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NEWS DIGEST

Fire Damages CRPF Camp

SRINAGAR: A major fire broke out in a Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) camp at Sanat Nagar in uptown Srinagar causing extensive damage to the property, a fire and emergency spokesman said here on Thursday. He said, the fire broke out in the 132Bn CRPF camp housing in **More on P10**

Upgraded Database Of ACB Unveiled

SRINAGAR: Manoj Kumar Dwivedi, Commissioner/Secretary, General Administration Department (GAD) on Thursday inaugurated the new upgraded database of J&K Anti Corruption Bureau. The new upgraded database of ACB was unveiled in presence of Director Anti Corruption Bureau Anand Jain, **More on P10**

Colleges In Ladakh To Close From Dec 16

SRINAGAR: The administration in the Union Territory (UT) of Ladakh on Thursday announced the start of the winter vacations in the University of Ladakh and the constituent degree colleges of Kargil and Leh from December 16, 2021. A statement of the Registrar Leh University of Ladakh Inteeaz Kacho said, **More on P10**

Police Reunites Missing Teen With Family

JAMMU: Police on Thursday reunited the teenager missing from his native place in Mandia area here. A team headed by Station House Officer, Pacca Danga, Police Station, Raghubir Choudhary, acting swiftly after a complaint was lodged by the family of the teenager, on Thursday traced the boy from General Bus Stand and reunited **More on P10**

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Change Lifestyle & Curb Cancer Rate In Kashmir: Experts

Auqib Javeed

Raising the alarm, the medical experts, based on the findings of a union ministry report, have warned that if people of Kashmir don't change their lifestyle, there will see an upsurge in cancer cases in coming years.

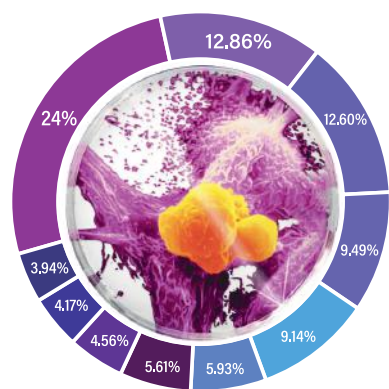
Quoting the Indian Council of Medical Research's Cancer Registry Data on "National Cancer Registry Programme Report 2020", the health experts paint a grim picture of the rising number of cancer cases and subsequent death

in Jammu and Kashmir.

The report notes a total of 21,016 cancer casualties during the period of 2018 to 2020 in Jammu and Kashmir.

Further, the report reveals that there will be a 12 percent increase in cancer cases across India in five years. "Cancer cases in India will increase to 15.7 lakh by 2025, based on current trends," it said.

Dr. Nazir Ahmad Khan, the Co-Principal Investigator who prepared the report for SKIMS, said that men mostly died of lung, mouth, stomach and oesophagus cancers,



while women fell to breast and cervix cancers, between 2018 and 2020. "Earlier we didn't have

THE PROFILE OF CANCER IN KASHMIR IS MATCHING WITH THE WESTERN COUNTRIES.

Earlier most of the cancers would be related to oesophagus and lung. Now it is changing and we are witnessing the same cases of cancer that are prevalent in the West which means we are copying their lifestyle."

any thyroid related cancers but the cancer scenario has changed because of a group of factors – like lifestyle, food habits, age, population, etc," Dr. Khan, Prof., Department

of Radiation Oncology, SKIMS, told Kashmir Observer.

According to the data, Srinagar tops the chart in the cancer cases in Kashmir (24%), followed by **More on P10**

Gen Naravane Emerges Frontrunner For CDS Post



PM Narendra Modi pays tribute to the mortal remains of Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Bipin Rawat at Palam airbase in New Delhi on Thursday.

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NEW DELHI: The government is set to begin the process soon to appoint the next Chief of

Defence Staff with Army Chief Gen MM Naravane emerging as the front-runner for the top post that fell vacant following the demise of **More on P10**

Baramulla's Loss: GoC 15 Corps

People of Baramulla in north Kashmir have lost more than anyone else in chief of defence staff General Bipin Rawat's death as he had close connection with them and loved them, general officer commanding of the Army's Chinari Corps, Lt Gen D P Pandey said on Thursday. **More on P10**

Irreparable Loss: LG

Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha along with officers and staff of Raj Bhavan on Thursday condoled the death of Chief of Defence Staff General Bipin Rawat, his wife Madhulika, and 11 armed forces personnel in a helicopter crash. Raj Bhavan officials also observed silence for two minutes **More on P10**

'Some Water': First Respondent Recalls Brief Encounter with CDS

When an Army official in severe distress asked for "some water," from him, A Sivakumar had no idea the man was the country's top soldier and its first Chief of Defence Staff (CDS), General Bipin Rawat, who would possibly later succumb to injuries sustained in a helicopter crash in the vicinity. Sivakumar, a social worker, was among

the first respondents who reached the accident site where the Mi-17VH carrying the late CDS, his wife Madhulika Rawat and 12 others crashed on Wednesday, killing 13 of them, including the General while there is a lone survivor. A "trained first respondent," Sivakumar said he rushed to the spot following a phone call from a relative even as the copter **More on P10**

Pak Denies Offering Military Bases To China

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KARACHI: Pakistan has not offered any military bases to China in the strategic Gwadar port, National Security Adviser Moeed Yusuf has said while reiterating that any country can invest in the USD 60 billion China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) project since "we are not closed to anybody."

The Gwadar port on the Arabian Sea has long been portrayed as the jewel in the CPEC crown, but in the process, the city has become the very embodiment of a security state in the restive Balochistan province.

There are economic bases of China in Pakistan, where any country in the world can invest the same were also offered to the **More on P10**

Roshini Scheme: Govt Forcibly Evicting People, Says CPI (M)

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SRINAGAR: CPI(M) leader Ghulam Nabi Malik on Thursday said the harassment of people by the administration across Jammu and Kashmir in the name of removal of encroachments on Roshini land is highly condemnable and unjustified. He alleged that the administration is forcibly evicting

people who had been in possession of small portions of Roshini land for generations and were doing cultivation on it.

This is being done despite Additional Solicitor General of India (ASGI) Tushar Mehta making a statement in Supreme Court that the J-K government will not take any coercive measures till the review petition against an earlier court **More on P10**

India Suspends Int'l Flights Till Jan 31

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NEW DELHI: India will keep its scheduled international passenger flights suspended till January 31 next year, aviation regulator DGCA said on Thursday.

Amid rising concerns over the coronavirus variant Omicron, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) had on December 1 decided not to resume scheduled international flights from December 15, less than a week after announcing that it would restart the services.

The regulator issued a circular on Thursday, saying "The competent authority has decided to extend the suspension of scheduled

international commercial passenger services to and from India till 2359 hours of January 31, 2022."

Scheduled international passenger services have been suspended in India since March 23, 2020, due to the coronavirus pandemic. But special international flights have been operating under the Vande Bharat Mission since May 2020 and under bilateral "air bubble" arrangements with selected countries since July 2020.

India has formed air bubble pacts with around 32 countries including the US, the UK, the UAE, Kenya, Bhutan and France.

Under an air bubble pact between two countries, special international flights can be operated by their airlines between their territories.

3 Men Acquitted In Bemina Attack Case After 8 Years

Agencies

SRINAGAR: The National Investigative Agency (NIA) court on Thursday acquitted three Kashmiri youth arrested in connection with a deadly attack on paramilitary CRPF personnel in Bemina area of this capital city eight years ago.

Bashir Ahmad Mir of Uri, presently residing in Shaheed Gunj here, Syed Mukhtar Hussain Shah of Uri and Pradeep Singh, a resident of Check, Kansipora, Baramulla were acquitted by the Special Judge of NIA Srinagar, Manjeet Singh Manhas, after the

prosecution failed to bring any evidence against the trio and prove the charges beyond any shadow of a doubt, reports said.

However, the court awarded nine year imprisonment to a Pakistani Militant Mohammad Zubair Illahi alias Talha.

The case was related to an attack on CRPF personnel near Police public school, Bemina in 2013 in which five CRPF men were killed and many injured.

Two unidentified militants were also killed in the firefight with the government forces.

According to the reports, the court observed that it has been proved **More on P10**

Govt Forms Panel On Outsourcing Tourism Dept Assets

Agencies

SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir government on Thursday constituted a Committee for deciding the mechanism of outsourcing of the identified assets of the Tourism Department, in a phased manner.

The committee is headed by Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary) Finance Department and members include Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary) Health & Medical Education Department, Principal Secretary Government, PW (R&B) Department and Administrative Secretaries of Planning, Development &

Monitoring Department, Tourism Department and Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Department besides Advisor/PPP expert to be nominated by the NITI Aayog.

The committee, as per an order, has been tasked to select the properties from the identified list to be outsourced, to identify the model for each property or group of assets for outsourcing as well as fix and approve the time minimum bid amount for each property to be outsourced.

Besides, the panel has been asked to fix and approve the time period for outsourcing of the selected properties as well as approve the RFP/bid document to be prepared by the Consultancy **More on P10**

NFHS Throws Up Surprising Figures On Gender Equality In J&K '81.6 % Married Women Part Of Decision Making Process'

Zaid Bin Shabir

SRINAGAR: Even though the fifth in a series of National Family Health Survey (NFHS) had revealed the worsening status of J&K's nutritional indicators especially among women, the erstwhile state has achieved a landmark in empowering women, giving them equal opportunities in every field and providing them power without any discrimination in last two years.

On December 12, the government released the fifth part of National Family Health Survey fact-sheets for India including J&K. Among the indicators, several included indicators are



of great importance to J&K in terms of female health. This also included those indicators that are relevant to the Sustainable

Development Goal of gender equality (SDG-5) in J&K.

Among the indicators released for the erstwhile state

of J&K, several were based on education, educational freedom, economic contribution, economic freedom, household management and decision-making, perceived status within the household, and health that have always maintained an influence on the status of women in J&K.

The NFHS-5 factsheet on, "Women's Empowerment (women age 15-49 years)" in J&K has shown an upliftment in the percentage of women who are participating in household decisions, if they are allowed to have a say in decisions related to their health, family and several other 'empowering' points.

As per NFHS-5, **More on P10**

Gulmarg Shivers At Minus 5.8 Deg Celsius

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SRINAGAR: The minimum temperature in Kashmir fell as the mercury settled below freezing point across the valley on Thursday, officials said here.

Gulmarg resort in north Kashmir's Baramulla district recorded a minimum temperature of minus 5.8 degrees Celsius, the officials said. They said the resort was the coldest recorded place in the valley.

Srinagar recorded a low of minus 2.1 degrees Celsius on Wednesday night, down by more than a degree from Tuesday night's minus 0.4 degrees, the officials said. **More on P10**



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بغرض حصول ST سرٹیفیکٹ۔
اشتہار برادر آگاہی ہر خاص و عام۔
معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکن نے ایک درخواست بغرض حصول ST سرٹیفیکٹ دفتر بذمہ میں
پیش کیا ہے جو کہ ریکارڈ کی ہے۔ پٹاری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکن
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5	بی بی نصرتہ زوجہ برکت علی	30 سال	گھریلو کام	
6	جوسید جان دختر برکت علی	02 سال		

اس طور پر ساکن کانکرنہ 06 افراد پر مشتمل ہے۔ لہذا اسرٹیفیکٹ اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی
اعتراض ہوگا وہ اپنا اعتراض ایک ہفتہ کے اندر دوران دفتری اوقات میں اپنا اعتراض پیش کرے
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از نیابت ساگام یا اجلاس ایگزیکٹو مجسٹریٹ درجہ اول -
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جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکن کانکرنہ بذیل افراد پر ہیں۔

نمبر شمار	نام ولدیت	عمر	پیش	آمدنی
1۔	عبد الرحیم ولد باچچی	65 سال	مزدوری	4000
2۔	خاتون زویہ عبد الرحیم	60 سال	گھریلو کام	
3۔	احمد ولد عبد الرحیم	14 سال	مزدوری	3000
4۔	زاکر ولد عبد الرحیم	15 سال	مزدوری	3000
5۔	شمنم دختر عبد الرحیم	10 سال	گھریلو کام	

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1۔	مختار احمد ولد عبد الرحیم	43 سال	مزدوری	6000
2۔	شریفہ زوجہ مختار احمد	40 سال	گھریلو کام	
3۔	رخسانہ دختر مختار احمد	08 سال	زیر تعلیم	
4۔	شائیدہ دختر مختار احمد	07 سال	زیر تعلیم	
5۔	ارغان احمد ولد مختار احمد	06 سال	زیر تعلیم	

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طلب کی گئی ے جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکنان کانکرنہ بذیل افراد پر ہیں۔

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2۔	شیمہ بانو زوجہ محمد جمیلہ	45 سال	گھریلو کام	
3۔	زاکر حسین ولد محمد جمیلہ	23 سال	زیر تعلیم	
4۔	عابد جمیلہ و محمد جمیلہ	20 سال	زیر تعلیم	
5۔	مدثر احمد ولد محمد جمیلہ	18 سال	زیر تعلیم	
6۔	کوثر دختر محمد جمیلہ	15 سال	زیر تعلیم	
7۔	اقراء دختر محمد جمیلہ	12 سال	زیر تعلیم	

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I have applied for the re-registration of my Tour & Travel Agency under name and style 'Kashmir Fly Travels and Tours'. If any body having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the Dy Director Tourism Srinagar within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.
Shahid Ahmad Khan
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KHAN FAMILY BEREAVED
With profound grief and sorrow we inform the demise of our father
Mushtaq Ahmad Khan
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Office of the Assistant Regional Transport Officer, Shopian
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Whereas joint application has been received by this office from Mr./Mrs. Aasif Ahmad Ganie S/O Gh Hassan Ganie R/o Chitragam Shopian (Party No 1st) as Transferee, (seller) owner of the vehicle Bearing Regd. No. JK22 5250 (Commercial/ Non Commercial) covering under R/P NO:- -----
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Before the case is disposed off on its merits, any body having objection regarding the proposed transfer may file his objection within seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice to the office of the undersigned .
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No : ARTO/Spn/1028-2021
Dated 06-12-2021
S/D Asst Regional Transport Officer Shopian
ast

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It is information for the general public that in Passport of my son Mohammad Moin Chisti bearing Passport No. P0508463 The name of Father is wrongly entered as Tassaduq Chisti. While actual name is Tassaduq Rasool Chisti. Now I want its correction , in this regard if anybody having any objection may contact Regional Passport Officer Srinagar within a period of 7 days.
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3۔	عرفان ولد اختر حسین	01 سال	شیر خوار	
4۔	سائل احمد ولد اختر حسین	01 سال	شیر خوار	

اسکے علاوہ اور کوئی افراد کانکرنہ موجود نہیں ہے۔ لہذا اسرٹیفیکٹ اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی اعتراض ہوگا
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از نیابت ساگام یا اجلاس ایگزیکٹو مجسٹریٹ درجہ اول -
مضمون درخواست:۔ مختار احمد گوجر کھٹانہ ولد محمد جان گوجر کھٹانہ وگنہ مختار، نالہ جان، ذابہ مختار دختر ان مختار
احمد گوجر کھٹانہ ساکنان چولگام بغرض حصول ST سرٹیفیکٹ۔
اشتہار برادر آگاہی ہر خاص و عام۔
معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکنان نے ایک درخواست بغرض حصول ST سرٹیفیکٹ دفتر بذمہ میں پیش کیا ہے جو کہ ر
کارڈ کی ہے۔ پٹاری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکنان کانکرنہ بذیل افراد پر ہیں۔

نمبر شمار	نام ولدیت	عمر	پیش	آمدنی
1۔	مختار احمد گوجر کھٹانہ	43 سال	ملازم	LPC
2۔	بی بی آرمہ	38 سال	گھریلو کام	
3۔	گنیمختار	15 سال	زیر تعلیم	
4۔	نالہ جان	11 سال	زیر تعلیم	
5۔	ذابہ مختار	06 سال	زیر تعلیم	

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Jammu & Kashmir
Haj Committee
Under Department of Haj & Auqaf,
Govt. Of Jammu & Kashmir

NOTIFICATION
Subject: Selection of Haj Trainers for Haj-2022.
Online Applications are invited from the desiring Muslim Govt. Employees (Permanent) of the Jammu & Kashmir for imparting Orientation / Training to the Pilgrims of Haj-2022. The eligibility criteria is detailed as under.
Eligibility criteria:
Must have performed a Haj preferably during the years 2017, 2018 and 2019 and should generally not be more than 58 years of age. Applicants of age 25-58 years as on 31-12-2021 are eligible to apply online.
Must have got vaccination of two (2) doses of approved vaccine against Covid-19.
Must be fully conversant and fluent in English/Urdu/Hindi/local language/ dialects and computer literate besides being efficient enough to receive /transmit latest information /messages through email/WhatsApp and other available source of E-Media.
Must possess thorough knowledge of logistic and rituals of Haj & Umrah.
Must be mentally and physically fit, capable of addressing / giving lectures to relatively large gathering and in a position to spare time for imparting training.
Any applicant having Criminal records against him/her in any Court of Law shall not apply.
The desiring applicants can apply Online through Haj Committee of India website www.hajcommittee.gov.in. The applicants are advised to upload the requisite documents at the time of filling up of Online Application Forms. No offline application or copy of downloaded online application will be accepted by this office. The last date / time for filling up online applications is 20th December, 2021 at 23:59 hours.
For further details aspirants are requested to go through the Circular No. 3 dated: 07-12-2021 issued by Haj Committee of India, Mumbai.
Sd/-
(Dr. Abdul Salam Mir) KAS Executive Officer
No. Haj/2022/124
Dated: 08-12-2021
DIPK-14527/21

