



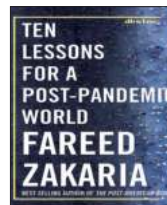
P6 THINK

ENCOUNTERING THE MONSTER OF DRUG ADDICTION IN KASHMIR

Drug abuse, as experts predict, is supposed to attain as serious and challenging dimensions as the threat posed by arms, terrorism and nuclear weapons. Drugs that are the main cause

P7 14 THINGS SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE DO ON WEEKENDS

Spencer Rascoff is only 37. Yet the Harvard grad and father of three has already accomplished so much. He cofounded Hotwire.com and served as a VP for Expedia; he held the roles of CFO, vice president of marketing and COO at Zillow; and in 2008 Rascoff was promoted to chief



P11 SPORTS

SHOAIB MALIK REPLACES MAQSOOD IN PAKISTAN T20 WC SQUAD

Pakistan's Shoaib Maqsood was on Saturday ruled out of the upcoming T20 World Cup owing to a lower back injury and replaced by veteran all-rounder Shoaib Malik.



You cannot find peace by avoiding life.
— Michael Cunningham

NEWS DIGEST

Admin Allows 'Khoja Digar' Prayers Today

SRINAGAR: The Urs of Hazrat Khwaja Bahaudin Naqshband will be observed with religious gaiety and fervour in Naqshband sahib shrine at Khawaja Bazar, Nowhatta here on Sunday. A good number of devotees are expected to offer ● [More On P10](#)

Train Hits 16-Year-Old Girl From Poonch, Dies

SRINAGAR: A 16-year-old girl has died after being hit by a train in Srinagar district on Saturday evening. Reports said that the girl, Shakeela Akther (16) of Poonch, died on spot after being hit by the train in the area falling between ● [More On P10](#)

AC Okays Posts For Bijbehara Hospital

SRINAGAR: The Administrative Council (AC), which met here under the chairmanship of Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, approved the proposal of the Health and Medical Education Department to create 24 posts for strengthening the Trauma Hospital ● [More On P10](#)

Wildlife SOS Launches Rescue Helpline

SRINAGAR: In an effort to help wild animals in distress and mitigate human-wildlife conflict, Wildlife SOS has launched a 24-hour helpline in Jammu & Kashmir. In the short time since its launch, the helpline has already rescued over 60 animals in distress! With rapid habitat ● [More On P10](#)

Weatherman Forecasts Light Rain

SRINAGAR: Weatherman on Saturday said that a weak western disturbance was most likely to affect J&K during October 10th night to 12th forenoon. "Under the influence of this weather system, light rain/snow (over higher reaches) most likely at scattered places of Kashmir ● [More On P10](#)

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2 Cops Injured In Kulgam Militant Attack

Militants Escape Police Dragnet In Srinagar



File Photo

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Two policemen were injured after militants attacked a police party in Manngam village of southern district of Kulgam on Saturday while an encounter that broke out late Friday night in Srinagar outskirts was called off early on Saturday after militants

managed to flee from the spot. Police said militants attacked a police party in Manngam area of Damhal Hanjipora in Kulgam in which two policemen received bullet injuries.

"Both were shifted to SDH DH Pora where their condition is out of danger," the official said. They have been identified as Zahoor Ahmad ● [More On P10](#)

Stray Bullets From Encounter Site Hits Govt Qtrs In Tulsibagh

Jammu and Kashmir police Saturday said that the stray bullets from the encounter site in Srinagar hit the vehicle and official residence of Commissioner Secretary General Administration Dept (GAD). A vehicle bearing reg. No jko2ch/0144 allotted to M K Devedi Commissioner Secretary GAD and residential house of ENT specialist Dr Kulvinder Mehta S/O Nanak Lal R/O Sikh Mohalla opposite Tulsibagh quarter M5 was hit by stray bullets fired at the ● [More On P10](#)

6 A FAKE NEWS IS BEING CIRCULATED about an attack on the house of a doctor in Srinagar. Few stray bullets from Natipora encounter had hit two vehicles and windows of two houses in the locality last night."

Afghan Militants May Try To Enter Kashmir: Army Chief

Press Trust of India

NEW DELHI: Chief of Army Staff Gen MM Naravane on Saturday did not rule out the possibility of Afghan-origin foreign militants attempting to infiltrate into Jammu and Kashmir once the situation stabilises in Afghanistan as he cited similar instances when the Taliban was in power in Kabul over two decades ago.

At the same time, he said Indian armed forces are prepared to deal with any eventuality as they have a



very strong counter-infiltration grid as well as a mechanism to check militant activities in the hinterland in Jammu and Kashmir. Asked at the India Today conclave whether ● [More On P10](#)

'China's Continuous Build-Up Matter Of Concern'

The military build-up by China in the eastern Ladakh region and new infrastructure development to sustain the large-scale deployment are matters of concern and India has been keeping a close watch on all the activities ● [More On P10](#)

Viral Audio Clips Voicing Concern Over Silent Departure From Kashmir

"At Least 30 Percent Of Families Have Left The Sheikhpora Migrant Colony And Others Have Already Packed Their Things To Temporarily Migrate From The Valley."

Zaid Bin Shabir

SRINAGAR: Following the recent spate of civilian killings in Kashmir, some audio clips going viral on social media sites are hinting at fresh exodus from the Kashmir valley.

Even though the authorities are sending out regular assuring appeals to the Kashmiri Pandits, these clips whose authenticity couldn't be verified immediately are only highlighting the fear-psychosis in the minority community.

One such audio went viral on October 9 where an anxious Kashmiri Pandit woman is calling for an end to the migration.

"I'm Rajni Daembi, a Sarpanch from Srinagar," a female voice says. "Rather than taunting each other, you [Pandits] need to go to Lal Chowk and protest there in order to gain control of



Kashmiri Pandit families return to Jagti migrant camp in Jammu.

Kashmir. If you fail to benefit from this opportunity, then you'll lose Kashmir."

These viral audios are surfacing in the wake of targeted killings of two Kashmiri Pandits among seven other civilians in the past one week.

In the face of these attacks, the J&K administration has

issued several orders allowing migrant government employees to abstain from work for a fortnight.

"These orders clearly tell that there's a looming threat for the minority community in Kashmir," Sandeep Koul, a senior member of Kashmiri Pandit Sangharsh ● [More On P10](#)

Won't Attend Duty Unless Govt Ensures Security: GPC



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee (GPC) Saturday said that the minority community members won't attend the duty unless the government assures their protection in Kashmir valley.

Addressing a press conference, General Secretary Navtej Singh alleged that though there were many inputs and incidents in the past about targeting of the minorities yet the government didn't provide any security to them. Singh accused ● [More On P10](#)

'Muscular Policy' Aimed At Reaping Political Dividends: Mufti

Press Trust of India

SRINAGAR: PDP president Mehbooba Mufti on Saturday said the situation in Jammu and Kashmir has gone from bad to worse and accused the Centre of using a "muscular policy" to reap political dividends.

Mufti claimed she has been placed under house arrest to prevent her from visiting the family of a Muslim man who was shot dead by CRPF personnel on Thursday in Anantnag district.

"The situation in J&K has gone from bad to worse. My fears are



compounded by the fact that instead of course correction, GOI will continue its muscular policy to reap political dividends in elections. Case in point being the upcoming UP polls," Mehbooba wrote on Twitter. ● [More On P10](#)

COVID-19: J&K Logs 82 New Cases, No Death in 24 Hours

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Saturday witnessed 82 fresh positive cases taking the number of total active cases to 1,100 while no fresh death was reported here in the last 24 hours.

With no more deaths, the death toll in J&K stands at 4,426 and 82 fresh positive cases reported on Saturday have pushed the tally of positive cases to 330,434.

Of the exact number of 330,434 cases, 206,360 are from Kashmir division and 124,074 from Jammu division. Officials said that among 82

new cases, 69 belong to Kashmir division while as 13 are from Jammu division, adding that the total number of positive cases in Kashmir division have reached to 206,360 including 203,304 recoveries and 2,252 deaths while as total number of positive cases in Jammu division have reached to 124,074 including 121,604 recoveries and 2,174 deaths.

The officials said that the total number of active cases in Jammu and Kashmir are 1,100 including 804 from Kashmir division and 296 from Jammu division. With 81 more recoveries, ● [More On P10](#)

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Make All 22 Juvenile Justice Boards in J&K Functional: SC Judge

Observer news Service

SRINAGAR: Supreme Court Judge, Justice S. Ravindra Bhat Saturday stressed on the need to make functional Juvenile Justice Boards in all the 22 districts of J&K and Ladakh for strengthening the justice system.

He was talking at a function after inaugurating the Fourth Round Table Conference on 'Implementation of Juvenile System' in the Union Territories of J&K & Ladakh here at SKICC.

The conference was organized by the Juvenile Justice Committee, Supreme Court of India, Juvenile Justice Committee, High Court of

J&K and Ladakh in collaboration with the Government of Jammu & Kashmir and supported by UNICEF. Chief Justice High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Justice Pankaj Mithal; Chairman, Juvenile Justice Committee High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey, Justice

Tashi Rabastan, judges of High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Director General of Police J&K, Dilbagh Singh; Special DG Crime J&K, AK Choudhary; Secretary Social Welfare, Sheetal Nanda, Secretary Law & Parliamentary Affairs, Achal Sehti; UNICEF India Representative Yasmin Haque; Member Secretary ● [More On P10](#)

Uphold Rule 17, Don't Ruin Our Careers: Students to BOPEE

Zaid Bin Shabir

SRINAGAR: A group of Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) students from Government Dental Colleges of Srinagar and Jammu Saturday alleged that the authorities from J&K Board of Professional Entrance Examination (BOPEE) were ruining their career by illegally revoking the benefits of Rule-17 of the Reservation Rules, 2005.

The aspirants applying for Master of Dental Surgery (MDS) courses (both clinical and non-clinical courses) in the twin GDCs of the erstwhile state castigated the BOPEE authorities for ceasing the



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benefits of Rule 17 for their admission during the phase-1 counselling session.

"We're four students who

6 THE RULE 17 OF THE RESERVATION RULES IS STILL APPLICABLE and the authorities have made recent selections based on the rule" ■ Shafiq Raina, Chairman BOPEE

deserve the benefits of Rule 17 but during the counselling session conducted on Sunday, the examination controller and BOPEE secretary clearly said that Rule 17 is no longer applicable," Dr. Sameer Kambay, one of the students, told Kashmir Observer.

"Two of our colleagues were given non-clinical courses. They clearly deserved admission in the clinical course ● [More On P10](#)



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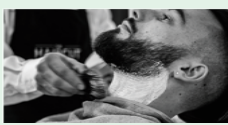
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ADVANCE NOTICE

Subject: Computer Based Written Test (CBT) Examination for the Post of the Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector, and Sub Motor Vehicle Inspector, Item No 90, 94, 89 and 93 respectively vide advertised Notice No 04 of 2020-regarding.

In continuation to this office notice no SSB/COE/CBT-II/2021/6350-60 dated 27-09-2021, it is hereby notified that CBT examination for the post of Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector, and Sub Motor Vehicle Inspector, Item No 90, 94, 89 and 93 respectively, Advertised vide Advertisement Notification Notice No 04 of 2020, shall also be conducted on 08th of November 2021.

All the candidates who have applied for the aforesaid posts are accordingly informed to participate in the CBT examination to be held on 08th of November, 2021. However, downloading of Admit Cards shall be notified later on. This is the advance notice for information of concerned candidates.

(Ashok Kumar) JKAS

Controller of Examinations

J&K Services Selection Board Jammu

No. SSB/COE/CBT-II/2021/6819-29 Dated: 07-10-2021

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NOTICE

Subject: Conduct of Computer Based Type Test (Skill Test) of Kashmir based centre candidates for the post of Junior Scale Stenographer, Personal Assistant and Steno Typist, UT Cadre, Divisional Cadres and various Districts, Advertisement Notification Nos 04, 05, 06 and 07 of 2020 and 01, 02 and 03 of 2021- regarding

1. The TYPE-TEST (Skill Test) of Kashmir Centre Based candidates on Computer Key Board who have applied for the posts of Junior Scale Stenographer, Personal Assistant and Steno Typist, UT Cadre, Divisional Cadres and various Districts, Advertisement Notification Nos 04, 05, 06 and 07 of 2020 and 01, 02 and 03 of 2021 shall be conducted w.e.f. 11th of October, 2021 onwards at NIELIT (formerly DOEACC), Old Airport Road, Rangreth, Budgam, as per the candidates / items schedule/ date annexed at Annexure "A" of this notice.

2. Candidates who are scheduled in the said test are advised to download their Admit Cards from our official website of the Board i.e.(www.jkssb.nic.in) w.e.f 08-10-2021 onwards.

3. The candidates will not be permitted entry into Type test venue without the Admit Card and a valid photo identity which shows the photo clearly. Please again note that apart from Admit Card, the candidates shall be required to produce a photo identity card (Aadhar/Voter Identity Card / Driving License / Passport / Pan Card / Ration Card / Student Identity Card / Identity Card Issued by Competent Authority) as proof of your identity at the time of the exam.

4. The candidates must note their admit Card will be checked at a registration counter at the Venue. 5. Any candidate found guilty of impersonating or submitting fabricated / tampered documents / testimonials or making false, incorrect or suppressing material information shall render him / her liable to criminal prosecution under law and may be debarred permanently or for a specific period for consideration of any or all recruitments made by the Board. Also canvassing / lobbying in any form will entail disqualification of the candidate(s).

6. A candidate who fails to appear in the test on the scheduled date & time, shall not be allowed to appear in the test for the mentioned notification on any subsequent date and shall be disqualified for any further consideration on this account.

7. No supplementary type-test (of the candidates who happen to miss the type-test scheduled herein) shall be conducted by the Board on any ground whatsoever.

8. Only those candidates who achieve an accuracy of typing of 90% or above and a type-speed of minimum 35 words per minute shall be considered qualified for second stage i.e Shorthand Test.

9. No TA/DA shall be paid for participation in the interview.

Note:- (1) The candidates are advised to bring two recent photographs and Photostat copy of each certificate self-attested by the candidate for depositing with the Board on the scheduled date and time in addition to original documents, failing which no claim / objection in this regard shall be entertained.

(2) The candidate(s) who fail to appear in the Type Test on the given date shall forfeit his right of consideration.

(3) The candidates are hereby directed that Wearing of masks is mandatory during type test and also advised to carry hand sanitizer for their personal use.

(4) Mobile phone is not allowed in the office premises.

(Ashok Kumar) JKAS

Controller of Examinations

J&K Services Selection Board Jammu

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Subject: Provisional merit list of the candidates who have applied for admission to B. Pharmacy Courses-2021; objections, thereof:

Reference: Notification No.082-BOPEE of 2021 dated 01-09-2021.

Notification No.101-BOPEE of 2021

Dated: 08-10-2021.

The Board vide Notification No. 082-BOPEE of 2021 dated 01-09-2021 invited offline applications from the eligible candidates of UT's of J&K/Ladakh for admission to B.Pharmacy courses 2021. The provisional merit list in this regard is annexed as Annexure "A" to this Notification and is available on official website of the Board (www.jkbopee.gov.in) only. The candidates, if any, who intent to submit representation against his/her position in the merit list can do so up to 12th October, 2021 (04:00 P.M) failing which no claim whatsoever shall be entertained under any circumstances. The interested candidates can deposit their representations along with evidence at BOPEE Office, Jammu/Srinagar physically within the prescribed date.

The Board shall fill up the seats of Prabha Harjilal College of Pharmacy & Preclinical Sciences Madre-e-Meharban Campus of Health Sciences Jammu. Further, the Board shall fill up the seats on the basis of merit cum preferences in respect of any other institutions, if approval for the same is received by the Board from competent Authority and respective Universities.

Note:

1. The representations, if any, shall not be entertained through e-mail.
2. The provisional merit list of the candidates has been prepared as already mentioned in the Notification No. 082-BPOPEE of 2021 dated 01-09-2021 on the basis of aggregate marks obtained by the candidates in the qualifying examination i.e. (10+2). In case of tie between candidates, same has been resolved by taking into account marks obtained by candidates in Chemistry first, and for further tie marks obtained in Physics in the qualifying examination i.e. 10+2 class. In case of further tie, same shall be resolved by candidate's DOB i.e. candidate older in age is preferred first.
3. In case no objection(s) are received within the prescribed date and time by the Board, this provisional merit list shall be treated as final and seats shall be filled on the basis of their rank.
4. The candidates who have not submitted their Domicile Certificates as on date are advised to produce the same at the time of admission to the concerned College.
5. The benefit of category shall be applicable only in Government Institutions but not in Private Institutions.

The other terms and conditions as laid-down in the Notifications/N otices on the subject shall remain the same.

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2	Dead line for receipt of hard copy (EMD & Tender fee).	12-10-2021 up to 02 PM
3	Date of opening of hard copy & techno commercial bid	13-10-2021 at 2:00 PM

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Barthana, Parimpora Fire Victims Get Ex-Gratia Relief

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SRINAGAR: The District Development Commissioner (DDC) Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad Saturday sanctioned an ex-gratia relief to the tune of Rs 39.26 Lakh covering 52 fire incident damaged structures of Barthana, Parimpora in Srinagar.

These houses/properties were gutted in a devastating fire incident on October 07, 2021, render-

ing several families homeless.

The ex-gratia relief has been sanctioned under SDRF after being verified by the SOP Committee headed by Additional District Development Commissioner, Srinagar.

