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P3 CITY HABBA KADAL RESIDENTS COMPLAIN **OF GROWING DOG MENACE**

At a time when the Srinagar Municipal Corporation has failed to initiate concrete action against dog menace in the city, residents of Habba Kadal locality have complained of growing dog terror

WHAT IS THE "SHOP LOCAL" TREND?

Have you heard a recent conversation around Small Business Saturday and National Small Business Week? Both holidays have helped jumpstart a trend of shopping local, and are celebrated nationally in communities big and small. However... shouldn't we be supporting our community businesses year-



P7 STATE

TWO DOCTORS, NURSE ATTACHED ON PANEL'S RECOMMENDATION The health department has attached two doctors, including the Block Medical Officer (BMO) Banihal after a panel constituted to probe the wrong declaration of



G Quote

Reason has always existed, but not always in a reasonable form

> -Karl Marx 77-

NEWS DIGST

Satish Chandra Appointed Chairman JKPSC

Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha on Saturday appointed Satish Chandra, IAS (Rtd.), as Chairman, Public Service Commission. "In exercise of powers conferred by More on P6

Govt Shifts Six Senior Police Officers

Srinagar: The Jammu and Kashmir Government on Saturday ordered transfer of six police officers in the interest of administration with immediate effect. According to a government order, T. Namgyal Kalon, IPS (RR:95), ADGP Traffic, J&K, More on P6

Jammu Adds Five More Corona Cases

Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir reported five new covid-19 cases while there was no death due to the pathogen in the last 24 hours, officials said on Saturday. They said that all these cases were reported from Jammu district, taking More on P6

Militant Killed, 3 Soldiers Injured In Anantnag Firefight



A Police commando checks carry bag of a youth during a random search operation in Srinagar on Saturday: KO Photo, Abid Bhat

Observer News Service in an overnight encounter in South Kashmir's Anantnag dis-Srinagar: Army on Saturday trict, in which three soldiers claimed to have killed a Hizbul and a civilian were also injured. Mujahideen (HM) commander Around 3:45 pm More on P6

'Militant, Two Aides Held For **Udhampur Attack'**

he Jammu and Kashmir Police has arrested a Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) militant and his two associates in connection with the low-intensity IED explosion outside a court complex in Udhampur district in March in which More on P6

SENSING GRAVE THREAT TO THE LIFE of the injured civilian, two of our brave soldiers, Lance Naik Achal Patwari and Sepoy Amandeep Singh commenced his extraction from the operation site, despite being heavily fired upon by the terrorist.'

Youth Slapped With PSA For 'Hate Mongering' **Observer News Service**

SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir police on Saturday arrested a youth on charges of hatemongering and justifying the killing of a TV artist by unidentified militants in Chadoora area of Budgam district last month

Mohammad Irfan Bhat, a resident of Takiya Wagoora village in Baramulla district was booked by Budgam police under the Public Safety Act (PSA)

for recording and uploading a video "spreading hate and jus-tifying" the killing of TV artiste Amreen Bhat, who was shot dead by militants inside her home in Chadoora on May 25, a police spokesperson said Saturday. "The act of uploading such

hateful video, More on P6

Pole Orders Prompt Action In Transfer Of KP, Migrant Employees

Appreciates Officers For Action On War-Footing Basis For Addressing The Issue

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Pandurang K Pole on Saturday directed the officers to post Kashmiri Pandit and migrant government employees at district headquarters or in municipal towns or within the radius of 3 kilometers of municipal town after taking their consent. Pole passed



Divisional HoDs of all the civil departments to review the status of transfer of employees of PM package, migrant and Jammu to safer places in view of recent attacks on employees, an official spokesperson said Saturday.

On the occasion, he said, the Div Com reviewed the District and Department wise status of PM package, migrant and Jammu More on P6

Deputy Commissioners and these

BJP Seeks Srinagar The BJP on Saturday took strong objection to making public the transfer list of Kashmiri Pandit employees and demanded action against the officials responsible **Action After** for the leak, terming it a breach of security. According to the list, 177 Kashmiri Pandit **Transfer List** teachers employed under the Prime Minister's Rehabilitation Package have been **Goes Public** transferred. The transfer list is being circulated on WhatsApp and other More on P6

HC Takes Note Of Mushrooming News Portals

Directs Govt To Take Appropriate Action Against Fake News Agencies Run **On Social Media**

Basit Amin Makhdoomi

Srinagar: The Jammu and Kashmir High Court on Saturday directed the Union Territory administration to take appropriate action expeditiously on mushrooming of news portals without due procedure of law.

These directions were passed by the Division Bench of Ĵ&K HC while hearing a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) filed by an activist group under the

name and style of Jammu and Kashmir Peoples Forum. The Division Bench of Chief Justice Pankaj Mithal and Justice D S Thakur directed the Principal Secretary,

Information Department to take appropriate action expeditiously on More on P6

Protesting Dogra Employees Refuse To Join Duties In Valley

Press Trust Of India

Jammu: The government employees, belonging to Hindu community, staged a sit-in and blocked Twi bridge on highway here for the third day on Saturday and refused to join their duties in Kashmir following a string of targeted killings by militants.

They demanded that they should be transferred from Kashmir to their home districts

in the Jammu region.

Most of Dogra employees serving in Kashmir have returned to Jammu after their colleague, Rajni Bala, was shot dead by militants at a school in south Kashmir's Kulgam district on Tuesday.

Under the banner of 'All Jammu-based reserved categories employees association'. the protesters took out a march from the Press Club and blocked Tawi bridge on More on P6

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the wild as yet unknown to scientists.

The morama bean (Tylosema escul-

entum) is a staple in parts of Botswa-

the beans are boiled with maize or

Not all legumes are edible, but ex-

perts are exploring the properties of

different species to see which ones

Cereals, which come from grasses,

Fonio (Digitaria exilis) is a nutritious

also have huge diversity, with more

than 10,000 species - offering lots of

African cereal used to make couscous,

porridge and drinks. Cultivated locally

as a crop, the plant can tolerate dry

Enset or "false banana" is a close rel-

The banana-like fruit of the plant

is inedible, but the starchy stems and

roots can be fermented and used to

Studies suggest the banana-like

crop has the potential to feed more

ative of the banana, but is consumed

only in one part of Ethiopia

WILD CEREALS

potential for new foods.



FUTURE FOODS: What you could be eating by 2050

Jon the menu by 2050.

In the future, you could be break- THE PANDANUS fasting on false banana or snacking on pandanus tree fruit.

the dangers of relying on a few globally-traded crops.

With 90% of calories coming from just 15 crops, experts at the Royal Botanic Gardens in Kew, London are hunting for ingredients to futureproof our diets.

False banana offers hope for warming world

and health'

Fossilised berry clue to plant evolution

Climate change is increasing the risk of severe 'food shocks' where ditions all around the world.' crops fail and prices of staples rise rapidly around the world.

Diversifying the food we eat is one of the solutions to alleviating hunger, addressing biodiversity loss, and helping to adapt to climate change, says Kew researcher, Dr Sam Pirinon.

"We know that there are thousands of edible plant species across the world that are consumed by different populations and this is where we can find some of the solutions for these global challenges of the future," he says.

Cientists have drawn up a list of worldwide, only 417 are widely grown ful. It's thought there are hundreds in little-known plants that could be and used for food.

The pandanus (Pandanus tectorius) na, Namibia and South Africa, where is a small tree that grows in coastal ar-The Ukraine war has highlighted eas from the Pacific Islands to the Philground to a powder to make porridge or a cocoa-like drink. ippines. The leaves are used to flavour sweet and savoury dishes across much of Southeast Asia, while the pineapplelike fruit can be eaten raw or cooked. might provide food and nutrients. The tree can tolerate challenging conditions, including drought, strong winds and salt spray, says research fellow at Kew, Dr Marybel Soto Gomez. "It is a climate resilient and nutri-Lab-grown meat 'good for planet tious food that is also delicious," she says. "It would be great to diversify our food portfolio to include food that is culturally appropriate, nutritious, and can be grown in challenging con-

> If the pandanus can be used susconditions. tainably, without depleting resources for local people, we should be growing **FALSE BANANA** it more widely, she says.

BEANS

Beans, or legumes, are another "food of the future". They are cheap, high in proteins and B-vitamins, and they are adapted to a wide range of make porridge and bread. environments from ocean shores to mountain slopes.

There are 20,000 species of legumes than 100 million people in a warming Of more than 7,000 edible plants in the world, but we use only a hand- world.

SCHOLARSHIPS THIS WEEK

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

Scholarship Name 1: Unstoppable Karke Dikhaungi Athlete Scholarship 2022-23

Description: Unstoppable Karke Dikhaungi Athlete Scholarship 2022-23 is an opportunity offered by GoSports Foundation (a not for profit trust supporting Indian female athletes) and HDFC Bank Parivartan with an aim to reach a wide variety of young girls & women across the country who dream to represent our country at the highest level in the Olympic/Paralympic.

Eligibility: Open for Indian female candidates 13 & above years of age competing in specific Olympic/Paralympic/ Winter Olympic/Adventure/Motorsport events. The candidates must be National (representing the state at National championships)/International (representing India at International events) representation and demonstrate the highest levels of commitment, passion, integrity, and ethics to achieve success; athletes whose continued success and their activities off the field can inspire others to excel

Prizes & Rewa	rds:	Variable awards
Last Date to A	pply:	24-06-2022
Application m	ode:	Online applications only
Short Url:	www.b	4s.in/observer/UKS9

Jammu & Kashmir **OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL** TRANSPORT OFFICER KASHMIR NOTICE Whereas, an application of Re-registration/change of address of vehicle has been received Zahid Ahmad Malla S/o Showkat Ahmad Malla R/o Qamarwari Srinagar in respect of vehicle bearing registration No DL3CBU-7453 chasis no MA3EU61500174172 engine no. F8DN4961871

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۔ اسطور متوفہ کے صرف ایک ہی ڈیڈیڈنٹ موجود ہیں۔ان کے علاوہ متوفی کا کوئی ڈیڈیڈ نٹ موجو					
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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for the information to the general public that I Qazi Arif Hussain Father of Qazi Addul Muhaymin class Nursery, Tyndale Biscoe School Tangmarg R/o Dhobiwan Tehsil Kunzer intend to correct the mother name of my sone in his school records in which it was wrongly spelled as Masrat Rashid while as the correct spelling Masarat Rashid. In this regard if anybody have any objection he/she may file the same with the concerned school authority within a period of 7 days for the publication of this notice. No objection will be entertained afterwards. BMA

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have lost my medical license (Almohsin Enterprises Paramedical Distributes) with registration no- AW/18862/18863. Now I am applying for the duplicate of the same. Anybody having objection in this regard may contact the office of Drug Controller Anantnag within seven days from the publication of this notice in the newspaper. After that no objection will be entertained. Almohsin Enterprises Paramedical Distributes

Reg No: AW/18862/18863 Address: M.A Complex Ganjiwara Anantnag Prop: Farooq Kounser Wani RN S/O :Mohd Abdullah Wani R/O : Kahapora Muniwara Anantnag

U.T of J&K

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD(R&B) DIVISION QAZIGUND **NOTICE INVITING TENDERS**

NIT NO.17 OF R&B/QAZIGUND/2022-23 /E-TENDERING/_1785-1800 DATED 03-06-2022

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, Union Territory of J&K e-tenders are invited on percentage rate basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K U.T Govt., CPWD, Railway and other U.T / Central Government works for the following works:-

S. No	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (Rs in Lacs)	Cost of T/ Doc. (in Rs)	Earnest Money (In Rs)	Time of Completion	Major Head of Account	Class of Contractor
1.	Renewal Coat by way of providing and laying of 100 mm wet Mix Macadam, 50 mm thick bituminous Macadam and 25 mm thick Semidense with Seal coat and Tack Coat on Ziyarat Shareef Nawa Road.	11.73/=	600/=	23460/=	15 Days	MH:3054- M&R	AAY with HMPO/ BEE,CEE & DEE Class Only
2.	Renewal Coat by way of providing and laying of 100 mm wet Mix Macadam, 50 mm thick bituminous Macadam and 25 mm thick Semidense with Seal coat and Tack Coat including development of Berm of Baba Pora Berigam Road	22.12/=	800/=	44240/=	20 Days	MH:3054- M&R	AAY with HMP0/ BEE Class & CEE Class Only
3.	Construction of R/wall at spots for construction Naibasti Badragund to Mohalla Check & Interior link at Hergam by way of construction of PCC R/Wall a t spots, P/I RCC Spun Pipes at spots, P/L WMM, Tack Coat, 50mmm thick BM, 25mm thick SDBM with 6mm seal coat.	59.97/=	1100/=	119940/=	25 Days	State Sector	AAY with HMPO, AAY Class Only

Position of AAA: Submitted Position of Funds : Demanded

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The NIT Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms- and condi-

Instagram Announces New Features, Expands **Reels To 90 Seconds** IANS

help engage with their audience, the photo-sharing platform Instagram has announced that it is rolling out new features, including 90 seconds Reels.