PUBLIC NOTICE
I have lost the Fitness of my Vehicle Bearing Regd No:-JK03H-7017. 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. After that no objection shall be entertained.
Name :- Mohd Iqbal Wani
S/o :- Mohd Ashraf Wani
R/O:- Vio, Bumdoora Anantnag
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GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR
DIRECTORATE OF FOOD, CIVIL SUPPLIES & CONSUMER AFFAIRS KASHMIR
Sub: - Renewal of retail kerosene oil licenses of district Srinagar (NOTIFICATION)
All the retail kerosene oil dealers of district Srinagar are hereby directed to get their retail kerosene oil dealership licenses renewed positively by or before 31st of December, 2021 failing which the unrenewed licenses shall be put to cancellation and the monthly kerosene oil quota shall be diverted without further notice.
Deputy Director Supplies,
Food, Civil Supplies & CA Deptt.,
Kashmk Srinagar.
No.:- DFCS&CAK/S/K.oil /2021 / 1200-1206
Dated:- 08-12-2021
DIPK-14497/21

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Opposite Presentation Convent School, Rajbagh, Srinagar-190008, J&K
T: 0194-2311312 (S) F: 0194-2311420 (S) T/F: 0191-2476079 (J)
E: jkhpmltd@gmail.com
No: JKHPMC/e-NIT No.80 of 2021 Dt: 07-12-2021
Subject: Date Extension Corrigendum 2 w.r.t Notice 80 of 2021, dated 10-11-2021.
In view of several requests received from the prospective bidders in respect of the "Tender" for "Design, Construction, Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Equipment including Civil Works for 2000 MT Cold Store with six (06) Months free trial run on Turnkey Basis at JKHPMC's Premises in Narwal, Jammu, Jammu & Kashmir", Last Date of Online Bid Submission is extended by a spell of Six (06) days' time and as such the Last Date of Online Bid Submission would be up to 13-12-2021. Subsequently the Bid Opening Date would be 14-12-2021.
Note:
1. Please refer to the "Technical Corrigendum" uploaded today for further consideration.
2. Bidders are again informed to fill the "Schedule 7" of SBD for Spare Parts. However, the Schedule shall not be added in the Quoted Bid.
Other Terms and Conditions will remain the same unless notified otherwise.
Sd/-
Managing Director
JKHPMC Ltd
DIPK-NB-5696/21



Unknown Men Pose As Traffic Cops, Extract Money: Transporters

Agencies

Srinagar: Drivers of passenger vehicles from Lalchowk area alleged that unknown people claiming to be from the traffic wing of police are taking money from cab drivers by pasting the sticker "Save the Girl Children" on the name traffic department.

The drivers allege that they are getting the receipt without a stamp from any department.

Talking to the news agency, drivers said that people claiming to be traffic cops stop their ve-

hicles and ask them to pay Rs 200 for displaying a sticker that says "Save the Girl Children."

"We are baffled after getting a receipt that showed the name of a traffic safety organisation," they said.

ADGP Traffic T.Namgyal said that there is no such mandatory sticker from the traffic department. Meanwhile, Divisional Commissioner Kashmir P K Pole said that he will order an inquiry to investigate who is behind the act. "Those found guilty, will be punished," he said—(KNO)

Govt Finalizes Factual Report On Doodh Ganga To Be Submitted Before NGT

KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGA: A meeting of the Joint Committee constituted by National Green Tribunal (NGT) was held Thursday under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad in his Office chamber, here.

During the meeting, the Committee finalized the factual report with regard to the directions of National Green Tribunal(NGT) which, in an order in OA No. 241/2021, constituted a five-member Commit-

tee for submission of a factual report to the Tribunal in terms of taking remedial action for preventing discharge of sewage and dumping of solid waste on the banks of Doodhganga River and Mamath kul, to assess the water quality, quantity of sewage discharge, solid waste being dumped on the banks of Doodh-ganga River.

Besides, to review the measures being taken for its cleanliness, identification of the factors contributing to pollution of this river as per the directions of National Green Tribunal(NGT).

In A First, Vegetables Exported To Sharjah From Srinagar

KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: The District Development Commissioner (DDC) Srinagar, Mohammad Ajaz Asad on Thursday gave approval for the setting up of one Farmer Produce Organization (FPO) during current financial year in Tengpora Block of Srinagar under the Central Sector Scheme of FPOs implemented by NABARD.

The sanctioned FPO will benefit the targeted farmers for promoting market linkages of vegetables like Squash, Capsicum and Brinjal which are produced in bulk from the Srinagar district. The FPO will be registered with an initial membership of 192 Farmers and steps will be taken to enhance the membership in coming months.

After giving approval to the FPO, the DDC asked the concerned department to sensitize farmers about the advantages of FPO formation. He explained that the FPO is an institutional mechanism to reduce cost of production, increase per unit production and facilitate better market linkage so as to enhance the income of farmers.

Asad said that FPO will provide an end to end solution of the problems confronted by the farmers. The farmers will be free to manage their affairs from the production level to post harvest and marketing of their branded products, he added



Besides this for the first time Vegetables have been Exported from Kashmir to Sharjah (UAE) through Lulu Group in which Srinagar district contributes more than 90% of the export produce

Chief Agriculture Officer Srinagar, Chowdhary Mohammad Younis informed that there is a huge export potential of vegetables from Srinagar District which can be further enhanced through FPO promotion.

"Besides this for the first time Vegetables have been Exported from Kashmir to Sharjah (UAE) through Lulu Group in which Srinagar dis-

trict contributes more than 90% of the export produce ", he added.

DDM NABARD also said that in addition to grant support from NABARD for a period of three years, the FPO can become eligible to get equity grant support to the tune of Rs 15 lakh per FPO and can avail collateral free credit guarantee support upto Rs 2 crore from banks and other financial institutions.

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Office Of The Chief Agriculture Officer District Srinagar.

Subject: - Selection of contractual staff under SAME-NMAET during 2021-22 in District Srinagar.

Reference: - 1. This office letter No: - P&S/2021-22/793-94 dated: - 14-06-2021.
2. District Dev. Commissioner Srinagar's letter No. DDC/Dev./ATMA/9134- 35 dated: -22-06-2021.
3. This office notification No. CAOS/P&S/2021-22/1052 dated: - 07-07-2021.

Whereas a Central Sponsored Scheme "Agriculture Technology Management Agency" is already under implementation mode in District Srinagar and the ATMA (SAME-NMAET) has been registered by Registrar of Society J&K Government vide his No. 5095-RF/163 dated: -24-08-2016.

Whereas some resource personal have to be engaged on contractual basis strictly as per guidelines of the scheme being one of the component of CSS-NMAET.

Whereas District Agriculture Officer (Extension) Srinagar vide his letter No:- DAOE/Dev./2020-21/85 dated:- 02-06-2021 has requested that 03 posts of ATM and 01 post of Accountant cum Clerk are lying vacant under (SAME-NMAET).

Whereas District Development Commissioner Srinagar being the chairman of the Governing Board of SAME-NMAET was accordingly approached vide letter No. P&S/2021-22/793-94 dated: - 14-06-2021 for according approval to the proposal of engagement of the contractual staff under NMAET.

Whereas after receiving the approval from the District Development Commissioner (Chairman), following categories of the posts were advertised vide this office Notification No:- CAOS/P&S/2021-22/1052 dated:- 07-07-2021 and the last date for receipt of applications was kept on 31-07-2021, these notices were published in leading Newspapers through information Department Directorate of Agriculture Kashmir.

S.No	Name of the Contractual Post	Contract Period	Remuneration per Month	No. of Posts advertised
01.	Asstt. Technology Manager (ATM)	01 Year (2021-22)	Rs. 25000/Month	03
02.	Accountant cum Clerk	01 Year (2021-22)	Rs. 16000/Month	01

Whereas applications received for different posts before the closure of the date of receipt of the applications i.e. 31-07-2021 is as under.

S.No	Name of post	No. of Post	No of applications received
01.	Asstt. Technology Manager (ATM)	03	46
02.	Accountant cum Clerk	01	06

Keeping in view the above fact the District Development Commissioner Srinagar (Chairman Governing Board NMAET) fixed the date for conducting the interview for all the posts on 05-11-2021 in the Meeting hall of District Development Commissioner Srinagar, which was conducted accordingly.

Now, on the basis of the result prepared by the selection committee headed by Chairman Governing Board NMAET-ATMA, sanction is hereby accorded to the selection of the candidates as per merit appended in Annexure "A" on contractual basis for a period of one (01) year from the date of joining as per the terms and conditions laid down in the advertisement notification issued by this office. The selected candidates are directed to report to the office of undersigned along with original certificates/documents by 15th of December 2021 upto 4:30PM, failing which their selections will be deemed to be cancelled abinitio.

ANNEXURE (A)
Notification No: - P&S/2021-22/18-D/ 4028-33, Dated: -07-12-2021

S.No	Name of the Candidate	Parentage	Residence	Marks obtained out of 100	Name of the Post
01.	Deelak Amin	Mohammad Amin Bhat	Govt. Housing Colony Ompora Budgam	83.32	Asstt. Technology Manager (ATM)
02.	Uzma Arifie	Mohammad Abdullah Arifie	Kanli Bagh Baramulla	79.607	Asstt. Technology Manager (ATM)
03.	Farhana	Abdul Hamid Sofi	Nowshad Colony Kralpora	79.09	Asstt. Technology Manager (ATM)
04.	Nusrat Rafiq	Rafiq Ahmad Bhat	Naik bagh Natipora	48.28	Accountant cum Clerk

Sd/-
Mohammad Younis Chowdhary
Chief Agriculture Officer
Srinagar.

DIPK-14465/21

ISSUED THROUGH:
INFORMATION & PUBLICATIONS, DIRECTORATE OF AGRICULTURE KASHMIR.

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NOTIFICATION

It is hereby notified for information of all the eligible candidates who have applied for engagement against the posts of Optromist/Jr. Refractions/Jr. Ophthalmic Assistant/Technician in Govt. Medical College, Srinagar on Academic Arrangement Basis for a period of one year in response to this Office Advertisement Notice No. 01-NGS of 2020 dated: 08.02.2020 followed by Advertisement Notice No: 02 of 2021 dated: 11.11.2021, that their written test will be held on 16-12-2021 (Thursday) at 12:00 PM in the Auditorium of Govt. Medical College, Srinagar.

On the actual day of examination i.e. 16-12-2021 the candidates shall report at the venue of the examination two hours before the commencement of examination to collect Admit Cards/Roll Nos. along-with the following Identity proofs:-

01. Photo ID card issued by the competent authority like Aadhaar card, Driving License and;
02. Two passport size photograph.

No candidate shall be permitted to carry the Mobile Phone, Laptop or any other electronic device in the examination Hall.

NoNGS-MC/Oph Asstt/AAB 11357-64
Dated. 08.12.2021

Prof. (Dr.) Samia Rashid
Principal/Dean

DIPK-14496/21

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HIGHWAY STATUS

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

PRAYERS

	FAJR	5: 54
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05 Jumada al-awwal	ASR	3:45
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This Day In History

- 1510 - Muslim ruler of Goa, Yusuf Adil Shah and his Ottoman allies surrender to Portuguese forces led by Afonso de Albuquerque who puts the Muslim population to the sword
- 1684 - Isaac Newton's derivation of Kepler's laws from his theory of gravity, contained in the paper De motu corporum in gyrum, is read to the Royal Society by Edmond Halley
- 1899 - Battle at Storm Berge South Africa - Boers vs British army
- 1905 - Austrian pacifist and writer Bertha von Suttner becomes the 1st woman to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize
- 1906 - US President Theodore Roosevelt is the 1st American awarded the Nobel Peace Prize
- 1913 - Bengali poet Rabindranath Tagore becomes the first non-European to be presented with the Nobel Prize for Literature for "Gitanjali"
- 1914 - French government returns to Paris
- 1919 - Nobel Peace Prize awarded to US President Woodrow Wilson
- 1926 - 2nd part of Adolf Hitler's Mein Kampf published
- 1931 - Manuel Azaña becomes Prime Minister of Spain with Niceto Zamora as President
- 1940 - British anti-offensive in Libya (Sidi Barrani)
- 1941 - Japanese troops overrun Guam
- 1943 - British 8th Army (1st Canadian Infantry Division) occupies Orsogna/Ortona Italy
- 1948 - UN General Assembly adopts the Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- 1961 - USSR & Albania break diplomatic relations
- 1964 - Nobel Peace Prize presented to Dr Martin Luther King Jr. in Oslo
- 1966 - Nobel for chemistry awarded to Robert S. Mulliken
- 1967 - Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine awarded to Ragnar Granit, Haldan Keffer Hartline and George Wald "for discoveries about the make-up of the eye
- 1967 - Guatemalan author Miguel Angel Asturias is awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in Stockholm
- 1968 - Japan's biggest heist, the still-unsolved "300 million yen robbery", occurs in Tokyo.
- 1976 - Samuel C. C. Ting is the first person to deliver a Nobel Prize lecture in Mandarin, during the ceremony to award him and Burton Richter the Nobel Prize for Physics for discovering the J/ particle
- 1977 - Soyuz 26 carries 2 cosmonauts to Salyut 6 space station
- 1978 - Menachem Begin and Anwar Sadat accept the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo
- 1980 - Soyuz T-3 returns to Earth
- 1980 - USSR performs underground nuclear test
- 1982 - Soyuz T-5 returns to Earth, 211 days after take-off

From KO Archives

Rapist released, victims in lock-up

Observer News Service

Srinagar: People of Darpora in Lolab area have expressed grave concern over the continued 'detention' of two women who had been raped by two counter-insurgents last month. The alleged rapists have been released to the chagrin of the indignant villagers who have demanded their immediate arrest.

According to the president of the Human Rights Front, Muhammad Ahsan Untoo, who led a team of his activists to the village today, two Ikhwanis, Manzoor Ahmad Lone alias Shalla s/o Abdul Jabbar and Nazir Ahmad Tantray s/o Ghulam Rasool, residents of Darpora and working with army's 18 RR, forced their entry into the house of one Ghulam Nabi Mir at the village on the night intervening November 18 and 19 last. Finding two women alone in the house, Untoo alleged, the two renegades picked them up at gun point, took them to a deserted place in the forests and raped them throughout the night. The two victims arrived in the village in the morning in a battered condition sparking a spontaneous protest by the people. The victims were identified as Shafiq w/o Ghulam Nabi and Atiq w/o Fayaz Ahmad Mir.

Reports said the villagers staged a demonstration disrupting traffic on the road. On receipt of the reports, the deputy commissioner and the superintendent of police visited the village and ordered immediate arrest of the counter-insurgents. Police registered a case and arrested the two next day.

Untoo said both the accused Ikhwanis were released on the next day following intervention by the security forces. Instead, their victims were arrested. He said the two women have been in the police lock up for the past 12 days. When the HRF team I an audience with the deputy Commissioner Syed Haq Nawaz, and the superintendent of police, Singh, Untoo said, both avoided meeting them. The police station officials also did not make any comment on why the two women had been detained.

(KASHMIR OBSERVER, 10 DECEMBER, 2000)

Saudi Crown Prince Visits Qatar, Ties Were Severed 4 Years Ago



Agence France-Presse

Saudi Arabia's de facto ruler Mohammed bin Salman arrived in Qatar on Wednesday as part of a Gulf tour, marking his first visit to the country after the two sides severed ties four years ago.

Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain cut all links with Qatar in June 2017, alleging it backed radical Islamist groups and was too close to Riyadh's rival Tehran -- allegations Doha denied.

But relations were fully restored in January after a landmark summit in the Saudi desert city of Al-Ula.

Crown Prince Mohammed was greeted by the Emir of Qatar Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, with whom he will hold talks, said the official Saudi Press Agency.

His tour comes while a flurry of diplomacy occurs to resolve regional disputes, especially with Iran and Turkey. Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan was in Qatar this week for two days of talks.

Ankara and Doha had become economic and political partners in recent times, with Erdogan's government notably backing Doha during the Saudi-led boycott of Qatar.

Turkey -- which is reeling from a fresh economic crisis and is searching for foreign investment and trade -- has sought to rebuild relations with former rivals in the Gulf, including the UAE and Saudi Arabia.

There have also been signs this year of a thaw between Saudi Arabia and Iran, which have held several rounds of talks since April

aimed at improving ties.

Simmering tensions between Ankara and Riyadh escalated after the 2018 killing of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi in the kingdom's Istanbul consulate.

Khashoggi affair

The arrest of a man in Paris on Tuesday suspected of being involved in Khashoggi's murder had threatened to overshadow Prince Mohammed's Gulf tour.

The crown prince's global image was tainted by the killing of Khashoggi, a critic of Saudi authorities, inside the kingdom's Istanbul consulate.

But France on Wednesday released the Saudi man bearing a passport in the name of Khalid al-Otaibi after realising he was not the same individual wanted on an arrest warrant issued by Turkey.

Prince Mohammed arrived in Doha after a visit to the UAE, where he met with Abu Dhabi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Zayed and attended the site of Expo 2020.

Security was tight at the Expo, where the lavish Saudi pavilion was closed to visitors and a small crowd of onlookers, including women in black robes, gathered outside.

Saudi songs, including one with the lyrics "Welcome Mohammed", were playing on the loudspeaker at Al Wasl Plaza, the site's central venue.