Meanwhile, the DC has said that essential assistance in the form of 500 blankets, 300 mattresses, 300 bed sheets and 100 kitchen sets has already been extended to the affected families.

Civil Society Group Demands Time- Bound Judicial Probe Into Civilian Killings

KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR:- The "Group of Concerned Citizens" a non-political Civil Society Group comprising academicians , businessmen , Advocates , Scientists , former judges , civil servants etc. has expressed deep anguish and shock over the recent spate of killings in Kashmir.

While empathising with victim families and offering them condolences, the Group has sought a time- bound judicial probe into these dastardly killings, they said in a statement.

They also have urged the government to "unmask" the unknown murderers and bring them to justice at the earliest . The Group has expressed solidarity with the victim families and assured them full moral support.

Further , the Group has vehemently condemned the forces attempting to create a wedge between different communities living peacefully in the Valley .

"The nefarious designs of certain vested interest groups to create panic through circulation of false and fabricated stories over social media thereby instigating the members of minority communities to migrate, we condemn it," the statement reads.

They have also condemned the mischievous videos gone viral on social media about imaginary migration of people" , the GCC statement reads.

"We assured full support to efforts made at any level for creating and nurturing an atmosphere of amity between different communities living in the Valley," the statement further adds.

Implementation Of Juvenile Justice System

4Th Round Table Confab Held At SKICC



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Supreme Court Judge, Justice S. Ravindra Bhat on Saturday inaugurated the Fourth Round Table Conference on 'Implementation of Juvenile System' in the Union Territories of J&K & Ladakh here at SKICC.

The conference was organized by the Juvenile Justice Committee, Supreme Court of India, Juvenile Justice Committee High Court of J&K and Ladakh in collaboration with Government of Jammu & Kashmir and supported by UNICEF.

Chief Justice High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Justice Pankaj Mithal; Chairman, Juvenile Justice Committee High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey, Justice Tashi Rabastan, judges of High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Director General of Police J&K, Dilbagh Singh; Special DG Crime J&K, AK Choudhary; Secretary Social Welfare, Sheetal Nanda, Secretary Law & Parliamentary

Affairs, Achal Sehti; UNICEF India Representative Yasmin Haque; Member Secretary Juvenile Justice Committee, Abdul Rashid Malik, large number of judicial officers of subordinate courts, members of Juvenile Justice Boards, member of District Child Welfare Committees, members of NGOs, social organizations and several other stakeholders participated in the conference both physically and virtually.

While delivering his inaugural address at the conference, Justice S. Ravindra Bhat expressed his gratitude to the JJ Committee J&K and Ladakh for organizing the conference and said that there is need for greater deliberations and discussions over the issues of juveniles and the children who are in conflict with the law.

He outlined that the event is a welcome and ingenious step where all the stakeholders are sitting together to deliberate upon the work already done and

what more needs to be done for the protection of children.

He emphasized that all the 22 JJ Boards should be made functional in all 22 districts of UTs of J&K and Ladakh for strengthening the JJ system.

He commended the JJ Committee of J&K and Ladakh and said a lot of things have been done and many gains and improvements are visible while more concerted efforts are needed to help us to improve by organizing such round table conferences.

He added that manpower in JJ Boards make delivery and implementation easy as we are investing in the future of the country so that children become participatory citizens.

Chief Justice High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Justice Pankaj Mithal while delivering his keynote address during the Roundtable Conference said that the aim of the conference was to review the JJ system and to review the pledge to work for the best interest of children of the UTs.

In Past One Decade, LAWDA Hasn't Procured Any New De-Weeding Machine

Agencies

SRINAGAR: In the past one decade, the Lakes and Water-ways Development Authority (LAWDA) has not procured any new de-weeding machine to clean the Dal Lake, ironically the department has been using obsolete 'piece of equipment'.

Top official of the department told the news agency that, "Around in the past ten years, no new de-weeding machine has been procured by the LAWDA."

"Previously, the de-weeding machines were procured in 2012 and these machines are of very high importance in cleaning the Dal as manual work is slow and uneconomical," the official said.

The official further said that on an average the life of such machines are not more than fifteen years.

"Two de-weeding machines are functional from the past twenty years while two other functional machines have a few life left," the

official added.

"One of the main reasons for not purchasing the new machines is that people, whether local or foreign didn't show much interest in tenders which were issued at global level," the official said.

The LAWDA official also said, "In view of the uncertainty, the foreign investors' participation has been poor."

However, the official also said that under the new program, LAWDA would purchase new imported machines.

Stating the types of weeds that need to be wiped-out from the Lake, the official said, "In Dal Lake, almost 50 types of weeds are present and on a daily basis, around 200 tons of weeds are being extracted in active season."

The LAWDA official further claimed that the department will extract all the Lily-pads permanently from the Dal Lake in the next three years which are spread from 0.5 square kilometres to six square kilometres now.

Mayor Participates In Ongoing De-Weeding Process Of Dal Lake

KONEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: The Mayor, Srinagar Municipal Corporation, Junaid Azim Mattoo Saturday visited Dal Lake and participated in the ongoing de-weeding process which had been kickstarted on 2nd October, 2021 by the Lt. Governor of J&K.

The Mayor also visited other parts of Dal Lake where Lily extraction is being carried out through pontoon based machines, an innovative

method utilised to extract the lily from roots for the first time in the Dal Lake. This method has been very effective and has covered a larger area within the shortest time.

The Mayor on the occasion stressed on the sustained efforts adopted by LDA for lily extraction. He hailed the efforts of LDA for cleaning of Dal Lake and other conservation efforts being put in. The Mayor was accompanied by officers of LDA and SMC during his visit.

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Taliban Vow Punishment As Death Toll From Shia Mosque Blast Mounts

Agencies

Kabul: The Taliban have pledged punishment for those behind Friday's deadly bomb attack on a Shia mosque in northern Afghanistan, for which the Daesh terrorist group has claimed responsibility.

The blast happened as worshippers were offering prayers at the mosque in the Khanabad Bandar area in Afghanistan's northeastern city of Kunduz, killing scores of people and injuring more than 140 others, according to TOLO news agency.

Local security officials said over 300 people were attending the prayers when the attack took place, with media reports citing

its Amaq news channel.

Zabiullah Mujahid, a Taliban spokesman and the Taliban deputy minister of information and culture, confirmed the terrorist attack and vowed that the perpetrators of the "heinous" act will be punished.

"A Shia mosque was blown up by Takfiris in the Khan Abad Bandar area of central Kunduz province this afternoon, killing several of our compatriots and injuring several others," Mujahid said on Twitter.

"The Islamic Emirate strongly condemns this heinous act and promises to find and punish the perpetrators of this heinous crime. God willing."

The deadly bomb attack



eyewitnesses as saying, "More than 100 people were killed and 20 others were injured in the explosion in mosque."

The Daesh-K, the Afghan branch of the Takfiri terrorist outfit, claimed responsibility for the attack late Friday in a statement issued on

took place a few hours after Mujahid told TOLO news agency that the Taliban did not consider Daesh a "threat" but a "headache." He said Daesh lacked popular support in the country and would certainly very soon be "suppressed."

Ahead of Doha meet, Taliban say they won't work with US to contain Islamic State

Agencies

Islamabad: The Taliban on Saturday ruled out cooperation with the US to contain extremist groups in Afghanistan, staking out an uncompromising position on a key issue ahead of the first direct talks between the former foes since America withdrew from the country in August.

Senior Taliban officials and US representatives are to meet on Saturday and Sunday in Doha, the Capital of the Persian Gulf state of Qatar. Officials from both sides have said issues include reining in extremist groups and the evacuation of foreign citizens and Afghans from the country. The Taliban have signaled flexibility on evacuations.

Taliban political spokesman Suhail Shaheen told The Associated Press there would be no cooperation with Washington on going after the increasingly active Islamic State group affiliate in Afghanistan. IS has taken responsibility for a number of attacks, including a suicide bombing that killed 46 minority Shiite Muslims and wounded dozens as they prayed in a mosque.

"We are able to tackle Daesh independently," Shaheen said, when asked whether the Taliban would work with the U.S. to con-

tain the Islamic State affiliate. He used an Arabic acronym for IS.

IS has carried out relentless assaults on the country's Shiite Muslims since emerging in eastern Afghanistan in 2014. IS is also seen as the greatest threat to the United States.



The weekend meetings in Doha are the first since U.S. forces withdrew from Afghanistan in late August, ending a 20-year military presence, and the Taliban rose to power in the nation. The U.S. has made it clear the talks are not a preamble to recognition.

The talks also come on the heels of two days of difficult discussions between Pakistani officials and U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Wendy Sherman in Islamabad. The focus of those talks was also Afghanistan. Pakistani officials urged the U.S. to engage with Afghanistan's new rulers and release billions of dollars in international funds to stave off an economic meltdown.



Lakhimpur Kheri violence

Union Minister Ajay Mishra's son Ashish appears before SIT

Press Trust Of India

Lakhimpur Kheri: Union Minister Ajay Mishra's son Ashish Mishra on Saturday appeared before the special investigation team (SIT) formed in connection with the Lakhimpur Kheri violence case.

Police officials here at the spot refused to comment on the ongoing interrogation.

Ashish Mishra was supposed to appear before police on Friday, but he did not do so. The Uttar Pradesh Police

then issued a fresh notice asking him to appear before it by 11 am on Saturday.

After two men were arrested on Thursday in the case, police then had pasted a notice outside Ashish Mishra's house asking him to appear before it in connection with the violence that claimed eight lives.

Four of the eight people who died in the violence on Sunday were farmers, allegedly knocked down by a vehicle carrying BJP workers. Angry farmers then allegedly

lynched some people in the vehicles.

The other dead included two BJP workers and their driver.

Farmers claimed that Ashish Mishra was in one of the vehicles, an allegation denied by him and his father who say they can produce evidence to prove he was at an event at that time.

A nine-member team headed by DIG Upendra Agarwal has been formed to investigate the FIR lodged against the minister's son and others.

Preliminary Enquiry By CBI Not Must In Corruption Cases: SC

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: The Supreme Court held on Friday that Preliminary Enquiry (PE) is not mandatory before FIR registration by the CBI under the Code of Criminal Procedure or Prevention of Corruption Act or the investigative agency's manual and the accused cannot insist on it as a right.

The top court said that in case the information received by the CBI, through a complaint or a "source information" under CBI manual, discloses the commission of a cognizable offence, it can directly register a Regular Case instead of conducting a PE.

The court also clarified in its 64-page verdict that if the CBI chooses not to hold a PE, the accused cannot demand it as a matter of right.

A bench of Justices DY Chandrachud, Vikram Nath and BV Nagarathna set aside a Telangana High Court order of February 11, 2020 quashing the FIR registered by CBI in disproportionate asset case against an 1992 batch IRS officer Vijayalakshmi and her husband Audimulapu Suresh, who is presently Andhra Pradesh Education Minister.

"In view of the discussion, we hold that since the institu-



tion of a Preliminary Enquiry in cases of corruption is not made mandatory before the registration of an FIR under the CrPC, PC Act or even the CBI Manual, for this Court to issue a direction to that effect will be tantamount to stepping into the legislative domain," the bench said.

"Hence, we hold that in case the information received by the CBI, through a complaint or a "source information" under Chapter 8 (of CBI manual), discloses the commission of a cognizable offence, it can directly register a Regular Case instead of conducting a Preliminary Enquiry, where the officer is satisfied that the information discloses the commission of a cognizable offence," it said.

The bench said however that its formulation does not

take away from the value of conducting a PE in an appropriate case which has been acknowledged in catena of verdicts of this court where it has been held that the accepted norm - be it in the form of CBI Manual or like instruments - is to insist on a preliminary inquiry.

"The registration of a Regular Case can have disastrous consequences for the career of an officer, if the allegations ultimately turn out to be false. In a Preliminary Enquiry, the CBI is allowed access to documentary records and speak to persons just as they would in an investigation, which entails that information gathered can be used at the investigation stage as well," it said.

The bench added that conducting a PE would not take away from the ultimate goal of prosecuting accused persons in a timely manner and "we once again clarify that if the CBI chooses not to hold a Preliminary Enquiry, the accused cannot demand it as a matter of right". It said that earlier verdicts of the top court had clarified that a PE is valuable in corruption cases but it does not vest a right in the accused and only ensure that there is no abuse of the process of law in order to target public servants.

Drone attacks target Saudi airport in Jazan

Agencies

Riyadh: At least 10 people have been reported injured in attacks on an airport in Saudi Arabia's city of Jazan, near the border with Yemen.

The Saudi Press Agency (SPA) said the attacks on Friday evening targeted the King Abdullah Airport.

Citing a Saudi-led coalition spokesman, SPA said that the first projectile was fired from a drone, shattering the airport's facade windows and causing injuries.

A second explosives-laden drone was intercepted early on Saturday, the coalition added, without giving details on any injuries or damages.

Six Saudis, three Bangladeshi nationals and one Sudanese were among those who were injured in the first attack, according to the Reuters news agency.

At least five of the victims suffered only minor injuries, while the conditions of the five others were not immediately known.

No one has claimed immediate responsibility for the attack, but a number of attacks against Saudi targets recently have been blamed on Yemen's Houthi forces. The Houthis are fighting a Saudi-led coalition, which is trying to reinstate the deposed government there.

On Wednesday, four workers were also wounded after the coalition intercepted an explosives-laden drone targeting the kingdom's Abha airport.

On August 31, a drone hit



the same airport, wounding eight people and damaging a civilian aircraft.

Nestled in the kingdom's southwestern mountains, Abha is a popular destination for Saudi tourists.

There were no further details on the latest incident.

Saudi Arabia intervened in the Yemen war on behalf of the internationally recognised government in 2015.

The Iran-allied Houthis have repeatedly targeted the kingdom in cross-border attacks.

In August, the rebels escalated those operations, using drones and missiles.

Facebook Messenger, Instagram Facing Issues For Second Time In A Week

Facebook Inc confirmed on Friday that some users were having trouble accessing its apps and services, days after the social media giant suffered a six-hour outage triggered by an error during routine maintenance on its network of data centers.

Some users were unable to load their Instagram feeds, while others were not able to send messages on Facebook Messenger. "We're aware that some people are having trouble accessing our apps and products. We're working to get things back to normal as quickly as possible and we apologize for any inconvenience," Facebook said in a tweet.

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People swiftly took to Twitter to share memes about the second Instagram disruption this week.

Web monitoring group Downdetector showed there were more than 36,000 incidents of people reporting issues with photo-sharing platform Instagram on Friday. There were also more than 800 reported issues with Facebook's messaging platform.

Downdetector only tracks outages by collating status reports from a series of sources, including user-submitted errors on its platform. The outage might have affected a larger number of users.

The outage on Monday was the largest Downdetector had ever seen and blocked access to apps for billions of users of Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp.



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Nobel Peace Prize Winner Maria Ressa Dedicates Award To "All Journalists"

Veteran Philippine journalist Maria Ressa on Saturday said her Nobel Peace Prize was for "all journalists around the world", as she vowed to continue her battle for press freedom.

"This is really for all journalists around the world," Ressa, a vocal critic of Philippines President Rodrigo Duterte, told AFP in an interview.

"We do need help on so many fronts -- it is so much more difficult and dangerous to be a journalist today."

Ressa, co-founder of news website Rappler, and Russian journalist Dmitry Muratov were awarded the Nobel Peace Prize on Friday for their efforts to "safeguard freedom of expression".



Philippine press groups and rights activists hailed Ressa's award as a "triumph" in a country ranked as one of the world's most dangerous for journalists.

Since Duterte was swept to power in 2016, Ressa and Rappler have endured what media

advocates say is a grinding series of criminal charges, investigations and online attacks.

Duterte has called Rappler a "fake news outlet", and Ressa has been the target of abusive messages online.

Ressa, 58, said she hoped the prize would provide a protective shield for her and other journalists in the Philippines against physical attacks and online threats.

"This 'us against them' was never the creation of the journalists, it was the creation of the people in power who wanted to use a type of leadership that divides society," Ressa said, describing the award "like a shot of adrenaline".

Nobel for journalists as reminder that freedom of the press under threat

Columbia (US). : Thirty-two years ago next month, I was in Germany reporting on the fall of the Berlin Wall, an event then heralded as a triumph of Western democratic liberalism and even "the end of history."

But democracy isn't doing so well across the globe now. Nothing underscores how far we have come from that moment of irrational exuberance than the powerful warning the Nobel Prize Committee felt compelled to issue on October 8, 2021, in awarding its coveted Peace Prize to two reporters.

"They are representative for all journalists," Berit Reiss-Andersen, the chair of the Norwegian Nobel Committee, said in announcing the award to Maria Ressa and Dmitry Muratov, "in a world in which democracy and freedom of the press face increasingly adverse conditions."

The honour for Muratov, the co-founder of Russia's Novaya Gazeta, and Ressa, the CEO of the Philippine news site Rappler, is enormously important. In part that's because of the protection that

global attention may afford two journalists under imminent and relentless threat from the strongmen who run their respective countries. "The world is watching," Reiss-Andersen pointedly noted in an interview after making the announcement.

Equally important is the larger message the committee wanted to deliver. "Without media, you cannot have a strong democracy," Reiss-Andersen said.

Global political threats

The two laureates' cases highlight an emergency for civil society: Muratov, editor of what the Nobel Prize Committee described as "the most independent paper in Russia today," has seen six of his colleagues slain for their work criticizing Russian leader Vladimir Putin.

