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SHOP GUTTED, TWO OTHERS DAMAGED IN OVERNIGHT MAISUMA BLAZE

A shop was completely gutted while two others were partially damaged on Monday evening in a massive fire that broke out in Madina Chowk of Maisuma in Srinagar city...

P6 OUTREACH TO TALIBAN

India has for the first time opened channels of communication with Afghan Taliban factions, including one of its leaders Mullah Baradar, media reports have said. This is happening against the backdrop of the ongoing drawdown...



P5 STATE

A DOZEN COMPANIES TO PARTICIPATE IN KUPWARA JOB FAIR

The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kupwara, Imam Din Tuesday convened a meeting of concerned officers, to review the arrangements being put in place for smooth...



From Freeze Frame, Kashmir Talks Enter Suspense Mode

Auqib Javed

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Cutting through the fog of the dominant fringe discourse, a senior leader of Kashmir's grand old political party National Conference says New Delhi is once again seeking an audience of its "tested and dusted" assets in the valley. The reported reliance on the "dynasts" makes many believe that the much-touted "northern alliance" might've to just settle with second fiddle now. "What used to be mere

feelers and signals till a month ago has now started shaping up as the quiet talks," the leader says. "But let me tell you, the political dialogue is still work in progress." The indications of the possible return of the political trope in Kashmir valley came when Dr. Farooq Abdullah-led Peoples' Alliance for Gupkar Declaration (PAGD) regrouped in the Fairview residence of Mehbooba Mufti on June 9 this year. The seven-party group formed last year for the



restoration of Article 370 met in the backdrop of the raging rumours. But the minutes of the meeting turned out to be a

mere dud, with the NC veteran talking about the vaccination process apart from the coronation of comrade Mohammad Yousuf Tarigami as the new spokesperson of the alliance. His son Omar Abdullah's presence in New Delhi at the same time fuelled loose talks about "some business" in Kashmir. "If reports of political outreach are true then we must understand that New Delhi didn't find it an easy go in J&K," Prof. Noor Baba, a political scientist, said.

"At the same time there are pressures on the Government of India internationally." The talks came in the wake of a US Congressional hearing in which Dean Thompson, Acting Assistant of State for South and Central Asia said that the US is encouraging New Delhi to take electoral steps in Kashmir. However, Prof. Baba said, it'll be interesting to see on whose terms the negotiation will be, and who's going to take a stand. "Right now," he said, "it'll be difficult to presume what'll

happen. But one thing is clear, New Delhi is under a lot of pressure viz a viz J&K." It's in the backdrop of this "pressure" that many see the possible melting of political ice in Kashmir. And talks being one of the foregone conclusions of this renewed political engagement have already become the talk of the town itself. "We're not averse to talks," Tarigami said. "We do believe that all issues can only be solved through dialogue." However, some **More On P10**

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Make each day your masterpiece.
— John Wooden

NEWS DIGEST

Encounter Breaks Out In Srinagar Outskirts

SRINAGAR: Two militants are trapped in an ongoing encounter with government forces in Naugam area of the city outskirts, police said Tuesday. The encounter, according to the police, broke out in Wagoor area of Naugam in the city outskirts on Tuesday night when the joint team of police and CRPF laid a siege around the area and **More On P10**

Drone Recovered In Akhnor: Police

JAMMU: A drone found in Garota area of Akhnor sector of Jammu has been confirmed to be that of paramilitary, officials said on Tuesday. The drone was found abandoned in the Garota area in the city outskirts, they said. Immediately police seized the object and started investigations including the possibility it might have come from across the border. SDPO Akhnor Varun Jandyal said that after investigations it transpired that the drone belonged to the paramilitary. The device was later handed over to the concerned, he added. (GNS)

Landslide Hits Rajouri Highway

JAMMU: A vital surface link connecting Rajouri district with Mughal road was on Tuesday blocked due to landslides at DKG Thanamandi, officials said. They said vehicular movement on the Rajouri-Thanamandi-Surankote road, one of the vital surface links connecting Rajouri district to Mughal road, has been suspended. District Traffic Incharge Mughal Road confirmed the blocking of the road. Another official said that efforts are ongoing to restore the road. (GNS)

Minor Girl Injured After Hit By Cab

HANDWARA: A 10-year-old girl was critically injured after hit by a passenger cab here in Maratgam area on Tuesday afternoon. Reports said that the girl identified as one Hadia Jan daughter of Mohammad Akbar War was hit by a Tata Sumo bearing registration number JK-01H 5246, resulting in her critical injuries in the incident.

Ladakh Reports 50 Cases, One Death

LEH: Ladakh's COVID-19 caseload climbed to 19,611 on Tuesday with 50 fresh cases while the death toll increased to 198 as one more person succumbed to the disease, officials said on Tuesday. Of the fresh cases, 36 were reported from Leh and 14 from Kargil, they said. The officials said the number of active cases stands at 572 -- 446 in Leh and 126 in Kargil. So far, 143 people have succumbed to COVID-19 in Leh and 55 in Kargil. As many as 3,652 samples were taken for testing in Ladakh the previous day, the officials said. A total of 135 **More On P10**

Education Institutions To Remain Shut Till June 30



Observer Monitoring Desk

SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir government on Tuesday extended closure of the educational institutions for in-person and on campus teaching till June 30. "All Schools, Colleges, Universities, Technical Education / Skill Development Institutes and Coaching Centers shall remain closed

for in-person / on campus teaching (till June 30)," reads an order by the State Executive Committee on the basis of the current assessment of the COVID situation in Jammu and Kashmir. The teaching staff shall also be required to conduct online classes from their homes only, the order reads. "The Universities and Colleges shall **More On P10**

J&K Logs 715 Cases, 10 More Deaths

Firdaus Ali

Jammu and Kashmir reported on Tuesday 715 fresh cases of novel coronavirus while 10 more people succumbed to the virus across the Union Territory during the last 24 hours. While 497 cases were **More On P10**

Virtual Hearing In All Courts Extended

Agencies

The High Court on Tuesday extended by June 30 the virtual hearing of the cases in both Srinagar and Jammu wings as well as in the District and Subordinate Courts and Tribunals in Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh. **More On P10**

Pfizer, AstraZeneca Protect Against Delta Variant: Study

Agencies

The Delta variant of coronavirus, first identified in India, doubles the risk of hospitalisation compared with the Alpha variant first found in the UK, but Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccines provide good protection against the strain, says a study published in The Lancet journal. Researchers at Public Health Scotland **More On P10**

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Haj Committee Of India Cancels All Haj Applications

Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI: The Haj Committee of India on Tuesday announced that all the applications for the pilgrimage this year stand cancelled as Saudi Arabia has stated that only a limited number of people residing in the Kingdom will be allowed to perform Haj due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In a circular, the committee said that the Ministry of Haj and Umrah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, has issued a statement informing that due to coronavirus pandemic conditions it has decided to allow

citizens and residents inside the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia only to attend Haj this year in limited numbers and international Haj has been cancelled. "Hence it has been decided by the Haj Committee of India that all the applications for Haj-2021 stands cancelled," the circular signed by Haj Committee of India's Chief Executive Officer Maqsood Ahmed Khan read. Last year also the government had decided that Muslims from India will not travel to Saudi Arabia for Haj 2020 after the Kingdom conveyed that **More On P10**

Man-Eater Leopardess Captured After 11 Days Hunt

Zaid Bin Shabir

SRINAGAR: Eleven days after a four-year-old girl was mauled to death by a man-eater leopardess, the joint team of wildlife department and local hunters on Tuesday trapped the beast inside the premises of Deputy Commissioner's office in Budgam town of central Kashmir. "Luckily we managed to capture the big-cat alive because

the people living nearby were getting worried as they could neither take their cattle out for grazing nor carry out their daily activities," said Manzoor Ahmed, one of the local hunters that helped to neutralise and capture the man-eater leopardess. On June 3, the female leopard weighing 80 kilograms took away the four-year-old girl Ada Yasir Mir from her kitchen garden when she was playing with her brother and grandfather. **More On P10**



SSB Advertised 18000 Posts In Six Months: Govt

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: As part of the accelerated recruitment drive, the Jammu & Kashmir Services Selection Board (JKSSB) has advertised over 18,000 posts during the last six months, of which examination was conducted for approximately 12,000 vacancies existing across various departments, a senior official said Tuesday. Reviewing the progress of the accelerated recruitments, Commissioner Secretary General Administration Department (GAD), Manoj Kumar Dwivedi said Tuesday that the GAD has taken a slew of reform **More On P10**

Twin Orphaned Bear Cubs Given Shelter Near India-Pak Border

Agencies

PAKISTAN: Years of hostilities and an electric fence along a de facto border between nuclear-armed neighbours India and Pakistan have taken a toll not just on humans. Wildlife has also been badly afflicted in one of the world's most militarized regions. The latest victims of the decades-old conflict are two orphaned Asiatic bear cubs found on the Pakistan side of the disputed Himalayan region of Kashmir. Sharda and Narda were discovered last year by villagers at an altitude of 14,000



feet (4,270 m), alone, and unable to open their eyes, said Muhammad Ashraf, an official with the **More On P10**

India, China; Pakistan In Nuke Race: Study

Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI: China, Pakistan and India have 350, 165 and 156 nuclear warheads respectively as of January this year and the three countries appear to be expanding their nuclear arsenals, a study by Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) has said. There are nine **More On P10**

It also said as per its assessment, Russia and the US together possess over 90 percent of the estimated 13,080 global nuclear weapons. China, Pakistan and India had 320, 160 and 150 nuclear warheads respectively as of January last year, the SIPRI's study said on Monday. There are nine **More On P10**

Ex- PLA Colonel Moots Buffer Zone Idea Along LAC

A retired senior Chinese military official has proposed that China and India should implement the existing confidence building measures and follow up by taking the "boldest step" of establishing "buffer zones" **More On P10**

Dr. Parul M Sharma
Eye Surgeon

If there was one law which was required to be reinforced in India till pandemic lasts, for every single person across states: it's PROPER MASK in public space. The governance & police will have to ensure adherence but firstly leaders have to set an example themselves #MaskUpIndia

Dr. Davood Habib
Orthopedic Surgeon

We should not lower the guard, delta strain is very infectious. If v follow covid appropriate behavior, v vl save ourselves in sha Allah, and also our economy.

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

We are reaching the stage of end of second wave of Covid-19. We need to learn from our mistakes that we did at the end of 1st wave, costing many lives. Delta variant is highly transmissible and spreading rapidly across the globe. Please don't say NO TO VACCINATION AND WEAR MASKS.

J&K Witnessing New Era Of Development: LG

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir is witnessing a new era of development and prosperity as the Union Territory government is taking several reformative measures for socio-economic development and empowerment of the people, Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha said Tuesday. The LG made these remarks during his interaction with B.L Verma, Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) from Uttar Pradesh at Raj Bhavan here on Tuesday, an official spokesperson said. Verma, he said, shared with the LG his views about the present development scenario of the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir and also discussed wide ranging issues of public importance. He further said that the LG observed that Jammu and Kashmir is witnessing a new era of development and prosperity. "The UT Government is taking several reformative measures for socio-economic development and empowerment of the people of J&K," Sinha said, as per official spokesperson.



