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Tourism Boom Bonanza! More Hotels, Guests Houses Coming Up In Kashmir Valley

Bed Capacity For Tourism Related Activity Reaches 60,000 In 2022

Zaid Bin Shabir

Srinagar: Despite two back to back lockdowns bringing life to a grinding halt, the tourism infrastructure, including hotels and guest houses in Kashmir Valley have witnessed a big leap over the last three years, as the bed capacity for tourism

related activities has increased by 60,000 in the current year. As per the data available with Kashmir Observer, over the last three years, Valley's tourism infrastructure took a beneficial leap against the previous years as the room strength in the region recorded an addition of over 1100. This was among the facts emerging from the official tourism data that was accessed by Kashmir Observer.

The official data further reveals that in Kashmir valley there are about 1500 tourism infrastructures that are registered under J&K Tourism Department and are currently



paying guest houses that are a functional. Out of these 1500 infrastructures, 620 are the new sight of attraction for the

TENTED ACCOMMODATION AND GUEST HOUSES ARE BECOMING OUITE

popular among domestic and foreign tourists. Recently, we've seen how hotels in the valley were fully occupied and that was the time when the government thought of encouraging home stays and tents to accommodate the huge influx of tourists."

domestic and foreigner travelers arriving in Kashmir.

Talking to Kashmir Observer, Deputy Director (Registration) Tourism Kashmir, Alyaz Ahmad Nasir said that the tourism department's new registration policy has attracted more and more people to apply for registration of new paying guest houses. "We've taken necessary steps to ease out the registration process. The department has introduced a new scheme of ap-

proving new projects, the idea being, more and More on P6



RAJOURI ATTACK

Jammu: The number of dead in Rajouri suicide attack rose to five, as another injured soldier succumbed at the military hospital at northern command in Udhampur, officials here said on Monday.

On August 11, two militants had attacked an army camp in Rajouri killing four soldiers in a pre-dawn suicide strike that marked the return of fidayeen' to Jammu and Kashmir after more than three years.

Both militants, believed to be from the Pakistan-based Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), were gunned down after an over four-hour gun battle.

The attack came five days ahead of India's 76th Independence Day.

"Another soldier Havaldar Satpal Singh succumbed to his injuries late Sunday night. With him, the death toll has gone up to five, an officer said.

Officials said that the injured jawan was undergoing treatment at the northern command based military hospital.

Today a wreath laying ceremony was held at Command hospital Udhampur and his mortal remains were taken to his hometown in Rajasthan, they said.

The four Army personnel died in the attack earlier were Junior Commissioned Officer (JCO) Subedar Rajendra Prasad (of Maligoven village in Rajasthan's Jhunjhunu district), Rifleman Lakshmanan D (of T Pudupatti village in Madurai district of Tamil Nadu), Rifleman Manoj Kumar (of Shahjahanpur village in Haryana's Faridabad), and Rifleman Nishant Malik Adarsh Nagar village in (of Haryana's Hisar). The Indian Army salutes the bravehearts for their supreme sacrifice in the More on P6

Govt Investing In Healthcare & Medical **Education: LG** RAJ BHAWAN SRINAGAR

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha said on Monday that his government is investing in healthcare and medical education so that the citizens and youth of the Union Territory have the best service and career options they deserve for a better tomorrow.

"We have radically reformed the healthcare services delivery model. In the last two years, we have acted swiftly to bridge the gaps at the district and sub-district levels and harmonized all services for speedy and effective care of the needy. People now have easy access to healthcare they need, when they need and where they need it. Systemic improvements have led to high quality health care clearly visible in key health status indicators and national rankings," Sinha said, according to an official spokesperson.



The LG, he said, also noted that the Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojna (AB-PMJAY) SEHAT is playing a key role in protecting, preserving, and promoting the health of the people and even the most vulnerable sections of society are witnessing improved well-being of their families.



According to the spokesperson, till date, approximately 80% out of the total eligible 25.72 lakhs families More on P6

A nomad family crosses a stream through a wooden log in the picturesque meadow of Yousmarg in Central Kashmir's Budgam district on Monday. KO Photo, Abid Bhat

Govt Okays Adoption Of Compassionate Appointment Scheme

Observer News Service

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SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir government on Monday approved the adoption of a rehabilitation scheme that will provide compassionate appointment or monetary help to the people affected by militancy or enemy action along Line of Control (LoC) or International Border.

regard was taken in the Administrative Council (AC) meeting held on Monday under the chairmanship of the Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, an official spokesperson said. The meeting, he said, approved the adoption of Jammu and Kashmir Rehabilitation Assistance Scheme, 2022. The spokesperson said that

the decision is aimed at pro-

decision in this moting equity, More on P6

RS. 4200 CR INVESTMENT IN MEDI-CITY WILL ALSO INCREASE THE NUMBER of

beds and MBBS seats in the UT of Jammu Kashmir. Proposed hospitals, paramedical college and super specialty hospitals will add 1,000 MBBS seats, bringing huge relief to the youth planning for a career in medical studies."

Imran Khan Charged With Terrorism, Faces Arrest

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Lahore: Pakistani police have filed terrorism charges against Imran Khan over comments he made in a speech at the weekend, stoking political tensions as the former prime minister's lovalists vow to resist efforts to arrest him.

Mr Khan's lawyers said they would challenge the charges and hundreds of his supporters gathered outside his home in Islamabad, denouncing what

Supporters Gather At Home Of Ex Pakistan **To Foil Arrest**



they called an effort by prime minister Shehbaz Sharif to silence his main political rival. "The terrorism-related

charges against Imran Khan

are completely biased," said Iftikhar Durrani, a senior leader from Khan's Pakistan Tehreeke-Insaf party. "We are going to court to contest these charges.'

[Ousted Imran Khan wages legal campaign to bolster comeback bid in Pakistan]

Mr Khan said at a rally at the weekend that his supporters "won't spare" the officials responsible for detaining Shahbaz Gill, one of his allies, this month. The police alleged Mr Khan More on P6

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undreds of supporters of Pakistan's former prime minister, Imran Khan, gathered on Monday outside his hilltop mansion in the capital, Islamabad, vowing to prevent his arrest on anti-terrorism PM Imran Khan, Vow accusations, officials of his political party said. The move follows a police case filed against Khan on Saturday for threatening More on P6

Police Files Case After Soldiers 'Thrash' Civilian

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Police on Monday filed a case and started investigations after a video showing army men beating a civilian at Nowgam here went viral on social media websites triggering widespread outrage.

The purported video was

shared by many political lead-

ers on micro-blogging web-

sites like Facebook and Twitter

demanding action against the

army personnel involved in

Subsequently, the Srinagar

police said that they have reg-

istered an FIR into the incident.

dent came to notice wherein some army personnel in

"Today afternoon an inci-

beating the civilian.

civilian while other personnel present also got involved in minor fight at Nowgam Chowk," a police spokesperson said in a handout issued Monday evening. He further added that "On

uniform reportedly beat one

receipt of this information, cognisance of incident was taken and a case under FIR number 116/2022 under sections 323,341 of IPC was registered in Nowgam PS. Investigation has been taken up,"

Meanwhile, Army in a statement said that the viral video showing altercation between Army and civilians seems to be an old one.

"Chinar Corps is checking the veracity of the video. Prima facie it More on P6

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youth was found dead on Monday under mysterious circumstances in Mendhar area of Poonch district. 24-year-old Abdul Jabar, a student, was found dead in a field near Sonia Wali Bawali in Mendhar on Monday morning under mysterious circumstances, reports said. The youth was reportedly at his relative's house before his body was spotted in a field near the graveyard. The body was later shifted by police to the sub-district hospital Mendhar for conducting medico-legal formalities. According to police, More on P6

SIA Charges 4 JeM Associates In NIA Court

tate Investigation Agency Kashmir on Monday presented Ja charge sheet against four associates of Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) militant outfit in the designated NIA court here. The charge sheet was filed in a case (FIR No 05/2022) under relevant sections of law, a police officer said, as per news agency GNS. He said that the case was lodged at Police Station CIK/JIC Srinagar earlier this year following some credible inputs regarding the More on P6

Rusted Grenade Defused In Samba

rusted grenade was defused by a bomb disposal squad in Samba district of Jammu and Kashmir



officials said. The grenade was found lying in a dried up stream by some farmers working in their fields nearby at

Swankha village in Vijaypur, they said. They informed police and the explosive device was subsequently defused by the experts without causing any damage, officials said.

Two Civilians Injured In Anantnag Blast

wo civilians were injured on Monday in a grenade blast in Sangam area of South Kashmir's Anantnag district. Amir Ahmad Lone and Shakeel Ahmad Lone received splinter injuries when unknown militants lobbed a grenade towards Central Reserve Police Force (CFPF) personnel in Sangam area of the district on Monday evening, reports said. The grenade, reports said, missed the intended target and exploded on the roadside leaving the two civilians injured. Both the injured were removed to a nearby More on P6

131 Test Positive As Cases Dip In J&K

ammu and Kashmir reported on Monday 131 fresh cases of novel Coronavirus while no new fatality was reported from the Union Territory during the last 24 hours. According to officials, 117 new cases of Covid-19 were detected in Kashmir Valley and the remaining 14 from Jammu division, taking the total number of people infected since the onset of the pandemic in J&K to 476175. In the Valley, they said, Baramulla registered the highest 37 new cases of virus, followed by Srinagar with 24, Kupwara 17, Ganderbal 15, Budgam 12, More on P6

'Hybrid Terrorist' Held Over Budgam Attack

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olice on Monday claimed to have arrested one more hybrid militant of Lashkar-e-Taiba in connection with an attack on minorities in central Kashmir's Budgam district. Suhail Ahmad Malik of Panzan Chadoora was arrested and incriminating material of LeT and one hand grenade was recovered from his possession, a police spokesperson said Monday. Malik's arrest, he said, came during the investigation of More on P6

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Switching Careers? Here's How to Write a Strong Resume.

Harvard Business Review

make a change.

witching career paths and trying something completely new can open you up to exciting opportunities, help you learn new things, and even earn you more money. But it's not always easy - especially if you're looking to move into an entirely different field. Apart from doing your research and unearthing opportunities, there's one essential thing you need to focus on before you make the leap: updating your resume.

Crafting a smart resume is key to showing your potential employer why you wish to make a change, what you bring to the table that will benefit their team and the company, and what this change represents for you. Writing a resume that showcases your career story upfront will also help you be better prepared as a candidate. We recently analyzed 214 early career professionals aged 18 to 24 years old, who successfully pivoted their careers between September 2021 and April 2022. We looked at their resumes, interviewed them about their job search experiences, and spoke to their hiring managers to understand why each candidate stood out among the rest. This research revealed three things about how to craft a strong resume:

1) Honesty is the best policy.

Trying to align your previous work experiences with the technical skills you require for a job in a different industry may not be the right strategy. Instead, be open about your work history, and explain the circumstances that led you to

2) If you want employers to notice you, use keywords.