Ressa, a former CNN reporter, is under a de facto travel ban because the government of Rodrigo Duterte, in an obvious attempt to bankrupt Rappler, has filed so many legal cases against the website that Ressa must go from judge to judge to ask permission any time she wants to leave the country.

Priyanka reacts to Yogi's jibe by sweeping floor at Dalit locality

Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Friday paid a surprise visit to a dalit locality in Lucknow and picked up a broom, reacting to CM Yogi Adityanath's dig at her for sweeping the floor at the Sitapur guest house where she was detained.

Taking on the chief minister for his "casteist comment", Priyanka later in a tweet announced that all district committees of the party will clean Valmiki temples on Saturday.

In a reply to a query over Gandhi's act of sweeping the floor during her detention, Adityanath earlier in the day had said people want them to be fit only for this and they reduce them to it (janata unko usi layak banana chahti, aur usi layak bana diya).

COVID CONTAINMENT MEASURES

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SRINAGAR: The Chief Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta on Saturday chaired a meeting to review the public health response to COVID-19.

Additional Chief Secretary, Finance, Atal Dullloo, Additional Chief Secretary, Health & Medical Education, Vivek Bhardwaj, Principal Secretary, Public Works (R&B), Shailendra Kumar, Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir, Pandurang Kondbarao Pole, Divisional Commissioner, Jammu, Dr. Raghav Langer, Secretary, DMRRR, Nazim Zai Khan besides, Inspectors General of Police, Kashmir/Jammu, all Deputy Commissioners, all District Superintendents of Police and other concerned officers participated in the meeting.

At the outset, the Chief Secretary, appreciated the four districts of Samba, Poonch, Ramban and Anantnag for achieving 100% vaccination of population over 18 years with 1st dose. He reiterated that the remaining districts also need to redouble their efforts to ensure 100% coverage of all eligible population with first COVID vaccination dose within a week.

The meeting opened up with a brief presentation by the Additional Chief Secretary, Health & Medical Education, giving a snap shot of Covid cases, testing and vaccination scenario in the Union territory.

It was informed that Jammu and Kashmir has reported 0.21% daily positivity rate against the



national average of 1.49%. So far, 1,25,34,897 vaccination doses have been administered to the eligible population in the Union territory. A total of 86,64,393 (93% of total population) people of 18 years and above age have been administered the first dose while 38,70,504 in the same age group have been given the second dose (42% of total population).

Dr Mehta impressed upon all the district administrations to mobilise all resources towards universal vaccination of eligible group, including initiating IEC campaigns, if necessary, to saturate all the eligible population in all districts with first dose by 16th October, 2021. He also asked the districts to focus on overdue second doses so that such a population can be covered at the earliest.

Dr. Mehta stressed the need for strict enforcement of the COVID appropriate behaviour (CAB) and COVID SOPs, especially during the upcoming season of festivities. The enforcement agencies were directed to strictly implement the established protocols and levy penalties on defaulters.

State Should Not Walk Into Trap Laid by Killers: Lone

Says attacks on Kashmir Attempt at othering majority community

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SRINAGAR: Peoples Conference Chairman Sajjad Gani Lone on Saturday said the spate of attacks on Kashmir was a "deliberate attempt of othering the majority community here and identifying it with the savagery that a lunatic fringe is indulging in".

Lone, who has condemned the attack on minorities, said the Jammu and Kashmir administration does not have the luxury of resorting to a randomised response.

Attempts are being made to violently target the minority community. There is a deliberate attempt of othering the majority community and identifying it with the savagery that a lunatic fringe is indulging in. It is important to make a distinction between the majority community and the fringe of the fringe, consisting of a few individuals who are a curse for this land and people inhabiting this land.

"They have not spared the majority community either and have killed at whim and continue to target all those who are not in conformity with their world view," Lone said.

Lone emphasised on the need to remain steadfast and united in this hour of grief and protect the people.

"Our collective heritage and our collective histories of our struggles, our travails demand that we understand that this land is ours and that we together don't allow trespassers and encroachers to scare us away.

A helpless civilian can do nothing against the dictates of violence and the majority community is as pained and as scared as the minority community. I am under no illusions the guns targeting the minority community today will target the majority community tomorrow. They have done it in the past for

the last three decades, they have done it just a few days back and they will do it again," he added. Lone said the madness of perpetrators of violence would not matter if there is a resolve to call a spade a spade.

"I am a Kashmiri Muslim and have lost my dear father to bullets and there are thousands like me. We are all in it together. We are connected through the pain of losing our loved ones to bullets. Those who indulge in terror, those who believe in violence have no religion, no faith and no nationality," he added.

Lone underscored that while the people of J&K cannot afford to give a scattered, disunited response, it is equally important for the state administration to understand that it just does not have the luxury of resorting to a randomised response.

"That would be walking into a trap laid by the killers. What we need is a specific targeting of those involved in acts of terror. Sifting through three-decade records and summoning old OGWs who have reintegrated into the society may do more harm than benefit. Wholesale summoning is harmful and counter-productive," he added.

He emphasised that the union territory administration needs to understand that it may have been operating in an environment, which was not as challenging as it is today or might be in the future and they need to gear up to face these challenges.

"Our learning curves are bloodied and have been drawn over the last three decades in the company of a lot of pain and bloodshed. Not referring to these curves will be a waste of that sacrifice. We will have to refer to these learning curves and I can tell you with authority that our learning curves will never recommend a randomised response," he said.

55 Sarpanchs, Panchs Tender Resignation In Ramban

OBSERVER NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU: Around 55 sarpanchs and panchs have tendered their resignations in two blocks of Ramban district over various issues, reports and officials said on Saturday.

As per the resignation letters, cop-

reach programme, they said the local administration is not honouring their protocols and only select representatives were invited to have meetings with the visiting ministers to mislead the government.

The Letters further said that no official from the revenue department was taking part in Gram Sabha programs, which they have raised time and again with the administration.

"The Panchayat system in Block Ramsu is completely disturbed and distracted. The administration is not paying any attention to our pleas and our protocol is being dishonoured," they said.

They also alleged that they are being ignored and face un-

AC Approves Roof-Top Installation Of Solar Power Plants, Water Pumps

OBSERVER NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: In a bid to lower the carbon footprint of the Government buildings in Jammu and Kashmir, the Administrative Council (AC), which met here under the chairmanship of Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, approved the installation of grid-tied rooftop solar power plants on Government buildings within Jammu city's municipal limits by the Jammu Smart City Ltd. (JSCL).

Farooq Khan and Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisors to the Lieutenant Governor, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary, J&K and Nitishwar Kumar, Principal Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor attended the meeting.

The project will be completed by March, 2023 at an estimated cost of Rs 53.10 crore, which shall be recovered at the rate of 22 percent annually on account of savings from reduced dependency on externally purchased power. These installed rooftop solar power plants will

also be connected with the main power grid on a net metering basis.

The Jammu and Kashmir Government will benefit from the solar generation of approximately 20 million units of energy annually, over the project lifetime of 25 years. Additionally, the annual carbon emissions are also expected to be reduced by 16,000 tonnes.

On an enhanced scale, besides helping the energy-deficit Jammu and Kashmir in supplementing its energy needs, the model will also help DISCOMs in achieving their renewable purchase obligation (RPO) targets of 10.5% as mandated by the Ministry of Power, Government of India.

Further, the Administrative Council also approved the proposal for the installation of 5000 agricultural solar pumps having a capacity range from 1 HP to 10 HP under Prime Minister's Kissan Urja Suraksha Evam Uthaan Mahaabhiyan (PM KUSUM) scheme at an estimated project cost of Rs. 135 crore.

21 MSUs Handed Over To Beneficiaries At Anantnag

OBSERVER NEWS SERVICE

ANANTNAG: A total of 21 Mini Sheep Units (MSUs), (10+1) under Tribal Sub Plan were handed over to beneficiaries on Saturday at Sarnal, here.

Chairman, District Development Council, M Yousuf Gorsi, District Development Commissioner, Dr. Piyush Singla, Joint Director Extension Sheep Husbandry Kashmir, Dr. Basharat Amin Kathoo, District Sheep Husbandry Officer, Dr. Zubair Ahsan Kabli besides other concerned

officers were present on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, the DDC said that sheep farming is a profitable and sustainable venture adding the administration is providing every possible help to boost the same.

He directed the officers of Sheep Husbandry to provide proper support and hand-holding to the beneficiaries so that they gain meaningful livelihood from these units.

Besides, livestock was also distributed among selected beneficiaries at Sheep Development Blocks, Vailoo and Y. K Pora.

Apni Party Condemns Recent Civilian Killings

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SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Apni Party on Saturday convened a condolence meeting where in a resolution was passed condemning the recent spate of civilian killings across Kashmir.

The meeting was held at Party Central office M2, Church Lane, Sonwar in Srinagar which was attended by Apni Party President Syed Altaf Bukhari and other leaders.

The meeting unanimously denounced the inhumane brutal civilian killings and vowed to uphold the flambeau of unity and brotherhood unwaveringly.

ACB Chargesheets FCS&CA Officials For Embezzlement

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UDHAMPUR: The anti-corruption bureau (ACB) on Saturday produced a chargesheet against the officials of Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs (FCS&CA) Department for misappropriation of food grains in Udhampur district.

In a statement an ACB spokesperson said that anti corruption bureau produced chargesheet in Case FIR No.

21/2015 u/s 5(1) (c), 5(1) (d) r/w 5(2) JK PCT Act Svt 2006 and sections 201,409, 467, 468,471 and 120-B RPC P/S VOJ now ACB, against Bankay Ram son of Paras Ram of Baradian, Udhampur the then I/C Store Keeper Udhampur (now retired), Jarnaz Singh of Kathua the then Store Keeper Udhampur (now retired), Madan Lal son of Thakur Dass of Jib Udhampur the then Store Keeper Udhampur A/P TSO Udhampur and Babu

Ram son of Kaka Ram of Reasi at present in Jammu, the then Store Keeper Udhampur (now retired as dead wood).

"The instant case was registered in Vigilance Organization now ACB on the outcome of a verification conducted into the allegations regarding misappropriation of food grains by the officers and officials of FCS&CA Department of Block Udhampur and Block Pancheri revealed that the

ration consignments under different categories i.e APL, BPL and AAY which were earmarked for the respective food stores for distribution to different dealers for the families attached with such dealers have been shown issued in excess than the allotted quota in the name of the concerned dealers which have not been received by them during the period 2004 to 2008," the statement reads.

Class-IV Posts

JKSSB Notifies Revised Merit List of Eligible Candidates

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SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board (JKSSB) under an 'Accelerated Recruitment Drive' on Saturday notified revised merit list of candidates for district, divisional and Union Territory cadre posts of Class IV advertised vide advertisement notification number 01 of 2020 dated 26.06.2020.

According to a communiqué issued here by JKSSB in this regard, the revised merit list of eligible candidates for Class-IV posts has been prepared after document verification of short-listed candidates particularly relating to reserved categories and parameters laid down for assigning additional weightage which included no government employee in the family, casual/contractual workers and widows, divorced women, judicially separated women and orphan girls as much as determination of eligibility with reference to qualification prescribed in the recruitment rules for Class-IV posts and the Judgement rendered by the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) in the case titled N.K. Tripathi and 19 others vs State and others.

The communiqué further mentioned that the General

Administration Department vide number GAD/Mtg/RB-IV/50/2020 dated 22.06.2020, forwarded the indent for making recruitment to 8575 posts relating to various departments in accordance with the provisions of Jammu and Kashmir Appointment to Class IV (Special Recruitment) Rules, 2020 notified vide S.O.184 of 04-06-2020 read with S.O 193 dated 17-06-2020. The JKSSB vide advertisement notification number 01 of 2020 dated 26.06.2020, issued advertisement for aforesaid 8575 District/ Divisional/Union Territory Cadre posts of Class-IV in various departments.

Subsequently, the JKSSB conducted OMR based objective type Written Test Examination for aforesaid Class-IV posts (Different Departments), in three batches on 27th, 28th February, 2021 and 01st March 2021.

The allocation of cadres and departments in this respect is underway and shall be notified shortly.

Further, the shortlist in respect of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) candidates shall be issued separately once the clarification with regard to inconsistency in government order number 59- JK(SWD) of 2021 dated 15.04.2021 is received.

Union MoS Visits Shopian District



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SHOPIAN: Union Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting and Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Dr. L. Murugan on Saturday visited Shopian district as part of the Union Government's ongoing Public Outreach Programme.

The Minister e-inaugurated Health Institution Turkawan-gam, which has come up at an estimated cost of Rs 260 lakh, e-inaugurated 7 km Ramnagri-Gadipora Naham road which has come up at an estimated cost of Rs. 283.76 lakhs, laid e-foundation stone of 4.5 km Tunnel road Safanagri, coming up at an estimated cost of 295 lakhs and laid e-foundation stone of Takwan Gatipora road besides meeting public delegations.

District Development Council Chairman Bigees Jan, DDC Vice-Chairman, Irfan Manhas, Deputy Commissioner, Shopian, Sachin Kumar Vaishya, SSP, Shopian, Amritpaul Singh, and Chief Planning Officer, Shopian, Khurshed Ahmed Khatana were also present on the occasion.

Deputy Commissioner gave a brief outlook through a Power Point Presentation to MoS and highlighted the developmental activities in the district.

On the occasion, Union MoS said that the district has a huge potential for milk production besides having the biggest fish production source and if exploited, it can change the socio-economic condition of the local population.

The Minister appreciated the efforts put in by the UT government and the district administration to uplift the tourism sector in the district and urged the officers to work with extra zeal so as to bring Shopian on international tourist map.

On the occasion stalls were erected by some departments at Shirmal, Shopian showcasing their performance and ongoing activities. The Minister inspected all the stalls and interacted with the staff and the visitors at these stalls and distributed various certificates among the beneficiaries who had established dairy units, cow units, sheep units in their respective areas. The Minister also gave away one ambulance provided by Animal Husbandry Department Shopian, milk machines and gen-set, tractors, poultry and milk vans, sheep units under integrated sheep Development scheme and sheep units under Tribal Sub Plan, shearing machines and milk transportation vehicles.

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For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of Jammu and Kashmir union territory, sealed quotations duly affixed with revenue stamps of value Rs 2/- are invited from experienced Welders for the repair of main gate and fabrication of barricades as listed below for this institute. Last date for receipt of quotation will be 23-10-2021 and quotations will be opened on 25-10-2021 at 2:00 Pm.

S.No.	Name of the item	Size
1	Fabrication of barricades	3ft height, 9ft length, 5ft width & baffles of width 2.5ft each

Terms and Conditions:

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- The rates quoted should be written clearly in words and figures, without any cutting/ erasing /overwriting and correction. The quoted rates should be properly protected by the transparent tape.
- The successful bidder has to repair the items within 7 days after the issuance of work order.
- Bills in triplicate for the items repaired by the selected vendor (s) should be raised for payment. Payment shall be released only after it is ensured that the items / quantity of repair work has been done to the entire satisfaction of the purchase committee of Women ITI Bemina .
- The bidders have to submit separate requirement & cost of material and service charges of fabrication & repair work.
- The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject the quotation or any part thereof without assigning any reasons. In case of any dispute courts falling with jurisdiction of District Srinagar will be applicable.
- Rates should be strictly quoted inclusive of all taxes (CGST/SGST & Other taxes etc) applicable at the time of supplies and quoted F.O.R Women ITI Bemina premises.
- Interested bidders may also visit the ITI for prior inspection of the work.

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Piece To Peace: On Journalists Winning A Nobel

Nearly every year there are a number of people deserving of the Nobel Peace Prize who do not receive it, and some years there is someone undeserving who does. Such is the peril of granting awards to politicians and power brokers who may negotiate a treaty one summer and start a war the following autumn. This reality is part of what makes the committee's decision on Friday to honor journalists Maria Ressa and Dmitry Muratov so encouraging.

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Ms. Ressa, executive editor and founder of the investigative digital outlet Rappler, has been issued at least 10 arrest warrants in the past two years — and convicted on trumped-up charges of “cyber-libel” that carry a sentence of six months to six years in prison. Her only real offense is having told the truth about Philippines President Rodrigo Duterte's lawlessly violent anti-drug campaign and government corruption. The resultant retributive legal onslaught comes accompanied by a flood of vicious online harassment, including threats of rape and murder, yet all the while Ms. Ressa has refused to stop doing her job. Her work rooting out fake news is an example of the real news so crucial to democracy; Mr. Duterte's insistence that her work is itself fake is an example of the danger journalists and journalism face as nations slide toward authoritarianism.

Mr. Muratov has been similarly undeterrable. His newspaper, Novaya Gazeta, is one of the only independent sources of information surviving Russian President Vladimir Putin's suffocation of the Fourth Estate. Since the publication's founding in 1993, six of its journalists have been killed. One of them is Anna Politkovskaya, who in 2006 was shot in her apartment block in apparent retaliation for her reporting on human rights abuses in Chechnya. The government lately has been on a spree of labeling journalists and outlets “foreign agents” or “undesirable organizations” to chill their speech; only hours after the Nobel winners were announced, 9 more were added to the blacklist. The award and the associated attention, supporters hope, will prevent Novaya Gazeta from meeting the same fate.

