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MMU CONDEMNS ISRAEL FOR 'BARBARIC ATTACKS' AGAINST AL-AQSA WORSHIPPERS

The Mutahida Mailis-e-Ulema (MMU) Jammu & Kashmir, led by the Mirwaiz Umar Farooq, has strongly condemned the bombing and killings of innocent Palestinians by oppressive Israeli and Zionist...



PANDEMIC'S PECULIAR PREDICAMENT

You have decided not to visit anyone but a guest arrives uninvited. Worse still, someone said they'd visit and you couldn't bring yourself to say a No. Now they're at your home on Eid. How do you safely host them..



P8 NEWS

14 CHILDREN KILLED IN RELENTLESS **ISRAELI AIR RAIDS ON GAZA**

The death toll from Israeli air strikes on Gaza has climbed to 53, including 14 children, as UN warned of "full-scale war". Gaza's Health Ministry said on Wednesday...



Eid-ul-Fitr Being Celebrated Today



SRINAGAR: After an unusually long wait Grand Mufti Nasir-ul-Islam late on Wednesday announced that Eid-al-Fitr will be celebrated in Jammu and Kashmir on Thursday. He said evidence of moon sightings were received by him from different parts of Kashmir.

Mufti's message followed a late night announcement by the Pakistan Ruet-e-Hilal Committee declaring Thursday as Eid-al-Fitr.

Earlier Ministry of Science and Technology in Pakistan had ruled out new moon sightings on Wednesday saying the moon can only be seen when it is 20 hours and 40 minutes old.





Dr. Irfan Ahmad Consultant

I've not seen any patient with severe pneumonia in this Covid blizzard who've received two timely doses of Vaccine, such is its vital importance, the best boost of antibodies is seen in prior covid pts.



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

Despite repeated requests people are thronging testing centres for getting repeat RT-PCR tests done after being asymptomatic/having recovered from Covid-19. It is requested to general public to adhere to specific testing recommendations. # NO TO RETESTING, ISN'T REQUIRED



Dr. Shakeeb Lone Assistant Professor of Surgery

RAPID, a simple, handheld, and highly sensitive miniaturized biosensor can detect SARS-CoV-2 in a sample within 4 minutes. More testing means more number of positive cases detected and isolated from the healthy population ultimately saving lives.

Tough Eid Eve Curbs Imposed To Fight Corona Spread



Press Trust Of India

SRINAGAR: A day after several areas in Kashmir witnessed a huge rush of people ahead of Eid festival, curfew-like restrictions were imposed in the valley on Wednesday as authorities enforced the lockdown put in place to

contain an alarming surge in coronavirus cases in the union territory, officials said.

State forces sealed vital roads and erected barricades at many places in the city and other district headquarters to stop unnecessary movement of people, they said.

Markets remained shut and public transport was off the roads.

Movement of only those engaged in essential services and in cases of emergencies was being allowed, they added.

The officials said the restrictions were tightened

ADC Baramulla 'Thrashes' **People To Enforce Lockdown**

senior official in the Baramulla district administration drew condemnation on Administration grew congernments
Wednesday after a video of him appeared online in which he is purportedly seen hitting people with a stick, including women, shouting at them and shoving them around to enforce the coronavirus lockdown. The official, Baramulla Additional Deputy Commissioner • More On P6

IGP Calls For Strict Restrictions

nspector General of police (IGP) Kashmir Vijay Kumar on Wednesday asked cops to revisit the existing security deployments and exercise strict restrictions and allow only employees and media fraternity. According to a police spokesperson, the directions in this regard were passed by IGP in a review meeting at PCR Kashmir through video • More On P6

Cop Suspended For Beating Doctor, Paramedic

olice on Wednesday suspended a constable accused of beating a doctor and a paramedic in Shopian district of South Kashmir. The police action follows after a letter by the medical Superintendent of district hospital Shopian to the Deputy Commissioner of the southern Kashmir district, seeking action against concerned police personnel for More On P6

65 More Corona Deaths In J&K, Toll 2912

4509 More Cases Take Total Infection Count To 229407

Observer Monitoring Desk

SRINAGAR: At least sixty five people on Wednesday succumbed to coronavirus in Jammu and Kashmir, while as 4509 fresh cases of infection were reported across the Union Territory during the last 24 hours.

According to the officials, 46 people died of coronavirus in lammu division and 19 others succumbed to virus at different healthcare institutes in Kashmir Valley

Wednesday taking the fatality count in J&K to 2912. Among the victims, he

said, included a 50-yearold woman from Dooru, a 60-year-old woman from Kokernag, a 44-year-old woman from Anantnag, a 40-year-old woman from Bakshi Abad Anantnag, all of them died at GMC Anantnag.

They said a 39-year-old from Dobra Leh died at SKIMS Soura, nearly three weeks after his admission to the tertiary care hospital.