Research shows that artificial intelligence (AI) is now being used to match the language job descriptions (JD) to the language on resumes. To get recognized by both the bots and the hiring managers, you need to use keywords that highlight the skills required for the new role. Even if you lack some of the harder skills, try to identify a few transferable skills listed in the description that you can also include on your resume – for example, good communication, strong collaborator, emotional intelligence, etc. For example, if a JD asks for "strong leadership skills," be sure to include the phrase "leadership" or "lead" on your resume when describing how you managed a small team of interns, or led a specific project.

For more industry-specific roles, some common keywords that recruiters mentioned looking for include "FDA," "HIPAA," and "ICD-10."

3) There's no one way to format your resume. when it comes to formatting your resume, our research found there is no one-size-fits-all solution. That means you may want to experiment with different layouts and styles until you find something that works for you. However, make sure to avoid over-the-top designs, as these may distract from the content in your resume and will be difficult for bots to read. Based on the best examples we found throughout our research, we've put together a few more tips on how to craft your resume - from top to bottom.

Start with a personal statement.

This is a short description – a few lines – about who you are, your reasons for changing your career, your new goals, how your previous experience can be transferred to the new industry, and why you're perfect for the job. Think of this as an elevator pitch to impress the recruiters. Recruiting managers told us that words like "accomplished," "achieved," "adaptable," "ana-lytical," "curious," "creative," "reflective," "strategic," and "team player" all stood out to them. While you should explain in detail the reasons for your career change in your cover letter, your personal statement is the space to reaffirm your motivations.

Showcase your skills.

On a traditional resume, most people highlight their job experience upfront to help recruiters get a sense of their work history. However, when changing careers, the hiring managers reviewing your applications may not always be familiar with the roles and responsibilities of a different industry. So, while crafting your resume, prioritize highlighting the skills you've learned throughout your career, not just your job titles. Again, we recommend focusing on transferable skills that are valuable across industries. These are typically softer skills like problem-solving, communication style, collaboration, and openness to feedback, among others. Hard skills, or technical skills, are those that are specific to the industry or task at hand. These are the skills required to do your job well, such as Excel, data

analysis, coding, copyediting, or proficiency in software or technology. If your previous roles required hard skills that overlap with the role you're applying for, or if you've taken courses to help you acquire them, include this as well. The goal here is to highlight the transferable and hard skills you possess that are important and relevant to the new role. When you demonstrate your skills, focus on the impact they made in each role, rather than just explaining the day-to-day work you did.

Highlight relevant work experience.

Below your skills, you can include a more traditional description of your relevant work history. Trim this section down to include only the experiences that showcase your most important expertise. Aim to highlight roles and responsibilities that prove you are capable of doing this new job, and that offer the hiring manager a well-rounded story of your journey. As you write your work history, don't just focus on the daily tasks. Instead, emphasize your accomplishments as well as your responsibilities in that specific role. This is important because potential employers may want to know what you can bring to the table, and simply regurgitating your job duties doesn't show them that. Our research suggests using numbers and statistics whenever possible. If you increased sales by a certain percentage, mention that. For example: "Praised by management for my ability to upsell products to customers, leading to a 21% increase in sales at our store.

When you write what you accomplished, don't hes-

itate to use action words or verbs like "managed," "coordinated," "learned," and "oversaw." For example: "Learned to quickly build rapport and trust with customers and was recognized as a top-performing employee in the team three times in 2022." Finally, if you have a year or two of employment gaps, explain why. You can write about any freelance projects or temporary work you might have done during the time. Maybe you had to take a break for personal reasons, like taking care of an ailing parent or your own health. Be honest about the circumstances and explain what you learned from the experience. For example: "While I was unemployed, I took classes and received certification in XYZ." List all relevant education experience.

List your educational qualification in reverse chronological order, with the most recent first. Add your degree, diplomas, or any other certifications that may be relevant to the role. Include details about the modules from any courses you've completed to show that you have a more comprehensive understanding of subjects or skills that may be pertinent to the position you're interested in.

Career transitions can take time and preparation. While an arduous process in the beginning, taking the time to tailor your resume is one way to become more strategic about making a move, and present yourself as a selfaware, confident, and strong candidate to potential employers. Use the templates and examples above to help you make it past those first rounds of the hiring process, and impress hiring managers across industries.

UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR, OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER JAL SHAKTI DEPARTMENT (PHE) MECHANICAL RURAL DIVISION BALGARDEN SRINAGAR

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Fresh e-NIT No. PHE/MRD/TS 68 OF 08/2022Dated: -20-08-2022

For and on behalf of Lt. Governor of UT of J&K, Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) Mechanical Rural Division Balgarden Srinagar, invites e-tenders from reputed and resourceful Bidders/ Firms/Companies/Joint Ventures/Consortiums between bidder/firm and Financerof all classes registered in JK-PWD/CPWD/Railways or any other state Government or GST Registration for Elect/Mech. Works for "Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Electro-Mechanical equipment and Construction of Pump House/Panel room/Operator room etc. at various Water Supply Schemes (under JMM) of Jal Shakti (PHE) Mechanical Rural Division Balgarden Srinagar". The bidding process shall be completed online on www.jktenders.gov.inin two covers viz. Cover 1st consisting of Pre-Qualification Criteria, General Terms and Conditions and Technical Specifications and Cover 2nd shall consist of Financial Bid on item rate basis, in the prescribed BOQ.

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Position of funds: Approved Under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)

Status of AAA : As per FORM-1

The tender inviting authority is Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti (PHE) Mechanical Rural Division, Balgarden, Srinagar. The awarding authority is District Jal Jeevan Mission (DJJM) Budgam.

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India's Solar, Wind Energy Potential Likely To **Dip Due To Climate Change: Study**

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Solar and wind potential in India are likely to face a negative trend in the future due to climate change, according to a new study by Pune-based Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology. The researchers used state-of-the-art climate models devised by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) to analyse the wind and solar projections for the renewable energy sector over the Indian subcontinent. The seasonal and annual wind speed is likely to decrease over North India and increase along South India. The southern coast of Odisha and the southern Indian states of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu

show promising potential for wind energy in the climate change scenario, said the study titled 'Analysis of future wind and solar potential over India using climate models'.

The study was published in the peer-reviewed journal Cur-

rent Science recently.

Regional analysis of wind potential indicates that the frequency of high energy producing wind speeds will decrease, whereas low energy producing wind speeds are likely to increase in the future.

"Solar projections for the future indicate that solar radiation will decrease during all seasons over most of the Indian landmass. For future investments in the solar power sector, central and south-central India must be considered during pre-monsoon months, as the potential loss is minimal in these regions," it said.

"The present study shows that the renewable energy fields of solar and wind potential in India are likely to face a negative trend in the future... Expanded and more efficient networks of wind and solar farms are needed to increase renewable energy production," the report read.



The pre-bid meeting will be held in the office chamber of the Superintending Engineer, Jal Shakti (PHE) Mechanical Circle North, Srinaga

3. The whole bidding process shall be completed online on tender portal www.jktenders.gov.in. The intending bidders can download the bid document from the tender portal and can submit their bids by uploading them on the tender portal.

4. The valid bids received shall be opened online in the office of the Superintending Engineer, Jal Shakti (PHE) Mechanical Circle North, Srinagar. 5. Bids must be accompanied by bid security and cost of Tender Document as specified in column 4 & 5 of the table and shall be payable at Srinagar.

Bid Security to be pledged in favour of Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti (PHE) Mechanical Rural Division, Balgarden, Srinagar.Bid Security will have to be in form of CDR/FDR/BG of any scheduled Bank and shall be valid for a period of 120 days from the last date of submission of bid.

The cost of tender documents should be in form of DD /TR/e challan in favour of Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti (PHE) Mechanical Rural Division, Balgarden, Srinagar

The hard copies of cost of tender document in shape of DD/TR/e-challan, Earnest money in shape of CDR/FDR/BG and other relevant documents shall be obtained from the bidder who is declared as L1 after opening of financial cover.

The bid shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the last date of submission of bids. If any bidder/tenderer withdraws his bid/ tender before the said period or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid, the said earnest money shall stand forfeited and the bid shall be declared non-responsive.

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Sd/-**Executive Engineer**, Jal Shakti (PHE) Mech. Rural Division, Srinagar.

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Mr. Mohammad Igbal Sofi. S/o Ghulam Qadir Sofi, S/A Kralkhud Habba Kadal Sgr. (Through Ward Officer, Ward No. 05 SMC).

Subject:-NOTICE OF DEMOLITION UNDER SECTION 258 (2) OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATION ACT 2000.

Whereas. an application has been received from inhabitants of the area through Javid Ahmad S/o Ghulam Nabi Bhat & Ors wherein it has been complained that two structures raised on the land falling under Khasra No. 2056. Khewat No. 208. Khata No. 628 have been raised long back and the said structures are now in deteriorated and damaged condition which have become a public nuisance to the thoroughfare of the general public passing through the said vicinity. The said structures may collapse any time and shall cause heavy loss to the human lives and the adjoining properties as well;

Whereas, report has been sought from the erstwhile Ward Officer Ward No. 05 SMC vide No. SMC/W-05/46-48, dated:- 30-03-2021, wherein he has confirmed that the structure in question is in dilapidated condition and has expressed apprehension of collapsing of said structure any time which could become cause for threat to human life and property;

Whereas, technical opinion has also sought from Joint Commissioner (Works)/ Superintending Engineer, SMC vide his No. SMC/JCW/ SE/799-801, dated: - 24-05-2021 stated therein that the building/ structure in question may collapse any time which will cause threat to human life& property:

Whereas fresh status report has also been sought from present Ward Officer, Ward No.05 vide No. SMC/W-05/179-80, dated: -06-08-2022 wherein it has also been reported that the structure is in dilapidated condition and there is apprehension that it may collapse any time:

Now, therefore, in order to observe the mandate of Law& in pursuance of section 258 sub section (2) Srinagar Municipal Corporation Act. 2000, the undersigned is hereby authorized to direct you to demolish/ pull down the dilapidated structure referred herein above at your risk and cost within a period of 15 days from the date of issuance of notice to avoid any threat to public life and property. In case of failure, necessary action shall be initiated against you under relevant provisions of law. By Order.

DIPK-NB-3360/22

Sd/-Chief Enforcement Officer, Srinagar Municipal Corporation

No. SMC/Enf/10026-34 Dated:-17/08/2022

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4 Residential **Houses Damaged** In Bemina blaze

Agencies

Srinagar: Four residential houses were partially damaged in a fire incident in Nundresh Colony A in Bemina area of Srinagar this afternoon.

Reports said that four residential houses belonging to Ghulam Qadir Sheikh, Mohd Maqbool Bala and Tariq Ahmad Bala, Nasir Ahmad Farooqi, Abdul Ahad Lone and Parveena Akhtar were partially damaged after fire broke out from a residential house in Nundresh Colony A.

