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NEWS DIGEST

CRPF Jawan Ends Life

SRINAGAR: A Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) personnel on Monday allegedly committed suicide by shooting himself dead with his service rifle in south Kashmir's Pulwama district. Constable Bupinder Singh ended his life by shooting himself with his service rifle at the Lethpora camp of 185 battalion on Monday morning, reports said. Singh, a resident of Bharatpur, Rajasthan • [More On P10](#)

Patwari Nabbed With Bribe

SRINAGAR: The sleuths of anti-corruption bureau (ACB) on Monday arrested a revenue department official from central Kashmir's Budgam district for seeking a bribe from a man for mutation of his newly purchased land. Gulzar Ahmad, Patwari of Dangerpora in Budgam district was apprehended by the • [More On P10](#)

AK-47 Recovered From Fields

JAMMU: Police on Monday recovered one AK-47 rifle from fields in Arnia area here in the city outskirts. Police said that one AK-47 rifle was found in fields bordering the Arnia belt. "The weapon is seized and a search operation is launched," said the police. Notably, on November 5, two persons were shot dead and one was critically wounded in • [More On P10](#)

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'Lockdown, Dope, Sloth': What Causes Heart Attacks In Young Kashmiris?



Auqib Javed

As a scribe among some other young Kashmiris became new casualties of cardiac arrests, the sudden spike has once again set alarm bells ringing in the valley. These fresh fatalities came when winter is already knocking at the door. "Winter roughly doubles the heart attack rates in the valley," says Dr. Upendra Kaul, Kashmir's noted cardiologist. "Regular exercise and intake of plenty of fruits and vegetables

are very cost-effective solutions." The heart specialist blames substance intake, like heroin and other cruder agents, for the unexplained deaths labeled as heart attacks in young Kashmiris. "While postmortem should become a must for young patients dying suddenly of an alleged heart attack, frequent lockdowns for political reasons or lately Covid-19 have also contributed to it," Dr. Kaul said. An excerpt from the Kashmir Observer interview with Dr. Kaul, edited for length and clarity, follows.

What're the reasons for sudden cardiac deaths in Kashmir?

Reasons seem to be diverse, including changed lifestyle leading to lack of exercise, fast foods, migration of population to cities and bigger towns, pollution and stress at work and at home. All this leads to high blood pressure, more diabetes and higher cholesterol levels in blood. These're major risk factors for heart attacks. One of the presentations of a heart attack is sudden death.

There has been a spurt in heart attacks among young people as well. What can be the possible reasons?

It has to do with the increased incidence of hypertension and diabetes in the age-group of 30-35 years. Coupled with sedentary lifestyle, it can take a fatal turn. Frequent lockdowns for political reasons or lately Covid-19 have also contributed to it. Substance intake among young also lead to heart attacks as well as unexplained deaths

labelled as cardiac arrests due to the attached stigma. Cocaine is a perfect recipe to get a heart attack. De-addiction centres for preventing this menace are very much needed.

Kashmir is witnessing more heart attacks during winters? Any specific reason?

Winter roughly doubles the heart attack rates in the valley. The reasons are partly due to circadian rhythm change. Days becoming • [More On P10](#)

Salesman Shot Dead In Old City

Second Killing In Srinagar In Last 24 Hours



File Photo

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: In the second killing in less than 24 hours, suspected militants on Monday shot dead a salesman in the Old City here. 45-year-old salesman Gulam Mohammad Khan was fired upon by suspected militants in the Bohri Kadal area of the Old City here on Monday evening, officials said. A resident of Ashtangoo in Bandipora district, Khan received multiple gunshot wounds in his left side of chest and abdomen. He was removed to the nearby SMHS hospital for treatment. However, he succumbed to his injuries before the doctors could operate upon him. According to the reports, Khan was working as a salesman for over a decade with a Kashmiri Pandit trader Dr Sandeep Mawah. Originally hailing from downtown Srinagar, Khan is married to lone daughter of Ghulam Mohammad Brag, a resident of Ashtangoo Bandipora. Khan, according to the reports, was seated

6 KHAN WAS WORKING AS A SALESMAN for over a decade with a Kashmiri Pandit trader Dr Sandeep Mawah."

2 Lashkar Militants Arrested

The government forces on Monday arrested two active militants of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) from Anantnag and Pulwama districts of Jammu and Kashmir, officials said. A team of police and Army apprehended a militant from Wahadan village of Ashmuqam area in Anantnag during a search operation, they said. The arrested militant was identified as Hafiz Abdullah Malik who was affiliated with The Resistance Front (TRF), which is believed • [More On P10](#)

Jammu Leaders Seek Statehood For J&K

Press Trust Of India

JAMMU: Several prominent persons, including three former ministers, affiliated with different political parties and an independent district development council (DDC) member on Monday pledged to safeguard the interests of Jammu province amid demands for restoration of statehood to J&K.

A seminar on "Understanding Jammu: Challenges and way ahead" was organised by Dogra Swabhimana Sangathan (DSS) founded by former minister Lal Singh, and was attended among others by Jammu and Kashmir Congress vice president Raman Bhalla and National Panthers Party (NPP) chairman Harsh Dev Singh, both former ministers. They said the platform is not against any "religion or region" but an exercise to unite the people of Jammu • [More On P10](#)

LG Sets One Month Deadline For Making E-Offices Functional

'Ensure Benefits Of Govt Schemes Reach The Last Person'

Observer News Service

JAMMU: Setting one month deadline for making e-offices functional in all the directorates, the Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha on Monday asked the officers for conducting audit and ensuring rationalization of manpower, besides ensuring benefits of government schemes reach the last person in the Union Territory.

Chairing a meeting of secretaries here at the Civil Secretariat on Monday, during which a wide range of policy

initiatives, speedy and timely completion of developmental projects were discussed, the LG said that various policies and measures being undertaken by the government must achieve the target of sustainable development. "It is our utmost duty to ensure that the benefits of government schemes reach the last person," Sinha said, as per official spokesperson.

During the meeting, he said, the LG directed all the District in-charge Secretaries to regularly • [More On P10](#)

Gives Appointment Letter To Wife Of Slain Teacher

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday handed over the appointment letter for the government job to Aradhna Mehra, wife of Kashmiri Hindu teacher Deepak Chand who was killed by militants in Srinagar on October 8, officials said. Mehra received the appointment letter at the Raj Bhavan here. "Today, handed over appointment letter to Smt Aradhna Mehra, wife of martyr Sh Deepak Chand, who was killed by terrorists in Srinagar," the office of • [More On P10](#)

Srinagar Added To UNESCO's Network Of Creative Cities

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Srinagar is among 49 cities worldwide to join the UNESCO creative cities network (UCCN).

The 49 cities were added to the network of 246 cities following their designation by UNESCO Director-General Audrey Azoulay, in recognition of "their commitment to placing culture and creativity at the heart of their development and to sharing knowledge and good practices".

According to a release posted on the UNESCO site on Monday, the network now numbers 295 cities reaching 90 countries that invest in culture and creativity crafts and folk art, design, film, gastronomy, literature, media arts, and music to advance sustainable urban development. A new urban model needs to be



An aerial view of Srinagar. File photo

developed in every city, with its architects, town planners, landscapers and citizens, said UNESCO Director-General Audrey Azoulay. We are urging everyone to work

with States to reinforce the international cooperation between cities which UNESCO wishes to promote, he added. While the Indian National • [Full Story on P3](#)

PM Modi Grooms J&K People

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday congratulated the people of Jammu and Kashmir as Srinagar made it to the prestigious list of UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN) for 2021, for craft and folk art. Taking to Twitter, the Prime Minister said it's fitting recognition for the vibrant cultural ethos of Srinagar. "Delighted that beautiful Srinagar joins the @UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN) with a special mention for its craft and folk art. It is a fitting recognition for the vibrant cultural ethos of Srinagar. Congratulations to the people of Jammu and Kashmir (sic)," PM Modi tweeted.



6 THE INCLUSION OF SRINAGAR IN THE CREATIVE CITY network for the arts and crafts has paved a way for the city to represent its handicrafts on the global stage through UNESCO."



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NATIONAL CANCER AWARENESS DAY

PRESS NOTE



On the eve of **National Cancer Awareness Day** on 07-11-2021 cancer society of Kashmir in collaboration with **State Cancer Institute of SKIMS** organised a free oncology consultation camp cum awareness programme at CSK's day care under the supervision of reputed oncologists and expert doctors. Sufficient number of patients who had come from different corners of the valley were examined. Poor and deserving patients who are registered with this society were provided free anticancer drugs as a matter of routine.

Besides many discussions and awareness about this disease were also held on **All India Radio Srinagar** and **Doordarshan Kendra** through **Good Morning J&K**. Wide publicity about awareness of this disease was given through leading dailies of Srinagar.

Day long activities were carried out smoothly with active participation of staff members of the society.

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I have applied for fertilizer license. If anybody having any objection in this regard He/She may contact office of the Chief Agriculture officer Anantnag within the period of 7 days. After that no objection will be entertained.
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NOTICE

I have lost my driving license bearing DL No: 27062/MVD/ANG. Now I have applied for the duplicate of the same if anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the ARTO Anantnag within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.
Name:- AASIF AHMAD SHAH S/O NAZIR AHMAD SHAH
R/O PANZATH QAZIGUND ANG. RNA

Public Notice

This is inform general public that I have applied for pesticides license. In this regard any person having any objection He/She may contact office of the PPO Lal Mandi Srinagar within seven days from the date of publication of this notice. No objection shall be entertained after that.

Name: Mursaleen Ahmad Bhat
S/O: Ab Rehman Bhat
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OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICER BUDGAM KASHMIR NOTICE

Whereas an application has been received from one. Shri : Ghulam Nabi Mugloo S/o: Mohammad Ramzan Mugloo R/o: Qazibagh Ichigam Budgam owner of vehicle bearing Registration No: JK04E 4092 for cancellation of hire purchase agreement with M/S State Bank of India B/U Srinagar.



Now therefore it is notified for the information of the general public that objections if any to the proposed cancellation of hire purchase Agreement shall be filed in writing in the office of the Assistant Regional Transport officer ARTO Budgam within a period of 12 days from the date of publication of this notice in the daily newspaper

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4	شاہد فیصل کوثر	16 سال	زیر تعلیم	
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Subject: Selection list for the tenure post Registrar in various Departments of Government Medical College, Srinagar

Notification No. 01 - 8A of 2021
Dated: 05-11-2021

Whereas, vide this office advertisement notice issued under no. 06 of 2021 dated. 05-07-2021 applications were invited for filling up of the tenure posts of Registrars/Demonstrators IPSC confirmed/Not PSC confirmed doctors possessing requisite qualification in the various disciplines of Government Medical College, Srinagar; and

Whereas, various extensions have been granted due to the poor response and the last date of submission of application forms was on 15-08-2021; and

Whereas, vide this Office Interview Notice No. AR/MC/DIG/2050-55 Dated: 29-10-2021, the interview was scheduled on 02nd & 3rd November 2021 for the tenure posts of Registrar in the below mentioned Departments:-

S. No	Discipline
1.	Anesthesiology
2.	Blood Bank
3.	Chest Medicine
4.	ENT
5.	Medicine
6.	Radiography
7.	Obst & Gynaec
8.	Radiodiagnosis & Imaging
9.	Pediatrics
10.	Surgery

and
Whereas, as per instructions laid down in the General administration Department's Order No. 528-J&K/Ad of 2021 dated. 21-06-2021 read with 1003-J&K/Ad of 2021 Dated. 27-06-2021 that Character & Antecedents of Selected are to be verified by the Criminal Investigation Department before issuance of formal engagement orders by the competent authority of Government Medical College, Srinagar.

Now, therefore, on the basis of the performance in the interview, the selection/waiting list of the candidates, who have appeared in the interview is hereby enclosed as Annexure - "A" to this Notification.

Consequent upon the above, the names of the doctors Annexed with this notification as Annexure - "A" are advised to report to the Office of the Registrar Academics, Government Medical College, Srinagar with 03 days, during working hours, from the date of issuance of this notification for submission of forms in triplicate for Verification of character and Antecedents.

NOTE:-
Forms can be obtained from the Protostat Section of Government Medical College, Srinagar or the candidates can download it from official website of Government Medical College, Srinagar i.e. www.gmcs.edu.in

NO: RA-GMCS/R/D/Adv/2114-34/MC

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Dated : 06-11-2021

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S. No.	Name of Candidate	Qualification	Department	Status
1.	DR. UMAR JAIN	MD	Anesthesiology	Selected
2.	DR. ADRIAN QADRI	MD	Anesthesiology	Selected
3.	DR. SYED MOHAMMAD FARHA	MD	Anesthesiology	Selected
4.	DR. SUMERA PAYAZ	MD	Anesthesiology	Selected
5.	DR. ZOYA SEHAR	MD	Anesthesiology	Selected
6.	DR. ZARQA HASSAN	MD	Anesthesiology	Selected
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11.	DR. REHALE YOUSUF	MD	Anesthesiology	Selected
12.	DR. HANAM WAZIR	MD	Anesthesiology	Selected
13.	DR. JOSEPHINE SHAMBI	MD	Blood Bank	Selected
14.	DR. TALAMEL HUSSAIN SEHAR	MD	Chest Medicine	Selected
15.	DR. SENA MURTAZA	MD	Chest Medicine	Selected
16.	DR. ZUBAIR AHMAD THIKER	MD	Chest Medicine	Selected
17.	DR. HAKEM FIKROUS	MD	Chest Medicine	Selected
18.	DR. M. SALMAN ARIF	MS	ENT	Selected
19.	DR. SABBIRAH MUKHTAR	MS	ENT	Waiting
20.	DR. BASHIR AHMAD MAJIK	MS	ENT	Waiting
21.	DR. TABASUM KHAN	MD	Medicine	Selected
22.	DR. ISHRAH THIKER	MD	Medicine	Selected
23.	DR. WASEEM HUSSAIN MIRZA	MD	Medicine	Selected
24.	DR. AASIF AHMAD NAK	MD	Medicine	Selected
25.	DR. ATIFAH RASIED WANI	MD	Medicine	Selected
26.	DR. ISHA SHAR	MD	Medicine	Selected

27.	DR. TANZEEL AHMAD WANI	MD	Medicine	Selected
28.	DR. AASIF MAQSOOD LOVI	MD	Radiography	Selected
29.	DR. RUSAL IQBAL	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
30.	DR. NAJMA ZAHOR	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
31.	DR. RIYAZ AHMAD TANTRAY	MD	Obst & Gynec	Selected
32.	DR. AHMAD FARHAN	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
33.	DR. QURAT-UL-HASAN	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
34.	DR. DARABHISHAN QUTBOOM	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
35.	DR. SHAN MAJID	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
36.	DR. JURA RIYAZ	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
37.	DR. MUZAMMIL RASOOL	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
38.	DR. FARHIZAN QURESHI	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
39.	DR. ITRAH ANJAM	MS	Obst & Gynec	Selected
40.	DR. ANJUM ARA KHAN	Diploma	Obst & Gynec	Selected

41.	DR. SHABIR AHMAD	Diploma	Obst & Gynec	Selected
42.	DR. SYED ALI NEAR FATIMA	MD	Radiodiagnosis & Imaging	Selected
43.	DR. UROOQA SHABIR	MD	Radiodiagnosis & Imaging	Selected
44.	DR. AAOB NISAR BHAT	MD	Radiodiagnosis & Imaging	Selected
45.	DR. SAMIYA MANZOOR	MD	Radiodiagnosis & Imaging	Selected
46.	DR. TAJIR AHMAD KHAN	MD	Radiodiagnosis & Imaging	Waiting
47.	DR. ISHAQ NAZIR ZARGAR	MD	Radiodiagnosis & Imaging	Waiting
48.	DR. ZAHOR AHMAD RAZIA	MD	Radiodiagnosis & Imaging	Waiting
49.	DR. MEHABEH UL-ILAQ	Diploma	Radiodiagnosis & Imaging	Waiting
50.	DR. KUHAIL AHMAD BABA	MD	Pediatrics	Selected
51.	DR. AHIAZ AHMAD BHAT	MD	Pediatrics	Selected
52.	DR. WAMIQ FARDOQ WANI	MD	Pediatrics	Selected
53.	DR. MIR AJAL HASSAN	MD	Pediatrics	Selected

S. No.	Name of Candidate	Qualification	Department	Status
54.	DR. SYED RAYEES QADRI	MD	Pediatrics	Selected
55.	DR. IFRAH NISAR WANI	MD	Pediatrics	Selected
56.	DR. WASEEM YOUSUF	MD	Pediatrics	Selected
57.	DR. SYED ASBQ NISAR ANDRAB	MD	Pediatrics	Waiting
58.	DR. YASER HUSSAIN WANI	MS	Surgery	Selected
59.	DR. SYED AADIL SHADAB ANDRAB	MS	Surgery	Selected
60.	DR. ASBQ HUSSAIN RAINA	MS	Surgery	Selected
61.	DR. AYAZ AHMAD BHAT	MS	Surgery	Selected
62.	DR. ISHAQ AHMAD WANI	MS	Surgery	Selected
63.	DR. TAWSEEF ALFAR MIR	MS	Surgery	Selected
64.	DR. ZAHID KALEEM	MS	Surgery	Selected
65.	DR. YOUNIS AHMAD DAR	MS	Surgery	Selected
66.	DR. MEHABEH GANI	MS	Surgery	Selected
67.	DR. MALIK NISAR AHMAD	MS	Surgery	Selected
68.	DR. SYED NADEEM RAFFIQ	MS	Surgery	Selected
69.	DR. WANI AZUL KHURSHID	MS	Surgery	Selected
70.	DR. BABA SAIED MOHMOOD	MS	Surgery	Selected
71.	DR. BABA NISAR ALI KHAN	MS	Surgery	Selected

What's the difference between 1.5°C and 2°C of global warming?