The Meta-owned platform said that it is now extending the length of press their most authentic pen in their next video so ves on Reels

how your voice sounds in the recording because Tith an aim to others might use it in creators their reels, too!" it added. more





Reels up to 90 seconds, creators poll their audiwhich will help users ex- ence on what should hap-

that they can help shape

The Meta-owned plat-

"You will have more the storyline themselves. time to share more about yourself, film extra be- form said that it has company said in a blogpost.

Instagram also said that users can now import unique clips. their own audio directly within Instagram Reels.

feature to add commencompany said.

hind-the-scenes clips, dig recently launched Temdeeper into the nuances plates, which allows usof your content, or what- ers to easily create a reel ever else you want to do using another one as a with that extra time," the template. It pre-loads the audio and clip placeholders, so all users have to

do is add and trim their

"We will continue to invest in building new "Use the import audio ways for you to connect with your audience and tary or background noise entertain on Reels. We

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from any video that is at can't wait to see what vou least five seconds long come up with and the creon your camera roll," the ative ways you use these new tools!" the company "Make sure that you like said.

Subject: Grant of Registration of the Proposed Travel unit under the name & style "M/s TAYARAN TOUR AND TRAVELS" situated at Shalimar Srinagar Kashmir.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, I Mr/Ms. Mirza Mehdi Mohammed Beigh S/o Mr Mirza Fayaz Ahmad Beigh R/o Shalimar Srinagar Cell No. 7006599421 Kashmir intends to apply in the Directorate of Tourism for Registration of my proposed Tarvel Unit under the name and style " M/s Tayaran Tour and Travels situated at Shalimar Srinagar Kashmir under the Tourist Trade Act 1978/82/2011-12.

Whereas, I will submit State Subject /Domicile Certificate, Qualification Certificate, Pan Card, Experience Certificate (Minimum 05 Years), Character Certificate (Police Department). Bank Statement (Minimum Balance 10000), Site Plan, Affidavit, Rent Deed duly attested by Sub-Registrar,

Printing Material (Letter Head/Visiting Card), Photography of the Unit (Indoor and Outdoor) and Two Passport size photographs to the Department of Tourism as per prescribed checklist prior to Registration of my unit as an Excursion Agency.

Now as per J&K Registration of Tourist Trade Act 1978/82/2011/12, before my case is processed for registration by the Competent Authority, the matter is hereby notified for information of general Public/Financial Institutions/Bank/ Organization, etc for objection, if any and the same should reach to the Deputy Director Tourism Registration (e-mail Id:- ddtreg123@ gmail.com) within a period of 7 days from the publication of this notice in leading local newspaper/newspapers of the valley. No objection beyond a period of 7 days shall be entertained. MKS



public that if they have any objection/representation in connection with the intended re-registration of the vehicle. The objection if any should be submitted In the office of the undersigned within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice; No representation /objection shall be entertained beyond prescribed time period and in case not received with time frame It shall be deemed that there is no objection whatever against such re-registration of the vehicle and the re-registration of the vehicle shall be processed as per section 47 of Motor Vehicle Act, 1988. No: - MVD/RTOK/2022/983-84

Regional Transport Officer. Kashmir Srinagai

از نیابت رنبیر بوره با اجلاس واسک منظور صاحب در خواست منجانب۔ سهیل احمد خان پٹھان ولد بشیر احمد خان پٹھان ساکنہ رنبیر پور پخت سیل مٹن بغرض حصول:_RBA سرتفكيك اشتہار بمرادآگا ہی ہرخاص وعام۔ معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں سائل نے ایک درخواست RBA سرفنگیٹ دفتر ہذا میں پیش کیا ہے جس کی فوار ر پورٹ جو کدز ریکاروائی ہے۔ پٹواری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی ۔جس سے عیاں ہے کہ سائل پچھلے پندرہ سالوں ہے د ہٰذامیں سکونت پز سر ہے ۔ سائل کے کنبہ کی تفصیل نڈیل ہیں ۔ نمبر ثنار بام دولدیت تم بیشه آمدانی 1 بشیراحه خان پتھان دلدتھ لیقتوب 52 سال حزد دری =/6000 2 نثیمہاختر زدجہ بشیراحمد خان پٹھان 48 سال گھریلوکام

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tions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below:

S. No.	Particulars		Dated				
1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice		03.06.2022				
2	2 Deviced of Decumber ding of hidden decuments		06.06.2022	(11:00 AM)			
2	Period of Downloading of bidder documents	То	14.06.2022	(04:00 PM)			
3	Bid submission Start Date	From	06.06.2022	(11:00AM)			
4	Bid Submission End Date	То	14.06.2022	(04:00 PM)			
Б	Data and time of anoning of hid (anline)		15.06.2022	(11:00AM)			
5	5 Date and time of opening of bid (online)		In the office of Executive Engineer PWD(R&B) Division QAZIGUND				

2. Bids must be accompanied with cost of tender document in shape of Treasury Challan / Receipt(Under MH- 0059 PWD) in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division QAZIGUND [Tender Inviting Authority] (Name of Work to be mentioned on the Treasury Challan / Receipt)(Refer Govt. order No. 0.M No. A/24 (2017)-651 Dt 07-06-2018 (The Date of Treasury Challan should be between the date of Start of Bid and Bid Submission End Date) and EMD (2% of advertised Cost) in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to Executive Engineer PWD(R&B) Division QAZIGUND (Tender receiving Authority).

All the Bidders have to submit Earnest Money/Bid Security (EMD@2% of Advertised Cost) in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG. Non 3. submission of Earnest Money/Bid Security shall render the bidder as No-responsive.

4. The 1st lowest responsive (Successful) 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 R&B Division Qazigund (Tender receiving authority) within 03 Days before fixation of Contract and shall be released after successful completion of Defect Liability Period(DLP) of the work. Failure to produce Performance Security shall render the L1 as non-responsive and case for debarring of the Contractor be forwarded to Higher Authorities for a period of 01 Year.

5. The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD@2% of Advertised Cost) in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG of the successful Bidder shall be released after receiving Performance security @3% of the allotted cost in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG and same shall be released after successful completion of Defect Liability Period (DLP) of the work.

6. The date and time of opening of Bid shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through 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 PWD(R&B) Division QAZIGUND.

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

- 8. / standard bidding document shall be followed.
- a. If card renewal is under process then submit affidavit from IST Class Magistrate showing card renewal is under process.
- b. A Civil Contractor who does not own HMP and who will be declared as L1 responsive by the bid opening authority, has to submit an Agreement deed with any registered Hotmix plant holder from whom the material/machinery for the subject work will be procured, must be registered and duly executed in the Hon'ble Court of Law (1st Class Magistrate,) specifying clearly that failure on the part of the HMPO shall be deemed failure on the part of the bidder, and vice versa, within five (05) days from the date of issuance of the declaration letter by the bid opening authority, failling which L1 bidder shall be taken for his/her/firm disinterest in the job/ work and the job/work shall be put to fresh tenders at the risk and cost of the bidder, Moreover, the bidder shall be debarred for participating tendering process for the period of one year in PW(R&B) Department and the CDR/FDR/BG shall be forfeited.

Scanned copy of GSTIN registration and most recent clearance certificate FORM GSTR-3B from the previous quarter or month, c. whichever is applicable, ending May-2022, OR January - March Quarter- 2022.

d. All bidders shall upload Verification Certificate from concerned Chief Engineer / Superintending Engineer of Enlistment Registration Card

- If verification is not done then it is mandatory to submit/upload affidavit from First Class Judicial Magistrate regarding the Genue. iness of the Contractor Card. The Bidders are subject to be disqualified if they have made misleading or false representation in the forms, statements, affidavits duly attested by Magistrate and attachments submitted in proof of the qualification requirement: and/or Record of poor performance such as abandoning the works, not properly completing the contract, inordinate delays in completion, litigation history, or financial failures etc.
- All other terms and conditions are as same as laid in PWD Form 25. 9.

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PEOPLE WALK NEXT to a wall full of umbrellas for sale at Lal Chowk on Saturday.

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Anti-Encroachment Drive

Admin. Retrieves State Land Worth Crores At City's Prime Locations

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: District Administration Srimissioner, Mohammad Aijaz Asad on Saturday undertook a massive anti-encroachment drive in all Tehsils of Srinagar.

City administration retrieved over 80 Kanals of State Kahcharie land at prime locations worth several crores.

anti-encroachment drive to retrieve the State land from the land grabbers.

Teams of Revenue and Police Officers

Speaking about the anti-encroachment drive undertaken to preserve Government land, the DC Srinagar said anti-encroachnagar on the directions of Deputy Com- ment drives will continue in other parts of the district to retrieve entire State and Kahcharai lands encroached by the land grabbers. He said involvement in land encroachment will be dealt with sternly as per the law.

He also sought cooperation of the general The drive is in Continuation with the public in its action against encroachments and also warned of action under CrPC in matters of encroachment on State lands.

The DC also asked encroachers over and Officials headed by respective Teh- State and Kacharie land to voluntarily sildars of Srinagar District conducted an relinquish the illegal possession else anti-encroachment drive in Tehsil Eidgah, action as warranted under law shall be Pantha Chowk, South Srinagar, Shalteng, taken against them, besides retrieval of Chanapora and North Tehsil of the District. all such land will be taken by district administration Aijaz Asad also asked officials to continue the anti-encroachment drives in jbagh area in Tehsil South of the District, their respective jurisdictions with added zeal and dedication so that all State land is retrieved. He also asked them to activate Similarly, in Tehsil North of the District their field staff for keeping proper check on each patch of Government land so that it is not encroached. Meanwhile, locals of these areas applauded the District Administration for removal of illegal possession on land and appealed for further action against all such encroachments.

Habba Kadal Residents Complain **Of Growing Dog Menace**

Agencies

SRINAGAR: At a time when the Srinagar Municipal Corporation has failed to initiate concrete action against dog

in fear because of stray dogs

lodged a complaint with take action in this regard.

numbers forming groups are scared to move on the seriously injured in dog at-



The locals further said the to howling and quarrelling", dogs have been attacking the stated Nazir Ahmad.

The residents said that people during morning hours they have lodged several and at night-time they are chasing the vehicles. Several complaints with the municipal authorities to drive vehicle riders fell from their out or catch the stray dogs but no one is bothered to "When people try to drive address the issue. They



This Day In History

- -Friezen murders bishop Boniface & over 50 754 companions
- 1257 Kraków, Poland, receives city rights.
- 1284 Charles of Salerno is captured by Roger of Lauria during a naval battle in the Gulf of Naples, part of the Sicilian Vespers uprising
- 1288 Battle of Woeringen: Reinald I vs Jan I
- 1305 Archbishop Bertrand the Got of Bordeaux elected Pope Clement V
- 1507 England and Netherlands sign trade agreement
- 1625 Spanish troops under Spinola conquer Breda
- 1716 England and Emperor Karel VI signs military treaty
- 1752 Prince William of Orange becomes Knight of Garter
- 1794 US Congress passes the Neutrality Act, banning Americans from serving in foreign armed forces
- 1798 The Battle of New Ross: The attempt to spread United Irish Rebellion into Munster is defeated.
- 1827 Turks capture the Acropolis and take Athens during Greek War of Independence
- 1832 Anti-monarchist forces launch an uprising in Paris, starting the unsuccessful June Rebellion
- 1882 Storm & floods hits Bombay; about 100,000 die 1902 - Emperor Wilhelm II responds to growing demands from Polish and other Slavic peoples living within German territory by calling for more 'Germanization' of the slavs
- 1916 The Sherif Hussein proclaims a revolt of the Arabs in the province of Hejaz, an action that undermines the

menace in the city, residents of Habba Kadal locality have complained of growing dog terror in their locality. Locals say they are living

roaming in their locality. Residents say they had

the concerned officials, yet the administration failed to "With dogs in large

and frequently roaming bikes due to chasing dogs and on the roads, the residents received serious injuries. streets. Several people were out, they are attacked and urged the civic authorities

Giving details about the encroached land retrieved, it was informed that 14 kanals of land was retrieved in K P Bagh, Ra-20 Kanals in Pantha Chowk Tehsil. 5 kanals in Nowgam area in Chanpora Tehsil.

over 17 kanals of land was retrieved in Gupt Ganga area under Harwan Nayabat.