They said that F&ES with the help of police and locals doused off the flames to prevent any further damages

police Meanwhile, have taken cognizance of the incident and investigation is underway to ascertain the cause of fire. KNO

J&K Youth Can Become Climate Change Leaders: KUVC

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Vice-Chancellor University of Kashmir Prof Nilofer Khan on Monday inaugurated a programme organised to establish a Youth Forum in Jammu and Kashmir that would pursue the goals of sustainable development in the Indian Himalayan Region (IHR).

The programme was organised by J&K Chapter of Himalayan Knowledge Network (HKN), an initiative coordinated by G.B.Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment, Uttarakhand, with the support from National Mission on Himalayan Studies, under the aegis of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India.

In her presidential address, Prof Nilofer said any academic or research activity is incomplete with the involvement of students and youth.

"It is the ideas from our youth that we, at the institutional level, must cash in on for better policy formulation on critical issues concerning the environment conservation in the Indian Himalayan Region," she said, adding that given their potential,

and Registrar Dr Nisar A Mir also shared the dais as special guests and highlighted how student-driven programmes can bring about a discernible change at grassroots by going into communities to raise awareness on environment conservation and related issues.

Prof Irshad A Nawchoo

Nodal person for J&K Chapter of HKN, Prof Zafar A Reshi-the chief coordinator of the programmesaid the Youth Forum initiative aims to make youth of J&K UT active partners in programmes, policies and decision-making related to sustainable development in accordance with the emphasis laid by Niti Aayog for sustainable development in the IHR.

He said the J&K Chapter of HKN has identified two key areas, including water resources management and biodiversity conservation, to engage youth and address the related issues and concerns.

"The idea is to listen to youth, their perceptions, choices and needs related to the environment and incorporate the same in policy formulation," Prof Reshi said in his welcome address.

Prof Zahoor A Kaloo, Head Department of Bota-

Use Of Mobile Phones While Driving Goes On Unabated In City

SSP Traffic says in 2022, 3,643 people fined for using mobile phones while driving

Syed Mohammad Burhan

Srinagar: The increase in the number of road incidents in the city has raised alarm bells among city residents. While the number of vehicles on the roads is more than ever before, driving down the city roads is becoming difficult by the day.

While many drivers do adhere to traffic norms and regulations, many are seen floating traffic norms in the light of the day.

Although according to traffic rules, the use of mobile phones

while driving vehicles is strictly banned, yet the practice goes on unabated in the city. In Srinagar City, a large number of people use mobile phones while driving their vehicles thus violating traffic norms. It is not only the drivers of private vehicles, who use mobile phones while driving, those of the buses also indulge in this

practice. While city dwellers have a reason to worry, the authorities say they are doing their bit to make people adhere to traffic

Srinagar: Scores of candidates who

qualified the Finance Account As-

sistant (FAA) exam held by the

Jammu & Kashmir Service Selec-

tion Board (JKSSB) on Monday

marched to the BJP office protest-

istration not to scrap the exam,

the FAA candidates marched

from Press colony to the BJP of-

fice at Jawahar Nagar and staged

In a bid to persuade the admin-

ing alleged scrapping of the exam.

Syed Mohammad Burhan



for various traffic offenses out of which 3,643 have been issued for using mobile phones while driving.

He said that the fine issuing procedure makes it difficult to challan every offender.

"While issuing an online fine to the offender we have click a picture whilst driving, which is difficult in many cases, so it is not possible to fine every offender

He further said that a drive will also be launched shortly against all those floating traffic norms.

that some candidates may have

cheated in the exam. The protest-

ing candidates have been braving

summer heat and heavy rains

saying they are undeterred by the

posts for the Finance Account As-

sistant (FAA), Junior Assistant.

Sub Auditor and other positions

in the month of March, 2022.

JKSSB had published the merit

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Regd. No. A-2586

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in December 2020.

list on 22nd April, 2022.

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- 1514 Battle of Chaldiran ended with a decisive victory for the Sultan Selim I, Ottoman Empire, over the Shah Ismail I, Safavids founder. Discovery
- 1789 French Revolution: The National Assembly proclaims freedom of religious opinions
- 1799 Napoleon leaves Egypt for France en route to seize power.
- 1866 Treaty of Prague ends Austro-Prussian war
- 1911 British Prime Minister H. H. Asquith holds secret meeting about British strategy in case of war with Germany
- 1914 Japan declares war on Germany in World War
- 1915 Tsar Nicolaas II takes control of Russian Army
- 1921 Austria and the US formally end war; the US does the same with Germany on the 25th, and Hungary on the 29th
- 1924 Mars' closest approach to Earth since 10th century
- 1933 Mahatma Gandhi released from Indian jail following another hunger strike
- 1939 Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union agree the Molotov-Ribbentrop non-aggression pact and secretly divide Poland between themselves, setting the stage for World War II
- 1942 World War II: last cavalry charge in his-



norms Speaking to Kashmir Observer, SSP Traffic Srinagar Muzaffar Ahmad Shah said it is impossible to impose fine on every single offender and the Traffic Department has been trying their level best to inculcate driving sense among people.

Protesting FAA Candidates

a sit-in protes

March To BJP Office

He said everybody should adhere to traffic norms at least for their own safety.

Replying to a question on the unabated use of mobile phones in the city, he said in the year 2022, the Traffic Police in the city has issued around 1,60,000 challans

The candidates raised slo-

BJP leader Altaf Thakur

Later, the protestors marched

It is pertinent to mention,

the protests were sparked by the

rumors that the FAA selection

list may be scrapped as it alleged

gans against the Service Selection

Board (JKSSB) and urged the ad-

spoke to the protesting candidates

and assured justice will be done

and the guilty will not be spared.

back to the Press Enclave.

ministration to ensure justice.

the youth from Jammu and Kashmir can become future climate change leaders to realise the "wider mandate" that initiatives like HKN aim to fulfill.

Dean Research KU

ny also spoke on the occasion, while Prof Manzoor A Shah, Director DIQA, conducted proceedings of the event and also delivered a vote of thanks.

Sufi Cultural Event Held At Tagore Hall



Observer News Service

Srinagar: To highlight the teachings of Sufis and Rishis, a Sufi Cultural event organised by the Kaavish Foundation in collaboration with District Administration Srinagar was held at Tagore Hall on Monday.

Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir, Pandurang K Pole was the chief Guest on the occasion, while Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad attended the function as Guest of Honour

Besides, Director Kaavish foundation, Sufi Arvind Guru, senior scholars and students from various universities and colleges from all across were also present on the occasion.

During the Sufi event students presented various Sufi cultural items highlighting the rich Sufi cultural treasure of the J&K valuing our heritage.

Speaking as Chief Guest, the Div Com said that Sufism is a way of realisation of inner self and our Sufis and Rishis have shown us the path towards that goal. He said that Sufism propagates the doctrine of love, compassion, peace, development for mankind, irrespective of any biases and prejudices. He further said we must understand the essentials of Sufism as this gives us an idea of what is beneficial for humankind.

The Deputy Commissioner in his address said Sufism is an ideology which believes in co-existence, spirituality, brotherhood and love for all irrespective of caste, region and religion. Programme Officer,

ICDS, Chief Agriculture Officer, District Youth Services & Sports Officer, District Social Welfare Officer and other concerned also attended the Sufi Event.



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- 1943 Red army recaptures Charkow
- 1944 Allied troops capture Marseille, France
- 1952 Arab League security pact goes into effect
- 1960 World's largest frog (3.3 kg) caught (Equatorial Guinea)
- 1961 US lunar probe Ranger 1 reaches 190 km from Earth, falls back
- 1974 Zaheer Abbas scores 240 Pakistan v England at The Cricket Oval
- 1975 Communists take over Laos
- 1976 Heavy earthquake strikes China, 1,000s die
- 1978 Iranian students occupies Iranian embassy at Wassenaar
- 1979 Iranian army opens offensive against Kurds
- 1982 USSR performs nuclear test at Eastern Kazakh/Semipalitinsk USSR



Gunmen loot Budgam village

Mushtaq Aftab

HADURA (BUDGAM)- Police are on the lookout for some unidentified gunmen who 'raided' several houses in a village here to extort money. They decamped with the booty ranging between Rs five and Rs 2,000. In another case, where a shopkeeper was relieved of Rs 8,800, an FIR No 2472 was lodged with the police on Friday.

According to reports, unidentified 'gunmen swooped on Chil Yech village in this district at about 8 p.m. on Sunday. They forced their entry into several residential houses asking the inmates not to leave their premises. Then they went on relieving them of whatever they had in cash on gunpoint. Reports identified the victims as Muhammad. Yousuf Wani, Muhammad Shafi, Abdur Rahman Dar, Jahangir Alam, Jalal-ud-din Paul, Fayaz Ahmad Sofi, Nazir Ahmad Paray, Ghulam Rasool Guiri, Amma Paray and Abdul Rasheed Gujri. The gunmen managed their escape under the cover- of darkness. Villagers lodged a complaint with the police who launched a manhunt to nab the gunmen.

Earlier, on Friday, some unidentified gunmen waylaid Abdul Ahad Sheikh, of Danchera, when he was on his way back home from Utligam in Beerwah area. They relieved him of Rs 8,800. An FIR was lodged with police at Beerwah on the same day. However, no arrest has been made so far. Unidentified gunmen also snatched Rs 400 from a shopkeeper of Utligam on the same day

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Stalemate in Ladakh

oreign minister S Jaishankar on Sunday admitted that the ties between India and China are going through a "very difficult phase." He said China has disregarded the agreements going back to the 1990s which prohibited bringing mass troops in the border area. He acknowledged that the lingering stand-off has not been resolved and that it was casting a shadow. Earler speaking Jaishankar noted that it would be difficult "for the Asian century to happen if India and China could not come together." This struck a chord in China. The Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Wang Wenbin echoed Jaishankar's sentiment saying that "a Chinese leader said once if China and India cannot achieve sound development, then an Asian century cannot happen." He said that a true Asia Pacific century or Asian century can come only when China and India can and other countries can achieve sound development.

But the reality is that the two neighbours are far from resolving the border dispute. Going by the outcome of the multiple rounds of talks so far, it looks highly unlikely that the two countries will come to an understanding in the near future. It is true they have succeeded in resolving the stand-off along Pangong Tso lake but the stalemate along the other three points - Galwan Valley, Hot Springs and Gogra - persists. It seems unlikely to end anytime soon. And considering the two countries are only bolstering their troop presence in Ladakh, the conflict looks set to continue for now. More so, when the divergences between the two are only increasing with India getting closer to the western bloc and China becoming the principal global rival to the United States.