Agencies

Over and over at the UN climate summit in Glasgow, world leaders have stressed the need to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius.

The 2015 Paris Agreement commits countries to limit the global average temperature rise to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels, and to aim for 1.5°C. Scientists have said crossing the 1.5°C threshold risks unleashing far more severe climate change effects on people, wildlife and ecosystems. Preventing it requires almost halving global CO2 emissions by 2030 from 2010 levels and cutting them to net-zero by 2050 -- an ambitious task that scientists, financiers, negotiators and activists at COP26 are debating how to achieve and pay for.

But what is the difference between 1.5°C and 2°C of warming? We asked several scientists to explain:

WHERE ARE WE NOW?

Already, the world has heated to around 1.1°C above pre-industrial levels. Each of the last four decades was hotter than any decade since 1850. "We never had such a global warming in only a few decades", said climate scientist Daniela Jacob at the Climate Service Center Germany. "Half a degree means much more extreme weather, and it can be more often, more intense, or extended in duration." Just this year, torrential rain flooded China and Western Europe, killing hundreds of people. Hundreds more died when temperatures in the Pacific Northwest hit record highs. Greenland saw massive

melting events, wildfires ravaged the Mediterranean and Siberia, and record drought hit parts of Brazil. "Climate change is already affecting every inhabited region across the globe," said climate scientist Rachel Warren at the University of East Anglia.

HEAT, RAIN, DROUGHT

More warming to 1.5°C and beyond will worsen such impacts.

risks. It also increases evaporation, leading to more intense droughts.

ICE, SEAS, CORAL REEFS

The difference between 1.5°C and 2°C is critical for Earth's oceans and frozen regions. "At 1.5°C, there's a good chance we can prevent most of the Greenland and west Antarctic ice sheet from collapsing," said climate scientist Michael



"For every increment of global warming, changes in extremes become larger," said climate scientist Sonia Seneviratna at ETH Zurich. For example, heat waves would become both more frequent and more severe. An extreme heat event that occurred once per decade in a climate without human influence, would happen 4.1 times a decade at 1.5°C of warming, and 5.6 times at 2°C, according to the U.N. climate science panel (IPCC). Let warming spiral to 4°C, and such an event could occur 9.4 times per decade. A warmer atmosphere can also hold more moisture, resulting in more extreme rainfall that raises flood

Mann at Pennsylvania State University. That would help limit sea level rise to a few feet by the end of the century - still a big change that would erode coastlines and inundate some small island states and coastal cities. But blow past 2°C and the ice sheets could collapse, Mann said, with sea levels rising up to 10 metres (30 feet)- though how quickly that could happen is uncertain. Warming of 1.5°C would destroy at least 70% of coral reefs, but at 2°C more than 99% would be lost. That would destroy fish habitats and communities that rely on reefs for their food and livelihoods.

PAY CUTS

JK Bank Security Guards To Go On Indefinite Strike Over Salary Cut

Agencies

Srinagar: Security Guards associated with Jammu and Kashmir Bank Monday declared that they will go on indefinite strike from Wednesday if their issue related to pay-cuts is not resolved.

The security guards yet again staged a protest against Chandigarh based ‘Delta Company’ against huge pay cuts.

Scores of security guards assembled at Press Enclave Srinagar and registered their protest. There are around 3500 skilled and unskilled security guards working at different banks and ATMs in Srinagar, Ganderbal and Budgam.

“This protest is not against JK Bank but against the Chandigarh based Delta Company that despite being paid by JK Bank in advance has resorted to pay cuts,” Tahir Ahmed, one of the protesters, told the news agency.

He said: “earlier JK Bank had given a contract to Chandigarh based ‘Para-Green’ Company. The Para Green Company was paying Rs 11,250 to skilled guards and Rs 7,500 monthly to unskilled security guards. Now JK Bank has given the contract to another Chandigarh based ‘Delta Company’, that shortly after getting the contract resort to reduction in monthly salaries.”

The new company will pay Rs 9,000 to skilled guards and Rs 5,500 to unskilled guards. Besides, it has asked the security guards to pay Rs 15,000 from their own pockets so that uniforms and other things can be arranged for them.

The protesters said that JK Bank pays Rs 18,000 per security guard to this private security company but instead of spending a major portion on hapless and poor security guards, this company is intending to exploit them and keep the major chunk of money with itself.

The protesters appealed to JK Bank to take up the issue with the ‘Delta Company’. (KNT)



Two Shikaras stand anchored in Dal Lake as Aatish-e-Chinar hued autumn is gradually fading into winter in Kashmir.Pic Abid Bhat

Srinagar Gets UNESCO Tag Under Creative Cities Network

City chosen as ‘City of Craft & Folk Art for UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN) 2021’

KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: In a major recognition of the crafts and arts of Jammu and Kashmir Srinagar City has been chosen under the UNESCO creative city network under the Crafts and Folk Arts Category.

The inclusion of Srinagar in the creative city network for the arts and crafts has paved a

way for the city to represent its handicrafts on the global stage through UNESCO.

The UNESCO creative city network involves seven creative fields: arts and folk art, media, film, literature, design, gastronomy and Media arts.

The dossier for nomination for Srinagar as Creative city was first filed by Srinagar in 2019 however only 2 cities Hyderabad for Gastronomy and Mumbai for Film were chosen during that year. Prior to year 2019 only three Indian cities have been recognised as members of UCCN for creative

cities namely - Jaipur (Crafts and Folk Arts) in 2015, Varanasi (Creative city of Music) in 2015 and Chennai (Creative city of Music) in 2017. For the year 2020 UNESCO did not call for applications for the creative city network.

Chief Executive Officer, Jhelum Tawi Flood Recovery Project, JKERA, Dr Abid Rashid Shah, said that the process of nomination of Srinagar under the UNESCO Creative City Network was undertaken and funded under the World Bank Funded Jhelum Tawi Flood Recovery Project. This is

the recognition of the historical Crafts and Arts of the City.

“It is a proud moment for all of us,” Dr Shah said.

“World Bank, JTFRP and Department of Industries did a remarkable job in projecting the city in this regard,” he said.

Director, Technical, Planning and Coordination, JTFRP, Iftikhaar Hakim, said that credit must go to JTFRP, Department of Industries and line departments for taking up the task positively. He said consultants were hired and work was taken up in this regard to complete all the requirements.

Army Ties Up With KU For Providing Distance Edu Courses For Soldiers

Press Trust of India

Srinagar: The Army on Monday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the University of Kashmir for providing distance education course to soldiers posted in the valley.

The MoU was signed by Vice Chancellor of the university Prof Talat Ahmad and General Officer Commanding of Chinार Corps Lt Gen D P Pandey at Gandhi Hall, University of Kashmir, a Defence Spokesman said here.

He said it was a historic day for the UoK, Srinagar and Chinार Corps having estab-

lished a long term relationship for provision of distance education courses to soldiers presently serving in Kashmir.

"As envisaged in the MoU, the soldiers of Indian Army posted in Kashmir, will be able to seek admission to various courses being offered by the Directorate of Distance Education, University of Kashmir. The type of courses being made available to Army personnel range from six months certificate courses to one year diploma courses and two years post graduate courses," the spokesman said.

He said a total of 18 courses

es are presently available for enrolment by the Army personnel, which will be increased in due course of time.

After the formal signing of the MoU, Prof Ahmad, while addressing the gathering, emphasised on core values of the university and mentioned that the vital significance of long term MoU which will benefit the soldiers posted in Kashmir.

Lt Gen Pandey in his address, praised the milestone achieved in the field of education, which will empower the soldiers of the Chinार Corps in performing their duties in a challenging environment.

Admin Imposed Huge Fines On Erring Traders, Expired Food Items Destroyed

KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: In compliance with the already passed directions by the Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad, the special enforcement teams of the District Administration Srinagar Monday continued the ongoing market checking across the City.

The special Enforcement Squads headed by concerned Tehsildars of the District conducted Intensified market checking in their

respective jurisdictions in order to ensure all essential commodities are sold at already fixed prices besides ensuring their quality and availability in City markets.

The concerned Tehsildars in coordination with Police, Legal Metrology, FCS&CA and other Departments carried inspections in Chanapora, Rawalpura, Sanat Nagar and other markets to curb the black marketing and profiteering in City markets in wake of ensuing winter season and booked several erring shopkeepers.

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Notice Inviting Quotation

No.: JKHPMC/MD/21/

Dated: 03-11-2021

Subject: Security Audit of JKHPMC’s Website by a CERT-IN empanelled Organisation.

JKHPMC’s website www.jkhpmmc.jk.gov.inhas been hosted on the staging environment in State Data Centre (SDC). In this regard, a ‘Security Audit’ of Website has to be initiated. As such, CERT-IN empanelled Organizations are invited to submit their “Financial Quotations” for the website’s ‘Security Audit’ to the Office of Managing Director, JKHPMC within a week’s time, from the issuance of this Notice and/or latest by 13.11.2021

Sd/-
Managing Director
JKHPMC Ltd.

DIPK-NB-4848/21

Government of Jammu & Kashmir OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER Sher-i-Kashmir International Convention Centre Srinagar

Notice Inviting E-Tenders

e-NIT No.13 SKICC of 2021-22

Dated 06/11/2021

For and on behalf of the President of India, e-tender/s (in single cover system) is/are invited from approved and eligible Contractors/Registered/Reputed Dealer/Supplier registered with J&K, UT Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State/UT/Central Government Department on item rate basis registered with J&K Govt. CPWD, Railway and other State Central Governments for the below mentioned work/s.

S. No.	Name of work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees)	Earnest money (In Rupees)	Time of completion (Calendar days)	Class of Contractor	Ref. to Auth/AA	Ref. to T. S	Major head of Account
1.	Servicing of 1250 KVA, 11/0.433 KV Transformer with OLTC feeding power supply to SKICC.	2.70	300/-	8100/-	20 days	Registered agency having relevant experience in dealing with similar nature of works & having their own workshop	Accorded	Obtained	Plan
2	SITC (2 feet x 2 feet) LED surface mount Luminaries.	2.93	400/-	8790/-	One month	Electric Contractor	Accorded	Obtained	Plan

Position of funds: - Committed

The bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specification, drawings, bill of quantities (BOQ) set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below: -

1.	Date of issue of Tender Notice	06.11.2021
2.	Period of downloading of bidding documents	06.11.2021
3.	Bid submission start date (on line)	06.11.2021 (from 3.30 P.M)
4.	Bid submission End date (on line)	17.11.2021 (upto 4.00 P.M)
5.	Date & time of opening of bids (online)	18.11.2021 (at 11.30 A.M)

Note: The Bidders are advised to read all conditions laid down in the NIT carefully before uploaded softcopies.

Any short fall found in the soft copy will render the Bid rejection.

As per Circular issued by the Government of Jammu & Kashmir Civil Secretariat Finance department vide No. OM No. A/24 (2017)-651 dated 07.06.2018 which reads as under: -

a. Furnishing of hard Copies of bids immediately after submission of e-tenders is dispensed with. The same should be obtained only from the Bidder who declared 1st (L-1) after opening of financial bids.

b. The cost of tender document should be collected in the shape of Demand Draft (DD) pledged to Executive Engineer, SKICC and uploading a copy of DD.

1. Bids must be accompanied with cost of tender documents in shape of demand draft (non-refundable) in favour of the Executive engineer SKICC, Srinagar (Tender inviting/Receiving Authority). The date of the DD should be between the date of start of bid and bid submission end date.

2. All the bidders have to submit bid Security Declaration form instead of earnest money as per circular of Finance Department (Bid Security Declaration Form is as per Annexure “A” below).

3. The 1st lowest bidder has to produce an amount equal to 3%of the (Advertise Cost) as performance security in the shape of FDR/CDR within three days before after opening of tender/s.

4. The date and time of opening of bids shall be notified on web site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of responsive bidders shall be opened on line on same web site by the Executive Engineer SKICC.

s/d
Executive Engineer
SKICC

DIPK-NB-4828/21
No: SKICC/EE/21/401-06 Dated 06 /11/2021

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- PDD: 0194-2450213
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- BIJHERA: 01932-228243
- PAMPORE: 01933-294132
- PATTAN: 01954-293507
- QAZIGUND: 01951-296153



HIGHWAY STATUS



Sgr-Jammu highway - (Open)
Mughal Road - (Open)
Srinagar- Leh- (Open)



**HIJRI
CALENDAR**
03 Rabi-ul Sani
1443

PRAYERS

FAJR	5: 32
ZUHR	12:14
ASR	4:54
Magrib	5:34
ISHA	6: 56

This Day In History

- 1729 - Spain, France & Britain sign Treaty of Seville
- 1794 - Russian troops occupy Warsaw
- 1799 - Napoleon Bonaparte pulls off a coup and becomes the dictator of France under the title of First Consul
- 1821 1st US pharmacy college holds 1st classes, Philadelphia
- 1842 - The first U.S. design patent for typefaces and borders was issued to George Bruce of New York City
- 1900 - China has resumed nominal control of Manchuria, but in a secret agreement the Chinese governor of Manchuria grants Russia such rights as keeping troops along the railroad lines and controlling civil administration
- 1904 - 1st airplane flight to last more than 5 minutes
- 1906 - Theodore Roosevelt is 1st US President to visit another country (Puerto Rico and Panama)
- 1922 - Frederick Soddy wins the 1921 Nobel Prize in Chemistry (announced in 1922 due to a technicality)
- 1923 - Beer Hall Putsch, Munich; Nazis fail to overthrow government, 16 die, Hitler flees
- 1930 - 1st nonstop airplane flight from NY to Panama
- 1936 - Albanian government of Frasherî falls
- 1939 - Nobel for physics awarded to Ernest O Lawrence (cyclotron)
- 1941 - Hitler threatens Clemens August, Graf von Galen, Bishop of Münster
- 1955 - UN disapproves of South Africa's apartheid politics
- 1962 - US performs nuclear test at Nevada Test Site
- 1964 "Comedy in Music-Opus 2" opens at John Golden NYC for 192 performances
- 1964 - Eisaku Sato becomes premier of Japan
- 1967 - 1st unmanned Saturn V flight to test Apollo 4 reentry module
- 1967 - Surveyor 6 soft lands on Moon
- 1967 - The unmanned Saturn V rocket is launched on its first successful test flight into Earth orbit
- 1968 - USSR performs nuclear test at Eastern Kazakh/Semipalatinsk USSR
- 1976 - UN General Assembly condemns apartheid in South Africa
- 1978 - NASL realigns its 24 teams into 6 divisions
- 1980 - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein declares holy war against Iran
- 1983 - Discovery flies from Vandenberg AFB to Kennedy Space Center
- 1998 - Capital punishment in the United Kingdom, already abolished for murder, is completely abolished for all remaining capital offences.
- 1999 - TAESA Flight 725, crashes a few minutes after leaving the Uruapan airport en-route to Mexico City. 18 people were killed in the accident.
- 2003 - A suicide-terrorist attack in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, kills 17 people.
- 2005 - The Venus Express mission of the European Space Agency is launched from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan.
- 2012 - 25 people are killed and 62 injured after a train carrying liquid fuel bursts into flames in Burma
- 2012 - An Algerian C-295 military transport plane crashes near Avignon, France, killing 6 people
- 2014 - United States lead air strikes in the northern Iraqi city of Mosul against Islamic State (IS)
- 2014 - Celebrations held in Germany to mark the 25th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall; white balloons marking a stretch of the wall symbolize its disappearance
- 2015 - World Anti-Doping Agency commission report recommends Russian Federation be banned from athletics competitions for running a "state-supported" doping programme

From KO Archives

Lone' s predicaments: Will they, won't they?