While in Eidgah Tehsil of the District, more than 22 kanals of State were retrieved including 12 kanals at prime locations of Dr Ali Jan Road and 10 kanals at Estate Sangam area.

AS College Organizes Lecture On "Changing Nature of District Administration"

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Department of Public Administration, Amar Singh College, Cluster University Srinagar organized a special lecture on the theme "Changing Nature of District Administration: Opportunities and Challenges" by Faz Lul Haseeb (IAS-2018), Additional Deputy Commissioner Srinagar.

The function was attended by Principal Amar Singh College, Professor Bashir Ahmad Rather; Head of Department Political Science, Prof Arifat Jan: Head of Department Urdu, Kousar Muzammil; Head of Department Media Studies, Prof. Pervaiz Lone; faculty members and students of Department of Public Administration and Department of Political Science.

In his inaugural speech, Prof. Bashir Ahmad Rather highlighted the changing nature of administration, especially in the context of technological developments. He stressed that citizen-administration collaboration is the future of governance.

Faz Lul Haseeb in his special lecture presented the historical account of the office of District Administration and reflected on the changes and reforms in this institution over the years. He stressed that the Deputy Commissioner has to combine the role of a specialist as well as a generalist.

management, governance to a large exof district administration. He further Department of Political science. (KNS)



stated that this institution while maintaining transparency, accountability, and accessibility has to also exhibit behavioral perspective through exploring innovation, technological advancement, ethics, creativity, and altruism. He stressed that citizen-administration partnership at all levels including through social media has opened a new dimension of district administration.

He concluded by saying that development administration at the district level involves both policy implementation and monitoring and balancing of responsibilities between bureaucracy and political executive.

Dr Zubair Nazeer, Head of the Department of Public administration reflected that administrative-academic convergence is a way forward in development administration and good governance. The Department of Media studies screened a short documentary film related to the He stressed that in public systems college filmed by the students. The special lecture ended with a formal vote of tent is dependent upon the functioning thanks by Prof. Tafazul Hussain from the

injured severely. During to catch the stray dogs and tacks during the past few night hours, people are un- save the residents from fallmonths" locals said. able to sleep peacefully due ing prey to them. (CNS)

Toilets At Hazratbal Market In Deplorable Condition, People Aghast

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Shoppers and due to poor maintenance of locals from Hazratbal market these toilets. have voiced their concern over the poor condition of public toilets in the market. Shoppers and residents have failed to implement the say it is a cause of worry as scheme in letter and spirit." vendors, drivers and tourists visit the markets.

"As a majority of toilets are smell emanates from the in a deplorable condition, the ill-maintained public toilets, common mass fears of catching diseases", locals said. Locals say the Swach authorities.

Bharat Abhiyan launched by the SMC to ensure sanitation condition of toilets which is at the earliest. (CNS)

has failed to yield any result becoming the cause of mulas open urination continues tiple diseases and source of infections," a group of aggrieved drivers said. 'This is the mockery of A group of students from

Kashmir University also the Swach Bharat Abhiyan," they said. "SMC Authorities voiced resentment saying "these are toilets for public inconveniences not conve-They have to face inconveniences"

"My parents have strictly nience as an unbearable foul warned me not to use these toilets even in an emergenwhich speak volumes about cv." one of the students said. Meanwhile, they urged the negligence on the part of the concerned authorities that "SMC must look at the the toilets should be cleaned

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Turkish Empire

- 1917 10 million US men begin registering for draft in WW
- 1940 Battle of France begins in WW II
- 1942 USA declares war on Bulgaria, Hungary & Romania
- 1945 USA, UK, USSR, France declare supreme authority over Germany
- 1959 The first independent government of the State of Singapore is sworn in with Lee Kuan Yew as Prime Minister
- 1963 State of siege proclaimed in Iran, Ayatollah Khomeini arrested
- 1967 - Six-day war begins between Israel and the neighboring Arab states of Egypt, Jordan and Syria
- 1975 Egyptian president Anwar Sadat reopens Suez Canal (closed since 1967)

From KO Archives

'No Proposal To Form Kashmir **Committee'**

SIMLA: There is no proposal to set up a Kashmir Committee in Parliament, Lok Sabha Speaker Somnath Chaterjee said here today.

"At the moment, there is no proposal to form a Kashmir Committee," he said replying to questions after inaugurating a two-day conference 'Towards South Asian Unity' organised by the South Asian Free Media Association.

Chatterjee was asked by a Pakistani journalist if a Kashmir Committee could he formed in the Indian Parliament on the lines of such a panel set up in Pakistan in the wake of the Baroness Emma Nicholson's report on Kashmir in the European Parliament.

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"I don't understand how COVID is still spiking after we've tried everything from pretending it's over to pretending it never happened"

@ZackBornstein

"Turkey signals firm neutrality in Ukraine. This is direct challenge to US; underscores Turkey's profound scepticism of Western narrative of war (& its future trajectory.) Erdogan spoke with Putin Monday; Lavrov is heading for Ankara next week" @BhadraPunchline

ADVENTURES IN ARCHIVES

Jobs in Tradition

In promising the moon on the issue of unemployment, political parties making a serious bid for power conveniently forget to spell out specific measures to be undertaken to generate jobs. This reluctance to commit themselves to anything concrete is understandable as the curse of unemployment has been riding the state's shoulders for decades and successive governments have failed to make any dent except swell the ranks of government servants often by processes shot through with irregularities and questionable means. So, vague, but oft repeated, platitudes about unemployment being "at the top of the agenda" have become the staple for the public to consume.

Even as the numbers of the unemployed multiply, educational institutions continue to churn out more aspirants, most of them armed with qualifications of the highest order, on paper at least. And the bright sparks living a princely life on the tax-payers money precisely to devise ways out of the rut can do nothing except bank on the obscenely bloated public services to take on yet more additions. There appears to have been very little serious thinking on the part of the successive governments to address an issue dating back decades and bound to take crisis proportions with the passage of time. Policymakers have totally failed to wean people away from the societal mindset of regarding a government job as the only worthwhile means of gainful employment. The result is that even rural communities traditionally involved in agriculture give up the occupation and hanker after sarkari naukris no matter how petty. In a state where agriculture is the basis of the economy, youth are giving it up in droves as they think it below their educated selves to be engaged in peasantry. The other field which a warped notion of being educated has tainted with stigma is the erstwhile lucrative calling of Kashmiri handicrafts. An engineered decline, or rather a willful decimation, of a widely practiced mode of earning a livelihood has not only robbed the state economy of what could have been a strong pillar, but also robbed people of a source of employment. The entire system of education appears to be geared to glorify becoming doctors and engineers - or become pen-pushing babus if the worst comes to the worst – but commits a patent injustice by undermining the role and importance of agriculture and handicrafts. Education in Kashmir, where societies have sustained themselves on agriculture and crafts, should have been modeled to motivate youth towards these fields as well besides the more "accepted" pursuits. And in turn, agriculture and handicrafts should have been restored to a status of pre-eminence through education, awareness and financial promotion of these sectors.

Kashmir's Quack Faith Healers

Amir Suhail Wani

That happened recently at Shopian is nothing more than a curtain raiser from the panoramic phenomenon of faith healing. A woman was beaten to death by a faith healer on the pretext of getting rid of "demonic" possession. Such an incident would have invited huge condemnation going beyond the outcome - death. These incidents are deplorable and tantamount to crimes by virtue of running the risk of going to the other side. They cease to remain spiritual exercises and enter the sketchy stages of blackmail, money laundering and even physical assault. More so, in the case of women, at the mercy of a faith healer, the matter slides towards sexual crimes as well. The legitimacy that public ignorance, and at times blind faith, lends to these faith healers escalates the problem in its proportions and grants it not only sheepish legitimacy but obnoxious sanctity.

What drives people to faith healing? How do normal human beings allow themselves to be tricked into the dark side of faith healing?

The lives of people, festering with problems as they are, seek solutions in whatever form and guise it comes to them. This helplessness and despondency of people has been tacitly used by faith healers in recent times not only to amass wealth but to also subject the distressed people to all sorts of exploitative tactics. An entire industry has sprung up under the aegis of faith healing and the monstrous consequences thereof are bone chilling and alarming. The frequency with which the episodes pertaining to faith healing have started recur-ring calls for immediate waking up and public sensitisation. In absence of public vigilance and awareness, the phenomenon is only supposed to gain in gore and gravity.

This is not to discredit the practices of faith healing. Neither is this a herangue against faith healing with some positioning that prioritises



tional study", Deepak Sharma et al

conclude,"The study concludes with a

new message that there can be good

integration of faith healing practices

and medical practitioners at the lo-

cal level which can be done through

social dialogue and this will very

fruitful in terms of early referral and

initiation of right treatment". Within

the legitimate perimeters and at the

hands of genuine and pious spiritual

healers (which do exist in good num-

bers), the alleviation and even com-

plete elimination of psychological

and physiological disorders has been

witnessed. It is this positive effect of

spiritual and faith healing which has

opened the floodgates of nefarious and pernicious elements and diabolic

people have started minting money

by trapping innocent people. It is

with this class of self proclaimed and

fraudulent healers that people should

Such healers come with some clear

signs which are quite explicit and vis-

ible to decode. It usually starts with

asking for small favours, usually in

monetary form and once the client

yields to this initial tactic, the suc-

cessive demands increase and evolve,

either quantitatively or qualitatively

or both and the sphere of favours

extends from petty fees to sexual fa-

be careful.

vours.

Unequal burden

others have shown these practices to be useful in disorders of physiological order too. Historically, and even in recently evolved fields of parapsychology, the phenomenon of demonic possessions, possession by supernatural powers and the phenomenon of Djinns is well recognised. Even a scholar of the calibre and rigor of Ibn Al Jawzi went on to write an entire treatise on the subject, thereby acknowledging the reality of phenomenons pertaining to the soul.

There are issues and disorders, which escape the ken of generic psychology and call for spiritual intervention and we have evidence, ample in number, that spiritual intervention by genuine faith healers does bring a positive change. But the categorical mistake that we make is that we often confuse normal psychiatric and psychic disorders with supra-psychological phenomena and rush for the intervention of faith healers, who instead of solving the issue add further knots to the problem - multiplying, complicating and convoluting the problem. Another grievous mistake which people inadvertently commit is that they often land into wrong hands, at the wrong place with the wrong people.

This derailing towards the dark side isn't reserved for the gullible or just

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some "scientific" rationality.

