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DESPITE LOCKDOWN CITY MARKETS WITNESS RUSH AHEAD OF EID

Even as the government claimed that no partial relaxation in the lockdown, the markets across Srinagar witnessed a huge rush of shoppers who were seen buying the essentials ahead of the Eid-ul-Fitr.

P6 THE FATAL FLAW

THINK

India is in the midst of a deadly covid storm, which is consuming thousands of lives each day. This unprecedented health crisis is a result of multiple institutional failures. Now let's take a cue from Economics of Information to understand how the industry



P5 STATE

IN 11 DAYS OF MAY CORONAVIRUS CLAIMS 564 LIVES IN J&K

The second wave of coronavirus has wreaked havoc not only in mainland India but also across Jammu and Kashmir as the virus has claimed 564 lives in the first 11 days of May.



Quote!
What you hide in your heart, appears in your eyes!
—Imam Ali

LG Announces Relief Package For Kin Of Corona Victims

Scholarship For Orphans, Lifelong Pension For Senior Citizens, Rs 1000 Monthly Relief For Labour Class



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: As the people of Jammu and Kashmir continued to face wrath of coronavirus pandemic, the Union Territory administration on Tuesday announced special packages for the families of coronavirus victims, including special scholarship

for the children who lost their parents to Covid-19, lifelong pension for senior citizens who lost their only earning member of the family to virus besides monthly relief of Rs 1000 every month to the members of the registered labour class.

The Government has decided to reach out to each and every such family and they will be provided with financial assistance for self-employment by the Jammu & Kashmir Bank," the LG said as per an official spokesperson on Tuesday.

65 More Die Of Covid-19 In A Day

4352 New Cases Push Active Positive Cases Past 50K Mark

Observer Monitoring Desk

SRINAGAR: As many as 65 people succumbed to coronavirus in Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday, the highest ever single-day death toll since the outbreak of pandemic last year, while 4352 fresh cases of infection were reported from the Union Territory during the last 24 hours.

According to the officials, 41 people died of coronavirus in Jammu division and 24 others succumbed to the infection at the various healthcare facilities in the Valley, raising the total fatality count in J&K to 2847.

The officials said that the UT also detected 4352 new cases of Covid-19—1708 in Jammu division and 2644 in the Valley thus taking the total number of people infected by the virus to 224898.

Giving district wise details, [More On P10](#)

23 Prisoners Covid Positive In J&K Jails

At least 23 prisoners have been tested positive for novel coronavirus in three jails of Jammu and Kashmir while no case of Covid-19 has been [More On P10](#)

Cong Terms Relief Package Inadequate

Jammu and Kashmir Pradesh Congress Committee (JKPCC) termed as inadequate the relief measures announced by Lt Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday and demanded inclusion of other deserving sections in the package. The party also demanded upgradation of healthcare facilities in hospitals, especially in Government Medical College (GMC) and associated [More On P10](#)

More Children Contracting Covid-19: Expert

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Claiming that the second wave of coronavirus has infected more children compared to the first one, a prominent Paediatrician said Tuesday that the Covid-19 infected children experience vomiting and diarrhoea and are prone to convulsions and shock.



during the first wave of Covid pandemic that children were least affected and were asymptomatic or having mild symptoms, but in [More On P10](#)

COUGH, COLD, FEVER, BODY ACHE and diarrhoea are the symptoms of Covid infection among children. Oxygen saturation of children should be above 94."

'We Heard Cries For Help': Oxygen Crisis Averted In City Hospital

Umer Ahmad

SRINAGAR: Scores of attendants in Jawahar Lal Nehru Memorial (JLNM) hospital Rainawari Tuesday shared their harrowing night-time experience, when the "oxygen plant suddenly went off", creating breathless situation for around 100 Covid patients in the hospital.



The incident took place on the night of May 9 when a snag in oxygen plant created panic among attendants.

But timely intervention from the technical staff of the government-run hospital averted a major health crisis in the hospital.

"We were sleeping when suddenly at around 1:30 am cries for help came from the isolation ward," an attendant told Kashmir Observer.

"Out of curiosity I also ran in the direction to see what was happening. As I stepped inside

the critical ward, a snapped oxygen supply terrified me."

People who had concentrators or oxygen cylinders immediately put their patients on them, he said, while others put their patients [More On P10](#)

3 Militants Killed In Kokernag Encounter: Police

Ajaz Ali

SRINAGAR: Police on Tuesday claimed to have killed three local Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) militants, including a Srinagar resident in a pre-dawn encounter in Kokernag area of south Kashmir's Anantnag district.



Around 4:00 am Tuesday, a joint team of police, army's 19 RR and the personnel of CRPF laid a siege around Sheikhpora, Vailoo area of Kokernag on the basis of an input suggesting presence of three militants in

a residential house, a police spokesperson said. He said the presence of militants got

ascertained once the search operation was launched. The holed-up [More On P10](#)

Talks Only After India Reverses Aug 5 Move: Pak

Press Trust Of India

ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Imran Khan said on Tuesday that Pakistan would not hold talks with India until New Delhi reverses its decision of scrapping the special status of Jammu and Kashmir.

