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# **FIR Filed Over** 'Anti-National' **Slogans In Poonch**

Press Trust Of India

Jammu: Police have registered an FIR against several unidentified persons for allegedly raising "anti-national" slogans during a rally in Poonch district of Jammu and Kashmir, officials said on Wednesday.

The slogans were incidentally raised at a rally by Gujjars and Bakerwals, held on Tuesday in the border district against a bill introduced in the parliament last week for the grant of Scheduled Tribe status to the Pahari community. "An FIR under section 153-

A (promoting enmity between different groups on grounds of religion, race, place of birth, residence, language, etc, and doing acts prejudicial to maintenance of harmony) of Indian Penal Code was registered at police station Poonch for raising anti-national slogans during the rally," a police officer said.

Protests by Gujjars and Bakerwals gained momentum after the introduction of the bill that proposed including the Pahari ethnic group, Gadda Brahmin, Koli and Paddari in the list of Scheduled Tribes by amending the constitution (Jammu and Kashmir Scheduled Tribes order, 1989).

A video of the protest rally, purportedly More on P10

# SC's Poser To Petitioners **'How Can Temporary Provision In Constitution Become Permanent?'**

'Who Can Recommend Art-370 Revocation When No Constituent Assembly Exists In J&K?'

## **Press Trust Of India**

New Delhi: Who can recommend the revocation of Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir when no constituent assembly exists there? The Supreme Court Wednesday put this question to the petitioners who have challenged the abrogation of the constitutional provision that bestowed special status on the erstwhile state.

A five-judge constitu-tion bench headed by Chief Justice DY Chandrachud today commenced hearing a batch of pleas challenging the Centre's August 5, 2019 decision to abrogate Article



370, a move that had come in for vicious attack by some major opposition parties but earned fulsome praise from

those supporting the BJP. The bench, also comprising Justices Sanjay Kishan Kaul, Sanjiv Khanna, BR

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE TENURE OF CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY comes to an end? No constituent assembly can have an indefinite life. The proviso to clause (3) of Article 370 refers to the recommendation of the constituent assembly of the state, and it says before the President issues notification the recommendation of constituent assembly is required. But the guestion is what would happen when the constituent assembly ceases to exist?"

Gavai and Surya Kant asked senior advocate Kapil Sibal, the lead counsel for the petitioners, as to how can a provision (Article 370), which was specifically mentioned as a temporary provision in the Constitution, become permanent after tenure of the Jammu and Kashmir constituent assembly came to an end in 1957. The top court referred to

proviso 3 of Article 370 which says, "Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this article, the President may, by public notification, declare that this article shall cease to be operative or More on P10

# **Expect Justice From SC: J&K Politicians**

eaders of many political parties on Tuesday welcomed the commencement of the Supreme Court's day-to-day hearing on a batch of petitions challenging the abrogation of Article 370 and said they expected justice would be finally served to the people of Jammu and Kashmir. PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti said the Supreme Court was the only institution left in India that can ensure that the country is governed as per the Constitution. while National Conference vice president Omar Abdullah said abrogating Article 370 was against the law and he expected the top court will undo it. The BJP too said the Supreme Court hearing the More on P10

# 5 Missing **People Traced** After 6 Months

Jammu: Five people missing for the past six months in Jammu and Kashmir's Rajouri district were traced and returned to their families, police said on Wednesday. Among the rescued people were two teenage girls, a woman and two boys, they said.

They were traced by a police team during searches in different areas, they added.

The missing reports were filed at the Rajouri city police post during the past six months, the police said.

# **Govt Employee Attached Over 'Hateful' SM Post**

### Agencies

Srinagar: A Data Entry Operator at the Zonal Education Office Sumbal, has been attached to the office of Tehsildar Sumbal in Bandipora with immediate effect.

The action comes after a report from field agencies regarding an alleged offensive social media post made by the official, potentially impacting communal harmony. Officials in the knowhow of

things told a local news agency GNS that the post-in-question is said to be More on P10

# False Cases Against Indian Bizman HC Asks CBK's Special Wing **To Carry Further Probe**

Orders 'Appropriate Action' Against Those Involved With Main Accused

### **M** Ahmad

**Srinagar:** The High Court of J&K and Ladakh on Wednesday ordered the Economic Offences Wing of Crime Branch Kashmir to carry further investigation related to a case regarding extorting money by instituting fake

like Economic Offences Wing of Crime Branch, Kashmir

"No such glaring and exceptional circumstances have been brought to the notice of this Court that would warrant transfer of investigation to any other agency. Therefore, prayer of the counsel for the petitioner in this regard merits to be rejected," the court said while rejecting plea for the CBI probe.

Economic Offences "The Wing of Crime Branch, Kashmir, shall undertake further investigation of the case with regard to the role of the complainants/ plaintiffs /lawyers who had filed false complaints/ cases before various courts and on the basis of the material that may be collected during investigation," the court said, adding, "Appropriate action

# LG Unveils Affordable Rental Housing Complex In Jammu

Hands Over 192 Flats To Urban Poor, Migrant Labourers

### **Observer News Service**

Jammu: The Union Territory Lieutenant Governor Manoi Sinha on Wednesday inaugurated the Affordable Rental Housing Complex, under PMAY (Urban) Mission for the labour, work force and weaker section of Jammu Kashmir.