Observer News Service

NEW DELHI : National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) today said it has no occasion to consider All Parties Hurriyat Conference leader Abdul Gani Lone's complaint that the centre was refusing to issue a passport to him.

After the full commission meeting here, where A G Lone's com-plaint was considered, NHRC chairman J.S. Verma said it is a hy-po-thet-ical situation. The complaint assumes that people who are supposed to do their job will not do it. The centre is considering his application and has not rejected it, he said.

Lone, whose son Sajjad is getting married to Pakistan-based Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front leader Amanullah Khan's daughter Asm a in Rawalpindi on November 19, moved NHRC sav-ing that the centre was refusing to issue him a passport.

The process of issuing of a passport takes time and it is wrong to assume that the government is doing it because they don't want to issue it to Lone, Verma said. Asked if Lone was finally reissued the passport, will NHRC intervene into the matter, the NHRC chairman said again that is hypothetical situation we are assuming. But we will set on what ground the government might refused hima passport.

(Kashmir Observer, November 09 , 2000)

Abu Dhabi To Allow Non-Muslim Civil Marriage Under Family Law Shakeup



Agencies

Non-Muslims will be allowed to marry, divorce and get joint child custody under civil law in Abu Dhabi according to a new decree issued on Sunday by its ruler, state news agency WAM said.

It is the latest step in the United Arab Emirates -- where personal status laws on marriage and divorce had been based on Islamic sharia principles, as in other Gulf states -- to maintain its competitive edge as a regional commercial hub.

The decree from Abu Dhabi's Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed al-Nahayan, who is also president of the UAE federation of seven emirates, said the law covers civil marriage, divorce, alimony, joint child custody and proof of paternity, and inheritance.

It aims to "enhance the position and global competitiveness of the emirate as one of the most attractive destinations for talent and skills", WAM said.

The report described the civil law regulating non-Muslim family matters as being the first of its kind in the world "in line with international best practices".

A new court to handle non-Muslim family matters will be set up in Abu Dhabi and will operate in both English and Arabic.

The UAE last year introduced a number of legal changes at the federal level, including decriminalising premarital sexual relations and alcohol consumption, and cancelling provisions for leniency when dealing with so-called "honour killings".

These reforms, alongside measures such as introducing longer-term visas, have been seen as a way for the Gulf state to make itself more attractive for foreign investment, tourism and long-term residency.

CRPF Constable Opens Fire With AK-47 In Chhattisgarh, 4 Colleagues Killed



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Four CRPF personnel were killed and three others injured after their colleague opened fire at them in a camp of the paramilitary force in Chhattisgarh's Sukma district on Monday, a police official said.

The incident took place at around 3.15 am in the camp of the Central Reserve Police Force's (CRPF) 50th battalion in Lingampalli village under Marai-guda police station of the area of the district, located nearly 400 km from the state capital Raipur, Inspector General of Police (Bastar range) Sundarraj P said.

As per preliminary information, constable Reetesh Ranjan fired at his colleagues with his service weapon, an AK-47 rifle, the official said.

The seven injured personnel were immediately shifted to a hospital in nearby Bhadrachalam area of neighbouring Telangana, where doctors declared four of them dead on arrival, the official said.

THE MOTIVE behind the firing is yet to be ascertained and an investigation is on into the incident,"

Those killed were identified as constables Rajmani Kumar Yadav, Rajib Mondal, Dhanji and Dharmendra Kumar, he said, adding that three other injured personnel were being treated at the hospital.

"The motive behind the firing is yet to be ascertained and an investigation is on into the incident," the official said.

Constable Ranjan was immediately arrested and his interrogation is underway, he said.

In a similar incident of fratricide in January this year, a CRPF jawan was killed and another one injured after their colleague opened fire at them in their camp in the state's Bastar district, police earlier said.

The offender had then tried to commit suicide by shooting himself, they said.



DEMONSTRATORS MARCH through the streets of Glasgow to demand global leaders move faster against the common challenge of global warming. (AP)

Why Were US Defense Systems Deactivated During Baghdad Drone Attack?

Agencies

The spokesman for the Iraqi Joint Operations Command has raised questions about the inactivation of the US military's C-RAM systems used to detect and destroy incoming rockets and flying objects, as a drone laden with explosives targeted the residence of Prime Minister Mustafa al-Kadhimi in Baghdad's high-security Green Zone.

A statement released by the Security Media Cell, affiliated with the Iraqi prime minister's office, said Kadhimi was subjected to a failed assassination attempt with a booby-trapped drone early Sunday.

The statement said the drone attack targeted his residence, but the Iraqi prime minister was "unharmed" and is "in good health."

A spokesman for the al-Sadiqoun bloc, the political wing of Asa'ib Ahl al-Haq resistance group, later reacted to the purported assassination attempt on Kadhimi.

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Rubaie wrote in a Twitter post.

While the Security Media Cell speaks of a drone attack, Kadhimi's tweet cites missiles. All this happened while US C-RAM defense systems were inactivated, Rubaie commented.

The news about the failed assassination attempt on Kadhimi drew reactions from Abu Ali al-Askari, a senior commander of the Iraqi anti-terror Kata'ib Hezbollah group, which is part of the country's Popular Mobilization Units (PMU).

"According to our reliable information, no one in Iraq is willing to squander a drone and fly it over the former prime minister's residence. Playing the victim is a time-worn tactic, which is history now," he said in a Telegram message.

"Even more ridiculous is the fact that he calls on the nation to show

restraint and calm. Who should be worried? Who has lost his control?" Askari said.

Some observers and analysts say there are indications that suggest the failed attempt is distrustful.

"The US Embassy activates its C-Ram missile defense system and sounds sirens any time there is an attack in the Green Zone of Baghdad. This time the siren was heard, and it was sounded only after the explosion," Mohammad al-Hamad, a producer and presenter for Iraq's Arabic-language Afaq satellite network, wrote in a series of posts published on his Twitter page.

The first media outlet to cover the incident was the Saudi-owned al-Hadath television news network, and the channel tried to implicate Qais al-Khazali, leader of Asa'ib Ahl al-Haq group, over his opposition to the incumbent Iraqi administration led by Kadhimi, Hamad said.

He went on to say that al-Hadath TV and its sister channel al-Arabiya have at times sought to drag Iraq into chaos and sedition, describing the circumstances surrounding the failed assassination attempt on Kadhimi as a low-budget movie.

Iran Launches Military Drills Near Strategic Oil Lanes

Agencies

The Iranian army began on Sunday drills in the southwest of the country, near the strategic Strait of Hormuz, where it said a stand-off with the US recently took place.

"The exercise of the army of the Islamic Republic of Iran on an area of more than one million square kilometres east of the Strait of Hormuz and the Sea of Oman and north of the Indian Ocean has begun," state television said.

It broadcast images of the military exercises which involved helicopters, tanks, drones, ships and speedboats.

"This exercise is a serious warning to our enemies and

those who have ill intentions towards Iran," the spokesman for the drills, Admiral Mahmoud Moussavi, was quoted as saying by Irib News Agency.

The elite Revolutionary Guard Corps announced on Wednesday it had thwarted an attempt by the US Navy to seize a vessel carrying its oil in the Sea of Oman the previous week.

But US defence officials offered a contrasting version of events, saying the Iranians had seized the tanker, while US forces "monitored" the incident without engaging.

The Strait of Hormuz is a chokepoint for global oil shipments, where US and Iranian naval vessels have faced off in

the past.

The latest tanker incident took place amid protracted efforts to revive a 2015 nuclear deal between Iran and world powers that the US unilaterally pulled out of in 2018 under then-President Donald Trump.

The deal would offer Iran vital relief from debilitating sanctions in return for severe limits in its nuclear activities.

In 2019, a series of attacks on tankers in the Gulf threatened to further drive US-Iran tensions.

Nuclear talks are expected to resume on November 29 in Vienna, after they had been suspended since June after the election of Iran's headline President Ebrahim Raisi.

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Pakistan Lifts Ban On Far-Right TLP Behind Anti-France Protests



Agencies

Pakistan says it has lifted a ban on a far-right party behind violent anti-France protests last month that triggered clashes with police, resulting in six officers and four demonstrators' death.

The development follows an agreement reached last week between the government of Prime Minister Imran Khan and Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan (TLP) that the party would halt its march to Islamabad.

The march was called to demand the closure of the French embassy in the Pakistani capital.

The Ministry of Interior lifted the ban late on Sunday, saying the move was in the "larger national interest" amid assurances the party would not indulge in violent activities in future.

The protest march on Islamabad, which started on October 22, was also meant to demand the release of the party's leader, Saad Rizvi, who was arrested a year ago, as well as thousands of its members detained in a crackdown to foil the march from Lahore to Islamabad.

TLP was outlawed a year ago amid violent rallies over the publication of the caricatures of Islam's Prophet Muhammad in France.

The party started demanding

the expulsion of the French envoy in October 2020, when French President Emmanuel Macron tried to defend the caricatures as freedom of expression.

Macron's comments came after a young Muslim beheaded a French school teacher who had shown caricatures of the Prophet in class.

The images were republished by the satirical magazine Charlie Hebdo to mark the opening of the trial over the deadly 2015 attack against the publication of the original caricatures.

That enraged many Muslims who believe those depictions were blasphemous. Pakistan's move to lift the ban on TLP drew criticism on social media.

TLP supporters are yet to formally announce the end of their march and scores of demonstrators are still sitting along a highway in the city of Wazirabad.

Authorities last week said they freed more than 1,000 detained TLP supporters and that a process was under way to release Rizvi.

Rizvi's party gained prominence in Pakistan's 2018 elections, campaigning on the single issue of defending the country's blasphemy law, which calls for the death penalty for anyone who insults Islam.

Pakistan's military was to brief legislators later on Monday on the current security situation in the country.

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Priyanka Gandhi's 5 Questions For Centre On Demonetisation Anniversary



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NEW DELHI: On the fifth anniversary of demonetisation, Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Monday termed it a "disaster" and asked if the step has been successful, why hasn't corruption ended and black money returned to the country.

On November 8, 2016, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced on national television his government's decision to ban

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all currency notes of higher denomination of 500 and 1,000 from midnight on the same day.

"If 'notebandi' (demonetisation) was successful, why hasn't corruption ended? Why hasn't black money come back? Why hasn't the economy gone cashless? Why hasn't terrorism been hit? Why hasn't price rise been reined in?" Mr Gandhi said in a tweet in Hindi, using the hashtag 'DemonetisationDisaster'.

The Congress has been alleging that demonetisation was not in the interest of people and had adverse effects on the economy, a charge the Modi government has dismissed repeatedly.

NEWS MAKERS

Taliban Members Are Now Governors, Police Chiefs In Afghanistan



KABUL: The Taliban appointed 44 of its members to key roles including provincial governors and police chiefs on Sunday, a key step in shoring up its governance as the country grapples with growing security and economic problems.

It is first large-scale round of appointments announced since the cabinet was formed in September.

The Taliban released the list of its members' new roles, including Qari Baryal to serve as governor of

Kabul and Wali Jan Hamza as the city's police chief.

The previous commander in charge of Kabul's security, Mawlawi Hamdullah Mukhlis, was killed this month in an attack on Afghanistan's largest military hospital in downtown Kabul.

The Taliban took over the country on Aug 15 but have faced an uphill battle in their promise to restore order and security after decades of war. ISIS have carried out a spate of attacks around the country, while the economy has been plunged into crisis.

There have been international calls for the group to negotiate with other political players to form an inclusive government including minorities and women, although substantive progress on that has so far not materialised. REUTERS

A Speech Filmed In Sea To Show Climate Change. Courtesy: Tuvalu Minister

CANBERRA: Tuvalu's foreign minister has given a speech to the United Nations climate conference in Glasgow standing knee-deep in seawater to show how his low-lying Pacific island nation is on the front line of climate change.

Images of Simon Kofe standing in a suit and tie at a lectern set up in the sea, with his trouser legs rolled up, have been shared widely on social media, drawing attention to Tuvalu's struggle against rising sea levels.

"The statement juxtaposes the COP26 setting with the real-life situations faced in Tuvalu due to the impacts of climate change and sea level rise and highlights the bold action Tuvalu is taking to address the very pressing issues of human mobility under climate change," Kofe said of his video message to the conference.



The video was shot by public broadcaster TVBC at the far end of Fongafale, the main islet of the capital Funafuti, a government official said.

It is due to be shown at the climate summit on Tuesday and comes as regional leaders push for more aggressive action to limit the

impact of climate change. Many big polluters have vowed to intensify their carbon cuts over coming decades with some aiming for net zero carbon emissions by 2050.

But Pacific Island leaders have demanded immediate action, pointing out that the very survival of their low-lying countries is at stake. : REUTERS

Madhya Pradesh Man Kills Wife For Delay In Giving Him Towel After Bath

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BALAGHAT: A 50-year-old man in Madhya Pradesh allegedly killed his wife in a fit of rage when she told him to wait for a towel he had asked for after taking bath, police said on Monday.

The incident took place on Saturday evening in Hirapur village under Kimpapur police station limits of Balaghat district, they said.

The accused, Rajkumar Bahe (50), a daily wage employee of the forest department, asked his wife Pushpa Bai (45) to give him a towel after taking bath. Kimpapur police station's inspector Rajendra Kumar Baria said quoting a complaint filed by her family members.

His wife told him to wait for sometime as she was washing utensils.

This angered the man, who then



repeatedly hit on his wife's head with a shovel, the official said.

The woman died on the spot, he said, adding that the accused also threatened his 23-year-old daughter when she tried to stop him.

The body was handed over to the family members on Sunday after postmortem.

The accused was arrested on Sunday and a case was registered against him on charge of murder and other relevant provisions, the official said.

GOVERNANCE REPORT

Performance Under PMAY Scheme Unsatisfactory: Bankers Committee

KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir's Union Territory Level Bankers Committee has observed that the performance under the credit linked subsidy scheme (CLSS) of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) has remained unsatisfactory, asking both the Housing & Urban Development and financial institutions to improve their performance under the scheme.

In its meeting held on September 20, the apex-level bankers' committee observed that the performance under the scheme has remained unsatisfactory and expressed the need to analyse and overcome the impediments for facilitating the smooth financing under the scheme.

Under the credit linked subsidy component of PMAY, economically weaker sections and middle income groups get home loans at low interest rates.

In the meeting, the Housing and Urban Development Department, J&K government to increase sponsorship under the scheme.

The banks were also directed to

take necessary measures for improving the performance under the PMAY scheme and clear all the pending cases by the end of the current financial year.

The participants of the meeting were informed that only 378 cases were sponsored during the period from April 1 to August 31 this year.

"The house was informed that against the sponsorship of 378 cases during the period from 1.4.2021 to 31.8.2021, banks have disbursed Rs.28.38 crore in favour of 261 beneficiaries which includes Rs.14.51 crores in favour of 66 beneficiaries directly taken and disbursed by banks during the said period," reads record of the meeting.

