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Govt Sacks 4 More Employees For 'Anti-National Activities'

Salahuddin's Son, Bitta Karate's KAS Wife, 2 KU Teachers Terminated From Services

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir government Saturday sacked four employees including son of Syed Salahuddin, the chief of banned militant group Hizbul Mujahideen, and the wife of a jailed separatist Bitta Karate.

All the four have been dismissed for allegedly having links with forces working against India and spreading malicious propaganda, officials said.

They have been dismissed under Article 311 of the

Constitution which enables the government to sack its employees without any inquiry.

Syed Abdul Mueed, son of Salahuddin (Syed Mohd Yusuf) and Manager (Information and Technology) at the Commerce and Industries Department, is among the dismissed employees.

He is the third son of the Hizb chief to have been sacked from the government job. Syed Ahmed Shakeel and Shahid Yusuf were dismissed from service last year.

According to the officials,

Mueed has allegedly been found having a role in three militant attacks on the Jammu and Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI) complex at Sempora in Pampore and his presence in the institution has led to increased sympathy with the secessionist forces.

Assabah-ul-Arjamand Khan, the wife of Farooq Ahmed Dar alias 'Bitta Karate' and a 2011-batch Jammu and Kashmir Administrative Service officer (JKAS), is alleged to have been found involved in providing false information for seeking a

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passport.

She is alleged to "have links with foreign people who have been indexed by the Indian security and intelligence to be on the payrolls of the ISI". Also her involvement in ferrying consignment of money for funding

anti-India activities in Jammu and Kashmir has been reported, the officials said.

'Bitta Karate' has been lodged in Tihar jail since 2017 in a case related to militant-funding. He was also involved in the killings of several members of the

minority community in the early 1990s.

Also sacked from the government is Dr. Muheet Ahmad Bhat, posted as a scientist in the Post Graduate Department of Computer Science in Kashmir university. He is alleged to have been found involved in propagating secessionist-militant agenda in the university by radicalising students for advancing the programme and agenda of Pakistan and its proxies.

Majid Hussain Qadri, a senior Assistant Professor in Kashmir **More on P6**

Widespread Rains In J&K From Aug 15: MeT

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The weather department on Saturday predicted widespread rains for as many as five days beginning August 15 in Jammu and Kashmir.

According to forecast issued by the meteorological department for seven days, isolated light rain has been forecast for next 48 hours and widespread rain with possibility of 76-100% till August 19.

Regarding minimum temperature, a meteorological department official here said that Srinagar recorded a low of 18.9°C against 19.5°C on the previous night. However, he said, the temperature was 0.6°C above normal during this time of the year for the summer capital.

Qazigund recorded a low of 16.6°C against 19.2°C on the previous night. The temperature was 0.1°C above normal there, he said, as per news a local agency GNS.

In Pahalgam, the mercury settled at 12.2°C against 16.7°C on the previous night and it was 0.8°C below normal for the south Kashmir resort.

Kokernag recorded a low of 17.0°C against 17.5°C on the previous night and it was 1.2°C above normal for the place, he said.

Popular tourist resort Gulmarg recorded a low of 11.0°C against 12.0°C on the previous night. It was 1.1°C below normal for the north Kashmir place.

Kupwara town saw a low of 15.8°C against 16.6°C on previous night and it was 1.5°C below normal for the place during **More on P6**

I-Day Celebrations

Aerial Surveillance, Ground Security Put In Place

Zaid Bin Shabir

SRINAGAR: Two days ahead of the Independence Day, security agencies on Saturday put a three-layer security arrangement in place, with state of the art technical assistance, across Jammu and Kashmir to ensure smooth and incident-free conduct of the August 15 functions.

If sources are to be believed then, besides the multi-layered security, facial recognition system (FRS) cameras will also be installed at several sensitive points near Sher-e-Kashmir Cricket Stadium in Srinagar, where Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha will preside over the main function of the 76th Independence Day.

According to officials, the security has been put on maximum alert in major towns and districts of the Valley on Saturday with J&K police, including members from CID and Special Operations Group (SOG) and paramilitary

forces ordered to maintain a strict vigil, amid apprehensions of a "new threat" from militants.

Sher-e-Kashmir Cricket Stadium, the main venue of I-Day celebrations, has been placed under a three-tier security cover for Monday's main function which will be attended by top officials from civil administration, police and army.

All routes leading to the main venue were reportedly sealed by the heavily armed security personnel from police and CRPF. Anti-drone systems of the security agencies have also been pressed into action around the venue to keep a watch on any suspicious activity and to keep militants at bay.

"A multi-layer security arrangement has been put in place to secure the venue of the main 15 August function at the Sher-e-Kashmir Cricket Stadium," a police official told Kashmir Observer. **More on P6**



A live band performance organized by JAKLI enthralled the audience along the banks of Dal Lake in Srinagar on Saturday.

KO Photo, Abid Bhat

Will Push 'Last Nail In Coffin Of Terrorism' In One Year: LG

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Asserting that it is a sacred obligation to defend every inch of motherland even if it demands sacrificing everything, the Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha on Monday pledged to wipe out militancy from the Union Territory in one year.

Sinha made these remarks after laying foundation stone of 25 DDC, BDC buildings, besides inaugurating 1000 Amrit Sarovars across J&K, in a function at SKICC here on Saturday. "Time has come when all of us will have to work together to cement peace. Within a year from now, we will push the last nail in the coffin of militancy and make peace a

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"J&K HAS BEEN THE CROWN OF INDIA AND WE ARE WORKING

in that direction to restore its old glory. Some people are not able to see the change. In Pulwama, 10,000 youth with Tiranga in arms shouting Bharat Mata Ki Jai, in Shopian and other districts. This is happening without any coercion and by the will of youth"

'We're On A Threshold Of A New Era In J&K'

BARAMULLA: The Union Territory Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha on Saturday called upon all the sections of the society to work together to build a strong and peaceful J&K which is economically, socially and culturally rich, to **More on P6**

Kicks Off 'Har Ghar Tiranga' Campaign

SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday started the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign in Jammu Kashmir by distributing National flags among the Raj Bhawan staff here, an official spokesperson said. On the occasion, he said, the LG paid tributes to the martyrs & freedom fighters, and **More on P6**

Shah Faesal Appointed Deputy Secy In Tourism Ministry

Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI: IAS officer Shah Faesal, who had a brief stint in politics, has been posted as a deputy secretary in the union tourism ministry over three months after being reinstated, officials said on Saturday.

The order on the posting of 2010-batch IAS officer from erstwhile Jammu and Kashmir cadre was cleared earlier this week.

He was reinstated in the last week of April after the government accepted his application for withdrawing his resignation.

Faesal could not be reached for a comment through calls or messages.

Faesal, who was the first Indian Administrative

Service exam topper from Jammu and Kashmir, had earlier this year dropped hints about his return to the government service when he sent out a series of tweets speaking about his idealism letting him down in 2019 when he had resigned.

He had said, "8 months of my life (Jan 2019-Aug 2019) created so much baggage that I was almost finished. While chasing a chimera, I lost almost everything that I had built over the years. Job. Friends. Reputation. Public goodwill. But I never lost hope. My idealism had let me down," he had said. "But I had faith in myself. That I would undo the mistakes I had made. **More on P6**



FILE PHOTO

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S H O R T T A K E S

Army Commander Reviews LoC Situation

Northern Army Commander Lieutenant General Upendra Dwivedi on Saturday reviewed the security situation along the Line of Control in Kashmir and commended the forces for maintaining a strong counter-infiltration grid. "#LtGenUpendraDwivedi, #ArmyCdrNC, visited Forward Areas of #Kashmir along #LC & reviewed the security situation," the army's Northern Command said on Twitter. It said Lt Gen Dwivedi lauded all ranks for their professionalism in maintaining the sanctity of the Line of Control.

CRPF Officer Hurt In Grenade Attack

A Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) sub-inspector on Saturday was injured in a grenade attack in Eidgah area of this capital city. Sub-Inspector Parvez Rana of CRPF 161 battalion sustained minor splinter injuries on Saturday when militants lobbed a grenade at a bunker near Aali Masjid in Eidgah area of the city, officials said. Rana, they said, was removed to the nearby SMHS hospital for treatment. His condition is said to be stable. "One grenade was lobbed by terrorist(s) towards security forces on Ali Jan road, Eidgah. This caused minor splinter injuries to one CRPF personnel. Cordon and Search operations have been launched to nab culprit(s)" Srinagar police posted on its official Twitter handle.

LG Interacts With IAF Gallantry Awardees

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha interacted with serving and retired Gallantry Awardees of Indian Airforce at the Raj Bhavan here on Saturday. The LG felicitated Air Commodore Pankaj Mittal, Group Capt R Agarwal, Wg Cdr Rajiv Chauhan and Sq Ldr S Nair and complimented them for their service towards the Nation, an official spokesperson said Saturday. The LG, he said, lauded the personnel of security forces for their indispensable contributions towards ensuring peace and progress of the country. "We are always indebted to the veterans and serving personnel of all security forces who are guarding the Nation and ensuring peaceful and safe environment for citizens," Sinha said.