India wants China to go back to the status quo ante as it existed in April 2020 but Beijing is in no mood to do so. On the contrary, the People's Liberation Army has enhanced its military profile on the border by deploying thousands of its soldiers and equipment. In recent years China has reportedly more than doubled its total number of airbases, air defence positions and

Integrated Management Plan for Wular

Third party monitoring is must to see Rs 150 Crores are utilized properly

Dr Raja Muzafffar Bhat

n August 3rd of this month, the Chief Secretary Dr Arun Kumar Mehta chaired the second meeting of the State Wetland Authority (SWA) for the Union territory of Jammu & Kashmir. Chief Secretary Dr Mehta is also the Chairperson of this authority which has been constituted under the Wetland Conservation & Management Rules 2017. Principal Secretary, Jal Shakti Department, Principal Secretary, Housing & Urban Development Department, Commissioner/ Secretary, Forest, Ecology & Environment Department, and Commissioner/Secretary, Tourism Department along with Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (PCCF) and concerned HoDs participated in the meeting.

The Department of Forest, Ecology and Environment had sent a proposal to the Government for Wular lake conservation which was approved by the wetland authority. During the meeting, the Wular lake was designated as a wetland in terms of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. Pertinently, the Wular lake is spread over 13,000 hectares (13 square kms) of area which is a designated Ramsar Site of international importance since 1991.

However, Wular is marred by large scale encroachments and siltation. The unscientific waste disposal on the banks of Wullar by several municipal institutions and local population are major challenges that need to be addressed.

Role of SWA

Wetlands are the most threatened ecosystem as per the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services- IPBES. At its 27th session in 2013, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Governing Council authorized the Executive Director, within available resources, to provide the secretariat and administrative arrangements for the IPBES secretariat. Current staff of the IPBES secretariat are employed by UNEP. As per IPBES, the major threats to wetlands are due to reclamation and degradation activities like drainage and landfill, pollution, hydrological alteration, over-exploitation resulting in loss of biodiversity and disruption in ecosystem services provided by them. According to UNESCO, the threat to wetlands will have an adverse impact on 40% of the world's flora and fauna that live or breed in wetlands. The wetlands in Kashmir valley particularly Wullar ,Kreenchu Chandhara, Shalbugh and Anchar are under serious threat. The queen of wetlands (Hokersar or Hokera) has dried up during last few years due to apathy of the Government. Inspite of huge rainfall this summer the water level has not increased in this wetland which is also a Ramsar site. In other states and UTs the situation is similar and that is the reason that in every state and union territory of India a State Wetland Authority (SWA) has been constituted under Wetland Conservation & Management Rules 2017. The SWA has to develop a comprehensive list of activities to be regulated and permitted within notified wetlands and their zone of influence. The SWA can also take up following activities Recommend additional prohibited activities for specified wetlands. Define strategies for better use of wetlands. Recommend measures for wetland conservation and for raising awareness among its stakeholders and local communities with respect to the importance of wetlands.



Feature Image Caption: Picture of Wular Lake for representational purposes only

• The executing agency must make voluntary disclosure of the funds being spent and the technologies that will be put into use. The entire work should be scientific and should match up to international standards

Conservation Department. The order dated 22.7.2021 sought personal appearance of the Chief Secretary J&K and action plan preparation. The order reads:

"Let an action plan in respect of each of the wetlands be prepared within one month for action in a time bound manner, with budgetary support and identified accountable persons. The plan may include among others remedial action against weed infestation, sewage discharges, solid waste disposal, encroachments etc. This may be overseen by the Chief Secretary, J&K in view of the significance of the matter and continued violation of orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, noted earlier. The Chief Secretary, J&K to remain present in person on the next date, by video conferencing, with compliance status as on 31.10.2021"

Chief Secretary Dr A K Mehta appeared before the NGT wherein he was directed to consider the suggestions of this author (petitioner). The suggestions I had made were to involve local preachers, NGOs, theatre groups and religious leaders in creating awareness on the conservation of wetlands. In addition to it I had suggested holding monthly meetings on Waste Management in Wetland areas by Regional Wildlife Warden Kashmir Wildlife Department, Mission Director SBM Grameen (Rural Sanitation Deptt) J&K and Director ULB (Urban Local Bodies). It was also suggested that the Chairpersons of District Development Councils (DDCs) Budgam, Bandipora & Pulwama and Principal Secretary Rural Development J&K Govt be taken on board while executing Solid and Liquid Waste Management Programmes in Wetland villages/areas. The suggestions also sought directions to be issued for measures for monitoring and assessment to determine whether the condition of wetlands is improving, neutral or declining and report to this effect be submitted to the Tribunal.

In response to this, NGT Principal Bench in its written order stated that they have noted the stand of the Chief Secretary, J&K that the execution of action plans will be overseen regularly by Secretary Environment & Forest, J&K as well as by the Chief Secretary, J&K personally at least once in a month for further continuous action.

"As regards the suggestions of the applicant, the same may be duly considered by the Chief Secretary, J&K, to the extent not already

heliports near the Indian border.

This has now become a high-stakes war of nerves between the two countries. However, this time New Delhi is approaching the situation very cautiously and waiting if China's intermittent statements of reconciliation are translated into action. At the same time, there is also the realization that the complete de-escalation will be a long haul.

OTHER OPINON

Reining in overreach

While such norms were laid down for legacy laws governing taxes such as central excise, that are now subsumed into the GST, CBIC felt the need to issue fresh guidelines. The summons checklist, for instance, takes note of routine issuance of summons to top officials of firms even for procuring records available on the GST portal, and specifies that CXOs and MDs of any firm must not 'generally' be summoned in the first instance, but only when their involvement in tax evasion is clearly indicated. An approval process that requires officers to record reasons for issuing summons has been mooted to ensure that the power is exercised judiciously, even as they have been advised to consider where simple letters may suffice.

The norms spelt out for arrest and bail for GST offences, that stem from a Supreme Court judgment, are far more exhaustive and aimed at preventing 'routine and mechani-cal' arrests. The pre-requisites laid out before an arrest include the availability of credible evidence of wrongdoing as a starting point. However, approvals to arrest would hinge on whether the intent to evade tax or wrongfully avail tax benefits is evident and mens rea or guilty mind is palpable. Mere disagreements on interpreting a tax levy should not result in an arrest, the Board has said, underlining that the power to arrest must be exercised carefully as it impinges on personal liberty. Although the CBIC took a year to respond to the apex court's conclusion that an arrest must not be made just because it can be made, its latest diktats will assuage discomfort among GST pavers about tax terror of a new variety. While the GST Council will continue to navigate the remaining clean-up of exemptions and inverted duty structures and revamp of the messy multiple tax rates with an eye on ramping up revenues from the still-evolving tax regime, easing its compliance hassles is equally critical. Taxpayers and officials can always differ on what the fine print means, and oversights or mistakes may crop up in filings that may not necessarily be mala fide. Distinguishing these from genuinely evasive ploys of a few taxpayers, and following a wellreasoned process to prosecute those who err by design, will go a long way in making the GST a truly Good and Simple Tax for businesses rather than a fresh fear factor to fret over.

The Hindu

NGT's Intervention

Last year, in November, the Chief Secretary had assured the National Green Tribunal (NGT) that the execution of action plans will be overseen and monitored on a regular basis by the Government as the tribunal had issued a detailed judgement on conservation of Wullar , Hokersar and Kreechu Chanhara wetlands. This author had moved to NGT as authorities instead of acting and facilitating the conservation work were themselves destroying the Wullar, Hokersar and Kreenchu Chandhara wetlands. The petition was filed in 2018 and a detailed judgement was issued by the Principal Bench of the NGT on 25.11.2021. The tribunal directed the Govt of J&K to prepare an action plan in respect of all the three wetlands within a month which was prepared by the Wildlife

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considered," the bench said.

According to Regional Wildlife Warden Raashid Naqash, as part of approved Management Action Plan (MAP) Rs 3 crores have been approved for eight wetlands this year under Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA). Out of this Rs 1 crore has been provided for Hokersar as well.

Conclusion

As J&K Wetland Authority has approved Rs 150 Crore Integrated Management Plan for Conservation of Wular lake to promote an integrated and multi-disciplinary approach for conservation and management of the water body, it is impressed upon the Chief Secretary to ensure third party monitoring of the entire programme so that the funds are spend judiciously with better transparency and accountability . The executing agency must make voluntary disclosure of the funds being spent and the technologies that will be put into use. The entire work should be scientific and should match up to international standards. Focus should be on integrated solid and liquid waste management and Govt must hire services of veteran limnologists and wetland specialists to execute the project.

Views expressed in the article are the author's own and do not necessarily represent the editorial stance of Kashmir Observer Dr Raja Muzaffar Bhat is an Acumen Fellow. He is also Anant Fellow for Climate Action



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Firm Hand on Freebies

he SC's recommendation for setting up an expert body to address the issue of 'freebies' shows how serious and firm the Apex court has been in recent days in dealing with this evil issue. The culture of freebies practised and perfected by various political parties in India, feigning as 'populist schemes', has largely indoctrinated the rural voters and has affected a well-rounded welfarist ideology. Dole-outs are nothing short of bribes, and that a government has no imperium to create private assets out of public funds. Free distribution of goods is not a substitute for a truer welfare model that seeks to achieve growth through enhancing productive resources in the economy. Conventional wisdom dictates that unbridled populism and widespread corruption are not only endemic to politics, but are antithetical to economic growth and human development. States in India need higher per capita income, not higher per capita usage of free goods and services. And, we need politicians and political parties to view us as 'citizens' and not just as 'voters' willing to reward those who offer maximum 'muft' schemes. The Election Commission of India, must prohibit political parties from announcing freebies in their election manifestos and treat them as a violation of the model code of conduct.

Ranganathan Sivakumar



NAYYARA NOOR Powerhouse of Ghazals



66 With the advent of new technology, one began to see Nayyara Noor and also hear her. While her public performances began to diminish, the number of recordings from her old PTV days began to increase exponentially on the internet

Rakhshanda Jalil

ews of the passing of Nayyara Noor began to trickle in during the last watches of Saturday night. Those of us who happened to be awake, and active on social media at that hour, posted the usual heart emojis and rushed to find her playlist on YouTube, Audible, Spotify, etc. As her soaring, lilting voice filled my silent room at 3:30 am, I found myself wondering: How did people remember singers once they were gone in the olden times? Now, with technology providing instant recall, a voice is a living presence; but in an age when music was memory, how did one pay homage to a lost voice? And, for that matter, can a voice or a song, once heard, be perfectly preserved in memory with nary a change in tone and tenor caused by time?

As I sit down to write this tribute, I find myself flooded with memories. In trying to recall my earliest memory of Nayyara Noor, I find myself drawn back in time. Newly married and setting up our own home with limited funds, we had virtually no furniture but we did have a rackety old tape recorder. Someone had gifted us an EMI cassette jointly produced by Faiz Ahmad Faiz's talented son-in-law Shoaib Hashmi and the recording company as a birthday gift for the poet in 1976; it bore the legend: Nayyara Sings Faiz. After all these years, I have a visual memory of its cover and a near-perfect recall of how her voice filled our almost-empty flat, entering the nooks and crannies of our imagination, conjuring brilliantly colourful word pictures, more than making up for the absence of material possessions in our modest home. The splendour of her voice and the treasure that was Faiz's poetry combined to fill our life with an abundance of riches as we played that cassette over and over again, day in and day out; it even travelled with us on long drives so it could be played ceaselessly in our dinky Maruti car!