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THE J&K BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS (BOPEE)

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Subject: Submission of online Application Forms for admission to 12th based Paramedical courses-2021: Extension in time thereof.

- Reference: (i) Notification No. 052-BOPEE of 2021 dated 10.04.2021 (ii) Notice No. 045-BOPEE of 2021 dated 05.05.2021 (iii) Notice No. 051-BOPEE of 2021 dated 28.05.2021 (iv) Notice No. 053-BOPEE of 2021 dated 11.06.2021 (iii) JKPMC-19/118/6663 dated 14.06.2021 from J&K Paramedical Council, Jammu

Notification No. 067-BOPEE of 2021 Dated 15.06.2021

Consent upon receipt of a communication dated 14.06.2021 from J&K Paramedical Council and in continuation to Notification No. 052-BOPEE of 2021 dated 10.04.2021 read with Notice No. 045-BOPEE of 2021 dated 05.05.2021 issued by the J&K BOPEE, it is hereby notified for general information of the interested, desirous and eligible candidate(s) who had not earlier submitted their online application forms for admission to 12th based Paramedical Courses-2021 due to prevailing Covid-19 situation or some other reason can now submit their online application forms from 17th of June, 2021 to 22nd of June, 2021 (midnight) and deposit the fee of Rs.1000/- upto 22.06.2021 (midnight). The eligibility and other terms and conditions shall remain the same as mentioned in the Notification No. 052-BOPEE of 2021 dated 10.04.2021.

NOTE:

The candidates who had earlier registered themselves, but had not deposited the registration fee need not apply afresh, but shall have to deposit the requisite fee upto 22.06.2021 through online mode only failing which their application form shall be rejected without further notice.

(Dr. Sunil Gupta) Controller of Examinations J&K BOPEE

No. BOPEE/Exam-10/2021 Dated: 15-06-2021

DIPK-NB-1236/21

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS DEPARTMENT OF SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT SRINAGAR

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

(E-NIT NO:- 01OF2021-22 DATED:- 14.06.2021)

For and on behalf of the Hon'ble President of India, E-Tenders are invited from approved and eligible contractor registered with J&K UT /Central Govt. Organization for the following works:

Table with 5 columns: S. No, Name of work, Adv. Cost (Rs. In lacs.), Class of Contractor, Cost of Tender Document, Time of Completion. Rows include construction of DRSM Check dams and providing crate wire structures.

The e-NIT consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, bills of quantities, (B.O.Q) set of Terms & Conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental Website https://jktenders.gov.in

Position of funds: Budgeted

Position of AA/TS: Accorded.

Receiving/ Opening Authority: Tender Opening Committee

Table with 2 columns: Publishing date, Download Start Date, Bid submission start Date, Bid submission End Date, Date of opening of Bids through online.

Sd/-

Assistant Conservator of Forests District Srinagar

No: DSCO/Sgr-Gbl/153-57

Dated:14-06-2021

DIPK-2992/21

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER R&B SPECIAL SUB DIVISION, URI

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER FOR NABARD WORKS

DATED: 14/06/2021.

Executive Engineer PW (R&B) Special Sub Division, Uri on behalf of Governor of J&K State, invites percentage rate bids in electronic tendering system for the following works including their maintenance for five years from the eligible and approved contractors registered with J&K UT Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State Governments.

The Bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below:-

Table with 10 columns: S. No, Name of Work, Tendered Cost including GST (Rs in lacs.), Cost of document (Rs in lacs.), Earnest Money (Bid Security) (Rs in lacs.), Time of completion For Construction work, Tender Call, Time and Date of opening of tenders online (Technical Bid), Class of contractor.

M.H Account: NABARD

Position of AA: Accorded

Position of funds: Available

Table with 2 columns: S. No, Date and time of opening of Bids (Online).

Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Treasury Challan in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Special Sub Division, Uri (tender inviting authority) and Bid security Declaration as per format given in SBD. The EMD has to be submitted by the lowest bidder L1 (3% of quoted cost) within the period as specified in SBD.

The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of Superintending Engineer, PWD (R&B) Circle, Baramulla/ Kupwara (tender receiving authority).

- 4. The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of Technical bids. 5. The earnest money shall be forfeited, if: a. Any bidder/ tenderer withdraws his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid. b. Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit. c. Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract. 6. Instruction to bidders regarding e-tendering process. 6.1. Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" option as well as from "Bidders Manual Kit" on website www.jktenders.gov into acquaint bid submission process. 6.2. To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get 'Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)' as per Information Technology Act-2000. Bidders can get digital certificate from any approved Vendor. 6.3. The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature. No bid will be accepted in physical form. 6.4. Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in Para-1. 6.5. Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the bid. 6.6. Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the technical bid. Note:- Scan all the documents on 100 dpi with black and white option.

The department will not be responsible for delay in online submission due to any reasons. Scanned copy of cost of tender document in shape of Treasury Challan in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Special Sub Division, Uri and Bid Security Declaration must be uploaded with the documents of the bid. The original Treasury Challan (cost of tender document), CD/ FDR/ BG (earnest money/ bid security) and relevant bid documents shall be obtained from the lowest bidder before the fixation of contract.

- 9. Bidders should quote in percentage below/ the percentage above or at par at the bottom of the BOQ Percentage Template for the Work. 10. Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (Bill of Quantities) contents. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually. 11. Price escalation and Taxes:- Deduction on account of taxes shall be made from the bills of the contractor on gross amount of the bill as per the rates prevailing at the time of recovery. 12. Bidders are advised to use "My Documents" area in their user on R&B e-Tendering portal to store such documents as are required. 13. For the NABARD project, the NABARD guidelines shall be strictly followed. 14. Instructions to Bidder (ITB) 14.1. All bidders shall upload the following information and documents along with qualification criteria / qualification information with their bids:- a. Copies of original documents defining constitution/ legal status, place of registration and principal place of Business with Cell No. and Correspondence address. b. Treasury Challan & CD/ FDR/ BG c. Valid GSTIN No. & PAN No. d. Scanned Copy of GSTIN Registration and latest clearance certificate FORM GST-3B i.e. latest clearance certificate FORM GST-3B of the preceding Month to the issued of NIT. e. All bidders shall mandatorily upload Verification Certificate from Concerned Chief Engineer/ Superintending Engineer of Enlistment registration card. Non submission of the same shall render the bid Non-Responsive. 14.2. The bidder at his own responsibility and risk should visit and examine the site of work and its surroundings before submission of bid. 14.3. Non attendance of pre-bid meeting will not be cause of disqualification of the bidder. 14.4. All documents relating to the bid shall be in the English Language. 14.5. Bidder must ensure to upload scanned copies of all necessary documents and tender documents fee in terms of soft copies with technical bid. However, in case of any clarification the bidders shall have to produce original documents in support of soft copies if need arises.

- 15. General Conditions of Contract:- 15.1. The date of start of the work shall be reckoned within one week from the date of issuance of Contract allotment. Penalty for delay in completion:- In case of delay in completion of work beyond stipulated period of completion, penalty upto maximum of 10% of the contract shall be imposed. 15.2. Time extension:- Suitable time extension shall be granted in case of increase in scope of work and in the event of delay beyond control of contractor to be determined by the department. 15.3. Advance Payments:- No mobilization advance/ equipment advance shall be paid unless otherwise specified in the SBD. 15.4. Secured Advance:- No secured advance is admissible unless otherwise specified. 15.5. Schedule of Payment:- The payment schedule shall be fixed after award of contract in favour of successful bidder, on the basis of availability of funds and value of work executed, shall be determined by the Engineer. 15.6. Amendment of bidding document:- Before the deadline for submission of bids the employer may modify the bidding documents by issuing Addendum. 15.7. The tender receiving authority reserves the right to accept or reject any tender or all tenders without assigning any reason thereof. 15.8. Restoration of work:- On completion of contract the contractor shall be responsible to remove all un-used material and restore all work in its original position at his own cost. 17. Traffic regulations:- The contractor is bound to adhere to traffic regulations as is applicable from time to time and ensure arrangements of smooth regulation of traffic during execution of work. 18. Arbitration:- The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the arbitration procedure stated in the J&K Conciliation and Arbitration Act No:- xxxv of 1997 issued vide SRO No:- 403 vide Notification of J&K Govt., "Law Department" 11th December-1997. No. SSDU/ 2021/ 864-70, Dated: 14/06/2021.

DIPK-2955/21

Sd/- Executive Engineer, R&B Special Sub Division, Uri



PMJAY-Sehat Scheme DC Srinagar For Prompt Issuance Of SEHAT Cards To Beneficiaries

'294205 Golden Cards Issued In Srinagar'

Observer News Service SRINAGAR: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Mohammed Aijaz Asad Tuesday chaired a meeting of Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana - SEHAT Scheme (AB-PMJAY-SEHAT) to review the progress of registration of beneficiaries and generation of Golden Cards in Srinagar district...



their respective areas. The DC was informed that 334822 individuals have been registered with Ayushman Bharat in the district and so far 294205 Golden Cards have been issued to beneficiaries.

cess of all left out on BIS Portal. He also directed the concerned authorities to start Information Education and Communication (IEC) activities on mission mode by roping in other concerned departments for creating mass awareness in the district for speeding up registration process. The DC further directed the officers to organise Golden Card Registration MELAs in all Medical Zones in the district to ensure cent percent population is covered under the scheme. He also stressed that timely submission of claims and reply to queries should be done for ease of beneficiaries.

THE DC FURTHER DIRECTED THE OFFICERS TO ORGANISE GOLDEN CARD REGISTRATION MELAS IN ALL Medical Zones in the district to ensure cent percent population is covered under the scheme. He also stressed that timely submission of claims and reply to queries should be done for ease of beneficiaries.

KU Organises Webinar On Food Safety In Disasters

Observer News Service SRINAGAR: The University of Kashmir on Tuesday organised a webinar on 'Food Safety in Disasters'. Prof Talat, VC KU emphasised the importance of delivery of safe food and water to populations affected during disasters.

important public health concern during disasters where the affected populations are at the risk of contracting food-borne diseases if necessary food safety measures aren't strictly adhered to," Prof Talat said. Major General M K Bindal, Executive Director NIDM stressed on the importance of preparedness for disasters with emphasis on putting in place adequate and safe food storage systems in times of disasters. He said that foods can be rendered unsafe even after delivery as the heating and refrigeration services get affected in disasters which can result in growth of spoilage and pathogenic microbes on foods.

Mayor SMC Takes Stock Of Developmental Works In Saraibala

Observer News Service SRINAGAR: Srinagar Municipal Corporation (SMC) Mayor Junaid Azim Mattu Tuesday visited Saraibala and other adjoining areas of the Srinagar district and took stock of the situation regarding the pace of the work under the smart city plan. During the visit, Mattu checked the pace of the different developmental works and interacted with the local representatives and other social workers and received first-hand information about the issues facing people.