The two countries released a joint statement on Wednesday, saying they were committed to "enhancing the unity and stability of the Gulf Cooperation Council", which includes Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman and Qatar



Myanmar Troops Burn Alive 11 In Retaliation Attack

Ousted Leader Aung San Suu Kyi Was Sentenced To Four Years In Prison Two Days Back

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

The courts action was widely criticised as a further effort by military rulers to roll back the democratic gains of recent years. In New York, the UN Security Council on Wednesday expressed deep concern at the sentencing of Suu Kyi, ousted President Win Myint and others and reiterated previous calls for the release of all those arbitrarily detained.

Myanmar government troops raided a small northwestern village, rounding up civilians, binding their hands and then burning them alive in apparent retaliation for an attack on a military convoy, according to witnesses and other reports.

A video of the aftermath of Tuesday's attack showed the charred bodies of 11 victims, some believed to be teenagers, lying in a circle amid what appeared to be the remains of a hut in Done Taw village in Sagaing region.

Outrage spread as the graphic images were shared on social media over what appeared to be the latest of increasingly brutal military attacks in an attempt to put down stiffening anti-government resistance following the army takeover in February.

Human Rights Watch called Thursday for the international community to ensure that commanders who gave the order are

SICKENING scenes reminiscent of the Islamic State terrorist group bore witness to the military's escalation of their acts of terror,"

added to targeted sanctions lists, and more broadly, efforts are stepped up to cut off any source of funding to the military.

"Our contacts are saying these were just boys and young people who were villagers who were caught in the wrong place at the wrong time," a spokeswoman for the group, Manny Maung, said.

She added that similar incidents have been occurring regularly, but that this one happened to be caught on camera. "This incident is quite brazen, and it happened in an area that was meant to be found, and seen, to scare people," she said.

The images could not be independently verified, but an account given to The Associated Press by a person who said he was present when they were taken generally matched descriptions of the incident carried by independent Myanmar media.

The government has denied that it had any troops in the area.

The military ouster of the elected government of Aung San Suu

Kyi was initially met with nonviolent street protests, but after police and soldiers responded with lethal force, violence escalated as opponents of military rule took up arms in self-defence.

The killings in Done Taw were decried by Myanmar's underground National Unity Government, which has established itself as the country's alternative administration in place of the military-installed government.

The organisation's spokesperson, Sasa, said a military convoy had been hit by a roadside bomb and troops retaliated first by shelling Done Taw, then assaulting the village, rounding up anyone they could capture. He said victims ranged in age from 14 to 40.

"Sickening scenes reminiscent of the Islamic State terrorist group bore witness to the military's escalation of their acts of terror," he said in a statement.

"The sheer brutality, savagery, and cruelty of these acts shows a new depth of depravity, and proves that despite the pretence of the relative détente seen over the last few months, the junta never had any intention of deescalating their campaign of violence," said Sasa, who uses one name.

The witness who spoke to the AP said about 50 troops marched into Done Taw village at about 11 am Tuesday, seizing anyone who did not manage to flee.

Stick To Same Covid Vaccine Rather Than Mix-And-Match: WHO Experts

Bloomberg

A World Health Organization panel said it's best to give people two doses of the same Covid-19 vaccine, but mixing and matching is a good solution for countries facing supply constraints.

"We still believe the best approach is to use the same vaccine for the two primary doses," said Alejandro Cravioto, chairman of the panel, at a briefing Thursday.

Vaccine combinations, already used by some governments, could help low- and middle-income countries manage stockpiles and deal with vaccine shortages as the new omicron variant spreads.

European Union regulators endorsed mixing two different Covid-19 shots for initial vaccine schedules and boosters on Tuesday.

Cravioto said if countries mix vaccines, the best approach is to use a second dose of a messenger RNA or vector-based vaccine if the first dose



was an inactivated vaccine. Messenger RNA vaccines are best followed by vector-based ones, he also said.

A study published by the University of Oxford earlier this week showed that mixing other vaccines with those from AstraZeneca Plc or Pfizer Inc. offered at least as effective protection against Covid as giving two doses of the same shots.

Separately, the WHO's Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization said that one dose of Johnson & Johnson's vaccine can be sufficient, though a second

dose does increase protection.

The panel also repeated a call that countries should first fight vaccine inequity before giving boosters to the general population. The body recommends three doses for only specific situations including immunocompromised people, those over 60 and people who received inactivated vaccinations.

The panel is more confident in same-vaccine dosings because most inoculations so far have been that type, and hence the most data backs that approach, said Kate O'Brien, who heads the WHO's vaccination division. However, the panel is "pretty neutral" on the choice countries make between the two methods.

The panel needs more data to give any recommendations regarding the omicron variant, Cravioto said. "As with others we might end up with something not as dangerous as was thought in the beginning."

As Diplomacy Stutters, US, Israel To Discuss Military Drills For Iran Scenario



Agencies

US and Israeli defence chiefs are expected on Thursday to discuss possible military exercises that would prepare for a worst-case scenario to destroy Iran's nuclear facilities should diplomacy fail and if their nations' leaders request it, a senior US official told Reuters.

The scheduled US talks with visiting Israeli Defence Minister Benny Gantz follow an Oct. 25 briefing by Pentagon leaders to White House national security adviser Jake Sullivan on the full set of military options available to ensure that Iran would not be able to produce a nuclear weapon, the official said on Wednesday, speaking on condition of anonymity. Iran denies seeking nuclear weapons, saying it wants to master nuclear technology for peaceful purposes.

The US-Israeli preparations, which have not been previously reported, underscore Western concern about difficult nuclear talks with Iran that President Joe Biden had hoped would revive a 2015 nuclear deal abandoned by his predecessor Donald Trump.

But US and European officials have voiced dismay after talks last week at sweeping demands by Iran's new, headline government, heightening suspicions in the West that Iran is playing for time while advancing its nuclear program.

The US official declined to offer details on the potential military exercises.

"We're in this pickle because Iran's nuclear program is advancing to a point beyond which it has any conventional rationale," the official said, while still voicing hope for discussions.

The Israeli embassy in Washington and Iran's mission to the United Nations did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

The European Union official chairing the talks has said they will resume on Thursday, and the US special envoy for Iran plans to join them over the weekend.

The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) said last week that Iran had started the process of enriching uranium to up to 20% purity with one cascade, or cluster, of 166 advanced IR-6 machines at its Fordow plant, which dug into a mountain, making harder to attack.

The 2015 agreement gave Iran sanctions relief but imposed strict limits on its uranium enrichment activities, extending the time it would need to produce enough fissile material for a nuclear weapon, if it chose to, to at least a year from around two to three months. Most nuclear experts say that period is now considerably shorter.

Underlining how badly eroded the deal is, that pact does not allow Iran to enrich uranium at Fordow at all, let alone with advanced centrifuges.

Compromised

With the deal's nuclear benefits now badly compromised, some Western officials say there is little time left before the foundation of the deal is damaged beyond repair.

France Races To Identify Suspect In Khashoggi's Death



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

French authorities raced Wednesday to verify the identity of a suspect in the 2018 killing of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi who was arrested at an airport near Paris.

A judicial official told The Associated Press that the suspect can be held until Thursday morning -- 48 hours after he was detained at Paris-Charles De Gaulle Airport on a 2019 Turkish arrest warrant.

The official requested anonymity in accordance with the French justice system's customary practices.

French radio network RTL said a Saudi national named Khalid Aedh al-Otaibi was arrested Tuesday as he was trying to board a flight to Riyadh, the capital of Saudi Arabia.

However, the Saudi Embassy in Paris said it was a case of mistaken identity, and the arrested man "had nothing to do with the case in question," and expects his immediate release.

Al-Otaibi was one of over a dozen Saudi officials sanctioned by the US Treasury in 2018 over Khashoggi's slaying and dismemberment at the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul.

He was also mentioned in a declassified US intelligence report that said Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman had "approved" the operation to kill Khashoggi. The report used an alternate English transliteration of Al-Otaibi's last name.

Khashoggi, a Washington Post columnist, was a one-time Saudi insider with links to the Royal Court who became openly critical of Saudi Arabi and policies of the Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman as the kingdom was trying to recast the prince as a reformer.

Men close to bin Salman are accused of killing and dismembering the journalist at the consulate in Istanbul, where had gone in October 2018 to get documents he needed for his upcoming marriage.

If the suspect's identity is confirmed, Turkey could seek to have him extradited from France to face charges.

NEWS MAKERS

New Zealand To Ban Cigarette Sales For Future Generations

Agencies

New Zealand plans to ban young people from ever buying cigarettes in their lifetime in one of the world's toughest crackdowns on the tobacco industry, arguing that other efforts to extinguish smoking were taking too long.

People aged 14 and under in 2027 will never be allowed to purchase cigarettes in the Pacific country of five million, part of proposals unveiled on Thursday that will also curb the number of retailers authorised to sell tobacco and cut nicotine levels in all products.

"We want to make sure young people never start smoking so we will make it an offence to sell or supply smoked tobacco products to new cohorts of youth," New Zealand



Associate Minister of Health Ayesha Verrall said in a statement.

"If nothing changes, it would be decades till Maori smoking rates fall below 5%, and this government is not prepared to leave people behind."

Currently, 11.6% of all New Zealanders aged over 15 smoke, a proportion that rises to 29% among

indigenous Maori adults, according to government figures.

The government will consult with a Maori health task force in the coming months before introducing legislation into parliament in June next year, with the aim of making it law by the end of 2022.

The restrictions would then be rolled out in stages from 2024,

beginning with a sharp reduction in the number of authorised sellers, followed by reduced nicotine requirements in 2025 and the creation of the "smoke-free" generation from 2027.

The package of measures will make New Zealand's retail tobacco industry one of the most restricted in the world, just behind Bhutan where cigarette sales are banned outright. New Zealand's neighbour Australia was the first country in the world to mandate plain packaging of cigarettes in 2012.

The New Zealand government said while existing measures like plain packaging and levies on sales had slowed tobacco consumption, the tougher steps were necessary to achieve its goal of fewer than 5% of the population smoking daily by 2025.

CPJ: Record Number Of Journalists Jailed In 2021

Agencies

The number of journalists jailed around the world hit a new record in 2021, the New York-based Committee to Protect Journalists said Thursday, with China and Myanmar having put a quarter of the 293 media workers behind bars.

In its annual report, the CPJ listed 50 journalists imprisoned in China, 26 in Burma, 25 in Egypt, 23 in Vietnam and 19 in Belarus.

Adding those jailed in Saudi Arabia, Iran, Turkey, Russia, Ethiopia and Eritrea, the CPJ said a total of 293 journalists were in prison worldwide as of December 1 -- up from 280 the year before.

"This is the sixth year in a row that CPJ has documented record numbers of journalists imprisoned around the world," said Joel Simon, executive director of the group.



"Imprisoning journalists for reporting the news is the hallmark of an authoritarian regime," he said in a statement.

For 40 years, the CPJ has denounced journalists being murdered, imprisoned, censored, physically hurt and threatened.

"It's distressing to see many countries on the list year after year, but it is especially horrifying that Myanmar and Ethiopia have so brutally

slammed the door on press freedom."

The association also counted 24 journalists killed around the world this year.

Mexico "remained the Western hemisphere's deadliest country for journalists, with three murdered for their reporting and the motives for six other killings under investigation," the CPJ said.

India was also high on the list, with four journalists killed this year.

The CPJ said the number of journalists behind bars reflects "increasing intolerance for independent reporting around the world."

The report noted restrictive environments for journalists around the world, including laws used to target reporters in Hong Kong and Xinjiang, the coup in Myanmar, the war in northern Ethiopia and the crackdown on the opposition in Belarus.

12 New Private Hospitals Empanelled in J&K in Last 3 Months

Agencies

SRINAGAR: In a bid to further strengthen healthcare profile of Jammu and Kashmir, the State Health Agency (SHA) has empanelled 12 new private hospitals in the Union territory in a short span of past three months. This addition of healthcare institutes in J&K is a step forward towards further expanding and building a strong network of hospitals and service capabilities in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

The SHA is devotedly working hard towards streamlining medicare in the UT to ensure cashless service delivery to the beneficiaries under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana- SEHAT. The scheme provides health insurance cover of Rs.5 lakh per family per year to all the residents of the UT including serving and retired employees.

The new empanelled private

hospitals included Khanams Hospital Srinagar, Kashmir Athrout Srinagar, Safa Marwa Medical Centre Srinagar, Tehqeeq Diagnostic and Dialysis Centre Srinagar, My Healthcare Anantnag, Hakeem Sonaullah Hospital Sopore Baramulla, Guru Hospital Sopore, Baramulla, Raksha Kidney Centre Jammu, Yudvir Nursing Home Jammu, Ankur Maitrika Jammu, Baba Nanak Medicity Jammu and New Life Hospital Samba.

Chief Executive Officer, AB-PMJAY, Yasin M Choudhary, while giving details in this regard said that Governing Council of SHA J&K recently approved the migration on Health Benefit Package (HBP 2.2) issued by National Health Authority wherein rates of various packages have been enhanced. This will suffice the long pending demand of private hospitals for enhancing the package rates and will boost the sustainability of private sector.

GDC Sopore Holds Seminar on Cyber Crimes Against Women



Agencies

SOPORE: One day seminar was organised by the Department of Computer Applications Government Degree College for Women, Sopore on the theme Cyber Crimes against Women, Precautions and Strategies. The speakers on the occasion stressed on being Cyber Smart. Students from various departments spoke on this topic. Speakers in the event acknowledged the rise in crimes against women and laid stress on being vigilant online. Girl students threw light on the topic showed skits and banners to address the menace of online harassment.

SP Sopore Sudanshu Verma was the chief guest on the occasion. Principal Degree college for



Women Prof. F. R. Beigh, from Department of Computer Sciences, Dr. Faheem Masoodi, Prof. Tanveer Ahmad Lone, Department of Computer sciences Baramulla, Aazim Pandith a criminal lawyer and Wasim Ahmad, Regional Director ICICI Bank were among the prominent dignitaries who attended the event. A large number of students also attended the event.

On the occasion SP Sopore Sudanshu Verma said that the need of the hour is to conduct such programmes. He appreciated the organisers of the programme. He said that there are various ways to deal with cyber-crimes and there are laws in place for criminals involved in bullying people online.

Later in the event a prize distribution was also held.

Violating Govt Directions, Private Schools Charge Annual Fee

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Despite repeated directions for not to charge the annual fee, scores of private schools in Kashmir division continue to fleece parents by charging the hefty amount.

Kashmir News Observer received several calls from those parents studying who complained of the issue.

They said that the private school managements are taking the Government Fee Fixation Committee (GFFC) on a ride by not implementing its orders and directions pertaining to charging an annual fee.

One of the parents said that his daughter is studying in one of the private schools in Zawoor area of Srinagar and they are forcibly asking him to

pay the annual charges which the GFFC has prohibited.

He said, "Besides, charging annual charges, the school management is not providing any heating arrangement to the students."

The news agency received calls from parents studying in other private schools complaining about the same issues.

Earlier on November 13, the Government Fee Fixation Committee (GFFC) had ordered the private schools of Jammu and Kashmir to charge annual fee only on a pro-rata basis after re-opening of schools.

GFFC Chairperson Justice (Retd) Muzaffar Hussain Attar has said, "In respect of charging and collection of annual fee, which means that only after the schools reopen annual

fee can be charged on pro-rata basis on the basis of the orders passed by the committee."

Top officials of GFFC told the reporter that the committee has repeatedly ordered the private schools to charge annual fee only on a pro-rata basis after re-opening of schools.

The official said, "We have asked the private schools not to charge the annual fee at the time when schools are closed."

"On basis of various complaints filed by the parents of those wards studying in private schools, we are regularly taking actions and seeking the report from the respective institutions," the official said.

He said, "We ensure that nobody is charging the annual fee and is harassing the parents to pay the illegal amount".

Around 200 Posts Vacant at District Hospital Ganderbal, Reveals RTI

Agencies

GANDERBAL: In District Hospital Ganderbal at least 200 posts are lying vacant in the hospital, which includes doctors, Para-medics, technical and working staff.

According to Kashmir News Observer, the district hospital has 28 vacant posts of doctors in different specialisations. Additionally, 20 posts of medical officers are also unfilled.

The Public Information Officer of the concerned hospital in a reply to Right to Information (RTI) application filed by the activist, M M Shuja has said that the hos-

pital has 200 posts unfilled.

"The hospital has vacant posts for doctors, Para-medical staff, technical staff including Physiotherapist and other working staff. Besides, 20 posts for pharmacists are also unfilled in the hospital," the PIO said.

In a RTI application, the PIO said that the district hospital has seven doctors who have been working continuously from the past five years, whereas ten doctors have been transferred to different hospitals of Jammu and Kashmir in the past three years.

"There are four medical of-

ficers, one consultant surgeon, consultant gynaecologist, consultant anaesthetic respectively working in the district hospital Ganderbal from the past five years," reads the RTI reply.

Pertinently, the district hospital was dedicated to COVID-19 patients from March-2020 to June-2021.

The PIO said, "One emergency room has been established at district hospital Ganderbal and the staff in section is working on rotational basis as per the roster. The staff members have been given training to handle the emergency."

Police Detains Man Over Social Media Post About CDS Rawat

Agencies

RAJOURI: A man hailing from a village near Rajouri town has been detained by police on Thursday for his "objectionable social media post" on death of Chief of Defence Staff and other security

personnel in a chopper crash in Tamil Nadu on Wednesday.