Perhaps it would be no exaggeration to say that nearly every song in that cassette is associated with a vivid memory of those halcyon days, especially 'Barkha barse chhat pe' which she sang with Sheheryar Zaidi, whom she married. While each of the 12 pieces remains indelibly etched in my memory, looking back it is hard to say if an enduring love for Faiz was born when this cassette played ceaselessly around me or that love was nurtured by Nayyara Noor's voice as she sang 'Uttho ab maati se uttho', 'Aaj bazaar mein', 'Tum mere paas raho', 'Ye dhoop kinara', 'Ye haath salamat hain jab tak', 'Aaiye arz guzarain', each more lilting than the other, each transporting us to magical realms of immense possibilities. Then there was Faiz's haunting dirge-like ghazal, 'Hum ke thehre ajnabi itni madaraton ke baad/ Phir baneingey ashana kitni mulaqaton ke baad' (We who have remained strangers after so many hospitalities/After how many meetings will we become acquaintances) with its dauntingly long behr (metre) that I initially mistook for a romantic ghazal. Written in 1974 after Faiz's return from Dhaka and his first visit to Bangladesh since the creation of the new country, to us in India it revealed an immense loss and a powerful acknowledgement of a great betrayal.

With the advent of new technology, one began to see Nayyara Noor and also hear her. While her public performances began to diminish, the number of recordings from her old PTV days began to increase exponentially on the internet. And there she was, simply dressed in a salwar kameez, with eyes demurely downcast behind those outsize glasses and looking, if anything, more like a senior secondary school teacher than a concert singer. A far cry from the opulent diamond-dripping, sequin saree-clad begums who had hitherto ruled the ghazal circuit, she was starkly simple, unadorned, almost austere. What is more, she would be seated in the tashahhud posture, usually associated with the namaaz, with her knees folded beneath her as she sat erect and unsupported, her hands by her side as unlike other ghazal singers, she never played the harmonium as she sang. Bereft of the faintest whiff of ada, a word that covers the gamut of expressions from charm to coquetry and which is considered the hallmark of concert singers, Nayyara Noor showed an entire generation of ghazal lovers the power and beauty of singing poetry adorned by nothing save a melodious voice.

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The Sleep Well Routine

ByBeth Skwarecki

re you low on energy? Thinking about taking supplements? Wearing blue-blocking glasses in the evening? Before you get into the biohacky quick fixes, how about you try the boring, obvious, and effective thing: getting some dang sleep.

Most adults need seven to nine hours of sleep, on average, each night. This varies, so you might be a seven-hour person or a ninehour person. (Young people usually need even more; older adults may be okay with less.) So if you're feeling tired all the time, the first thing you should ask yourself is: How much time do I spend in bed? If it's not at least that seven hours, it's not enough.

If you have trouble waking up on time but easily fall asleep when you're sitting quietly (like watching a movie), you probably just don't get enough sleep. And if you know you should sleep more, but you can't seem to figure out how, here are the basics of sleep hygiene you need to master.

HOW TO STICK TO A SLEEP SCHEDULE

First priority here is setting a wake-up time that you can stick to every day. Consistency is important here: don't set the alarm for 6 a.m. on weekdays and sleep until noon on weekends. If you can't be perfectly consistent—such as if you work shifts—adjust as needed, but try to do your best.

Next comes setting a bedtime. Figure out what time you need to hit the hay to get enough sleep before your alarm goes off. Then work backward from that to figure out when to start changing into jammies and whatever else your nighttime routine involves.

Crucial to both steps is prioritizing sleep. If you've been having trouble getting enough sleep lately, give yourself a couple of weeks to make your bedtime and wake-up time (and nine or so hours in between) the highest priority appointment in your calendar. Don't go out late, and don't stay up revenge procrastinating. There will be time for occasional indulgences once you get your sleep schedule fixed.



INCLUDE THESE THINGS IN YOUR BEDTIME ROUTINE

Okay, so what goes into that routine? You can decide on the specifics, but sleep experts recommend that you include the following:

- At least 30 minutes dedicated to winding down. Don't expect to switch off the lights and instantly be able to zonk out.
- No screens right before bedtime. No, not even with blue-blocking glasses. Those glasses don't actually block very much blue light anyway. Videos and social media keep your brain awake and unrelaxed, so they don't really have a place in your winddown time anyway.
- down time anyway.
 Dim the lights. A cool, dark bedroom makes it easier to fall asleep and stay asleep.
- Do something relaxing. Read a chill book. Take a luxurious bath. Do some

breathing exercises. Whatever works for you.

Sticking to this routine will help you stick to your sleep schedule (you can't be halfway through a movie at 10 p.m. if you refrained from starting it at 9 p.m.), and it will help you get into a relaxed mood for sleeping.

DO AWAKE THINGS AT AWAKE TIMES

Your body expects bright lights and meals when it's daytime, so providing those things at appropriate times will help keep your internal clock on track.

- Get plenty of sunlight in the morning. (In the winter, a light box may help.)
- Exercise. You can combine this with sunlight by going for a morning or lunchtime walk. But any type of exercise will help you to sleep better.
- Eat meals. We sleep best when we eat during the daytime; if breakfast fits your schedule, consider making it

a regular thing. But at the very least, don't eat right before bed.

AVOID CAFFEINE AND ALCOHOL IN THE EVENINGS

Caffeine keeps you up, and it lingers longer than we realize. If you have a 200-milligram cup of coffee at noon, you may still have about 100 milligrams in your system at 5 p.m. and 50 at 10 p.m.

The speed with which we break down caffeine varies from person to person, but in general: It's affecting you more than you realize. If you think of yourself as a person who "can have an energy drink and then fall right to sleep" you are probably (a) in denial—hey, you're the one who clicked on an article about getting better sleep—and/or (b) you have built up a massive caffeine tolerance because you drink so much of the stuff to stay awake, which in turn is because you don't get enough sleep so you're tired all the time. Do yourself a favor and break the cycle.

An easy way to back off is to give yourself a cutoff time. No caffeine after 5 p.m., let's say. Once that's part of your routine, walk it back to 2 p.m. or noon.

Alcohol is another chemical that affects our sleep. Drinking before bed may make you feel sleepy, but it tends to disrupt the quality of sleep. If you aren't convinced, just start keeping a sleep diary—on paper is fine if you don't have a sleep-tracking gadget—and see if you don't get more and better sleep on the nights you don't drink.

MAKE YOUR BEDROOM A DARK LITTLE CAVE

A welcoming, cozy bed will help you get to sleep faster. Make it dark, with blackout curtains or an eye mask, if needed. Make it quiet, with a white noise machine or earplugs if you can't completely silence your surroundings. And make it a comfortable temperature. Most people prefer a cool environment, around 66 degrees, but again this varies from person to person.

Comfortable sheets and pillows can help. If you're always tossing and turning, try to figure out if there's something that physically bothers you. (A new mattress might not be in the budget, but a firmer or softer pillow is an easy fix.)

EXPERIMENT

While the tips here are the basic things you should at least try, you may not need every single aspect to be textbook. I freeze if my room is set to 66 degrees, for example, so I keep the thermostat a tick warmer and I make sure I always have a warm duvet, even in summertime.

You may find that you can bend certain rules but not others. I always have a crappy night's sleep if I've been drinking, but late meals don't bother me. Once you're getting a solid night's sleep on the regular, you can start playing with the routine.

And if you're doing everything you can for good sleep hygiene and you still feel tired all the time, consider seeking medical help in case you have sleep apnea or another condition that could be affecting your sleep or energy levels.

NEWS

Abdullah Chairs All Party Meet

Observer News Service

Srinagar: National Conference chief Dr Farooq Abdullah Monday said that the leaders who participated in the All Party Meet(APM) at his Gupkar residence unanimously decided to oppose the recent announcement of Election Commission about giving voting rights to non-J&K residents. Senior Abdullah said the decision of voting rights to outsiders was "totally unacceptable and if needed, we can approach court to oppose the move."

Addressing the media men, after APM, Dr Farooq said that he had convened the meeting to discuss the fall-out of recent announcement of EC about giving voting rights to non-J&K residents including labourers and security forces personnel. "The parties who participated in the meeting include NC, Congress, PDP, Awami National Conference (ANC), Shiv Sena, CPI(M), JDU and Akali Dal, he said.

J&K's identity is facing a direct assault as Dogra's, Kashmiris, Sikhs and other communities are losing their identity," said Dar Farooq, who was flanked by PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti, CPI(M) leader M Y Tarigami, ANC leader Muzaffar Shah and newly elected J&K Congress president Vikar Rasool besides others.

Dr Farooq said that five days ago, he rang up LG Manoj Sinha and requested him to convene an APM like one held on the issue of Amarnath Yatra. "I had requested LG to invite all parties, but there was no outcome," he said, adding that last time, LG had stated that "he will be inviting J&K leaders frequently, but he failed to keep his word.

Asked about future strategy, he said that today APM explored all options and if needed, "we can approach court as well to oppose the EC's deci-sion of giving voting rights to non-J&K

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More Hotels, Guests

more people should earn their liv-ing through Kashmir's tourism," Nasir said.

The official further added that the only required document is the original documents verifying the identity of the property owner and building permission for carrying on the business of operating paying guest houses.

"Keeping in mind the welfare of society, individuals are granted permission to convert only 1-5 rooms of their residential property as a guest house. Our only demand is that the applicant and the property should be registered with the appropriate authority. That's it, we don't require anything else for registration," the official added.

As per the data, Kashmir's official bed capacity available for the tourism related activities has increased

Mufti, Azad Contested Polls From Other States: BJP

Maharashtra for their own n an attempt to counter the All Party Meeting (APM) called by Gupkar Alliance benefits but when somebody over non local voters row, BJP decades are getting rights, Monday said that opposition parties sans logic to oppose 'non-local' voters as PDP founder Mufti Muhammad Sayeed and Congress stalwart leader Gulam Nabi Azad themselves have contested polls from Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra respectively in the past.

Countering the narrative, the BJP held a parallel meeting at its headquarters in Jammu to chalk out a "counter-strategy" against the meeting called by Abdullah in Srinagar. Addressing media after the meeting, BJP president

Ravinder Raina said PDP founder and former CM Mufti had 1989 contested elections in Muzaffar Nagar in Uttar Pradesh and later he took oath as Home Minister. Congress leader and former CM Ghulam Nabi Azad won election from

residents."

"I wonder why J&K was chosen for this. There must be some motive," he said. Abdullah said that in the month

of September, he will invite leaders of national parties to Srinagar or Jammu, and brief them about the prevailing situation in J&K.