The point isn't merely that Ms. Ressa and Mr. Muratov deserve commendation for their fearless reporting, but that this commendation might help ensure such reporting continues — in the Philippines, in Russia and around the world. The Nobel Committee has the institutional heft to call attention to both these deserving people — and the wider urgency of their work. But believers in civil liberties, from democratic leaders to everyday individuals, have to follow up by speaking out for expression and condemning those who try to shut it down.

Washington Post

Encountering The Monster Of
Drug Addiction In Kashmir

Amir Suhail Wani

Drug abuse, as experts predict, is supposed to attain as serious and challenging dimensions as the threat posed by arms, terrorism and nuclear weapons. Drugs that are the main cause of addiction are heroin, opium, morphine, inhalants, brown sugar, cocaine, diazepam, marijuana (ganja), hashish oil, etc. After petroleum and arms, the drug trade is the third-largest business in the world. It is estimated in a report of the United Nations (2017) that about 25.5 million people in the world are suffering from drug use disorders. Generations have already been sacrificed on this altar and future generations stand on the verge of ever-increasing vulnerability.

While the problem has established global dimensions, the problem becomes more pronounced and nuanced in a fragile zone like Kashmir, which is already beset with a host of socio-economic and political issues. For the past so many decades, the uncertainty prevalent in the valley has not only multiplied the number of people ailing with mental issues, it has worsened the issue of drug addiction and substance abuse. Researchers have pointed to numerous causes like easy availability, peer pressure, the pursuit of mental peace, or simply seeking an experience of thrill. All these have played a catalytic role in pushing youth into the abyss of drug addiction.

Studies carried over the past few decades have revealed not only an abrupt increase in the number of people indulged in menace but it's also revealed the growing involvement of girls, teenagers and school-going children. Another trend that has come under observation is the change in terms of substances consumed. While drugs like Alprazolam, Spasmaproxivan, Weeds were used by addicts in the past, the recent trend has seen growing consumption of heroin, cocaine, morphine, inhalants, injectables and such high-end drugs, revealed Dr Muzaffar, Director, Drug De-Addiction Centre. According to a survey conducted by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MoSJE) in February 2019, 600,000 people, i.e. 4.6 percent of the total population of the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir use opioid drugs, 80 percent of the drug addicts in Kashmir use heroin and morphine. From 15% heroin abuse recorded in 2016, it has now gone up to 90%, said doctors at a government de-addiction centre in Srinagar, the main city in the region. On the age range of people seen recently falling into the trap of drug abuse, a newspaper quotes Dr Muzaffar



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saying that “the trend of drug abuse is on the rise among school children as we have registered many such cases, where students of Class IX to XII are involved”.

The eruption of the COVID 19 pandemic has sparked some unforeseen and vicious trends in the phenomenon of drug menace. The long term absence of students from schools and colleges has only deteriorated the problem and the first-hand testimony by Dr Muzaffar reveals that the number of drug abusers has multiplied thrice during the lockdown. The ease of availability has also increased and cumulatively these factors have quantitatively and qualitatively aggravated the pre-existing chronic issue of drug abuse. In absence of regular classes, physical activity and a pressing sense of boredom have only made the youth vulnerable to the menace of drug addiction. These minor indoor incidents have translated into colossal scale outcomes like youth losing the meaning of their lives, an overreaching alienation and large

scale despair - all of them feeding the furnace of drug addiction.

A cumulative and sustained effort by teachers, parents, mental health providers and authorities is the only way out of this rabbit hole. The prerogative of the government and the state is to plug all those voids through which these drugs permeate into the valley. This calls for not only heightened surveillance on highways, but increased and concentrated effort by authorities at the grass root level.

Parents, as experts have been telling again and again, share a major role in curbing the menace. They must keenly observe any changes in the behavioural pattern of their children and immediately respond to the same, lest it turns to be the case of drug abuse/addiction. It may be challenging to know if someone has a drug addiction but knowing warning signs can help. Common physical signs include lethargy, bloodshot eyes, runny nose, irregular sleep and weight changes. Behavioral signs include shifts in so-

cial circles, poor work/school performance, secretive behaviour and neglecting responsibilities.

Psychological signs include paranoid thoughts, negative self-image, lack of motivation and feelings of apathy. Teachers must instil in students the spirit of healthy and positive life and simultaneously sensitise and awaken them to the subtle phenomenon of drug addiction.

Lastly, our healthcare workers and mental health providers have a special role to play. Their sympathetic and professional interventions can help not only in mitigating the pandemic of drug addiction, but can more importantly help those who are already trapped in this vicious circle and are unable to break the chain. Though surveys reveal that drugs have penetrated our society on a catastrophic scale, there is still a silver lining that we may be able to avert the mass scale destruction by virtue of early identification, intervention and education. This is our last hope and hope sustains life.

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The Palestinian Ultimatum

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AMMAN – Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas was only ten years old when the United Nations was established. Last month, he addressed its 76th General Assembly and issued a bold ultimatum: Israel has one year to withdraw from the Palestinian territory it occupied in 1967, including East Jerusalem, or the Palestinians would no longer recognize Israel based on the 1967 borders, and they would take the occupation before the International Court of Justice.

Abbas, like more than half of Palestinians, is a refugee. He still possesses his family's land deed from what is now the Israeli city of Safed – a deed that, he pointed out, is registered as part of the UN's records. This state of affairs is not, he made clear, the Palestinians' fault: “To those who claim there is no Palestinian partner for peace and that we do not ‘miss an opportunity to miss an opportunity,’ I challenge them to demonstrate that we have rejected even once a genuine and serious initiative to achieve peace.”

To be sure, in September 1967, in the wake of the June war, Arab leaders committed to the so-called Three Nos: “no peace with Israel, no recognition of Israel, no negotiations with it.” But the opposite is true today. As Palestinian Prime Minister Mohammad Shtayyeh recently noted, it is now Israel that refuses to talk with Abbas, engage in any good-faith negotiations, or recognize the state of Palestine.

By contrast, Abbas affirms that the Palestinians are “ready to work throughout this year on the delineation of borders and solving all final-status issues under the auspices of the international Quartet” (the UN, the United States, the European Union, and Russia), and in accordance with UN resolutions. But, when a year is up, Israel must end its occupation.

Of course, Israel's leaders do not intend to do any such thing, and it seems unlikely that their American partners will



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put much pressure on them. Yes, when Israeli Prime Minister Naftali Bennett visited the White House last month, US President Joe Biden predictably affirmed his administration's opposition to Israeli settlement-building and paid lip service to the two-state solution.

But there is no reason to believe that Biden plans to push Israel on either of these issues, not least to avoid rupturing the country's fragile governing coalition. In fact, Bennett and Biden reportedly agreed that the time is not ripe for direct Palestinian-Israeli negotiations. Apparently, they want to address the “quality-of-life” issues facing the five million Palestinians under military occupation, without working to remove the cause of those issues. Palestinians have reached a breaking point, and this is partly Abbas's own fault. Last April, he again postponed legislative elections – supposedly over a dispute about voting in East Jerusalem, but actually to avoid a loss for his Fatah party – and used force against protesters. When people have been living under

occupation for so long, and their political process is effectively shut down, their mood will inevitably turn grim.

Already, violence has been replacing diplomacy as the primary means of engagement between Israelis and Palestinians. Last May, Hamas fired rockets from Gaza toward Israeli population centers. The summer was marked by near-daily Molotov-cocktail attacks and armed resistance to Israeli forces. While Israel responded with brutal efficiency, Hamas showed that it was prepared to fight.

In response to the violence, Israel imposed new economic restrictions on the Gaza Strip. It then declared that the reconstruction process in Gaza, beginning with the lifting of the illegal blockade, would be conditioned upon a prisoner exchange. And yet, Israel's refusal to offer concessions made agreement on an exchange impossible. Tensions continued to rise.

It was against this background that six Palestinian prisoners escaped in early September from Gilboa Prison, one of Israel's most secure facilities.

As the men were hunted and captured, rocket fire was exchanged between Israel and Gaza. Hamas – which holds two Israeli soldiers in custody and the bodies of two other Israeli military personnel who were involved in the 2014 attack on Gaza – has now pledged to demand the release of the one-time escapees.

While all of this has unfolded, the US has taken little action. The Biden administration has failed to produce any political framework for ending the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; it has not even endorsed a “roadmap” to a solution. Whereas previous US presidents appointed an Israel-Palestinian peace envoy, the only American official tasked with following up on the conflict today is a deputy assistant secretary of state.

Like previous US administrations, however, the Biden administration has continued to shower the Israelis with money. It is now an accomplice in the denial of the Palestinian people's right to self-determination. And it is at least partly to blame for whatever violence transpires. As Abbas put it in his UN speech, “Our patience and the patience of our people have limits.” For decades, Israelis have essentially gotten a pass from the world to occupy Palestinian lands, because of the horrific crimes against Jews during World War II. But this can no longer be an excuse to subjugate the Palestinians. The time has come to end the Israeli blockade of Gaza, enact a genuine settlement freeze as demanded by UN Security Council Resolution 2334, and engage in genuine negotiations aimed at ending the occupation.

Abbas wants to see progress toward peace before he departs the political scene. With his UN ultimatum, he hoped to shake the US from its complacency and force Israel to engage in real negotiations to end the occupation. Palestinians will not accept anything less.

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Successful Sundays?

14 Things Successful People Do On Weekends

Jacquelyn Smith

He cofounded Hotwire.com and served as a VP for Expedia ; he held the roles of CFO, vice president of marketing and COO at Zillow; and in 2008 Rascoff was promoted to chief executive of the popular real estate information site.

Wondering how the Zillow CEO has achieved and maintained his success? His weekend routine has something to do with it. "My weekends are an important time to unplug from the day-to-day and get a chance to think more deeply about my company and my industry," Rascoff says. "Even when I'm technically not working, I'm always processing in the background and thinking about the company. Weekends are a great chance to reflect and be more introspective about bigger issues."

He says he always spends weekends with his family. "Even if I'm on the road on a Friday and have to be back in that same city the following week, I always come home no matter what."

Last year Rascoff's New Year's resolution was to refrain from checking e-mail during the day on Saturdays--but it didn't stick. "I'm trying again this year and am having more luck," he says. "I have three young children so weekends are usually an exhausting but fun smorgasbord of fort-building, bike-riding, soccer-playing, chess-tournament-competing, stroller-pushing, zoo-going, diaper-changing, book-reading and birthday-party-going. I never go into the office on weekends but I do check e-mail at night, and I use weekends as an opportunity to catch up on work-related reading."

Laura Vanderkam, author of What the Most Successful People Do Before Breakfast (Portfolio, 2012) and What the Most Successful People Do on the Weekend (Portfolio, 2012), says successful people know that weekends are actually the secret weapon in professional success. "You need to hit Monday ready to go," she says. "To do that, you need weekends that rejuvenate you, rather than exhaust or disappoint you. Cross-training makes you a better athlete, and likewise, exercise, volunteer work, spiritual activities, and hands-on parenting make you a better worker than if you just worked all the time."

Executive coach Dale Kurow, M.S., says successful people usually spend their weekends participating in a "combination of family activities with their kids and spouse, errands, and creative activities to exercise the right side of their brain."

Penelope Trunk, a career coach and author of Brazen Careerist: The New Rules



for Success, adds: "A highly successful person is very focused on what they want to be doing. The weekend and the week look very similar: They are focused on creating the life they want."

So who are "successful people," and what exactly are they doing on weekends? Sometimes success is defined by an internal compass, says Marsha Egan, a board-certified professional coach.

"A successful person is usually one who has achieved a measure of happiness and fulfillment in their work, family, and spiritual life (however that is defined for the individual)," Kurow adds. "Most successful people need to feel a sense of accomplishment and are self-motivated to tackle the next challenge."

Roy Cohen, career coach and author of The Wall Street Professional's Survival Guide, believes success is often defined in two ways: achieving and exceeding financial milestones or achieving great satisfaction through one's work. "From my perspective as a career coach, real meaningful success bridges the two--great prosperity combined with real joy and passion for your work."

Here are 14 things successful people do (or should be doing) on weekends:

1. Make time for family and friends. This is especially important for those who don't spend much time with their loved ones during the week.

2. Exercise. Everyone needs to do it, and if you can't work out 4 to 5 days during the workweek, you need to be active on

weekends to make up for some of that time, Vanderkam says. It's the perfect opportunity to clear your mind and create fresh ideas.

"I know an owner of a PR firm who takes walks in the park with his dog to spark ideas about how to pitch a new client, or what angle to take with the press for a story," Kurow says.

Cohen suggests spin classes and outdoor cycling in the warmer months. "Both are energizing and can be organized among people with shared interests. For example, it is not uncommon for hedge fund folks and Wall Street professionals to ride together on weekends. It is a great way to establish and cultivate relationships based on membership in this elite professional community."

3. Pursue a passion. "There's a creative director of a greeting card company who went back to school to pursue an MFA because of her love of art," Kurow says. "Pursuing this passion turned into a love of poetry that she now writes on weekends." "Successful people make time for what is important or fun," Egan adds. "They make space for activities that add to their life balance."

4. Vacation. Getting away for the weekend provides a great respite from the grind of an intense week at work, Cohen says.

5. Disconnect. The most successful people avoid e-mail for a period of time, Vanderkam says. "I'm not saying the whole weekend, but even just a walk without the phone can feel liberating. I advocate

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6. Volunteer. "I know a commercial real estate broker who volunteers to help with cook-off events whose proceeds are donated to the Food Bank," Kurow says. "The volunteer work provides a balance to the heavy analytical work she does all week and fulfills her need to be creative -- she designs the promotional material for the nonprofit."

Cohen says a lot of successful people participate in fundraising events. "This is a great way to network and to meet others with similar interests," he says. "The visibility also helps in branding a successful person as philanthropic."

7. Avoid chores. Every weekend has a few have-to-dos, but you want these to take the minimum amount of time possible, Vanderkam explains. Create a small window for chores and errands, and then banish them from your mind the rest of the time.

8. Plan. "Planning makes people more effective, and doing it before the week starts means you can hit Monday ready to go, and means you'll give clear directions to the people who work for you, so they will be ready to go, too," Vanderkam says.

Trunk agrees. She says successful people plan their month and year because "if you get stuck on short-term lists you don't get anything big accomplished."

9. Socialize. "Humans are social creatures, and studies of people's experienced happiness through the day finds that socializing ranks right up there, not too far down below sex," Vanderkam says.

Go out with friends and family, or get involved in the local community.

"It has been demonstrated that successful people find great satisfaction in giving back," Cohen says. "Board membership, for example, also offers access to other successful folks."

10. Gardening/crafts/games/sports/cooking/cultural activities. This is especially important for those cooped up in an office all week.

"For the pure joy, some folks find great

satisfaction in creating beautiful gardens," Cohen says.

Kurow knows an attorney who uses her weekends to garden and do mosaics and tile work to satisfy her creative side. "Filling her life this way enables her to be refreshed on Monday and ready to tackle the litigation and trial prep work. Artwork for her is fulfilling in a way that feeds her soul and her need to connect with her spiritual side."

Bridge lessons and groups can also sharpen the mind and often create relationships among highly competitive smart professionals, Cohen says. "I once saw a print-out of a bridge club's membership list; its members were a who's who of Wall Street."

Theatre, opera and sporting events can also enrich one's spirit, he adds.

11. Network. "Networking isn't an event for a successful person, it's a lifestyle," Trunk says. Wherever they go and whatever they do, they manage to connect with new people.

12. Reflect. Egan says truly successful people make time on weekends to appreciate what they have and reflect on their happiness and accomplishments. As Rascoff said, "weekends are a great chance to reflect and be more introspective about bigger issues."

13. Meditate. Classes and private instruction offer a bespoke approach to insight and peace of mind, Cohen says. "How better to equip yourself for success in this very tough world?"

14. Recharge. We live in a competitive world, Vanderkam says. "Peak performance requires managing downtime, too--with the goal of really recharging your batteries." That's how the most successful people get so much done.