It is worthwhile to mention that the J & K administrative council on April 23 this year approved interest free loan per beneficiary under beneficiary led construction (BLC) component of PMAY (Urban).

The Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) is an initiative of the Government of India which aims at providing affordable housing to the urban poor by the year 2022. The scheme was launched on June 01, 2015.

Accepted Padma Bhushan On J&K's Behalf: Muzaffar Baig

KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: Senior politician and former deputy chief minister Muzaffar Hussain Baig on Monday said that he accepted the Padma Bhushan award with "humility on behalf of the people of Jammu and Kashmir."

Talking to a local news agency, Baig said that he is highly grateful to the selection committee and the President of India, for the final authority to decide on the award.

"I am very grateful to the selection committee and the President of India who taught that my political career and contributions should get recognition," he said.

Baig said that he accepts this

award with humility on behalf of the people of Kashmir and of Jammu.

On being asked about his contribution in J&K in the future, he said that it would be premature to say anything about the future. The former deputy chief minister's political affiliation is a matter of mystery beginning from his public expression of resentment against the PDP while he was still a member.

Since then, Baig was claimed by the Sajad Lone led People's Conference before the party disowned him just months later.

Baig was awarded the Padma Bhushan by the President of India, Ram Nath Kovind on Monday for public affairs.

Kashmir's Silence Not Peace: Mehbooba

KO NEWS DESK

SRINAGAR: Considering the silence in Kashmir since the abrogation of Jammu and Kashmir's special status as a sign of peace is flawed understanding, former chief minister and president of the People's Democratic Party (PDP) said on Monday.

Mehbooba Mufti made the remark while speaking to reporters at a party function at her fortified Gupkar residence. "The people in Jammu and Kashmir have been muzzled and considering forceful silence here as peace is not good," she said.

The induction of additional paramilitary troops into the Kashmir Valley, Mufti said, was a clear indication that the situation on the ground is neither conducive nor improving as is claimed by the BJP. "Recent civilian killings in Kashmir is a total failure of the administration which has failed to prevent such incidents," she said.



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CORRUPTION AT PEAK

Hitting out at the BJP, which frequently makes accusations of corruptions against rivals and claims to have eradicated it under Modi's seven year ongoing rule, Mufti said that ventilators brought the PM Cares Fund are lying defunct not only in Srinagar, but in Gujarat as well.

The PM Cares – styled on the United States' "Obama Care" programme, only in name – is

a controversial fund that the Government of India officially states isn't a public authority even though it uses constitutional symbols for publicity and remains opaque to scrutiny, including through the Right to Information requests.

"Huge amount has been transferred to the Prime Minister's care fund and nobody is answerable to the people," Mufti said. "Defunct ventilators bought through this fund is a clear indication that it is the biggest scam."

Mufti further said that "tall claims are made about corruption free government, but during the present times corruption is at its peak and is going on in a sophisticated manner."

She added: "Statements made by the BJP are not based on facts. These are just words and nothing beyond. These statements do not carry any weight."

At Symposium In Mumbai, Secretary Tourism Pitches JK As Premier Shooting Destination

MUMBAI: Secretary, Tourism & Culture, Sarmaad Hafeez Monday appealed to the film fraternity of the country to renew its decades' old romance with Jammu and Kashmir even as he pitched for making the UT as the premier shooting destination of India.

Attending the national level Film Tourism symposium, organized jointly by the Ministries of Tourism & Information & Broadcasting here this evening, the Tourism Secretary dwelt in detail on the long and age old relationship Jammu & Kashmir has had with Bollywood and other film platforms of the country. He reminded the film industry of its warm and affectionate relationship with Jammu & Kashmir which the people of the UT so fondly recall. He appealed the members of film world to

take up this thread of warm relationship forward and start re visiting Jammu & Kashmir in good numbers for shooting.

Asking the film fraternity to partner with UT administration in this regard, Sarmaad Hafeez said the Government has recently put in place a comprehensive Film Policy by which film shooting and production in J&K has been institutionalized and incentivized. In a detailed presentation about the Film Policy, he outlined the thrust areas and scope for working on film projects in J&K. He said for the first time shootings in the UT have been incentivized and requisite infrastructure for the same is being made available.

Union Secretary, Tourism, Arvind Singh; Secretary, Information & Broadcasting, Apurva Chandra; Director General, Min-

istry of Tourism, Ganji Kamla-varadhan Rao; Additional Director General, Tourism, Rupinder Brar, Head, Film Facilitation Office, National Film Development Corporation of India (NFDC), Vikramjit Roy also spoke on the occasion.

Nine States and Union Territories namely, Jammu & Kashmir, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Chhattisgarh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Goa and Maharashtra were present on the occasion to showcase the initiatives undertaken by them towards ease of filming as well as the opportunities available in their jurisdictions.

On the occasion several Bollywood producers shared their experiences of Kashmir and said that they have special love for the place. They assured of their support in turning to UT for shooting again.

Div Com Jammu Reviews R-Day 2022 Arrangements

JAMMU: Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Raghav Langer today chaired a meeting of Heads of various Departments to review the arrangements for Republic Day celebration 2022.

The meeting was attended by Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Anshul Garg; SSP Jammu, SSP Security Jammu, besides senior officers of Police, Army, CRPF, BSF, SSB, Traffic Jal Shakti, JPDCL, PWD, JMC, Health Services, Information, Education, Cultural Academy, Youth Services and Sports, Hospitality and Protocol, JKRTC and other concerned departments.

The Div Com asked Director School Education and Additional Secretary J&K Academy of Art Culture and Languages to immediately furnish the lists of contingents and cultural items, while BSF, Army, Police were also told to share the lists of contingents.

Necessary directions were issued for selection of contingents, cultural programmes, rehearsals, transportation facilities for participants, traffic management, security, presentation of stunts by dare devils, refreshment, installation of screens/LEDs, illumination of Government buildings and other important arrangements for smooth conduct of the event.

NC Women Wing Protest Rising Prices In Jammu

JAMMU: Bimla Luthra, former legislator and Vice President of the Women Wing of the National Conference, on Monday organized a protest rally from Sher-I Kashmir Bhawan to Mandir Chowk Jammu against the rising prices and deterioration of law and order situation.

The rally of women workers displayed banners against price rise and unemployment.

Addressing the rally, Luthra hit out at the BJP for its failure to mitigate the problems. "They don't allow us to protest," she added.

Shopian Admin Reviews Child Protection Measures

SHOPIAN:- The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Shopian, Sachin Kumar Vaishya today chaired a Child Protection meet at Mini Secretariat Arhama and held a brief discussion on various child protection issues and the action plan with the stakeholder departments regarding treatment, isolation, nutrition and other facilities of the children for building community care and protection mechanism for children in need of care and protection was also deliberated upon.

After detailed deliberations, the DC directed for ensuring provisions of facilities in all respects to the children under the protection of UNICEF with regard to the treatment, nutrition and other facilities. He asked the members of District Child Protection Unit, District Child Protection Committee and others to identify and report the issues in their concerned area to develop a safe and protective environment for the children.

Vaishya directed Tehsildars to visit their respective areas thrice a week to monitor the exercise regularly for the care and protection of such children, submitting of the report, besides ensuring that children are not suffering in harsh winter and to make sure the facilities including nutrition and other facilities of the children for building community care and protection is made available.

DGP Sanctions Scholarship For Retired Police Personnel's Wards

JAMMU: Director General of Police, Dilbag Singh, on Monday sanctioned scholarship of over Rupees 1.50 lakh in favour of wards of 30 retired police personnel and serving SPOs based on their performance in the class 10th, 12th, and graduation exams.

The scholarship has been granted out of the Central Police Welfare Fund under two different orders. Scholarship of Rupees 7200 each has been granted in favour of 7 wards for securing above ninety percent marks in class 12th and Rupees 6000 each has been sanctioned in favour of five wards who have secured eighty percent and above marks in class 12th exams.

Similarly, the scholarship of rupees 6000 has been granted in favour of a ward of SPO for securing above ninety percent marks in class 10th and rupees 4000 each has been sanctioned in favour of 12 wards who have secured eighty percent and above marks in the annual examination of class 10th.

In another order, the DGP has sanctioned three thousands each in favour of four wards of retired police personnel who have secured 75% and above marks in graduation.

Forest Rights Act Awareness Camp Held In Ramban

RAMBAN: An awareness camp cum review meeting on Forest Rights Act, 2006 was held today at Sangaldan. The meeting was convened by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Gool Gias-ul-Haq who is also the Chairperson of SDLC. Divisional Forest Officer Ramban, Dr. Rajan Singh was the Special Guest.

While reviewing the progress, the Chairperson SDLC Gool asked the FRC members to process the claims received so far on a fast track basis and ensured that the necessary assistance for field verification will be provided whenever asked by the FRC Chairman(S).

Responding to the queries raised by the participants, the DFO Ramban cleared the doubts with regard to procedure and technicalities on FRA, 2006. Range Officer Gool, Rajinder Singh Parihar, field staff of Revenue, Forest and Rural Development Department besides Chairperson and Secretaries of FRCs participated in the awareness camp.

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Subject:- Advertisement/Notification for hiring of Pharmacists in Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadi Kendra PMBJAKS in District Srinagar for JLNH Hospital Srinagar.

Reference: Govt Order NO: 442-HME of 2019 dated:-24/4/2019

Notification

Due to poor response of various notifications issued through Medical Superintendent JLNH Hospital Srinagar previously & vide No: MS/JLNH H/NG/Est/494-99 dated: 12-08-2021 and followed by No: MS/JLNH H/NG/Est/623-30 dated: 07-09-2021 which was published through Joint Director Information Srinagar. Regarding the subject cited above, a walk in Interview for eligible Registered Pharmacists/Retired Pharmacist of District Srinagar is once again held for the post of Pharmacist to work on profit sharing basis in Pradhan Mantri Bharati Jan Aushadi Kendra (PMBJAKS) to be set up at JLNH Hospital Srinagar.

The applicants are hereby invited for a walk in Interview on 15th of November 2021 at 11.00 AM in the office chamber of Assistant Director Directorate of Health Services Kashmir Bemina Srinagar (Room No:-210).

Category	Selection Criteria	No of Post
Pharmacist	Pharmacist registered with J&K Pharmacy Council	02 (Two) posts.

Eligibility Criteria:

- The applicant must be a permanent resident of District Srinagar of UT of J&K.
- Maximum age for applying for the post is 40 years (candidates more in age shall be preferred over younger candidates.) Retired Pharmacists can also apply up to the age of 65 years, However, preference will be given to the candidates having age upto 40 years.
- The candidate (s) should be a Pharmacist registered with J&K Pharmacy Council
- He/she shall have a working knowledge of operating computer for billing purpose.
- /she shall be unemployed for which he/she has to give an undertaking to the effect on stamp paper duly attested by the first class Judicial Magistrate.
- He/she shall have NOC from District Industry Centre and District Employment Officer.

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SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDERS
NIT No: 170/e-tendering of 2021-22/R&B DATED: - 08.11.2021

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

S.No.	Name of Work	Est. Cost (In Rupees/lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees)	Time of completion	Time & Date of Opening of Bid	Class of Contractor
1	Renovation of electrification in faculty room / ICE room and 4 No cabins in the department of community medicine (SPM) at GMC Srinagar.	1.70 lacs	200.00	15 days	13.11.2021	"A" class Electrical

- 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. Date of Issue of Tender Notice	08-11-2021
2. Period of downloading of bidding documents	08/11/2021 10.00 A.M
3. Bid submission Start Date	08/11/2021 from 10.00 A.M
4. Bid Submission End Date	13/11/2021 up to 4.00 P.M
5. Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	13/11/2021 at 6.00 P.M in the Office of the Executive Engineer (R&B) Electric Division Sgr.
- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Treasury Challan in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Electric Division, Srinagar (tender inviting authority) (The Date of Treasury Challan should be between the date of start of bid and Bid Submission End date) pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Electric Division, Srinagar (tender receiving authority).
- All Bidders has to submit Bid Security Declaration Form instead of Earnest money as per the circular of Finance Department (Bid Security Declaration Form is as per Annexure "A" below). The 1st lowest Bidder has to produce an amount equal to 3% of adv. Cost as performance security in shape of CDR/FDR/ within 02 Days before fixation of contract and shall be released after successful completion of work.
- Bidder must read term/condition in tender document carefully.

AAA/TS = Accorded
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K O V I E W

Conference
On Afghanistan

Almost three months after the Taliban takeover of Afghanistan, India is hosting the conference on the country on November 10 to be attended by Russia, Iran and Central Asian countries. Pakistan National Security Advisor Moeed Yusuf who was also invited to the conference has, however, refused to attend, terming India as “a spoiler.” Response from China, Pakistan’s close ally, is awaited. India has taken a serious exception to Pakistan’s refusal to participate describing it as the result of Pakistan’s mindset to treat Afghanistan as its “protectorate.” India has also viewed Taliban takeover in Kabul with concern. One of New Delhi’s major worries has been the potential use of Afghan soil as a terror safe haven under the Taliban. India also seeks inclusion and the protection of the rights of minorities, women and children. But so far the signs have not been encouraging. Taliban has not been open to sharing power. Similarly, the religious outfit has been reluctant to accommodate women. The west has promised aid only if the Taliban reforms and shows itself amenable to share power with the minorities. Initially, after taking power, the Taliban made the right noises, assuring the neighbouring countries that it won’t allow foreign jihadi organizations to make Afghanistan their home. As things stand, the world is indecisive about recognizing the Taliban government. Taliban has also not helped the matters by again enforcing the harsh old laws This is likely to make the global recognition of the new Kabul government harder. Pakistan, which is regarded as the benefactor of Taliban, is also approaching the issue with some caution. On the other hand, the governments in the west, including the United States, are likely to take more time. The US has already frozen about \$9.5 billion of the Afghan government’s reserves in US banks after the Taliban seized Kabul. The US wants the Taliban to behave responsibly and follow through on its promise not to allow Al Qaeda to operate from Afghanistan before it gives recognition to a Taliban-led government. However, the situation is still unfolding in the war-scarred country and it is too early to predict what will happen in the days and weeks to come. And then it remains to be seen which country or countries will be the first to recognize it. China has already said it was ready for “friendly relations” with the Taliban, while Russia and Iran have also made diplomatic overtures. The conference in New Delhi will also make things clear. There could be the hope of developing some regional consensus on Afghanistan which could set the process in motion for recognizing the Taliban provided it makes desired changes in its style of functioning.

OTHER OPINON

Of Breakthrough
Infections

The persistent syndrome of COVID-19 after-effects known as long COVID can develop after “breakthrough” infections in vaccinated people, a new study shows. Researchers at Oxford University in the UK reviewed data on nearly 20,000 U.S. COVID-19 patients, half of whom had been vaccinated. Compared to unvaccinated patients, people who were fully vaccinated - and in particular those under age 60 - did have lower risks for death and serious complications such as lung failure, need for mechanical ventilation, ICU admission, life-threatening blood clots, seizures, and psychosis. “On the other hand,” the research team reported on medRxiv on Tuesday ahead of peer review, “previous vaccination does not appear to protect against several previously documented outcomes of COVID-19 such as long COVID features, arrhythmia, joint pain, Type 2 diabetes, liver disease, sleep disorders, and mood and anxiety disorders.” The absence of protection from long COVID “is concerning given the high incidence and burden” of these lasting problems, they added. Genes may explain critical COVID-19 in young, healthy adults A gene that helps the coronavirus reproduce itself might contribute to life-threatening COVID-19 in young, otherwise healthy people, new findings suggest. French researchers studied 72 hospitalized COVID-19 patients under age 50, including 47 who were critically ill and 25 with non-critical illness, plus 22 healthy volunteers. None of the patients had any of the chronic conditions known to increase the risk for poor outcomes, such as heart disease or diabetes. Genetic analysis identified five genes that were significantly “upregulated,” or more active, in the patients with critical illness, of which the most frequent was a gene called ADAM9. As reported on Tuesday in Science Translational Medicine, the researchers saw the same genetic pattern in a separate group of 154 COVID-19 patients, including 81 who were critically ill. Later, in lab experiments using human lung cells infected with the coronavirus, they found that blocking the activity of the ADAM9 gene made it harder for the virus to make copies of itself. More research is needed, they say, to confirm their findings and to determine whether it would be worthwhile to develop treatments to block ADAM9. Pregnant women get sub-par benefit from first vaccine dose Women who get the first dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine while pregnant or breastfeeding need the second dose to bring their protective benefit up to normal, according to a new study. Researchers compared immune responses to the mRNA vaccines from Moderna Inc (MRNA.O) or Pfizer Inc (PFE.N) and partner BioNTech SE in 84 pregnant women, 31 breastfeeding women, and 16 similarly-aged nonpregnant, non-lactating women. After the first shot, everyone developed antibodies against the coronavirus. But antibody levels were lower in women who were pregnant or breastfeeding. Other features of the immune response also lagged in the pregnant and lactating women after the first dose but “caught up” to normal after the second shot.