The practice of faith healing is an age old practice and the passage of time hasn't dulled or diminished its utility. Even today, with medical sciences at their apogee, the practices of faith healing are well recognised in fields of psychology. Studies carried out by researchers like Rupert Sheldrake, Ken Wilber, Amit Goswami and the "weak" minded. Spirituality is by default the stream of experience where the road is quite slippery and it is easy to lead people to the precipice. The gullibility of people adds to the susceptibility which renders them vulnerable to "spiritual exploitation". In their paper titled "Role of Faith healers: A barrier or a support system to medical care- a cross secAn indication, if not the only indication, of truly illumined persons having spiritual aura is that they are least bothered about the offerings, the favours or the goods that devohand holdings, not to think of asking for favours of skin and flesh. Existing acquaintance with the spiritual healer, either by way of the society we live in or by scrutinising his individual behaviour is yet another way of separating swami from a swindler. Ironically though, we have seen husbands lending their wives, parents lending their daughters to appease the sexual appetite of these human faced beasts in some cases and that cautions us that knowhow of and information about the spiritual healer is not enough, as people are too ready to get exploited at the hands of their blind faith. At the root of this entire matrix lies the menace of ignorance, blind faith, prospect for good fortune or the threat of looming wrath. These



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veils can only be removed by educating people, taking them beyond their superstitious ebb and illumining their hearts with the light of true faith. Our orators, public speakers and people who hold religious and spiritual influence share a huge responsibility to speak for their pulpits and pedestals about these issues, sensitise masses and raise their level of awareness. Many people are already pursuing this line and their education has brought a tremendous change in the lives and ideas of people, saved them from being exploited and introduced them to the proper spirit of spirituality, faith healing and presented before them a refined version of Godmen. People must decide and decide for themselves whether they desire to see more incidents of the order of the Shopian incident or they want to rise up and live under the aegis of light, faith and truer understanding of God and those who represent them. While one can write and talk about these things, the final call lies with people, which direction they want to steer in.

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True, advanced economies have graduated from being basically agricultural to service-oriented entities through the route of industrialization, but agriculture has lost none of its importance, though it is being powered by mechanized farming and highly technological processes, making the sector much less labour intensive.

But such a model cannot be imitated in toto in economies where labour is in surplus. The West is gifted with a low population, but unemployment stalks the western economies as well. Nations and states with burgeoning populations have to evolve development models of their own. The approach, again, has to be holistic rather than segmental – for example, any long-term policy on employment should include population control targets as an essential factor.

The bigwigs of the state government would do well to study the economic parameters of agricultural states like Punjab and Haryana to see where these granaries figure on the employment front and what sector generates jobs the most, and how. Again, this is not to advocate a cut-and-paste job but merely to underscore the major role agriculture can play in employment generation. Rewarding avenues can also be created in industrial processing and packaging of agricultural produce and dairy products to tap the markets in the country's growing urban centers. For a fertile region like Kashmir, the potential in such exercises in immense, provided it is harnessed on scientific lines.

As these columns have pointed out on earlier occasions, Kashmir is climatically and temperamentally also suited for developing the Information Technology and electronic sectors. You don't need heavy inputs and elaborate transportation like, for example, in the iron and steel or automotive industries. Manpower with reasonable grounding in the subject is already available, and any upgrading that industry standards require can be made in coordinated programmes. There is no reason why the valley cannot replicate other IT centers provided the government has the will to pursue funds from the government as well as the private sectors.

But the rub comes when one contemplates the past performance of governments in whose stewardship Kashmir has lost exotic varieties of fruit and food-grains, which if developed, would have given valley agriculture a distinctive edge. ?

The article is an editorial from KO's Archives and was originally published don June 12, 2010 tees or people may bring along. They are seen anxious to help people, to rid them of their miseries and to alleviate their sufferings and they do not seek any fees or favours for these spiritual

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s more and more people become aware of climate change as an ex-Listential crisis, there is debate as to what constitutes a feasible solution that is also equitable. In this context, the term, 'climate justice', is being heard of more frequently and in louder tones. This cry for justice is being articulated by the poor, racial and religious minorities, queer people, women, the young generation, and a few committed activists and scientists. It is important that we become aware of the issues involved and what a fair solution entails. The conversation on justice in the context of climate change involves a deeper need to question the entire economic system.

It is well-known that the exponentially growing emissions of greenhouse gases, particularly carbon dioxide, causes more heat, leading to a rise in the average temperature of the earth's atmosphere. Scientific evidence suggests that the rate of emissions has been at a rate faster than what the earth's atmosphere can process and break up. Hence, there has been a net accumulation of greenhouse gases going on since around 1850. Scientific analysis indicates that as the stock of gases increase, the rate of rise in temperature might become higher and have catastrophic consequences on oceanic water levels, leading to an increased frequency of severe hurricanes and typhoons and spiking associated human costs and economic damage. The obvious strategy, if the planet is to avoid a crisis, is to ensure that the stock of gases gets reduced ultimately. Before that, however, at least the stock should reach a plateau by drastically reducing current emissions.

From the point of view of science, the solution is certainly feasible. The trouble begins when we ask ourselves how fast do we need to reduce? Who reduces and by how much? Who bears the costs of transitioning to a low carbon economy, and

who monitors when countries renege on commitments, or even refuse to make any commitment at all? This is where science has to perforce interact with economics, politics, sociology and history. The story behind the accumulation of greenhouse gases is that during the nineteenth and a major part of the twentieth century, the Global North (the rich countries of the world) rode the wave of industrialisation and development while emitting carbon dioxide relentlessly without probably knowing the full consequences of such actions. The Global South joined the race much later, even though at the current moment nations like China, India and Brazil are among the top polluters of the world. However, if one looks at how much each person in a country contributes, then the Global South appears much less guilty. The average Indian pollutes 2 tonnes of carbon dioxide per year, the average Chinese 7 tonnes, while the average German pollutes 10 tonnes; the figure for the United States of America is 17 tonnes.

This is where the first level of the disagreement starts. The Global North argues that all countries need to reduce their emissions if the world is to cut down fast enough to avoid any future catastrophe. After all, the atmosphere cannot discriminate against a molecule of carbon dioxide in terms of its geographical origins. It is pointed out that even though China and India are much poorer than the Global North, their pollution quantities are very high. Indeed, China is the highest carbon polluter; India comes in at number three. Should China and India be allowed to reduce their emissions at a slower rate while the richer countries cut emissions at a much faster rate bearing a larger share of the costs? This is in itself a thorny source

of disagreement with ethical justifications coming from both the positions adopted.

There are two possibilities at this point. If all nations agree on the North's proposal, which incidentally the majority of nations are converging on after CoP26 in Britain, then countries like India will have to bear a larger share of the world's transition costs to a low carbon, zero net-emissions economy. The richer countries had pledged 100 billion per year till 2020 as aid to help defray the costs faced by the poorer nations, but most of it has been coming in terms of loans. It was estimated that only 20 billion came as grants in 2020. The other outcome, which has been what the advocates of climate justice wish for, is that different countries take differential responsibilities for bearing the costs of reduction. The fair distribution of these burdens would be arrived at by looking at the historical contributions of these nations to the total stock currently floating in the atmosphere. One estimate puts the Global North's contribution at 92 per cent of the existing stock, while the poorer nations have contributed a mere 8 per cent. The richest one per cent of the global population pollutes more than double of what the bottom 50 per cent do. In such a situation, nations like Britain or the US would bear a far larger share of the burden than India or China because the historical contributions of the latter are minuscule compared to that of the former. Even if the nations of the world all agreed to this potentially conflict-laden algorithm, there would be another layer of important questions that would require attention. Not only are there rich and poor countries, there are also rich and poor people in every nation. If nations cut emissions with all citizens taking hits, it would become obvious that the rich would be

less affected and the poor would have to bear a large burden through loss of livelihoods, jobs and incomes. At the moment, nothing is being done at any speed which reflects the urgency that the crisis calls for. However, changes have occurred, consciousness is on the rise, and governments are finding it increasingly difficult to shy away from the problem. Everybody (including post-Donald Trump US) pays at least lip service to the need for reducing emissions.

What climate activists are advocating is the need to look at climate justice as being integrated to the need to reduce social and economic injustice. In every nation, the poorest of the poor and the disadvantaged are the racial, religious and ethnic minorities that would be hit the hardest if ocean levels rise as temperatures increase. In India, for instance, the coastal cities with large densities of poor populations will be badly affected. Drought and heatwaves are on the rise. The frequency of cyclones and storms have increased too. The impact is visible and perceptible. The estimated reduction in the productivity of food grains is an ominous signal. Water shortages are being felt in green belts like Punjab. The current decision to ban the export of wheat is a reflection of the perilous position of food security. The rich are hardly affected. To tweak an example cited by Milton Friedman many years ago, if the rich lose running hot water, there will immediately be servants running with steaming buckets! Without climate justice, the poor and disadvantaged are going to get squeezed either way. If catastrophes occur, they will be hit the hardest. If emissions are reduced aggressively and costs are borne uniformly, then, too, the poor will find it difficult and unfair.

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The Barbecue Magic!

Kristine Nolin

The mere thought of barbecue's smokey scents and intoxicating flavors is enough to get most mouths watering. Summer is here, and that means it is barbecue season for many people in the U.S.

I am a chemist who studies compounds found in nature, and I am also a lover of food - including barbecue. Cooking on a grill may seem simple, but there is a lot of chemistry that sets barbecue apart from other cooking methods and results in such a delicious experience.

COOKING WITH FIRE

First, it is important to define barbecue because the term can mean different things in different cultures or geographic locations. At its most basic, barbecue is the cooking of food over an open flame. What sets barbecue apart from other cooking methods is how heat reaches the food.

On a barbecue, the hot grill grates heat the food via direct contact through a process known as conduction. The food also warms and cooks by absorbing radiation directly from the flames below. The mix of heating methods allows you to sear the parts of the food touching the grill while simultaneously cooking the parts that aren't touching the griddle – like the sides and top – through radiating heat. The resulting range of temperatures creates a complex mixture of flavors and aromas. When cooking on a stovetop, there is much less radiation and most of the cooking is done where the food is in direct contact with the pan. When barbecuing, you can either put the

food directly above the flames - what is called direct heat - or farther away on indirect heat. The direct cooking method subjects the food to very high temperatures, as the grilling surface can be anywhere from 500 to 700 degrees Fahrenheit (260 to 371 Celsius). The indirect cooking method places the heat source to the side of the food or far below, exposing the food to temperatures around 200 to 300 F (93 to 149 C).

Cooking is the process of using high tem-peratures to drive chemical reactions that change food at a molecular level. When you cook meat at higher temperatures – like over direct heat on a barbecue – the first thing to happen is that water near the meat's surface boils off. Once the surface is dry, the heat causes the proteins and sugars on the outside of the meat to undergo a reaction called the Maillard Reaction. This reaction produces a complex mixture of molecules that make food taste more savory or "meaty" and adds depth to scents and flavors. The reaction and the flavors it produces are influenced by many variables, including temperature and



acidity as well as the ingredients within any sauces, rubs or marinades.

A similar process occurs with vegetables. Barbecuing allows the water to evaporate or drip down without getting trapped by a pan. This keeps the vegetables from becom-ing soggy and promotes caramelization reac-tions. These reactions turn carbohydrates and sugars into smaller compounds like maltol which has a toasty flavor – and furan – which tastes nutty, meaty and caramel-like.

CHAR AND CRISP

Another hallmark of barbecued food is the unique char it develops. When foods are exposed to heat for prolonged periods of time, non-carbon atoms in the food break down, leaving behind the crispy, black carbon. This is the process of burning or charring.

Almost no one likes a completely burnt piece of meat, but little splashes of crispy char flavor can add such depth to foods. Cooking over the direct heat of a barbecue allows you to add just the amount of char to match vour taste.

Unfortunately for those who like a little extra crisp, some of the chemicals in charred meat – molecules called heterocyclic amines and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons - are known carcinogens. Though the dangers are far lower than smoking cigarettes, for example, limiting the amount of charring on meats can help reduce the risk of developing cancer.

SMOKEY FLAVORS

The final quintessential barbecue flavor is smokiness. Cooking over wood or charcoal involves a lot of smoke. Even on a gas grill, melting fats will drip onto the heat source and produce smoke. As smoke swirls around the barbecue, the food will absorb its flavors.

Smoke is made up of gases, water vapor and small solid particles from the fuel. Burning wood breaks down molecules called lignans, and these turn into smaller organic molecules – including syringol and guaiacol - that are mainly responsible for the quintessential smokey flavor.