Earlier Peoples Conference chairman Sajad Gani Lone, who stayed away from Dr Farooq led APM on Monday said he will sit on hunger strike before the

new rooms, guest houses and tented

accommodations. This is a holistic

sign that Kashmir's tourism is recover-

ing from the damage caused by con-

secutive Covid-19 lockdowns and I'm

pretty sure that in next 1-2 years our

industry will generate only profits for

the tourism stakeholders," Nasir said,

adding that the recent 3D laser show

in Dal lake, road shows across India

and opening of offbeat locations was

a great deal for Kashmir's tourism

line of duty, upholding the highest

The nation will always remain in-

debted to them for their supreme

sacrifice and devotion to duty, PRO

Another Soldier

tradition of the force.

Defence, Jammu, said.

Govt Investing

industry

these parties are trying to vitiate the atmosphere. "We are all residents of one nation and there is no discrimination against anyone. Law is the same for everyone and the Constitution of India has given the right to equality to everyone," Raina said.

who is residing here for many

Raina added that the people of J & K have been residing in Delhi, Maharashtra etc for many years, they have surrendered the vote in J&K and have got voting rights there. There was no propaganda there and no one called them outsiders in those places.

The BJP, meanwhile, accused the NC, PDP and other parties of spreading "misleading propaganda" to poison the minds of the people over the issue of "inclusion of non-local voters" in the revised

parliament and other constitutional bodies if there is an attempt by the Government to change the electoral demography of Jammu & Kashmir.

Addressing a news conference here, Lone said he neither accepts the clarification issued by Jammu & Kashmir administration nor does he rejects it.

"We will wait and watch and if there is an attempt to change the demography of J&K, we will go on hunger strike," he said.

Number Of Lawyers Dwindled In Parliament: CJI

Agenceis

New Delhi: Chief Justice of India N V Ramana Monday said Parliament was earlier dominated by legal professionals who gave an outstanding Constitution and flawless laws but now the number of lawyers has dwindled and the space has been taken by others.

While felicitating Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, Justice Ramana said His (Dhankar's) elevation is a tribute to our healthy democratic traditions and rich constitutional values.'

"It is testimony to the fact that our progressive Constitution provides opportunities to all, irrespective of caste, creed, religion, region, and financial status, the CJI said.

Justice Ramana said it is on the strength of the democracy that Dhankhar, a senior advocate, could reach the second highest office in the country, in spite of hailing from a rural background and without a political father or Godfather.

While mentioning the contribution of the legal community in the freedom struggle of the country and the framing of the Constitution, Justice Ramana said In the constituent assembly and in the early days of our Parliament, the House was dominated by legal professionals.

As a result, we got outstanding Constitution and flawless laws. Now a days the number of lawyers has dwindled and that space is taken by others. I do not want to comment any further, the CJI said

He said with his (Dhankhar's) experience and guidance from the Office of Chairman of Rajya Sabha, he hoped and believed that the quality of laws would certainly improve.

Unlike the offices, he held so far, the high office of Vice-President comes with far greater responsibilities. During his tenure, Dhankhar will have the unique and challenging opportunity to ensure the smooth functioning of the Rajya Sabha as its ex-officio Chairman. This calls for harmonizing the interests of all sides of the House.

I know it is not easy to satisfy each Hon'ble Member of the House. But, I am confident that with his rich court craft and exposure in diverse fields, Dhankhar Ji will definitely manage to take along all sections of the House. His past ex-perience as Union Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs in the 1990s would greatly contribute during his new stint as the chairman of the Rajya Sabha, he said.

Besides Justice Ramana, Law Minister Kiren Rijiju, Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, and Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA) President Vikas Singh were also present at the felicitation programme of Dhankhar who was a senior lawyer and used to practice in the apex court.

Speaking at the function, Rijiju said he would be meeting Dhankhar more often as he presides over as Chairman of Rajya Sabha.

I can only caution him that being in all the positions in the past will prove to be very easy than the presiding officer's role in the Rajya Sabha. When I entered Parliament, our stalwarts Atal Bihari Vajpayee and . were there and lots of debates used to take place in the Lok Sabha as well as in the Rajya Sabha. The debates take place now also but unfortunately, the disruptions and noise are only reported through media. The quality of debates is not being reported as it should be, he said.

He further said the only difference he has seen is that earlier it used to be less noisy in the Rajya Sabha while the Lok

Sabha was always very noisy. But now the Rajya Sabha is equally noisy so I think with the ability of respected Jagdeep Ji, he will handle in the best possible manner and will make the Rajya Sabha very interesting with his wit, knowledge, and ability and his wisdom will definitely prevail upon especially on the very indisciplined members, Rijiju said.

He said there are different characters in the House with members from diverse backgrounds and all are neither the same nor equal.

General Manager Reviews Performance Of Northern Railway

Observer News Service

New Delhi: Ashutosh Gangal, General Manager Northern Railway held a review meeting with the departmental heads and DRMs of Northern Railway. Deliberations were held on keeping focus on Train **Operations**, Punctuality, Freight loading and Safety on tracks.

Gangal informed that, for achieving optimum utilization of rolling stock in freight movement Northern railway runs 970 CRACK trains between 11.08.2022 to 17.08.2022 and more such trains will be operated. He emphasized on better crew management and utilization of man power.

He instructed to maintained good record of punctuality of trains and expedites the works related with mobility enhancement and conducting drives to check the progress. He reviewed the work done over the zone in improving the maintenance standard of track, welds and removal of scrap lying near the tracks. The GM also took stock of the tree cutting activity and removal of vegetation alongside the tracks.

Gangal emphasized upon minimizing the human failure in train operation, extensive monitoring of rail fractures and rail welds and said no error should be left. He asked the officers should enhance their inspection to assess the progress of works as well as train operations.

He also informed that, loading of food grains & other items have steadily increased with every passing month.

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shall be made operational during 2022-23, raising the cumulative progress to 2742 centers.

"Rs. 4200 Cr investment in medicity will also increase the number of beds and MBBS seats in the UT of Jammu Kashmir. Proposed hospitals, paramedical college and super specialty hospitals will add 1,000 MBBS seats, bringing huge relief to the youth planning for a career in medical studies," the LG added.

Govt Okays Adoption

inclusion and accountability in providing compassionate appointment by introducing a criteria-based assessment for establishing compassion in the bereaved family based on best practices evolved out of experiential learning over the years.

"The new scheme will grant appointment or monetary compensation on compassionate grounds to a dependent family member of a Government servant, who may die in harness or as a result of militancy-related action or due to enemy action on the Line of Control/International Border within Jammu and Kashmir and is not involved in militancy-related activities or retires on invalid pension, thereby, leaving his family in penury and without any means of livelihood. The scheme will extend relief to the family of the Government servant and save them from financial destitution,' he said. To bring greater transparency and equity, the spokesperson said, besides ensuring adequate safeguards against the misuse of the rehabilitation assistance framework, the new scheme has incorporated provisions for receiving online applications in a centralized manner in GAD on a designated portal: constituting a screening committee in GAD to make appraisal and recommendations; making the Administrative Secretary in the GAD the only competent authority for approving the case of compassionate appointment/monetary compensations (in cases where relaxations are not required); proposing a 5% cap for cases to be considered in relaxation of rules; making relaxation criteria more transparent/objective; and keeping applicants eligible for consideration upto 5 years from the date of submission of applications. "Further, under the new scheme, the number of vacancies and the merit list of the eligible candidates will be prepared annually and eligible candidates will be considered purely on the basis of merit obtained with regard to a point-based merit system on quarterly basis. Both the list of vacancies merit list of candidates will be put out in the public domain to make the process fully transparent and accountable," he said According to the spokesperson, the appointment on compassionate grounds will be made for the Multi Tasking Staff or equivalent or lowest non-Gazetted cadre posts in the Department. However, he said, if an applicant is a Graduate or has higher qualification; there are provisions to allow discretion for considering

appointment in the non-gazetted cadre.

"However, the compassionate appointment cases still pending disposal in GAD under the existing SRO 43 for various reasons including relaxation of rules and identification of posts in other department; will be dealt with in accordance with SRO 43 of 1994, as amended from time to time," he added.

Furthermore, the spokesperson said that the new scheme also provides for extending support to the dependants under various self employment/ Government sponsored employment generating schemes for obtaining credit as per the laid down norms for setting up a manufacturing unit or a trading venture.

"The new scheme will put an end to the uncertainty that plagued the erstwhile Compassionate Appointment

Karachi, said the government's actions "are strengthening Imran Khan every minute. His narrative seems to be selling like hot cakes".

Protesters outside Mr Khan's home promised to fight the police if Mr Sharif's government ordered the former prime minister's arrest. "If the police come here to arrest Imran Khan, the government will be crossing an absolute red line. We will never allow that," said Jamil Khan, a student and PTI activist. – Copyright The Financial Times Limited 2022

Supporters Gather

government officials in a public speech about the alleged police torture of one of his aides, who faces sedition charges for inciting mutiny in the powerful military.

The protesters chanted slogans against the government of Prime

Soon after the attack, police and additional reinforcements reached the area and launched a manhunt to nab the attackers.

131 Test Positive

Anantnag and Bandipora 4 each, Pulwama 3 and Kulgam 1. South Kashmir's Shopian was the only district in the Valley where no new cases were reported Monday.

In the winter capital, officials said. Jammu reported a maximum of 7 new cases of virus Kishtwar 5 and one each in Doda and Kathua. No new cases were detected from the remaining six districts of Udhampur, Rajouri, Samba, Poonch, Ramban and Reasi.

Also, the officials said that the death toll in the pandemic remained unchanged at 4779, as no fresh fatality was reported in the UT during the last 24 hour "Moreover, 435 more COVID-19 patients have recovered and been discharged from various hospitals including 51 from Jammu division and 384 from Kashmir division," they added.

to 60,000 in the present year. Over 100 tents, currently registered under IKTDC, are available for locals, domestic tourists and foreign travelers in Gurez. Besides Gurez, the data further said that over 25 tented accommodations that are registered under the tourism department are currently operating in Pahalgam, Gulmarg and Sonmarg areas of the valley.

"Tented accommodation and guest houses are becoming quite popular among domestic and foreign tourists. Recently, we've seen how hotels in the valley were fully occupied and that was the time when the government thought of encouraging paying guest houses and tents to accommodate the huge influx of tourists," the Deputy Director told Kashmir Observer, adding that this rare side of tourism in Kashmir is also enhancing ecotourism and sustainability.

The available data also noted that the tourism department receives over 20 applications from individuals asking permission to set up new paying guest houses every day. Besides that, on a daily basis, the department also receives about 4 applications for registration of new travel agencies. As per the official record, there are about 2400 travel agents currently operating their business in Kashmir.

"The effect of the new registration policy that has enhanced the tourism infrastructure in Kashmir will be seen in two months from now. We're also promoting a good infrastructure that can play a significant role in the holistic development of the economy,' Nasir said, adding that the state-ofthe-art infrastructure of hotels, paying guest houses and tents are indeed the most crucial elements which contribute towards the foundation of Kashmir's tourism.