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Let Them Eat Apps

A Model That Ignores The Messy Truth Of Citizens’ Lives



Representational image. Getty Images

Sukanta Chaudhuri

IT IS ENTIRELY POSSIBLE TO accept the figure of 3.9 per cent malnourished children and weave an internally consistent narrative around it. One can argue that nutrition has indeed improved dramatically: hence lower enrolment in anganwadis and, logically enough, a smaller budget. That would be a perfectly viable construct, were it not for other recalcitrant data

The Indian government has taken umbrage at the Global Hunger Index ranking India 101st among 116 countries, below Bangladesh, Nepal and Pakistan, with the world’s highest child wasting rate among other disquieting figures. Mistaking the methodology employed, the government has challenged the underlying data from the UN Food and Agriculture Organization, broadly corroborated by Unicef reports on The State of the World’s Children. It seems improbable that UN agencies would conspire to “deliberately lower India’s rank”. Already before the pandemic, India’s economic growth had declined. So had household expenditure. Rural families spent 10 per cent less on food in 2017-18 than in 2011-12. In December 2018, the head of Niti Aayog asserted that “every third child is stunted, every fifth child is wasted, every third child is underweight”, and over 50 per cent anaemic. The fifth National Family Health Survey reports increased wasting, stunting and malnourishment between 2015-16 and 2019-20. These figures support the GHI’s data from roughly the same period — before the pandemic struck, stalling the economy and shrinking the income of 97 per cent Indians. Yet the government’s riposte chiefly cites general post-pandemic measures rather than child-health statistics. Food support, besides cereals, totalled one kilogramme of pulses per family per month; cash support per family for three months was usually Rs 500 and never above Rs 1,000 per month. Cooked meals in schools and anganwadis were replaced by dry rations that, inevitably in a poor family, were shared around. Even these benefits did not reach everyone. The government marshalled another novel defence: its Poshan Tracker app, monitoring anganwadis across India, reported malnutrition among only 3.9 per cent children in October 2021. This deeply comforting statistic implies a dramatic upsurge in child welfare precisely during the pandemic, even while the overall anganwadi and nutrition budget was reduced by nearly a third. A closer look seems called for. The Poshan Tracker is the second such app in three years. Even its simpler predecessor had left anganwadi workers struggling. Its data covers only 7.9 crore children, well under half the total for

the relevant age group. In fact, anganwadi attendance dropped by 17 per cent between 2014 and 2019. Are the remaining children so well nourished at home that they can be ignored? On coming to power in 2014, the National Democratic Alliance government proposed to reduce the ICDS (anganwadi) budget by half. They were dissuaded, but the amount dipped steadily for three years, rising modestly thereafter. It has fallen again: the allocation for anganwadis alone in 2020-21 exceeded that of the new composite Saksham scheme in 2021-22, covering four services including anganwadis and the nutrition campaign, Poshan Abhiyaan. Poshan Abhiyaan began in 2017 with a three-year budget of Rs 9,000 crore. The entire sum was devoted to management and data collection, creating a computer platform for the purpose, and inducing ‘behavioural change’. Not a paisa, it seems, actually went to feeding children. The revamped Poshan 2.0 set this right simply by linking the existing Supplementary Nutrition Programme to the earlier agenda. The familiar midday meal scheme has now been similarly reinvented as PM Poshan Shakti Nirman. The MMS budget fell by 13 per cent between 2013 and 2018, returning to the 2013-14 level only this year (or not, allowing for inflation). The daily food allowance is Rs 5 for small children and Rs 6.75 for older ones; in anganwadis, Rs 8, or Rs 12 for the severely malnourished (3.9 per cent). These sums could have been raised by 20 per cent by diverting the Poshan Abhiyaan budget to what is, after all, the core need. Essentially, it seems, ‘Poshan’ has become a brand name, a marketing tool. It might enhance management and public relations; it will not, by itself, make for a better product. It is entirely possible to accept the figure of 3.9 per cent malnourished children and weave an internally consistent narrative around it. One can argue that nutrition has indeed improved dramatically: hence lower enrolment in anganwadis and, logically enough, a smaller budget. That would be a perfectly viable construct, were it not for other recalcitrant data. Mark Zuckerberg might learn much from this about creating a metaverse. When we talk about the cyber-army of the ruling establishment, we usually think of trolls on social media.

But the truly crucial operators are those shaping the serious cyber-structures of governance. There is no question of being a luddite. A nationwide welfare scheme needs comprehensive monitoring. In the twenty-first century, this can only be done through computers. But it is one thing to use computers to record and analyse reality, another to simplify and reinvent it. The latter course produces a neat, pleasing model that leaves the messy truth of citizens’ lives unaddressed. The new ecology of governance does not merely divert money from the concrete problem. It subjugates the problem to a removed, tractable, artificial order, a cybernetic ‘system’, whereas the reality is neither orderly nor systematic. An all-India digital health card was launched recently to much acclaim. No doubt it can better coordinate medical treatment across this vast country. But it does not itself constitute treatment: it can only do as much good as our medical services permit. Conversely, it will only validate services synching with its digital architecture. Whatever does not, like a patient without a working smart card, will simply be shut out. One cannot but ask: would not the same money, spent on improving some basic facility in every government hospital in India, have brought more relief to the citizen? Again, digitizing the public distribution system might streamline food supplies and prevent waste. As undoubtedly, it hurts many actual persons lacking ration cards or failing the biometric test. Some have reportedly starved to death, while far more languish from malnutrition. We have all had keyboard operators telling us, ‘Sorry, our system won’t accept this.’ For the privileged urbanite, such situations usually range from the comic to the mildly frustrating. For very many Indians, it can mean becoming unpersoned, left without food, money, treatment, or identity. The computer won’t know or care. It’s for us to remember there are humans out there.

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Dear Editor

This refers to an article published in Kashmir Observer on 1.11.2021 titled “Ayan gets Justice after 2 1/2 years” by Dr Raja Muzaffar. It is heartening to know that a physically challenged boy has got justice with the help of three child rights activists

and some public spirited lawyers. It is unfortunate that Delhi Public School Srinagar which claims to be teaching moral values and ethics didn’t adhere to the orders of the Hon’ble Court of Disabilities Commission New Delhi for more than 2 years and kept dodging the parents and child rights ac-

tivists. It was only after pressure was mounted on DPS Srinagar by Deputy Commissioner Srinagar and National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, the school paid compensation money to Ayan’s parents. I congratulate Ayan’s parents Dr Zaffar and Shaistaa for their struggle. I am sure

Ayan will get a full scholarship from school until he completes his class XII. This has been the final judgement of the Disabilities Commission.

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Virtues Of Being “Correct”

On Being Academically And Grammatically Correct

Firdous Ahmad Mala

Authenticity, brevity and correctness are my A, B and C of academic excellence. These are among the several possible academic virtues one can aspire for. Absence of any of these is akin to being unworthy of being labeled academically sound and intellectually upright. Only the good and academically correct deserve acclaim and applause. One is supposed to be well-versed with the art and science of dotting all the “i”s and crossing all the “t”s in pursuit of academic excellence.

Take the example of the act of writing. It often happens that if we fail to express clearly what we intend to express, there will be many a slip between the cup and the lip. One does not and should not expect oneself to be popular with the listeners if one is bereft of the gift of gab or if one writes, but is not versed with the ingredients that bring about good and praiseworthy write ups.

As per Ruskin Bond, India is in danger of producing more writers than readers. This could be due to several possible reasons. These include the advent of self-publishing avenues and the access to a plethora of digital tools that simplify the art of writing. As a matter



of fact, writing is becoming more of a mechanical process than the art of being able to express through the tongue that which lies in the heart. The sad part of the tale is the fact that despite

the availability of accessible-writing-tools and a quantum of examples to learn from, many of us are still butterfingers when it comes to writing. This is a very sad state of affairs.

IRRESPONSIBLE SPEECHES CAN BE disastrous to say the least. In the words of Napoleon Hill, “Think twice before you speak, because your words and influence will plant the seed of either success or failure in the mind of another.” Speaking ad nauseam is very likely to do more harm than any good.

Regarding speaking, one who speaks and knows not what or how to speak makes others loathe and detest the practice of lending one’s ears to others.

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In the words of Dorothy Sarnoff, “Make sure you have finished speaking before your audience has finished listening.”

Regarding the exercise of power, one must be wise enough to know that power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. Misuse of power and making the irrational overpower

the rational is never long-lasting. Correctness, rationality and being sensible apply equally to all, irrespective of being in power or being subjugated. As per Patricia Cornwell, abuse of power is the root of all evil. Correctness vis-à-vis power means being just, kind, understanding and rational.

Apart from the endeavors of writing, speaking and exercising one’s power, it is almost evident that for all other endeavors, correctness is a prerequisite.

The importance of being correct is difficult to overemphasize. In the words of Stephen Jay Gould, “A man does not attain the status of Galileo merely because he is persecuted; he must also be right.”

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Irony Flying For Climate Change Reducing Air Travel By Small Amounts Each Year Could Level Off The Climate Impact



Just before the pandemic, aircraft engines were burning one billion litres of fuel a day. But then the number of daily civil aviation flights fell from 110,000 to less than 50,000 during 2020, on average. With the easing of travel restrictions, air traffic is increasing back towards its pre-pandemic peak.

Most world leaders and delegates will have flown to Glasgow to attend COP26 – the 26th annual UN climate change summit – in person. But as they haggle over emissions targets to limit global warming to 1.5°C, and not 3°C or more, aviation is unlikely to be included in them, given the lack of low-carbon alternatives to long-haul flights.

But it should be. In new research, my colleagues and I calculated that if the aviation sector continues to grow on its present trajectory, its jet fuel consumption will have added 0.1°C to global warming by 2050 – half of it to date, the other half in the next three decades.

Aviation is responsible for 4% of the 1.2°C rise in the global mean temperature we have already experienced since the industrial revolution. Without action to reduce flights, the sector will account for 17% of the remaining 0.3°C left in the 1.5°C temperature target, and 6% of the 0.8°C left to stay within 2°C. Airlines effectively add more to global warming than most countries.

Warming footprints

At the current rate, the world will have warmed by 2°C within three decades. To quantify how different activities contribute to warming, scientists measure carbon emissions. This is because how much the Earth warms is proportional to cumulative carbon emissions in the atmosphere. This is a very good approximation in many cases, but it is inaccurate for emissions caused by aeroplanes travelling at altitudes of up to 12 kilometres.

As well as CO₂, aircraft engines emit nitrogen oxides, water vapour, sulphur and soot, causing contrail cirrus clouds and other complicated chemical reac-

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tions in the atmosphere. The sum of these so-called non-CO₂ effects adds more warming on top of the CO₂ emissions. So the total warming footprint of aviation is between two and three times higher than a conventional carbon footprint.

While a large share of a flight’s CO₂ emissions remain in the atmosphere for many thousands of years, the non-CO₂ effects diminish over time, vanishing within about ten years. So any growth in aviation, measured in global jet fuel consumption, has an amplified impact as both CO₂ and non-CO₂ effects add up.

But a decline in aviation can partly reverse some warming, as the non-CO₂ effects disappear over time until only the CO₂ effects remain. Think of the non-CO₂ effects like a bathtub – it fills up when the taps are turned further and further, despite a slow outflow down the plughole. But the same bathtub will eventually empty if the taps are gradually turned down.

The non-CO₂ effects of flights on the atmosphere will slowly disappear if fewer and fewer flights are taken, so that aviation’s contribution to warming eventually levels off. In that situation, the increase from continued CO₂ emissions would balance the fall in non-CO₂ effects, and although aviation would still contribute to climate change, the total warming from both would remain constant over time. How much would aviation need to shrink to level off its influence on global warming?

Our calculations show that flying does not need to stop immediately to prevent aviation’s contribution to global warming expanding. Flying has already caused 0.04°C of warming to date. But with a yearly decrease of 2.5% in jet fuel consumption, currently only achievable with

cuts in air traffic, this warming will level off at a constant level over the coming decades.

When do we really need to fly?

COVID-19 had a huge impact on the aviation sector. Air traffic is still approximately 10-20% below pre-pandemic levels, but is rebounding quickly. Politicians should shift subsidies from flying to more sustainable modes of transport, such as train journeys. And there is much more that can be done.

Lockdowns and the shift to remote working made many people rethink the necessity of flying. People resolving to fly less can contribute considerably to reducing the number of unnecessary flights. Combining in-person and virtual attendance in hybrid meetings wherever possible is a great way to support that shift.

Reducing the space that business classes take on aeroplanes is another way to cut the number of flights, as it allows more passengers to travel on one flight.

Not allowing airport expansions could also have a big impact. The UK’s Climate Change Committee, an expert body which advises the UK government, has recommended not expanding airports to align the sector with climate targets. Yet the expansion of Heathrow airport is currently planned to go ahead.

Sustainable aviation fuels, and hydrogen or electric planes, are being developed, but none of these technologies are currently available at the necessary scale. At the moment, there is little chance of the aviation industry meeting any climate targets if it aims for a return to its pre-pandemic rate of growth.

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The Myth Of Beauty Standards: From Thigh Gaps To Thicc Thighs

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We have firmly entered the age of pastel pink empowerment posters, the feminism infographics and pop art-style books packed with easily digestible academic language for consumption.

Women of all ages have been force-fed a diet of myths that tell us beauty is both attainable and accessible, no matter your race, class, or access to wealth. That we can all become the Instagram influencer who has it all, with the girl boss career, the man and now the perfectly prepped infants who match their flawlessly trim mothers.

So is this supposedly new discussion on shifting beauty standards really proof that we are finally accepting ourselves no matter where we fall on the beauty barometer? Or are the impossible, capitalism-driven and harmfully reductive standards of beauty still present? Have we once again just shifted the goal posts a little and given a new colour scheme to an old foe? Is beauty still a worthy investment?

If you spend any time online at all you will quickly notice being ‘beautiful’ is a vital component to the apparent success of so many on social media platforms. Whether it is the influencer girls selling you a veneer of wealth, luxury and picture-perfect partnerships with hashtag AD underneath the post, or the Twitter user getting shouted down by men for being ‘ugly, anyways’ when they disagree with her opinion; validity be damned. Perhaps it’s the sudden propelling to stardom of kids on TikTok whose only claim to talent is channelling conventional attractiveness with a dash of old school YouTube-style ‘relatable white girl’ content.

As a child of the internet, I have had the misfortune of growing up in the years that coveted size 0 models, the magazine-driven fat diets, alongside the madness that was Tumblr thinspo pages that made thigh gaps something that every girl aspired to. Peak ‘does-my-bum-look-big-in-this’ era.

But if you look beyond the colour-coordinated insta feeds and the language of ‘self-care’ and ‘self-love’, you begin to realise that the apparent changes of these standards are just different sides of the same patriarchal, capitalist-driven coin. What the beauty industry has successfully been able to do is repackage impossible beauty ideals within the framework of absolute agency, semi-informed autonomy and seemingly ‘feminist’ slogans such as ‘my body my choice’.