Bomb Scare In Doda

Panic-stricken residents of Bhadwerah town in Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district heaved a sigh of relief after a box suspected to be carrying a bomb turned out to be an abandoned tiffin box, officials said on Saturday. Police had detected the box in a busy market in Bhadarwah town Friday evening, which they suspected was kept to create panic ahead of Independence Day, they said. Panic gripped the busy Seri Bazar and its adjoining area, when some passers-by noticed the tiffin box lying at Laxmi Narayan Chowk at 8 pm on Friday. Police immediately cordoned off the area and asked people to stay away from the spot, while shopkeepers were asked to close their shops. **More on P6**

J&K Adds 622 New Corona Cases

Jammu and Kashmir registered on Saturday 622 fresh cases of novel Coronavirus, even as no fatality was reported from the Union Territory during the last 24 hours, officials said on Saturday. According to officials, Kashmir Valley reported 545 new cases of Covid-19 while 77 others were detected from various districts of Jammu division, taking the number of people infected since the onset of pandemic in J&K to 473219. In the Valley, officials said, Srinagar reported the highest 212 new cases of virus, Baramulla 110, Budgam and Kupwara 62 each, Kulgam 27, Anantnag 24, Bandipora and Pulwama 16 each, Ganderbal 14 and Shopian 2. **More on P6**

Bank Employee Falls To Death

A bank employee died after he fell from an under construction house in Veersaran area in the tourist resort of Pahalgam in Anantnag district, officials said Saturday. 37-year-old Javid Ahmad Malik, a bank employee by profession, sustained critical injuries after falling from his under construction house at Veersaran Pahalgam on Friday night, they said. SHO Pahalgam, Anzar Khan told a local news agency GNS that the injured was immediately removed to PHC Awoora, however, doctors on duty declared him brought dead.



First Synthetic Embryos: The Scientific Breakthrough Raises Serious Ethical Questions

The Conversation

Children, even some who are too young for school, know you can't make a baby without sperm and an egg. But a team of researchers in Israel have called into question the basics of what we teach children about the birds and the bees, and created a mouse embryo using just stem cells.

It lived for eight days, about half a mouse's gestation period, inside a bioreactor in the lab. In 2021 the research team used the same artificial womb to grow natural mouse embryos (fertilised from sperm and eggs), which lived for 11 days. The lab-created womb, or external uterus, was a breakthrough in itself as embryos could not survive in petri dishes.

If you're picturing a kind of silicone womb, think again. The external uterus is a rotating device filled with glass bottles of nutrients. This movement simulates how blood and nutrients flow to the placenta. The device also replicates the atmospheric pressure of a mouse uterus.

Some of the cells were treated with chemicals, which switched on genetic programmes to develop into placenta or yolk sac. Others developed into organs and other tissues without intervention. While most of the stem cells failed, about 0.5% were very similar to a natural eight-day-old embryo with a beating heart, basic nervous system and a yolk-sac.

These new technologies raise several ethical and legal concerns.

Artificial wombs

In the latest study, the scientists started with collections of stem cells. The conditions created by the external uterus triggered the developmental process that makes a fetus. Although the scientists said we are a long way



off synthetic human embryos, the experiment brings us closer to a future where some humans gestate their babies artificially. Each year over 300,000 women worldwide die in childbirth or as a result of pregnancy complications, many because they lack basic care. Even in wealthy countries, pregnancy and childbirth is risky and healthcare providers are criticised for failing mothers.

There is an urgent need to make healthcare more accessible across the planet, provide better mental health support for mothers and make pregnancy and childbirth safer. In an ideal world every parent should expect excellent care in all aspects of motherhood. This technology could help treat premature babies and give at least some women a different option: a choice of whether to carry their child or use an external uterus.

Some philosophers say there is a moral imperative to develop artificial wombs to help remedy the unfairness of parenting roles. But other researchers say artificial wombs would threaten a woman's legal right to terminate a pregnancy.

Synthetic embryos and organs

In the last few years, scientists have learned more about how to coax stem cells to develop into increasingly sophisticated structures, including ones that mimic the structure and function of human organs (organoids). Artificial human kidneys, brains, hearts and more have all been created in a lab, though they are still too rudimentary for medical use.

The issue of whether there are moral differences between using stem cells to produce models of human organs for research and using stem cells

to create a synthetic embryo are already playing out in law courts.

One of the key differences between organoids and synthetic embryos is their potential. If a synthetic embryo can develop into a living creature, it should have more protection than those which don't.

Synthetic embryos do not currently have potential to actually create a living mouse. If scientists did make human synthetic embryos, but without the potential to form a living being, they should arguably be treated similarly to organoids.

Some countries (for example Australia) have taken the position that synthetic embryos such as blastoids (which resemble five-to-six-day-old embryos) should be treated like natural embryos, because of similarities in structure. Other countries (such as the UK, the

US, Japan) treat synthetic embryos as different from embryos because they can't currently produce a live baby.

Another important legal issue is the source of stem cells and consent. The synthetic mouse embryo creators used stem cells from early embryos.

However, in the future it might be possible to make synthetic embryos from induced pluripotent stem cells (iPS). The worst case scenario would be a person donates a skin cell to research into producing organs to cure disease but this is used without their knowledge or consent to produce synthetic embryos.

Cloning

iPS cells are created by taking a mature cell (such as a skin cell) from a living or dead person and applying treatments which drive it backwards to a more immature state. If the cell could be driven all the way back to an embryonic stem cell, it may one day be possible to use iPS cells to make viable embryos.

That embryo would be a clone of the cell donor. The public and scientists have huge concerns about human cloning.

But it has been possible to clone a human being using a different process called nuclear transfer, for 25 years. Nuclear transfer created Dolly the Sheep in 1997 and a monkey in 2018. In the late 90s and early 2000s, a flurry of laws introduced around the world successfully banned human cloning.

We should not let our fears about cloning stand in the way of crucial research. The benefits could make organ donor waiting lists a thing of the past, save premature babies and give women an option to have children a different way. Cloning, or any other unethical use of the technology, can be prevented by regulation.

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Scholarships This Week

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Eligibility: Open for Indian students who are currently studying in Class 11 and first year of graduation and post-graduation programmes. Applicants must have scored more than 60% marks in their previous qualifying examination. Annual family income of the applicant must not be more than INR 3,60,000 from all sources. Prizes & Rewards: Up to INR 20,000 Last Date to Apply: 30-09-2022 Application mode: Online applications only Short Url: www.b4s.in/observer/LHVT3

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1	construction of Road from culvert to onwards at Zogiyar under ADP (PRI) 2022-23 Block Narwa	5.78	300		45days	CEE DEE	ADP	AAA Accorded
2	C/o concrete and Tile path Kandi road Kamalkote road Mir Mohalla ward no 7 Saribandi under ADP (PRI) Block Parinpeela	3.48	200		45days	CEE DEE	ADP	AAA Accorded
3	C/o concrete and Tile path from H/O Haji Suliaman to Tandi Darzi Mohalla to main road ward no 6 Saribandi under ADP (PRI) Block Parinpeela	3.82	200		45days	CEE DEE	ADP	AAA Accorded
4	C/o Drain from H/O Syed Roshan to H/O Maqsood Mangral at Dawaran Under ADP (PRI) Block Parinpeela	3.23	200		45days	CEE DEE	DP	AAA Accorded
5	C/O of Tile path from Chowk to Jamiya Masjid and different spots at Dabar Mohalla Dawarn under ADP (PRI) Block Parinpeela	4.45	200		45days	BEE CEE DEE	ADP	AAA Accorded
6	-C/O foot path / P wall / drain from H/O Kabeer Ahmad Mughal Dawarn Under ADP (PRI) Block Parinpeela	4.40	200		45days	DEE	ADP	AAA Accorded
8	C/O foot path from main road to Dawarn foot bridge ward no 6.7 Dawarn Under ADP (PRI) Block Parinpeela	4.45	200		45days	DEE	ADP	AAA Accorded
9	C/o Drain from main road peer mohalla to imambargah Zamboor Pattan Under ADP (PRI) Block Parinpeela	3.17	200		45days	DEE	ADP	AAA Accorded
10	Developement of graveyard ward no 2 Choolan Under ADP (PRI) Block Parinpeela	2.52	200		45days	DEE	ADP	AAA Accorded

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Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign

NIT Organizes Tiranga rally, Essay Competition

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Under the aegis of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav and in a run-up to the nation's 75th Independence Day, the Department of Physical Education, National Institute of Technology (NIT) Srinagar on Saturday organized 'Tiranga Rally' which was participated by hundreds of faculty members and students.

The rally was flagged off by Director NIT Srinagar, Prof (Dr.) Rakesh Sehgal, in presence of Registrar Prof. Syed Kaiser Bukhari, Dean R&C Prof. MF Wani along with all Deans, HoD's, and faculty members.

The rally covered a distance around the campus. More than 1000 participants, including teachers and non-teaching staff and students of NIT Srinagar, took part in the rally.

On the occasion, Director NIT Srinagar, Prof. Sehgal said the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign of the Government of India to encourage people to bring the Tiranga home and to hoist it to mark the 75th year of India's independence.

"We should continue to participate in such campaigns in the next coming years," he said. The director said that the NIT administration has already distributed the national flags to students, and faculty members as part of the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign.

Prof. Sehgal said the rally has undoubtedly strengthened the spirit of patriotism and nationalism among the students. He said the idea behind the initiative is to invoke a feeling of patriotism among students and to promote awareness about the Indian National Flag.

On the occasion, Registrar NIT Srinagar, Prof. Bukhari said the rally was organized to promote the Har Ghar Tiranga cam-

paign and to raise awareness regarding the struggle of national heroes and freedom fighters of India.

He said NIT is organizing multifarious activities to amplify the awareness of the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. Besides that, an awareness campaign was conducted on campus to make the Har Ghar Tiranga program a grand success.

Dean Research & Consultancy, Prof. (Dr.) M.F Wani, Dean Academic Affairs Najeed-ud-din, Dean Alumni and International Affairs Prof. (Dr.) Mohammad Shafi Mir, Dean Planning & Development Prof. B. A. Mir, Dean Students Welfare, Prof. Abdul Liman and Dean Faculty Welfare Prof. Shamim Ahmad Lone also spoke about the occasion.