Officials said, the man, who is a shopkeeper by profession, reportedly shared a social media post on his Facebook wall which is sensitive in nature and highly objectionable.

Officials said that soon after the matter regarding this post came to fore, a team from Rajouri police station detained the shopkeeper.

Police said that further investigation and legal proceedings into the matter are going on.

Anantnag Man on Mission to Revive Pottery

Agencies

ANANTNAG: A man from southern Kashmir makes colourful earthen pots at his manufacturing units and installs his stall in different markets every day with an aim to revive the dying art of Pottery.

Aabid Hussain, a 31-year-old man from Maniward area of Anantnag on a daily basis installs his stall in busy markets of south Kashmir where people purchase colourful pots.

On Thursday, Aabid had installed his stall in Pulwama district which created nostalgia in senior citizens who remembered their old days.

"Old age tradition is a blessing. It is our moral duty to preserve our own art but this art is dying with each passing day and it seems that very soon there will be no traces of this art," Mohammad Akbar an elderly person said.

"Art is beyond intuition. You cannot replace it, but can improve it with your mastery skills. Old age tradition is on the verge of extinction because we are hesitant to venture that mastery," Aabid Hussain said adding that he has to keep himself motivated in order to live his dream of reviving old art.

"Besides earning a livelihood the aim to manufacture and install stalls of earthen pots is just to revive the dying art of pottery," he said.

Aabid does not belong to the hereditary potter's family. But his fascination with earthen pots goes back to her childhood.

"I have been fascinated with earthen pots, but was never

thinking of taking it as a profession. After passing my matriculation I immediately took up the driver as my profession due to the financial crunch at home. Later, I shifted to Srinagar where I was driving a minibus, he said, adding that one day my mother called me and asked me to bring an earthen pan from Srinagar.

"In Bemina chowk I found an earthen pan seller and eventually purchased one from him," he said, adding that he asked the shopkeeper where these pans are manufactured in Kashmir.

"He replied quickly that we bring them from outside the valley as Kashmiri potters have stuck to traditional pottery and haven't transformed their art," Aabid said.

"Despite unknown about this art, I got an idea to make an earthen pots manufacturing unit at my home Maniward Anantnag to reinvigorate old art," he said.

Aabid said that he discussed the idea with some local potters, and to his pleasure they showed keen interest in it.

"I embarked on a journey and thanks to Almighty I feel satisfied for it," he said.

"Today there are around eight persons working in my unit and all are earning handsome amounts with great pleasure," he said, adding, "that I have bought a second hand car so that deliver these things at the doorstep of people like other businesses."

"My family supported me a lot and I thank everyone who helped me in bringing this art alive again and hundreds of people on a daily basis are purchasing colourful earthen pots," he added.

Raj Bhavan Condoles Demise of CDS Bipin Rawat

Observer News Service

JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha along with officers and staff of Raj Bhavan Thursday condoled the sad demise of Chief of Defence Staff General Bipin Rawat, his wife Madhulika Rawat, and 11 Armed Forces personnel, who lost their lives in a tragic helicopter crash on 8th December.


Raj Bhavan officials also observed silence for two minutes

in the memory of General Rawat, his wife, and 11 Armed Forces Personnel.

Conveying his deepest condolences to the members of bereaved families, the Lt Governor said that General Rawat's passing away is an irreparable loss to the nation.

"The country will forever remain indebted to General Rawat for his reforms in armed forces, outstanding leadership and vision," Lt Governor said.





UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, CONSTRUCTION DIVISION

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

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

S.No	Name of Work	Est. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/Doc in shape of E-Challan (in Rs.)	Time of completion	Time and Date for Submission of E-Tender.	Date & Time of Opening of Bid	Class of Contractor
1	Providing and Fixing of Steel Grill Fencing for S.E.T office at Main Campus.	Rs. 1.33Lacs	Rs.100/-	20-Days	08-12-2021 to 15-12-2021 (6.00 PM)	16-12-2021 (11.30 AM)	"DEE"

The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the web site www.kashmiruniversity.net / www.jktenders.gov.in.

NIT No. - F(UCD)(Steel Grill Set office)/KU/68/21
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E-TENDER ABBREVIATED NOTICE

e-NIT No. 66 /EDIV, dt: 07.12.2021

For and on behalf of the Lt Governor Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir , Executive Engineer, Electric Division-IV Srinagar invites online e-bids from registered A-Class Contractors/firms/ suppliers/ Notice for creation of 100 kva substation at Bilal Coloney Zakura within the jurisdiction of EDIV Khanyar

S.No	Particulars	Estimated cost
1	Creation of 100 kva substation at Bilal Coloney Zakura within the jurisdiction of EDIV Khanyar	8.29 lacs

The complete tender document is available at website <http://jktenders.gov.in>. Interested bidder/tenderers may view, download the e-Bid document, seek clarification and submit their e-Bid online up to the date and time mentioned in the table below. Bidding Documents contain Qualifying Criteria for Bidders, Specifications, Bill of Quantities, Terms and Conditions of Contract and other details.

i)	Date and Time of downloading/ Sale (Start) of Tender Document	10.12.2021 : 10:00 Hrs
ii)	Date & Time of Download/ Sale (End) of Tender Document	18.12.2021 : 16:00 Hrs
iii)	Date & Time of Bidding Queries/Clarifications	10.12.2021 : 10:00 Hrs to 10.12.2021 : 16:00 Hrs
iv)	Date & Time of Bid Uploading (Start/End)	10.12.2021 : 16:10 Hrs to 18.12.2021 : 16:00 Hrs
v)	Submission of Hard Copy (end) Date & Time	Shall be communicated letter
vi)	Commercial/Technical Bid Opening Date & Time	20.12.2021 at 14:00 Hrs
vii)	Financial Bid Opening	Shall be declared later on for the technically qualified bidders
viii)	Venue of Commercial/ Technical Bid Opening	Soft Copy Electronically and Hard Copy in the office of Executive Engineer, Electric Division IV., Srinagar
ix)	Cost of e-Bid document	Rs.500.00 (Rupees five hundred only) (Non-refundable)
x)	Amount of Earnest Money Deposit	Self-declaration as per guide lines issued by Govt A/Misc/2018-III-895/1 Dated 22.12.2020

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GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (R&B) DIVISION Ganderbal

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

CIVIL WORKS

SINGLE COVER SYSTEM (upto Rs.2.50 Crores)

EE/R&B/Divn/Gbl/e-tender NIT No. 261 of 2021-22 issued under endorsement No.17647-56
Dated.08.12.2021

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

S.No	Name of the Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees)	Earnest Money	Time of completion	M.H of Account	Class Of Contractor
1	Upgradation of road from PMGSY to Wani Mohalla Fraw under ARD	Rs.2.50 Lacs	Rs.200/=	Bid Security Declaration as per format	10-Days	ARD	DEE
2	Construction of Cement Concrete (Covered) Drain at Kumar Mohalla Rangil incl. road surface and Edge Wall (Balance Portion) under State Sector.	Rs.2.70 Lacs	Rs.200/=	Bid Security Declaration as per format	10-Days	State Sector	DEE
3	Repair/Restoration of Sub-divisional Office Ganderbal housed in Divisional Stores.	Rs.4.39 Lacs	Rs.200/=	Bid Security Declaration as per format	10-Days	M&R-2059	DEE
4	Internal Finishing/Truss/Sanitary Works of Out House at Rest House Kangan under ARD.	Rs.5.44 Lacs	Rs.300/=	Bid Security Declaration as per format	15-Days	ARD	DEE/CEE
5	Improvement/Upgradation of link road from Main road shuahama Alastang upto Police Colony Dignibal under Pot Holes	Rs.7.00 Lacs	Rs.300/=	Bid Security Declaration as per format	10-Days	Pot Holes	DEE/CEE
6	Improvement/Upgradation of Beehama Inner links near DFO Office via H/O. Mohd Amin Mir b.w.o P/I G-II and G-III under Pot Holes	Rs.8.00 Lacs	Rs.300/=	Bid Security Declaration as per format	10-Days	Pot Holes	DEE/CEE
7	Construction of R/wall on arampora Warpora Bund Road under ARD	Rs.2.00 Lacs	Rs.200/=	Bid Security Declaration as per format	10-Days	ARD	DEE
8	Serch/Nunner Botabagh upto Gujarbasti b.w.o P/L GSB, G-II and allied items under ARD	Rs.2.38 Lacs	Rs.200/=	Bid Security Declaration as per format	10-Days	ARD	DEE
9	Construction of R/wall and Parapet Walls at Hope Disability Centre road Wayil with allied items under ARD	Rs.3.70 Lacs	Rs.200/=	Bid Security Declaration as per format	10-Days	ARD	DEE

Position of AAA:-Accorded,

- 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	
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	08/12/2021 from 5.00PM
3	Bid submission Start Date	08/12/2021 from 5.00PM
4	Bid Submission End Date	14/12/2021 upto 4.00PM
5	Date & Time of opening of Technical Bids (Online)	15/12/2021 at 10.00AM in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Ganderbal

Position of funds:-Available.

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document (as mentioned above) in shape of Treasury Receipt/e-Challan in favour of Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Ganderbal.

Note:- The Date of Treasury Challan must be between the date of start of bid and Bid Submission End date. Any deviation shall render the bidder as Non-responsive.

- The 1st lowest bidder has to produce an amount equal to 3% of contract as Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG in favour of Executive Engineer PW(R&B) Division Ganderbal within 07 (seven) days after the date of receipt of letter of acceptance and shall be released after successful completion of DLP. The Bank Guarantee should be valid for 45 days beyond DLP.
- Note:-All bidders shall submit the uploaded Treasury Challan in Original before issuance allotment.
- The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on WebSite www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of Executive Engineer (R&B) Division(tender receiving authority).
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of Technical bids
- Deduction on account of taxes shall be made from the bills of the contractor on gross amount of the bill as per the rates prevailing at the time of recovery.
- Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (Bill of Quantities)contents. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually.

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K O V I E W

Rising Incidence
Of Cancer

The number of persons who have succumbed to cancer in Jammu and Kashmir in the last three years is 21,016, union health ministry data has revealed. Significantly, the number of deaths has witnessed an upward trend. While in 2018, 6824 cancer patients died, in 2019 the number rose to 7003 and in 2020, the deaths have surged to 7189. The situation is same with the total number of cancer cases reported in these three years. Out of an estimated 39041 cases, 12675 were recorded in 2019, 13012 in 2020 and 13354 in 2021.

What this means is that the growing incidence of cancer in the union territory has barely changed over the last decade. And this should be a grave cause of concern for us all. In February 2018, the then health minister Bali Bhagat had admitted the rising trend of cancer in the then J&K state in the preceding five years. According to the data provided by him in the Assembly, 3,075 cancer cases were reported in 2011, 3,288 in 2012, 3,157 in 2013, 3,940 in 2014 and 4,257 in 2015. But as the new numbers reveal, the situation has become grimmer.

So there is a need for a more proactive handling of the deadly disease by the administration. In addition to increasing the allocation of resources for the treatment, there is an urgent need to investigate the reasons for this growing surge in cancer cases in the UT. People need to know as to what has changed in our place that has led to the spread of the disease. It is a pity that our major healthcare institutions have been unable to put in public domain credible research about the causes for the growing incidence of cancer in the state. Such studies will be immensely helpful as it will persuade people to take due precautions to reduce their vulnerability to the disease.

That said, a 2012 SKIMS study had blamed the rising number of cancer cases to "food habits and life style patterns" as also to the consumption of high salt content foods. Many dyes, used in industries and sometimes in foods, are also thought to act as human carcinogens. And some of these dyes, like carmoisine and tartazine, have been found to be used as a coloring agent in many edibles, spices and condiments in Kashmir.

In recent years, food contamination and adulteration has emerged as a major issue in Kashmir. Hazardous agents have been found to have been used even in the food products of some major corporate houses. Sadly, J&K administration has so far done little about the growing food adulteration in the state, which has now been proven to be one of the factors leading to rise in cancer cases. The frightening new data is, therefore, a wake-up call. The government has to get cracking on the unscrupulous traders and expose the use of chemicals and dyes in the food. And at least, to start with, there has to be a campaign to create more awareness of the ways in which our food is adulterated.

O T H E R O P I N O N

Old Ties

No world leader has visited India as often as the Russian president, Vladimir Putin. Mr Putin will land in New Delhi today — his ninth trip to India — as the leader of his nation, a tenure that has spanned more than two decades. That period has seen trust between India and Russia fray a little, as New Delhi has grown closer to Washington and Moscow to Beijing. Yet, the relationship with Russia has remained stable. This week, Mr Putin and Prime Minister Narendra Modi will have an opportunity to re-energize their bilateral partnership at a time when the world is in a rare churn. India has mounting worries about Chinese military presence along their border. An increasingly aggressive Beijing is threatening Taiwan's independent existence. Meanwhile, Russia has amassed troops along its border with Ukraine, sparking fears of a conflict in eastern Europe. And in Afghanistan, the Taliban's rule is fuelling concerns over the spread of transnational terrorism.

Amid all of this uncertainty, India has chosen to send important signals to Russia and to the West. Three days after huddling with Putin, Mr Modi will join leaders from more than 100 countries in the Summit for Democracy, a virtual conclave hosted by the president of the United States of America that is meant to showcase democracy's superiority to autocratic regimes like those in Russia and China. That both meetings are scheduled in the same week might be a coincidence, but they help New Delhi underscore its strategic autonomy even as both Washington and Moscow woo it. Putin's visit to New Delhi — only his second trip abroad this year — also comes at a time when India has begun importing S-400 missile defence systems from Russia, ignoring threats of sanctions from the US. It helps that the S-400, by all accounts, is the best anti-aircraft radar system of its kind. But by defying the US on the missile defence platform while promising to work with the Joe Biden administration on countering China, New Delhi gets to emphasize that it is not ready to give up on its friendship with Russia. India is also instituting a mechanism of talks between the foreign and defence ministers of the two countries, a system it currently has in place only with the US, Japan and Australia. New Delhi knows that be it on Afghanistan or China, Moscow remains a major player. India does not need to pick sides to win.

Telegraph India

Bolster The Booster

Omicron Threat In India Have Made Calls For Booster Dose Grow. With India Reporting Confirmed Cases Of The Omicron Variant, Experts Advise Caution



A HEALTH OFFICIAL COLLECTS nasal swab samples from a woman for a COVID-19 coronavirus test in West Bengal. Image Credit: AFP

WITH A SHELF LIFE OF 6 MONTHS, a large quantity will expire in January and many experts rightly say that wasting even a single one amounts to criminal negligence and therefore should be used as boosters.

Nidhi Razdan

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS have so far argued that the priority is to give the second dose to those eligible. But when there are vaccine stocks available and with many likely going to go waste, why are authorities taking this obtuse position on boosters for the vulnerable?

A wave of panic has struck the world after South Africa's scientists discovered a new, highly transmissible variant of the coronavirus called Omicron. Doctors say it's still too early to comment on the severity of disease this version will cause (we will only know in a few weeks) but we do know it is highly infectious and may possibly evade current vaccines around the world.

One thing that most doctors are unanimously saying however is that not two, but three shots actually qualify you as fully vaccinated, which is why the US and the UK have speeded up their booster programmes in recent days.

However, here in India, there has been a baffling response from the main medical body, the Indian Council for Medical Research or the ICMR. Despite the availability of vaccines, there is a bizarre reluctance to start boosters for the elderly and frontline workers who got their second shot well over six months ago.

Six month gap

In the UK, doctors had advised a six month gap between the 2nd dose and a booster but they have reduced this to three months now due to the new variant.

In India, the ICMR's boss, Dr Balram Bhargava recently said there is "no scientific evidence so far to support the need for a booster vaccine dose against COVID-19". His statement flies in the face of everything scientists and doctors are saying in other countries.

In Israel, third doses were started months ago for all above the age of 12 after the Delta variant ripped through their largely fully vaccinated population. Scientists found that immunity with vaccines was waning over a period of time.

According to a BBC report, a study of fully vaccinated over-60s found that those who had received a booster dose five months after their second

shot had much better immunity — they were over 11 times less likely to be infected with Covid-19, and 19 times less likely to develop severe illness than those who had not received the third dose.

A study done in the UK found that two doses of the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine were 88% effective after one month, compared to 74% after five or six months. The Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine declined from being 77% to 67% effective. Therefore, boosters.

Vaccines about to expire

But in India, our policymakers are still looking for evidence that we need a third shot. Earlier this month, the Times of India and the Hindu reported that many doses of the vaccine are soon to expire in India.

With a shelf life of 6 months, a large quantity will expire in January and many experts rightly say that wasting even a single one amounts to criminal negligence and therefore should be used as boosters. The health ministry says about 16 crore doses are lying unused with states.

Government officials have so far argued that the priority is to give the second dose to those eligible. But when there are vaccine stocks available and with many like to be going to waste, why are authorities taking this obtuse position on boosters for the vulnerable?

The serum institute's Adar Poonawala told NDTV this week, "We have hundreds of millions of stock in our campus. We have over 200 million doses reserved for states and Union Territories in India. So, if the government is to announce a booster

dose, we are well stocked."

It is also true that India's vaccination drive has slowed down. Recent data shows that 84.3% of the eligible population has received the first dose but only about 49% of the population has had the second one. One report says over 7 crore people have missed their second dose, pointing to hesitancy and perhaps complacency.