In this ever-shifting lens of ‘ideal’ beauty, a few things have remained consistent for me. Firstly, it is what Dr Tressie McMillian Cotton describes in her book ‘Thick: And Other Essays’ regarding the function of beauty not being about ‘what you look like; beauty is the preference that reproduces the existing social order’. Secondly beauty is capital and like all other forms of capital, it comes with a cost.

The standards of beauty are set, not to exult the virtues of the genetically-gifted few, but to create a hierarchy which sustains the current patriarchal white supremacists’ vision of beauty which everyone is coerced into aspiring to, and eventually buying into. All this is done to extract labour and capital from the unfortunate masses who will never fit the impossible ideal, but believe that with just enough work, products and procedures, they too can achieve the ideal beauty standard.

“To be human is to have inferiority feelings” said Alfred Adler, and in the age of the



internet bleeding into every corner of our lives, this sentiment has never been more relevant. The fastest growing cosmetic surgery being fuelled by social media, specifically Instagram is the BBL – Brazilian Butt Lift. This surgery was pioneered by Dr Ivo Pitanguy, a man who beautified the world’s musicians, actresses and cultural icons, a man who believed beauty was a human right and offered subsidised surgeries to the poor masses of Brazil. A country with huge disparities of wealth, class and high racial divide. By offering these cheaper surgeries he was able to trial new surgeries such as BBL.

Similarly, the UK beauty industry is worth £27 billion alone an industry that has built its business model on creating insecurities in women and girls of all ages then selling them quick fix tools for those same insecurities. When what you desire is in direct conflict with the resources, capital and people you have access to – this is nexus where capitalism thrives.

As part of our social introduction, we build ideals and understanding through interpersonal relationships. We witness our mothers, friends and relatives describe what is pretty. We learn through interactions with TV shows, social media and even children’s books where all the characters tend to fit a particular mold. The same way we learn many of our other social norms, we also begin to formulate how to value ourselves comparative to those around us and how we should subsequently present ourselves to the world.

However, choosing to conform to these ideals does not mean you are a ‘bad’ woman, nor does it mean we should outright admonish those who invest into the system. For centuries, performing to the ideal has been a survival mechanism for women. Learning to adhere to these ever-shifting rules has allowed women to secure jobs, gain a partner, and be protected from harm in certain spaces by becoming part of the ‘in’ group, and gaining a sense of safety, even if it’s fleeting. Whether we like it or not, beauty remains a valuable social currency that has been utilised by women for centuries to elevate their social, economic, and political standing, in a world that has stifled them for gaining opportunity through other means.

Even if you invest in the system of beauty, be it the thinness that still defines you as part of the high fashion girls, or the social media aesthetic of attainable beauty to all; the rewards will always fall short of what was promised.

With so many of us linking not only our self-worth, but also our politics and even our morality to our external image, which is then displayed for the consumption of others, can we truly say that we are finally freed from impossible ideals and making personal, standalone choices when we make decisions around our image?

I understand we all participate in upholding these ideals to varying degrees, none of us are perfect. We buy into every skincare and makeup launch hoping that this time, this new serum will magically elevate us to our true flawless self.

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Govt Committed To Bring Down Unemployment Rate Below 5%: CS



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JAMMU: The Chief Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta Monday chaired a meeting to review the implementation of the employment generating schemes in Jammu and Kashmir.

Administrative Secretaries of Rural Development, Housing & UD, Labour & Employment, Social Welfare, Planning Monitoring and Development, School Education and Revenue departments, besides Chairman, J&K Bank and other senior officers participated in the meeting. Chairman, J&K Bank informed that credit will be lent to 3 lakh new entrepreneurs for setting up agri-ventures for self employment during the year.

He informed that there is a target to reach out to 12 lakh people associated with the priority sector for lending during the current fiscal.

Administrative Secretary, Agriculture Production/Animal Husbandry department informed that his department is targeting an annual additional self employment of 20,000 to 25,000 in animal and husbandry sector.

The Chief Secretary advised the department to prepare an employment plan for the agriculture and allied sectors for the current fiscal year in line with the inherent employment potential of these sectors and the compelling need to saturate employment in the sectors to boost employment, wages and prospect.

While informing that so far 8651 self employment opportunities have been created under the Mission, MD, Mission Youth stated that the Mission is on course to achieving the target of 50,000 employment by the end of the fiscal.

The Chief Secretary announced that the Mission should aim to achieve employment opportunities for 10,000 people in the next month through convergent action with agriculture department.

It was informed that Under NRLM, 70,000 women have been brought within the fold of SHGs for sustainable livelihood. MD, NRLM, stated that the target of employment for 25,000 people fixed under the programme shall be achieved by the end of the financial year.

While stating that although only 202 Bank Sakhis have been engaged so far, MD, NRLM held out the assurance that the target of engaging 2000 bank Sakhis shall also be met as there is adequate scope in this space to provide means of livelihood to the women by engaging them as Sakhis.

Administrative Secretary U&DD informed that 846 cases sponsored under NULM are stuck for sanction in the banks.

Under PMEGP, it was informed that the department has created employment for 63,829 people against an annual target of 1.5 lakh employment.

It was further informed that more than 6,000 cases are presently pending for sanction at the banks. The department assured that the target of 1.5 lakh employment shall be met by the end of the current fiscal.

While announcing that the employment continues to be the overriding focus of the government and that the government is committed to bring down the unemployment rate below 5%, the Chief Secretary urged the departments to gear up to achieve the new target of 3 lakh employment with a renewed vigour and sense of purpose.

Implementation Of Various CSSs In Kashmir Reviewed

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SRINAGAR: Union Commissioner for Agriculture and Horticulture, Dr. S.K. Malhotra Monday convened a meeting of Agriculture Department at Lalmandi, here to review the progress made under various centrally sponsored schemes (CSSs) and other flagship programmes under implementation in Kashmir.

During the meeting, the Director Agriculture Kashmir, Chowdhary Mohammad Iqbal apprised the visiting dignitary of various initiatives that are being executed by the Department in the valley. He also presented a detailed overview of various CSSs and flagship programmes under implementation here.

The Director gave a detailed blueprint of various initiatives and said

that the Department has focused on various initiatives including organic vegetable cultivation, mushroom cultivation, introduction of exotic vegetables, bringing more and more area under mainstream agriculture, revival of saffron sector and its introduction to newer areas and marketing platforms, bringing uncovered areas under oilseed cultivation, women and youth empowerment through different agriculture schemes, backyard and urban agriculture etc.

While expressing his views, the Union Commissioner appreciated the efforts of the Department and assured every possible support for the progress and development of the agriculture sector in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir.

Saudi Arabia allows non-Saudis to invest in real estate funds at Makkah, Madinah

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RIYADH: The Capital Market Authority (CMA) allowed the financial market institutions to accept the subscriptions of non-Saudis in the real estate funds that invests in assets within the boundaries of Makkah and Madinah, according to a released statement by CMA.

The ownership system for non-Saudis in the Kingdom stipulates that non-Saudis are allowed to own real estate for their own residence, after obtaining a license from the Ministry of Interior, and for foreign representations to own their official headquarters on the condition of obtaining a license from the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

The decision aims to activate the role of investment funds as a tool for financing real estates developers and SMEs.

Saudi Arabia aims to double the inflow of foreign direct investment by more than 18 times during the coming decade, planning to facilitate foreign investment in the country, and to target the injection of SR27 trillion (\$7.2 trillion) into the economy by 2030, according to Aleqtisadiiah newspaper.

The Net foreign direct investment in the Kingdom has jumped to SR51.8 billion riyals in the second quarter of 2021, compared to SR3 billion in the



same quarter of 2020, an increase of about 1574 percent based on estimated data of the Saudi Central Bank (SAMA).

While net foreign direct investment jumped by 664 percent in the second quarter of this year, compared to about SR6.8 billion riyals net foreign direct investment in the first quarter of this year.

The amount of foreign investment flowing into Saudi Arabia during the second quarter of this year is close to what was attracted during the last three years 2018, 2019 and 2020, reaching SR 15.9 billion in 2018, SR17.1 billion in 2019, and SR20.2 billion in 2020.

The Saudi Minister of Investment had said in a previous interview with AlArabiya, that the Kingdom will enjoy very high rates of foreign investment in 2021 and the coming years.

"We are still in the preparation stage, and the process of attracting foreign investment has not been fully launched, but the Kingdom has a mighty internal investment machine, such as the Public Investment Fund, which launched major projects and several companies that will be the nucleus of different sectoral groupings," Khaled Al-Falih added.

The Kingdom launched a national investment strategy on October 11 to help increase net foreign direct investment to SR388 billion annually and to boost local investment to SR1.7 trillion per year by 2030.

"Our country holds strong investment capabilities, which we will harness to stimulate our economy and diversify our revenues", said Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia, SPA reported. (Arab News)

Airlines gear up for travel surge as US reopens

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NEW YORK: Airline reservations to the United States took off immediately after the White House announced the country would reopen to all vaccinated international voyagers starting next week, compelling a welcome -- if challenging -- industry pivot.

The long-awaited US move to welcome back international travelers -- which takes effect Monday -- follows 18 months of restrictions for 33 countries during the worst of the coronavirus pandemic that separated families, impeded business travel and frustrated tourists.

Big carriers including Air France, United Airlines and Singapore Airlines are scrambling to meet the sudden surge in demand, adding flights, swapping in bigger planes for smaller ones and redoubling efforts to hire and retain staff.

Just after the White House



announcement, British Airways saw a 900 percent jump in searches for flights and holiday packages to key US destinations compared with the week before.

The day after the announcement, American Airlines garnered a 66 percent jump in flight reservations to Britain, 40 percent to Europe and 74 percent to Brazil.

Competition for seats on November 8 itself was especially intense, as Evelynne and Jean-Michel Desobeau discovered when they booked a trip using frequent flyer miles.

The couple, anxious to see their daughter and son-in-law, had reserved a flight from France to New York for November 2, based on a guess of when

the travel ban would be lifted.

But when the date was officially set at November 8, the couple discovered that flying that day would have meant using three times as many miles as the original trip. In the end, they will arrive on November 9, using a more moderate amount of miles.

More seats, bigger planes

At Air France, traffic has been gradually returning and "won't change overnight on November 8," said a spokesperson for the carrier.

The French airline has for months flown jets with empty seats. But with demand rising, it recently increased the number of daily flights between New York and Paris from three to five.

Unit Holders Accuse J&K Bank Lassipora of Non Professionalism

OBSERVER NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: Industrial unit holders at IGC Lassipora have accused J&K Bank branch at the Industrial zone of 'inappropriate and non cooperative' behaviour rueing that the bank authorities have been ignoring their repeated pleas of appointing a professional and industry friendly staff at the branch.

"Small Scale Industries (SSI) constitute an important and crucial segment of the industrial sector. This has been acknowledged by the Government of India by the high priority it has accorded to the SSI sector. The Reserve Bank of India has also bestowed the status of Priority Sector to SSI lending by banks and various circulars and guidelines have been issued in this regard from time to time", said a statement issued by the unit holders to Kashmir Observer.

Industrial unit holders at IGC Lassipora raised their concerns regarding the inappropriate and non cooperative behaviour and one-sidedness of J&K Bank staff at a general meeting which was headed by Shahid Kamili, President -Federation Chamber of Industries Kashmir.

"All the allegations raised against the newly appointed J&K Bank Manager, Lassipora branch are in context to the queries raised by the genuine industrial unit holders at the Special General Body Meeting held on 04.11.2021 at IAL association office in presence of President -Federation Chamber of Industries Kashmir, IAL general council members and other media officials", the statement reads.

"Despite the fact that the entire business fraternity remained stressed and suffered extreme losses post lockdown of 2019, the industrial unit holders of IGC Lassipora continue to face improper and rigid behavior of few bank employees towards the industrialists' especially small borrowers", the statement added.

"As per RBI guidelines banks have also been advised to achieve a year-on-year growth of 20% in Credit to micro and small enterprises and an annual growth of 10% in the number of microenterprise accounts", it added.

After agriculture, MSME is the second largest sector with employment opportunities in Jammu and Kashmir. However, the development of this sector is often hampered due to non-cooperation by bankers. The Centre, in collaboration with the finance ministry, is now finding a solution to this issue. In future, banks might be made answerable if they refuse loans to eligible candidates.

Demanding immediate reshuffling of bank employees working

there form last six years, statement said, "Industrial unit holders at industrial growth centre, Lassipora, Pulwama in this stage would be looking to pay off debts, for which they would require smooth day-to-day functioning with adequate availability of working capital for the same."

"In recognition of the problems being faced by the Micro and Small Enterprises (MSE) sector, particularly with respect to rehabilitation

Kashmir Observer contacted J&K Bank chairman RK Chibber for his take on the issue. However he was unavailable. However his Secretary said that unit holders have certain 'undue expectations' which bank officials were unable to fulfil. When asked to elaborate he said that the bank will come up with a detailed statement on the issue shortly. Kashmir Observer will update the story when the banks response arrives.

of potentially viable sick units, the Reserve Bank has carefully considered recommendations regarding rehabilitation of potentially viable sick MSE units/enterprises, which essentially aim at timely detection of sickness and adoption of remedial measures to rehabilitate the potentially viable ones," it further said.

The Reserve Bank of India has advised all leading commercial banks vide RBI circular RBI/FIDD/2017-2018/56 Master Direction FIDD. MSME & NFS.12/06.02.31/2017-18 about the "Lending to Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) Sector".

"In view of the fact that J&K Bank is the predominant source of finance in Kashmir the bank may focus on opening more specialised micro, small and medium enterprise branches as per RBI guidelines. The expansion of specialised branch network in all identified clusters and Industrial Estates and training is also required to be imparted to the branch managers and their loan officers for change in their mindset away from the perceived risk in financing MSMEs, Committee Approach may be introduced for sanction of new loans as also rehabilitation cases. This will not only improve the quality of decision as collective wisdom of the members shall be utilised, especially while taking decision on loan applications for green-field projects in the micro, small and medium enterprise sector or the rehabilitation proposals. Besides banks may allow CC/OD against stock and receivables under one facility," the unit holders said.

UNIT HOLDERS OF THE LASSIPORA INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, PULWAMA

LASSIPORA IE LACKS BASIC AMENITIES



Unit holders in the Lassipora Industrial Estate are concerned at the lack of amenities in the estate. A meeting of manufacturers was held at Industrial Area Lassipora Pulwama in which basic facilities and other important issues were discussed. The President of Federation Chamber of Industries Kashmir Shahid Kamili was the chief guest in this meeting. The meeting expressed concern over the problems faced by the manufacturers in this industrial unit.

The meeting discussed basic issues like electricity, water, dispensary and roads in the area. It was stated in the meeting that apart from the lack of basic amenities like roads, electricity and water in this industrial area, there is no medical facility available due to which the local manufacturers are forced to protest against the management.

Our Industrial estate has been neglected by the authorities and despite our repeated attempts to draw their attention, nobody bothers to respond.

There are so many problems: First the road connecting the IE with Pulwama is too narrow hampering the movement of trucks coming to and from the estate. Electricity is the lifeline for any Industrial estate but here we have to bear unscheduled power cuts and the voltage is so low that sometimes it harms the machines.

Meanwhile, the meeting expressed grief and anger over the fact that the branch manager of Jammu and Kashmir Bank Lassipora was not cooperating with the local industrialists and manufacturers and alleged that they were being discriminated.

The manager is rude to the point of rudeness and behaves as if he is a nobleman and everyone else is a beggar. The concerned authorities should pay attention to this and ask the manager to improve his attitude.

Meanwhile, President Federation of Kashmir Chamber of Commerce and Industry assured that he would bring all these issues to the notice of the concerned authorities so that they could be resolved as soon as possible.

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It is notified for the information of all the candidates who have applied for the post of Junior Legal Assistant pursuant to advertisement notification no. 01 of 2021 dated 08.03.2021 and whose examination is scheduled to be held on Saturday, November 13, 2021, that the venue of examination for candidates belonging to Jammu Province shall be Government Maulana Azad Memorial (MAM) College, Jammu and for the candidates belonging to Kashmir Province shall be Govt. Girls Hr. Secondary School Kothibagh, Srinagar. The specific hall/room no. allotted to the candidates roll no wise is reflected in the Annexure 'A' to the Notification dated 30.10.2021, uploaded on our official website i.e., <https://jkslsa.gov.in>.