Hurriyat (M) Pays Tributes To Journalist Shujaat Bukhari

Observer News Service SRINAGAR: Hurriyat Conference led by Mirwaiz Umar Farooq Tuesday paid tributes to journalist and former Editor-in-Chief of daily Rising Kashmir Dr Syed Shujaat Bukhari on his 3rd death anniversary. In a statement, Hurriyat (M) said that late Shujaat Bukhari was a journalist of great courage who through his writings penned down what he believed in without fear or favour.

"His journalism was impartial and factual based on principles while upholding journalistic ethics. He was a well wisher of his people who wanted to see an end to people's suffering and believed this was possible by peaceful resolution of the Kashmir conflict in keeping with the people's will," it said in a statement.

Shop Gutted, Two Others Damaged In Overnight Maisuma Blaze

Observer News Service SRINAGAR: A shop was completely gutted while two others were partially damaged on Monday evening in a massive fire that broke out in Madina Chowk of Maisuma in Srinagar city. Witnesses said that a second-storey of a building consisting stock of MK Associates also suffered damage in the blaze.

Maisuma, owned by Ashiq Ahmad Beigh. The fire engulfed two more shops M K Associates owned by Nazir Ahmed of Bagampora and Khaleej Electrics owned by Firdous Ahmed of Sonwar. Although the fire was brought under control with the help of fire tenders, Hamdan Electronics shop was completely gutted and stock damaged adding that two other shops suffered partial damage in the incident. (Agencies)

ICPS Organises Webinar On Eradication Of 'Child Labour'

Observer News Service SRINAGAR: Integrated Child Protection Services (ICPS), Social Welfare Department Tuesday organised webinar on "Act Now: End Child Labour" to mark observance of World Day against Child Labour being celebrated across the globe. Speakers in the webinar expressed concern about the increase in number of Child Labourers in tough times of global pandemic and measures to eradicate this menace of child labour from the society.

Secretary, Social Welfare, Sheetal Nanda, who presided over the event, spoke about the measures needed to end child labour in the society. She said that cases related to child labour should be dealt actively by the child protection staff by adopting a proactive approach. "The staff should have an active presence within their respective districts for children in need of care and protection," she asserted. Nanda stressed upon generating awareness regarding role of child protection services and their contact details in public domain. She also assured her full support to this noble cause. Mission Director ICPS, Shabnam Shah Kamili, stressed upon the role of Child Protection Services in reaching out to children in need of care and protection. She threw light on the theme "Act now: End child labour" and elaborately explained the importance of total eradication of this biggest social evil from the society.

NOTICE

I want to correct My Name and Father's name for My Re-issue of passport with old Passport bearing No: K1427314 From SYED SHAHRIYAR S/O SYED SHABIR HUSSAIN to SYED SHAHRIYAR SHABIR S/O MR SYED SHABIR as per records of School matriculation certificate if anyone has objection may contact regional Passport office within the period of one week from publishing of this notice after that no objection will be entertained. Syed Shahriyar Shabir S/O Mr Syed Shabir Hassanabad Rainawari

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICER BARAMULLA

NOTICE Whereas, an application for Re-Registration/Transfer of Ownership has been received from Mr. ZUBAIR DAVDOD S/O DAVDOD AHMAD LONE Resident of QAZIPORA TANGMAR in respect of Car I-2D Bearing Regn. No. HR26CK8243 Chassis No. MALBM-51RLEM035840 Engine No. D4FCM225771 Model 2014-I20 in favor of ZUBAIR DAVDOD (Transferee). Now, therefore, it is notified for the information of the general public that representation / objection, if any in connection with proposed Re-Registration/Transfer will be received within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice in the daily newspaper KASHMIR OBSERVER to the address of undersigned. No. representation/objection shall be considered unless it is made in written and shall be submitted within the aforesaid period.

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The Jammu and Kashmir State Board Of School Education New Campus Bemina Srinagar Notice for General Public

Attention Please The applicant/ candidate whose photograph is published in this notice and claiming to have lost her qualification certificate/s as per below mentioned details:- ROLL NO: 3125577 Class: S.S.E (10TH Class) Year and Session: 2015- Bi-Annual Regd: N13441670112 Name: Sufoora Mushtaq Father's Name: Mushtaq Ahmad Hajam Mother's : Hafeza Begum Date of Birth: 07-05-2000 Residence:- Latishot Tujair Shariif



According to the candidate concerned has approach to this office for issuance of Duplicate Qualification Certificate so before the same is processed and provided to the candidate, under rules, anybody having any objection in this regard, shall bring into the notice of Assistant Secretary of Certificate as well as Assistant Secretary Examination Unit I & III KD within the period of 10 & 7 days respectively, from the date of publication of this notice. (Besides the above referred "Qualification Certificate" bearing No: 15BIKAM-9002818 " be treated as "CANCELLED") No: F/Cer-14-DQC/B/KD/17 Dated: 12-06-2021 Assistant Secretary Certificates, KD. LR R

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have lost my wallet bearing Driving License, Aadhar Card, Election Card and ATM Card in Magam Handwara. If anybody has found please contact 788973165. Otherwise I have to apply for the duplicate of the documents. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the concerned offices within a period of 10 days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained. Amir Mohi-U-Din Malik S/O Ghulam Mohi-U-Din Malik R/o Dadipora Handwara A/P Magam Handwara SULT

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My DOB has Wrongly mentioned in school record As 11/8/2008 instead of 11/3/2008 now its changing if any body have any objection may contact to Principal hill ground secondary school handwara with in seven days after that no objection will be entertained.

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Public Notice

The DOB of my daughter Namely Sadaf Jan has been wrongly mentioned in school records as 01-10-2007 while her correct DOB is 01-06-2006 which needs immediate correction. If any body having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the Army Goodwill School budkot handwara within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained. Khurshid Ahmad War F/O Sadaf Jan Sult

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This Day in History

- 1487 - Battle of Stoke, Nottinghamshire: Henry VII beats John de la Pole & Lord Lovell
1745 British fleet occupies Cape Breton on St Lawrence River
1746- Battle at Piacenza: Austria & Sardinia beat Spanish and French army
1779 - Spain declares war on Great Britain in support of the US, and the siege of Gibraltar begins
1815 - Battle at Ligny: French army under Napoleon beats Prussia
1815 - Battle at Quatre-Bras: allies strike French
1832 - Battle of Kellogg's Grove, Illinois
1891 - John Abbott becomes Canada's third prime minister
1898 - China's emperor De Zong (Guang Xu) receives Kang Youwei
1903 - Roald Amundsen commences the first east-west navigation of the Northwest Passage by leaving Oslo, Norway
1903 - Reichstag elections with gains for the Social Democratic Party of Germany
1907 - Tsar Nicolas II of Russia dissolves the Second Duma (parliament) and issues an edict that will increase representation of propertied classes while reducing that of peasants, workers and national minorities
1930 - Sovnarkom establishes decree time in the USSR
1931 - Austrian government of Ender falls
1932 - Germany forbids SA/SS-gang fights
1940 - Communist government installed in Lithuania
1957 - French offensive in Algeria

From KO Archives

We Want United States Of Kashmir

Mirwaiz Led Hurriyat Pleads For 'Free Hand'

KARACHI - Hurriyat Conference led by Mirwaiz Uar Farooq has pro-pounded a new concept for resolving the Kashmir issue - one of the 'United States of Kashmir' in which people would be able to move freely. "We desire to be citizens of the United States of Kashmir and we desire India and Paki-stan to give a free hand to the Kashmiri leadership to come up with new proposals," he said adding (he Hurriyat Conference has decided to take the initiative. The Hurriyat's viewpoint was forcefully presented here by its chairman Mirwaiz Omar Farooq at a symposium, at-tended by all the Kashmiri lead-ers currently on a historic visit to Pak-istan, reported Dawn on Saturday. The 'Symposium on Kash-mir looking towards the future was organized by the publish-ers of the Dawn Group of new -papers in collaboration with the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan, the Pakistan Peace Coalition and the Islamabad Council for World Affairs. A second symposium on the theme will be held in Islamabad on Sunday. "We desire to be citizens of the United States of Kashmir and we desire India and Pakistan to give a free hand to the Kashmiri leadership to come up with new proposals," said the Mir-waiz, adding that the APHC had de-cided to lake the initiative "I don't want to take the bus 20 years down the line. I want to New Delhi, Islamabad or Tashkent, he said clearly hinting at the future status of Kashmir "We want to move beyond the traditional line," he said, adding that "conversion of the LoC into a permanent border or the status quo was not accept-able. Apart from these two, we are ready to explore other op-tions. Decisions should not be imposed from New Delhi or Islamabad " He was of the view that since India was not ready for tri-partite negotiations; a way out could be triangular talks - between Kashmiris and Pakistan, be-tween Kashmiris and India and between Pakistan and India. Expressing concern over the failure of the United Nations, the OIC and the international community in addressing the Kashmir issue and mitigating the agony of the people of Kash-mir, the Mirwaiz declared "We should forget about the international community and the people of Kashmir should choose their own course". He said that the APHC supported peace process and added that the "people of Kashmir were never in favour of violent course, the situation was imposed on us." Despite supporting the peace process, the Mirwaiz said he couldn't see any light at the end of (he tunnel for the time being, and added that their being in Pakistan did not mean that there was a complete unanimity of views on the issue. He called upon all segments' of the Kashmiris to "come on board", Yasin Malik said that people who had started the revolution declared in 1994 a unilateral ceasefire. But nobody understood the significance of the peace overture. Many Kashmiris were Kill 1 in the process. Malik said it was not for New Delhi or Islamabad to represent the people of Kashmir or to decide who was their leader and stressed that the Kashmiris should be included lit the dialogue process as equal partners. He expressed readiness to demonstrate flexibility. He underlined (lie importance of media's role in pushing the peace process forward and securing for (lie Kashmiri people their just rights. Prof Abdul Ghani Bhatt dilated on the sacrifices of the Kash-miri people over the years and stressed that resolution of the Kashmir issue was essential for durable peace. He said that sensitivities of India and Pakistan had to be taken into consideration in resolving the issue, but added that neither India nor Pakistan could move ahead unless they took the Kashmiris into confidence and engaged them as equal partners in the dialogue process. (Kashmir Observer, 16 June, 2005)

Family Accuses Son-In-Law Of Murdering Their Daughter, Police 'Investigating Case'

Observer News Service
BANDIPORA: A family from Gund Jahangeer village of Hajin area in North Kashmir's Bandipora Tuesday staged a protest at Press Enclave Srinagar alleging that their daughter was killed by her husband.
 Talking to media persons, they demanded exhumation and post-mortem of their daughter who allegedly died in the house of her in-laws at Gund Jahangir, Sumbal.
 Tosha Begum mother of the deceased, said, "Our daughter was married to Muhamamd Shafi Sheikh of Gund Jahangir. They had three children. She died recently and we believed it was a natural death," adding that a few days ago, the son of deceased daughter while cleaning the room found an 'Out Patient Card' of Community Health Centre Sumbal belonging to the deceased which revealed that the deceased had consumed insecticide and doc-

tors had advised her husband to refer her to Srinagar hospital for stomach wash.
 Mother of the deceased alleged that instead of referring her to Srinagar hospital her husband took her home where she died.
 "I want to know why my daughter consumed poison and why she was not referred to Srinagar hospital. Who gave her poison and why didn't the doctors at CHC Sumbal inform the police? Why the driver (friend) of Muhammad Shafi who ferried my daughter from home to hospital remain silent."
 A police official at Bandipora said, "We have taken cognisance of the complaint and are acting on it. We have arrested her husband Muhammad Shafi and driver Mushtaq Ahmed."
 The official said that the police have written a letter to Deputy Commissioner Bandipora seeking permission for exhumation of the body to carry the investigation. (Agencies)



A WOMAN IN NORTH KASHMIR'S BANDIPORA walks along the banks of a river, carrying firewood on her head Tuesday afternoon. KO Photo Abid Bhat

COVID-19...