Dr. Srinibash Mishra said apart from Tiranga rally, the Department of Physical Education, also conducted an essay writing competition to mark the 75 years of Independence under the aegis of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

"The overall theme of the competition was 'India in 2050 A.D' and how students contribute to make it happen," he said.

Prof (Dr.) Sehgal along with Prof Bukhari were the chief guests for the event. Students actively participated in the competition and made it successful.

Har Ghar Tiranga is a campaign under the aegis of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to encourage people to bring the Tiranga home and to hoist it on India's independence.

Later, the participating students were felicitated by Director NIT Srinagar, Prof (Dr.) Rakesh Sehgal, in presence of Registrar Prof. Syed Kaiser Bukhari, for taking part in Tiranga rally and essay competition.



Members of Bharatiya Janata Party participate in a Tiranga Rally, organized as part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' celebrations in Srinagar on Saturday. KO Photo Abid Bhat.

Govt. Sets Panel To Review Engagement Of Vocational Trainers

Agencies

Srinagar: The government has constituted a committee to review engagement of vocational trainers and their terms and conditions.

"Sanction is hereby accorded for the constitution of a committee to review the /engagement of Vocational Trainers and their term and Conditions," it said as per KNO.

As per order Project Director Samagra Shiksha J&K will be Chairman of the committee with Deputy Director (Planning) School Education Department, civil Secretariat, J&K,

Chief Accounts Officer, Samagra Shiksha and Under Secretary (M). School Education, Department, Civil Secretariat, J&K as its members.

"The terms of reference of the committee shall be to go through the whole process of engagement of Vocational Trainers particularly the implementation of the labour laws like Provident Fund, increment, leave/ Maternity leave etc, to assess the feasibility of Haryana Government's Model/Policy for Vocational Trainers for its implementation in the UT of J&K," it said.

The committee would furnish its report/recommendations within

a month with focus on making the policy more clear and transparent, the order said.

Vocational trainers said that after repeated protests authorities listened to them on August 11 and assured issues will be resolved.

They said that now a committee has been constituted as well and we will pave the way in resolution of all their issues.

Vocational teachers were continuously protesting and demanding job policy and removal of vocational training partners as according to them they have no role in vocational education.(KNO)

Two Cops Injured In Shalteng Road Mishap, One Critical

Agencies

Srinagar: Two policemen were injured in a road mishap in Shalteng area of Srinagar on Saturday, reports said here.

Reports said that Head Con-

stable (HC) Ishfaq Ahmad and Constable (CT) Ghulam Murtaza were injured when they tried to stop Scooty during Naka checking at Shalteng, however, the scooty rider lost control and hit the cops.

They said that the injured cops were rushed to JVC Hos-

pital from treatment, however, CT Ghulam Murtaza was shifted to SKIMS Soura for specialized treatment, where his condition is said to be critical.

Meanwhile, police have taken cognizance of the incident. (KNO)

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

Admin. Observes Mega Tiranga Utsav At Sonwar Stadium

Observer News Service

Srinagar: To mark the celebrations under 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign as a part of ongoing 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', the District Administration Srinagar on Saturday observed a mega Tiranga Utsav at SK- Cricket Stadium Sonwar, here.

The mega Utsav which was held on the directions of the Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad witnessed participation of over 8500

enthusiastic students from different schools of the District to celebrate 75 years of Independence as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

During the grand event thousands of students displayed National flags and sang patriotic songs with the fervor and festivities of Har Ghar Tiranga campaign.

Senior Superintendent of police Rakesh Balwal was present on the occasion. Both DC and SSP also participated in the Tiranga rally.

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ISHA	8: 51

This Day In History

- 554 - Ravenna becomes seat of Byzantine military governor in Italy
- 1183 - Taira no Munemori and Taira clan take young Emperor Antoku and 3 sacred treasures and flee to western Japan to escape Minamoto clan (Traditional Japanese date: 25th Day of the 7th Month of the 2nd Year of Juei).
- 1281 - During Kublai Khan's Second Invasion of Japan his invading Chinese fleet of 3,500 vessels disappears in a typhoon near Japan
- 1385 - Portuguese defeat Castilians at Aljubarrota, retain independence
- 1498 - Christopher Columbus landed at the mouth of the Orinoco River in what is now Venezuela
- 1551 - Turkish fleet under Dragut occupies Tripoli
- 1743 - Prussian army occupies Saksen, beginning 2nd Silezian War
- 1756 - French capture Fort Oswego, NY
- 1758 - Battle of Zorndorf: Prussia beats Russia, 1000s killed
- 1762 - English fleet occupies Havana
- 1790 - Sweden & Russia sign Peace of Verela
- 1813 - British warship Pelican attacks & captures US war brigantine Argus
- 1816 - Great Britain annexes Tristan da Cunha
- 1862 - Abraham Lincoln receives the first group of African Americans to confer with a US president
- 1885 - Japan's first patent is issued to the inventor of a rust-proof paint.
- 1894 - Sir Oliver Joseph Lodge demonstrates wireless telegraphy (radio) using Morse code at a meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science at Oxford University
- 1911 - United States Senate leaders begin to rotate the office of President pro tempore (for the time being) of the Senate among leading candidates to fill the vacancy left by William P. Frye's death.
- 1920 - Little Entente formed by Czechoslovakia & Yugoslavia

From KO Archives

Hindu Mission Foiled, Hindu Militant Held

Rajinder Singh

JAMMU- Police said Friday they had foiled a major militant bombing mission and captured eight persons, six of them Hindus, from Jammu found working with a hardline militant group Harkat-ul-Jehad-e-Islami (HUJI). Inspector general, R.V Raju, said they had captured Bharat Kumar alias Bharat Singh alias Munna from Udhampur district, on Tuesday. "He was on a mission to bomb the Independence day ceremony at the main parade ground in Jammu city," Raju said, adding that police had seized five kilograms of RDX explosive from the accused.

Kumar who was present at a police press conference, said he had been recruited to the militant movement in September 1997 and crossed over to Pakistan a year later.

Kumar said he was put in touch with Pakistan's Inter-Services, Intelligence agency, and received training in using AK-47 assault rifles, light machine guns, grenades and rocket launchers.

He was sent to Afghanistan for three months in 1999, where he received training from the Taliban.

"I was given 10,000 rupees as advance money and also promised a car and other gifts for the Independence Day bombing," said Kumar, who declined to explain why he had joined the Muslim militancy in the first place.

Police chief Raju said Kumar, who comes from a working class family, joined because of the money.

On his arrest and the clues provided by him during interrogation, police arrested six more, persons, including Harjeet Singh of R S Pura, Sodagar Singh, Shammi and Sheikh Mukhtar of Jammu.

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What Imam Hussain Taught the Mankind

Raja Jahangir Ali

It was on the scorching plains of Karbala nearly 1400 years ago that Imam Hussain (AS) fulfilled the promise of the “great sacrifice” which had ransomed patriarch Prophet Ibrahim’s (A.S) first son Ismail (A.S) in antiquity. (37-107)

The commemoration of the martyrdom of Imam Hussain (AS) and his 72 faithful companions, kith and kin is keeping the true struggle of all righteous as well as oppressed people alive and in motion against tyrants of the time. It is also the best possible challenge and protest against different dimensions of tyranny wherever needed in the world. Imam Hussain (A.S) preferred immortal martyrdom to transient life under an oppressive system so that mankind could live with dignity. Yazid wanted Imam Hussain’s hand as token of allegiance, but Imam gave his head in defiance because a compromise with a libertine like Yazid would have distorted not only his grandfather’s mission but that of all prophets of the yore.

The sacrifice of Imam Hussain (AS) and his companions and male members of his house particularly his 6-month-old baby son Ali Asghar was thus a most remarkable instance in history when blood triumphed over the sword. The tragedy of Karbala has since continued to interact with human conscience inspiring the seekers of the truth and justice against the satanic forces of oppression and tyranny. It has given birth to revolutions and reform movements across the four corners of the world. The message of freedom and liberty preached by Imam Hussain (AS) in Karbala where virtue and vice stood face to face in 61AH (corresponding to 680 CE), presents the greatest lesson for humanity. It was a black day of trial where only a thin line separated heaven from hell. The deciding factors were courage, sacrifice and firm conviction.

While Hur ibn Yazid al Riyahi, one of the top commanders of Yazidi army, sent to arrest Imam Hussain (A.S) succeeded in overcoming the pull and attraction of the mortal world and switched over to Hussain’s side at the eleventh hour, Umar ibn Saad the commander in chief of Yazid’s army and the son of a companion of the Prophet (Pbuh), on the other hand found the fires of hell irresistible and succumbed to the false promise of the governorship of the province of Ray.

Dark pages of history tell us when it was all over by dusk, Ibn Saad in a most atrocious manner, ordered the trampling of the headless bodies of the martyrs under the hooves of the horses and hoisted their heads on lances. It was clear that Hussain (A.S) was triumphant in his mission to prove the eternal supremacy of truth over falsehood and freedom over slavery. Some 14 centuries past after Hussain’s brutal martyrdom, his memory is still alive and millions of hearts beat in every nook and corner of the world with the love of Hussain (A.S) each Muharram. Muslims and non-Muslims alike still recall his supreme ideals and sacrifices which act as a torch of guidance for those who feel the need of reforming and revolutionizing their societies.

Great men of the world, be they national leaders, reformers, saints, poets, or thinkers, aside from their committed deeds, are often remembered and their status evaluated in the light of the words they have uttered on important and decisive occasions, help in measuring their high ideals and sublime thoughts. Likes of Mahatma Gandhi and Nelson Mandela, successful leaders and revolutionaries of the 20th century have admitted to have drawn inspiration from the revolution of Imam Hussain (AS). How revered are the words of Imam Hussain (AS) who sacrificed his life and that of his kith and kin willingly for the sake of saving the religion of Islam from extinction. However, Hussain’s evil adversaries have been thrown in the dustbins of history and only to be cursed whenever their name pops up before the supporters of freedom and justice.