No: SLSA/Estt/04/2021/JLA/2005. Sd/-
Dated: 08.11.2021 (M. K. Sharma)
DIPK-12208/21 Member Secretary

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
JAMMU AND KASHMIR SERVICES
SELECTION BOARD (JKSSB)

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ANSWER KEY NOTICE

Subject:- Answer Key & seeking of representations (if any) to the Computer Based Written Test (CBT) Examination for various posts held w.e.f 27th of October 2021 to 02nd of November 2021, and submission of representations -regarding.

The Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board, issued notice regarding **Answer Key & seeking of representations (if any) to the Computer Based Written Test (CBT) Examination for various posts held w.e.f 27th of October 2021 to 02nd of November 2021** vide this office notice no SSB/COE/CBT/2021/7494-7501 dated 03-11-2021. The Answer Key(s)/Question Paper(s) was made available through the online link on the website of the Board i.e www.jkssb.nic.in, from 03-11-2021 to 07-11-2021. But some candidates have represented before the Board that they could not view the answer key and submit the objection on account of various reasons.

Now therefore, it is notified for the information of candidates that the link of Answer Key & seeking of representations (if any) shall be available on the official website of the Board **from 09-11-2021 to 10-11-2021**, failing which no claims in this regard shall be entertained.

The candidates can submit their objections/representations in respect of any question/answer (if any) and upload the same, along-with **documentary evidence/ reference**. **However, Objections /representations through any other means shall not be entertained.**

Important Instructions:

- Candidates are requested to login with their **Roll No., Date Of Birth, Select Date Of Examination and Batch Timing shown in their Admit Card** to view their **Response sheet, Question and Answer Key.**
- In Question Paper view, **correct alternative is highlighted in green.**
- Enter question number against which objection to be raised in the **"Question No."** field.
- Enter objection against a question in the **"Objection"** field.
- Click on **Add button** to submit representation for more than one Question.
- Objections must be entered only **in English**.
- Objections can be raised only **against questions** and their alternatives.
- Objections **once submitted cannot be edited later.**
- Once submitted, **new objections cannot be added later.**

No.SSB/ COE/ CBT/ 2021/ 7567-74 (Ashok Kumar)JKAS
Dated:- 08-11-2021 Controller of Examinations
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Settlement Of Kashmir Issue Remains Prerequisite For Durable Peace In South Asia: Pak PM Khan

Press Trust of India

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan said on Monday that a just settlement of the Kashmir issue in accordance with the UN resolutions and the wishes of the Kashmiri people remained a prerequisite for durable peace and stability in South Asia.

Khan made the remarks while talking to the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation's (OIC) Special Envoy for Jammu and Kashmir, Yousef Aldoubey, who called on him along with Assistant Secretary General for Humanitarian Affairs Tarig

Bakhit and other senior members of the OIC delegation.

India has in the past asked the OIC to refrain from allowing vested interests to exploit its platform for comments on internal affairs of the country.

"The OIC has no locus standi in matters relating to the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, which is an integral part of India. It is reiterated that the OIC General Secretariat should refrain from allowing vested interests to exploit its platform for comments on internal affairs of India," External Affairs Ministry Spokesperson

Arindam Bagchi said in August.

Prime Minister Khan reiterated that a just settlement of Kashmir in accordance with the UN resolutions and the wishes of the Kashmiri people remained a prerequisite for durable peace and stability in South Asia.

Khan also asked for access to the human rights organisations and media to Jammu and Kashmir to probe the alleged human rights abuses, the PM Office said in a statement.

He alleged that the unilateral actions of India since August 5, 2019 were aimed at disenfranchising the Kashmiris

and altering the demographic structure.

On August 5, 2019, India announced the withdrawal of the special powers of Jammu and Kashmir and its decision to bifurcate the state into two union territories.

India has categorically told the international community that the scrapping of Article 370 was its internal matter. It also advised Pakistan to accept the reality and stop all anti-India propaganda.

India has told Pakistan that it desires normal neighbourly relations with Islamabad in an environment free of terror, hostility and violence.

HDFC Bank Launches 5th Parivartan SmartUp Grants

SRINAGAR: HDFC Bank opened applications for its fifth edition of SmartUp grants. This annual programme awards funds to social start-ups and incubators under #Parivartan, HDFC Bank's umbrella for its corporate social responsibility. This year the bank has allocated up to Rs 15 crore toward SmartUp grants.

The Bank intends to select 12-15 incubators and around 50 start-ups working in the environment, healthcare, gender and diversity sectors. The deadline to submit applications is the third week of November, 2021 and winners will be declared in February, 2022

For the current year, the bank is proposing 2 different approaches to disburse up to Rs 15 crore. They are the eligible incubators as per Schedule VII of The Companies

Act, 2013 and The Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules 2014 will pitch their capabilities to execute the grant process based on the CSR program requirements, in the application the incubators will also provide a long list of startups that align with program focus areas.

Startups eligible under Schedule VII of The Companies Act, 2013 and The Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules 2014 and working towards innovation, development or improvement of products or processes or services, or if it is a scalable business model with a high potential of employment generation or wealth creation can apply.

"SmartUp grants are meant to support and nurture social entrepreneurs," said Ashima Bhat, Group Head CSR, Business

Finance and Infrastructure, HDFC Bank. "India needs innovative businesses to address needs of the society. We strive to discover and nurture both start-ups and incubators working in three focus areas: Environment - Conservation of the natural world; Health - Improving Healthcare; and Gender Diversity - Improving gender equality. This is aligned with some of the larger strategic goals of our Parivartan program," she added.

SmartUp Grants are part of a larger effort by HDFC Bank to create an ecosystem to nurture the spirit of innovation and enterprise in the start-up space. It is an extension of HDFC Bank's SmartUp Solution through which the bank offers tailor-made banking and advisory solutions to entrepreneurs.

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'Lockdown, Dope,

very short and increased cortisol level in blood shoots up blood pressure.

Also, reduced physical activities, tendency to eat more fatty food and reduced intake of fruits and vegetables are some of the reasons behind it. Smokers increase their smoking which is an important cause.

Gloomy weather and indoor confinement leads to depression and anxiety. Inactivity leads to deranged sugar levels in diabetics, and overeating to high bad cholesterol levels.

All these risk factors combine and increase the chances of a heart attack.

Has Covid anything to do with the surge of the sudden cardiac arrests in the valley?

Covid during its infective phase certainly can lead to cardiac events.

The virus produces generalized inflammation including that of heart muscle and also of the arteries. The Covid pneumonia can also spread the inflammation from lungs to heart. All this can lead to heart failure and even clascial heart attacks.

Avoiding visiting hospitals to seek treatment of chest pain due to fear of getting

Covid infection was seen as an important cause of getting severe delays in seeking urgent treatment. This led to high mortality of heart attacks during the pandemic.

Do you think the government should constitute a team to study increased cases of heart attacks in Kashmir?

Certainly!
In fact, postmortem should become a must for young patients dying suddenly of an alleged heart attack.

Public education of primary and secondary prevention should be imparted and a budget kept for these activities.

Encouraging voluntary organizations like Gauri Kaul Foundation to expand and get facilities in different districts to augment healthcare systems is one of the important ways.

What should people do to keep their heart healthy during winter?

Winter season predisposes to heart related disorders. But regular exercise is the best and the most cost-effective way to keep these disorders at bay and keep your heart healthy.

A health-checkup for the 50-plus populace is a good way to assess the risk by evaluating all the major risk factors and timely action to be taken.

People with existing high BP, diabetes and previous heart disease should also get themselves reevaluated, as they often need alteration of doses of medicines to attain the targets.

Salesman Shot

inside Sandeep's car and was taking the vehicle to his residence when unknown gunmen appeared near the window and shot him from point blank range. Sandeep, who is under police protection, had reportedly left his shop when his employee was fired upon.

Khan's killing comes less than 24 hours after a policeman Tawseef Ahmad Wani was shot dead outside his home in SD Colony, Batamaloos on Sunday evening.

Meanwhile, a police spokesperson in a statement issued here said that preliminary investigations have revealed that "terrorists" fired upon the civilian Mohammad Ibrahim Khan son of Ghulam Mohammad Khan around 8:10 pm Monday.

"In this terror incident, he had sustained critical gunshot injuries and was immediately shifted to nearby hospital for the treatment where he succumbed to his injuries," the police spokesperson said.

He said that police have registered a case in this regard under relevant sections of law and investigation is in progress to establish the circumstances which lead to this "terror crime".

"Area has been cordoned off and search in the area is going on," he added.

Meanwhile, National Conference leader Omar Abdullah condemned the killing of the civilian.

"The dastardly killing of Ibrahim is reprehensible & I unreservedly condemn it. Unfortunately Ibrahim is the latest in a series of targeted killings in the valley, especially Srinagar. May Allah grant him place in Jannat," Omar tweeted.

Apni Party President Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari also expressed deep shock and grief over the killing.

While terming the incident as extremely heart-rending, Bukhari said that there appears to be no respite for the people from the vicious bloodshed in the valley.

"Regrettably another day has to end with a mournful incident. A salesman who would have been working hard to earn bread and butter for his family has been mercilessly killed by unknown gunmen. No words of solace can ever suffice to alleviate the grief of his family. The valley appears to be engulfed in a blight

of violence which must come to end once for all. The plots of forces inimical to peace can never succeed to instill fear and chaos among the people. The law should take its course and nab these perpetrators," he said, as per a party spokesperson

Pertinently, 20 militants, 12 soldiers and 13 civilians were killed in different militancy related incidents, including encounters and targeted killings in last month.

The killing of 13 civilians in October, most of them non-locals, is the highest death toll in the last two years and the fourth-highest since 2012.

The spate of targeted killings, mostly of non-locals, led to exodus of hundreds of migrant labourers and their families hailing from north India's Uttar Pradesh, Punjab and Bihar states. The killing also prompted the security agencies to beef up security apparatus across the Valley.

In the last month also, 12 soldiers, including two junior commissioned officers (JCOs) were also killed in one of the longest and biggest search operations in border districts of Rajouri and Poonch, where according to police an under-trial militant Zia Mustafa was also killed in militant firing.

The month of October also proved more deadly for militants.

The army, police and CRPF in joint operations killed 20 militants of various outfits in Srinagar, Shopian, Baramulla, Anantnag, Pulwama, Kulgam, Bandipora and Pulwama districts.

2 Lashkar Militants

to be a shadow outfit of LeT by security forces. One pistol and seven rounds were recovered from Malik's possession at the time of his arrest while on his disclosure, the security forces seized an AK rifle, two magazines and 40 rounds from Katsu forests in Aishmuqam.

Meanwhile, a police spokesperson said another active militant was arrested from Pulwama district.

"Acting on specific information about presence of terrorists, a joint cordon and search operation was launched by police, Army and CRPF in the orchards of village Mirgund, Rohmu area of Pulwama," the spokesperson said.

"During the search, movement of a terrorist hiding in apple orchards was noticed who tried to escape but was apprehended tactfully by the joint parties exercising maximum restraint," the spokesperson said.

He identified the arrested militant as Sarwir Ahmad Mir, a resident of Bathen, Khrew and linked with LeT (TRF).

Meanwhile, police busted a module of over-ground workers in Baramulla district and arrested three militant associates.

"Police and security forces arrested one hybrid terrorist and two terror associates identified as Asgar Majeed Lone, Asif Ganie and Faizan Rasool Gojri," he said.

On the disclosure of the arrested militant associates, the security forces recovered one grenade and 24 rounds of AK-47, he added.

Jammu Leaders

region against the BJP which has allegedly betrayed them by its "hollow promises and misleading statements".

"The erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir, founded by Dogra rulers, was dismembered and promises were made to the people of Jammu region that the decades of discrimination will be undone they have misled the public and all their promises have proved a hoax, Bhalla said.

This was for the first time post abrogation of Article 370 in August 2019 that different opposition parties shared a platform in the Jammu region.

"We all are together to ensure justice is done to Jammu. We are not here to snatch the rights of Kashmiris but we will not allow anyone to snatch our rights as well," the Congress leader said, demanding immediate restoration of statehood and constitutional safeguards for the protection of land and jobs for the locals.

He also slammed the BJP for the "deteriorating" law and order situation in Jammu and Kashmir and said the target killings by militants in the valley are unabated, while the border population suffered immensely over the years due to cross-border shelling by Pakistan.

The DSS founder said he has taken upon himself to unite Jammu against the alleged onslaught of the ruling party on the interests of the people.

After parting ways with the BJP in July 2018, Lal Singh has come out with a 21-point vision document focused on various demands, including rotational chief ministers, equal opportunity of employment, protection and consumption of natural resources and Dogra certificates.

However, after the revocation of the special status and bifurcation of erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir into Union Territories in August 2019, Singh has been propagating

separate statehood for the Jammu region.

"Initially, the BJP was talking about trifurcation of J&K but ended up bifurcating the state. We have a beautiful constitution (of J&K) which was legal but was taken away from us illegally," he said, vowing to continue his struggle for the implementation of his 21-point agenda and restoration of statehood.

He said the BJP government is "hoodwinking the public by lollipops" but the people have seen its real face as the rate of unemployment in J&K has gone up and is highest in the country with development taking a back seat, especially across the Jammu region.

NPP chairman and former minister Harsh Dev Singh gave a clarion call to the civil society, students, youth, traders and farmers of Jammu to unite for the cause of the region, saying "it is high time that pro Jammu forces joined hands to defeat and dethrone those who had betrayed the cause of the Dogra land".

"The very leaders in whom Jammu reposed its faith had betrayed it and relegated it to worse than second class status. The faith of the Jammu people in the present dispensation had been completely shaken in view of unprecedented bias to which the region had been subjected," he said.

Singh said it was therefore necessary to bring about a change in the system by rejecting the opportunist leaders and promoting a class of leadership which can truly espouse the cause of the incarcerated land of Dogras.

Referring to the August 2019 development, he said the rulers invoked Governor's Rule and then used the governor's consent to dismantle the historical Dogra state and demote it to the level of UT.

"Let's unite to fight the nefarious designs of those who are desperate to demolish our culture and destroy our pristine glory, Singh said.

DCC member S Taranjit Singh Tony also lashed out at the BJP for its policies and said attempts are being made to silence those who speak against the ruling party.

"We need BJP 'Mukt Bharat' instead of J&K 'Mukt Bharat' for our survival," he said, adding that the Jammu region was far better under the rule of Kashmiri leaders than the BJP.

Tony, who defeated former BJP minister from DDC constituency Suchetgarh in Jammu, demanded immediate restoration of statehood to Jammu and Kashmir, asking people to follow the slogan "till no state, no vote for BJP".

Admin Imposes

Baghwanpora, Molvi Stop and Mill Stop of Lal Bazar area under the Administrative ward no 11.

Similarly, under the administrative ward 32, corona curfew has been imposed in the colonies of Shah Anwar, Green Avenue and Noorani (Peer Bagh) in Hyderpora.

The order issued by Asad, who is also the chairman District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), states that corona curfew will be in place in Hamdania Colony, Tawheed Abad Colony and Mathan of Chanapora under the administrative ward 31. Besides it, Hamdania Colony of Bemina area falling under the administrative ward number 27 will be under Corona Curfew", reads the order.

The order also announces imposition of corona curfew in Housing Colony, Bilal Colony and SDA Colony of Bemina areas under administrative ward number 24.

According to the order, all educational institutes in the areas falling under the Corona Curfew will remain closed while no movement other than permissible activities have been allowed.

Also, both indoor and outdoor social gatherings and functions have been barred and a ceiling of only 20 persons for the marriage parties, and ten persons for the funerals has been fixed.

Under the permissible activities, the administration has allowed all essential services including all incidental services and activities needed for smooth functioning, both in the public and private sector.

"Standalone grocery/ vegetable/ meat/ milk shops may also remain open and functional to ensure provisioning of essential supplies from 7:00Am to 11:00AM only," reads the order.

It further says that there will be no hindrance to the smooth movement of goods and essential supplies.