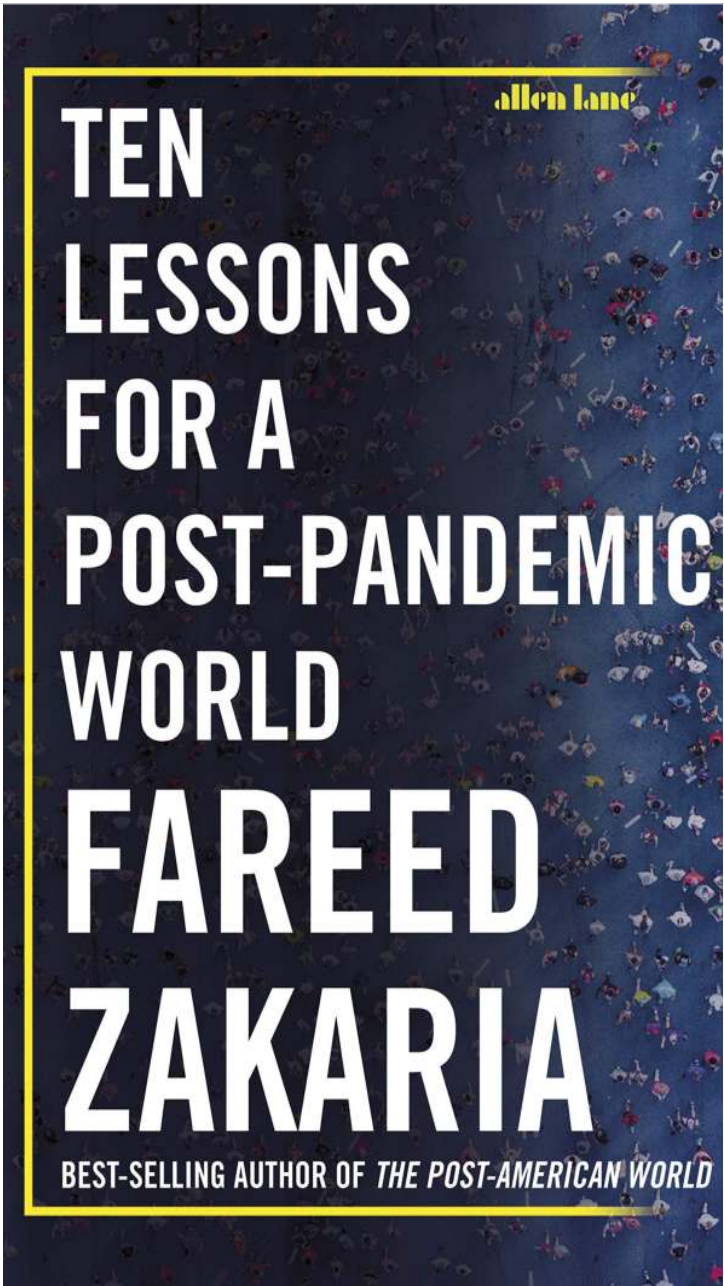
Successful people know that time is too precious to be totally leisurely about leisure, Vanderkam concludes. "You're not going to waste that time by failing to think about what you'd like to do with it, and thus losing the weekend to TV, puttering, inefficient e-mail checking and chores. If you don't have a busy workweek, your weekend doesn't matter so much. But if you're going from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. every day, it certainly does."

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Fareed Zakaria's Ten Lessons For A Post Pandemic World

Muzamil Farooq



The veteran CNN host and author, best known for his weekly public affairs show Fareed Zakaria GPS joins the COVID-19 discourse with his new book Ten Lessons for a Post Pandemic World. The book is not about the battles for medical supplies during the pandemic; rather, it provides us with a new set of lenses through which we can perceive and rethink our economic, sociopolitical, and bureaucratic systems in the post-pandemic world. We are not yet completely recovered from this pandemic, but we have reached a point where we can plan our post-recovery policies and begin to rethink our world in the same way that every other major pandemic in history has. The author encourages us to see this pandemic as an opportunity to lay the foundation for a new world with fewer socioeconomic and environmental problems.

The book is divided into ten chapters, with each chapter constituting one lesson for the post-pandemic world. The lessons begin with a critique of Capitalism's supercharged growth, which has led the world into a huge labyrinth of ecological problems due to its unattuned resource usages. Author emphasizes on the serious implementations of the carbon tax to avoid ecological disasters. From the pandemic mismanagement to the poor implementation of the health policies the author explains how the USA contradicted with the world's expectations. The author while discussing the history of several types of governments suggests that it is not the size of the country or government which decides the country's policies and bureaucracy during any crisis but it is the well-functioning and trusted government with limited power where officials are having autonomy to make judgments during any kind of emergency or crisis.

The COVID19 pandemic brought forth the flaws of the world's economic engine and it declared that some radical reforms are needed in policies whereby the government has to play a more vital role in the economy. The author emphasizes the importance of major investments in science and technology, as well as well-planned fiscal policies that can prop-

THE AI REVOLUTION THAT IS GOING TO replace most of the human workforce will be responsible for a huge divide between technology and society in future. The author suggests that there is a need for some effective policies to handle the data and privacy in a data driven world. Cities are built by humans, and humans are built by cities -- they are two sides of the same coin. We are responsible for the growth and sustainability of our cities. Even in the face of disasters, humans are naturally drawn to participate and collaborate

erly regulate market competition. The author while recalling the negligence of American president Donald Trump towards the expert advises as he claimed that he relies on his own advice. Not only in America but most of the East Asian countries saw the same kind of attitude towards the scientific authorities. The author suggests that we need more experts in times like these to manage the affairs of nations in times like this COVID19 pandemic.

The digital revolution apart from its benefits has also been responsible for inciting violence in the country through the spread of false news and rumors. As most organizations went online, the COVID-19 pandemic proved to be a major setback in removing the last remaining barrier to the digital future. The AI revolution that is going to replace most of the human workforce will be responsible for a huge divide between technology and society in future. The author suggests that there is a need for some effective policies to handle the data and privacy in a data driven world. Cities are built by humans, and humans are built by cities -- they are two sides of the same coin. We are responsible for the growth and sustainability of our cities. Even in the face of disasters, humans are naturally drawn to participate and collaborate. The COVID-19 pandemic taught us that humans are by nature social animals. The most

visible disparity created by the most infectious diseases is that between the healthy and the ill. The chasm between the kingdoms of the well and the kingdoms of the sick is so wide that crossing it can permanently alter one's worldview. While a disease can sometimes erase inequalities, it usually exacerbates them. If we face another pandemic, which seems likely at this point, we must recognize the importance of protecting everyone, rich and poor alike. That is the type of equality we are aiming for. COVID-19 forces us to live up to the adage that "human beings are all equal in the most fundamental and moral sense."

The author while talking about globalization says that the saying goes that history doesn't repeat itself, but it rhymes. While we live in a new era of technology and globalization, we are witnessing the return of one of the oldest stories in international relations: the rise of a new great power and the unease it causes in the existing hegemon. With the rise of China and the intensifying great-power competition between it and the United States -- the world's two largest economies -- hard-edged realpolitik may be returning. Given the two countries' levels of interdependence, sustained conflict would be agonizing, costly, and ultimately -- for the average citizen of both countries -- hugely counterproductive. In short, globalization isn't dead, but we might be able to put an end to it.

In the concluding chapter, 'Sometimes the greatest realists are the idealists' the author suggests that overall, the liberal international order of our time has improved the lives of more people than any previous system that humans have known. And it has done so because it is not based on some fanciful vision of a world in which evil has been eradicated and virtue reigns supreme. The idealism that underpins liberalism is straightforward and practical. When people work together, they can achieve better results and more long-term solutions than they could if they worked alone. If nations could avoid war, their citizens would live longer, more prosperous and secure lives. Everyone's lives will improve if they become economically intertwined.

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Scholarships This Week

Kashmir Observer in association with Buddy4Study.com presents scholarships available for the meritorious students of Jammu and Kashmir

Scholarship Name 1: SBI General Suraksha Support Scholarship Program 2021

Description: SBI General Insurance Company Limited invites applications from COVID-19 affected students of Class 9 to 12, and Graduation (General and Professional) courses. The scholarship is meant to support students who have lost their parent(s) or whose earning family members have lost their employment (or livelihood) during COVID-19 pandemic to complete their education.

Eligibility: Open for Indian students who are studying in Class 9 to 12 and undergraduate (general and professional) courses. Students who have been through any of the following two crisis situations – Lost their parent(s)/earning family member since January 2020 or earning family member lost their job/employment during COVID-19 pandemic. The annual family income of the applicant must not be more than INR 6,00,000 (6 lakh) from all sources.

Prizes & Rewards: Up to INR 38,500
Last Date to Apply: 31-10-2021
Application mode: Online applications only
Short Url: www.b4s.in/ob-server/SBIG1

Scholarship Name 2: Keep India Smiling Foundational Scholarship Programme 2021-22



Description: Colgate-Palmolive (India) Ltd. is giving young students an opportunity to pursue their academic/career aspirations by providing them with scholarships for education. This scholarship program provides financial aid to students pursuing studies at various post-matric and undergraduate levels to continue their education and proceed towards a career of their choice.

Eligibility: Students who have passed Class 10 with at least 75% marks or Class 12 with at least 60% marks in 2021 board exams are eligible to apply for the scholarship program for pursuing their higher secondary, 3-year graduation, 4-year engineering, and Diploma courses respectively. Annual Family income of all applicants must be less than INR 5 Lakhs per annum.

Prizes & Rewards: Selected scholars can avail scholarship award of up to INR 30,000 per year

for up to 3 years of studies depending on their current level of education

Last Date to Apply: 30-11-2021
Application mode: Online applications only
Short Url: www.b4s.in/ob-server/KISF1

Scholarship Name 3: Kotak Shiksha Nidhi
Description: Kotak Shiksha Nidhi invites applications from school and college students who have lost a primary earning member of their family due to COVID-19, for continuity of their education from Class 1st to diploma and graduation level courses.

Eligibility: Loss of both parents
Loss of one of the parents
Loss of primary earning member of the family (other than parents)

Applicants must be school or college going students aged between age 6 to 22 years i.e., class 1 to diploma or graduation course

Prizes & Rewards: Terms and Conditions Apply. Selection and the quantum of assistance under Kotak Shiksha Nidhi will be based on fulfilment of the eligibility criteria and will be at the discretion of Kotak Education Foundation.

Last Date to Apply: 31-03-2022
Application mode: Online applications only
Short Url: www.b4s.in/ob-server/KSFA1

Indian Institute of Carpet Technology Srinagar

Baghi-Ali-Mardhan-Khan, Nowshera, Srinagar

Email: contact@iictrsrinagar.org; www.iictrsrinagar.org

Ph. 0194-2411143, Fax: 2428636

Space Required on Monthly Rental Basis

Sealed offers are invited from interested parties/individuals desirous of renting out big Concrete Hall (20' x 32') for training and production related activities in Khraati Larnoo area of Anantnag District and Naidkhai area of Bandipora district under Technology Up-gradation Scheme of National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India. The agreement shall be initially for a period of one year, likely to be extended further for two more years. The rented accommodation must have the basic amenities like bathroom, water, electricity supply etc.

The sealed offers must be submitted to Director, Indian Institute of Carpet Technology (IICT), Baghi-Ali-Mardhan-Khan, Nowshera, Srinagar by or before 29-10-2021 till 1.00 p.m. The sealed offers shall be opened on the same day at 3:30 p.m. in presence of concerned parties who wish to remain present.

The Director, IICT reserves the right to accept/reject any offer without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/-
Chief Coordinator

DIPK-NB-4108/21

Jammu And Kashmir Union Territory

Office of the Executive Engineer Irrigation Division Shopian.

NOTICE INVITING TENDER
E-NITS.NO.- (18) OF 2021-22 (e-Tendering)

For and on behalf of Lt. Governor Union Territory of J&K, e-Tenders are invited on item rate basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K State Govt. CPWD/ Railways/ Other Governments/ Union Territory for the following works./

S. No	Name of work	Adv. Cost (In lacs)	Cost of Tender Doc.	Time of completion	Class of Contract	Head of Account
01	Construction of Irrigation channel by way of cement concrete lining wall from the house of Mohammad Shafi Wani to house of Fayaz Ahmad Malik at Urpura A near DPS School	1.61	150	20 days	DEE	PRI Grants
02	Upgradation/maintenance of Irrigation Khul at panachayat halqa Kanjiullar by way of Construction of lined channel at spots near Masjid Sharif Chinara Colony	2.53	250	20 days	DEE	PRI Grants
03	Upgradation/ maintenance of Irrigation Khuls at panachayat halqa Shamsipora by way of Construction of lining wall on right side of Batkhun branch of Said Ladi at spots	2.54	250	20 days	DEE	PRI Grants
04	Upgradation/ maintenance of Irrigation Khul at Panchayat Halqa Vehil by way of Construction of lining wall on left side of Dal Khul b/o Vehil Canal near Eidgah	2.30	250	20 days	DEE	PRI Grants
05	Up-gradation/ maintenance of irrigation khuls at Panchayat Halqa Nowgam by way of restoration of breached spots of Chin Ladi (Churr Khun)	2.53	250	20 days	DEE	PRI Grants
06	Up-gradation/ maintenance of Irrigation Khuls at Panchayat Halqa Pudsoo by way of Construction of lining wall on both sides of Baed Khul b/o Tongri Canal	2.54	250	20 days	DEE	PRI Grants
07	Upgradation/ maintenance of Irrigation Khuls at panchayat halqa H P Batagund by way of Construction of cement concrete lining on both sides of Mughal Khul minor of Tongri Canal near I/o Gh. Mohd Malik & others at spots	3.08	300	20 days	DEE	PRI Grants
08	Upgradation of Irrigation facility in block Ramnagri by way of construction of cement concrete lined channel on b/o Ramnagri II u/s flume at spots	2.07	200	20 days	DEE	BDC Grants

Position of Funds: Available

Accord of Administrative Approval: Accorded, vide District Development Commissioner Shopian's Accord of Administrative Approval order No: 350-DDCS of 2021 and 349-DDCS of 2021 dated: 28-09-2021 issued under endstt. No: DDCS/CAPEX/Release/BDC/21-22/2518-22 dated: 28-09-2021 and DDCS/CAPEX/Release/BDC/21-22/2513-17 dated: 28-09-2021 respectively.

1. The Bidding document consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, Set of terms and conditions and other details can be seen/ downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below:

01	Date of issue of Tender Notice	08-10-2021 (04:00 PM)
02	Date of start of downloading.	08-10-2021 (05:00 PM)
03	Bid submission start date Technical/ Financial.	09-10-2021 (10:00 AM)
04	Bid submission end date.	16-10-2021 (4:00 PM)
05	Date & Time of opening of Bids (online).	16-10-2021 (05:00 PM)

Terms and Conditions:

1) Bids must be accompanied with proof of cost of tender document in shape of Treasury receipt in favour of Executive Engineer Irrigation Division Shopian (tender inviting authority). The first lowest bidder has to produce an amount of 3% of Advertised cost in the shape of CDR pledged to Executive Engineer Irrigation Division Shopian (Tender Receiving Authority) within three days positively after opening of the tenders else his bid will be rejected and the 2nd lowest bidder will be called for the same. No further Notice will be issued for submission of CDR/ Hard copies.

2) Bidder must upload verification of Registration Card.

3) The date and time of opening of Technical Bids shall be notified on departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The Financial Bids of responsive bidders shall be opened online on same web site in the office of the Executive Engineer Irrigation Division Shopian (Tender Receiving Authority).

4) The bid for the work shall remain valid for period of 90 days from the date of opening of bid.

5) The earnest money shall be forfeited if:-

6) Any bidder/ tenderer withdraws his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or makes any modification in terms and conditions of the bid.

7) Failure of successful bidder to execute the agreement within 7 Days after fixation of contract.

8) Instruction to bidders regarding e-Tendering process:-

a. Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" option as well as from "Bidders Manual Kit" on web site www.jktenders.gov.in acquaint bid submission process.

b. 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 vender.

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

d. Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in Para-01.

e. Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with bid.

e. Extension of time shall be also admissible in the event of temporary suspension of work.

All other terms & conditions shall be the same as laid down in the PWD Form 25 (Double Agreement Form).

No: 3548-70

Date: 08-10-2021

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Executive Engineer,
Irrigation Division Shopian.

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RESHAM GHAR COLONY, BAKSHI NAGAR, JAMMU - 180001

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Subject: Filling up of the posts of Assistant Professor in Govt. Degree Colleges, Higher Education Department - edit window reg;

NOTICE

Dated:08-10-2021

It is for information of all the concerned candidates who have applied for the post of Assistant Professor in Govt. Degree Colleges, Higher Education Department advertised vide Notification No. 09-PSC(DR-P) of 2021 dated 03.09.2021, that the cutoff date for editing window is hereby extended and shall now be available w.e.f. 11.10.2021 to 15.10.2021.

Further, the candidates who have submitted their online application form before 15.09.2021 for the said post are advised to recheck their details with regard to the SET/SLET, NET, JRF, Post Doctorate and upload the additional documents mentioned in their online application forms, for any change/update, during the editing window time.

No further request regarding any change or correction shall henceforth be accepted after the cutoff date of the edit window.

(Vinay Samotra) JKAS

Deputy Secretary J&K Public Service Commission

No: PSC/DR/Assistant Professor/2021

Dated 08-10-2021

DIPK-10303/21

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER JAL SHAKTI (PHE) DEPARTMENT, DIVISION, PULWAMA

email : xenphepulwama@gmail.com

Notice Inviting e-Tender

E-NIT S. No.50/PHEP/Fresh of 2021-22

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor UT of J&K e-tenders (Two cover System) on Turn-key Basis including free trial run of three months after completion of all the components of scheme in all aspects and there after maintenance for a period of one year which includes 6 months DLP are invited from Reputed and resourceful contractors/ Firms/Companies/Joint Venture of repute in PWD or Equivalent in CPWD/ Railways and other state Governments for the following works, which should be uploaded on the Procurement web portal http://jktenders.gov.in for the subjected work(s) referred below to be received by the Superintending Engineer, Hydraulic Circle Pulwama/Shopian HQ: Shopian and as per the details mentioned in this e-tender notification and to whom all the terms and conditions of detailed e-NIT /Tender Documents/ PWD Form No:- 25 double are accepted. The detailed tender document and Specifications etc. can be downloaded on the e-procurement portal http://jktenders.gov.in.

I. All Bidders have to submit Bid Security Declaration Form instead of Earnest money as per the circular of Finance Department (Bid Security Declaration Form is as per Appendix XII)

II. The 1st lowest Bidder has to produce an amount equal to 3% of contract as performance security in shape of CDR/FDR/BG within 05 Days before fixation of contract and shall be released after successful completion of work.