As long as we have vaccine stocks, everything must be done to push people to get their second shot and give boosters to over 60s and those with co morbidities and frontline workers.

With several states demanding the roll-out of booster doses of COVID vaccines for adults and vaccination for children, Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said in Parliament Friday that the Government will move forward on these two key issues only on the basis of scientific recommendations of its two expert groups on vaccine administration.

We don't know how the new Omicron variant will play out but we do know immunity wanes with vaccines and getting a third shot is the best chance we have. Dear ICMR, please get your head out of the sand.

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Parliament Anarchy

The downslide in Indian Parliament's decency of working in recent years is shocking. Sansad TV visuals of this avoidable ruckus in both the houses present the immaturity and irresponsibility of our parliamentarians to our nation while the whole of the

world watches. Certainly, both the treasury as well the opposition benches are responsible along with the speakers of both the houses who are expected to remain nonpartisan in conduct of business. Sadly important bills and issues are being taken without necessary discussions by the members.

Virtually, there is nil accountability for the non performance of political leaders except to wait for next five years to elect or reject them. Exchequer built by the taxpayers' money should be judicially and minimally spent on political leaders' comforts they enjoy in view of their not making any percep-

tible contribution for deliberating the national issues. If elected representatives are not to show sincerity and maturity then only God will save our Nation from anarchy which is now visible in parliament besides our streets.

Brij Bhushan Goyal

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Social Anxiety Disorder And Role Of Mental Health Professionals

Normal shyness is not the same as social anxiety disorder, as normal shyness is not connected with handicap or interference in most aspects of life. Social anxiety disorder can lead to educational underachievement as such children and adolescents are at a higher risk of dropping out of school early and earning lower-educational credentials. According to one study, patients with social anxiety disorder earned 10% less than the non-clinical group. Thus we can understand that the social life of such children and adolescents suffer as a result. Individuals with social anxiety disorder have fewer friends and have a harder time getting along with them on average. They have a lower likelihood of marrying, more likelihood of divorce, and are less likely to have children. Social fears can make it difficult to do things like go shopping, buy clothes, get a haircut, or use the phone. The majority of patients with social anxiety disorder do a job; but, due to their symptoms, they report taking more days off work and being less productive. People may avoid or quit jobs that require them to give speeches or perform before the public.

Social Anxiety Disorder inflicts significant economic costs on individuals, their families and carers, as well as society due to functional handicap, low educational success, loss of work productivity, social impairment, greater financial dependency, and impairment in quality of life. These expenses are much higher for those who have comorbid disorders, which are quite common in people who have social anxiety. At least one other psychiatric disease, such as another anxiety disorder, depression, or a substance-use disorder, is present in 50 to 80 percent of patients with social anxiety disorder who seek professional help.

Despite its devastating nature, social anxiety disorder is frequently misdiagnosed and undertreated, with little knowledge on its resource implications for individuals, healthcare providers, and society. Furthermore, because of its early onset and chronic nature, an untreated individual's lifetime cost is relatively high due to the detrimental impact on productivity.

How easily is Social Anxiety Disorder diagnosed by professionals?

General physicians (GPs) frequently fail to recognise social anxiety disorder in children, adolescents and adults. This could be due to GPs failing to recognise the condition and a general lack of understanding of its severity and complexity among other factors. However, it could also be due to the general public's lack of awareness of the problem, their avoidance of talking about their social anxiety, and the stigma related to mental health issues in general.

Because of the early age of onset and the implications on educational attainment, recognition of social anxiety disorders in educational settings is imperative. In addition to underachievement, children with social anxiety disorder may be more prone to be bullied and teased at school. Teachers and other educational professionals may be unfamiliar with how to recognise the disorder and supervise its treatment. If such people are unable to receive treatment at earliest, they may fall prey to more severe conditions and may develop comorbidities such as depression. In nutshell, social anxiety disorder may lead to significant decrease in the quality of life and thus its treatment needs to be understood in light of clinical psychology and psychiatry.

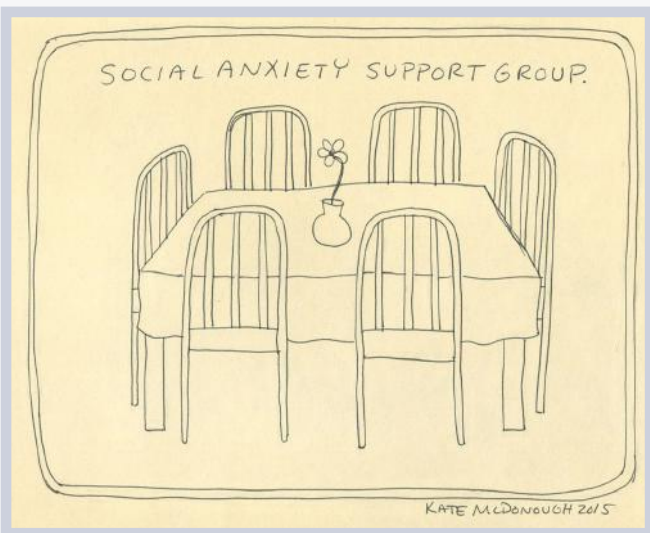
How is Social Anxiety Disorder treated by mental health professionals?

The two major modes of treatment used to treat Social Anxiety Disorder include Psychotherapy and Pharmacotherapy.

Psychotherapy:

Various behavioral and cognitive behavioral therapies have been developed through research and are used by psychologists to treat social anxiety disorder. These interventions focus on strategies that entail real-life confrontation with social settings.

Exposure in vivo: The concept behind in vivo exposure is that avoiding fearful circumstances is one of the most important aspects in maintaining social anxiety. The treatment entails creating a hierarchy of feared events (from least to most dreaded) and encouraging the individual to frequently expose oneself to the situations, beginning with fewer fear-provoking situations and progressing to more difficult situations as confidence grows. Within treatment sessions and through systematic homework assignments, exposure exercises involve confronting real-life social issues through role plays and out-of-office exercises. Many persons with social anxiety disorder discover that they can't entirely avoid feared social events, so they try to manage by holding back (for example, not talking about themselves, remaining silent, or



remaining on the periphery of a group) or otherwise avoiding within the setting. As a result, exposure therapists spend a lot of time during therapy detecting subtle, within-situation avoidance patterns (safety-seeking behaviours) and pushing the person to do the opposite, i.e., to work on those social avoidance patterns and expose themselves to such situations so that their mind learns how to deal with the anxiety in such situations.

Applied relaxation: Applied relaxation is a type of relaxation training that focuses on teaching people how to relax in everyday social situations. The treatment begins with muscle relaxation

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training and progresses through a number of phases that allow people to relax on cue in everyday situations. The final level of treatment involves a lot of practice with the relaxation techniques in real-life social situations.

Social Skills Training: Social skills training is based on the assumption that people are anxious in social situations partly because they are deficient in their social behavioural skills and need to improve these skills in order to behave successfully and achieve positive results in their social interactions. Systematic training in nonverbal social skills (for example, greater eye contact, friendly posture, and so on) as well as verbal social skills (for example, how to start a conversation, how to give others positive feedback, how to ask questions that promote conversation, and so on) is part of this training. The therapist helps the patient through role plays in therapy sessions and by providing and assessing homework assignments so that the client practices the skills that have been identified during the sessions with the therapist.

Cognitive restructuring: Cognitive restructuring is a strategy that is employed as a part of a variety of therapies. The therapist works with the person and helps them to identify the major fear provoking thoughts they have in anxiety-provoking social situations, as well as some of the general beliefs about social interactions that may provoke those thoughts. The person is then taught mostly verbal skills for creating alternative, less anxiety-provoking thoughts ('rational replies,') which they are encouraged to practise before and during social interactions. To help them in recovery, their therapist encourages them to keep thought records, which are shared with therapists during treatment sessions so that their therapist monitors the change in the thoughts and beliefs related to social situations as the therapy proceeds.

Cognitive behavioural interventions: It includes well recognized and manualized approaches such as cognitive behavioural interventions (CBT). Most cognitive behavioural therapies include in-vivo exposure and cognitive restructuring. Some programmes also incorporate relaxation methods training as well as social and conversational skills training. In CBT and related cognitive behavioural interventions, therapists focus on various strategies used by

clients that maintain Social Anxiety Disorder in their life. These avoidance patterns include self-focused attention, distorted self-imagery, and the various safety-seeking behaviours. Techniques that aim to address these maintaining factors include training in externally focused and/or task-focused attention, and demonstrations of the unhelpful consequences of safety-seeking behaviours and replacing them with some healthy behaviors.

Interpersonal psychotherapy: In this type of therapy, treatment is based on a biopsychosocial model based on the proposition that the temperament that an individual is born with, interacts with early and later life experiences and may cause and sustain social anxiety disorder. The treatment is divided into three stages. In the first phase, the person is encouraged to view social anxiety disorder as an illness that must be managed rather than an indication of weakness or insufficiency in the person's personality. In the second phase, the therapist works with the individual to address specific interpersonal issues, such as role shift and role conflicts that might have caused an impact on a person's understanding of self and relations. During the therapy, the therapist does role plays with the client to encourage the expression of emotions and accurate communication. Patients are also encouraged to form a social network of tight, trustworthy relationships. In the third phase, the therapist and the patient discuss the progress in the therapy, discuss the conclusion of the therapeutic relationship so that the patient understands his/her role in interpersonal relations and so that the patient prepares himself for future situations and experiences.

Psychodynamic psychotherapy: Psychodynamic psychotherapy views Social Anxiety Disorder as the result of basic relationship conflicts, which are mostly based on early experience, especially childhood and adolescence. The goal of therapy is to assist the person recognise the link between their childhood conflicts and their present symptoms. The therapy interaction serves as a key conduit for insightful awareness and change. The symptoms of Social Anxiety Disorder are linked to the person's underlying core conflicts in relationship with themselves as well as others. Suggestion, reassurance, and encouragement are used to help patients to work on the conflicts. Outside of therapy sessions, clients are advised to expose themselves to fearful social settings. Inner dialogues that are self-affirming are also encouraged.

Mindfulness training: Mindfulness training is a psychological intervention derived from the Buddhist tradition that helps people to gain psychological distance from their worries and unpleasant emotions by viewing them as observers rather than participants in their mental world. The first step in treatment is to educate yourself about stress and social anxiety. The participants then attend weekly meetings where they are taught how to meditate.

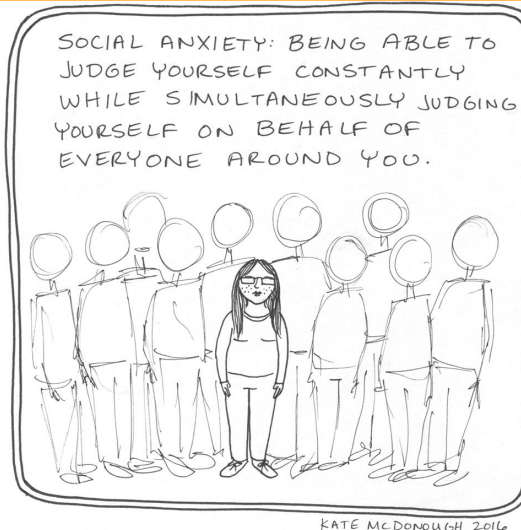
Pharmacotherapy:

Pharmacotherapy, that is the use of medicines to treat Social Anxiety Disorder is a good option for those cases whose SAD conditions have gone beyond moderate levels or those who don't have psychological mindedness and just want their symptoms to be treated without putting much effort into understanding the reasons behind it.

Though there are a variety of drugs available, selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) are frequently used to treat chronic social anxiety symptoms. Sertraline (Paxil) or paroxetine (Paxil) may be prescribed by your psychiatrist (Zolof). Venlafaxine (Effexor XR), a serotonin and norepinephrine reuptake inhibitor (SNRI), may also be used to treat social anxiety disorder. Your psychiatrist may start you on a low dose of medication and gradually raise your prescription to a full dose to lessen the chance of side effects. It may take several weeks to months of treatment to noticeably improve your symptoms.

If you are dealing with Social Anxiety Disorder at mild to moderate levels, your condition can be dealt with by clinical psychologist alone, however, psychotherapy is advisable even if you have severe Social Anxiety Disorder, because taking help from both psychotherapy as well as pharmacotherapy for Social Anxiety Disorder can make you understand the reasons behind it, equip you with the skills and techniques to deal with it, while medicines help you to deal with the symptoms so that the symptoms don't bother you while you are putting efforts in psychotherapy, so that you are able to make best use of your potential and live your life productively.

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J&K Among Top Performers In Agri-Sector In National Indices

Agri & Horti departments to promote organic farming, high-density plantation

Observer News Service

JAMMU: The Chief Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta Thursday chaired a meeting to review the achievements of the Agriculture, Production & Farmers Welfare Department under various centrally sponsored schemes.

Principal Secretary, Agriculture Production & Farmers Welfare Department, Vice-Chancellor, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology along with concerned HoDs participated in the meeting.

It was informed that among all State/UTs, Jammu and Kashmir is the 3rd rank holder in monthly income to agriculture households and 5th best performing UT in Agriculture & Allied Sector.

The Horticulture sector in Jammu and Kashmir employs 27 % of the population and contributes to 8% to the State GDP, besides enormously contributing to carbon sequestration through 7.6 crore trees.

To make fruit growers of J&K the market leader in the country, the Department is implementing the 3-pronged strategy of enhancing yield, storage capacity, and marketing. The Department is encouraging a shift to high-density plantation with a potential of yielding an annual harvest of 50 MT of apple and 5 MT each of Almond and Walnut. Additionally, large-



scale production of high-density plantation rootstock is also being promoted through local private entrepreneurs to reduce input costs.

It was informed that to promote horticulture in the Kandi belt of Jammu region, the department has undertaken plantation of Aloe vera and Lemon Grass on a trial basis which is showing promising results. The department has also developed a State of the Art Nursery at Chakrohi to raise high density saplings to meet the root stock requirements.

To further boost farmers' income, a 25% upfront subsidy on air transportation of identified perishables is being provided by the Department under Parvaaz Scheme and efforts are afoot to integrate the agricultural market with the e-Nam within the next 2 months.

The Chief Secretary directed the expeditious establishment of controlled atmosphere storage facilities in Jammu and Kashmir to provide appropriate storage of agricultural and horticultural produce with minimal wastage. It was directed that 80,000 MT of capacity be established by March 2022 and an additional 1 lakh MT per year for the next 3 years to take the cumulative capacity to 5 lakh MT.

Under the National Mission on Sustained Agriculture (NMSA), 66,000 soil samples were tested and 56,426 soil health cards (SHCs) were distributed. To facilitate sustainable and organic agriculture 7 village-level soil testing laboratories in addition to several mobile testing labs were also established. The Chief Secretary directed the Agriculture Department to ensure universal distribution of soil health cards to all farmers by end of next financial year. He also asked to saturate Kisan Credit Cards within a month.

The Department was further asked to modernize sowing and harvesting activities through technological interventions and promote vermicomposting techniques, besides ensuring the roll-out of Fasal Bima Yojna by end of the financial year.

Fix Quater Wise Rates For Hotels: Div Com To Tourism Dept

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The Divisional Commissioner (Div Com) Kashmir on Thursday chaired a meeting regarding fixation of rates for hotels, ponys, cabs, sledges etc at Sonmarg, Gulmarg and Pahalgam tourist destinations.

The meeting was attended by DC's of Baramulla and Anantnag; ADC, Ganderbal; Managing Director, JKTDC; Director Tourism; Chief Executive Officers of Gulmarg, Pahalgam and Sonmarg Development Authorities and Regional Transport Officer, Kashmir. On the occasion, Div Com directed Deputy Commissioners to constitute committees and make proposals for fixation of rates for hotels, ponys,

vehicles, sledges etc which should be notified within a week's time.

He also directed Director Tourism that rates which will be finally approved and fixed should be strictly implemented from 1st January, 2022 so that tourists do not have to face inconvenience or exploitation by anyone. Besides, he directed Director Tourism that rates shall be fixed quarter wise for year with maximum and minimum slabs.

Div Com said the rates will be fixed for three year period with a fixed percentage of annual increase as per the market.

He further added that the rates for hotels should be fixed according to the categorization of hotels so that the tourists will not be forced to bargain.

Hafeez Reviews PMDP, Other Tourism Development Projects

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Secretary, Tourism and Culture, Sarmad Hafeez, Thursday reviewed development works undertaken by the Tourism Department in a meeting of officers and Chief Executive Officers of various Tourism Development Authorities.

He also took stock of progress on PMDP projects being executed by the department.

Secretary underscored the need for timely completion of all ongoing development works in view of an encouraging tourist influx and approaching snow season. He laid stress on priori-

tizing works related to wayside facilities and public utilities along the highways to facilitate tourists and visitors.

Sarmad Hafeez stressed on strict adherence to all set quality parameters while executing works being undertaken. He asked the engineers to get the designs of works prepared as per local architectural patterns and type designs. He asked the engineers and officers to ensure that funds earmarked for various development works are expended judiciously within time schedule while ensuring that no liabilities are created.

Secretary impressed upon the

J&K SERVICES SELECTION BOARD, HEMA COMPLEX, ADJACENT TO GAURI SHANKER MANDIR, CHANNI HIMMAT, SECT 03, JAMMU.

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NOTIFICATION

Subject: Document Verification of the candidates falling under consideration zone for the post of Social Worker/ Medical Social Worker (Item No. 204, Division Cadre Kashmir) Health and Medical Education Department advertised vide Advertisement Notification No.02 of 2021 dated: 26-03-2021 for which the CBT Examination conducted from 17th August, 2021 to 25th August 2021- regarding.

The Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board vide this office notice no. SSB/COE/Health/2021/7811-19 dated 20-11-2021 issued result for the post of Social Worker/ Medical Social Worker (Item No. 204, Division Cadre Kashmir) Health and Medical Education Department advertised vide Advertisement Notification No.02 of 2021 dated: 26-03-2021 for which the CBT Examination conducted from 17th August, 2021 to 25th August 2021.

Keeping in view the requirement, to fill all requisitioned vacancies / posts, the candidates falling under consideration zone figuring in Annexure "A" to this notification are hereby called to appear physically for Document Verification before the Document Verification Committees on 14-12-2021 in the Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board, Divisional Office , Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu (Jammu Roll No Based Candidates) and in the Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board, Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar (Kashmir Roll No Based Candidates). The candidates who fail to appear before the respective Document Verification committee(s) on the scheduled dates shall forfeit their claim for the post at a later stage.

- The candidates figuring the annexures annexed herewith are required to carry the following documents in original as well as photocopies of the following documents i.e.
- (i) Copy of Online Application form.
 - (ii) D.O.B Certificate (10th Diploma / Marks card).
 - (iii) Reservation category certificate, if applicable.
 - (iv) Domicile certificate.
 - (v) 10+2 Marks sheet / Diploma.
 - (vi) Bonafide certificate on the format prescribed by the Board duly issued by the Controller / Registrar of the concerned University in respect of candidates, who have obtained degrees from the Universities/ Colleges/ Institutes outside the State of J&K, other than Central Universities
 - (vii) Other documents as per prescribe qualification shown in the advertisement.
 - (ii) Some candidates are figuring in reserved categories, based on the details they have incorporated in their data i.e., online application form. Their respective claims on this account are further subject to production of valid Reserve Category Certificate

By Order.

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Controller of Examination
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Airtel Launches Startup Innovation Challenge

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NEW DELHI: Bharti Airtel ("Airtel"), India's premier communications solutions provider, Thursday announced the launch of 'Airtel India Startup Innovation Challenge' in partnership with Invest India.

As part of the 'Startup Innovation Challenge' early stage technology companies are invited to demonstrate differentiated solutions in the 5G – Innovative B2C or B2B use cases and applications that can leverage high speed and low latency 5G technology, IoT - Creating innovative IoT solutions that can power the digital transformation journey of enterprises, Cloud Communication – Leveraging AI and ML technologies to create B2C or B2B products that can improve customer engagement and experiences, Digital

Advertising – Creating innovative and unique ad formats – both digital and otherwise that would make ads or brand promotions an enriching experience for the end customer besides Digital Entertainment – Creating a platform or offering disruptive solutions in music, video or gaming that can support the growth of India's content creator economy.

As per the statement, the applications will close on 24th January 2022 and the results will be announced on 14th February 2022.

The top 10 winners will win cash prizes, get access to Airtel's Innovation Lab and will be able to leverage Airtel's advanced technology infrastructure to scale up their use cases and even co-innovate with Airtel's engineering teams.

A select few of the 10 startups shall be offered to be on-

boarded onto the Airtel Startup Accelerator Program and hyper-scale their company with Airtel. Under this Program, startups gain access to Airtel's core platform strengths of data, distribution, network and payments. Further, startups get access to Airtel's global partner ecosystem and advisory from Airtel's executive team.

Commenting on the occasion, Adarsh Nair, Chief Product Officer, Bharti Airtel, said: "India's startup ecosystem is now a globally celebrated story and our young technology companies are doing some phenomenal work in building solutions that solve hard problems. As a core enabler of this emerging digital ecosystem, Airtel is thrilled to be working with the Government of India to help early stage companies navigate their growth journeys and scale up quickly and sustainably

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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:-								
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Annexure "A"

List of Jammu Based candidates falling under consideration zone for various post of Social Worker/Medical Social Worker, (Health and Medical Education Department) Divisional Cadre Kashmir, Item No 204 advertised vide Advertisement Notification No.02 of 2021 dated: 26-03-2021 for which the CBT Examination conducted from 17th August, 2021 to 25th August 2021

S.No	App F.No	Roll_No	candidate name	Father Name	DOB	Cat	Percentile	Exam Centre	Date of Document Verification	Venue
1 JMU	542428	120723	RAVEENA KOUSAR	Niaz Din	12-Aug-94	EWS	99.392888118	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu
2 JMU	693487	120644	LAKSHANA GUPTA	OM PRAKASH GUPTA	03-Jul-94	OM	99.045967042	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu
3 JMU	339929	120719	RAJINI RANA	PURAN CHAND	05-Sep-90	SC	94.969644406	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu
4 JMU	487509	120653	MANJEET KUMAR	BIHARI LAL	03-Oct-93	SC	94.622723330	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu
5 JMU	445991	120616	GOUTAM BHAGAT	Sham Lal	18-Dec-94	SC	85.082393755	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu
6 JMU	488341	120734	RITA DEVI	PARTAP CHAND	15-Apr-84	SC	84.562012142	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu
7 JMU	684353	120551	AJAY BHAGAT	ashok kumar	01-Jan-92	SC	83.868169991	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu
8 JMU	671256	120673	MOHIDA CHOUDHARY	Mohd Taj	29-May-95	ST	94.622723330	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu
9 JMU	429787	120655	MANOJ KUMAR	Shadi lal	30-Oct-92	ST	70.424978317	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu
10 JMU	661774	120763	SHAH DIN	Abdul Gani	01-Oct-94	ST	68.516912402	JAMMU	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB, Divisional Office, Sikkari Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu

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1 KMR	556424	141901	MEHREENA MAN-ZOOR TAK	Manzoor Ahmad Tak	08-Jan-96	OM	100.000000000	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
2 KMR	626237	151401	AMIR MOHI UD DIN DAR	Ghulam MOHI UD DIN DAR	10-Sep-98	OM	99.913269731	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
3 KMR	478358	147242	ARIF SHAFI	MOHD SHAFI SOFI	23-May-91	OM	99.826539462	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
4 KMR	383507	153942	NISAR AHMAD BHAT	GH AHMAD BHAT	01-Mar-94	OM	99.826539462	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
5 KMR	401453	134617	MOHD ISHFAQ TANTRAY	MOHD SALEEM TANTRAY	10-Mar-91	OM	99.653078925	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
6 KMR	428485	151404	AQIB GANI MANDOO	Abdul Gani Mandoo	06-Sep-92	OM	99.566348656	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
7 KMR	532408	132647	NAHIDAH BASHIR	BASHIR AHMAD DAR	18-Jul-94	OM	99.566348656	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
8 KMR	472977	156013	JAN MOHD MALA	Mohd Mansoor Mala	08-Jan-89	OM	99.392888118	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
9 KMR	593242	150259	HILAL AHMAD SHAN	GULAM AHMAD SHAN	16-Mar-94	RBA	99.219427580	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
10 KMR	476711	139092	TANVEER AHMAD RATHER	Abdul rashid rather	01-Nov-91	OM	99.132697311	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
11 KMR	492633	153426	ZAKIR AHMAD MALIK	Mohd afzal malik	01-Feb-89	RBA	98.959236774	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
12 KMR	454907	144766	IRFAT HUSSAIN WANI	AB SALAM WANI	07-Mar-92	OM	98.959236774	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
13 KMR	543665	146404	SAMINA AMIN	MOHD AMIN HAMDANIE	05-May-86	OM	98.785776236	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
14 KMR	480139	141851	EIAZ AHMED	GH MOHD PADDAR	29-Nov-89	RBA	98.785776236	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
15 KMR	653885	151381	AHSAN AHMAD DAR	Mohd Abdullah Dar	15-Apr-85	RBA	98.612315698	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
16 KMR	388810	140368	SHOWKAT HUSSAIN DAR	GH HYDER DAR	15-Dec-96	EWS	98.525585429	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
17 KMR	535718	144760	IRFAN HUSSAIN MIR	Abdul Razaq Mir	18-Oct-92	OM	98.438855160	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
18 KMR	520713	157280	BABRA MANZOOR	MANZOOR AHMAD SHAH	16-Feb-94	EWS	98.352124892	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
19 KMR	547881	139043	AB QAYOOM SHAH	MOHD SYED SHAH	02-Jan-91	RBA	98.265394623	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
20 KMR	546738	139043	AB QAYOOM SHAH	MOHD SYED SHAH	02-Jan-91	RBA	98.265394623	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
21 KMR	603504	140316	AREENA TABASUM	AB AZIZ LOWAY	11-May-88	OM	98.178664354	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
22 KMR	674518	159313	TAHIRA JAN	MUSHTAQ AHMAD BEIGH	12-Mar-88	OM	98.091934085	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
23 KMR	321060	152235	UMER MUKHTAR	SHEIKH MUKHTAR AHMAD	03-Mar-91	OM	98.091934085	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
24 KMR	439648	159304	TABASUM AKHTAR	MANSOOR AHMAD MIR	01-Apr-91	RBA	98.091934085	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
25 KMR	672675	148351	AFFIFA SAMOON	MOHAMMAD ISMAIL	18-Nov-91	ST	69.384215091	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
26 KMR	432801	161642	PARWAZ AHMAD PASWAL	Nazir ahmad	03-Mar-98	ST	63.313096271	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
27 KMR	683202	144741	IMITYAZ AHMED SHEIKH	ALI MOHD SHEIKH	28-Nov-91	RBA	97.311361665	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
28 KMR	676313	157344	MEHRAJ UD DIN PARRAY	Gulam Mohammad Parray	25-Feb-94	RBA	96.790980052	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
29 KMR	661416	156044	MUNEER AHMAD BHAT	Gh Mohd Bhat	01-Jan-93	RBA	96.097137901	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
30 KMR	458141	132679	NUSRAT MOHI UD DIN	Gh Mohi ud din	12-Feb-92	RBA	95.750216826	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar
31 KMR	461339	152199	TAFAZ UL HUSSAIN GANAIE	Ab Qayoom Ganaie	04-Mar-98	RBA	95.750216826	KASHMIR	14-12-2021	10.00 am at JKSSB , Central Office, Zum Zum Building Rambagh, Srinagar

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Oppn slams govt's move to extend CBI, ED directors' tenures., BJP says bills aimed at fighting graft

Agences

NEW DELHI: Lok Sabha on Thursday passed two bills to fix the tenures of directors of the Central Bureau of Investigation and the Enforcement Directorate to a maximum of five years, with the government rejecting the opposition charge that the move will rob the investigative agencies of their "autonomy".

The fixed tenure granted to the head of investigative agencies would help in speedy disposal of cases and bring down pendency, Minister of Personnel Jitendra Singh said in his reply to a debate on the Central

Vigilance Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2021, and the Delhi Special Police Establishment (Amendment) Bill, 2021.

The two bills, which seek to replace the ordinances issued last month, were later passed separately by voice vote in Lok Sabha. The amendments moved by opposition members were rejected.

During the course of the debate, opposition members demanded that the bills be withdrawn, contending that the move would make the two agencies "sub-ordinate" to the government.

Singh said the term of the CBI and the ED directors has not been extended but fixed for a maximum five years and minimum two years to ensure that

the position is not misused, he said.

He added that the changes have been made to ensure that investigation of the cases remain "stable" under their leadership.

"There will be continuity, stability. Certain information which is confidential with the head of an investigation agency will remain with him till the conclusion of the cases. This is going to address this (pendency of cases) issue," Singh said.

The minister said the Federal Criminal Police Office of Germany had an average tenure of 6-10 years but no fixed term, the Australian Federal Police has a tenure of seven years

with a clause for extension, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has no fixed term but average is 4-10 years.

Responding to questions on bringing ordinances, Singh said there were uncertainties about the functioning of Parliament as the last session was a washout.

"We had to move on. We could not wait for the protest to settle down because this the provision which is going to reflect India's image at the international forum. So that is the urgency for the country," he said.

He said the change in the two laws were necessary as India needed to meet global standards.

The Financial Action Task Force

(FATF) has suggested that some of the countries should look into upgrading their capabilities, and law enforcement authorities maintain high professional standards, Singh said.

"If we have to meet the global standard and reach the global pedestal which India is already at the threshold of, we have to be more progressive and forward looking," he said.

He also rejected the opposition's charge that the move will reduce transparency in the functioning of the investigative agencies, saying that the head of the CBI is appointed by a high-level committee comprising the Prime Minister, Leader of Opposition (or

leader of the largest opposition party in Lok Sabha) and the Chief Justice of India.

The opposition protested the government's move, alleging it was "arbitrary" and without any logic.

"We have taken one small step to address all these issues and we will be taking more and expect support on those also," Singh said while addressing concerns raised by Supriya Sule of the NCP.

Earlier, moving a statutory resolution for disapproval of the ordinances, Congress member Manish Tewari said those were "arbitrary, capricious", and an "exercise of power".

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Change Lifestyle

Anantnag (12.86%),Baramulla (12.60%),Budgam (9.49%),Pulwama(9.14%),Kulgam (5.93%),Kupwara(5.61%),Ganderbal (4.56%),Bandipora (4.17%) and Shopian (3.94%).

"The cancer cases also depend on population and connection in the area," Dr. Khan said. "The Srinagar is congested and has more population and thus more cases."

Over 11% of cancers are related to genetics and an unbalanced diet, the medico said. The patients get the interaction with the disease at the age of 30 but the cancer gets fully developed at the age of 50 years, Dr. Khan said.

"We mostly see middle or old-age patients, but a sizable number of young patients are also there," said Dr. Sheikh Zahoor Ahmad, another oncologist from SKIMS.

The profile of cancer in Kashmir is matching with the Western countries, Dr. Zahoor said. "Earlier most of the cancers would be related to oesophagus and lung. Now it is changing and we are witnessing the same cases of cancer that are prevalent in the West which means we are copying their lifestyle."

Apart from cancer, he said, diseases like diabetes and polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS), mostly found in the West are on the rise in Kashmir as well.

"These diseases are related to lifestyle, physical activity and food habits," Dr. Zahoor said. "We are matching the West, so is our disease profile."

According to the Doctors Association Kashmir (DAK) more than a third of all cancers could be prevented by adopting a healthy lifestyle.

"There is a growing body of evidence that physical activity helps to maintain a healthy weight that would assist in reducing the risk of various types of cancers," said Dr. Nisar-ul-Hassan, President Doctors Association.

Gen Naravane

Gen Bipin Rawat in a helicopter crash.

The move by the government comes even as a number of retired military commanders said it will be prudent to appoint Gen Naravane as he is retiring as the Chief of Army Staff in five months.

People familiar with the development on Thursday said the government will draw up a small panel comprising senior commanders from the Army, the Navy and the Air Force.

The panel will be finalised based on recommendations from the three services in the next two to three days and then it will be sent to Defence Minister Rajnath Singh for approval.

Following the approval by the defence minister, the names will be sent for consideration by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet that will take the final decision on India's next Chief of Defence Staff (CDS), those familiar with the development said.

They said the Chief Of Integrated Defence Staff to the Chairman Chiefs Of Staff Committee (CISC) is likely to coordinate the process of drawing up the panel of prospective candidates for the post of the Chief of Defence Staff.

Explaining the process, they said the government will follow the same protocol for the appointment of the CDS that is laid down for appointing the service chiefs.

The CDS is the chairman of the powerful Chiefs of Staff Committee (COSC) that also comprises the three service chiefs.

It is learnt that the possibility of appointing Gen Naravane to the top post is high considering his overall performance as well as the handling of the eastern Ladakh standoff.

The Army Chief is due to retire in April.

Gen Naravane is the senior-most among the three service chiefs.

IAF chief Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari and Navy Chief Admiral R Hari Kumar had taken over their respective positions on September 30 and November 30.

On January 1 last year, Gen Rawat took charge as India's first CDS with a mandate to bring in convergence in the functioning of the Army, the Navy and the Indian Air Force and bolster the country's overall military prowess.

Another key mandate of the CDS was to facilitate the restructuring of military commands for optimal utilisation of resources by bringing about jointness in operations, including through the establishment of theatre commands.

A high-level committee set up to examine the gaps in India's security system in the wake of the Kargil war in 1999 had recommended the appointment of the CDS as a single-point military adviser to the defence minister.

In the last two years, Gen Rawat carried out extensive groundwork to establish on initiating tri-services reforms.

The tenure of Gen Rawat as the CDS was till March 2023. The retirement age for the CDS is 65 years while the service chiefs have a tenure till they are 62 or for three years, whichever is earlier.

The CDS is also the Secretary of the Department of Military Affairs (DMA) in the Defence Ministry and the Principal Advisor to the Defence Minister.

"It is highly likely that Gen Naravane is made the next Chief of Defence Staff and it will be

a wise decision," said a former high-ranking military commander.

There has been a view among an influential section of the military planners that the Chief of Defence Staff should be from the Army, at least till the ambitious theaterisation process is completed under the ambitions higher defence reforms.

If Gen Naravane is appointed the CDS, then the government will also simultaneously have to look for his replacement.

In that case, Vice Chief of Army Lt Gen CP Mohanty and Northern Army Commander Lt Gen Y K Joshi will be the front-runner for the Army Chief's post, Lt Gen Mohanty and Lt Gen Joshi are from the same batch and are the senior-most commanders after Gen Naravane.

However, as Vice Chief of Army Staff, Lt Gen Mohanty, with extensive experience of serving extensively, in formations along the Line of Actual Control (LAC), has a much better chance of succeeding Gen Naravane if he is appointed the CDS.