Positivity Rate Declines, Recovery Rate Touches 93.5 Percent In Budgam: DC

BUDGAM: The District Development Commissioner (DDC) Budgam, Shahbaz Ahmed Mirza Tuesday said that the Covid-19 Positivity rate has witnessed a massive decline in the district besides the recovery rate is also improving each passing day.
 The DDC said this while briefing the media about the Covid situation in the district.
 Divulging the details, the DDC said that from 1st of April, 2021, as many as 13,662 positive cases were reported in the district till date, out of these 12,685 have recovered and now there are only 999 active Positive cases.
 He said the recovery rate of Covid Positive cases has reached 93.55 percent, and the positivity rate has come down gradually. Keeping the status of last week in view, the positivity rate remained stagnant in between 4 to 4.3 percent, now since the last 2 days it has gone down more and presently it is at 2.3 percent, he added.
 The DC said that the situation has improved enormously with regard to all parameters as since the last 3 days there is no report of any death due to the pandemic.
 He said so far since the second half of March, 79 people have died due to the pandemic in the district. He also said that there are 120 containment zones all across the district at present and the report of positive cases from containment zones has also gone down, and stands at 23.2 percent.
 The DC said that the vacci-



Situation Improving In Pulwama: DC

Observer News Service
PULWAMA: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Pulwama, Baseer ul Haq Choudhary Tuesday said that the Covid-19 situation is gradually improving in the district adding that people need to follow all SOPs strictly to keep Covid in bay.
 Choudhary informed that the discharge and recovery rates have shown significant improvement and positivity rate has also witnessed downward slide during this period.
 Regarding vaccination, DC said that Block Rajpora has achieved 100 percent target of priority groups, Pulwama 90 percent, Tral 85 percent and Pampore 72 percent and efforts are being intensified to achieve cent percent inoculation of priority groups in these 03 blocks as well.
 Door to door vaccination is being carried out to achieve the targets besides average 3000 to 4000 tests are being done daily, Choudhary added.
 The DC impressed upon all stakeholders and the general public to adhere to Covid Appropriate Behaviour (CAB) during unblock to prevent any spike in infections. He said all the developmental activities shall be carried out in strict adherence to SOPs.

nation drive is going on satisfactorily, people are enthusiastically going for vaccination, presently about 79 percent population of the age group of 45 and above has been covered and hope that we will achieve 100 percent target very soon.

Positivity Rate Decreases To 2.5 Percent In Bandipora: DC

Observer News Service
BANDIPORA: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Dr Owais Ahmad Tuesday said that the active cases have drastically decreased in the district this month. He said the positive rate from the past two weeks is about 2.5 percent in the district. Dr Owais said 2.42 lakh tests have been conducted so far with 1500 to 2000 tests being conducted on a daily basis.
 He said the number of total active positive cases has also decreased to 332 out of which only 49 patients are in hospital isolation and 17 of these are



on oxygen support systems. Dr Owais said the recovery rate has increased to 95.2 percent with 8578 recoveries so far and 89 deaths since last year.
 While giving details on Vaccination, the DC said 88 percent of the 45 plus age group has been covered so far giving 102859 doses.
 The DC reiterated his appeal to the general public and all other stakeholders to continue following Covid Appropriate Behavior (CAB) strictly despite the district being declared as a yellow zone. He said restrictions shall be in place as and when needed and appealed to the public to continue to cooperate with the government to fight the pandemic.
 Regarding easing of Corona restrictions in the district, Dr Owais said that though restrictions are eased but easing of Covid restrictions does not mean that pandemic is over and appealed people to follow the COVID appropriate behaviour strictly as they followed earlier to avoid the resurgence of pandemic.

Five Covid Care Centres Established In Anantnag

Observer News Service
ANANTNAG: In compliance to instructions from the Govt, District Administration Anantnag led by Deputy Commissioner, Dr. Piyush Singla, has established 05 (five) bedded Covid Care Centres in different Panchayat Halqas of the district.
 Speaking on the purpose of these centres, the DC said the concept is a novel one to mitigate Covid in rural areas by strengthening Community Triaging besides creating basic rural healthcare infrastructure for benefit of the people in these areas. He appealed covid positive persons with no or mild symptoms having dearth of space at their homes to utilise these centres for isolation and basic treatment.
 The COVID Care Centres are being utilised for Covid testing and vaccination purposes and are also serving as convenient sites for Health, Revenue and RDD teams/officials for generating awareness regarding Covid Appropriate Behaviour among the masses at their doorsteps

across the district. The calm rural ambience of these centres provides opportunity to the people to share some light moments when they get tested or vaccinated there.
 Operating from Panchayat Ghars, schools and other public buildings, these centres have been equipped with Covid kits containing oximeters, non-contact thermometers, sanitizers, medicines, masks and other facilities.
 The Block Medical Officer Mattan, Dr. Saleem Beg said that basic medical essentials have been made available at the centre adding these centres will help people in different ways.
 Meanwhile, people hailed this move from the authorities for making benefits of vaccination available at their doorsteps along with provisions of testing and mass awareness sessions at these centres.

...DOCTOR SPEAKS 'Follow All Precautions, Take Six Minute Walk Test'

Observer News Service
JAMMU: A large number of Covid patients remain asymptomatic and recover without observing any significant ailment or symptoms of the infection. All individuals are therefore expected to be skeptic about every other individual, including oneself, as carrier of Covid-19 virus, just as a precautionary measure. Still, if ever in doubt, the doctors suggest taking the Six Minute Walk Test, a rudimentary exercise to judge if one needs medical help or not.



The Head of Medicine at Government Medical College & Hospital Jammu, Dr Vijay Kundal explains the test as, "In the test, the subject walks for six minutes, and if his oxygen saturation level falls, either by three percent or below 94, it is time to consult a doctor. Such patients must lie in prone position to restore oxygen saturation quickly".
 In prone-position, the patient is made to lie facing down, with arms bent comfortably at the elbow and positioned forward.
 Dr Kundal also reminds that the popular saying 'prevention is better than cure' also applies to Covid infection and that there is no better way to implement it in our lives than by adopting Covid appropriate behaviour. The behaviour, he explains, includes wearing mask, frequent hand sanitisation and keeping distance while in public.
 The doctor attests the government's instructions: going out only if necessary, self hygiene, wearing mask and avoiding crowd, and also requests people

to 'teach social distancing to others around'. Timely vaccination is another defence against the virus, he says.
 To those who have tested positive or are simply under Covid hysteria, the doctor says, 'there is no need to panic as most of the Covid cases fall under mild category who recover easily. Such people display symptoms like cough and cold'. They should immediately isolate themselves and eat healthy food, he advises.
 Elaborating further, Dr Kundal says that Covid patients without any comorbidity are also able to recover easily in most of the cases. 'In any case', he reminds, 'if one's oxygen saturation level falls below 94 percent, the patient, whether comorbid or not, should immediately consult a doctor'.
 If somehow, all doctors advice, Covid symptoms persist even after four to five days, one must immediately seek medical help. 'Please do not delay hospitalisation! Many of Covid deaths are due to delay in reporting by the patients', informs Dr Kundal.

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Every Household In J&K To Get Tapped Drinking Water By Sep 2022

Observer News Service
SRINAGAR: The Chief Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta Tuesday chaired a meeting to review the progress achieved under the centrally sponsored scheme 'Jal Jeevan Mission' in Jammu and Kashmir.
 It was informed that the Department has provided new functional household tap connections to 2,15,511 households during 2020-21; and 9,000 households during the first quarter of 2021-22. The Department has also covered 92% schools and 93% anganwadi centres under the scheme.
 It was mentioned that under Phase I, universal tap water coverage has been achieved in the districts of Srinagar and Ganderbal, whereas works are at various stages of completion in Reasi and Samba districts.
 It was also informed that to fast track execution of the projects, the Department has appointed 'Project Development and Management Consultant' (PDMC), one each for Kashmir and Jammu province, which will supervise project execution, contract & project management and bill verification.
 The Chief Secretary directed the Department to provide all schools and anganwadi centres with functional water connections within one month, besides completing the phase II & III of Jal Jeevan Mission by 30th September 2022. He further asked the Department to initiate the process of tendering for works under subsequent phases to ensure adherence to project timelines.
 Further, the Chief Secretary directed that School Sanitation

Programme be initiated in consultation with School Education Department. Reviewing the quality standards of water being provided under the Mission, the Chief Secretary asked the Department to test the water quality on 15 parameters identified by the Bureau of Indian Standards, within 15 days at both water source and filtration plant. He asked the Department to evolve a water quality management mechanism to regularly monitor water quality at various stages of distribution.
 The Jal Shakti Department informed that Paani Samitees which have been constituted in all Panchayats have successfully prepared respective Village Action Plans (VAPs). The Chief Secretary requested J&K WRRRA to technically examine 100 such VAPs for ascertaining the quality of the exercise.
 The Chief Secretary asked the J&K Water Resources Regulatory Authority to undertake a holistic study into various types of water bodies in Jammu and Kashmir and quality & discharge of water for evolving testing guidelines to be adopted by the Jal Shakti Department.
 The Jal Shakti Department was asked to conduct 3rd party assessment in consultation with J&K WRRRA and PDMCs for determining tap water quality in the newly established network of functional tap connections under the Jal Jeevan Mission.
 The Chief Secretary also directed the Department to ensure that the 20 district water quality laboratories meet the NABL standards and their accreditation is obtained at the earliest.

Webinar On 'Stress Management' Held At IUST

Observer News Service
AWANTIPORA: Alampur Memorial College of Nursing and Medical Technology (AMCNMT), a constituent college of Islamic University of Science and Technology conducted one day webinar on "Stress Management among Youth in view of Covid-19" on Monday.
 Principal AMCNMT, Prof. Dr. Mehmooda Regu who was the organizing chairperson of the event, impressed upon family and teachers to regularly monitor the stress factors affecting the health, behavior, thoughts and feelings of youth especially during pandemic like COVID-19,

so that the stress triggers are reduced to some extent paving way for a healthy lifestyle of youth.
 Eminent Clinical Psychologist, Wasim Kakroo who was the expert speaker highlighted psychological impact of pandemic of COVID-19 among youth and also highlighted the coping strategies and stress management techniques to tackle with this profound stress.
 The webinar was attended by the faculty and students of the said college and other departments of IUST. The webinar was followed by a live question answer session during which the expert answered the questions posed by the participants.