India abrogated the special status of Jammu and Kashmir under Article 370 on August 5, 2019 and bifurcated it into two Union territories.

"Unless India retreats from the steps taken on August 5, the Pakistani government will not talk to India at all," Khan said while responding to questions from the public during a live broadcast session.

Earlier in the day, Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi said that no talks presently were taking place with India but parleys could be held if New Delhi revisited its policy regarding [More On P10](#)

Weather In Kashmir To Remain Dry For 3 Days

Agencies

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"There's no [More On P10](#)

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FIQAH HANAFIYA	07:26	03:59
FIQAH JAFARIYA	07:35	03:56

NEWS DIGEST

Lightning Kills Teenager In Udhampur

JAMMU: A 14-year-old boy was killed and four others injured on Tuesday when they were struck by lightning in a remote village in Udhampur district of Jammu and Kashmir, police said. The lightning hit a mud-house in Rashtakran village in Basantgarh around 2.30 am, resulting in on-the-spot death of Joginder Kumar and minor injuries to four other inhabitants, a police official said. [More On P10](#)

OGW Held With Ammo, Cash: Police

SRINAGAR: Police on Tuesday claimed to have arrested a militant associate and recovered cash and arms from his possession in north Kashmir's Kupwara district. Abdul Ahad Lone of Gararayal village was arrested by a joint team of police and army when he tried to escape from a checkpoint established at Reshi Gund crossing of village Kralpora, a police spokesperson said Tuesday. During searches, he said, incriminating [More On P10](#)

Elderly Couple Among 3 Suffer Burns

SRINAGAR: Three people, including an elderly couple on Tuesday sustained burn injuries due to gas leakage in Tral area of Pulwama district. Wali Mohammad Lone, his wife Rehti Begum and their granddaughter Aisha suffered burn injuries when a fire broke out in the house of Wali Mohammad at Gulab-Bagh Wanibat-hoo village of Tral due to gas leakage, reports said. All the three were removed to the [More On P10](#)

44 Lockdown Violators Held In Rajouri

JAMMU: Police on Tuesday arrested 44 people and slapped FIRs against several others for violation of lockdown along with COVID-19 guidelines in Jammu and Kashmir's Rajouri district, officials said. A total of 38 FIRs have been registered against violators of COVID protocols, 44 persons arrested and 141 people fined during a drive against the those breaking the law, they said. Furthermore, 21 vehicles [More On P10](#)

Meet Kapil Raina, The Kashmiri Pilot Who Enabled Flights To Medina

Sanika Athavale

Before his daughter, Tanvi Raina, became the first Kashmiri woman to earn the prized commercial pilot license, Kapil Raina's skill to navigate through sketchy skies and roaring clouds earned him the title of 'King of Clouds' awarded by Dr Farooq Abdullah, former chief minister of the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir.

"It's been donkey's years and I cannot remember when Dr Saab gave me the title, but I received it because I used to volunteer to fly passengers in and out of Srinagar during adverse

"I'M PROUD OF BEING KASHMIRI. The conflicts and wars ravaging us have never affected my relationship with locals."

weather conditions," the seasoned pilot recalled while speaking to Kashmir Observer.

Born and raised in Srinagar, Kapil Raina (57) came from a family of fair reputation. His father, Jawaharlal Raina, owned and operated a transport company out of the city which he was meant to join but enterprising with a



penchant for adventure, young Kapil wanted to spread his wings further



than the limits of road-based transport. He had his dadi as his rock,

who supported him to chase his ambitions.

At 23, he applied for the commercial pilot license (CPL) and cleared all tests to claim his shot in the skies.

In 1998, he was inducted into Indian Airlines, now known as Air India.

Since then, Kapil Raina has led an illustrious career spanning 30 years as a commercial pilot. He has travelled across the globe and has over 22,500 flying hours to his credit. His approach towards his job has always made him a stand-out, as the former chief minister also called him the 'Pride of Kashmir' paying tribute to his services to the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

In his early years, [More On P10](#)



Faheem Younus, MD
VP/CQO/Chief of Infectious Diseases, University of MD UCH.

Multiple Family Members With COVID Simultaneously?

- NO NEED to isolate from each other
- Don't use same therapy for everyone. Get individualized care based on risk factors
- After recovery, tell others why and how to protect their families

Become ambassadors

Dr. Muzaffar Maqbool
Researcher and Associate Professor, Internal Medicine, GMC

THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY HAD COVID-19 CAN DEFER VACCINATION BY 6 MONTHS, IF VACCINATION SHORTAGE IS A CONCERN, SO AS TO ENSURE SUPPLIES FOR THOSE WHO ARE AT HIGHER RISK. Previous Covid infection definitely makes you less vulnerable to re-infection especially for 6 months.

Dr Ambrish Mithal
Chairman, Endocrinology and Diabetes, Max Healthcare

I have heard the #coronavirus is #Airbornels it safe to go for a walk in the park? YES, if it's not crowded#outdoor / open-air transmission is NOT common.The virus particles dissipate quickly in open air To be very safe- #WearAMask Don't talk face to face with anybody.

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