Allah has certified in Holy Quran saying “Your companion (Prophet Pbuh) has neither strayed, nor is he misguided, nor does he speak out of his own desire. It is nothing but revelation send down to him” -Al Quran (53- 2, 3, 4). Not only articles but volumes would be required to record the virtues and excellence of Hussain (AS) whom the Prophet has hailed as a “Beckon of Guidance and Arch of Salvation”. Prophet’s famous saying “Hussain is from me and I am from Hussain” also stands out as proof of the divinely guided Imam whose blood revived Islam. Hussain the symbol of Islamic unity and justice was virtue personified. He had the “Seal of Prophet” as his grandfather, “Commander of the Faithful” Ali (AS) as his father, the “symbol of womanhood” Syeda Zahra (SA) as his mother and shared with his brother Imam Hassan the “Leadership of the Youth of Paradise”.

Ten years after the martyrdom of Imam Hassan (AS) whose name had become a byword for patience Imam Hussain adhered to the spirit of the treaty which was reached by his brother with the Umayyads. But Hussain (AS) like his brother and father before him was no factional leader. He was the third divinely ordained Imam. For ten long years he patiently observed the treaty but when Yazid was proclaimed as Caliph forcibly and without following the norms and conditions of the treaty, the Imam felt it his duty to reproach the former by writing a scathing letter. The Umayyad Caliph Ameer Muawiyah died in 60 Hijri and he on his death bed advised Yazid not to press Imam Hussain for allegiance. Yazid however, ordered the Governor of Medina, Walid to force Imam Hussain to swear allegiance to him.

The Imam outright refused and left for Makkah. After learning that assassins had been sent to murder him in the most peaceful sanctuary of Makkah, Hussain left for Iraq after converting his Hajj into Umrah, just before the Hajj ceremonies, to avoid bloodshed in the house of God. On the 2nd day of Muharram, Imam Hussain (AS) and his small group of faithful along with his family including womenfolk and children were intercepted at the plains of Karbala by the Umayyad troops. When pressed for allegiance, the Imam whose martyrdom had been foretold by his grandfather the Prophet (PBUH), refused saying “A person like me cannot extend his hand of allegiance to a person like Yazid.” After announcing this firm and blunt decision he asked his followers and faithful to leave him because it was only his life that Yazid wanted. The faithful group however stood firm and after three days of thirst and hunger died fighting alongside their Imam. Mistaken, the enemy forces had thought that Hussain would be forced to surrender before Yazid as ruler of the Islamic state, should his camp’s water supply be cut by capturing the river Euphrates. They proved wrong. The tragedy of Karbala awakened the human conscience. Karbala is the voice against tyranny and oppression. It is the high point of the struggle between truth and falsehood with the blood of martyrs triumphing over the naked sword.

Truly appreciating Imam’s (as) teachings and utterances, as well as thinking and concentrating on his landmark achievement in the desert of Karbala, led his followers to revolt against the oppressors and tyrannical systems putting dearest thing at stake until truth and justice prevailed.

Imam Hussain (AS) undoubtedly became the saviour of message of Islam which was presented to the world by the Prophet Muhammad (Pbuh) which says not to yield to any tyrant howsoever callous and powerful, not to suppress the truth and facts which could lead to injustice, social imbalance and deprivation of the rightful and lastly not to decoy or camouflage the truth or falsehood where it becomes difficult to distinguish between the two. To shun these evils, he pronounced his conviction as “Death with honour, dignity is better than thousand-year life with disgrace and humiliation”.

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IN MY OPINION

Of Pedagogy Between Criticism and Creativity

Recently, two videos went viral on Kashmir’s social media. Both had three things in common: they were videos of Government school teachers, had the teachers trying a unique play-way method of teaching and both videos were criticised massively online. The teaching activities shown in the videos were part of NIPUN’s (National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy), a vertical of the Samagra Shiksha Scheme of National Education Policy. The unique way of teaching did not sit well with people, however, the debate was far from one sided. There were takers as well as trashers of the teaching activity. Here are two write-ups weighing in on the issue.

Teaching Out of Tune

Amir Suhail Wani

The high speed internet, fastest means of communication and a wholesale mechanisation of our lives has made us accustomed to pace and haste. Remember that Prophetic Saying “Haste is due to devil”? Well, that haste is evident from our behaviour patterns, knee jerk reactions and instant promptings we go through every now and then – majorly an offshoot of our engagement with high-speed internet, which has deprived us of our patience, calm and composure.

This is being reiterated as a passing reference, though an important one, about the cascade of reactions, slurs and remarks made against the teaching activity video that went viral on Facebook a few days ago. Teachers were shown performing an activity in chorus and people were quick to disrespect the teachers and detest the activity; mistaking the activity as some futile exercise and non-sense misadventure. Even after it was made clear that this was no simple singing and dancing activity, there’s no stopping the talk on the internet with some people mocking the drill and others explaining its true import, academic utility and its place in pedagogy.

The video in question was purportedly a demonstration module meant to train teachers in one of the many activities which they could later enact in their classes with their students. These activities form the warp and woof of academia in foreign countries, where play-way and fun-full education imparted through activities is preferred over rote learning and traditional pedagogy. The efficacy of these methods and their ability to stimulate the learning ability of children is also well-proven.

However, the viability of these activities in our local context needs to be assessed. The first observation regarding these activities reveal that they are not organic. They aren’t indigenous methods as well. Infact, they lack the relatability factor which is so important to attract the attention of children, invoke their learning spirit and bring out the changes in students these activities aspire or purport to bring about.

They are, at the most, an instance of patchwork, a misplaced grafting. Even if it be admitted that these activities have a universal ability of transforming ways of learning, they still call for a holistic integration into our educational framework – something which is nowhere in sight. The present scenario in government schools of the valley is



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abysmal. Children lack access to basic amenities and the overall condition is sub-par. Therefore, the talk of play-way learning and the introduction of methods totally alien to our context raises more questions than it tries to answer.

While the teachers who appeared in the video were scoffed at, the point was missed that what was the import of activity being demonstrated in the video, its viability in our context and its possible utility and efficacy. Nor was anybody either from the commoners or among the teaching experts interested in asking as to why we can’t develop and evolve indigenous teaching methodologies –the methodologies incorporating recent trends in pedagogy but at the same time being more immediate, realistic and related to lives as we live in our context. Is anybody there to bell the cat?

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The author is a Srinagar based columnist

Teach Smart with Rhyming Bananas

Fazl Illahi

ing in a banana for it to be put to rhyme and said with gesturing, that’s a problem for which the reasons have been already, at the beginning. Since you were taught your rhymes like prose and were grilled and tested in examination,

anas could rhyme this way and they could also be enjoyed without eating. This incomprehensible concept is intolerable to you. So, you begin to troll.

It’s not about bananas. The best teachers are the ones who by

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what could have given you enjoyment turned into pain for you. That’s why, if a teacher trainer tries to show how you could let children joyfully imagine a banana without seeing it in a class, how to peel it in your mind and how to shake or drink it with enjoyment; you cannot tolerate it. You can never imagine that ba-

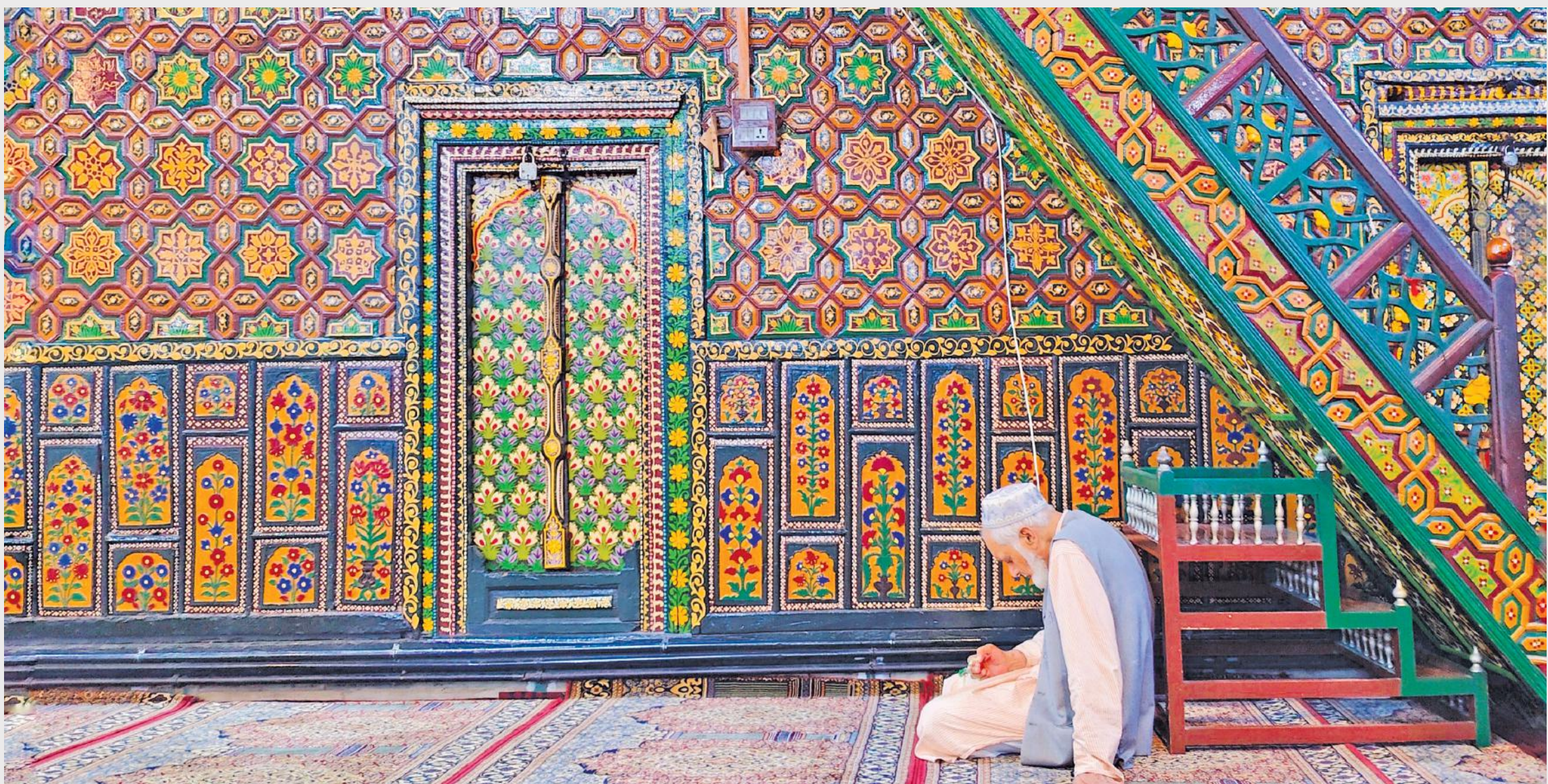
way of their teachings can bring to life an apple, a mango, a fig, a car or anything in the minds of children, by rhyme and rhythm. The teacher trainer in question was not teaching hard science, hairsplitting philosophy, he was just trying to show how a banana could be brought to the live imagination of the child. Some other