S. No	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (in lacs)	Cost of TD (in)	Time of completion	Class of Contract	Accord of Administrative Approval
1	Retrofitting of WSS Lajura (JIM) by way of construction of RCC Dome, balane work of pump operator quarter, renovation of Chowkidar quarter, face lifting, Providing laying of G.I./D.I pipes, Electrical /Mechanical works, Construction of Gravel Packed/ODEX Type Production Tube Well, installation of 157 FHTCs for WSS Lajura (JIM) including free trial run of three months after completion of all the components of scheme in all aspects and there after maintenance for a period of one year which includes 6 months DLP.	159.91	2600	3 months	AAY	Available
2	Design, construction, testing and successfully commissioning of 0.45 lac gallons RCC OHT, Pump house cum operator quarter, chain link fencing around structures, Sluice Chamber, Anchor /Saddle Blocks, Approach path, Development of premises, Providing laying of G.I./D.I pipes, including conducting complete necessary survey, soil tests as required at selected site, as per the Parameters/ specifications, Electrical /Mechanical works, Construction of Gravel Packed/ODEX Type Production Tube Well, installation of 288 FHTCs for WSS Gangoo (JIM) including free trial run of three months after completion of all the components of scheme in all aspects and there after maintenance for a period of one year which includes 6 months DLP.	332.76	5500	6 months	AAY	Available

Position of Funds: -

Available;

Major Head of Account:

Jal Jeevan Mission (JIM)

Status of Technical Sanction: Vide No. PHEDB/12260-72 Dtd. 03-10-2020, No. PHEDB/22464-71 Dtd. 19-01-2021 & No. PHEDB/22472 Dated:- 19-01-2021

The Bidding documents consisting of eligibility criteria, specification, drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q) set of terms & conditions of contract and other details can be seen/ downloaded from the e-procurement Portal "http://jktenders.gov.in" as per schedule of dates given below: -

S. No.	Description	Date			Time
		DD	MM	YYYY	
1	Publishing date of NIT	09	10	2021	1600 Hrs
2	Download start date	09	10	2021	1600 Hrs
3	Bid submission start date	09	10	2021	1600 Hrs
4	Bid submission end date	03	11	2021	1600 Hrs.
5	Bid opening date (Technical Cover)	05	11	2021	1000 Hrs.

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor UT of Jammu & Kashmir

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
(JSD) PHE Div, Pulwama,

No: -PHEP/3332-45

Dated:- 09-10-2021

DIPK-10343/21

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER DEPARTMENT OF FLORICULTURE KASHMIR SRINAGAR

SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

e-NIT No: 40 of 2021-22 Dated: 08.10.2021.

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, Union Territory, J&K, e-tenders (In single cover system) are invited on item rate basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K Govt., CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Governments for the following works:-

S. No	Name of Work	Est. Cost (Rs. In lacs)	Cost of T/ Doc. (In Rs.)	Time of completion	Class of Contractor	Major A/c Head.
1	2	3	4	6	7	8
01.	(A) Irrigation facility by way of sinking of Bore well at New Kashmir park (Pratap Park) Srinagar.	2.79	200/-	15- days	DEE	M&U Capex
	(B) Restoration/Replacement of hydrants at Badamwari Park Srinagar (Part-A)	2.08	200/-	15 - days	DEE	M&U Capex

Position of AAA : Accorded

Position of Funds : Available

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:-

1.	Period of downloading of bidding document	08/10/2021 from 02:00 PM to 13/10/2021 up to 04:00 PM
2.	Bid submission Start Date.	08/10/2021 from 02:30 PM
3.	Bid submission End date	13/10/2021 up to 04:00 PM
4.	Date and time of Opening of Tenders (Online)	16/10/2021 at 02:00 PM

Bids must be accompanied with cost of tender document in shape of e-Challan/copy of receipt from Treasury favouring of Executive Engineer, Floriculture Department Kashmir (Tender inviting authority) indicating name of work by crediting the requisite charges to the MH: 0406-02-112-Public Gardens (Floriculture Department Kashmir) in favour of Executive Engineer (Tender inviting authority)

2. All Bidders have to submit/upload Bid Security Declaration Form instead of Earnest Money as per the circular of Finance Department (Bid Security Declaration Form as per Annexure "A" below)

3. The 1st. Lowest Bidder has to produce an amount equal to 3% of contract as performance security in the shape of CDR/FDR/ within 02 days before fixation of contract and shall be released after successful completion of work.

4. The date and time of opening of technical 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 Financial bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of Executive Engineer Department of Floriculture Kashmir Srinagar (Tender receiving authority).

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

6. The earnest money/performance security shall be forfeited , if:-

a. Any bidder/ tenderer withdraw his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or make any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.

b. Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.

Any bid received beyond 15% above the advertisement cost of the work will be rejected.

5. Instruction to bidders regarding e-tendering process.

1.1 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 to acquaint bid submission process.

1.2 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.

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

1.4 Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in Para-1.

1.5 Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of following necessary documents:-

I. Tender document fee in the shape of Treasury Challan,

II. Registration.

III. Renewal of Registration (Current financial year)

IV.Copy of GST of Current financial year up to June,

V.PAN Card

VI.Bid Security Declaration.

However, hard copy from the successful (first lowest) bidder shall be obtained on call. In case of clarification, the bidders shall have to produce original documents in support of soft copies if need arises.

11. Furthermore, the successful contractor shall also get the handover/takeover himself after completion of the desired work from the concerned Garden officer/ F.O./A.F.O after obtaining handover/takeover letter from the AEE concerned.

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

No: EE/ED/1941-46

Dated: 08.10.2021

DIPK-10285/21

Sd/-

Executive Engineer

Deptt: of Floriculture, Kashmir.

Union MoS Inaugurates RAS At Awantipora



OBSERVER NEWS SERVICE

PULWAMA: As first of its kind project in J&K, Union Minister of State, Information and Broadcasting and Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Dr. L. Murugan inaugurated the Re-circulatory Aquaculture Systems (RAS) technology for culture of rainbow trout in private sector under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) at Awantipora Saturday.

District Development Commissioner, Baseer ul haq Chowdhary and other senior officers were present at the inaugural ceremony.

The project is seen as a profitable and sustainable source of employment as it has shown great promise in other parts of the country where fish farming is carried out and such projects are in operation.

The Union MoS on the occasion said that the reproduction process facilitates the entrenchment of producers in their communities as they generate alternative livelihood opportunities. He made a thorough inspection of the RAS plant and interacted with district officers.

Coming up at an estimated cost of Rs 50 lakhs, the plant houses 10 circular tanks with capacity of 50,000 liters water each.

The Minister said that impressive strides in modernizing the fisheries sector have been made with concerted and collaborative efforts by government and private investors.

"Recognizing the immense

potential of this sector, the Government of India under the guidance of Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has launched the flagship scheme, Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) at a substantial investment for the holistic development of Fisheries in the country," the Minister remarked. PMMSY, marking the largest investment ever in the Fisheries sector, aims to drive ecologically healthy, economically viable and socially inclusive growth that contributes towards the economic prosperity and wellbeing of fishers and fish farmers as well as to the food and nutritional security of the country, added the Minister.

Dr. Murugan further said that achieving these ambitious targets requires systematic and strategic enhancement of production and productivity, infusion of technology, quality improvement of seed and feed, value addition, species diversification and an enabling regulatory framework that would facilitate the activities of the sector.

The Minister called upon the aspiring fish farmers to harness the potential of the fisheries sector in a sustainable, responsible, inclusive and equitable manner. He impressed upon them to enhance fish production and productivity through expansion, intensification, diversification and productive utilization of land and water besides modernizing and strengthening the value chain including post-harvest management and quality improvement.

Indian Job Market Grows 57 Pc Annually In Sept Ahead Of Festive Season: Report



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

MUMBAI- The Indian job market maintained its record-breaking run for the third consecutive month in a row, clocking 57 per cent year-on-year growth in September, according to the latest Naukri JobSpeak report.

At 2,753 job postings, the index hit an all-time high in September surpassing pre-COVID levels in September 2019 by 21 per cent.

The Naukri JobSpeak is a monthly Index that calculates and records hiring activity based on the job listings on Naukri.com website month on month. The objective of Naukri JobSpeak is to measure the hiring activity in various industries, cities, and experience levels.

Year-on-year, most sectors showcased significant annual growth, led by IT (138 per cent) and hospitality (+82 per cent).

"The recent wave of digital transformation among Indian organisations continues to generate demand for tech professionals. YoY hiring in the IT-software/software services sector has grown by 138 per cent in September 2021.

It said sectors like hospitality (82 per cent) and retail (+70 per

cent) which were most impacted by the pandemic, also witnessed significant YoY growth in September with several hotels and physical store outlets across the country gradually reopening.

Hiring activity has also grown in the education (53 per cent), banking/financial services (43 per cent) and telecom/ISP (+37 per cent) sectors as compared to September, 2020.

Metros recorded 88 per cent annual growth in September, surpassing Tier 2 cities that grew by 30 per cent.

"The continuous positive growth of the IT-software/software services sector has enabled major IT hubs to outperform other cities in the annual growth charts, it said.

Bengaluru (133 per cent), Hyderabad (110 per cent), Pune (95 per cent) and Chennai (85 per cent) recorded the highest YoY growth in September.

Hiring activity was also positive in Delhi/NCR (72 per cent) while Mumbai and Kolkata both recorded 60 per cent growth. Among the tier-II cities, Ahmedabad (82 per cent) and Coimbatore (46 per cent) recorded the highest annual growth followed by Vadodara (33 per cent) and

Kochi (19 per cent)," it said.

Hiring across all experience bands increased in September as compared last year, largely due to the overall positive performance of the hiring market as it recovers from the setbacks caused by the pandemic.

During this period, demand for senior professionals belonging to the 8-12 years (75 per cent) bracket witnessed a maximum increase followed by 4-7 years (65 per cent), 13-16 years (57 per cent), 0-3 years (54 per cent) and above 16 years (38 per cent).

Month-on-month, job postings rose 3 per cent compared with 2,673 during August, according to the report by Naukri JobSpeak.

Pawan Goyal, Chief Business Officer, Naukri.com said, "India is witnessing a never seen before activity in hiring. Fuelled by the demand for IT professionals, it truly is heartening to see the industries recover at the onset of the festive season.

The market witnessed 57 per cent YoY growth indicating strong revival of the market post pandemic. Majority of the sectors, cities and experience bands have recorded positive growth in both YoY and MoM charts in the month of September."

ASSOCHAM demands freight subsidy for industries in J&K

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir chapter of Assocham on Saturday met Union Steel Minister Ram Chandra Prasad Singh here and sought extension of the freight subsidy to the industries of the Union Territory.

The delegation led by Chairman, ASSOCHAM J&K Council, Manik Batra also urged the minister that Warehousing Policy should be provided in J&K for steel industry and traders.

"J&K is a landlocked union territory, most of the raw material is procured from outside the UT and finished goods are again sent out to different states; this makes the cost of operations high. We request for a freight subsidy for all industrial units manufacturing



ing steel and stainless steel in J&K to make operations more viable and competitive," Batra said.

Expressing his gratitude to the minister for his tour of the Union Territory, he said such visits and interaction would encourage investors to commit more in Jammu and Kashmir.

"India was the world's 2nd largest steel producer with production standing at 111.2 million tonnes per annum in 2019. The growth of the Indian steel sector has been driven by domestic availability of raw materials such as iron ore and cost effective la-

bour. The steel sector has been a major contributor to India's manufacturing output," he said.

Batra said India's current steel producing capacity is 140 million tonnes per annum and this is anticipated to go up to 300 million tonnes per annum by 2030-31.

"The per capita consumption of steel in India has increased from 57.6 kg to 74.1 kg in the last five years but the per capita consumption of steel in J&K is still below 50 kg.

"A mother industry of steel be considered with a consideration for logistics to provide iron ore. So that other Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) can benefit and a new era is opened up in this landlocked region," said Co-Chairman, ASSOCHAM J&K Council, M A Alim.

Fuel Price Hike: Mumbai Becomes First Metro City To See Diesel Price Cross Rs 100



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

NEW DELHI: Mumbai on Saturday became the first metro city in the country to see diesel prices cross the Rs 100 per litre mark after fuel prices were hiked again.

Petrol price was hiked by 30 paise per litre and diesel by 35 paise a litre, according to a price notification of state-owned fuel retailers.

The fifth straight day of price hike pushed fuel rates to a new record high.

In Mumbai, diesel now comes for Rs 100.29 a litre; while in Delhi, it costs Rs 92.47.

The price of petrol in Delhi rose to its highest-ever level of Rs 103.84 a litre and Rs 109.83 per litre in Mumbai, the notification showed.

Prices differ from state to state depending on the incidence of local taxes.

Shedding the modest price change policy, state-owned fuel retailers have since Wednesday started passing on the larger incidence of cost to consumers.

For four days in a row, the price of petrol has been hiked by 30 paise a litre and diesel by 35 paise, the biggest rally in rates.

This is because the international benchmark Brent crude has soared to over USD 82 per barrel after the decision by OPEC+ not to increase output more than 0.4 million barrels per day, fuel rates are being increased by a larger proportion.

A month ago, Brent was around USD 72 per barrel.

Being a net importer of oil, India prices petrol and diesel at rates equivalent to international prices.

The surge in international oil prices ended a three-week hiatus in rates on September 28 for petrol and September 24 for diesel.

Since then, diesel rates have gone up by Rs 3.85 paise per litre and petrol price has increased by Rs 2.65.

Prior to the July/August price cuts, the petrol price was increased by Rs 11.44 a litre between May 4 and July 17. Diesel rate had gone up by Rs 9.14 during this period.

DG Horticulture Reviews Preparedness For Forthcoming Fruit Festival



OBSERVER NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: The Director General (DG) Horticulture Kashmir, Ajaz Ahmad Bhat Saturday chaired a maiden meeting to review the preparedness for the forthcoming Fruit festival to be organised by the department.

Prominent buyers and dealers, entrepreneurs, fruit processors, CA Store owners will be participating in the said event. Besides, buyers and entrepreneurs from outside U.T. will also attend the festival.

The main highlights of the festival will be buyer-seller

meets, exhibition of fruits and horticulture machinery etc. The event will also provide an opportunity for the orchardists to interact with higher ups.

While speaking on the occasion, the Director General apprised that the festival will provide a platform to all the stakeholders and will help in boosting the Horticulture industry in the U.T.

The meeting was attended by all the Chief Horticulture Officers, Entrepreneurs, CA Store owners, representatives of various fruit associations of Kashmir Valley etc.

What is the global minimum tax deal that India, 135 other nations have agree on?

AGENCIES

PARIS: A global deal to ensure big companies pay a minimum tax rate of 15% and make it harder for them to avoid taxation has been agreed by 136 countries, the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development said on Friday.

The OECD said four countries - Kenya, Nigeria, Pakistan and Sri Lanka - had not yet joined the agreement, but that the countries behind the accord together accounted for over 90% of the global economy.

Here are the main points of the accord:

WHY A GLOBAL MINIMUM TAX?

With budgets strained after the COVID-19 crisis, many governments want more than ever to discourage multinationals from shifting profits - and tax revenues - to low-tax countries regardless of where their sales are made.

Increasingly, income from intangible sources such as drug patents, software and royalties on intellectual property has migrated to these jurisdictions, allowing companies to avoid



paying higher taxes in their traditional home countries.

The minimum tax and other provisions aim to put an end to decades of tax competition between governments to attract foreign investment.

HOW WOULD A DEAL WORK?

The global minimum tax rate would apply to overseas profits of multinational firms with 750 million euros (\$868 million) in sales globally.

Governments could still set whatever local corporate tax rate they want, but if companies pay lower rates in a particular country, their home governments could "top up" their taxes to the 15% minimum, eliminating the advantage of shifting profits.

A second track of the

overhaul would allow countries where revenues are earned to tax 25% of the largest multinationals' so-called excess profit - defined as profit in excess of 10% of revenue.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Following Friday's agreement on the technical details, the next step is for finance ministers from the Group of 20 economic powers to formally endorse the deal, paving the way for adoption by G20 leaders at an end October summit.

Nonetheless, questions remain about the U.S. position which hangs in part on a domestic tax reform the Biden administration wants to push through the U.S. Congress.

The agreement calls for countries to bring it into law in 2022 so that it can

take effect by 2023, an extremely tight timeframe given that previous international tax deals took years to implement.

Countries that have in recent years created national digital services taxes will have to repeal them.

WHAT WILL BE THE ECONOMIC IMPACT?

The OECD, which has steered the negotiations, estimates the minimum tax will generate \$150 billion in additional global tax revenues annually.

Taxing rights on more than \$125 billion of profit will be additionally shifted to the countries where they are earned from the low tax countries where they are currently booked.

Economists expect that the deal will encourage multinationals to repatriate capital to their country of headquarters, giving a boost to those economies.

However, various deductions and exceptions baked into the deal are at the same time designed to limit the impact on low tax countries like Ireland, where many U.S. groups base their European operations.

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Subject: Expression of interest for supply of female hoggets.

This office is going to establish sheep units under different schemes during the year 2021-22. As such, expression of interest is invited from progressive sheep farmers of Valley for supply of female hoggets (Kashmir Merino type) on below mentioned terms and conditions.

- The animals should be free from any disease and deformity.
- The animals should have individual body weight between 25-30 kgs and dentition not more than 2 teeth.
- The rates quoted shall be on live weight basis only including breeding value and transport charges..
- The department reserves the right to reject the Expression of interest of any supplier without assigning any reason thereof.