When smoke comes in contact with food, the components of the smoke can get absorbed. Food is particularly good at taking on smokey flavors because it contains both fats and water. Each binds to different types of molecules. In chemistry terms, fats are non-polar – meaning they have a weak electric charge – and easily grab other non-polar molecules. Water is polar - meaning it has areas of positive charge and an area of negative charge similar to a magnet - and is good at binding to other polar molecules. Some foods are better at absorbing smokey flavors than others, depending on their composition. One way to use chemistry to make food more smokey is to periodically spray it with water during the barbecuing process.

Smoke can contain hundreds of possible carcinogens depending on what you are burning. Only a small amount of research has been done on whether grilled foods absorb enough smoke to pose a significant risk to health. But researchers know that inhaling

smoke is strongly correlated with cancer. While the idea of barbecuing your favorite dish may evoke the feeling of simple pleasures, the science behind it is quite complex. The next time you enjoy the smoky goodness of food from a grill, you will hopefully appreciate the diverse nature of the compounds and reactions that helped produce it.

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What is the "Shop Local" Trend?

Empire Creative

ave you heard a recent conversation around Small Business Saturday and National Small Business Week? Both holidays have helped jumpstart a trend of shopping local, and are celebrated nationally in communities big and small. However... shouldn't we be supporting our community businesses year-round?

What is #shoplocal? Why is it trendy?

Shopping local is the act of everyday consumers, like you, making the decision to buy your produce, clothing and day to day items from a local business instead of going to a large retailer.

Shopping locally is the trendy new way to create a one-of-a-kind neighborhood.

The Shop Local/Shop Small trend has many benefits, such as building relationships within the community and helping support the local economy, all while building a more vibrant and unified society. Really, who doesn't feel a bit more warm and fuzzy knowing that they're supporting their neighbors?

When buying from business owners you trust, shopping experiences become more enjoyable because you know where the products are coming from and the people behind the products.

When you shop locally, many of the goods and services are locally sourced or crafted. This means that many of your pieces are one of a kind and carry a unique story. Handcrafted jewelry, artwork from local artisans, baked goods made with recipes that have been passed down from generation to generation...

Everything has a story to tell – you get to help tell it.

Visiting local shops and restaurants and choosing to spend locally gives you the opportunity to network and befriend your neighbors. Making connections with the people that surround you encourages word-of-mouth marketing and creates the unified community that we all dream of belonging to.

"Shop Local" Benefits the Economy Choosing to spend locally allows money to be cycled back into your

community, which means you are helping boost the local economy. This means opportunities for local businesses to give back in ways of sponsorships and community events. Investing in people in your area is an easy way for you to pay it forward to people in your community.

Shopping local also helps ensure your tax money (which is going to be spent anyway) is going back into your regional tax base. Local taxes are then used for parks, roads and community improvements which we all benefit from on a daily basis.

When you shop local, not only are you helping grow your area's economy, but you're helping grow the dreams of your neighbor.

YOU can be the difference in whether the bakery down the street survives or dies after 2 years. YOU can be the regular customer that makes the difference so Mike, the local craftsman, is able to send his 3 girls to college. By spending your time and money in local stores, you have the ability to change people's lives.

What Does Shopping Local Really Mean?

Shopping local means enjoying, sharing about, and supporting small businesses in your area.

Shopping local means recommending and sharing your experiences. Sharing your recent treasures and finds on social media allows your friends and followers to see that you're proud to support local business, and they should be too! Using the hashtag #shoplocal connects you with other lovers of local businesses and helps grow the community surrounding this movement. Even just tagging the city that you live in allows your posts to reach a bigger audience and helps keep the trend alive.

The power of a personal referral is unparalleled to any other form of marketing.

Shopping local is not limited to

only purchasing goods and services from within your zip code. Many would define locality by region! Being in the League City, TX area, it's important to us that we spread our loyalty throughout Webster, Friendswood, Pearland and even Galveston! There are thousands of artisans and entrepreneurs in the Greater Houston area who rely tremendously on local business to keep their dreams alive.

Shopping local can extend online. Choosing to purchase goods through sites such as Etsy or boutique online stores instead of large corporate sites allows you to support the everyday artisan and keeps these businesses alive. You provide the means for those crafters to continue working hard and doing what they love. Simple changes in online shopping habits can change people's day-to-day lives in a positive way, and all you have to do is click a mouse.

Going out, shopping at local stores and eating at local restaurants is. however, the best way to build relationships and make your community aware of your support. Putting yourself in the environment to make new friends and get to know those in your community, you are networking and potentially creating new opportunities for yourself.

Shopping locally is the perfect way to get to know people and discover new places you love!

Visiting local shops and restaurants and choosing to spend locally gives you the opportunity to network and befriend your neighbors. Making connections with the people that surround you encourages word of mouth marketing and creates the unified community that we all dream of belonging to. Making a point to shop local and show your support at least once a week throughout the year will change your community. So instead of waiting until Small Business Saturday to stop by a local retailer, go today to check out and uncover your new favorite places in town!

🞯 T KODAK **MOMENTS**



Kids playing in snow at Lolab Valley, Kupawar, Jammu and Kashmir.

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NEWS

J&K Bank Conducts Customer Meet in Pahalgam

Our Progress Mainly Linked To The Growth Of Businesses In J&K: MD & CEO

Observer News Service

Srinagar: With customer convenience as the cornerstone of our approach to business, J&K Bank remain fully committed to enhance the value of all stakeholders for, we believe, we are just the custodians of this institution that actually belongs to the people. And we see our progress mainly linked to the growth of businesses in J&K and excellence of our services.

J&K Bank MD & CEO Baldev Prakash stated this on Saturday while chairing the meeting to get first-hand stock of issues faced by the customers at Pahalgam. Bank's General Managers Syed Rais Maqbool and Sved Shafat Hussain Rufai, Zonal Head Anantnag Shabir Ahmad, Branch Head Mudasir Beigh and senior officials of the bank were present at the meet. Prominent customers from business community and civil society included President Hotelier Association Dildar Ahmad Khan, owner Hotel Pine-N-Peak

New Delhi: Muslim body Jamiat

Ulama-i-Hind has filed a plea in

the Supreme Court seeking in-

tervention in a pending petition

challenging the constitutional validity of the Places of Worship

(Special Provisions) Act, 1991.

The plea said that petitioner

advocate Ashwini Upadhyay has

raised grounds which have already

been considered and decided by the

constitution bench of the top court.

Even if all the allegations of the petitioner are assumed to be



Mohd Asif Burza and Chairman Municipal Committee Pahalgam Owais Ahmad.

true, it is nothing but seeking a

correction of historical wrongs,

held that the law cannot be used

as a device to reach back in time

and provide a legal remedy to ev-

ery person who disagrees with the

course which history has taken and that the courts of today cannot

take cognizance of historical rights

and wrongs unless it is shown that

their legal consequences are en-

cally held that this court cannot

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"This court has categorically

the Muslim body said.

ships with each other. As our While putting forth their success hinges on each other's issues and demands, the cusprogress, it is our primary duty tomers appreciated Bank's workforce for extending good as an institution to meet all your genuine expectations." Earlier, stating that every ecocustomer services.

Reiterating Bank's commitnomic success story in this part ment to ensure inclusiveness of world has Bank's hand in it, the in its approach towards the participants exhorted upon the society, MD & CEO told the participants, "We are here to Bank management to upgrade its infrastructure in terms of premget a firsthand account of your ises and more touch points. compassionate problems and issues. We are "Bank's

Jamiat Ulama-i-Hind Moves SC Seeking Intervention In Plea Against Places Of Worship Act

partners and like a family we

have forged strong relation-

entertain claims that from ac-

tions of the Mughal rulers against

Hindu Places of Worship in a

court of law today," the plea said.

is no conflict between the Waqf

Act and the Places of the Worship

(Special Provisions) Act, 1991 as

alleged by Upadhyay as Section 7

of the 1991 Act gives it an overrid-

ing effect over other enactments.

Places of Worship (Special

Provisions) Act, 1991 being a spe-

cial vehicle act to preserve the

secular fabric of the country will

"Further, in any event, the

The organisation said there

nature in dealing with its clientele stands out and that is what makes it premier bank in J&K. Pahalgam is a famous tourist destination and requires more attention from J&K Bank in terms of infrastructure, touch points and CSR intervention in education sector," the participants demanded.

In response, MD Baldev Prakash said, "The branch premises will be given a suitable face-lift till we set up an entirely new premises here. We will also explore possibilities of having more touch points like recyclers in the area," he said. With Pahalgam being famed tourist destination besides enroute Shri Amarnath Ji Cave, he said, the Bank is determined to provide state-of-the-art banking facilities to the customers, tourists and pilgrims visiting the place.

The customers thanked the Bank for arranging the customer meet with MD & CEO himself in chair and hoped more such interactions will take place to strengthen the relations further.

in any event take precedence

"There is a list of numerous

mosques which is doing the rounds

on social media, alleging that the

mosques were built allegedly by

destroying Hindu places of worship.

present petition is entertained,

it will open floodgates of litiga-

tion against countless mosques

in the country and the religious

divide from which the country

is recovering in the aftermath of

the Ayodhya dispute will only be

widened," the plea said.

"Needless to say that if the

over a general enactment.

6 In 1 Vaccination – A Big Boon For Babies And Parents: Says Dr. Mohammad Ashraf

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Immunization Coverage In Jammu & Kashmir Must Increase From 86.2% To 90%; More Focus Is Needed In Urban Areas

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Children are exposed to an innumerable number of germs, some of which can cause serious diseases. A child's immune system is still developing, and it cannot fight against all deadly diseases. According to the World Health Organization, immunization is one of the most successful public health interventions to prevent deaths from infections such as diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), and tetanus in all age groups. The 6 in 1 combination vaccination helps protect children from 6 serious illnesses: diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, haemophilus influenza type B, hepatitis B, and polio.

Polio can lead to paralysis and disability. Hepatitis B is a viral infection that affects the liver and can lead to short-term or long-term complications. Diphtheria is a serious throat infection. Tetanus can lead to muscle spasms and difficulty breathing. Pertussis is a respiratory disease that can be serious in young infants, and Hib disease also includes serious illnesses such as pneumonia or brain fever. The use of 6 in 1 vaccination could result in fewer injection pricks meaning less pain along with timely protec-tion for the child, and less discomfort for the parents too. It could also mean fewer visits to the doctor and less time off from work or family activity. Speaking about this, Dr. Mohammad Ashraf, Consultant

pediatrics nephrology, GB Panth Hospital Srinagar, said, Combination vaccination offers multiple advantages and is a boon for parents. It reduces the need to visit the doctor's clinic multiple times for completing



in significant improvement as shown by the National Family Health Survey - NFHS-5. The percentage of children aged tion today, it is still the pediatri-12 to 23 months who are fully cian's responsibility to inform vaccinated* has increased from 62% (NFHS-4; 2015-16) to 76.4% parents about the various vacci-(NFHS-5; 2019-21) in India and nation options available for their from 75% to 86.2% in Jammu & According to the immuni-Kashmir. A recent study has also zation schedule of the Indian demonstrated that there has Academy of Pediatrics, children been a marked improvement in would need to take the DTP-IPVimmunization coverage in rural Hib-HepB vaccines at the age of areas, but limited improvement 6, 10 and 14 weeks. 6-in-1 vacin urban areas. cination provides protection for

More needs to be done to make parents aware of the benefits of immunization and the availability of vaccines, to increase full immunization coverage to 90% and beyond. With combination vaccination, children receive fewer shots which could also help provide same level of protection as they would have with separate vaccination.

CONTD. FROM FRONT PAGE

Militant Killed

Agenceis

Friday, Army and police launched a cordon and search operation (CASO) in Reshipora village of Verinag on the basis of specific information regarding presence of a militant in the village, a defence spokesperson said Saturday.

Three hours after the operation was launched, he said, the hiding militant indiscriminately fired at the search team and tried to escape by "targeting civilians" to divert the

of encounter. He said all the recovered materials have been taken into case records for further investigation.

"In this regard, a case under relevant sections of law has been registered and investigation has been initiated. People are requested to cooperate with Police till the area at encounter site is completely sanitized and cleared of all the explosive materials, if any." He added.

"Moreover, this act also amount to supporting terrorist act, besides such videos have tendency to make more people vulnerable to such attacks," he added.