trainer could do it differently, or better. But the point is that a resourceful teacher can create a rhyme for apple or pear or any vegetable or anything if they are really resourceful. If I was a toddler’s teacher I would ask them what if bananas were apples with very thin peels and would taste like mangoes. “What if”, is something children love. We as adults forget the potential of “What ifs”.

This is what it takes to teach toddlers. It’s very difficult and very different from teaching university or college students. Teaching toddlers takes real imagination and creativity, not just knowledge. Just check what nursery teachers do in Finnish or European schools. Our nursery schools are a disaster and if in this condition some teacher trainer takes initiative, why should it bother someone?. Some mistakes may be made but people must be given a chance to initiate change. On the one hand, we criticise Government teachers for not doing enough and on the other hand we troll someone who is just trying to do his best.

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MOVIE REVIEW



Darlings

Tragicomedy of Marriage, Violence and Revenge

Neha Fayaz

Recently released Darlings starring Alia Bhatt, Shefali Shah and Vijay Varma presents a dark tale with subtle tones of humour as an introduction to a violent and fragile marriage. Badri, played by Alia Bhatt is a hopeful and strong character who moves away from the ‘perfect’ image of a domestic violence victim. In cinematic productions, the essence of what a domestic violence or sexual assault survivor should entail borders on unwavering strength, a clear conscious, drive for revenge and hatred towards their abuser. Badri in Darlings provides a realistic image of the conflicting thoughts of a domestic violence survivor with the occasional events of forgiving her abuser, who in this case is her husband, Hamza.

Situated in Mumbai’s Muslim dominated Byculla area, Badri and Hamza’s marriage is a product of young love. The movie starts with scenes of the couple in love, almost dedicated to making their relationship work. Fast forward a couple of minutes and a jarring reality of their marriage ensues where Badri is subjected to physical violence at the hands of Hamza for domestic trifles. The next day Hamza apologises in a manner perfectly chalked up to a toxic cycle of abuse. This constant cycle of apology, forgiveness, anger and sadness is in tandem with real life domestic cycles of abuse where there seem to be no clear demarcations between love and abuse for the victim.

Director Jasmeet K. Reen succeeds in brilliantly executing a film that encapsulates the intricacies and diminishes the myth of a ‘perfect survivor’ through Darlings, a term used by Hamza affectionately to Badri. Badri’s mother, Shamshun i.e. Shefali Shah is an interesting character woven into the detailed fabric of the movie’s plot. Constantly driving her daughter to seek revenge for the crimes Hamza has committed, Shamsun still does not directly interfere in their marriage. She instead waits for Badri to make the first move.

What also comes off as an interesting element in this movie is the intertwining of domestic abuse in the marriage of a Muslim couple that is perpetuated by alcohol, a drink prohibited for Muslims.

Another duel that the movie showcases is the clash of “modernity” and “traditionalism” shown through the presence of Shamsun.

Badri’s internal conflict of leaving her husband and wanting to start a family with him is the major source of conflict stopping her from taking revenge on Hamza. Despite constant fights between

This tale of revenge in this disillusioned marriage is by no means quick paced, ‘perfect’ or even satisfactory, perhaps. This is what makes it most faithful to reality. This is how the cycle of abuse and healing works. It is definitely not a straight line and Badri’s changing emotions and decisions exhibit this internal struggle.

of any work which shows Muslims in a negative light cannot be excused. However, there seems to be a saving grace here. The series does not outrightly draw any correlation between the character’s religious identity and the domestic violence in the marriage that ensues. In fact, it shows an internal conflict wherein both the oppressor

women in India in general and not just Muslims. In addition, the direction has also perfectly manoeuvred instances without villainising or victimising any community. The movie shows Hamza as an abusive husband; an abuser irrespective of his religious identity.

The movie all in all succeeds in portraying a successful picture of an Indian



the couple on accusations of Badri cheating or her trying to get her husband to quit drinking, Badri gets swayed when Hamza promises her the possibility of an ideal family.

The movie plays smart here as well. While Badri is shown to fall for the “perfect” family ideal fed over generations to women, it is the thwarting of this very desire that drives her to her ultimate revenge.

It’s the attention to such nuances of intimate partner violence that makes the movie a good-watch. However, critics of the movie have taken up a myriad dimension to examine, the most prominent one being the Muslim identity of the characters.

In the current socio-political climate in India which puts Muslims at an inherent disadvantage, the production

and the oppressed belong to the same community. In addition, the resistance that follows also stems from within the community. Here, Badri is seen breaking away from the violent shackles of her violent husband with the help of her mother who provides her support and never questions her experience. This movie, in its direction to a larger extent, encapsulates the lived reality of

marriage in a small locality. In India alone, 1,548,548 cases of Domestic Violence were reported by women between 2001 and 2018. While extensions of civil society like NGOs help in providing shelters and hotlines, strides still need to be made to provide a better model of support for women in India.

Darlings is streaming on Netflix India

Railways Unveils Overarch Deck On Chenab Railway Bridge

Press Trust Of India

JAMMU: The 'golden joint' of the Chenab railway bridge, connecting two ends of the deck of the world's highest railway bridge, was unveiled in Jammu and Kashmir's Reasi district on Saturday.

The bridge will prove direct connectivity to the Kashmir valley. The unveiling of the overarch deck saw bursting of firecrackers and people from different parts of the country singing the national anthem and chanting 'Bharat Mata ki jai' on it.

"This is a historic moment," a senior official said, adding that the completion of the 'golden joint' has been a long journey.

The term 'golden joint' was coined by the civil engineers on



worked on connecting the two ends of the deck of the bridge, he said. Roughly, the 1.3-km bridge, which is being constructed at a cost of Rs 1,250 crore, is 98 per cent complete with the completion of the 'golden joint', officials said.

The bridge is located 359 m

above the Chenab riverbed and is 30 m higher than the Eiffel Tower in Paris, they said.

The bridge forms a crucial link in the 111-km stretch from Katra to Banihal, which is part of the Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla section of the Kashmir Railway

project, the officials said.

For constructing the bridge, pylons were erected on either side of the river and two auxiliary self-propelled cable cranes were used to tow temporary auxiliary ropes across these pylons, according to the officials.

More than 1,300 workers and 300 engineers have been working round the clock to complete the bridge, the officials said.

The construction started in 2004 but the work was stopped in 2008-09 to consider the aspect of safety of rail passengers in view of frequent high velocity winds in the area, they said.

Once completed, the bridge will be able to withstand winds with speed up to 260 kmph and will have a lifespan of 120 years.

I-Day celebration: 7,000 invitees expected at Red Fort, Delhi Police beefs up security

Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI: A multi-layered security cover has been put in place and facial recognition system (FRS) cameras installed at the entry point of the Red Fort from where Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address the nation on Independence Day, officials said on Saturday.

According to the police, around 7,000 invitees will arrive at the Red Fort, while over 10,000 police personnel will be deployed around the monument on Monday.

The Delhi Police has deployed over 400 kite catchers and fliers on rooftops and other sensitive

locations in the fort area to counter any threats from sub-conventional aerial platforms. A five-kilometre area around the Red Fort has been marked as a "no kite flying zone" till the tricolour is hoisted.

Anti-drone systems from Defence Research and Development Organisation and other security agencies are also being installed, police said.

"We have installed high resolution security cameras at and around the Red Fort and their footage is being monitored round the clock. This time, the number of invitees has increased to 7,000. FRS cameras have also been deployed at the entry point of the

Mughal-era monument," a senior police officer said. Lunch boxes, water bottles, remote-controlled car keys, cigarette lighters, briefcases, handbags, cameras, binoculars, umbrellas and similar items will not be allowed at the Red Fort premises, he said.

Dependra Pathak, Special Commissioner of Police (Law and Order) said provisions of Section 144 have already been instituted in Delhi. Anyone seen flying kites, balloons or Chinese lanterns from August 13 to August 15 till the end of the programme at Red Fort will be punished.

"Kite catchers have been deployed with necessary equipment

on strategic locations and they will prevent any kind of kite, balloon and Chinese lanterns from reaching the function area. Radars will be deployed at Red Fort to counter any threats from sub-conventional aerial platforms and manned or unmanned flying objects," he said.