J&K Bank Commissions ATM At Aaripanthan

Observer News Service
SRINAGAR: J&K Bank has commissioned an Automated Teller Machine (ATM) to public near EBU (Easy Business Unit) at Aaripanthan, Beerwah in Budgam district.
 While following the COVID-19 protocols, District Development Commissioner Budgam Shahbaz Ahmad Mirza inaugurated the On-Site ATM facility at Aaripanthan in presence of Zonal Head Kashmir Central (II) Tabassum Nazir, Cluster Head Budgam Azad Ahmad Bhat, and LDM Budgam Mian Farhat Manzoor

besides valuable customers, senior citizens, local businessmen and other officials of the bank.
 Speaking on the occasion, DDC Shahbaz Ahmad Mirza hailed the commissioning of ATM as people-friendly initiative and appreciated the bank for serving the public with dedication despite COVID.
 Zonal Head reiterated the bank's commitment to provide hassle free and state-of-the-art banking services and facilities to its growing number of customers across the UT. She urged the participants to make best use of these facilities.

SKUAST Starts Courses On Forest Ecosystem, Forest Policy & Governance

Observer News Service
SRINAGAR: Faculty of Forestry, SKUAST-Kashmir Tuesday inaugurated one month long capsule courses on Forest ecosystem services and Forest Policy & Governance in collaboration with Vytautas Magnus University (VMU) Lithuania, Baltic, Europe as a part of MOU signed by the two universities with main focus on exchange of scientific staff, dual degree programmes and collaboration in academic and research programmes. The courses sponsored by IDP-NAHEP was designed for B. Sc 4th year students of Faculty of Forestry by Division of Silviculture & Agroforestry and Career Counselling cell of the faculty.
 Prof. J. P Sharma, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-K & SKUAST-J in his words of wisdom praised Prof. N. A. Ganie, Director (P & M) and Dean, Faculty of Forestry, Prof. T. H. Masoodi for initiating and conducting such important programmes in the University. Prof.

Sharma gave a detailed account of forest ecosystem services from the various forest types of the country in general and those from our region in particular. He emphasised that post COVID-19 situation, the gross environmental product (GEP) has become focal point instead of gross domestic product (GDP) at the global level. He also stressed to strengthened the relationship between two universities for other academic and research programs for our mutual benefit and sharing of other resources and information. Prof. Sharma congratulated the entire team and expressed his satisfaction the way Faculty of Forestry is progressing.
 Prof. Astrida Miceikene, Chancellor Magnus University, VMU, Lithuania Baltic Europe and guest of honor and patron of this programme assured taking up such programmes with SKUAST-K in days to come. She congratulated course coordinator, Dr. Ekaterina Makrickiene for initiating signing of MoU with SKUAST-K. She

emphasized upon the organizers that these programmes will boost the moral of the students and will be exposed to international academic standards.
 Prof. Nazir Ahmad Ganaie, Director (P & M) and principal investigator, NAHEP impressed upon the need of such programmes for the students for their better future and entrepreneurship. Dr. Nazir threw light on the ecosystem services and need for developing a common methodology for their quantification. He also congratulated Dean, FOF and the entire faculty for signing MoU with Magnus University and taking up the two elective courses.
 Prof. Vilma Bijeikiene, Prorector from Magnus, Lithuania spoke about the introduction of these courses at global level.
 Dr. Ekaterina Makrickiene, International coordinator Magnus University briefed the audience about the course curriculum and the lectures to be delivered with respect to these two elective courses.

A Dozen Companies To Participate In Kupwara Job Fair

Observer News Service
KUPWARA: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kupwara, Imam Din Tuesday convened a meeting of concerned officers, to review the arrangements being put in place for smooth conduct of Job Fair (Rozgar Mela) under SANKALP in Aspirational district Kupwara.
 It was informed in the meeting that the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (J&K Govt) has transferred funds of Rs. 2.50 Lakh for conducting Job fairs/ Rozgar melas under SANKALP in the district.
 The DC was informed that 10 to 15 companies shall be ordered to participate in the Rozgar Mela. The meeting discussed various other points to make the programme successful. These points include proposal for counselling of candidates and refreshment thereof, to and fro transport facilities for candidates, advertising and printing of Posters and Banners/ mass media advertising and invitation of Companies and arrangements for them. Refreshment to Passed out trainees and staff and other persons invited for Mela was also discussed, besides other arrangements.

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A year after Galwan clash

An eyeball to eyeball confrontation between the two countries has lingered ever since the forces of the two countries clashed at Galwan Valley on June-15-16 last year leading to the death of 20 Indian soldiers. The clash was one of the worst in 45 years and it nearly brought the two countries to the brink of war. Ever since eleven rounds of military talks for the disengagement process have taken place and this has so far led to withdrawal of Chinese and Indian troops on the southern and northern shores of Pangong Tso, albeit not to a complete status quo ante.

The neighbours still have three friction points at Depsang, Gogra and Hot Springs to sort out. And it can be hoped that a sustained engagement at the military and diplomatic level will lead to a mutually acceptable solution in these areas too. It will, however, be interesting to see if the status quo ante will be restored. And should that happen it will not only make LAC normal again but also further boost the Prime Minister Narendra Modi's image at home.

The LOC-ization of the LAC that was expected to happen as a result of the year-long stand-off seems unlikely to play out. There are huge geo-political stakes for both the countries that can't be ignored. A lingering state of confrontation between the two will not be in the interest of either. More so for India which would not want a 3800 km border with China become an extension of LOC with Pakistan. India has to do a tough balancing act between its thickening relationship with the US and that with the China. Truth is China's rise on the global stage has become a reality.

For the world, China's emergence as a global power is a fraught prospect with far reaching implications for the way international business is conducted. More so, when China brings to the table an alternative system: a communist capitalism versus west's capitalist capitalism. What makes this global shift imminent is that Beijing is already rewriting the rules of the game and with each passing day advancing to seize what it sees as the Chinese century.

A pragmatic way out to resolve the lingering stand-off is through negotiations, even if it takes time. As we enter second year of the stalemate, it will be in the interest of both the countries to reach an understanding that also holds on the ground. But this can only happen if Beijing approaches the dialogue seriously.

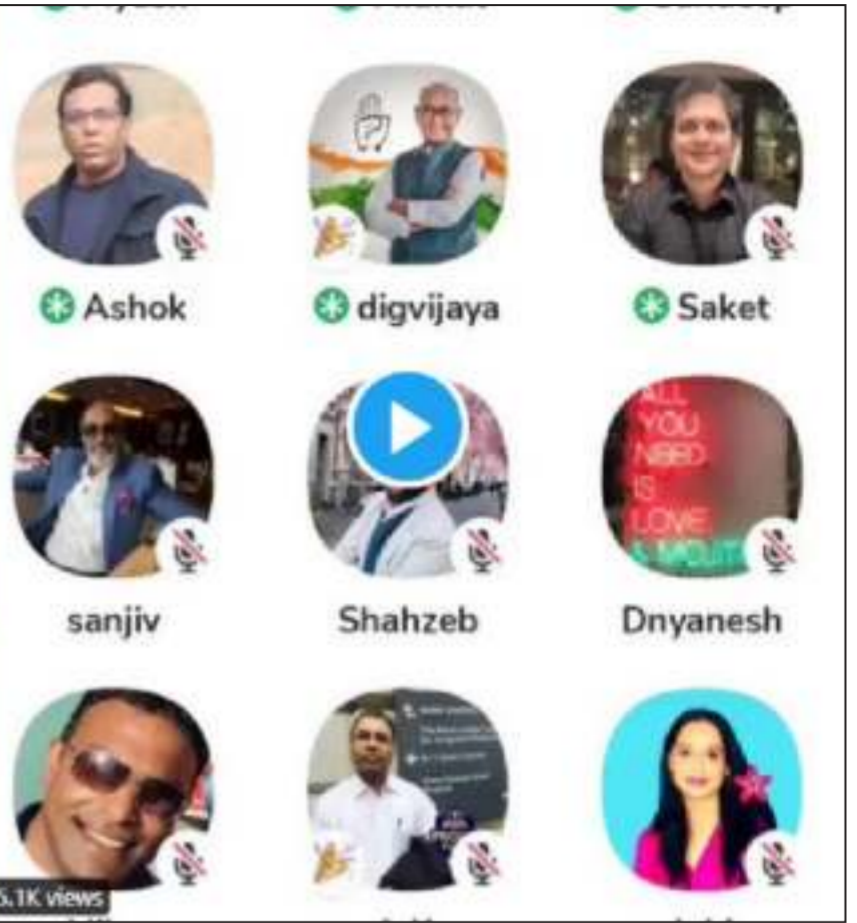
OTHER OPINION

Galwan: One year later

June 15 marks a year of the Galwan clash, the bloodiest encounter between India and China at the border in over four decades. 20 Indian armed forces personnel, and an unknown number of People's Liberation Army (PLA) personnel were killed as India bravely sought to repel Chinese encroachment. China had already breached all border-related understandings between the two countries when it crossed the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in May. But with Galwan, the entire framework of maintenance of peace and tranquility at the border was shattered. The understanding that India and China would proceed to deepen other elements of their bilateral relationship, and agree to disagree on the border, broke down comprehensively. There was renewed nationalist consciousness on the question of Chinese aggression, with the Indian street and the Indian State realising that it was time to confront the question of China's designs.

Galwan introduced strategic clarity in India. To be sure, China is a close neighbour. India wants friendly relations, not a conflict. There remains room for deep developmental cooperation, equitable economic exchange, even political cooperation. And New Delhi's establishment is acutely conscious of the power asymmetry that exists between the two countries and has no desire to be a frontline State in a new geopolitical battle. But Galwan showed harmony cannot come at the cost of territorial integrity and sovereignty. India attempted a mix of four measures — economic restrictions on Chinese companies; international opinion-building and diplomatic mobilisation about China's actions, including giving momentum to Quad; acquiring a military edge by occupying the Kailash heights (in August 2020); and constant bilateral negotiations with Beijing across the military and diplomatic domain — to drive home the message that restoring status quo ante was essential. This strategy partially succeeded when China agreed to pull back in the Pangong Tso area, and there was both a degree of de-escalation and demobilisation.

Hindustan Times



Confined to clubhouse

As Digvijay Singh episode reveals, the diffidence to even talk of reviewing the repeal of Article 370, let alone do something about it, applies to all political parties across the country

RIYAZ WANI

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It was instructional to see the Congress get defensive after its senior leader Digvijay Singh said during a Clubhouse chat that the party will relook at the revocation of Article 370 if it came to power. The BJP latched on to the statement to direct some public outrage away from it following the backlash it got during the catastrophic fallout of the second Covid-19 wave that killed thousands of people. And considering that the Congress has chosen not to defend Singh, and left him to fend for himself, the BJP has scored an effortless perception win - in a sense, once again establishing itself as a party that echoes the public sentiment in India on Kashmir.

Needless to say, Kashmir, Muslims, and Pakistan are the three issues around which much of India's electoral politics is played out now. And here the BJP has no political competition as its adversarial stance in regard to each of them resonates most with the people, not least because the secular parties are too scared to press an alternative point of view.

