission of PM2.5," Aguilera added.

To isolate wildfire-produced PM2.5 from other

sources of particulate pollution, the researchers defined exposure to wildfire PM2.5 as exposure to strong Santa Ana winds with fire upwind. A second measure of exposure involved smoke plume data from NOAA's Hazard Mapping System.

A 10 microgram-per-cubic meter increase in PM2.5 attributed to sources other than wildfire smoke was estimated to increase respiratory hospital admissions by 1 per cent. The same increase, when attributed to wildfire smoke, caused between a 1.3 to 10 per cent increase in respiratory admissions.

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