On Friday, the Delhi Police had recovered over 2,200 live cartridges near Anand Vihar Inter State Bus Terminal and arrested six people in this connection.

Police are also carrying out massive checks for Improvised Explosive Devices. The personnel is being briefed about adequate security, training and deployment as per plans, they said.

Caste panel gives clean chit to ex-NCB officer Sameer Wankhede, says he is from SC community not Muslim

Press Trust Of India

MUMBAI: Former Mumbai zonal director of the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) Sameer Wankhede, who was being probed for allegedly submitting a fake caste certificate for getting a government job, was given a clean chit by the caste scrutiny committee, an official said on Saturday.

The order was issued by the Social Justice Department of the Maharashtra government on Friday, an official said. The order says that Wankhede, an Indian Revenue Service (IRS) officer, was not a Muslim by birth and it has been proven that he belongs to Mahar caste, which is a Scheduled Caste (SC).

The issue of Wankhede's caste was raised by former

Maharashtra minister and NCP leader Nawab Malik. Applications were filed by the complainants, including political leader Manoj Sansare, Ashok Kamble and Sanjay Kamble, against Wankhede.

Mumbai district caste certificate verification committee examined the complaints and passed an order on the same on Friday.

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE TRANSPORT COMMISSIONER J&K

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Notice Inviting Tender

UT Administration of Jammu & Kashmir
Transport Department, Jammu

Transport Department, UT Administration of Jammu and Kashmir (Purchaser) intends to implement a Vehicle Tracking Platform for Safety and Enforcement as per AIS-140 Standard and has decided to carry out a competitive bidding process for selection of an entity as the bidder to whom the Project may be awarded.

The Department on behalf of Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of J&K invites proposals from eligible entities through this Request for Proposal (RFP) process for Selection of Implementation Agency for Vehicle Tracking Platform for Safety and Enforcement as per AIS-140 Standard in **UT of Jammu & Kashmir**. Detailed tender documents containing terms and conditions are available in the RFP document, which is available for download from websites www.jktenders.gov.in & www.jktransport.nic.in.

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Last Date of Submission of Proposal (Online): 02/09/2022 at 05:00 PM

Contact Details: Additional Transport Commissioner, Transport Department, UT Administration of Jammu & Kashmir (Jammu)

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University, is alleged to have a long association with militant organisations including the banned Lashkar-e-Taiba. He had earlier been booked under the stringent Public Safety Act and figures in a number of FIRs related to various militant cases.

Around 40 employees have been dismissed so far from the government services in Jammu and Kashmir.

Prominent among them being the two sons Salahuddin and tainted deputy superintendent of police Devender Singh (now removed), who was caught with a most wanted militant and two others along Srinagar-Jammu national highway.

Officials said the sacking was effected after the Lt governor was satisfied, upon considering facts and circumstances of the cases and based on the information available, that the activities of these employees warrant dismissal from service under provision of Article 311 (2) (C) of the Constitution.

Under this provision, the sacked employees can only approach the High Court with their plea against their dismissal.

The process of dismissal began in April last year, a week after the Union Territory administration constituted a committee to investigate allegations of involvement of government employees in anti-State activities, and recommend dismissal of those found involved.

Aerial Surveillance

"Three-tier security has been put in place in Srinagar with SOG and CID men in civvies being deployed around the venue and other strategic points of the city to keep a close watch on any suspicious movement. As a precautionary measure, a road from Ram Munshi Bagh PS-Gupkar Chowk to TRC Chowk will be sealed and traffic will be diverted through other routes," the official said, adding that high resolution cameras have been installed at the Stadium and across Srinagar city to keep a strict vigil on any suspicious movement.

"Its footage is being monitored round the clock," the official added.

"Police and CRPF personnel have been deployed in strength across the summer capital and vulnerable spots in other major towns of the Valley to thwart any attacks by the militants to disrupt the Independence Day celebrations on Monday," the official said, adding that security forces have left no stone unturned in maintaining a foolproof security cover for the function and dignitaries.

Since morning, police and paramilitary men were also seen stopping and searching vehicles at several places in Srinagar while many pedestrians were subjected to frisking. SOG men were seen stopping vehicles and people at Batamalo and then checking them thoroughly.

As per the official, SOG men and CRPF troopers have been placed at all the entry points of Srinagar and the vehicles and passengers entering Srinagar are being thoroughly and carefully checked before being allowed to enter the capital city.

Similarly, pillion riders were also randomly stopped and checked for any suspicious element to ensure that the ensuing official functions on Monday pass off peacefully and

incident-free. Apart from frisking people, the men in uniform were also seen checking the identity cards of some people.

The security grid is also relying on modern gadgetry like CCTV cameras and drones to ensure a peaceful Independence Day. Forces have also started anti-sabotage checking to thwart any attempt of militants to bring in arms and explosives ahead of the Independence day.

"BDS [Bomb Disposal Squads] are also put on high alert in case any IED is found," the police official said.

Special nakas, CCTV mounted on security vehicles and buildings, human intelligence, special weapons, makeshift drop gates and sniffer dogs have also been placed at several points to maintain peace in the region especially in the capital city.

"Besides the ground support, we are also keeping a hawkish eye on the situation through aerial surveillance," A CRPF official told Kashmir Observer.

He further said that there is checking, frisking, and drone surveillance. "Like every year, this year too, we will ensure an incident-free function," the official said, while urging people to participate in the August 15 functions.

As per the official, there won't be any additional deployment of paramilitary troops and bunkers, as the number of forces currently stationed in the city is enough to maintain the law & order situation.

Widespread Rains

this time of the season, the official told Global News Service.

Jammu recorded a low of 26.7 against 24.1°C on the previous night. It was 1.6°C above normal for J&K's winter capital, he said.

Banihal recorded a low of 16.2°C, Batote 17.4°C, Katra 23.9°C, Bhadarwah 15.9°C and Kathua 25.2°C.

Will Push

permanent feature of J&K," the LG said addressing a gathering at SKICC on the banks of Dal lake here. He said security forces were working day in and out to cement peace in J&K.

He said that without peace, there can be no development in any part of the world. "Some people are wearing dark glasses and can't see development taking place in J&K. "Union Minister is on record in the parliament that 1 Crore tourists visited J&K this year. Srinagar airport saw 110 flights operating in a day while 44 flights operated from Jammu airport against the previous record of six flights a day," he said.

The LG said that work on two AIIMS, Medical Colleges, Cancer hospital are in full swing. "Next year, Kashmir will be connected with the Kanyakumari through train," he said.

The LG said that J&K has been the crown of India but some elements hatched conspiracies to destabilize the region and foment trouble. "We are committed to restore the last glory of the region. Today, in Pulwama, 10,000 youth are holding tri-colour in their hands. Same is the case with Shopian district and other districts of Kashmir. There is no coercion"

J&K has been the crown of India and we are working in that direction to restore its old glory. Some people are not able to see the change. In Pulwama, 10,000 youth with Tiranga in arms

shouting Bharat Mata ki Jai, in Shopian and other districts. This is happening without any coercion and by the will of youth," he said.

Sinha said that not a single civilian was killed in security forces firing in the last three years. "We are following the policy of don't touch innocent people and don't leave the culprit," he said. The LG said youth in Kashmir have changed. "Those who would hold stones in their hands are today participating in peace-building," he said.

The LG E-inaugurated various projects on the occasion of Azadi Ka Amrit Maha Utsav—commemoration of 75 years of India's Independence.

We're On A Threshold

"fulfill the dreams of our forefathers".

Sinha made these remarks after paying homage to the "Lion of Baramulla", Maqbool Sherwani and the soldiers of Sikh Regiment, who died in the line of duty while foiling the invasion of Pakistan army regulars and tribal raiders, an official spokesperson said.

The LG, he said, laid wreath at Sikh War Memorial and then paid tributes to Maqbool Sherwani. He also honoured the family of Maqbool Sheerwani, war veterans and kins of freedom fighters during the visit.

Remembering the contributions of Sherwani, Sinha, as per the spokesperson said, in October 1947, this young man fought the "barbaric atrocities" perpetrated by the Pakistani government and its army and protected the pride of the tricolor.

Sinha, he said, also recalled the Sikh heroes led by Lt Colonel Diwan Ranjit Rai who had set a unique example of dedication, valor and devotion to duty in protecting every inch of the land of Jammu and Kashmir.

The spokesperson further said that the LG called upon all the sections of the society should work together to build a strong and peaceful J&K which is economically, socially and culturally rich, to fulfill the dreams of our forefathers.

"I also salute the sacrifices of our forefathers who kept our flag flying high and ensured our journey on the road to progress was uninterrupted. Youth must take the inspiration from ideas and ideals that shaped our destiny to face the challenges of the future," Sinha said.

He further said that today, J&K is marching ahead towards peace, development and prosperity only because of the sacrifices made by our security personnel, brave hearts like Maqbool Sherwani and their families.

"We are on a threshold of a new era in J&K. Let us work together to make history and ensure our rightful place in Aatma-Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan. We must work shoulder to shoulder to build a prosperous Jammu Kashmir," Sinha said, according to the spokesperson.

The LG, he said, also observed that the historic turn of August 2019 instilled a new confidence in the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

"In the last three years, we have overcome many obstacles and difficulties and made new achievements by breaking the restrictions and anti-development laws acting as a hindrance in the path of progress," he added.

Highlighting the developmental scenario in the district, the LG, as per the spokesperson observed that in Baramulla district, the government had set a target of completing 1038

projects last year but completed 1082 projects, more than the target.

"This year in the District Capex budget, Baramulla has been allotted Rs 1515 crore and work is going on in 1520 projects. Thousands of projects are also being completed under the Central Sector Scheme which will create a better future for the common citizens," the LG said.