And this reality is unlikely to change anytime soon. The BJP could take a harder nationalistic line to try and appease a large section of the population angry with the ruling party over the total breakdown of governance during the second wave. Kashmir, being one of the most polarizing issues in the country, could come in handy for it.

In that sense, Singh's statement on Article 370 was a Godsent opportunity for the beleaguered party. And Congress was left with little option but to accept defeat. Even Singh, who is usually more forthright in defending secular values, backtracked calling the BJP leadership "anpadh (illiterate)", for not understanding the difference between "shall" and "consider". And by which he meant that Congress will only 'consider' relooking at the revocation of Article 370, something that doesn't necessarily oblige the party to actually do so.

This diffidence to even talk of

reviewing repeal of Article 370, let alone do something about it, applies to all political parties across the country, creating a structural reality that is inherently aligned against the Kashmir Valley. And people in the Valley are deeply conscious of this fact. The new situation has created a deep sense of disempowerment in Kashmir, something that Farooq Abdullah in an interview with Karan Thapar last year, described as "a feeling of slavery".

Does this reality leave any scope or space for a peaceful struggle for rights and empowerment in the Valley? On the face of it, it doesn't. Gupkar alliance, notwithstanding. The truth is should a demand for the restoration of autonomy become a part of the political agenda of the Kashmiri parties either separately or collectively, this would hardly bother New Delhi. In the existing situa-

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tion, these parties will hardly be in a position to take this demand to the streets. And even if they did and held a peaceful rally or a protest, so what? The Valley has little political clout at the national level to force any ruling party at New Delhi to change its mind, let alone the BJP.

Also as for the revocation of Article 370, there is now a broad consensus across the political spectrum in the country, Congress included. Congress may have once been a party to Gupkar declaration, but at the national level, the party is only against the manner in which Article 370 was read down, not the act of doing so. For the BJP, on the other hand, acting tough with Kashmir wins it more popular support. And in the remaining three years of its power, the party

thus seems set to take its project to remake Kashmir in its own image to its logical conclusion.

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But should they seek to press their demand, they will be up against the new national consensus on Kashmir that sees the integration of the former state into India as a fait accompli. It is also difficult to predict when the Supreme Court would decide the petitions seeking reversal of Article 370 and what its verdict would be.

This makes the demand for the restoration of Article 370 just like the one for autonomy, self-rule, and now forgotten Achievable Nationhood. Much will also depend on the evolving geopolitics of the region and how India's equations with China and Pakistan will shape up, and also whether Afghanistan will pass again into the hands of Taliban. It still remains to be seen how these developments will impact Kashmir. As of now, an observer in Kashmir has no option but to stay with his fingers crossed.

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Convince, Don't Coerce

Healthcare workers are doing a commendable job trying to reach people far and beyond to get them vaccinated. We've seen them braving odds and reaching out to people in far flung areas and trying to get them vaccinated. Images from paddy fields, meadows and mountains with healthcare workers with the vaccines

is indeed a promising and appreciable event.

However, in the bid to reach more people and get them vaccinated, some breaches to privacy have occurred. We've seen many videos circulate online where frontline workers are getting into fights with people who are refusing to get vaccinated. While it is appreciable that they're risking their

lives and straining every nerve to get people vaccinated, they also have to realise that some may still not be willing.

In such cases, one has to let it be in hopes that such people will soon get the necessary information and encouragement to get vaccinated. Coercing someone into getting vaccinated is not good. Filming them in their

privacy and shaming them publicly for their choice to not get vaccinated is severely problematic.

We must all get together to ensure that we use all tools at hand to convince people to get vaccinated but threats and coercion is no way to do it.

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Delta Plus: From Severity of Strain to Transmission

Though there is no indication yet of the severity of the disease due to the new variant, Delta plus is resistant to the monoclonal antibody cocktail treatment for COVID-19 recently authorised in India. The cocktail of Casirivimab and Imdevimab recently received emergency-use authorization in the country from the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation

The highly transmissible Delta variant of SARS-CoV-2 has mutated further to form the 'Delta plus' or 'AY.1' variant. The new Delta plus variant has been formed due to a mutation in the Delta or B.1.617.2 variant, first identified in India and one of the drivers of the deadly second wave. According to Public Health England, 63 genomes of Delta (B.1.617.2) with the new K417N mutation have been identified so far on the global science initiative GISAID. In its latest report on coronavirus variants, updated till last Friday, the health agency said Delta plus was present in six genomes from India as of June 7.

Here's deconstructing the latest variant and its effects for you:

What we know so far

One of the emerging variants is B.1.617.2.1 also known as AY.1 characterized by the acquisition of K417N mutation. Vinod Scaria, clinician and scientist at Delhi's CSIR-Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (IGIB), tweeted on Sunday. The mutation, he said, is in the spike protein of SARS-COV-2, which helps the virus enter and infect the human cells. The variant frequency for K417N is not much in India at this point in time. The sequences are mostly from Europe, Asia and America, Scaria wrote on Twitter. The earliest sequence of this genome was found in Europe in late March this year.

How does it react to medication?

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Similar to antibodies which are proteins that the body naturally produces to defend itself against the disease, monoclonal antibodies are artificially created in a lab and tailor-made to fight the disease they treat. Casirivimab and Imdevimab are monoclonal antibodies that are specifically directed against the spike protein of SARS-CoV-2, and designed to block the virus' at-



tachment and entry into human cells.

Scaria also indicated the mutation may be associated with the ability to escape the immune response against the virus. Allaying fears, immunologist Vineeta Bal noted that while there may be some setback in the use of commercial antibody cocktail due to the new variant, resistance to the therapy is not an indication of higher virulence or severity of a disease.

How transmissible is the new variant?

How transmissible this new variant is will be a crucial factor to determine its rapid spread or otherwise, Bal, guest faculty at the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune, said. She also noted that the quality and quantity of neutralising antibodies, responsible for defending cells from pathogens, generated in the individual infected with the new variant is unlikely to be affected because of the mutation.

Thus in individuals catching infection with the new variant, it may not be a matter worth

worrying, she added. Pulmonologist and medical researcher Anurag Agrawal concurred. There is no cause of concern due to the new variant in India as of now, Agrawal, the director of CSIR-IGIB, told PTI.

Current status

The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research - National Chemical Laboratory (CSIR-NCL), is studying Covid samples from Ratnagiri and Sindhudurg, to investigate if there are any traces of the Delta-plus variant. Earlier reports had confirmed six cases that tested positive for the Delta plus variant. As of now Sindhudurg and Ratnagiri are reporting a higher positivity rate and an increasing weekly growth rate of 13.06 and 9.03%, respectively, from June 7-13. These districts also account for the top two districts with the highest percentage of active Covid-19 cases.

Yahoo News

Don't let next virus catch us off guard

With more dangerous and contagious variants continuing to emerge, we do not have the luxury of delaying work toward a new international system for pandemic preparedness.

Kevin Rudd

As more developed countries begin to feel as though they have made it to the other side of the Covid-19 crisis, two striking realities are coming into view. First, one can clearly see just how vulnerable many developing countries still are to rapidly escalating outbreaks of the type we are witnessing in India. The results of failing to distribute the most effective vaccines equitably and strategically are being laid bare.

Second, with more dangerous and contagious variants continuing to emerge, we do not have the luxury of delaying work toward a new international system for pandemic preparedness and response. We must start that project immediately. And fortunately, the Independent Panel for Pandemic Preparedness and Response (IPPR), chaired by former New Zealand prime minister Helen Clark and former Librarian president Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, has just published a blueprint for how to do it.

The question now is whether governments are ready not just to listen but to act. The answer will determine whether we can prevent future epidemics from becoming global catastrophes. I know from my own government's experience during the 2009 swine flu (H1N1) pandemic that it is crucial to confront these crises with immediate, far-reaching, and coordinated action. Thanks to eight months of work by the IPPR, policymakers now have a comprehensive set of recommendations for transforming how we manage pandemic risks.

Chief among the panel's proposals is a call for pandemic preparedness and response to be elevated to the highest level of political leadership through a new Global Health Threats Council, which should be based at the United Nations headquarters in New York. The panel has also proposed an International Financing Facility for Pandemic Preparedness and Response to help share the burden in future global



health crises. Either through direct contributions or a kind of assessed contribution, this mechanism would fund both ongoing preparedness and rapid-response measures in low- and middle-income countries.

The IPPR has offered the kind of emphatic, dispassionate, and actionable guidance that governments need and — in this case — have demanded through the World Health Organisation. Four years ago, the Independent Commission on Multilateralism (ICM), which I chaired) tried to raise the alarm about the growing threat of pandemics in its report Global Pandemics and

The Covid-19 crisis has borne out an uncomfortable truth that is emphasised in the IPPR's report: namely, that many of the national and global institutions established to deal with global pandemics are not fit for purpose, or have not been properly activated. From the moment in late 2019 and early 2020 when the existing International Health Regulations failed, the Covid-19 outbreak became a global

Global Public Health. We were aghast at the poor state of the global health architecture at a time when cross-border health crises were becoming more frequent and posing unprecedented risks. Those risks have since materialised in the form of the Covid-19 pandemic.

In addition to issuing a clear warning, the commission's report made a series of bold recommendations to strengthen the multilateral system in the face of potential global health crises. Its proposals for clearer rules for verification and early-warning mechanisms have now been echoed in the IPPR's recommendations, as has its call

for a more empowered independent WHO secretariat. We are still waiting for progress on all of these fronts.

We cannot afford to let the IPPR's report fall on the same deaf ears. And yet, that is exactly what seems to be happening. The 74th World Health Assembly just voted to spend six months studying the panel's report before even considering taking any action. Such delays are simply unacceptable.

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The current crisis could still become much worse before it gets any better. We are already witnessing a breakdown of global supply chains, which will lead to terrible economic, political, and public-health outcomes. We need to get back on track now so that we can fight not only future pandemics but also this one.

The IPPR's report could not be timelier. The G7 summit in Cornwall on June 11-13 is an opportunity to concentrate our efforts with backing from the highest political levels. Covid-19 has been costly for all of us. The ICM's 2017 report anticipated that we would be here one day and identified the solutions we would need to implement. Let us use the IPPR's findings to enact meaningful reforms and show real leadership, so that this pandemic will be the last one to catch us off guard.

Project Syndicate

'Cellphone use while driving tied to other risky road behaviours in young adults'

Agencies

Parents, take note! A new study found that 18 to 24-year-olds who use cell phones while driving are more likely to engage in other risky driving behaviours associated with "acting-without-thinking," a form of impulsivity.

The findings of the study were published in the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health. The study was led by researchers from the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) and the University of Pennsylvania's Annenberg Public Policy Center.

The results suggest the importance of developing new strategies to prevent risky driving in young adults, especially those with impulsive personalities.

Cell phone use while driving has been linked to increased crash and near-crash risk. Despite bans on handheld cell phone use while driving in many states, crash reduction results are inconsistent.

One explanation may be that those who use cell phones while driving are more likely to engage in other intentionally risky behaviours. Instead of solely addressing the use of cell phones while driving, the authors suggest training young

drivers to avoid all risky behaviours associated with impulsivity and sensation seeking.