Notably, in an attempt to boost J&K's Tourism, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha recently inaugurated 75 new OYO homestays in Jammu and Kashmir. Last month, LG had directed the officials to enhance the capacities of home-stays to 25,000 beds by 31st December this year and to identify tourist attractions where tented accommodation can be developed.

"Almost every day, we receive dozens of registration applications for

have been registered as per NFSA database with at least one family member verified under PM-JAY and AB-PMJAY-SEHAT Scheme to avail the benefits of the scheme. He further said that a total of 72.57 lakh beneficiaries have received the Golden Cards.

"We constantly need to evolve innovative strategies to meet the challenges of our times, especially post-Covid pandemic. SEHAT is contributing in building a healthy society and helping us realize the vision of universal and comprehensive health care. It has made healthcare accessible to each and every citizen of the UT of Jammu Kashmir. Decentralized quality health care system has also taken the pressure off city hospitals. We are also strengthening healthcare and associated expertise for a strategic focus to address the challenges of drug abuse," the LG said.

"World class Infrastructures have been completed and many more are coming up in both Jammu and Kashmir Division. Jammu AIIMS has become functional. Seven New Government Medical Colleges are being established with a total outlay of Rs. 1595 Cr. 15 Nursing Colleges shall be made operational with an approximate additional cost of Rs. 60 crore during 2022-23. Two State Cancer Institutes (one each in Jammu and Kashmir Division) shall be made fully functional with a total cost of Rs. 212 Cr.(104 Cr Jammu & 108 Cr for Kashmir)," he added.

According to the spokesperson, Sinha said that Bone & Joint Hospitals are also coming up at both the divisions of the UT of Jammu & Kashmir at a cost of Rs. 129.80 Cr and 200 Bedded Additional Block at LD Hospital Srinagar at a cost of Rs. 132.50 Cr. Out of 140 projects with total outlay of Rs. 881.00 Cr under Prime Minister's Development package (PMDP), 112 projects have already been completed and 28 others are targeted to be completed during this year.

He further said that a total 220 Health Projects and related works costing Rs. 1757.00 Cr are targeted to be completed during 2022-23. Against the target of 2742 Health & Wellness centers, 2108 have been made operational in the UT of Jammu Kashmir. 636 more Health & Wellness Centers

Rules due to which cases lingered on for years together. The new scheme is expected to provide immediate succour to NOKs of employees who die in harness," he added.

Imran Khan Charged

"terrorised" the officials, while information minister Pakistan's Marriyum Aurangzeb accused the former prime minister of "inciting the people to violence, lawlessness, rebellion and riot".

Pakistan's media regulator barred television channels from broadcasting Mr Khan's speeches and the former prime minister claimed a talk of his was blocked from YouTube.

Mr Khan was ousted as prime minister in April in a no-confidence vote, bringing a coalition led by Sharif's Pakistan Muslim League (N) into power.

But the former cricketer's popularity has surged since his defenestration. He has toured the country trying to force early elections, alleging without evidence that his removal was the result of a US-backed conspiracy in retaliation for his warm relations with Russian president Vladimir Putin.

Mr Khan has also tapped public frustration with Pakistan's dire economic situation, despite many of the problems starting while he was in office. The country has suffered doubledigit inflation, power blackouts due to energy shortages and is at risk of default on its overseas debt as foreign currency reserves dwindle.

Mr Sharif's government reached a preliminary agreement with the International Monetary Fund for a \$1.2 billion loan last month, part of an assistance package first negotiated under Mr Khan in 2019. The IMF's board will meet next week to finalise the deal, while Saudi Arabia is also preparing to renew a \$3 billion deposit at Pakistan's central bank

The dispute between Mr Khan and Mr Sharif's government escalated this month after Pakistani authorities arrested Mr Gill for televised comments that they claim incited the military rank-and-file to disobey orders. ARY TV, the channel on which he made the comments, was also taken off air. Huma Baqai, a political analyst in

Minister Shehbaz Sharif, which took over after Khan's ouster in a confidence vote in April.

"If Imran Khan is arrested ... we will take over Islamabad," a former minister in his cabinet. Ali Amin Gandapur. said on Twitter, as some party leaders urged supporters to prepare for mass mobilisation.

Another former ministerial colleague, Murad Saeed, told domestic television channels that the police had issued orders for Khan's arrest.

Islamabad police declined to confirm this, however.

The use of anti-terrorism laws as the basis of cases against political leaders is not uncommon in Pakistan, where Khan's government also used them against opponents and critics.

Saturday's police report, seen by Reuters, cited Khan's comments that he "would not spare" Islamabad's police chief and a female judge for the arrest of his aide.

"The purpose of the speech was to spread terror amongst the police and the judiciary and prevent them from doing their duty," police said in the report.

Legal experts say the public threats put the officials' lives at stake, and actually amounted to threatening the state, so that the anti-terrorism charges apply.

The military has also become a target for Khan, who has said it did not help him ward off a US conspiracy that toppled him, a charge Washington has denied.

The military, which has ruled directly for over three decades of Pakistan's 75-year history, has rebuffed Khan's claim. It also denies meddling in politics

Pakistan's electronic media regulator has banned the live transmission of Khan's speeches as being inflammatory.

Police Files Case

appears to be an old video, deliberately posted to tarnish the image of Armed Forces," it added.

Two Civilians

hospital for treatment. Their condition is said to be stable, a local news agency GNS reported.

'Hybrid Terrorist'

case FIR No. 147/2022 of Police Station Chadoora pertaining to grenade attack on minorities in Budgam. The spokesperson said that two hybrid militants were earlier arrested

"Further investigation into the said case is going on, more arrests and recoveries are expected," he added.

Student Found

proceedings under Section 174 CrPC have been initiated to ascertain the reason of death.

SIA Charges

presence of an active module of JeM, active in South Kashmir for strengthening the striking strength of the organisation by way of motivating youth to join militant ranks actively. "Investigation was set into motion for the logical conclusion of the case for judicial determination, which has been completed within a six months period by the SIA (K)," the officer said.

It is pertinent to mention, he said, that "militant handlers across the border (based in Pak) have used cvber space for instigating, enticing and motivating Kashmiri youth to join militant ranks and raise funds and logistics locally, for running militant modules."

"Amongst the handlers in Pakistan one has been identified who is currently in Jhelum city Punjab, Pakistan.

Action to expose him, and submit evidence to international legal forums would follow," he said, adding, "Handlers have motivated the four accused youth to act as subagents to arrange logistics for transportation of arms, ammunition and other support material from one place to another for furtherance of (militant) designs for the purpose of sabotage and carrying out attacks on security forces to meet the objective of secession of J&K from the Union of India".

STATE

Crime Branch Files Chargesheet Against Man In Cheating Case

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The Economic Offence (EO) wing of Crime Branch Kashmir on Monday produced a charge sheet against a man in a case pertaining to cheating and grabbing money from a man on tains the statement. pretext of providing admission to his daughter in PG course outside J&K.

'The Economic Offence Wing of Crime Branch Kashmir produced Challan against Wigar Manzoor Wani S/o Manzoor Ahmad Wani R/o Lidderwan Trehgam Kupwara in Case FIR No. 54 of 2018 U/S 420 RPC of Police Station Economic Offences Wing before the Hon'ble Court of Judge Small Causes culminated in the registration of Srinagar, in the case pertains to the cheating and grabbing complainant hard earned money on the pretext of providing admission to his daughter in PG course ceived another complaint against outside the state", said CBK's spokesperson in a statement.

'The case has been registered upon receipt of a written complaint, wherein it was alleged that Wigar Manzoor Wani S/O Manzoor Ahmad Wani R/O Liderwan, Trehgam Kupwara was running a consultancy under the Name & Style of M/S HIIT at Parraypora Srinagar. The complainant's daughter had completed an MBBS degree and approached the said consultancy for arranging admission of his been produced in the court of daughter in P.G. Course outside law against the accused person", the State. The non-complainant concludes the statement.

Wigar Manzoor Wani promised admission to the complainant's daughter for which the complainant paid an amount of Rs. 10 lacs to him, but neither admission was arranged nor the money so paid returned", main-

"During the course of probe it came to fore that the complainant had paid an amount of Rs.10 lacs to Wiqar Manzoor Wani S/o Manzoor Ahmad Wani R/o Lidderwan Trehgam Kupwara for providing admission to his daughter, but the accused failed to arrange the admission in P.G. Course outside the State. Subsequently, a Preliminary Verification was conducted which

Case FIR No. 54 of 2018 U/S 420 RPC", the statement maintains. "During the course of investigation the Crime Branch Kashmir rethe said accused person with the allegation that Wiqar Manzoor Wani has grabbed an amount of Rs.09.00 lacs on the pretext of providing admission to complainant son (Complainant No. 02) outside the state", it maintains.

"Accordingly the said complaint was clubbed with the instant case and has been made part of the instant case. The investigation conducted has proved the allegations and accordingly a charge sheet has

Over 60,000 Dev Projects Completed In Last 3 Years: Govt

'Pace Of Execution Of Developmental Works Increases Manifold In Last 3 Years Under LG's Administration'

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Over the last three years, the pace of execution of developmental schemes across Jammu and Kashmir has increased by five times on account of a resurgent institutional framework development by the present administration under Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, an official spokesperson said Monday.

In the last two years, he said, the government has endeavoured to develop areas which remained neglected till now. Dalits, tribals and socio-economically backward classes have benefited from an equitable governance system of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

He further said that the Union Territory has achieved new horizons of success in the field of business, economy, education, culture till January 2022. as well as sports.

"Jammu and Kashmir has positioned itself as leader from laggard in the world of progress and prosperity with completion of over 60,000 development projects in the past three years," he added. As per the official details, district

CAPEX budget has been increased four-fold to Rs. 22,126 crore for completion of various developmental projects. "Grass root democratic institu-

tions like Panchayats and Urban Local Bodies have been empowered to actively participate in the decision-making process to cater to the needs of common citizens. There are around 20,000 such works/ projects under execution presently



by the people", official data reveals. of funds against approved works, According to official documents, online submission of bills through 66,724 development projects have been completed in the Union Territory from 2019 to January 2022. The break up details stated that 9229 projects have been completed during 2018-19, 12637 in 2019-20, 21943 during 2020-21, exhibiting a steep increase as compared to previous years' achievements while 22975 works have been completed during the financial year 2021-22,

I&K PaySys, Mandatory Administrative Approvals, Technical Sanctions and e-Tendering, digital payments, GFR, GeM and related measures have paced up the development works and brought J&K at par with any other progressive state across the country. Apart from prioritizing newly

sanctioned works, the administration has also focused on languishing projects.

The records added that the "fi-Meanwhile, JKIDFC, a unique nancial reforms and interventions" model across the country, has initiated by the Centre have faciliachieved tremendous transpartated completion of such a long list ency with incorporation of online payment tracking mechanism, tenof development projects within the set timelines in the Union Territory. der details/allotment information "Authorization of projects and and geo-tagging of all the projects resources allocation is made approved for funding under the through Budget Estimation, Allanguishing scheme of JKIDFC.

location and Monitoring System According to the spokesperson the J&K administration linked ev-(BEAMS), which is a real-time and paperless system. Through these ery project approved under JKIDFC with Google Earth for real time monitoring which facilitated pubinterventions, the Union Territory has witnessed an unprecedented rise in completion of development lic viewing on the official website works and projects in three years," of JKIDFC.