Accordingly, the spokesperson said that Bhat involved in "spreading hate and venom" on the social media site has been detained and lodged in Kot Balwal Jail, Jammu.

"Police once again advises the social media sers not to get involved in such filthy acts and avoid falling prey to such anti-social and anti-national agenda. Community members are requested to share any such information with Police so that legal action under law shall be taken against such anti-social/anti-national elements," he added.

with a detailed representation giving suggestions therein for stopping the mushrooming of news portals on social media.

child.

these 6 diseases. 6 in 1 vaccina-

tion would mean that children

take only 2 injections (i.e. 6 in 1

vaccination and pneumococcal

vaccination) and 1 oral vaccine

(rotavirus vaccination) on each

of these occasions. For more in-

formation, please consult your

In recent years, India has in-

tensified its efforts to increase

Paediatrician.

"In the event, the petitioner so submits the representation and the suggestions, the Government and the Principal Secretary, Information Department would be free to consider the same and take an appropriate action most expeditiously as may be permissible in law", directs the order of the court

package, have reached here along with their families and said an environment of apprehension is prevalent in the valley owing to the recent spate of targeted killings by militants.

The Pandits said they have heaved a sigh of relief on reaching their township at Jagti in the outskirts of Jammu after spending sleepless nights in their rented accommodations in the Kashmir over the past few weeks.

attention of the forces.

In the militant's firing, the spokesperson claimed that a civilian Mukhtar Ahmed Malik was grievously injured

"Sensing grave threat to the life of the injured civilian, two of our brave soldiers, Lance Naik Achal Patwari and Sepoy Amandeep Singh commenced his extraction from the operation site, despite being heavily fired upon by the terrorist," he said.

The spokesperson further said that the soldiers with complete disregard to their own safety, were successful in evacuating the civilian to a safe location. However, due to incessant fire from the militant, he said, both the soldiers received gunshot wounds.

"All three injured individuals were immediately airlifted to 92 Base Hospital by Army Helicopter. Timely evacuation and medical intervention led to the saving of all three precious lives," he said. Forces and

Around 1:00 am Saturday, the spokesperson said that the lone militant again fired at the forces and attempted to escape through a nearby nallah.

However, the alert troops, he said, effectively engaged the escaping militant and neutralised him.

The spokesperson said that one AK-rifle along with other warlike stores were recovered from the slain militant.

Meanwhile, a police spokesperson in a handout issued here Saturday evening identified the slain militant as Nisar Khanday, Hizb commander active since the year 2018.

As per police records, he said, Khanday was a categorized militant and was part of the groups involved in several cases including attacks on Police/SF and "civilian atrocities".

The spokesperson said that Khanday was detained under PSA after he was arrested with arms and ammunition in 2000.

Before joining militant ranks in 2018, he said, the killed commander was working as the militant associate of HM.

"He has been involved in several killings of civilians and security forces besides mastermind in fresh recruitment of youth in terror rank," he added.

According to the spokesperson, IGP Kashmir Vijay Kumar congratulated the joint teams for carrying out the operation in professional manner and neutralising the wanted militant commander.

"He also appreciated the valour and dedication of injured personnel and prayed for their speedy recovery," he said.

The spokesperson further said that incriminating materials, arms & ammunition including 01 AK-47 rifle was recovered from the site

'Militant, Two Aides

one person was killed and 14 were injured, officials said on Saturday. Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Mukesh Singh told reporters here that a number of suspects were questioned before the investigators zeroed in on and arrested Mohammad Ramzan Sohil. a resident of Halla Bohar Dhar in Ramban district.

The other two arrested accused were identified as Khurshed Ahmed of Motla Dessa in Doda and Nisar Ahmed Khan of Bhaderwah.

Sohil confessed to planting the IED on the directions of his handler Mohammad Amin, alias Khubaib, a resident of Kathawa Thathri in Doda who is currently based in Pakistan-controlled Kashmir (PcK), the police officer said.

The improvised explosive device (IED) blast took place on March 9 outside the court complex in Slathia Chowk where fruit and vegetable vendors put up their carts.

Sohil's father Mohammad Ishaq Sohil was a trained militant of the LeT and was neutralised in 2003, the ADGP said.

"Sohil was in contact with...Khubaib through social media. He was instructed to fix one sticky bomb IED at Slathia Chowk and keep another at a safe place for future use," he said, adding that the second IED has been recovered.

He received an amount of Rs 30,000 in his Jammu and Kashmir Bank account on March 23 for the blast he carried out in Udhampur as promised by Khubaib, the ADGP said.

Singh said the amount was deposited in Sohil's account by Khurshed Ahmed on the directions of Khubaib.

"Khurshed's brother-in-law, named Bilal Ahmed Butt, is a trained terrorist of the LeT," he said

The third arrested accused, Nisar Ahmed Khan, was a trained LeT militant and remained active in Doda district between 2001 and 2006, he said

On the directions of Khubaib, he picked up two IEDs -- in December 2021 and January 2022 -- from Belicharana in Jammu, the police officer said.

The investigation in the case was underway and more people are expected to be arrested, the ADGP said, adding 15 people have been identified for questioning in connection with various other militant incidents. (PTI)

Youth Slapped

justifying killing of artiste Ambreen Bhat on YouTube channel has not only caused alarm and fear amongst the class of people performing art, singing, dancing etc. but also the families associated with them," he said.

Pole Orders Prompt

based employees working in different government departments.

"Besides, he also reviewed the status of applications received by these employees to the place of their choice in secure areas," the spokesperson said

"All the officers informed the meeting regarding the progress achieved in addressing the service matters of PM Package employees including seniority and couple transfers," he added.

According to the spokesperson, Pole stressed on officers to contact every such employee and enquire about their interest of transfer.

"He said those who give consent to transfer should be posted at District headquarters or in Municipal Towns or within the radius of 3 kilometers of municipal town," he said.

Moreover, he said, the Div Com appreciated all District and Division officers for the prompt action regarding transfer of the employees to ensure their safety.

The meeting was attended by all Deputy Commissioners of Kashmir Division and the Directors, Managing Director, Mission Directors, Divisional HoDs of all civil departments, the spokesperson added.

BJP Seeks Action

social media platforms.

"Making the transfer list public on social media platforms is a big security breach as terrorists now have a clear idea who is posted where," BJP spokesman Altaf Thakur said in a statement.

He urged the government to take strong note of the leak and zero in on the people who made the list public at a time when targetted killings are taking place in the Valley.

The BJP spokesman said that officers involved in the act should be reprimanded and action be taken against them.

Thakur said while the government was taking serious steps for the protection of Kashmiri Pandits, some officials were playing spoilsport. HC Takes Note

mushrooming of news portals without due procedure of law.

The Division bench in its orders directed the petitioner to approach the concerned authority

The litigants in their PIL had brought into the notice of the court the unabated mushrooming growth of news agencies on social media, especially the news portals which are involved in circulating fake news.

In the plea, it was also alleged that in the Union Territory, several such news portals like Kashmir News, Kashmir Voice, Kashmir Breaking News, News Kashmir 24/7 etc are operating freely without any registration or license from any authority and these news portals are not under supervision and control of any authority whatsoever.

The bench was also apprised about the existence of multiple unregulated/ unregistered news agencies operating via Whatsapp, Facebook, YouTube and other electronic news agencies, actively engaged in the transmission of various types of news bulletins and reports.

"In absence of any permission having been granted by the competent authority for running a news portal it is sufficient to infer that there is no proper, legal and regulatory mechanism in place at present with the result a state of confusion prevails on the subject as to the genuineness of any news transmitted by such channels/ portals," the petitioners said.

The petitioners further contended that these Facebook and WhatsApp journalists have now moved a step ahead by blackmailing the Government as well as private officials, civil contractors etc on a daily basis.

The petioners on these facts and grounds had prayed from the court to pass directions to the government to scrutinize the credentials and antecedents of every person holding any direct or indirect position in any media house, media channel or social media group and identify the Government employees so that they are made to choose either their employment in the Govt or in the media house.

Protesting Dogra

highway by sit-in in the area in the heart of the city.

Raising slogans 'give us justice', 'Rajni Bala Amar Rahay', they refused to join their duties in Kashmir due to chain of target killings of Hindus.

Rashpal Singh, who was part of the protest, said that they will not return to Kashmir to resume their duties in the prevailing alarming situation following the targeted killings.

"We prefer to die here rather than go back," he said.

Meanwhile, few thousand families of Kashmiri Pandits, who have got jobs in the valley under Prime Minister's employment

Satish Chandra

Section 93 of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization Act, 2019, and S.O. 3937 (E) dated 31st October, 2019, read with Order issued in terms of sub-clause (i) of clause (c) of the Proclamation issued by the President dated 31t October, 2019, the Lieutenant Governor of Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir is pleased to appoint Mr. Satish Chandra, IAS (Rtd.), as Chairman, Public Service Commission for the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir," reads a government order

"He shall hold the position of the Chairman, Public Service Commission, till he attains the age of sixty two years. His appointment shall take effect from the date he assumes the office," the order adds.

Govt Shifts Six

has been transferred and posted as Director SKPA, Udhampur, relieving Dr. S.D. Singh, IPS (RR:95) of the additional charge of the post.

Vikramjit Singh, IPS (RR:2004), awaiting orders of adjustment, has been posted as IGF Traffic, J&K.Vivek Gupta, IPS (RR:2007), DIG Rajouri-Poonch Range, holding additional charge of DIG Jammu-Kathua-Samba Range, has transferred and posted as DIG Traffic Jammu, relieving Javid Ahmed Koul, IPS of the additional charge of the post. "He shall continue to hold the additional charge of the post of DIG Jammu-Kathua-Samba Range," the order reads.

Dr. Mohd. Haseeb Mughal, IPS, SSP PCR Jammu, has been transferred and posted as I/c DIG Rajouri-Poonch Range.

Javid Ahmed Koul, IPS, SO to ADGP Traffic. J&K, holding additional charge of DIG Traffic Kashmir and DIG Traffic, Jammu, has transferred and posted as Incharge DIG Traffic Kashmir, against an available vacancy. "He shall also hold the charge of the post of SO to IGP Traffic, J&K".

Shahid Mehraj Rather, IPS, Commandant IR 6th Bn, has been transferred and posted as incharge DIG Armed Kashmir against an available vacancy.

Jammu Adds Five

the overall tally to 454276–166495 in Jammu division and 287781 in Kashmir.

There was also no death due to the pathogen reported in the last 24 hours, they said. So far 4752 persons have succumbed to the virus-2328 in Jammu and 2424 in Kashmir.

Besides, they said, eight Covid-19 patients recovered during the last 24 hours-six from Jammu division and two from Kashmir Valley. So far 449466 people have recovered, leaving the active case tally at 58–53 in Jammu and 5 in Kashmir.

STATE

SIA Conducts Searches In Poonch

Agencies

SRINAGAR: State Investigation Agency (SIA) conducted searches and seizures at various locations in Poonch district of Jammu, police said.

of SIA Jammu visited Poonch in connection with the investigation of an "important case of Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act of Po-

"State Investigation Agency (SIA), a Specialized Agency has zure," it said, adding, "It is worth been constituted by the Govern- mentioning here that Director

ment of Union Territory, Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) for the in- of SIA Jammu has issued strict vestigation and prosecution of directions to speed up investi-(militancy)-related cases," SIA gations and all efforts be made said in a statement. A special team to Unearth (militant) networks."

lice Station IIC, Jammu." "The team visited various important locations on the border

and conducted search and sei-SIA after reviewing the working

Police Books 'Notorious Fraudster' Under PSA In Budgam

Observer News Service

under Public Safety Act (PSA) for against him across district Budhis unrelenting involvement in gam. manifold criminal/anti-social activities and deceiving/looting offences and activities had crethe gullible people on the pretext of providing them government jobs, contracts from government departments, against hefty amount and duping peo-

ple in fake land deals. Nadirgund, Peerbagh, as per a aware and not to fell prey to police spokesperson is a chronic such fraudsters and report any habitual cheater. He said that such suspicious or fraudulent the accused was detained under activity as early as possible.