The interested suppliers should submit the Expression of Interest in the office of undersigned by 20 October 2021.

No. DSH08/Tech/Units/2021-22/2435-54

Dated: 09/10/2021

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INTERVIEW NOTICE FOR REGISTRAR POSTS

It is for information of the eligible candidates who have applied for vacant/likely vacant tenure post of Registrars vide Advertisement Notification No: SKIMS-MC (02) Acad of 2021 dated 07.08.2021, that their interview will be conducted on 13-10-2021 from 1:00 PM in the office chamber of the Principal SKIMS Medical College, Bemina.

The eligible candidates are required to report for interview along with all documents/Testimonials including Registration Certificate from State Medical Council. Inservice candidates shall be allowed to appear in interview on production of no objection certificate from their parent department. The list of eligible candidates are available in the office of Registrar Academics SKIMS Medical College/College Website.

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2 Cops Injured

and Imran Ahmad both SPO's. According to Block Medical Officer D H Pora Gulzar Ahmad Dar both policemen sustained bullet injuries but were out of danger.

Police meanwhile said the area has been cordoned off and hunt has been launched to nab the attackers,

Meanwhile an encounter that broke out late Friday night in Methan area of Srinagar was called off early morning Saturday as militants managed to flee from the spot.

A police official said militants managed to give a slip after the initial exchange of fire.

Earlier, Kashmir zone police had tweeted" Second#Encounter has started at Methan area of #Srinagar. Police & CRPF are on the job. Further details shall follow. @jmuKmrPolice"

Jammu and Kashmir police on Friday had killed a militant in a brief encounter at Natipora area of Srinagar on Friday evening.

Stray Bullets From

Methan encounter site.

"A vehicle and window of the house were hit by bullets. There was no loss of life or any injury to anyone," the official said.

Meanwhile, Kashmir zone police tweeted: "A fake news is being circulated about an attack on the house of a doctor in Srinagar. Few stray bullets from Natipora encounter had hit two vehicles and windows of two houses in the locality last night."

Viral Audio Clips

Samiti (KPSS), told Kashmir Observer.

"The same threat has already driven out over 500 KPs from Budgam, Anantnag and Pulwama."

The threat perception first gripped the community on October 5, when owner of Kashmir's popular pharmacy Makhan Lal Bindroo was shot dead inside his Iqbal Park outlet. Barely 35 hours later, Sikh school principal Spinder Kaur and a Hindu teacher Deepak Chand were shot dead at point-blank range inside a government school in Srinagar.

"The emerging situation has once again raised apprehensions of the similar situation that occurred during the 1990s, which led to the mass exodus of Kashmiri Pandits," Koul added.

Despite police and politicians allaying fears of the KPs, Sanjay Tickoo, KPSS president, said that the recent killings have already unnerved the community.

"Around 40 families have quietly left the valley on Thursday and Friday from Sheikhpora Migrant Colony," Tickoo told Kashmir Observer. "They've migrated to Jammu."

Notably, in one of the first audios leaked on the social media, a Kashmiri Pandit man can be heard enquiring from a Pandit woman of Sheikhpora about the growing fear and migration in the colony.

"Several other families have already booked a cab for Saturday to leave," Tickoo said. "We don't know when they will return back to Kashmir but for now, leaving the valley is the only option available with them because due to fear they can't even step out of their homes in the valley."

Most of these migrants are those who got employment and flats in Kashmir under the Prime Minister's Rehabilitation Programme in 2010-11.

"Many such KP families have temporarily migrated to Jammu in their own cars," Surindar Hakhoo, a Kashmiri Pandit, told Kashmir Observer.

"I'm unable to decide whether to stay here or leave for Jammu because my Muslims neighbours have been repeatedly providing immense support since these attacks and urging me not to leave."

Given the unprecedented condition, said Vinod Bhat, a 39-year-old migrant resident of Sheikhpora colony, no one can compromise on their family's safety. "At least 30 percent of families have left the migrant colony and others have already packed their belongings to temporarily migrate from the valley," he said.

The premature and triumphalist claims about normalcy in Kashmir, said Satish Mahaldar, Chairman Reconciliation Return and Rehabilitation of Migrant, got exposed two months ago "when it was informed to the LG office in writing by Kashmiri Pandits that there are rumors that minorities in Kashmir will be targeted. Unfortunately our inputs were ignored".

A Report From

and frightened," they wrote.

"The emerging situation reminds us of the similar situation that of decade 1990s, which led to the mass exodus of Kashmiri Pandits," the memorandum said, adding the same loss of lives cannot be afforded by the community again.

Raina argues that while the camps where they stay are completely secure, there are several hundred employees residing outside these camps and have to attend to their duties in far flung areas.

"It seems that the administration is not capable enough to provide security to all the employees and therefore, we have asked the chief secretary to exempt us from the duties till the situation returns to normal," he said.

Raina said that while 20 percent of 380 families had left on Thursday, some families moved out even Friday before the Deputy Commissioner came to the camp.

Vinod Raina, who is the President of PM package employee's association at Mattan, an area in South Kashmir's Anantnag district, says that around 250 people living outside the transit camps have left for Jammu since the attack on the minority community started a few days back.

"When the news of killing of teachers in Srinagar reached, our fellow colleagues belonging to Muslim community escorted us back to the camp.

The bonhomie between the two communities is strong and I hope it stays like that," says Raina, who was employed as a teacher in 2010.

He said that some of the migrant employees staying outside transit camps have already shifted their base to Jammu. "This is sad," says another employee who did not wish to be named.

"And the pace at which the government has been functioning for the last few years is not encouraging," PTI

Won't Attend Duty

the government of failing to safeguard the minority community in Jammu and Kashmir.

"We demand from the government to provide security to our government employees and assure the minority community that they are safe in the valley," he said.

Singh said that the majority should come forward and condemn the attack on the minority communities.

"It would have been better if the majority community would have participated in yesterday's protest," Singh said. "Unless government assures security to the minority, none of them would attend the government duty."

COVID-19: J&K Logs

the tally of total recoveries in Jammu and Kashmir has reached 324,908 which is 98.33 percent of the total cases.

"Cases tested positive in J&K include 34 from Srinagar, 08 from Baramulla, 12 from Budgam, 00 from Pulwama, 05 from Kupwara, 03 from Anantnag, 02 from Bandipora, 05 from Ganderbal, 00 from Kulgam and 00 from Shopian in Kashmir division while as 13 from Jammu division include 04 from Jammu, 00 from Udhampur, 01 from Rajouri, 01 from Doda, 01 from Kathua, 00 from Samba, 01 from Kishtwar, 03 from Poonch, 00 from Ramban and 02 from Reasi," officials disclosed.

Meanwhile, authorities on Saturday said that no fresh cases of Mucormycosis popularly known as black fungus was reported in the UT and tally stands at 46.

As per officials figures, 74,658 positive cases including 842 deaths and 73,345 recoveries are from Srinagar,

24,387 including 282 deaths and 24,016 recoveries are from Baramulla, 23,669 including 23,367 recoveries and 207 deaths are from Budgam, 15,491 including 15,275 recoveries and 194 deaths are from Pulwama, 14,377 including 166 deaths and 14,188 recoveries are from Kupwara, 16,550 including 16,323 recoveries and 205 deaths are from Anantnag, 9,770 cases including 9,636 and 102 deaths are from Bandipora, 10,372 including 10,246 recoveries and 79 deaths are from Ganderbal, 11,479 including 11,360 recoveries and 117 deaths are from Kulgam and 5,607 including 5,548 recoveries and 58 deaths are from Shopian.

In Jammu division, 53,231 including 52,024 recoveries and 1,144 deaths are from Jammu district, 11,406 including 11,265 recoveries and 137 deaths are from Udhampur, 11,255 including 10,996 recoveries and 237 deaths are from Rajouri, 7,805 including 7,632 recoveries and 133 deaths are from Doda, 9,320 including 9,156 recoveries and 151 deaths are from Kathua, 7,150 including 7,029 recoveries and 120 deaths are from Samba, 4,817 including 4,770 recoveries and 44 deaths are from Kishtwar, 6,452 including 6,252 recoveries and 98 deaths are from Poonch, 6,037 including 5,952 recoveries and 67 deaths are from Ramban and 6,601 including 6,528 recoveries and 43 deaths are from Reasi.

As per the daily information bulletin 3,607,561 persons in Jammu and Kashmir are under observation while 7,688 persons have been kept under home quarantine besides that 1,100 persons are in isolation.

According to the bulletin, 3,133,675 persons have completed the surveillance period and 460,672 persons are under home surveillance besides that so far results of 15,297,670 samples are available. Out of 15,297,670 the number of samples tested negative stands at 14,967,236 while as 330,434 have tested positive, among them 1,100 persons are active, 324,908 persons have recovered and 4,426 persons have died.

Afghan Militants

there was any link between the spate of recent killings of civilians in Kashmir and the Taliban's capture of power in Afghanistan, Gen Naravane said it cannot be said whether there was a connection.

"Definitely, there has been a spurt in activities (in Jammu and Kashmir) but whether they can be directly linked to what is happening in or happened in Afghanistan, we really cannot say," the Army Chief said.

"But what we can say and learn from the past is that when the previous Taliban regime was in power, that time definitely we had foreign terrorists of Afghan origin in Jammu and Kashmir," he said.

"So there are reasons to believe that the same thing might happen once again that once the situation in Afghanistan stabilises, then we could see an inflow of these fighters from Afghanistan to Jammu and Kashmir," he added.

The Chief of Army Staff said the Indian armed forces are fully ready to deal with any such attempts.

"We are prepared for any such eventuality. We have a very strong counter-infiltration grid to stop them at the border. We have a very strong counter-terrorism grid in the hinterland to take care of any such actions. Just as we dealt with them in the early 2000s, we will deal with them now also should they venture anywhere near us," he said.

On the targeted killings in Jammu and Kashmir, the Army Chief said this is a matter of "concern" and described it as "reprehensible".

"They do not want normalcy. It is a last-ditch attempt to stay relevant," he said, referring to militant groups.

"The people will revolt. If they (militants) say that they are doing all these for the people, then why are you killing your own people who are your support base. It is just an attempt to spread terror which is totally unacceptable," Gen Naravane said.

About the ceasefire agreement between India and Pakistan, Gen Naravane said it was observed in "totality" for four months from February.

"But from the end of July onwards to September and now the beginning of October, the sporadic incidents have again started. I think again, it is following the pattern of 2003 when it would start with one odd incident and rise to as good as not having a ceasefire," he said.

"Over the last month or so, we are again seeing renewed attempts at infiltration. We have eliminated two or three such infiltration attempts," he added.

In a sudden and significant move aimed at reducing tensions, the Indian and Pakistani armies on February 25 announced that they would cease firing across the LoC while recommitting themselves to a 2003 ceasefire agreement.

"Apart from the infiltration bids, there have been three incidents of proper ceasefire violations that is one post firing at the other post," he said.

'China's Continuous

by the Chinese PLA, Chief of Army Staff Gen MM Naravane said on Saturday. He said if the Chinese military maintains the deployment through the second winter, it may lead to an LoC-like situation (Line of Control) though not an active LoC as is there on the western front with Pakistan

The Chief of Army Staff said if the Chinese military continues with its deployment, the Indian Army too will maintain its presence on its side which is "as good as what the PLA (People's Liberation Army) has done".

Indian and Chinese militaries have been on a standoff in several areas along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in eastern Ladakh for nearly 17 months though both sides disengaged from a number of friction points this year following a series of talks.

"Yes, it is a matter of concern that the large-scale build-up

has occurred and continues to be in place, and to sustain that kind of a build-up, there has been an equal amount of infrastructure development on the Chinese side," Gen Naravane said at the Indian Today conclave.

"So, it means that they (PLA) are there to stay. We are keeping a close watch on all these developments, but if they are there to stay, we are there to stay too," he said.

Gen Naravane said the build-up and the infrastructure development on the Indian side are as good as what PLA has done.

"But what this would, especially if they continue to stay there through the second winter, definitely mean that we will be in a kind of LC (Line of Control) situation though not an active LC as is there on the western front," he said.

"But definitely, we will have to keep a close eye on all the troop build-up and deployments to see that they do not get into any misadventure once again," the Army Chief said.

To a question, Gen Naravane said it is difficult to understand why China triggered the standoff when the world was reeling under the COVID-19 pandemic and when that country had certain issues on its eastern seaboard.

"While all that is going on, to sort of open up one more front is very difficult to understand or fathom," he said.

"But whatever it might have been, I do not think they have been able to achieve any of those because of the rapid response done by the Indian armed forces," the Army Chief added.

Asked to comment on the overall situation in eastern Ladakh, Gen Naravane referred to a recent statement by a spokesperson in the Ministry of External Affairs and said he had clearly mentioned that whatever has happened on the Northern border is because of the massive build-up by the Chinese side and the non-adherence to various protocols.

"So that is very clear as to what was the trigger for all that which has happened," Gen Naravane said.

The Army Chief said following the standoff in eastern Ladakh, the Indian Army realised that it needed to do more in the area of ISR (intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance).

"So that has been the thrust of our modernisation over the last one year. Similarly, other weapons and equipment that we thought we need for the future, those have got our attention also," he said.

The border standoff between the Indian and the Chinese militaries erupted on May 5 last year in eastern Ladakh following a violent clash in the Pangong lake area. Both sides gradually enhanced their deployment by rushing in tens of thousands of soldiers as well as heavy weaponry.

As a result of a series of military and diplomatic talks, the two sides completed the disengagement process in the Gogra area in August.

In February, the two sides completed the withdrawal of troops and weapons from the north and south banks of the Pangong lake in line with an agreement on disengagement.

Each side currently has around 50,000 to 60,000 troops along the LAC in the sensitive sector.

'Muscular Policy'

"Under house arrest for the umpteenth time today. Wanted to visit the family of the innocent civilian shot dead by CRPF. GOI wants us to selectively condemn killings. They are outraged only in cases where hate politics can be lapped up to polarise people," she added.

Parvaiz Ahmad was shot dead by CRPF personnel after he allegedly failed to stop his vehicle at a checkpoint when signalled to do so. He was killed the same day when two teachers were shot dead by militants in Eidgah area of the city.

The death of the woman principal and the teacher took to seven the number of civilians killed by militants in Kashmir Valley in a span of five days. Of the seven, four were from minority communities.

Make All 22 Juvenile

Juvenile Justice Committee, Abdul Rashid Malik, large number of judicial officers of subordinate courts, members of Juvenile Justice Boards, member of District Child Welfare Committees, members of NGOs, social organizations and several other stakeholders participated in the conference both physically and virtually.

While delivering his inaugural address, Justice S. Ravindra Bhat outlined that the event is a welcome and ingenious step where all the stakeholders are sitting together to deliberate upon the work already done and what more needs to be done for the protection of children.

He emphasized that all the 22 JJ Boards should be made functional in all 22 districts of UTs of J&K and Ladakh for strengthening the JJ system.

He commended the JJ Committee of J&K and Ladakh and said a lot of things have been done and many gains and improvements are visible while more concerted efforts are needed to help us to improve by organizing such round table conferences.

He added that manpower in JJ Boards make delivery and implementation easy as we are investing in the future of the country so that children become participatory citizens.

Chief Justice High Court of J&K and Ladakh, Justice Pankaj Mithal while delivering his keynote address said that the aim of the conference was to review the JJ system and to review the pledge to work for the best interest of children of the UTs.

Justice Mithal delved into the journey of Juvenile Justice system and laws in the world and in particular to India and said the system in J&K and Ladakh is gaining pace and have arrived at satisfying results, are implementing JJ Act in letter and spirit after applicability of central JJ Act to UTs.

He said that due to efforts of JJC of Supreme court of India and JJC of J&K and Ladakh, the UT is not lagging behind with the rest of the country, but a lot is required to do more by

creating robust mechanism by making fully functional of commissions, funds and boards in the UTs.

Uphold Rule 17

based on their merit and preferences."

Pertinently, the unamended Rule 17 of the Reservation Rules clearly states that a reserved category candidate, if selected against the open merit seat, may be considered for allotment of discipline/stream/college allocable to him in his respective category on the basis of his merit and preference.

As per the rule, four seats are meant for Residents of Backward Area (RBA) category and one seat for the Children of Defense Personnel (CDP) category among the 19 category seats which have to be mandatory filled, even if someone from that category may feature in 21 open merit list. But apparently the BOPEE hasn't allocated these seats to the de-serving candidates.

"I personally come under the CDP category but BOPEE doesn't recognize me in that category," Dr. Ubran Bhatt, one among the four aggrieved students, told Kashmir Observer. "Isn't this gross violation of the Reservation Rules?"

If BOPEE fails to sort this issue, Dr. Ubran said, his whole career would just end in a flash of a second.

However, refuting these allegations, Shafiq Raina, Chairman BOPEE, told Kashmir Observer that the Rule 17 of the Reservation Rules is still applicable and the authorities have made selections of the deserving candidates on the same.

"No one has the authority to cancel benefits of this rule on their own," Shafiq said. "These students are not satisfied with the courses offered to them and now they're spreading false rumors against BOPEE."

But Dr. Sameer Kambay, the aggrieved student, said BOPEE has put the careers of four students at stake.

"If the brochure clearly states that Rule 17 is still applicable, then why are we being denied of our rights," he asked.

Admin Allows 'Khoja

congregational prayers called "Khoja Digar".