Reiterating that peace is the pre-condition for progress, the LG, as per the spokesperson said that "terrorism and hatred" have no place in a civilized society that believes in 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' and it is the responsibility of the people to teach a lesson to those who want to weaken this spirit.

On the occasion, he said, Sinha also laid the foundation stone for the up-gradation project at Government Medical College, Baramulla at a cost of Rs 30 crore, besides dedicating Kalayban Bridge to the local population, catering to the needs of around 4,000 people.

The spokesperson said that the LG also stated that, in Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, every person has to take a pledge to stand up against the forces that weaken the country.

"Let us all together ensure the participation of every citizen in the development process and bring back those who have gone astray back in the mainstream," Sinha said.

He also extended his special greetings and gratitude to the members of the military, paramilitary forces and Jammu and Kashmir Police who are working day and night in maintaining peace and guarding the borders.

Kicks Off

said that our National flag has been the symbol of hopes and dreams of our citizens for the last 75 years and continues to guide and lead us to a glorious future.

The spokesperson said that the LG appealed to all citizens to hoist the tricolour at their homes and celebrate the spirit of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav with full fervor and patriotism.

Senior officials of Raj Bhawan and all staff members were present on the occasion.

Shah Faesal

That life would give me another chance. A part of me is exhausted with the memory of those 8 months and wants to erase that legacy. Much of it is already gone. Time will mop off the rest in belief," he had tweeted.

"Just thought of sharing that life is beautiful. It is always worth giving ourselves another chance. Setbacks make us stronger. And there is an amazing world beyond the shadows of the past. I turn 39 next month. And I'm really excited to start all over again," he tweeted in April this year.

Faesal, who had submitted his resignation in January 2019 and floated the Jammu and Kashmir People's Movement (JKPM) party, was detained under the stringent Public Safety Act immediately after the abrogation of the special status of the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir.

However, after his release, Faesal gave up on politics and gave indications he was willing to rejoin government service. His resignation had not been accepted.

The doctor-turned-bureaucrat formed his

party to "revive democratic politics" in Jammu and Kashmir but his political career ended abruptly.

The home ministry, which is the cadre controlling authority for the Arunachal Pradesh-Goa-Mizoram and Union Territory (AGMUT) cadre, had asked for an opinion of the Jammu and Kashmir administration about his plea for withdrawing his resignation.

Hailing from the remote village of Lolab in north Kashmir, Faesal, whose father was killed by militants in 2002, had topped the UPSC examination in 2009.

Faesal was vocal about the "unprecedented curbs" on the people of Jammu and Kashmir after the abrogation of the operative provisions of Article 370.

He was detained at Delhi airport on the intervening night of August 14-15, 2019, and sent back to Srinagar and placed under detention.

After spending six months in preventive detention, first at the Sher-e-Kashmir International Conference Centre (SKICC) and then at Srinagar's MLA hostel, he was booked under the draconian Public Safety Act in February 2020 which was revoked four months later.

In an interview with PTI in 2020, Faesal had said his decision to join politics had done more harm than benefit as his "innocuous act" of dissent was seen as an "act of treason".

About his decision to form a political party, Faesal had said he wanted to revive democratic politics in Jammu and Kashmir.

"But soon after quitting (IAS), I realised that my innocuous act of dissent was being seen as an act of treason. It had done more harm than benefit," he had said, adding his act had discouraged a lot of civil services aspirants and his colleagues felt betrayed by him. "It upset me a lot."

Bomb Scare In Doda

After CRPF's sniffer dog sensed some substance inside the tiffin box, a bomb disposal squad was called from Doda to check it.

Following standard operating procedures, we vacated 300 metre area and after taking all precautions, the bomb disposal squad of 4 Rashtriya Rifles verified the object and at 12.10 am on Saturday, the operation was completed and it turned out to be an abandoned tiffin box," SP (Bhadarwah) Aftab Alam Mir said.

"Although the situation remained tense for four hours, everything is now under control, he added.

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In the winter capital, officials said, Jammu reported a maximum of 42 new cases of infection, Kishtwar 13, Rajouri and Ramban 5 each, Udhampur and Kathua 3 each, two each in Doda and Poonch and one each in Samba and Reasi.

Also, the officials said that the death toll in the pandemic remained unchanged at 4777 as no fresh fatality was reported during the last 24 hours.

Moreover, 777 more COVID-19 patients have recovered and been discharged from various hospitals including 185 from Jammu division and 592 from Kashmir division," they added.

'Crown Of Incredible India' LG Launches 75 Home-Stays in Rural Areas

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday launched 75 Home-Stays in Rural areas to commemorate the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' in the 75th year of Independence, at a program organized at SKICC.

These Home-Stays are owned by SHG members of Jammu and Kashmir Rural Livelihood Mission (JKRLM) in partnership with OYO Group under project 'Crown of Incredible India'.

Speaking on the occasion, the LG said that the country's leading travel tech company OYO Group in collaboration with JKRLM would build 200 more home stays by December 2022 to boost rural livelihood in Jammu Kashmir.

He observed that in a short span of time, Self Help Groups have emerged as a powerful tool for women empowerment and socio-economic transformation in Jammu Kashmir.

Under the banner of UMEED programme, JKRLM is empowering the rural women entrepreneurs. The Mission is also providing national market to the local products. The launch of 75 home stays with OYO Hotels & Homes will prove to be a milestone in the pursuit of social equality, social justice and social security, he added.

The partnership with OYO and the launch of Tourist Village Network, in which Mission Youth has selected 75 such villages under both the Jammu, and Kashmir divisions, known for their unique landscape, cultural diversity and heritage value will go a long way in ex-



panding the tourism ecosystem to rural areas of UT, he added.

It was informed that the affordable tariffs offered by the OYO home stays will cater to a better and immersive traveling experience. The Home stays have all the basic room amenities, great views, and provide an opportunity for travelers to experience beautiful rural landscapes and nature in its truest form.

Identified on the parameters of scenic beauty, landscape, cultural diversity and heritage, the 75 new home stays are located at Udhampur, Poonch, Doda, Kathua and Kishtwar districts of Jammu and Anantnag, Baramulla, Bandipora and Srinagar

districts of Kashmir valley.

Pertinently, Jammu and Kashmir Rural Livelihood Mission recently organized a workshop for home stay owners in Srinagar on August 1 and 2, 2022. A similar workshop is going to be held in Jammu on August 16 and 17, 2022 for home stay owners.

OYO has partnered with Jammu and Kashmir Rural Livelihood Mission (JKRLM) to offer end-to-end solutions that would transcend beyond just listing of home stays on its platform. It includes identification of the homes, their audit, transformation and civil work, transfer of technology, training of homestay owners, branding and marketing etc.,

it was informed.

Commenting on the developments, Ritesh Agarwal, Founder, OYO, said "We are honoured to be a part of the "Crown of Incredible India" project which was inaugurated by the Lt Governor in February of this year.

These homestays are a testimony to the vision of our Prime Minister and the Lt Governor to widen and deepen the prospects for tourism in the country, provide sustainable livelihood to the rural community and also empower women. OYO is committed to play a meaningful role in strengthening the tourism potential in J&K with an innovative and collaborative approach".

Officer Suspended in Budgam for 'Insulting' National Flag

Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir government has suspended an executive officer for allegedly insulting the national flag in Magam area of central Kashmir's Budgam district, sources said on Saturday.


They said that Syed Aijaz Manzoor, executive officer of Municipal Committee Magam has been suspended by the Sub Divisional Magistrate Beerwah and an inquiry has

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been initiated against the officer.

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An official also confirmed to KDC and said Tehsildar Magma has been nominated as the enquiry officer in the matter, who shall furnish a detailed report within three days along with particulars of all other officials/ non-officials involved in the incident. (KDC)



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SED Mulls To Adopt Haryana Model For Vocational Trainers In J&K

Agencies

Srinagar: The School Education Department is mulling to adopt the Haryana government's Model or Policy for Vocational Trainers for its implementation in Jammu and Kashmir.

According to, the department has asked the officials to go through the whole process of engagement of Vocational Trainers particularly the implementation of the labour laws like provident fund, increment, leave, Maternity leave etc.

The government has also asked

the officials 'to assess the feasibility of Haryana Government's Model or Policy for Vocational Trainers for its implementation in the UT of J&K'.

The government said this while constituting a committee to review the engagement of Vocational Trainers and their terms and conditions.

The Committee has been asked to furnish its report or recommendations within a month with focus on making the policy more clear and transparent.

The outgoing Principal Secretary, School Education Department

B K Singh also accorded the sanction for the constitution of a committee comprising of four officers to review the engagement of Vocational Trainers and their term and Conditions.

Project Director Samagra Shiksha will head the committee as a chairman followed by Deputy Director (Planning) School Education Department, Civil Secretariat, Chief Accounts Officer, Samara Shiksha and Under Secretary (M), School Education Department, Civil Secretariat J&K as the members of the committee—(KNO

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Directorate of Tourism, Kashmir

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Subject: - Change of location of the Travel unit running under the name & style "M/s Tropical Tour & Travels".

Public Notice.

Whereas, Ms. Nahida Abdullah D/o Mr. Mohammad Abdullah Koka R/o Bagh-e-Mehtab Srinagar has applied in this office for change of location of her Travel Unit under the name and style "M/s Tropical Tour & Travels" from Gulshan Nagar Nowgam Srinagar to Lal Nagar Chanpora Srinagar under Tourist Trade Act 1978/82/2011-12.

Whereas the unit is registered with this office vide Registration No:- Reg/T/2020/528/DTK/L-11/P-52 dated 13.10.2018 and was renewed upto 31.03.2022.

Whereas, the applicant along with his application has submitted the requisite documents as mention below:-

1. Registration Certificate.
2. NOC from concerned bank.
3. Rent deed of new location (Sub Registrar).

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PM Modi Hosts India's CWG 2022 Contingent



Press Trust of India

NEW DELHI: The golden period of Indian sports is knocking on the doors, said Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday as he hailed the gutsy show of the Indian contingent which returned with 61 medals from the Commonwealth Games.