"There shall be no restriction on the movement of Government Officials for attending officer duties, on production of I-Cards/ Official Orders," the order reads.

It further adds that the vaccination drive shall not be halted and that localized mobile teams shall be constituted to provide vaccination in colonies, residential areas and containment zones.

J&K Sees 3

said that 92 were reported from Kashmir Valley and the remaining 19 from Jammu division, taking the total number of people infected

since the outbreak of pandemic last year in J&K to 333187.

In the Valley, the officials said, Srinagar reported 44 cases of coronavirus, Budgam 15, Ganderbal 11, Baramulla 10, Bandipora 6, Kupwara 4 and one new case each in Pulwama and Anantnag districts. The twin districts of Kulgam and Shopian reported no fresh cases.

In the winter capital, officials said Jammu reported a maximum of eight new cases, Reasi 7, Doda 2 and one new case each in Udhampur and Ramban. No fresh cases were detected in Rajouri, Kathua, Samba, Kishtwar and Poonch districts.

"Moreover, 96 more COVID-19 patients have recovered and been discharged from various hospitals including 11 from Jammu Division and 85 from Kashmir Division," the officials said.

They further said that no new cases of Mucormycosis have been reported on Monday.

LG Sets One Month

review their respective districts and make sure that officers on the ground are delivering benefits of all central and UT schemes with complete transparency.

The LG, he said, also directed for identifying minimum five talented youths from every panchayat, who are willing to become entrepreneurs.

"The Lt Governor reiterated that the UT government is committed to provide livelihood opportunities to the youth of J&K," the official spokesperson said.

"The Lt Governor set the deadline of one month for making e-offices functional in all Directorates. He advised the concerned heads of departments for conducting audit and ensuring rationalization of manpower," he added.

According to the official spokesperson, Sinha asked the concerned departments to submit Utilization Certificates (UCs) for expenditure of works, especially the centrally sponsored schemes on priority.

He said that directions were also issued for regular reviews of various social security and welfare schemes for their maximum reach covering all eligible beneficiaries, besides ensuring that the relief amount is disbursed to all the farmers immediately, who suffered crop damage due to recent snowfall and hailstorm.

Taking note of the reports of unscheduled power curtailment and disruption of water supply in various areas, the official spokesperson said that the LG asked the concerned administrative secretaries to continuously monitor the ground situation and take proactive measures while sensitizing the field functionaries to avoid inconvenience to general public.

Chief Secretary Dr Arun Kumar Mehta, Additional Chief Secretary, Finance department; ; Atal Dulloo, Additional Chief Secretary,

Health and Medical Education Department Vivek Bhardwaj, Principal Secretary to LG

Nitishwar Kumar, Administrative Secretaries, Heads of the Departments, and other senior officers remained present during the meeting, in person and through virtual mode, the official spokesperson said.

Gives Appointment

the Lieutenant Governor said in a tweet. Sinha assured all help and assistance to Chand's family.

The Resistance Front (TRF) militants on October 8 had shot dead principal Supinder Kaur and Chand of the Government Boys' Higher Secondary School Sangam in Srinagar's Eidgah area in a series of targeted killings of civilians in Kashmir

CRPF Jawan

died on the spot. The reason behind the CRPF man taking this extreme step was not immediately known.

Meanwhile, police have started proceedings under relevant sections of the law in this regard.

Patwari Nabbed

sleuths of ACB after a complaint was received by the anti-graft body alleging that the revenue official was demanding Rs 2000 as bribe for affecting entries of mutation in revenue record regarding land recently bought by the complainant, an ACB spokesperson said Monday.

Earlier, he said, the bureau had registered a case FIR No. 35/2021 U/S 7 PC Act 1988 and started investigations.

During the course of investigation, he said, a team was constituted that laid a successful trap and caught the revenue official red-handed while demanding and accepting the bribe from the complainant in presence of independent witness.

"He was arrested and taken into custody by the ACB Team. Further investigation into the case is going on," the ACB spokesperson said.

AK-47 Recovered


village Kothe of Arnia when 'unidentified' gunmen shot at them.

The injured person succumbed on way to Ludhiana to a private hospital from Jammu for an advanced treatment on Sunday.

As per police sources, during the shootout AK-47 rifle was used and the fired shells were also found on the spot.

Involvement of two police personnel is also surfacing in the assault, police sources said adding, "whether it is the similar weapon that was used in the shootout or not, is being verified and the matter is under investigation."

Drugs and money transactions cannot be ruled out to be a reason behind the attack, they assume. (Agencies)

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YSS Cricket Team Wins Match Against KU

OBSERVER NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: In the ongoing League cum Knockout 2nd edition Inter Department (Employees) T-20 Cricket Tournament 2021, being played at the University of Kashmir ground, the Departmental team of Youth Services and Sports (YSS) department defeated Kashmir University by 52 runs on Monday.

With a magnificent start by team captain Bilal Shams and all rounder Parminder Singh, YSS managed to score 195.

Adil Sofi added 53 runs on 24 balls, while as Imtiaz Ahmed scored 30 on 14 balls and Parmind-

er Singh scored 24 on 14 balls.

While trying very hard to chase the score, Kashmir University team collapsed on mere 143 runs as Bilal Shamas took 3 wickets for 25 runs while Rafiq Ahmed, Mudasir Ahmed, and Parminder Singh took 1 wicket each.

Director YSS in a tweet congratulated team manager Azhar Hajini and his teammates for this sumptuous victory and has hoped that the team will maintain this winning spirit in other matches as well. Pertinently 16 teams from various government departments are participating in the cricket tourney being organized by the University of Kashmir.

Australia Set To Tour Pakistan After 24 Years



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

LAHORE: Australia have agreed to tour Pakistan for the first time in 24 years for a full series next year, providing a much-needed shot in the arm for the country's cricket following the recent pullouts by England and New Zealand over security concerns.

Australia, who last toured Pakistan in 1998, will play three Tests in Karachi (March 3-7), Rawalpindi (March 12-16) and Lahore (March 21-25) as part of the World Test Championship.

Lahore will also be the venue for the four white-ball matches to be played from March 29 to April 5, the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) announced on Monday.

In September, New Zealand, who were already in Pakistan, went back home without playing a game due to a security threat and soon after, England too announced they won't be touring the country ahead of the T20 World Cup, dealing a huge setback to the PCB's efforts in bringing high-quality international cricket to the country.

Australia coming to Pakistan is a big win for the recently-appointed PCB chief Ramiz Raja, who did not expect the Aussies to tour after England and New Zealand withdrew. England were criticised heavily for not touring the country.

"It pleases me no end that we'll be engaged in a three-Test match series, connoisseurs delight," Raja said in a statement.

"Australia are one of the high-performing sides and them playing in our backyard for the first time after a gap of 24 years will be a special treat for the fans.

"Likewise, it will be a great opportunity for the Australia cricketers to not only play at our iconic venues but also feel and enjoy the respect, love and hospitality that this great country offers, something which most of their previous generation of cricketers missed out by playing offshore," he said.

Cricket Australia chief executive Nick Hockley said they will continue to work with PCB to ensure foolproof security for their team.

England's Jason Roy Ruled Out Of T20 WC

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

DUBAI: Explosive England opener Jason Roy has been ruled out of the remainder of the T20 World Cup with a calf injury and James Vince has been drafted into the squad as his replacement.

Roy sustained a calf injury in England's defeat to South Africa in their final Super 12 match in Sharjah. Roy looked to be in a lot of pain and could not walk back to the dressing room on his own. He was seen on crutches after the game.

"I'm gutted to be ruled out of the World Cup. It is a bitter pill to swallow," said Roy in a statement.

"I will be staying on to support the boys, and hopefully, we can go all the way and lift that trophy. It has been an unbeliev-



able journey so far, and we have to continue expressing ourselves and concentrating on us.

"The rehab has already started, and even though I've torn my calf, I'm going to give myself the best chance of being ready for the T20 tour of the Caribbean at the start of next year."

England face New Zealand in the first semifinal in Abu Dhabi on Thursday.

J&K Bank XI, Kashmir Avengers FC Enter Premier League Finals

Avengers defeat AG's 2-0, Bank wins 2-0 against Police

OBSERVER NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: In the two JKFA Khyber Premier Division League 2021 semifinal matches on Monday, Kashmir Avengers FC and J&K Bank XI booked their places in the finals of the competition. The two blockbuster match ups were played at Synthetic Turf, TRC here.

The first semifinal match between Kashmir Avengers FC and J&K Accountant General's (AG's) XI saw the tournament's two surprise packages go head to head. While the first half ended 0-0 in the closely fought contest, the Avengers came trumps in the 55th minute of the second half through their foreign recruit, Kelvin Kolliie.

The AG's XI created several chances but their forwards failed to convert any of them. Kashmir Avengers came into the match having conceded 0 goals in their previous 3 games. With another strong display at the back, KAFK managed to double their lead in the 75th minute through Liyaqat. The full time whistle blew at 2-0 in



favour of the Avengers. Liyaqat of KAFK was named Player of the Match for his brilliant performance.

In the second semifinal, tournament favourites J&K Bank took on the gritty J&K Police XI. The Bank team came into the match low on morale after two back-to-back losses in the league stage round of the competition. And when the first half ended 0-0, the Police XI side sensed an opportunity.

However, as is the case with all great teams, J&K Bank bounced back in the second half to prove why they are the

best in Jammu and Kashmir. Bank's goal-scoring machine Aakif Reshi struck first in the 50th minute.

Trailing by one goal, J&K Police players launched several counter attacks, but the Bank's goalkeeper ensured no damage was done. In the dying moments, Furqan doubled J&K Bank's lead to end match 2-0 in their favour. Farhan Ganai was declared Player of the Match.

Kashmir Avengers and J&K Bank XI will now play on Wednesday, November 10 to decide the Premier Division League 2021 champions.

J&K Lose To Himachal By 4 Runs

3rd defeat in 4 matches

AGENCIES

SRINAGAR: J&K senior men's team on Monday suffered its 3rd loss in 4 matches of the ongoing Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 Trophy 2021 being played at Vadodara, Gujarat.

Shubham Pundir-led J&K fell short by just 4 runs after restricting Himachal to 157/8 in 20 overs. HP's Rishi Dhawan

took 6 wickets in his 3.5 overs, giving away 23 runs and dismantling the J&K batters.

Chasing the target, only Abdul Samad and Aquib Nabi took the Himachal bowlers to the cleaners. Samad smashed a 32-ball 55, while Aquib score 29 of just 8 balls which included 4 sixes.

However, Himachal kept taking wickets and eventually managed to bowl J&K out for 153.

Earlier, Aquib Nabi had an impressive opening spell, removing Himachal openers in the second and fourth over. However, Himachal duo of Raghav and Rishi Dawan smacked 47 and 45, respectively to help their team reach 157.

For J&K, Aquib Nabi took 3 wickets, while Abid Mushtaq and Parvez Rasool took 2 wickets each.

Shoaib Malik Reveals Secret To Marathon Career

‘Obsession with fitness, joy out of playing’

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

SHARJAH: Nearing 40 but still an integral part of Pakistan's cricket team, veteran all-rounder Shoaib Malik says his obsessive pursuit of a fit body helps him stay afloat as an international player, not to mention the unbridled joy he gets out of being on the field.

Malik, who would turn 40 in another three months, has been playing international cricket since the last century when some of his current teammates like star pacer Shaheen Shah Afridi were not even born.

On Sunday, he showed his class once again with an astonishing 18-ball 54 to set up Pakistan's 72-run mauling of Scotland, their fifth consecutive win in the ongoing T20 World Cup.

"...Well, to be honest, I would say I have self-obsession of seeing myself fit when I look at in the mirror, and most importantly I'm still enjoying playing cricket, and it's helping, as



well, end of the day towards the team," said Malik in a press conference after Pakistan outplayed Scotland by 72 runs on Sunday night.

Malik's knock on Sunday was the tournament's joint fastest half-century alongside India opener K L Rahul's 18-ball effort, which also came against Scotland.

"I guess if you want to stay fit, then you've got to train every day, and that's what I have been doing," he said.

"I'm not

sure about playing a year more or two more years. Right now I'm in middle of a very important thing and not thinking about all that."

Pakistan topped Group 2 in the Super 12 stage and will take on Australia in the semifinals in Dubai on Thursday. Asked if his unbeaten team is wary of the Aussies, Malik acknowledged it wouldn't be an easy match.

"Of course we have seen Australia, the way they have been playing. They have been playing really good cricket. So are we. But of course it's going to be a tough challenge for both the teams," said Malik after scoring his first half-century in an ICC event since the 2009 Champions Trophy.

Kapil Dev Says Indian Players Put IPL Before Country



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NEW DELHI: Indian legend Kapil Dev accused the country's cricket players of prioritising the cash-rich Indian Premier League (IPL) over national duty after the pre-tournament favourites were dumped out of the T20 World Cup.

"When the players prefer to play IPL over playing for the country, what can we say? I believe that every player should feel proud playing for their country," Dev, who led India to a World Cup victory in 1983, told Indian television channel ABP News.

"I believe that your national team should come first and after that [a] franchise or any other team," he said.

India on Sunday crashed out of the Twenty20 World Cup after New Zealand beat Afghanistan to book the second semifinal berth from Group 2.

Virat Kohli's side, which went into the tournament as one of the favourites, thrashed Afghanistan and Scotland but it was too late after losing heavily to arch-rival Pakistan and to New Zealand.

In the build-up, Indian regrouped just two days after the IPL ended on October 15 in Dubai, adding to the time that the players spent in draining Covid-19 bubble conditions.

"I am not saying don't play cricket there [for franchises],

but it is now [the] BCCI's (Board of Control for Cricket in India) responsibility to plan their cricket [schedule] better for the future," 62-year-old Dev said of the Indian cricket board.

"What we can learn from this defeat is to not repeat the mistakes that have been made. This is the biggest lesson," he added.

The Times of India daily said that preparations for the next T20 World Cup, in Australia next year, should begin immediately.

That includes infusing "fresh blood" into the side, such as partnering likely new T20 captain Rohit Sharma with Ruturaj Gaikwad at the top of the batting order and giving chances to Suryakumar Yadav, Harshal Patel and Deepak Chahar, the newspaper said.

Hindustan Times reported that after their exit was sealed on Sunday, India called off a training session ahead of the final match against Namibia on Monday "as players brooded what might have been".

"India's inability to hold their weight in knockout rounds of ICC (International Cricket Council) events has been sticking out like a sore thumb. This time they have also missed the bus to reach the last four," the newspaper said, bemoaning that India "failed to adapt and tweak their tactics according to the conditions".

Abu Dhabi T10 To Begin November 19

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

ABU DHABI: The fifth season of the Abu Dhabi T10 cricket tournament will begin with reigning champions Northern Warriors taking on Delhi Bulls in the first game of the opening night and double header on November 19.

England duo of Moeen Ali and Chris Jordan will represent the current two-time champions against a Delhi Bulls side that contains the likes of Dwayne Bravo and Eoin Morgan.

The second match of the opening day will be played between home side Team Abu Dhabi and Bangla Tigers with both teams looking to get off to a perfect start in pursuit of a first Abu Dhabi T10 title.

Team Abu Dhabi has West Indies legend Chris Gayle and England superstar Liam Livingstone, while Bangla Tigers will feature iconic Pakistan all-rounder Sha-

hid Afridi, and former South Africa captain Faf du Plessis.

"We can't wait to get started with another thrilling edition of the cricket's fastest format, and to witness some of the best players in the world here in Abu Dhabi," Abu Dhabi T10 chairman and

owner, Shaji ul Mulk said in a release.

"The Abu Dhabi T10 promises to deliver a thrilling two weeks of cricketing action and we are excited to welcome back UAE cricket fans to the stadium as we close out a historic

cricketing calendar in the country." The second day will witness Yusuf Pathan adding his wealth of experience to The Chennai Braves against a Deccan Gladiators outfit with Andre Russell in their ranks.

In total, there will be 35 matches played across 15 days at Sheikh Zayed Cricket Stadium, with each team playing each other twice before the top four sides advance to the qualifiers scheduled for December 3.



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