The tradition continues from the times of Hazrat Khwaja Khawand Mahmood since 1608 AD.

On the occasion, religious scholars will throw light on the life and the teachings of Khawaja Bahaudin (RA). The day is celebrated every year on the 3rd of Rabi-ul-Awwal, the third month of the Islamic calendar.

In this connection, Divisional Commissioner Kashmir also held a meeting in which CEO Wakf Board informed that Khoja Digar (Prayer of Asar) is being traditionally offered near the shrine of Khawaja Naqasbbandi Sahib at Khawajabazar Srinagar on 3rd of Rabi-ul Awwal on road and sought its permission.

"The chair directed that it shall also be offered as per the Covid-19 SOPs/Guidelines issued by State Executive Committee, besides, necessary arrangements shall be made in this regard," reads an official communiqué.

Train Hits 16-Year-Old

Budgam and Nowgam stations at around 18:10 hours. A police official confirmed the girl's death.

AC Okays Posts For

Bijbehara, Anantnag, Farooq Khan and Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisors to the Lieutenant Governor, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary, J&K and Nitishwar Kumar, Principal Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor attended the meeting.

The hospital has been created under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely "Capacity Building for Developing Trauma Care Facilities on the National Highway" with an aim to strengthen the trauma services in existing health care institutions along the National Highways. The objective is to bring down preventable deaths because of road accidents by developing a trauma care network in which no trauma victim has to be transported for more than 50 kms.

The trauma hospital will now engage 24 additional consultant surgeons, physicians, anesthetists, ortho-surgeons, radiologists, and medical officers, besides sufficient para-medical staff and technicians for ensuring round-the-clock critical care to the patients from south Kashmir and reduce accident-related casualties due to complex injuries.

In addition, the Administrative Council also approved creation of one post of Professor in the Department of Blood Bank in Government Medical College, Srinagar. This will address the gaps pointed out by the National Medical Commission and also to fulfill the norms for starting of DNB courses in the college.

Wildlife SOS Launches

fragmentation, climate change and urbanization the wild inhabitants of Jammu & Kashmir are being forced to venture out of their natural habitats, often coming into conflict with residents of Kashmir Valley. To address the problems of wildlife conflict in urban spaces and rescue animals in distress, wildlife conservation NGO, Wildlife SOS has launched the rescue helpline. Headed by Wildlife SOS' only female rescuer, Aaliya Mir, the helpline has already rescued over 60 animals in distress! If you come across any wild animal that is injured, sick or in distress, please alert the Wildlife SOS rescue team on these numbers (+91-7006692300, +91-9419778280)

Weatherman Forecasts

especially over North Kashmir and at isolated places of Jammu during the period," a Met official said.

"Weather most likely to remain generally cloudy on 11-12th in both Jammu and Kashmir."He, however, said that there's no forecast of any heavy rain/snow. "Thereafter, mainly dry weather is expected till October 18th."



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JKSC's Month Long Hockey Camp Concludes In Shopian



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SHOPIAN: J&K Sports Council organised 21-day long coaching camp in the discipline of Hockey concluded on Saturday at Sports Stadium, here.

Around 30 players had registered for the camp and was inaugurated by Nuzhat Gull, Secretary J&K Sports Council. Joginder Singh, Hockey Coach of J&K Sports Council who is posted in Jammu division was specially deputed in Shopian district for the camp.

Singh said he was thrilled to find enthusiasm among the players present in the camp and felt that camp has brought talent to the fore.

Nuzhat Gull remarked that the coaching camp in the peripheries of the UT will not only unearth hidden talent but may become a mean to add to talent

to sports pool of J&K.

Principal Secretary, DYSS, also applauded the role of J&K Sports Council in bringing professional coaching to the door step said, "This methodology of customising the coaching programmes in peripheral areas with minimum or no reach to advance coaching will go a long way in fetching remarkable results."

Farooq Khan, Advisor to J&K LG, who is also the Vice-President of J&K Sports Council, appreciated the idea of the reach out programme in sports and directed that such programmes should become a regular feature in other districts of the Union Territory.

Secretary Hockey Association for district Shopian applauded the role of J&K Sports Council staff associated with the camp in general and Secretary Sports Council in particular for their cooperation in organising the camp.

India End Junior Worlds With 30 Medals, Tops Table

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LIMA: Indian shooters Anish Bhanwala, Adarsh Singh and Vijayveer Sidhu combined to win the gold medal in the men's 25m rapid fire pistol team event as the country ended the ISSF Junior World Championship on top of the standings here. The Indian trio shot a total of 10 to finish ahead of their German counterparts Fabian Otto, Felix Luca Hollfoth and Tobias Gsoell (2) in the gold medal contest on Friday.

India's Manvi Soni (105) bagged the junior double trap gold medal

ahead of compatriot Yeshaya Hafiz Contractor (90). The bronze was won by Hitasha (76) in an event that only featured Indians.

Vinay Pratap Singh Chandrawat claimed the gold medal men's double trap event with a score of 120, while the silver went to Sehajpreet Singh (114) and the bronze to Mayank Shokeen (/111).

Earlier on Friday, Ayushi Podder and Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar won the silver in the 50m rifle 3 positions mixed team event to continue India's dominance in the tournament.



Premier League: Police XI, SCFA Register Wins

Police win 6-1 vs Ali Jana, SCFA beat F&S XI 2-0

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SRINAGAR: Two matches of the JKFA Premier Division were played on Saturday at Synthetic Turf TRC Srinagar.

In the first match, J&K Police XI thrashed Ali Jana FC by 6 goals to 1 in a one sided match.

The Police team dominated the play right from start with Hameem Fayaz opening the account for the Police team in just 6th minute. Vivek Dogra double Police's lead just 10 minutes later.

Ali Jana FC pulled one back in the 30th minute through

Shahid. However, Amir Hussain scored J&K Police XI's third goal in 35th minute. At halftime the score was 3-1 in favour of the Police team.

The second half was no different as Police players kept attacking and in the 55th minute, Neeraj Bahadur made it 4-1. The Police team dominated the play right from start with Hameem Fayaz opening the account for the Police team in just 6th minute. Vivek Dogra double Police's lead just 10 minutes later.

The second Premier Division match of the day was played

between Sports Council Football Academy (SCFA) and Food & Supplies XI.

JK Sports Council Academy defeated Food and Supplies XI 2-0.

In the 16th minute of the game, Sahil of SCFA scored the first goal of the match. In the 23rd Minute, Pavez doubled SCFA's lead. The first half ended 2-0 to SCFA boys.

In the second half both teams tried hard to score but the match ended with 2-0 in favour of J&K Sports Council Football Academy. Parvez of SCFA was declared man of the match.

Bandipora Khelo India Kabbadi Trials On October 11

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SRINAGAR: The J&K Sports Council on Saturday announced that it is going to conduct the selection trials for boys and girls in kabaddi for Khelo India Centre at Indoor Sports Hall, Shadipora here

from October 11.

The trials will be for junior and Sub-junior boys and girls and will be held on October 11 from 11:00 AM onwards.

The Council has advised desirous sportspersons to submit their entries to Firdous Ahmad Rather (Kabaddi Coach) at In-

door Sports Hall Shadipora at least one day before the scheduled date of the trials. Further participants are directed to bring their Aadhar cards and two latest passport size photographs with them. The players can call on 7006930955 to register or to know more details.

Pahalgam Golf Tourney Witnesses Participation Of 8 Envoys



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PAHALGAM: A golf tournament started on Saturday at Lidder Valley Golf Course here saw the participation of around 84 golfers from across the country, including eight envoys, besides local golfers.

The tournament is being organized by PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry, New Delhi in collaboration with the Department of Tourism, Union Ministry of Tourism, and other agencies.

Mr. G Kamala Vardhana Rao, Director General, Union Ministry of Tourism, who was the Chief Guest on the occasion, felicitated all the winners of the tournament.

Dr. Ashraf Shikhaliyev, Ambassador of the Republic of Azerbaijan; Mr. Ung Sean, Ambassador of Royal Embassy of Cambodia; Mr. Willy K. Bett, High Commissioner of Kenya; Mr. Moe Kyaw Aung, Ambassador of Myanmar; Mr. Fleming Duarte, Ambassador of the Republic of Paraguay; Mr. Ramon S. Bagatsing Jr., Ambassador of the Philippines;

Mr. Pham Sanh Chau, Ambassador of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam; Secretary, Tourism & Culture, Sarmad Hafeez, Director, Tourism, Kashmir, Dr. G N Itoo; Mr. Rajan Sehgal, President, India Golf Tourism Association; Mr. Saurabh Sanyal, Secretary-General, PHDCCI; and Dr. Jatinder Singh, Assistant Secretary-General, PHDCCI were present on the occasion.

The Ambassadors and High Commissioners from Azerbaijan, Cambodia, Kenya, Myanmar, Paraguay, Philippines, and Vietnam praised the scenic beauty, picturesque landscape, and golf courses of Jammu and Kashmir which they said, is more beautiful as compared to what they have even in their own countries.

Earlier on Friday, a Golf Tourism Conclave was held on the theme 'Rejuvenating Tourism & Business through Golf' at Pahalgam Club' which brought together all the relevant stakeholders to discuss issues and opportunities for the promotion of Golf Tourism.

Shoaib Malik Replaces Maqsood in Pakistan T20 WC Squad

AGENCIES

LAHORE: Pakistan's Sohaib Maqsood was on Saturday ruled out of the upcoming T20 World Cup owing to a lower back injury and replaced by veteran all-rounder Shoaib Malik.

Maqsood was ruled out of the tournament after failing an MRI scan on his lower back. Maqsood, who was in the 15-member squad, sustained the injury during a match on October 6 while playing for Southern Punjab against Northern during the National T20 Cup at the Gaddafi Stadium in Lahore.

The MRI scan of the area revealed that he will require time to complete his rehabilitation program. "Sohaib is devastated to miss out on the ICC Men's T20 World Cup as he had worked hard for this event and was in sparkling form," chief selector Muhammad Wasim said in a Pakistan Cricket Board release.

"We feel for him but injuries are part and parcel of the sport. I am sure after undergoing rehabilitation, he'll fully recover to be available for future assignments."

IPL 2021, Qualifier 1, DC Vs CSK

Dhoni's CSK Hold Edge Over Pant's Delhi Capitals

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DUBAI: Chennai Super Kings' old guards with an uncanny knack of owning the big stage at right moments, will start as favourites against a solid Delhi Capitals line-up led by 'young pretender' Rishabh Pant in what promises to be an exciting first IPL Qualifier in Dubai, UAE on Sunday.

Capitals were the best team in the league and their 20-point finish at the group stage was an indication of their consistent performances which didn't dip due to the COVID-19 forced break.

Similarly, CSK are now back in familiar settings of play-off rounds, something that they have been done 11 out of 12 times although losing three matches on the bounce wouldn't have amused their all-powerful skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni.

DC, on the other hand, were handed a rude jolt by Kona Bharat's last-ball six in their last group league game against Royal Challengers Bangalore. It didn't change their pole position but did enough to shake them from their stupor.

CSK, over the years, have been in final eight times



and won on three occasions which speak volumes of the team's ability to lift their game just when it's required most.

That's the reason why CSK is not one of those franchises which unleashes new talent by dozens like other franchises. Rituraj Gaikwad is an exception as he could be called a pure CSK product after more than a decade.

Dhoni has a simple cricketing philosophy --- rely on tried and tested individuals who are battle-hardened and thus he has always punted on the likes of Ravindra Jadeja, Ambati Rayudu, Suresh Raina, Dwayne Bravo and Faf du Plessis.

These are players, who have been there and done that. People who can control phases and win pressure situations which more often than not results in victories.

Add Josh Hazlewood or Moeen Ali, who are also international regulars in that mix and the former India captain knows exactly what is the kind of combination that he needs to put on the park.

As much as one speaks about team effort, no one knows more than Dhoni that T20 is perhaps one form of cricket, where individuals win matches.

Dhoni knows that even though his batting form (96 runs in 14 games) has de-

serted him years back (since 2015-16) and an IPL legend like Raina (160 in 12 games) is a pale shadow of his once destructive self, he still has Gaikwad (533 runs) and Du Plessis (546), who have more often than not provided solid starts and the menacing Jadeja (227 runs) providing final flourish.

Similarly, Shardul Thakur (18 wickets in 14 games) has given runs at an expensive economy rate of 8.57 but still the breakthroughs have been important. No one knows more than Dwayne Bravo (12 wickets) as to how one can fool the batters by changing the pace of his deliveries at the death.

Hazlewood hasn't found form but Dhoni has enormous patience in players he believes in and he is banking on that devastating first spell from the Aussie that can wreak havoc.

It could happen against Delhi Capitals, as their batting despite 10 wins, hasn't exactly inspired confidence of highest level. Prithvi Shaw (401 runs) and Shikhar Dhawan (544 runs) have had their share of starts but in the UAE leg, they haven't exactly dominated.

Flower Appointed Afghanistan's Consultant For T20 World Cup

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

KABUL: Former Zimbabwe captain and England coach Andy Flower has been named as Afghanistan's national team consultant for the T20 World Cup, the Afghanistan Cricket Board said.

Flower had played a pivotal role in guiding England to a victory at the T20 World Cup in 2010 during his time at the helm between 2009 and 2014.

"We are delighted that Andy has joined ACB. Andy has worked with a number

of our players in various franchise completions and his vast experience will be very beneficial and useful to help the team in the World Cup," ACB chairman Azizullah Fazli said in a statement.

Flower has represented Zimbabwe in 63 Tests and 213 ODIs before switching to coaching. He has worked with England and also had multiple coaching stints in various franchises and T20 leagues around the world, including IPL, CPL, PSL, and The Hundred. The Afghanistan team left for Qatar from Kabul on October 6.



India In Talks With IOA For 2036 Games: Batra

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

AHMEDABAD: Indian Olympic Association (IOA) president Narinder Batra on Saturday said the organization is in talks with the International Olympic Committee for a possible bid by India to host the 2036 summer games, and Ahmedabad's Motera stadium is the best venue for an opening ceremony.

After it was rebuilt to make it the world's largest cricket stadium, the Motera facility was renamed as 'Narendra Modi Stadium' by the Gujarat Cricket Association in February 2021.

"If someone asks me about the venue for the opening ceremony at present, then it

is definitely going to be the Motera stadium," Batra told reporters here.

"There is no stadium better suited to host the opening ceremony of the Olympics (in India). I can't say what will happen by 2036... (but) I will be proposing Ahmedabad as the venue for the opening ceremony," the IOA chief added.

He was speaking to the media at an event organized by TransStadia, a city-based sports infrastructure firm.

"When you say opening ceremony, it means that athletics will also be played (at the same venue). And athletics is the biggest event (at the Olympics)," he said.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER JAL SHAKTI (PHE) DEPARTMENT, DIVISION, AWANTIPORA email : phedivisionawantipora@gmail.com TENDER DOCUMENT (Technical Bid-Volume-I) TOP SHEET E-NIT S. No 6 th attempt : 100/PHA of 2021-22 Reference: 5 th attempt -- 80/PHA of 2021-22 (No response) 4 th attempt -- 59/PHA of 2021-22 (No response) 3 rd attempt -- 49/PHA of 2021-22 (No response) 2 nd attempt -- 34/PHA of 2021-22 (No response) 1 st attempt individual mode (No response) E-TENDER FOR				
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01	Retrofitting of WSS Ladoo by way of P/L/fitting of pipes, construction of Chain Link Fencing, construction of pump house cum operators quarter, ,brest wall/retaining wall, Stabilization of old pipe net work, Electrical/Mechanical Works & construction of Tube well for achieving 100% FHCT (under JIM) including maintenance for a period of three years which includes 12 months DLP.	395.457	5500	6 months
02	Retrofitting of WSS Green Colony Wuyan by way of P/L/fitting of pipes, construction of Chain Link Fencing, construction of pump house cum operators quarter, brest wall/retaining wall, Electrical/Mechanical Works & construction of Tube well for achieving 100% FHCT (under JIM) including maintenance for a period of three years which includes 12 months DLP.			
03	Providing water supply facilities for the coverage of FHCT including Construction of Toilet Block & Electrical/Mechanical Works of Water Supply Scheme Samboora Old (under JIM) including maintenance for a period of three years which includes 12 months DLP.			
04	Retrofitting of WSS Dewa by way of P/L/fitting of pipes, Electrical/Mechanical Works & construction of Tube well for achieving 100% FHCT (under JIM) including maintenance for a period of three years which includes 12 months DLP.			
05	Providing water supply facilities for the coverage of FHCT including Construction of Toilet Block & Electrical Mechanical Works of Water Supply Scheme Khenibugh (under JIM) including maintenance for a period of three years which includes 12 months DLP.			
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03	Providing water supply facilities for the coverage of FHCT including Construction of Toilet Block & Electrical/Mechanical Works of Water Supply Scheme Samboora Old (under JIM) including maintenance for a period of three years which includes 12 months DLP.	69.223		
04	Retrofitting of WSS Dewa by way of P/L/fitting of pipes, Electrical/Mechanical Works & construction of Tube well for achieving 100% FHCT (under JIM) including maintenance for a period of three years which includes 12 months DLP.	58.560		
05	Providing water supply facilities for the coverage of FHCT including Construction of Toilet Block & Electrical Mechanical Works of Water Supply Scheme Khenibugh (under JIM) including maintenance for a period of three years which includes 12 months DLP.	37.932		
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