"This study found that frequent cell phone use while driving was only one indicator of a more general pattern of risky driving practices associated with prior crashes in young drivers," said lead study author Elizabeth Walshe, PhD, a research scientist at the Center for



Injury Research and Prevention (CIRP) at CHOP and co-leader of CHOP's Neuroscience of Driving research program.

"Assessment of personality traits, such as impulsivity and sensation seeking, may be helpful to identify drivers most at risk in order to provide more targeted interventions promoting safe driving," added Walshe.

This retrospective study recruit-

ed 384 young drivers from across the U.S. to complete an online survey measuring risky driving practices - including cell phone use - as well as history of crashes and impulse-related personality traits. The study found that 44.5 per cent of drivers reported being in at least one crash, and 73 per cent of them reported cell phone use while driving.

Those who used cell phones while driving were also more likely to participate in other risky driving behaviours, including ignoring speed limits, aggressively passing vehicles going in the same direction, and running red lights. The use of cell phones was not uniquely associated with prior crashes but was one of several risky activities related to crashes.

"It may be useful to treat cell phone use while driving as part of a group of risky driving behaviours, such as driving while impaired by alcohol," said study co-author Dan Romer, PhD, research director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania and a senior fellow at CIRP.

"For example, messages to enhance driver safety might focus on a larger range of hazardous practices that place the driver and others at risk rather than citing only one, like cell phone use," concluded Romer.

Office of the Assistant Regional Transport officer Anantnag.

NOTICE

Whereas joint application has been received by this office from Mr.Mohd Ashraf Dar S/o haji Sanullah Dar R/o Bulbul Nowgam (Party no.1st) as transferor (seller) owner of the vehicle Alto 800 Bearing Regd.No.JK03G 5082 and Gh Nabi ganie S/o Gh Qadir Ganie R/o Bon Devsar Kulgam (Party no 2nd) as transferee (Purchaser) requesting for transfer of R/C and R/P of the above noted vehicle from party no 1st to 2nd.

Before the case is disposed off on its merits any body having any objection regarding the proposed transfer may file his objection within 07 days from the publication of this notice to the office of undersigned.

No any representation /objection shall be entertained after stipulated period

Assistant Regional Transport Officer Anantnag

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER SUB TRANSMISSION DIVISION-IIND, RAJBAGH, SRINAGAR

Short Term Tender Notice

e-NIT No. STD-II / 27 of 2021-22 Dated: 14-06-2021

For and on behalf of the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, Union Territory, in New Capital, Srinagar, hereby invited tenders for the supply of...

S.No	Description of Work	Estimated Money (in Rs.)	Estimated Cost (in Rs.)	Last date of submission of bid
CI	Supply of electrical material for the supply of...	24-06-2021, 12:00pm

1. Bids to be submitted to the Executive Engineer, Sub-Transmission Division-I, Rajbagh, Srinagar, in the form of a sealed envelope...

2. The name of the contractor to be submitted in the form of a separate sheet of paper...

3. The bids must be submitted to the Executive Engineer, Sub-Transmission Division-I, Rajbagh, Srinagar, in the form of a sealed envelope...

4. All the bids must be accompanied by the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in the form of a bank draft...

5. The date and time of opening of bids shall be notified on the website...

6. The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of bids.

7. The earnest money shall be forfeited, if -

- Any bidder/tenderer withdraws his bid/tender during the period of bid validity or make any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.
- Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.
- Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.

8. Instruction to bidders regarding e-tendering process.

8.1. Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" option as well as from "Bidders Manual Kit" on website www.jktenders.gov.in

8.2. To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get "Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)" as per Information Technology Act-2000. Bidders can get digital certificate from any approved Vendor.

8.3. The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature. No bid will be accepted in physical form.

8.4. Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in Para-1.8.5. Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the bid.

Note: - Scan all the documents on 100 dpi with black and white option.

9. The department will not be responsible for delay in online submission due to any reasons.

10. Scanned copy of cost of tender document in shape of Treasury challan in favor of Executive Engineer Horticulture (P&M) Rajbagh, to Executive Engineer Horticulture (P&M) Rajbagh must be uploaded with the documents of the bid. Including scanned copy of WhatsApp contact Number.

11. Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (Bill of Quantities) contents. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually. The BOQ downloaded should be used for filling the item rate inclusive of all taxes and it should be saved with the same name as it contains.

12. Price escalation and Taxes: -The unit rates and prices shall be quoted by the bidder entirely in Indian Rupees and the rates quoted shall be deemed to include price escalation and all taxes up to completion of the work, unless otherwise specified. Deduction on account of taxes shall be made from the bills of the contractor on gross amount of the bill as per the rates prevailing at the time of recovery.

13. Bidders are advised to use "My Documents" area in their user on e-Tendering portal to store such documents as are required.

14. All other terms conditions are as per PWD Form 25 (Double agreement Form)

15. Rebate/free of cost tender shall be not entertained, the tender shall be not rightly rejected by the tender opening authority.

16. The CDRs in respect of un-successful bidders shall be released only after depositing of Treasury Voucher in original (as cost of tender document) in the office Executive Engineer HPM.

17. The work shall not exceed beyond the allotted cost.

Sd/- Executive Engineer Horticulture (P&M) Construction Division Kashmir Srinagar

No. EE/Horti/P&M/2021-22/400-02 Dated: 12-06-2021 DDKP-2907/21

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER HORTICULTURE P&M CONST.DIV.SGR.

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

FRESH e-NIT No.16 of 2021-22 DATED: 12-06-2021

For and on behalf of the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor J&K UT, tenders are invited by Executive Engineer, Horticulture (P&M) at Rajbagh by e-tendering mode on item rate basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K UT Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Governments for the following works: -

S. No	Name of work	Adv cost (Rs. in lacs)	Cost of Tender documents	Time of completion	Class of Contract	Major Head of Account
1	Macdamization of fruit and vegetable Market at Handwara (Balance portion.) including cost of Bitumen	50.00 lac	1000/=	20 days	Registered Hot Mix Plant Holder	Langushing

Position of AAA/TS: - Accorded.
Position of Funds: - Assured/Available.

1. Date of Issue of Tender Notice	12-06-2021
2. Period of downloading of bidding documents	12-06-2021
3. Bid submission Start Date	12-06-2021
4. Bid Submission End Date	18-06-2021 up to 4:00 Pm
5. Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	19-06-2021 at 11:00 Am

Note: - As per circular issued by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir Civil Secretariat finance department:

- Furnishing of hard copies of bids immediately after submission of e tenders is dispensed with the same and should be obtained from the bidders who is declare first lowest (L1) after opening of financial bids.
- first lowest bidder has to produce an amount equal to 3% of contract as performance security in shape of CDR /FDR within (02) two days before fixation of contract and shall be released after successful completion of work.

Deposit Head (HPM)

The Horticulture Planning and Marketing Division does not have sanctioned deposit Head.

The Allotted agency should produce FDR @ 10% of running bills which shall be treated as bill deposit and shall be released after DLP is over as per the procedure.

- All bidders have to submit bid security declaration form instead of earnest money deposit (EMD) as per the secular of finance department (bid security declaration form is as Annexure A below
- The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below
- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Treasury challan to be credited into revenue head 0401(nonrefundable) in favour of Executive Engineer HPM (Tender Inviting Authority)
- The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address.
- The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the office of Executive Engineer.
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of Bids
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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is inform to general public I intend to convert my PDD consumer connection to my sons name namely Ajiaz Ahmad Mir S/o Gh Ahmad Mir R/o Sheikhpora Bon dalgam if any body having any objection He/She may contact PDD office Anantnag within the period of seven days No objection will be entertained after that.

Name :- Gh Ahmad Mir
S/o: Ab Ahad Mir R/o: sheikhpora bondailgam

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E-Marketing Platforms Will Benefit Of JK Farmers: Choudhary



KO NEWS DESK

JAMMU: Principal Secretary, Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Navin Kumar Choudhary, on Tuesday chaired a meeting with representatives of BSE-e Agricultural Market (BeAM) Limited and Policy Advocacy Research Centre (PARC) Mumbai to discuss operationalization of BSE-e Agricultural Market platform for benefit of farmers engaged in agriculture, horticulture and animal husbandry sector of Jammu and Kashmir.

The meeting deliberated upon creating a UT wide vibrant mechanism for enabling direct farmer and buyer interactions and subsequent transactions over a transparent technology enabled electronic platform supported with adequate backward and forward linkages covering agri horti and dairy produce of the UT. Such a market on 'BeAM is envisaged to lead to "objective quality based trading" and bring in ecosystem partners for credit and market linkages and promote "electronic warehouse receipt" (eWR) based trading.

Termining agriculture sector as backbone of J&K's economy, Principal Secretary called upon the officers to work with dedication and honesty so that the farmers are made not only aware but also conversant with how to get benefit of such innovative and tech-

nology enabled options for marketing of their saleable agri commodities.

During the meeting, representatives of PARC Mumbai also shared their blue print for marketing of niche products of the UT like Trout fish and the work done so far for popularizing and marketing of this famed fisheries product of Kashmir all over the country. PARC's project proposal for end to end production, processing, packing, branding and marketing of highly nutrient rich minor Millets of the UT which have high demand in the domestic and international market and potential for very high returns for the marginal farmers of Rajouri, Poonch and Ramban district was also discussed in detail.

CEO, BeAM, Ramesh Sinha, while giving out presentation, informed the Principal Secretary that access to a regulated and transparent marketplace, direct access to multiple buyers, receipt of cash directly into the account of beneficiary and redefining the value chain to minimize its intermediate costs are some of the major benefits of BeAM platform of Bombay Stock Exchange which will become available to the farmers and consumers of the UT. He offered to create a sustainable agriculture produce market mechanism customized to meet the specific needs of multi-agri/horti commodity value chains of the UT.

Organic Vegetables Put On Sale At Kulgam

KO NEWS DESK

KULGAM: Keeping in view the importance of organic vegetables and the hazards associated with inorganic vegetables on the health, the Horticulture Planning and Marketing Department in collaboration with the Agriculture Production Department today put various varieties of or-

ganic Vegetables on sale here. This day-long organic vegetables sale event was inaugurated by the Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kulgam, Dr. Mohi-Ud-Din Bhat at the mini-secretariat here.

On the occasion, the Area Marketing Officer said that the sale of such Organic Vegetables will be conducted as per the demand at different locations of the district.

'Vegetable Production Has Potential To Create Employment Avenues'

AP&FWD Kashmir starts sale of Vegetable seedlings at Lal Mandi



KO NEWS DESK

SRINAGAR: The Agriculture Production and Farmers Welfare Department Kashmir on Tuesday started the sale of Vegetable seedlings of Knol Khol, Chillies, Tomato, Brinjal and Saag (Khan-yari) at Kitchen Garden Lal Mandi. Dr. Waseem Ahmad Shah, Joint Director Agriculture Farms,

started the sale proceedings and directed the officers to follow the guidelines regarding the Covid-19. He said vegetable production has a potential to create employment avenues for which the department has adopted an approach for providing high quality vegetable seedlings during all the seasons. Shah said the department is

committed to reach out to the general public and vegetable growers who could use their spaces and enjoy healthy produce of vegetables in these extraordinary circumstances.