PSA after obtaining sanctions from the concerned authorities WPolice on Saturday said that it for his involvement in 6 cases has booked a notorious fraudster of cheating already registered

He said that Bhat's repeated ated resentment among the public and turned into law & order situation, for which he had been booked and lodged in Kot Balwal Jail Jammu.

The spokesperson urged the Mohammad Shafi Bhat of community members to be

SASB Condoles Demise Of Santoor Legend Pandit Bhajan Sopori

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Gover- dit Bhajan Sopori was one of nor of J&K and Chairman, SASB, the most celebrated exponents Manoj Sinha, and Chief Execu- of Santoor in the country. His tive Officer, Shri Amarnathji masterly performances were Shrine Board, Nitishwar Kumar expressed their grief with heartfelt condolence on the sad demise of Pandit Bhajan Sopori, who was also a former member of Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board.

A Condolence meeting was held in the office of the Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board and a twominute silence was observed in the memory of the Santoor Legend. All the staff members more Pilgrim friendly, popuprayed for eternal peace to the departed soul and forbearance caused by his death would be to the bereaved family.

The Chairman, SASB in his condolence message said, "Panappreciated by the connoisseurs of music in India and abroad. I had many occasions to interact with Pandit Ji and found him deeply committed towards the well-being and development of UT of J&K.

He played an important role as a member of SASB in suggesting many innovative ideas for making the Yatra more and lar and hassle-free. The void hard to fill.'

Newborn's Wrong Death Declaration

Two Doctors, Nurse Attached On Panel's Recommendation

Observer News Service

JAMMU: The health department has attached two doctors, including the Block Medical Officer (BMO) Banihal after a panel constituted to probe the wrong declaration of a newborn as dead just after her birth at the Banihal Community Health Centre last month.

The committee formed by Director Health Services Jammu Dr. Saleem-ur-Rehman to conduct enquiry into the matter in which a new born baby was wrongly declared dead, has submitted its report, an official spokesperson said Saturday. "According to the recommenda-

tion of the enquiry committee and its findings, BMO Banihal Dr Rabia Parveen has been attached at DH Ramban," he said. Similarly, he said, Dr Robina

Akhter has been attached at CHC Gool and Junior Staff Nurse EH Banihal Samina Begurn has been attached with BMO Office Gool. "Moreover, Consultant Gynae-

cologist EH Banihal Dr Girdhari Lal Manhas and Medical Officer EH Banihal, Dr Sakib Khan (MD Paediatrics) have been issued warn- as sub-district hospital Banihal, by ing to remain careful and punctual the relatives of the girl against the lage, 3 kms from Banihal town.



hal Community Health Centre had wrongly declared their newborn The baby girl had survived miraculously after a local resident objected to her burial in his fields

The baby belonged to Basharat family to dig up the grave within an Ahmad Gujjar and Shameema Begum, who had a normal delivery The incident sparked protests inside the CHC Banihal. also known

Monday morning at the sub-district hospital. They hail from Bankoot vil-

Over 71% Neonatal Deaths In Born, 25 Percent Out-Born: Study

spokesperson added.

dead just after her birth.

hour of the burial.

'Weight Of Over 67 Percent Babies Who Die Remains Below 2.5 Kg'

SRINAGAR: A survey on causes and pattern of neonatal mortality in tertiary care neonatal unit of GMC Jammu has revealed that over 70 percent deaths at this stage were found inborn besides 25 percent out-born and rest in home-deliveries.

The survey was conducted by Department of Paediatrics, Government Medical College, Jammu, Jammu and Kashmir to find the pattern and causes of neonatal

"Neonatal mortality continues of age," reads the survey.

live births, respectively 70% of total

-30% of girls give birth before the age of 20 and account for 21% of all deliveries, the survey says. "It is estimated that the risks of neonatal mortality and low

birth weight (LBW) are increased by almost 50% if maternal age at childbirth is 20 years. It is also estimated that shifting age at childbirth to above 20 years would reduce overall NMR by 9.4%," it states. "Evidence shows that improving maternal education is the most effective and proven strategy to improve neonatal survival, as it improves preventive behaviours and increases the utilization of maternal and neonatal health-care services. Kerala's achievement of stabilizing population growth and low levels of infant and neonatal mortality is partly attributed to its

high female education levels." It is pertinent to mention here that it was a record-based observational study of all the neonatal five child mortality rates of 28.26 than 1.5kg weight Median weight deaths in the neonatal unit over (2020) and 34.27 (2020) per 1000 was 2kg with SD of 0.8kg. Fifty- a period of two months from November 1, 2019 to December 31

KIIT Ranked Among Top Indian Universities

sities.

this category.

Adjudged the 12th Best in General **Engineering Discipline**

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Steps fall short often when someone calculates the strides made by the Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) Deemed to be University, has topped the Indian universi-Bhubaneswar, and the rankings it has bagged in a plethora of disciplines down those years.

One more laurel comes its way as it has been ranked as the 23rd best Indian university in the overall category by the Times Higher Education in its Asia University Rankings for 2022, a giant leap forward of seven places over last year.

In The Legion of Tops In the General Engineering (Overall category), the University jumped three places to the 12th position, which is higher than some of the IITs and prestigious private universities in the ern India and Odisha to enter country. With an overall score of the prestigious THE Asia Uni-32+, KIIT has been ranked in the versity Rankings, which list the cohort of 201-250 in the Asian continent, and among a handful of Indian universities that have made it to the ranking list.

ment for the University, which sustaining its impressive posiwas established as an institute about 25 years back, and is of higher education institutions. considered a relatively young university in comparison to the established ones.

According to the 2022 ranking list, the University has emerged as the best in Odisha, edging management, and well-wishers past other government and pri- of both KIIT & KISS have provate-run universities that have foundly thanked and expressed found mentioned in the ranking gratitude to Dr. Samanta for the list. "KIIT has been performing latest achievement and for his at par with the prestigious in- vision to place the University stitutions in India like the IITs, among the best globally.

best among the Indian universities and one of the prime contributors to pushing up KIITs overall ranking. KIIT-DU is the only self-financing university from eastworld's best universities that are 50 years old or younger. KIIT is only 18 years old as a university and 25 years old as an institute. This is a significant achieve- It has also been achieving and tions in various global rankings

NITs, and other reputed univer-

KIIT, which has placed a con-

certed focus on the citation,

research, and international out-

look, has done exceedingly well

in these categories. In the Cita-

tion category, the university has

tute of Science Bangalore, which

ties, has scored 31.5 points in

In the International Outlook

category, KIIT has scored 22.1 points and in Research Category,

it has scored 15.3 points. Simi-larly, in the Teaching Category, it

In the Industry Income cat-

egory, the university has scored

66.2 points, which is one of the

has scored 31.5 points.

scored 45.6 points. Indian Insti-

Out-Smarting the Bigs

This is a big success for KIIT as we strive for academic excellence in all spheres, said KIIT and KISS Founder Dr. Achyuta Samanta. An elated Staff, students,

DGIS Organizes Mega Feet Washing Event To Mark Mother's Day Programme

Event Aimed To Boost Moral Education & Good Ethics Among Students: Chairman



mortality. to be a major contributor to infant mortality in developing countries. The daily risk of a mortality in neonatal period is 30 times higher than that from 1 month to 5 years

The survey states: "Current ered, respectively," it states. neonatal mortality rate (NMR) of India is 21.6 per 1000 live births.

natal period. Although NMR has childbirth in India is 19.9 years; Agencies declined from 29.6 per 1000 live births in 2010 to 25.8 per 1000 live births in 2015 with the introduction of the National Rural Health Mission in mid-2005 but the rate of decline is so slow that India missed the target to achieve the fourth Millennium Development: Goal

(MDG-4), which aimed to reduce IMR by two-thirds between 1990 and 2015." Infant mortality rate is the best indicator of maternal and child health services in general." "Median age at admission was

2h (range 0.17 to 624) and median hospital stay was 15 days (IQR 1 to 5 days) with range 0.2 to 47 days. A total of 101 deaths occurred over a period of 2 months. Seventy-one percent (71.29%) deaths were inborn, whereas 24.75% and 3.96% were out-born and home-deliv-

"Sixty-seven (67.32%) deaths were of less than 2.5kg weight (2020). Given the infant and under- among which 36.63% were less 57%) of deaths occurred 48 seven

towards their duties in future," the medical staff, prompting the block medical officer to suspend two employees posted at the labour room, On May 24, the Directorate of Health Services constituted a fourand order a probe. member panel after a family al-Director Health Services, Jammu, leged that the medical staff at Bani-Saleem-ur-Rehman took the in-

cident seriously and constituted a four-member committee and asked it to submit its report within two days. The baby was admitted in the government-run super specialty G B Pant children hospital in Srinagar, where she passed away. without his knowledge, forcing her

Maternal And Child Health Priority Sector Of Health Care: DHSK

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Director Health Services Kashmir, Dr Mushtaq Ahmad Rather on Saturday said maternal and child health is a priority sector for the directorate and the services have been developed in every district 24/7.

The director said for maternal and child health the health department continues its efforts and the services have been upgraded over the past few years in every district 24/7. For the paediatric health care services, he said neonatal intensive care units (NICU) and paediatric intensive care unit (PICU) have been created across hospitals in Kashmir.

improved services it has reduced starting of MCH services there.

infant mortality rate (IMR) and maternal mortality rate (MMR) to a large extent.

"We are almost doing wonderfully well across the country as the facilities have been improved over the past many years," he said. However, in order to further im-

prove the services, the directorate has also desired to start 24/7 services in maternity and child health care health in various sub-district hospitals so that the referral rates are reduced and maternal and infant mortalities are reduced.

The directorate has also desired to start 24/7 maternity and child care services five days a week (from Monday to Friday) at SDH Chadoora. While other places are Dr MA Rather said due to the being explored in every district for

infant deaths and more than 50% h after birth," the survey states. of under-five deaths fall in neo-

2019 in which details of each neo-The median maternal age at first natal death was analysed—(KNO)

JK Govt Should Restore Confidence **Of Minorities: Bukhari**

Press Trust Of India

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Apni Party president Altaf Bukhari on Saturday sought an end to the senseless targeted killing of innocent people in the government's efforts in restoring confidence among the minorities.

witnessed eight targeted killings and accommodation," he said.

since May 1. Three of the victims were off-duty policemen and five

Bukhari said the government should ensure safety and security of the people working in various gov-Kashmir and appealed to the people of ernment departments and avoid the valley to come forward and support posting of members of minority communities in far-flung areas.

"The protection of the life of the His remarks came days after a minorities is the responsibility of the 29-year-old bank manager from government. In these circumstances, Rajasthan and a labourer from Bihar the confidence of the people can were killed in Kulgam and Budgam be restored by providing them addistricts. Jammu and Kashmir has equate security at their workplace

were civilians

He also appealed to the people of Kashmir Valley to come forward and support the government for the restoration of confidence among the minorities. "We demand an end to the senseless targeted killing of innocent people in Kashmir which has spread fear among minorities," Bukhari said.

On Saturday, Advocate Dimple Kumar Mottan from R S Pura and Advocate Manmeet Singh from Jammu joined the Apni Party in the presence of Bukhari. He welcomed them into the party and hoped that their joining would strengthen the organisation

Observer News Service

Feet Washing Ceremony' in

which students of the school

washed the feet of their moth-

On the occasion, Chairman

of Dubai Grand International

their mothers.

ers on Stage.

guish between good and bad.

"We are emphasizing on mor-**SRINAGAR:** In a Unique and al education, which teaches a first of its kind initiative boostchild about the core disciplinary ing the students more towards rules of life, in addition to the the moral up gradation, Dubai approved syllabus for students." Grand International School We ensure that our students are (DGIS) on Saturday organized up to the moral principles and a mega event marking the celabsorb a learning for life what ebration of 'Mother's Day' at a mother means by this practice school premises, during which of washing mothers' feet," he students washed the feet of said.

On the occasion students of The mega event saw a record the school performed various participation of parents in the programmes and exhibited contemporary dance that expressed love for Mothers.

The event will also witness an open question answer session between parents and school management.

Pertinent to mention that the School Mohammad Haneef Bhat stated that the event aims to event was scheduled on 8 May promote moral education and but due to the sudden demise of excellent ethics among students the father of the chairman the in order to assist them distin- event was postponed.