These measures had been taken Similarly, implementation of to ensure the quality and timely transformative reforms such as completion of all these infrastructural projects languishing in the UT BEAMS which enable online bud-

Dulloo Reviews LSD Control Measures Across J&K

'Directs Officers Ensure Availability Of Medicines In All Affected Areas'



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Additional Chief Secretary (ACS), Agriculture Production Department (APD), Atal Dulloo on Monday chaired a meeting to review the measures taken for combating the spread of Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) across Jammu and Kashmir. The meeting was attended by Secretary in APD, Special Secre-

tary, APD, Director Finance APD,

Director Animal Husbandry Jam-

mu/Kashmir, representatives of

Animal Husbandry officers of

all districts and other concerned

officials both in person and

Chairing the meeting, the ACS

Vaccination among affected ani-

disease. He further asked both

spread can be timely tackled.

through video conferencing.

testing of LSD samples. He also asked the Director AH Jammu to establish the BSL-II lab in collaboration with SKUAST-J in the premises of SKUAST-J within weeks time.

The ACS while discussing about other control measures impressed upon the officers to constitute provincial level Task Force with subject matter specialists from SKUAST for studying the progression of LSD in all districts of Jammu and Kashmir. He asked them that the task SKUAST Jammu/Kashmir, Chief force will suggest the control measures/vaccination strategy to be adopted for effective control and combat of disease.

During the meeting, it was informed that till date 12831 directed the officers that Ring animals have been affected with LSD, out of which nore than 80% mals should be carried out im- have recovered till date. It was mediately besides more number also informed that the APD is isof animals should be tested for suing the advisories on routine basis for the maximum awarethe directors to ensure avail- ness of farmers besides awareability of required medicines in ness camps are being held in all the affected areas so that the affected villages for the timely control of disease.

While reviewing the infra-structure put in place for spread formed that 70,000 doses of of disease, Dulloo impressed Goat Pox vaccine have been proupon the officers that the BSL- cured which are being distribut-II lab at Zakura should be made ed among the seriously affected functional within two days for districts.

CBC Organises 5th ICOP At Batote

Photo Exhibition On Indian Freedom Heroes Attracts Huge Number Of Visitors

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of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India on Monday organised its 5th Integrated Communication and Outreach Programme (2-day Photo-Exhibition) here in Government Model Higher Secondary School Batote.

The event was hosted under the aegis of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. Earlier, CBC J&K organized four ICOPs at Leh, Bhaderwah, Naushera and Kathua.

inaugurated by Vijay Kumar Shar- student community, who can ma, Executive Magistrate, Batote. spread this information across programme aimed to

informative programme on the freedom struggle of India for the RAMBAN: Central Bureau of students. He impressed upon Communication (CBC), Ministry the students to take the best advantage of this photo exhibition and take inspiration from the freedom fighters of India, who sacrificed themselves for the nation. He said that students have an important role to play in achieving the goals under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

Chief Planning Officer, Ramban, Kasturi Lal, who was also the chief guest on the occasion, said that the exhibition was very The two-day programme was informative, especially for the the social spectrum

which have been solely identified getary process and timely release for a long time," he added **Protests In Samba After Missing Student Found Dead In Punjab**

the document reads further.



Syeed Fakhrudin Hamid **Assumes Charge As DC Budgam**

bent DC.

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as new Deputy Commissioner Budgam, while as outgoing DC Shahbaz Ahmed Mirza was accorded warm farewell by officers and officials during a welheld at Conference Hall Budgam. The meeting, among others,

was attended by ADDC Budgam, Dr Akramullah Tak, ADC Budgam Speaking on the occasion, Dr Nasir Ahmad, Director NIFT, outgoing DC praised the offi-Javid Ahmad Wani and other se- cers as a great and hardworking nior officers of the district.

ed a warm welcome to incum- and a great experience to him.

BUDGAM: Syeed Fakhrudin Ha-bent DC instructed all officers mid on Monday assumed charge to ensure prompt delivery of public services and adopt a zero tolerance approach against corruption at all offices.

He assured his full support to the officers and instructed them to come cum introductory meeting ensure speedy completion of developmental works across the district. On the occasion, officers gave a brief introduction about themselves.

team. He said that his tenure at At the outset, officers accord- Budgam has been remarkable

educate the students about the sacrifices made by the free- ulam Abbas, Joint Director, Cendom fighters during the free- tral Bureau of Communication dom movement of India. Apart J&K, Ladakh region apprised the from this, the students were audience about the mandate of also informed about the Indian the Central Bureau of Commufreedom fighters of North In- nication and also informed them dia, especially from Jammu and about the structure and func-Kashmir.

In his address, Vijay Kumar ed a detailed overview of the ob-Sharma appreciated CBC J&K's jectives and vision behind Azadi

Welcoming the guests, Ghtioning of CBC. He also present-

initiative of organizing such an Ka Amrit Mahotsav campaign.

JAMMU: Hundreds of protesters on Monday blocked the Ludhiana on Sunday, they said. Jammu-Pathankot National Highway in Samba district after family had lodged a missing re- delivered only after a fair probe, a college student from Jammu port at the local police station a relative of the deceased said. and Kashmir was found dead in on Saturday evening. Puniab. officials said.

Twenty-year-old Vaishali, a Sumb block, went missing on blocked the highway near Samba

Samba. Her body was found under mysterious circumstances in

According to officials, the

ceased, a large group of mourn-Saturday while returning from town demanding proper investi- will be probed.

leading to her death.

"Her disappearance and subsequent death smells of foul play... We want justice which can be

The protesters, however, dis-Carrying the body of the de- persed peacefully after senior police and civil administration resident of Madkoli village of ers, including her college friends, officers pacified them and assured that all angles of the case Ather Hussain Qadri Promoted As **Director General E&S**

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and Kashmir Economics and Statistics (Gazetted) Service.

SRINAGAR: The Government of Notably Mr. Qadri was presently Jammu and Kashmir today accorded posted as Director (E&S) and has sanction to the elevation/ promotion been asked to continue to work at of Ather Hussain Qadri to the post of present place of posting in new ca-Director General (E&S) in the Jammu pacity till further orders.

Government of Jammu and Kashmir **OFFICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, MISSION YOUTH, J&K** CIVIL SECRETARIAT, JAMMU/SRINAGAR

Amendment in Tourist Villages Development Scheme Guidelines. Subject:-

In exercise of powers conferred by Rule 10 of Tourist Villages Development Scheme guidelines, the following amendments are hereby made in the Scheme guidelines

Rule 14 of the scheme guidelines shall be substituted with the following

Incentive for film shooting and procedure thereof.

An amount of Rs 8-10 Lakh shall be provided as support for shooting of songs and films in Tourist Villages notified under the scheme in order to promote the scenic beauty of J&K in tune with J&K Film Policy. The SOP for seeking assistance shall be as following :-

- The incentive shall be provided to shootings which promote tourist villages notified under the scheme. 1.
- First preference will be given to documentary oriented shootings/ shooting of songs/short films having 2. exclusively purpose of promoting a particular tourist village or distinct local heritage.
- 3. The incentive shall be paid to one production house for maximum three shootings.
- The production house seeking assistance under this clause shall submit application on dedicated single 4. window system of JK Film Development Council (JKFDC) for seeking permission of film shooting. The Nodal Officer JKFDC shall examine the application in light of J&K Film Policy, 2021 and accord necessary permission for the shooting as per extant procedure / norms.
- 5. Incentives under this clause shall be provided only if the applicant shooting house has not availed benefits under the JK Film Policy 2021
- Nodal Officer JKFDC shall finally forward the case to CEO Mission Youth recommending release of б. applicable incentives along with a copy of permission accorded and a certificate to the effect that the shooting has been done in notified Tourist Villages as per prescribed procedure applicable and the applicant has not availed the incentives under JK Film Policy, 2021. The Nodal Officer shall also specify the amount of incentive to be released by Mission Youth in each particular case.
- Mission Youth shall place the requisitioned amount of incentive at disposal of JKFDC for onward 7. disbursement to concerned production house. A utilization certificate as per GFR 2017 shall be furnished to Mission Youth by JKFDC.

Sd/-	No:-FD-MY/35/2021
Dr Shahid Iqbal Choudhary(IAS)	Dated:-18-08-2022
Chief Executive Officer	DIPK-8436-22
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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

TRANSMISSION LINE MAINTENANCE DIVISION-IV

NIT No: TLMD-IV/e-NIT/08 of 2022-23

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTICE INVITING e-BIDS

For and on behalf of Lt. Governor of Jammu& Kashmir, invites e-tenders from Eligible Contractors registered with Government of J&K.. The intending bidder should be reputed & experienced contractor .

S No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of Tender Document	Earnest Money	Time of completion	Class of contract
01.	Strengthening of 220kV (D/C) Ramban-Mirbzzar section of 220kV (D/C) KPTL by way of replacing of damaged/bulked missing members of towers from tower location No. 02 to 68.	Rs.5.75	Rs. 300.00 The cost of tender docu- ments may be deposited in treasury against the MH 0801 power & same should be uploaded along with tender documents	2% of esti- mated cost (Rs.11500.00)	20 Days	Eligible Contractor

Position of AAA/TS:

DIP

Position of Funds: .Demanded The bidding documents consisting of quantities (B.O.Q), set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be 01. seen / downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in

01.	Date of issue of Tender Notice	20-08-2022
02.	Period of downloading of bidding documents	20-08-2022 from 10AM to 27-08-2022 to 02PM
03.	Bid submission start date	20-08-2022 from 02PM
04.	Bid submission end date	27-08-2022 up to 02 PM
05.	Deadline for receiving the hard copy, & CDR/EMD)	After opening the financial bid only, the lowest bidder (L1) is required to submit/furnish the hard copies of bid along with original copy of EMD & tender documents fee.
06.	Date & time of opening of Bids (online)	29-08-2022 at 02PM

Bids must be accompanied with cost of tender documents in favour of "Executive Engineer Transmission Line Maintenance Division-IV Pampore" (tender inviting authority) and Earnest money / Bid security in shape of CDR/FDR pledged to Executive Engineer Transmission Line Maintenance Division-IV Pampore for the works mentioned in the E-NIT (tender receiving authority).

The date and time of opening of bids shall be notified on website <u>www.jktenders.gov.in</u>and conveyed bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened on same website in the office of the Executive Engineer Transmission Line Maintenance Division-IV Pampore for the works mentioned in the E-NIT(tender receiving authority)

No: <u>TLMD-IV/1317-18</u>		
Dated: 20-08-2022		
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--sd--**Executive Engineer** TLMD-IV Pampore





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