Baramulla's

Speaking to reporters at Baramulla after paying tributes to Gen Rawat who was GoC Dagger Division in Baramulla the GoC said it will take a lot of time for us to come out of this grief.

"I do not think I have seen the amount of love, connect which he (Rawat) had with the people of Uri and Baramulla and with the people of whole Kashmir. If you see the dp (display picture on social media accounts) especially of the media-men, I think everyone has a picture with him, Lt Gen Pandey said.

He said Gen Rawat used to attend phone calls from everyone from Baramulla.

He (Rawat) would listen to their requirements and then he would call me and ask me to listen to their demands and help them. I am sure the people of Baramulla have lost more than anyone else, he said.

Describing the death of CDS and others in the helicopter crash as a huge tragedy, the GoC said it will take a lot of time to come out of the grief.

I really wanted to come here to Baramulla where he was a GoC. Though he was also the commander of 5 Sector (RR), the two tenures were close to his heart especially because of the people, I am sure you all must be feeling this loss like the Indian Army, Armed forces and the whole country is feeling. His wife and others were also killed and this is a huge tragedy and it will take a lot of time for us to come out of this grief, he said. (PTI)

Irreparable Loss

in the memory of General Rawat, his wife, and 11 Armed Forces Personnel, an official spokesperson said.

He said that the LG conveyed his deepest condolences to the members of bereaved families and said that General Rawat's passing away is an irreparable loss to the nation.

"The country will forever remain indebted to General Rawat for his reforms in armed forces, outstanding leadership and vision," Sinha said.

'Some Water': First

was in flames, making it "clear we cannot save everyone". Three of them had jumped out of the burning helicopter and those in the area were scampering to find resources to save the injured, Sivakumar said, adding, they managed to rescue them one by one and take them to the ambulance.

"We saw three of them were alive. We used blankets and other available material to move them even as a police inspector came... as we were engaged in trying to shift them from there, I told the second person to remain calm and relaxed as we rescuers had arrived. He then asked me "some water please".

"But I realised that by the time I could oblige his request, we could as well move him to safety," Sivakumar told PTI.

The third person could hear what the rescuers spoke but could not respond, he added.

Later, an Army officer showed a picture of Rawat to Sivakumar and revealed who he was.

"I was upset I could not give water immediately to such a high ranking person of the country," Sivakumar said, adding, all of Rawat's belongings were later retrieved.

Sivakumar said police and defence officials have already held enquiries with him. PTI

192 More Test

Rajouri and Kathua 4 each, three cases each in Kishtwar and Reasi and one in Doda district. No new cases were detected in Ramban and Samba districts.

"Moreover, 135 Covid-19 patients recovered during the time, 26 from Jammu Division and 109 from Kashmir," officials said.

Also, they said that the death toll due to pandemic remained 4489 in J&K—2189 in Jammu and 2300 in Kashmir, as no fresh fatality was reported across the Union Territory during the last 24 hours.

3 Men Acquitted

by the prosecution beyond any shadow of a doubt that Talha is a resident of Multan, Pakistan, and has crossed/entered in Indian

territory illegally and without any valid documents, as such, is hereby held guilty for the commission of Offence U/s 14-A, (b) Foreigners Act, 1946.

Secondly, it has also not been established before the court that accused no.1, has entered the territory of India, not on any Tourist Visa or to perform any religious obligations. "It has been proved that he had entered/crossed in the territory of Union of India with intention, aim and motive to commit unlawful activities," the court observed.

The judge held the accused guilty U/s 13-B of UAP Act, 1967 and awarded sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for a period of five (5) years for the commission of offence U/s 14-A, (b) of Foreigners Act, 1946 & a fine of Rs.10, 000.

Pak Denies

United States, Russia and the Middle East. We are open to all countries, Yusuf said in an interview with Stephen Sackur for BBC's HARDtalk.

Massive protests had erupted in Gwadar last month against unnecessary checkpoints, a severe shortage of water and electricity and threats to livelihoods from illegal fishing.

These protests were part of growing discontent over China's presence in Gwadar, whose port is an integral part of the USD 60 billion China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), the flagship project of China's multi-billion-dollar Belt and Road Initiative.

India has protested to China over the CPEC as it traverses through Pakistan-controlled Kashmir (PcK).

The massive infrastructure project connects China's Xinjiang province with Gwadar port in Pakistan.

Yusuf called China, "a close friend of Islamabad" and underlined that any country in the world can invest in the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) project since "we are not closed to anybody."

When asked whether Pakistan had developed close ties with China at the cost of raising its voice for Muslims around the world, particularly those in Xinjiang, Yusuf said that Pakistan does not agree with the Western version about the alleged atrocities being committed against Muslims in Xinjiang.

"We have relations of trust with China and our ambassador and other delegations from here also visited the Xinjiang province," he said, adding that if Western countries have a problem with China, they should talk to Beijing about it.

Imran Khan Talks Kashmir
Accusing India of undermining Pakistan's peace efforts, the Prime Minister Imran Khan said on Thursday that Kashmir was the biggest issue that was keeping peace in South Asia "hostage".

Addressing the Islamabad Conclave 2021, with the theme of "Peaceful and Prosperous South Asia", Khan also emphasised that Pakistan tried to reach out to India for peace but without any positive response.

He said that after the Kashmir dispute is solved, other issues could be jointly tackled including smog and pollution. "Until both countries don't sit together, no matter how much we do in Lahore [to control smog] we will only solve half the problem, he said.

Tensions between India and Pakistan have spiked since New Delhi abrogated the Article 370 of the Constitution to revoke the special status of Jammu and Kashmir on August 5, 2019.

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

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

Khan also said that both Pakistan and India were vulnerable to climate change.

"Our futures are connected. We both should focus on climate change together but till now I'm not seeing that seriousness in world leaders because their commercial interests are clashing with steps needed to stop climate change," he said.

Khan urged for adopting an approach of regional development by increasing trade and solving political differences. He said those who try to solve issues through military means commit a mistake as was evident in the case of Afghanistan.

He also trashed the emerging Cold-War mentality and said that his country did not want to be a part of any political bloc but instead wanted to play a role in bridging the gaps between the United States and China.

Khan talked about the threat of a new Cold War between China and the US as well as his vision for peace in the region.

"The situation is going towards a (new) Cold War and blocs are forming, Khan said. "Pakistan should try its best to stop the formation of these blocs because we should not become a part of any bloc."

He said that the world as well as Pakistan suffered due the rivalry between the superpowers in the past and it was against any new

confrontation.

He said Pakistan tried to reduce tension between arch-rival Saudi Arabia and Iran and both countries appreciated that we tried our best during a very critical phase where conflict could have occurred between them."

Khan said that Pakistan enjoyed good ties with China and the US, and wanted to play a similar role in the current tension in US-China relations to "stop their growing distances".

The relations between the US and China are at an all-time low. The two countries are engaged in a bitter confrontation over various issues, including trade, Beijing's aggressive military moves in the disputed South China Sea and human rights in Hong Kong, Tibet and Xinjiang region.

Khan's comments came as Pakistan skipped the Democracy Summit hosted by US President Joe Biden, who invited around 110 countries to a virtual summit on December 9-10.

Pakistan's all-weather ally, China, has not been invited to attend the Summit.

Though Pakistan didn't give any solid reason for refusing to attend the key summit, it is believed that it was in reaction to the US inviting Taiwan instead of Beijing, which was against the One China policy pursued by Islamabad.

Pakistan took the big step to refuse the invitation but it knows the limits of its power and Khan's remarks are apparently an effort to play down the likely reaction. Islamabad is in the process of restoring a USD 6 billion loan from the IMF for which it may need Washington's support.

Pakistan-US ties are on uneven keel as despite efforts, President Biden has not made a direct contact to Prime Minister Khan, irking the Pakistan government. Khan was also not invited for a key summit on environment.

Khan's remarks are reminiscent of Pakistan's role to establish contacts between the US and China in 1971 and pave the way for formal diplomatic relations between the two countries.

The two-day Islamabad Conclave 2021 seminar was organised by the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI) think-tank.

Roshini Scheme

order declared the Roshni Act as unconstitutional are decided by the J-K High Court," Malik said in a statement.

The union territory administration started retrieving land from the beneficiaries of the Roshni Act in Shopian district last month.

"Even the government of J-K had filed a review petition against the court order. Mehta appearing for the government of India and government of J-K made a verbal statement in Supreme Court that the government will not take any coercive measures till the review petition is decided by the J-K High court," Malik said.

He said after the pronouncement of the judgement by the High Court in October last year, the administration across Jammu and Kashmir under the garb of removal of encroachments have been evicting people from small portions of land they have been cultivating for generations.

"Revenue and Forest authorities have started harassment of those in possession of state/forest land by threatening them of forcible eviction and in some cases even the people have been dispossessed from their agricultural lands in sheer violation of the stand taken by the government of J-K in the court. It is a huge injustice to these people as not only their livelihoods but their homes are also at risk due to the government's arbitrary and unjustified decision," he added.

Govt Forms Panel

firm (PPP/Legal expert) for outsourcing. Lastly, the panel has been asked to deliberate and make decisions on any other issue related to the outsourcing of the properties. (GNS)

NFHS Throws Up

married women in J&K who are allowed to have a say in the decision making process in their family have been recorded at 81.6 percent during 2019-2020.

"Women who worked and were paid in cash in the last 12 months has recorded a maximum increase from 12.3 percent in NFHS-4(2015-16) to 18.4 percent in NFHS-5," the report reads.

The report has also revealed that women in J&K who own a house or land (alone or jointly with others) have also increased in the last two years.

In NFHS-4, the percentage of such women was recorded at 33.1 percent that has relatively increased by almost 24 percent in NFHS-5.

"In NFHS-5 the percentage of such women was recorded at 57.3 percent in J&K and the percentage was much better in rural areas (60.8 percent) compared to urban areas (48.2 percent).

Notably, as per the report, the percentage of women in J&K who have a bank or savings account that they themselves use has also reached a maximum increase from 60.0 percent in NFHS-4 to 84.9 percent in NFHS-5. The number of such women was better in urban J&K (88.5 percent) than rural areas (83.5 percent).

"Women having a mobile phone that they themselves use have been recorded at 75.2 percent in NFHS-5 than 53.9 percent from NFHS-4," the report further reads.

In terms of health and safety, the report has revealed that the percentage of women who use hygienic methods of protection during menstrual period has increased by 7 percent.

"Women aged 15-24 years who use hygienic methods of protection during their menstrual period were recorded at 73.4 percent compared to 66 percent from NFHS-5."

The number of such women was higher in urban J&K(85.8 percent) compared to rural J&K (69.6 percent).

Gulmarg Shivers

Pahalgam recorded a low of minus 4.9 degrees Celsius.

The mercury in Kupwara in north Kashmir settled at a low of minus 2.4 degrees Celsius.

Qazigund recorded a minimum temperature of minus 2.1 degrees Celsius, while Kokernag recorded a low of minus 1.5 degrees Celsius.

Fire Damages

an old migrant property at the housing colony Sanat Nagar during midnight Wednesday-Thursday and engulfed the building within minutes.

Fire tenders from the nearby fire station and headquarters were rushed to put off the flames, the spokesman said and added that the fire has caused extensive damage to the property.

However, no one was injured in the incident. The cause of the fire was yet to be ascertained, the spokesman said.

Upgraded Database

Shabir Hussain Bhat, Special Secretary, (Vigilance) GAD and other Officials of ACB, an official spokesperson said Thursday.

He said that the database of all the government employees against whom any vigilance matter is pending is maintained for reference and record.

"On the basis of the database, No objection Certificate requests are processed by ACB in favour of employees as and when required. The new database will have ease of issuance of NOC of employees in a faster manner. It is to be noted that the Vigilance Clearance System has been made online and departments/ employees have benefitted in a large manner. The new database software will further enhance the vigilance clearance system of ACB, the official spokesperson said.

He said that Dwivedi stated that technological initiatives like implementation of e-Office, online Vigilance Clearance System and new Database Management System will help in faster disposal of the issues pending at the level of ACB and GAD as well.

"He further added that during the last two years a record number of prosecutions have been sanctioned which has paved the way for speedy disposal of the cases. He emphasised on time bound completion of Departmental enquiries and laid stress on seeking feedback from Departments on Alert notes and Advisories," he added.

He further said that a detailed presentation regarding issues of ACB was given by the Director Anti Corruption Bureau. Director ACB apprised Commissioner Secretary, GAD that owing to the introduction of Whatsapp Helpline, Toll free number, Satrak Nagrik Mobile Application, there is tremendous increase in the inflow of information regarding corruption by government employees. This year there is more than 100% increase in trap cases than last year.

Colleges In Ladakh

winter vacations of University of Ladakh and the constituent Degree colleges shall be observed in two camps of University of Ladakh and Constituent degree colleges from December 16, 2021 to February 15, 2022.

He however, said that the non-teaching office staff of University of Ladakh, administrative offices and campuses as well as those of constituent degree colleges will remain on duty during the vacations.

It has also been directed that the faculty staff will attend their respective campuses and constituent degree colleges whenever the need arises.

It is pertinent to mention here that Ladakh UT is in the grip of severe cold conditions with the minimum temperature plummeting at Leh to minus 10.0 on Thursday. (Agencies)

Police Reunites

him with the family.

The teenager, Ayush Singh Slathia, son of Anchal Singh Slathia, resident of PHE Quarters, near Manda Zoo Jammu was missing from his home since November 29.

"Soon after the father of the missing boy lodged a complaint and in less than 24 hours with the help of technology and other sources, he was traced and handed over to the family," said police adding that cognizance has been taken under relevant sections. (Agencies)

NIFF YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE

SCFA Srinagar, J&K Bank Through To Finals

SCFA Bandipora, DP Dhar FA to battle for 3rd spot today

R. Elahi

SRINAGAR: Sports Council Football Academy (SCFA) Srinagar and J&K Bank Football Academy (FA) will battle it out for the top spot in the inaugural NIFF Youth League.

The two academies confirmed their spots in the finals after winning their respective matches on Thursday. Meanwhile, SCFA Bandipora and DP Dhar FA will play for the third Youth League position today, Friday December 10 at 2:30 PM.

In the first match, a 12:00 PM kick off, the two SCFA academies of Srinagar and Bandipora went up against



each other. Feroz of SCFA Srinagar gave his side the lead in the 4th minute and his team maintained the lead till the end of the first half. An own goal from SCFA Bandipora player Bilal Ahmad gave Srinagar a 2-0 lead in the 62nd minute. Junaid Manzoor then made it

3-0 for SCFA Srinagar in the 74th minute to effectively end Bandipora hopes. The match finished 3-0 in favour of SCFA Srinagar and Junaid was awarded player of the match award.

The second NIFF Youth League final round match was played between J&K

Bank FA and DP Dhar FA. At half time the score was 0-0. However, in the 53rd minute of the second half Taufeeq gave J&K Bank the lead. Bank's second goal came barely a minute later when Yawar Ali found the back of the net. Yamin Mehrar made it 3-0 for J&K Bank FA in the 80th minute. The match ended 3-0, and J&K Bank's Athar Malik was awarded player of the match.

The date of the finals is yet to be announced, but one can be assured that it will be a cracking finale, and the 42nd match of the tournament, between SCFA Srinagar and J&K Bank FA.



Talented Sopore Cricketer Injured In Road Accident Succumbs

Agencies

SOPORE: A talented cricketer from north Kashmir's Sopore town who was injured in a road accident last week succumbed to his injuries in Srinagar hospital on Thursday.

Tariq Ahmed Mir (27), a well-known local cricketer from Janwara, Sopore had sustained critical injuries when his motorcycle (JK05B-5122) was hit by a speeding vehicle on Sopore-Bandipora road near Hathlangoo area. He was undergoing treatment at SKIMS Soura and today he succumbed to his injuries.

The mishap had occurred on the first day of the current month. Police had already taken cognizance of the incident and registered a formal case in this regard.

A large number of people mostly sports lovers participated in the funeral of the deceased cricketer. (KNT)

Boys Athletic Meet Witnesses Record Participation In Ramban



Observer News Service

RAMBAN: The District level Inter-School Boys Athletic Meet -2021-22 for All Age Group commenced Thursday here at Higher Secondary School Ramban. The Athletic meet has been organized by the Department of Youth Services & Sports Ramban under the patronage of the Director Youth Services & Sports J&K, Gazanfer Ali.

A good number of students from Government and Private Schools participated in the event. Principal Government HSS Ramban, Ranjay Kumar was the Chief Guest in the opening ceremony.

While interacting with the participants, the Principal encouraged the students to take part in such events regularly to hone their skills. He highlighted the importance of sports for

their overall personality development.

In Long Jump, under 14 age group Ubaid Ahmed of Banihal, Faizan Amin of Ramban and Shahid Abbass of Banihal, clinched Gold, Silver & Bronze medals, respectively. In under 17 age group Jehangir and Akib Ashraf of Banihal clinched Gold and Silver medals respectively. Similarly, Usman Altaf and Mohd Aqib Mir of Banihal clinched Gold and Silver medals respectively in the under 19 age group.

In Short Put under 14 age group Usman Altaf, Mohd Amir and Faizan Amin of Banihal clinched Gold, Silver and Bronze medals respectively. In under 17 age group Chander Singh of Khari, Inderjeet Singh of Ramban and Shahid Shafi of Gool clinched Gold, Silver & Bronze medals respectively.