Modi on Saturday hosted the Indian contingent at his residence to felicitate the players here.

The Indian athletes produced a sensational show in Birmingham, claiming 61 medals, including 22 gold, 16 silver and 23 bronze.

"The real assessment of this performance can't be made with just number of medals, our athletes competed neck-to-neck. There may have been a difference of 1s or 1cm but we will make that up I am confident of that," Modi said during his speech.

"It is just a start and we are not going to just sit quietly, golden

period of Indian sports is knocking on the doors."

While India produced a dominating show in badminton, wrestling and weightlifting, the athletes also did well in athletics, judo and lawn bowl, where they won India's first-ever medal in the Games.

The Indian team also won a silver in women's T20 cricket which was introduced for the first time at the CWG.

Modi also noted that the achievements of the athletes coincided with the celebrations of India's 75th independence day.

The felicitation program was attended by most of the CWG-returned athletes, including the wrestlers, weightlifters, boxers, shuttlers and table-tennis players.

Modi also congratulated the chess players who competed and won medals at the Olympiad which was hosted in Chennai.

Shakib Named Bangladesh Captain For Asia Cup, T20 WC



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DHAKA: The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) on Saturday appointed premier all-rounder Shakib Al Hasan as the skipper of the T20 team for the upcoming Asia Cup, the New Zealand tri-series and the T20 World Cup.

While the Asia Cup will be held in the UAE, Australia will host the T20 showpiece in October-November.

The BCB made the announcement after weeks of uncertainty as Shakib was told by the Board to choose between playing for Bangladesh or keeping his endorsement with a "betting company" Betwinner News.

He was appointed Test captain

in June after Mominul Haque stepped down.

The BCB also announced a 17-member squad for the Asia Cup, which will be played from August 27.

Bangladesh made several changes in their T20I squad for the Asia Cup, with Liton Das ruled out of the tournament due to injuries.

Bangladesh's squad: Shakib Al Hasan (captain), Anamul Haque, Mushfiqur Rahim, Afif Hossain, Mosaddek Hossain, Mahmudul-ah, Mahedi Hasan, Mohammad Saifuddin, Hasan Mahmud, Mustafizur Rahman, Nasum Ahmed, Sabbir Rahman, Mehidy Hasan Miraz, Ebadot Hossain, Parvez Hossain Emon, Nurul Hasan, Taskin Ahmed.

Phillips Stars As NZ Beat Windies In 2nd T20I

Agencies

KINGSTON: Glenn Phillips scored a half century off 33 balls as New Zealand thrashed the West Indies by 90 runs in the second Twenty20 International to take a 2-0 lead in the three-match series.

After registering his fifth T20 half century, Phillips went on to 76 from 41 balls as New Zealand posted 215 for 5 after electing to bat after winning the toss, exceeding the 185-5 that was a winning total in the first match of the series. His innings included six sixes and four fours.

The West Indies could score only 125-9 in reply, lacking the partnerships that underpinned a New Zealand total, the highest by a visiting team against the West Indies in a T20 in the Caribbean.

Seven West Indies wickets fell to spin bowlers, including the first four of the innings.

Mitchell Santner, who was Man of the Match for his 3-19 in the first match, took a wicket with his first ball and two wickets in his opening over to derail the West Indies' run chase.

Shimron Hetmeyer was the



first batsman not to fall to a spin bowler, run out by a direct hit at the bowlers end by New Zealand captain Kane Williamson. The West Indies were 28-5 at that point and couldn't recover.

Santner and Bracewell both finished with 3-15 while Ish Sodhi took 1-36. Tim Southee took the only wicket which fell to a fast bowler, removing Odean Smith at the tail and returning 1-34.

The final T20 will be played on Sunday at the same venue, followed by three One-Day Internationals. (AP)

'Indian T20 Cricket Has Better Pacers Than Shami'



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DUBAI: Australian legend Ricky Ponting feels Mohammed Shami's strength lies in the long-format and there are better quick bowlers in India's T20 set up, weighing in on his absence from the Asia Cup squad.

India have picked Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Avesh Khan and Arshdeep Singh as the three specialist fast bowlers with all-rounder Hardik Pandya being the fourth pacer in the 15-member squad.

"He's (Shami) been a very, very good bowler for India for a long time now. If you look at his strengths, his Test cricket is probably where he thrives the most," Ponting, a two-time World Cup-winning captain, said in the latest episode of The ICC Review.

"I think there are better fast bowlers in Indian T20 cricket than Shami and they've only named three (for the Asia Cup). So if there's potentially four named in the squad he might be the fourth man in."

With Jasprit Bumrah and

Harshal Patel nursing injuries, many felt Shami might be included to share the new-ball duties during the Asia Cup.

"I would think they'll probably only have the four quicks coming to Australia. They'll still want to bring a lot of spin here even though the wickets are probably not that conducive," Ponting said.

The Asia Cup will be held in Dubai and Sharjah from August 27 to September 11 and Ponting picked India as the favourites to win the tournament.

Test Cricket Won't Die In My Lifetime: Ian Chappell

Press Trust of India

NEW DELHI: Australian great Ian Chappell is certain Test cricket "won't die" in his lifetime but wondered whether the best players would play it in the future amid the proliferation of T20 leagues.

The former Australia captain believed that international cricket faces a real challenge of retaining players in the face of rapid expansion of T20 leagues around the world. "Test cricket won't die in my lifetime. But who'll be playing it? That's the big question," Chappell was quoted as saying by 'Wide World of Sports'.

"If you haven't got your best players, is Test cricket worth watching? The answer is probably no. Test cricket is a good game, but it's got to be well played," he added. Chappell also spoke about the issue of Chris Lynn seeking a No-objection Certificate (NOC) from Cricket Australia to play in the UAE's ILT20.

Lynn has registered himself as a marquee player in the ILT20 but will require a No-objection Certificate (NOC) from CA to play in the league, something he may not get as the Australian cricket board also runs the Big Bash League at the same time.

Chappell said if he were at Lynn's place he would take CA to court in the event he is not given an NOC.

Unvaccinated Djokovic Out Of US Open Tuneup



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CINCINNATI: Novak Djokovic pulled out of next week's hard-court tournament in Cincinnati because he has not gotten any COVID-19 vaccine shots and so is not allowed to travel to the United States. That is also why Djokovic is not expected to be able to enter the U.S. Open, the year's last Grand Slam tournament, which begins in New York on Aug. 29.

Djokovic is a 35-year-old from Serbia who owns 21 major championships, one behind Rafael Nadal for the men's record. Djokovic has said he won't get vaccinated against the illness caused by the coronavirus, even if that prevents him from playing in certain tournaments.

He missed the Australian Open in January after being deported from that country and needed to sit out two events in the United States earlier this year, along with a tournament in Montreal this week. Unvaccinated foreign citizens can't go to Canada or the U.S. currently; the Cincinnati tournament's news release announcing Djokovic's withdrawal cited travel restrictions.

Djokovic has said he was still holding out hope of being able to enter the U.S. Open, but that would require a change of government policy, which the U.S. Tennis Association says it will adhere to. Djokovic is a three-time champion at the U.S. Open and was the runner-up last year to Daniil Medvedev. (AP)

Ballon d'Or Nominations: Benzema Leads, Messi Left Out



Agencies

PARIS: Karim Benzema was among the 30-man list of nominees for the 2022 Ballon d'Or award, which was announced by France Football on Friday, while seven-time winner Lionel Messi was omitted from the list for the first time since 2006.

Messi's arch-rival, five-time winner Cristiano Ronaldo was included, as well as Polish striker Robert Lewandowski, French forward Kylian Mbappe, and Egyptian star Mohamed Salah.

However, another PSG star Neymar also missed out on the nomination which meant that Mbappe will be the sole player on the list coming from French Ligue 1, reports Xinhua. Messi, who won the title last year, had been nominated 15 times in a row since 2006 (except for in 2020 when the award was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic). The 35-year-old didn't meet his own lofty standards in his first season at PSG, following his shocking move from Barcelona to the French capital last summer.

The Argentine star provided 14 assists in PSG's way to a record-equalling 10th Ligue 1 title but scored only six goals in the league, far away from the high expectations from all sides.

Benzema, who helped Real Madrid to double championships in La Liga and Champions League, was undoubtedly the favourite for the prestigious award as the organisers announced

some changes in March that the award will be given based on performances over the course of a regular football season, rather than a calendar year.

Other changes included a reduction of the number of voters as only the representatives from the top 100 countries and regions on the FIFA ranking (top-50 for the women's award) were eligible to vote.

The award ceremony is scheduled for October 17 at Chatelet Theatre in Paris.

Following is the full list:

Real Madrid -- Karim Benzema, Thibaut Courtois, Casemiro, Vinicius Junior, Antonio Rudiger, Luka Modric.

Liverpool -- Mohamed Salah, Trent Alexander-Arnold, Virgil van Dijk, Fabinho, Darwin Nunez, Luis Diaz.

Manchester City -- Erling Haaland, Kevin De Bruyne, Joao Cancelo, Riyad Mahrez, Phil Foden, Bernardo Silva.

Bayern Munich -- Joshua Kimmich, Sadio Mane.

Tottenham -- Son Heung-min, Harry Kane.

AC Milan -- Rafael Leao, Mike Maignan.

Manchester United -- Cristiano Ronaldo.

Juventus -- Dusan Vlahovic.

Barcelona -- Robert Lewandowski.

Paris Saint-Germain -- Kylian Mbappe.

Dortmund -- Sebastian Haller.

RB Leipzig -- Christopher Nkunku.

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