A 65-year-old woman from Newa, Pulwama, they said, died at District Hospital Pulwama. A 75-year-old woman from •

No Shortage Of Covid Drugs: Govt

he Jammu and Kashmir administration on Wednesday asserted that there was no dearth of any coronavirus related drug in Kashmir and the same was distributed among the Covid care hospitals as per the demand and requirement.

"Since we are dealing with the Covid supplies and its distribution, so it becomes imperative for us to make it clear to the general public that the situation of medicines is perfectly alright, as the • More On P6

Jitendra Singh Calls For Audit Of O² Cylinders, Ventilators In J&K

Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI: Union minister Jitendra Singh on Wednesday called for an audit of oxygen cylinders and ventilators in Jammu and Kashmir for their equitable distribution in time of distress for needy patients.

He said even a single death due to alleged unavailability of oxygen causes tremendous social

LoC Situation

Rajouri and Naushera.

garding the • More On P6

Agencies

Army Chief Reviews

JAMMU: Army Chief General M M

Naravane on Wednesday reviewed the se-

curity situation along Line of Control (LoC)

in the twin sectors of Akhnoor and Rajouri.

visit from 11 May to 12 May 2021 to

Nagrota based White Knight Corps and

the forward areas including Aknoor,

On arrival at the White Knight

Corps HQ, Gen Naravane accompa-

nied by Lt Gen Y K Joshi, Northern

Army Commander, was briefed by Lt

Gen Suchendra Kumar, General Officer

Commanding, White Knight Corps re-

General Naravane was on a two day



unrest and negates all the other good work, if any. "A confidence build-

premier institution like the Government Medical College (GMC), Jammu will ensure that not a single death occurs on account of oxygen unavailability," said Singh, the minister of state for

Singh, also a Lok Sabha member from J&K's Udhampur, called

Grenade Attack On

Police Party In Samba

JAMMU: Suspected militants car-

ried out a grenade attack on a police

party in Samba district of Jammu and

Kashmir but there was no report of any

A grenade was hurled by unidenti-

fied persons at a police party which

was engaged in checking vehicles at

Nad on Samba-Udhampur road around

They said the grenade missed the in-

The whole area was immediately

cordoned off and a massive search

operation is underway to nab the sus-

pected militants who carried out the attack, the officials said.

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tended target and exploded in an open

10 pm Tuesday, the officials said.

area without causing any damage.

casualty, officials said on Wednesday.

Health and Medical Education Department, J&K



Shri Manoj Sinha Lieutenant Governor

Unnecessary / Irrational use of for the audit of oxygen ing message has to go cylinders and ventilators out loud and clear that a in the Union • More On P6

REMDESIVIR

Remdesivir is an experimental investigational drug granted emergency authorisation use

It is not a life-saving drug in COVID-19

Studies do not demonstrate mortality reduction with this drug Remdesivir is to be administered only in the hospital settings

It is advised for people who are moderately sick and receiving oxygen

It must never be administered in home settings

- Government is providing Remdesivir for COVID-19 patients admitted in Government Hospitals.
- Government is also supplying Remdesivir to patients referred by the Government and treated in Private Hospitals.
- Private hospitals requiring injection Remdesivir for private patients have to coordinate with Drugs & Food Control organization J&K on Email: controllerdrugsfoodjk@gmail.com

LIVE PHONE IN PROGRAMME

Renowned doctors of J&K are available for Consultation in studio of **DDK Srinagar and Covid Control Room**



ON GULISTAN CHANNEL **COV-TALK** with Doctors 8:00 am to 9:00 am daily & 8:30 pm to 9:30 pm daily call on 0191-2520982



ON DD KASHIR Doctors Speak (8:30 am to 9:00 am daily & 7:30 pm to 8:00 pm daily) call on 0194- 2481813, 2481832 For any sort of query including medical advice - 24x7 **Divisional Control Room**

Jammu

0191-2549676 / 2520982 / 2674444 / 2674115 / 2674908

Kashmir

0194-2440283 / 2430581 / 2452052 / 2457313 / 2457312

For any kind of Covid 19 query log on to www.covidrelief.jk.gov.in

'DON'T LOSE HOPE' 'Covid Patients Recovering Fast In Kashmir'

Auqib Javeed

ust when Asiya thought life has reached a dead end, the timely medical suggestion came to the rescue of her entire Covid-19 positive family.

Before tested positive, the 28-year-old private school teacher from Srinagar along with her aged parents had suffered from throat sore, fever and cough.

Amid the growing panic created by Covid's second wave, the trio's test results from a local health centre freaked out Asiya.



"It was suffocating and I didn't know what to do next," she said. "There was no one to help us. My

and everyone was hesitant to come forward.'

Few hours later, she

called her friend who connected her with a pulmonologist, who guided her about Dos and Don'ts.

"The doctor counselled and assured me that nothing is going to happen," Asiya recounted. "I felt relaxed within no time, and followed his precautions and medication."

The only thing the patients should keep in mind, Asiya says, is "not lose which gives you hope" "positive vibes"

After passing through a fleeting phase of mental agony, her family's report recently came • More On P6