Inter-College Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament



GDC Tral Defeats GDC Anantnag In Finals

Observer News Service

SHOPIAN: In the final match of the ongoing South Kashmir Inter-college Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament, GDC Tral on Thursday defeated GDC Anantnag by 3 wickets, chasing the target down in the 11th over.

The Cricket tournament was organised by Imtiyaz Memorial Government Degree College Shopian.

Earlier, made to bat first after losing the toss, GDC Anantnag could score a paltry 51 runs for the loss of 10 wickets within the allotted 12 overs. Zayem Ahmad was the lone batsman to reach two figures while Ubaid Nisar and Musa Manzoor from GDC Tral took 3 and 2 wickets respectively.

Chasing the target, GDC Tral struggled a bit, but won the match by 3 wickets in the 11th over of the innings. Umer Khan was the highest scorer for GDC Tral with 17 runs. Farhat Ahmad and Zayem Ahmad from GDC Anantnag took two wickets each.

In an impressive post-match presentation ceremony organised under the Chairmanship of Prof. Bashir Ahmad Dar, Principal IMGDC Shopian, trophies, medals and mementos

were distributed among the participants.


The guests of honour for the ceremony were Dr. Javaid Abdullah Ex. Principal GDC Shopian and Prof. Irfan Ul Majeed Principal Govt Degree College for Women Anantnag.

Welcoming the guests and the participant teams, Prof. Bashir Ahmad Dar lauded the efforts made by Physical Director Syed Latief and Sports Committee of the college in successfully organising the tournament and congratulated the Winning team.

He emphasised on the fact that in future college will be organising more such events to promote the sports culture in the institution. Prof. Dar while congratulating the winning team wished the Runner-up team all the very best.

Later on he presented the mementos to the guests of honour and officials engaged for the tournament.

After his introductory speech, Prof. Dar gave away medals to the players of both teams. He also presented the Man of Match and Player of the tournament award to Ubaid Nisar and Farhat Hussain respectively. The runner up and winning trophy was jointly awarded to Ubaid Nisar from GDC Tral and Farhat Hussain from GDC Anantnag respectively.



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VIJAY HAZARE TROPHY

J&K Lose To Himachal By 63 Runs

R. Elahi

SRINAGAR: J&K senior men's team on Thursday suffered a second successive defeat in Vijay Hazare Trophy and are now staring at a first round exit from the tournament.

The match against Himachal Pradesh was played at Dadoji Konddev Stadium, Thane, Maharashtra. The J&K team made a couple of changes from the previous match with the most notable being Ram Dayal replacing Aquib Nabi. J&K captain Shubham Pundir won the toss and elected to field first.

The team initially managed to remove Himachal

top order batsmen, but was battered by middle order batters A R Kumar 49 (63), R R Dhawan 44 (52), and A P Vashisht who hit an unbeaten 51 (28) to help Himachal post a competitive total of 250/8 (50 overs).

For J&K, Ram Dayal and Parvez Rasool took 3 wickets each. While Umar Nazir and Mujtaba Yousuf both took 1 wicket.

In reply the J&K team could only manage a paltry 187/10



(42.3 overs). Ian Chauhan 36 (55) top scored for the team, followed by Shubham Pundir 30 (58). Abdul Samad 4 (6) and Parvez Rasool 1 (3) disappointed with the bat.

For Himachal, captain RR Dhawan took 3 wickets, while Arpit and GK Singh took 2 wickets each.

J&K XI: Abid Mushtaq, Shubham Khajuria, Shubham Singh Pundir (C), Henan Nazir, Vivrant Sharma, Parvez Rasool, Ian Chauhan (W), Ram Dayal,

Umar Nazir, Abdul Samad, Mujtaba Yousuf.

J&K will next play Andhra on December 11 at Cricket Club of India, Mumbai. The match starts at 9:00 AM.

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY OFFICE SHOPIAN

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No:CAH05/TECH/2021-22/35/1775-80

Date: 07-12-2021

GENERAL NOTICE FOR INVITING APPLICATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN LIVESTOCK MANDIS/MELAS

Department of Animal Husbandry District Shopian is going to enact two Tribal Sub Plan Projects 'Establishment of Milk Village at Devpora Shopian" & "Establishment of Milk Village at Keller Shopian" wherein 70 tribal beneficiaries are to be selected/ identified who will be provided two good quality dairy cows each on 90:10 cost basis (90% Govt share & 10% beneficiary share). In this context , Department is going to organize buyer-seller Livestock Mandis/ Melas, as per the guidelines of the Tribal Affairs Department issued Vide No TAD/Plg/12/2021 Dated 2/2/21, so that the beneficiaries have an open choice for selecting good quality animals.

Accordingly applications as per the format given in Annexure A are hereby invited from registered cattle dealers to express their interest of participation in the said Livestock Melas.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- ▶ Registered cattle dealers shall have to bring their livestock at the designated venue* and date* (* to be communicated later on)
- ▶ The livestock (cows) should be in good condition of health and free from any scheduled disease. Technical A other parameters needed are:

6.	Breed	Cross bred Jersey
7.	Milk Yield	12 to 15 Litres/day
8.	Lactation	1st, 2nd, 3rd
9.	Acceptable Cost	70000/= (seventy thousands only)
10.	Status	Milking with or without pregnancy
- ▶ The Technical Committee for the purpose shall be free to disqualify any animal if that does not withstand the above technical parameters including the cost factor of 70000/=.
- ▶ The milking cows supplied shall be subject to a trial of 10 days for certifying the milk production capacity of cow an6 in case the cow fails to yield the desired quantity of milk, the supplier shall have to replace the animal within one week.
- ▶ The participating suppliers shall in no way force, pressurize or influence by any means the designated technical committee for accepting or rejecting any animal from any supplier(s); doing or trying to do so shall disqualify the supplier for the whole exercise.
- ▶ Demand draft of Rs 10000/=(Rupees ten thousand only) favouring Chief Animal Husbandry Officer Shopian is to be submitted along with application as security/ caution money, that shall be adjusted/ refunded after final outcome of the process. However if any supplier fails to participate in the mandi despite applying for it, he/she shall forfeit the claim on deposited Demand Draft
- ▶ An affidavit, proforma of which can be had from office of the undersigned, needs to be submitted along with the application form.
- ▶ The department reserves the right to assign a particular mandi (Devpora/Keller) for participation to particular applicants (Dealers) depending upon the suitability, convenience and other factors.
- ▶ Tentative/ Expected date of organizing Livestock Mandis will be between mid December 2021 to 1st week of January 2022
- ▶ Last date for receiving duly filled application forms in the office of the undersigned shall be 15/12/2021 up to 4 PM.

Sd/- (Dr Ishrat Shakeel)

Chief Animal Husbandry Officer
Shopian

DIPK-14468/21

ANNEXURE A

S.No	PARTICULARS	RESPONSE
01	NAME OF THE APPLICANT	
02	NAME OF FATHER/ SPOUSE	
03	RESIDENCE	
04	AADHAR NUMBER	
05	PHONE NUMBER	
06	E MAIL ADDRESS	
07	REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE NO	
08	REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY	
09	ATTACHED DEMAND DRAFT NO	
10	MANDI YOU WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN	
11	NO OF ANIMALS YOU WANT TO BRING TO MELA/ MANDI	

This IS to certify that the information furnished above is correct to the best of my knowledge and nothing has been concealed there of. if all or any part of the information proves wrong, I shall be personally responsible for any consequences what so ever.

Seal & Signature

PUBLIC NOTICE

My caste has been wrongly mentioned in my Army record under service book no. 12984359K unit 163TA Sikhli as CHACHI instead of CHICHI. Now I want to apply for its correction. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may contact concern office of 163TA Sikhli within the period of 7 days. After that no objection shall be entertained.

MUZAMIL AHMAD CHICHI S/O KALOO CHICHI
R/O ALCHWARD HELLER ARHAMA ANANTNAG

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My wife's name and date of birth has been wrongly mentioned in my Army record under service book no. 12984359K unit 163TA Sikhli as NAZIMA AND DOB IS 01-05-1988 instead of NAJM-UL-NISA AND DOB IS 03-03-1992 . Now I want to apply for its correction. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may contact concern office of the 163TA Sikhli within the period of 7 days. After that no objection shall be entertained.

MUZAMIL AHMAD CHICHI S/O KALOO CHICHI
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Delhi Court Rejects Plea To Restore Jain, Hindu Deities In Qutub Minar Complex

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NEW DELHI: Referring to the judgment in the Ayodhya land dispute case, a Delhi court has rejected a civil suit seeking restoration of Hindu and Jain deities and right to worship within the Qutub Minar complex, saying that past wrongs cannot be the basis for disturbing the peace in present and future.

The lawsuit, filed on behalf of Jain deity Tirthankar Lord Rishabh Dev and Hindu deity Lord Vishnu, said that 27 temples were partly demolished by Qutubdin Aibak, a general in the Army of Mohamad Gauri, and Quwwat-ul-Islam Mosque was raised inside the complex by re-using the material.

Rejecting the suit, Civil Judge Neha Sharma said, "India had a culturally rich history. It has been ruled over by numerous dynasties. During arguments, the counsel for the plaintiff has vehemently argued on the point of national shame. However, nobody has denied that wrongs were committed in the past, but such wrongs cannot be the basis for disturbing the peace of our present and future."

The judge added, "Our country had a rich history and has seen challenging times. Nevertheless, history has to be accepted as a whole. Can the good be retained and bad be deleted from our history?"

She referred to the Ayodhya judgment delivered by the Supreme Court in 2019 and highlighted a portion of it in the order, which stated, "Cognizant as we are of our history and of the need for the nation to confront it, Independence was a watershed moment to heal the wounds of the past. Historical wrongs cannot be remedied by the people taking the law into their own hands."

The suit sought a declaration that principal deity Tirthankar Lord Rishabh Dev and principal deity Lord Vishnu, along with Lord Ganesh, Lord Shiva, Goddess Gauri, God Sun, Lord Hanuman including presiding deities of 27 temples, have the right to be restored and worshipped with rites and rituals, the performance of regular pooja within the alleged temple complex situated in the area.

The lawsuit, filed by advocate Vishnu S Jain, further sought the issuance of mandatory injunction directing the central government to create a trust, according to Trust Act 1882, and to hand over the management and administration of the temple complex situated within the area of Qutub Complex.

The court, however, said that the plaintiff's argument that worshippers have the right to exercise their religion conferred by Articles 25 and 26 of the Constitution of India and have the right to ensure that deities are restored at their original place with due dignity is "devoid of merit".

Ayodhya Settled, BJP Raises Mathura's Krishna Janmabhoomi Issue In Parliament

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NEW DELHI: Ahead of the Uttar Pradesh Assembly elections, a BJP MP in Rajya Sabha today raised the Sri Krishna Janmabhoomi land dispute issue of Mathura and demanded a law that would provide for the status quo to be scrapped.

Raising the issue through a zero hour mention, Harnath Singh Yadav described as "unconstitutional" the Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act of 1991 that prohibits conversion of any place of worship and provides for the maintenance of the religious character of any place of worship as it existed on August 15, 1947.

While the act makes an exception to the legal case around the Ram Janmabhoomi in Ayodhya, all legal disputes in courts over any other religious places are considered closed by the 1991 Act, he said.

"This provision not just violates the constitutional provision of the right of equity but also secularism, which is part of the constitutional preamble," he said. "It is strange that this law provides that no citizen can go against it to the courts. Nor can this law be challenged," he said.

He said the law gives "legal sanctity" to the "forceful occupation of the Krishna Janmabhoomi



and other religious places by foreign invaders".

"This arbitrary and unconstitutional law has deprived Hindus, Jains, Sikhs and Buddhists of their right to practice and propagate their religion," he said.

Also, the 1991 law discriminates between Lord Ram and Lord Krishna as both are 'avatars' of Lord Vishnu.

"There cannot be two laws for the same acts and circumstances. Secondly, the doors of courts cannot be shut for citizens," he said. "This Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act is not just unconstitutional but also cruelty against religious sentiments of Hindus, Jains, Sikhs and Buddhists. I demand this law be repealed immediately," he said.

Some opposition party MPs objected to the zero-hour submission.

Raising a point of order, Manoj Kumar Jha of the RJD said the 1991 Act was passed by Parliament to protect the idea of cordiality and harmony and the BJP MP has "opened Pandora's box."

"The nation has suffered enough in the name of religious conflicts. Let's not disturb the social fabric of India," he said.

Deputy Chairman Harivansh however said there was no point of order and all notices of MPs are admitted by the Chairman as per Rajya Sabha rules and if anyone has an issue, they should write to him.

The issue figuring in Rajya Sabha follows Uttar Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Keshav Prasad Maurya last week tweeting that preparations were underway for constructing a grand temple in Mathura on the lines of Ayodhya and Varanasi.

Shaurya Chakra Awardee Varun Singh Survives One Night, Next 48 Hours Critical

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Group Captain Varun Singh, the Defence Services Staff College (DSSC) in Wellington, Tamil Nadu, and the lone survivor of the ill-fated Mi-17V5 helicopter crash near Coonoor on Wednesday is battling for life with 80-85 per cent burn injuries, said a senior Tamil Nadu government official.

The recipient of the Shaurya Chakra gallantry award Singh survived the Wednesday night and prayers are there for his recovery at the DSSC.

The team of doctors that is

treating Singh are not saying anything and the next 48 hours will be critical.

Singh was recently promoted from Wing Commander to Group Captain and was a recent joiner at the DSSC. All the other 13 persons, including the Chief of Defence Staff Bipin Rawat and his wife Madhulika Rawat and other officials on the ill-fated chopper died in the accident.

The post-mortem was performed by the military doctors at the Military Hospital in Coonoor in the presence of a state government doctor and police officials as per the procedure.

Delhi Court Grants Bail To Sharjeel Imam In 2019 Jamia Violence Case

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A Delhi court on Thursday granted bail to Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) student Sharjeel Imam in a case related to alleged violence at Jamia Millia Islamia University in December 2019.

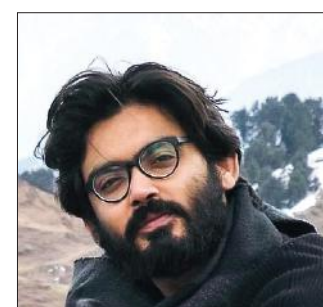
Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Dinesh Kumar admitted him on bail on furnishing Rs 25,000 bond with one surety of like amount.

"Considering the nature of the offence, and the fact that he was not arrested during the investigation, the [bail] application is allowed," the judge ordered.

The incident of violence in the varsity had occurred concerning student protests against the Citizenship (Amendment) Act (CAA) in December 2019.

The FIR under which he is accused involves offences such as rioting, conspiracy, attempt to commit culpable homicide, voluntarily obstructing public servant in discharge of public functions, and assault under the Indian Penal Code.

Imam will, however, remain in jail as he is accused in three other cases related to violence in Delhi.



In October, the court had denied bail to Imam bail in connection with allegedly delivering an inflammatory speech and inciting violence during the CAA-NRC protests in 2019, saying free speech cannot be exercised at the cost of communal peace and harmony.

Besides this case, Imam is also accused of being the "masterminds" of the February 2020 riots, which had left 53 people dead and over 700 injured. He has been booked under the stringent Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA).

He was also arrested in another case under UAPA and sedition for his alleged speeches at two universities in 2019, where he allegedly threatened to cut off Assam and the rest of the Northeast from India.

Farmers Turn Nostalgic, Say Protest Sites Were Like Home, Will Be Lifelong Memory

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NEW DELHI: After spending over a year agitating against the three farm laws at three Delhi border points, many farmers became nostalgic as Samkyukta Kisan Morcha announced that thousands of protesters would start vacating the protest sites from December 11. Amrik Singh, aged around 65, from Patiala said he felt at home in his tent at Singhu border and thought of the possibility of leaving it with a heavy heart.

"I don't feel like leaving it all behind and all those memories of

struggle, moments of joy and friendships we have formed," he said.

"It often occurs to me that I should rent a house here if the protest ends," Singh added in a lighter vein.

Riding hundreds of tractors and other vehicles, farmers from Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh in the last week of November 2020 moved towards Delhi demanding repeal of three farm laws of the Narendra Modi government.

Since November 26 last year, the farmers have laid siege at highways at Delhi's border points at Singhu, Ghazipur and Tikari

setting up makeshift accommodation and arrangements of daily life.

Saudagar Singh, a middle-aged farmer from Ludhiana, reminisced his struggles during the yearlong protests, narrating the bonds he forged and how many new friends he found at the protest site.

"We thought the government will not listen to us and we will have to stay here. But finally we won and farm laws are gone. Now it's time to go home and we are feeling awkward now," he said.

Preparing to go home, many farmer protesters said they will dispose of

items of daily use and back carrying their personal belongings and vehicles.

"There is not much to take back home. Most of it will be given to local people many of whom are regular visitors for us," Saudagar Singh said.

With the Centre repealing the three farm laws and accepting most of their demands, many protesters felt it was time to end the stir and go back home. Most felt their experience of protest at Singhu Border will be a lifelong memory and they will miss the place.

"We have demanded a memorial for our farmer brothers who died

during the protest. Once the memorial comes up here, we will visit this place again and again," said another protester Harkeerat at Singhu border.

The farmer unions claim over 700 farmers died at different places during the year long agitation against farm laws. The leaders of Samyukt Kisan Morcha (SKM) were holding a meeting at Singhi border to consider the Centre's written assurance to their other demands including withdrawal of police cases and compensation to kin of farmers died during the protests, before taking a call to end their stir.

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