The endeavour of providing quality vegetable seedlings to the growers is to create surplus vegetables, besides fulfilling domestic requirements can also export the remaining quantity to the markets outside the valley, he said.

On the occasion, Seed Production Officer Rohit Gupta highlighted various activities presently being carried out under Seed Production Scheme. He said the targets set by the department regarding providing quality seedlings among the growers and kitchen garden lovers is showing tangible results during the current pandemic.

Among others, Subject Matter Specialist Neelofar Qureshi, Incharge Kitchen Garden Afaaq Beigh were also present during the sale.

DDC Shopian Reviews Performance Of Banks

Observer News Service

SHOPIAN: The District Development Commissioner (DDC) Shopian, Sachin Kumar Vaishya Tuesday reviewed the performance of banks and line departments for the Quarter 4th ended 31st March 2021 of FY 2020-21 in District Level Review-cum-Consultative Committee (DLRC) meeting at Mini Secretariat. The Lead District Manager, Ghulam Rasool Dar apprised the meeting about the main achievements of the district as of 31st March 2021.

He informed the chair that the growth in deposits as on March 31, 2021 is 17 percent as compared to March 31, 2020 and -1.20 percent decrease as compared to previous quarter ended 31st December 2020. The growth in advances as March 31, 2021 is 19.10 percent as compared to March 31, 2020 and 5.47 percent as compared to the previous quarter ended 31st December 2020.

Priority sector advances have shown an increase of 15.90 percent as compared to March 31, 2020 and 6.36 percent as compared to the last quarter ended 31st December 2020. Non-priority sectors of the District have shown an increase of 33.23% as compared to March 31, 2020 and 2.15



percent as compared to last quarter ended 31st December 2020 CD Ratio of the district is ideal at 108.93 as on March 31 2021, he added.

With regard to the achievements under District Credit Plan 2020-21, it was informed that J&K Bank's achievement remained at 74.17 percent in financial terms and 130.10 percent in physical terms against its targets while as the overall achievement of the Bank vis-à-vis achieved target of the quarter remained at 90.87 percent in Physical terms and 88.67 percent in Financial terms.

The credit portfolio of the district has recorded a growth of Rs. 249.42 crores on YoY basis from Rs. 1306.02 Crores as on 31.03.2020 to

Rs. 1555.44 Crores as on 31.03.2021.

While reviewing the performance of Banks, the DDC advised banks that targets in priority sector advances should be achieved at any cost. He emphasised upon them to increase the lending in agriculture, horticulture and also in the allied activities to generate more employment opportunities in the district.

He said, the benefit of government sponsored schemes should reach the deserving and efforts should be made to cover all the educated unemployed youth of the district. He also advised banks to conduct more awareness camps so that more and more people get benefited under various social security schemes.

CUK Holds Lecture On 'Role Of Ethnobotany In Sustainable Uses Of Plant Resources'

Observer News Service

GANDERBAL: Department of Botany, Central University of Kashmir (CUK) organised an online lecture on "Role of ethnobotany in sustainable uses of plant resources" by Prof. A K Jain, School of Studies in Botany, Jiwaji University.

Speaking on the occasion, Vice Chancellor Prof. Prof Mehraj ud Din Mir said that Jammu and Kashmir is famous for its plant diversity and there is a lot of scope for research in various fields of plant sciences. He hoped that the lecture would act as an inspiration for the students and faculty members.

Guest speaker, Prof. A K Jain gave a detailed overview of ethnobotany and stressed on its role in sustainable uses of plant resources. He highlighted the relation of humans with plants and importance of biological and cultural diversity for world sustainability. Prof. Jain stated that this is the old branch of science and has lot of historical importance, adding that plants were used by humans since times immemorial. He said that "all plants on earth have medicinal value and tribal people have a lot of knowledge about ethnobotany." "The indiscriminate collection of plant material lead to their extinction and we have to adopt different strategies used by the tribals for conservation of our plant resources like sacred grooves, con-

servation through faith, sacred plants in religion etc." He highlighted the role of ethnobotany in germplasm collection and other related aspects.

Dean School of Life sciences, Prof. Muhammad Yousuf, thanked the speaker for elaborate and thoughtful lecture and underscored the need of organizing more such lectures for the students and scholars. He highlighted the need of this branch of Science and how it can be useful during the ongoing pandemic.

Prof. Azra N Kamili thanked Prof. Jain for the informative lecture and said that it must have left a deep impression on the minds of students and other participants. She said that more than 200 participants attended the lecture including those from states of Kerala, West Bengal, Sikkim, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh etc.

In his address, Head Department of Botany, Dr. Abid Hamid Dar emphasized the need to conserve the plant resources by using techniques for the sustainable use of the plants and for utilizing them in the best possible way. He said this geographical region has a lot of potential in exploring the plant sciences and emphasised that over exploitation of plants like Podophyllum hexandrum has led to the situation that its presence has dramatically gone down in this region of the country.

J&K Bank Commissions Atm In Beerwah

SRINAGAR: J&K Bank has dedicated an Automated Teller Machine (ATM) to public near EBU (Easy Business Unit) at Aaripanthan, Beerwah in Budgam district.

While following the COVID-19 protocols, District Development Commissioner Budgam Shahbaz Ahmad Mirza inaugurated the On-Site ATM facility at Aaripanthan in presence of Zonal Head Kashmir Central (II) Tabassum Nazir, Cluster Head Budgam Azad Ahmad Bhat, and LDM Budgam Mian Farhat Manzoor besides valuable customers, senior citizens, local businessmen and other officials of the bank.

Speaking on the occasion, DDC Shahbaz Ahmad Mirza hailed the commissioning of ATM as people-friendly initiative and appreciated the bank for serving the public with dedication despite COVID.

Zonal Head reiterated the bank's commitment to provide hassle free and state-of-the-art banking services and facilities to its growing number of customers across the UT. She urged the participants to make best use of these facilities.

Those present on the occasion also lauded the bank for providing latest banking facilities to the people. It is 97th ATM in the zone and 62nd in Budgam district.

Government Of Jammu and Kashmir Office of the Collector Land Acquisition (Sub-Divisional Magistrate) Lolab Sogam

Subject Acquisition of land for Shrant Doban PMGSY road Tehsil Lalpora District Kupwara.
Reference Chief Engineer PMGSY (JKRRDA) Kashmir's Indent No :- PMGSY/NS/1549-50 Dated:-20-05-2019.

NOTIFICATION

In Pursuance of the letter of Indent placed by Chief Engineer PMGSY (JKRRDA) Kashmir's Indent No : CE/ PMGSY/NS/1549-50 Dated:-20-05-2019 the pertinent requisite documents prepared and duly authenticated by Tehsildar Lalpora followed by Subsequent verification/authentication of the documents by Executive Engineer PMGSY (JKRRDA) Division Kupwara vide No :-PMGSY/KUP/866- 67.Dated:- 13-02-2021 and in exercise of the powers vested in me under Section (I) of section 11 of Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act 2013, and in terms of SO 237 Dated:-23-7-2020 issued by Revenue Department, I Ajaz Ahmad Bhat (KAS) Collector Land Acquisition (Sub Divisional Magistrate Lolab Sogam) hereby notify the land, particulars of which are given below :

District	Tehsil	Village	Khasra No	AREA		
				K	M	S
Kupwara	Lalpora	Khurhama	316 Min	1	5	0
			323 Min	0	18	0
			322 Min	0	17	4.5
			322/1 Min	0	2	0
			327 Min	0	12	4.5
			328 Min	0	7	4.5
			337 Min	1	7	4.5
			335 Min	0	2	6
			334 Min	7	0	1.5
			Total			12

Any Objection with regard to the acquisition of above said land will be received by the undersigned within (60) days from the publication of this notification in the Govt Gazette/local newspaper.
Ajaz Ahmad Bhat (KAS)

Collector Land Acquisition (Sub Divisional Magistrate)
Lolab Sogam

No:-SDM/LAS/21/38-47

Dated:- 11-06-2021
DIPK-2982/21

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR Office Of The Executive Engineer, Mechanical Irrigation Division Srinagar NEAR J&K BANK, (Zaldagar)

Tel: 0194-2503195 e-mail Id: xnmidsrinagar@gmail.com
Gist of Short Term e-NIT No. 06 OF 2021-22, Dated: 15-06-2021

For and on behalf of Lt. Governor of UT of J&K, Executive Engineer, Mechanical Irrigation Division, Srinagar, invites e-tenders on BMD basis by e-tendering mode for:

S. No.	Particulars of the work	Cost of document/ tender fee (In Rs.)	Estimated Cost of work "Rs" In Lacs	Exemption Allowed	Completion Period	Class/ Registration Type
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Repairs/rewinding of 425HP capacity, 3 phase, vertical induction motor of pumping unit no. 05 (strip wound) at Lift Irrigation Scheme Lethpora Stage-1st.	100.00	2.50	Yes	10 days	SSI Unit Holders/ Workshop holders (Motor rewinding) having functional units/ workshops and having relevant experience.
2.	Partial repairs/rewinding of 125HP capacity, 3 phase, vertical induction motor of pumping unit no. 04 at Lift Irrigation Scheme Lethpora Stage-II	100.00	0.55	Yes	07 days	SSI Unit Holders/ Workshop holders (Motor rewinding) having functional units/ workshops and having relevant experience.
3.	Providing and fitting of various electrical equipments at LIS Lethpora Stage I, II & III	100.00	0.444	Yes	04 days	Electrical Contractors/ SSI Unit Holders/ Workshop holders/ firms having relevant experience.
4.	Replacement of damaged M1-08 contactors by MNX-225 contactors, Thermal overload coil at LIS Lethpora Stage-II	100.00	0.723	Yes	04 days	Electrical Contractors/ SSI Unit Holders/ Workshop holders/ firms having relevant experience.

The bidding process shall be completed online in two covers viz. **Cover '1st'** -Tender fee and Bid Security Declaration, fulfillment of prequalification criteria, technical specifications and acceptance to terms and conditions of the tender. **Cover '2nd'** - Financial Bid in the prescribed BDD.

The critical dates are as tabulated below:-

Sr	Event/Date	Time/Date
i	Bid/ Bid Date	15-06-2021 at 1400 hrs
ii	Document Download/Sale start Date	15/06/2021 from 1000 hrs
iii	Clarification start date	N/A
iv	Bid submission start date	15/06/2021 from 1400 hrs
v	Clarification end date	N/A
vi	Bid submission/ Document Download/Sale end date	28/06/2021 upto 1800 hrs
vii	Date and time of Bid opening	29/06/2021 at 1400 hrs

The bid uploaded on the website up to due date and time will be opened on scheduled date/time at any other date convenient to the tender opening authority in the office of the Executive Engineer, Mechanical Irrigation Division, Zaldagar Srinagar.

Position of bids	Available Under Substitution
Position of Bids	
Position of Technical Sanction	Sanctioned vide No's 16, 22, 23 and 26 of 06/21 respectively

No. MIDS/Ts/ 960-65
Dated:- 15-06-2021

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