Farmer Centric Reforms Empower Community Socially, Economically: Govt

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The farmer centric reforms launched by Jammu past two years have empowered and economically by increasing them AatmaNirbhar, an official spokesperson said Saturday.

among the top five states and UTs in terms of farm income with a monthly income of Rs 18,918 per farmer.

technologies and credit facility besides encouraging natural Cards (KCC), out of this, 9.46 lakh prosper," he added. farming to improve profitability and sustainability in agriculture and allied sectors," he added.

According to the spokesper-

agri-products, mechanization in to arrange another 50 per cent Agriculture and Horticulture sec- capital due to the high interest and Kashmir government in tor. In this regard, High Density rate. The inclusion of HDPS un-Plantation, diversification, better der Agriculture Infrastructure GI tagging, expansion of banktheir income manifold making ing facilities, micro-irrigation has achieved rich dividends for 7 years," he said. for farmers and have brought a

> and horticulture sector. He said that more than a million beneficiaries from J&K re- small enterprises schemes. Be-KCC are live/operative in the UT. "The J&K government is pro-

marketing and branding of local farmer used to find it difficult official said.

able the credit on interest subvention of 3 per cent per annum "The credit guarantee cover-

He said that J&K is now structural change in agriculture age made available under credit latest scientific knowhow. guarantee fund trust offers loan up to Rs. 2 crore for micro and

ceived direct financial support sides, promotion of 'Vocal for "The UT government is con- of Rs. 1983.29 crore during past Local' has opened up a plethora to increase employment and stantly striving to provide farm- three years under PM Kisan of opportunities for everyone connect rural youth with the ers with direct access to modern scheme. Besides, 12 lakh farm- associated with the Agriculture ers have been issued Kisan Credit & allied sectors to grow and

The government is bringing National and International playviding 50 per cent capital sup- ers on board for enhancing the port up to Rs. 22.15 lakh per knowledge expertise and pro-

Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, after inaugurating the five day long 'Kisan Mela' at SKUAST, Jammu, asked the Agthe farmer community socially quality seeds, capacity buildings, Fund Scheme has made avail- riculture Universities of J&K to work on mission mode to conmake them acquainted with the

> Bridging rural gap is among the top priorities of UT administration. In this regard, a strong framework is being developed agriculture and horticulture industry. The administration will

Youth involved in agricultural start-ups, LG asserted.

produce.

The officers of agriculture department are continuously focusing on strengthening economic relationship between farm and market to benefit the nect more farmers with organic farmers and rural population. farming and horticulture and The farmers are informed and motivated about the benefits of innovation and technologies for welfare of agrarian society. The steps taken by the government will integrate rural areas into

modern economic units and increased business opportunities in agro and rural industry can transform the rural economy.

Horticulture has now become extend all possible support to backbone of economy of Jammu culture is providing subsidies up will serve as demonstration and and Kashmir. From state-of-theart machinery to new plants, wa-

Notably, J&K government is ter supply resources for farming, handholding 500 enterprising training, expansion of the area son, the J&K Agriculture depart-hectare under high density viding global market linkages farmers with knowledge based of high density plantation, many ter produce, 18880 beneficiaries new fruit plantation.

ment has launched aggressive plantation scheme. A common to J&K's farming community, an intervention every year to har- innovative measures have been were provided tractors, tillers, ness the potential of organic taken in the past one year and MPS, Irrigation pumps and refor future deliverables aiming at

growth of the farming sector. Due to excellent synergy be- and international level. tween farmers and concerned

One Product' campaign.

ers under different components.

many more are in the pipeline lated agricultural tools in J&K. Similarly, about 3666 small and mega awareness pro-With special emphasis on grammes were organized in J&K promoting best practices in the to create awareness about varihorticulture sector, significant ous schemes for development improvement has been regis- of Horticulture. A first buyer-

tered in farm productivity and seller meet was organized sucproduction quality due to ex- cessfully at Srinagar to promote change of knowledge and ideas. marketing of fruits at national

Two Centres of Excellence departments, J&K has become with a total project cost of one of the top 5 performers in Rs.1708.85 lakh have been sancthe country in the 'One District tioned at Zawoora Srinagar and Udhaywala Jammu by GoI un-Central government through its der MIDH scheme in the Indo-64 schemes in the field of horti- Dutch work plan. These centres to 50 to 100 per cent to the farm-training institutes as well as source of planting material for With an aim to promote farm farmers. Besides, 12000 Kanal mechanization for easy and bet- of land has been brought under

SPORTS **5th National Tong-Il Moo Do Cup** 2022 Concludes



and Saba Bhat Chairperson

Guide The Professionals were

trophy, Maharashtra won sec-

ond while Delhi secured third

Many of the top Indian play-

ers were seen in action dur-

ing the championship which

had around 13 teams, in-

cluding Jammu and Kashmir,

Delhi, Maharashtra, Uttar

Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Assam,

Haryana, and Kerala. The na-

tional championship had 60

The closing ceremony gala

started with martial art stu-

dents showcasing self de-

fence techniques and body

flexibility to have the crowd

mesmerized. This was fol-

lowed by students from dif-

ferent schools performing

cultural items, which in no

time struck a chord with the

The performance was fol-

lowed by encouraging words by Shakti Kumar Pathak (IPS),

who said, "I'm really happy to

see such events being organ-

ised by the youth of Kashmir.

Youth are the torch bearer/

Madhya Pradesh,

weight categories.

Telangana,

spectators.

Chhattisgarh,

Bihar,

place in the tournament.

J&K lifted the first place

the Guest of Honours.

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Over 400 martial artists, including several international players, from 15 different states of the country participated in the three-day long fifth National Tong IL Moo Do Federation Cup, which con-cluded on Saturday at Indoor Stadium, Polo View.

The event was organised in association with JKAUMA under its 'Drugs Out, Sport In' initiative, which has witnessed an overwhelming response by youth in schools and colleges. JKAUMA has been organising seminars in different schools and colleges from last about one year across Kashmir Valley.

The national championship, which was supported by A S Gold, Green Globe, Pebble, Alfamiglia, Northcut Enterprises, 5Ghz India Pvt Ltd, Bhasin & Co and Guide the Professionals, concluded at a closing ceremony in which Shakti Kumar Pathak (IPS) Director Special Security Force, Raj Bhawan J&K was the Chief Guest.

DDC Vice Chairman Bilal Bhat, General Secretary Tong-IL Moo-Do Federation of India Mohd Arshid, Mir Nilofar

Preparations For Rowing National Championship Reviewed

- Water Sports Activities Commencing On June 22 At Dal Lake
- Div Com Assures Full Support To Federation For Successful Event

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Divisional (Div Commissioner Com) Kashmir, Pandurang K Pole on Saturday convened a meeting to review the preparation for organizing Water Sports ac-tivities and Rowing National Championship which shall commence from June 22 at Dal Lake. The Rowing National Championship is being organised first time in Kashmir and shall witness the participation

of about 550 athletes. The event shall be inaugurated by Lt. Governor, of J&K, Manoj Sinha on June 22, 2022. The meeting was informed that

the venue for the event has been fixed at SKICC, and all the equipments required for the event and players has been provided by Tourism and Sports council. Besides, the meeting was in-

formed that foolproof security to players while en-route and at avenue shall be provide by J&K police. It was also informed that all the facilities regarding lodging and boarding, refreshment has

been made. On the occasion, Div Com directed concerned officers to fix the race course and clean it from the weeds so the par-ticipants shall not face any hindrance during competition.

He also directed SMC and Tourism officers to give wide publicity through hoarding and electronic billboards. He also asked the organiz-

ing agency to project the requirement of funds so accordingly the demand shall be made available in time.

Meanwhile, Div Com directed





for holding Dal Cross event on June 16, for which he directed to ensure participation of about five hundred youth.

He emphasized on training local youth in rafting, Rowing and other sports activities as the resources are available here abundantly.

The meeting was attended by DCs of Srinagar, Bandipora and Ganderbal; Commissioner, SMC; VC, LCMA; Secretary Sports Council;

DIG, Police;

SSP Srinagar, SSP Traffic; CE I&FC; Director Water Sports; Present J&K Association Rowing & Sculling.

Earlier, Nodal officer of Water Sports Kashmir presented a detailed presentation on the infrastructure, Sports activities, players, events and upcoming programmes.

It was informed that 11th canoeing marathon race shall be held in Oct 2022, 10th National Canoe Slalom Championship in August 2022 at Sindh River, Sonmarg J&K.

DYSS Organises Cycle Rally In Bandipora & Pulwama

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) J&K organised a Bicycle Rally in twin districts of Kashmir on the occasion of World Bicycle Day, as a part of 'Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav.'

In Bandipora, the cycling rally started from Shogbaba and culminated at Mini secretariat.

The event was flagged off by Chief Education Officer (ČEO), Bandipora, and DYSSO Bandipora in which more than 150 participants from the district participated.

Muzamil Ahmad, who attended the event, said that it was a wonderful experience while participating along with participants from the district. He said that the spirit of the participants during the cycling event was high.

'Such events need to be organised again and again," he said. "The common people need a stress-free life and events like this are a step

Irfan Ahmad, a participant while praising the department said that they were cheered by the passers-by all along the

towards that."

route. Similarly, in Pulwama, a Bicycle rally was flagged off by District Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) Officer, Syed Noor Ul Haq from DC Office Complex in which more than 80 students of adjacent Zones Pulwama, Kakapora and Tahab Participated.

Speaking on the occasion, the District Officer emphasized the importance of cycling and urged students to make the cycling a daily rou-tine, which will not only help to improve one's physical and mental health, but will also protect one from indulging in a bad society.

The Officer hailed the participants and thanked the District Administration for providing fool-proof arrangements for the event which successfully culminated at Peaks Gango Črossings.

ICC Chair Warns Of Reduction In Volume Of Test Cricket In Future

Press Trust of India

LONDON: The ever-increas- Special during the ongoing first ing domestic T20 leagues are game of the three-match sesqueezing bilateral ties and Test ries between England and New cricket runs the risk of witness-ing a reduction in its volume in a decade's time, warns ICC chair nate consequences from a play-Greg Barclay.

starting next year.

India and to a lesser extent 'There is a men's and wom- Australia and England. So we en's event every year and the will see a squeeze.

growth of domestic leagues are "In 10-15 years time I still see forcing things from the bottom Test cricket being an integral and ... what is getting squeezed part (of the game), it may be is bilateral cricket and so we that there is less of it," he added.



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Famous Irani Chai of Bombay now in Srinagar

are trying to fit everything in." Barclay told BBC's Test Match

ing experience and a revenue Barclay, who was appointed point of view for some of those as ICC chair in November 2020, countries who won't get the said the world body will face a amount of cricket they might serious challenge in deciding hope to have and they won't get the next Future Tours Program exposure, particularly against

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PRESS STATEMENT

A historical event is going to take place in our sweet valley of mountains and heaven on earth scheduled to commence on 6th June and likely to conclude by 8th of June, 2022. It is the first ever event of its own nature, a remarkable conclave of trade union leaders representing officers fraternity Of Indian Banks across the nation under the banner of All India Bank Officers' Association (AIBOA). The central trade union leaders are scheduled to assembling at Srinagar, Kashmir on 6th where after the historic meeting of AIBOA leadership is slated for 7th and 8th of June, 2022 besides the address of Chairman, President and General Secretary of AIBOA to bank officers of various affiliates of AIBOA from Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh at 6.00P.M onwards on 7th of June, 2022.

The historical event is being organized by the Five Trade Union constituent Units of J&K Bank under their apex body All India Jammu and Kashmir Bank Officers' Federation. The event is likely to have threadbare discussion on overall banking scenario of the country together with Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh.

Central trade union leadership of banking sector will also be acquainted about the trade union scenario of Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh with specific reference to the uncongenial trade union atmosphere and industrial unrest prevailing in Jammu and Kashmir Bank, a largest ticket size membership to AIBOA from Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh.

All India Jammu and Kashmir Bank officers Federation extends its heartiest and warm welcome to central trade union leadership of AIBOA and hope the event proves a cardinal stone for the betterment, welfare, progress and prosperity of the bank Officers' fraternity across the country,

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