"Workers are the main drivers of J&K's growth and improving their quality of life is our ultimate aim. Today marks the beginning of a new era for the entire work-



beneficiaries. The remaining 144 flats will be handed over

He said the Affordable

Rental Housing Complex will

provide dignified living to

by October this year.

# **'Need Engineers** Who Think Beyond **Textbooks'**

ieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha said on Wednesday that the country needs engineers who will not be confined to the mundane. but those who think beyond textbooks and question the status quo and embrace challenges as opportunities. He was addressing the joining batch of 2023 of IT

# 880 Flats Made In Last 3 Yrs For KP Employees: Govt

## **Press Trust Of India**

New Delhi: A total of 880 flats have been constructed in the Kashmir valley in the past three years for Kashmiri migrant employees who wish to return, Union Minister Nityanand Rai told Rajya Sabha on Wednesday. Rai also said 5,248 tworoom tenements were con-



complaints against high-profile Indian businessman in different courts of Anantnag and Kulgam.

The case pertains to obtaining of nonbailable warrants and their subsequent use by accused persons for extracting money from their 'targets'.

Rejecting demand for the probe by Central Bureau of Investigation, a bench of Justice Sanjay Dhar observed that investigating agency, police, has done fairly a good job in investigating most of the aspects of the matter and the investigation has already been handed over to a specialized agency

be taken against those found to be actively involved with the main accused, namely, Ajay Agarwal and Pankaj Jain." The court also ordered that Investigation as regards offence

under Section 209 of RPC (dishonestly making false claim in Court) be taken to its logical conclusion. More on P10

# 2 Bankers Chargesheeted Over **Fund Embezzlement**

he Economic Offences Wing (EoW) of police on Wednesday filed a charge-report against two bank officials for their alleged involvement in embezzlement of large amounts of public money. The chargesheet was filed in case FIR No 24/2016 registered at the police station Crime Branch against Mohammad Sabir Dar, the then Branch Manager of the Baramulla Central Cooperative Bank Ltd, Palhallan and Ghulam Ahmad Shah the then cashier-cum-clerk in the same bank branch, an official spokesperson said. More on P10

ing community of Union Territory," Sinha said.

He made these remarks after inaugurating 192 flats at the Housing Complex Sunjwan here. The flats have been provided to the beneficiaries at an affordable rental of Rs 2200 per month handed over to

urban poor, migrant workers and weaker sections of society near their workplace. "Such initiatives will create a More on P10

# DYSP LYNCHING CASE **HC Upholds PSA Detention Of Accused**

### **M** Ahmad

Srinagar: Observing that preventive detention of person already in custody can be ordered for 'compelling reasons', the High Court of J&K and Ladakh has dismissed a petition challenging detention order under PSA by main accused in Dy.S.P lynching case on the eve of Shab-i-Qadr at Nowhatta in 2017.

The petition was filed by Imran Nabi Wani , challenging detention order (No. DMS/PSA/112/2022) dated 8 September 2022 issued by District Magistrate Srinagar.

"Legal position in regard to preventive detention of a person, who is already in custody of the State Agencies in connection with commission of offence under substantive law allegedly committed by him is well settled," a bench of Justice M. A. Chowdhary said while dismissing Wani's plea. "Normally, preventive detention of such a per-

son should not be ordered. However, preventive detention of such a person can still be ordered, if the detaining authority has More on P10

Jammu at Jagti Campus here on Wednesday. Extending his best wishes to the students embarking on a new journey, the LG said that the world-class faculty at IIT Jammu will nurture their talents to transform their dreams into reality. More on P10

in 1989-1990 from their a cestral places of residence in Kashmir. These tenements were constructed in two phases till 2011.

"No new tenements for above purpose have been built in the last three years. However, due to improved security scenario in the Kashmir

valley, the government has taken up the project of construction of 6,000 transit accommodation for the Kashmiri migrant employees returning to Kashmir valley. 880 flats have been constructed in the last three years," he said in a written reply. More on P10

# 'J&K has 20k MW Hydropower Potential, Önly 3500 MW Tapped in 70 Yrs'

### Agencies

Union Srinagar: Minister Nityanand Rai informed Rajya Sabha on Wednesday that out of 20,000 MW hydropower potential, J&K had been able to tap only 3,500 MW in 70 years while in last few years alone, projects for about 3,000 MW capacity revived, put on track. In a written reply he also said

that an MoU was also executed between NHPC and JKPDC on 3rd January 2021 in respect of Execution of Kirthai-II 930 MW Hydro Electric Project (HEP) through the Joint Venture Company CVPPPL, Execution of Stage II of Uri-I 240 MW HEP,



Dulhasti Stage-II 258 MW HEP and 1,856 MW Sawalakot HEP by NHPC on BOOT basis He said that the important HEPs are including Kiru - 624 MW with cost of 4,287.59 crores

and 19.05% physical progress, Kwar - 540 MW with 4,526.12 and physical progress 5.89%, Ratle - 850 MW with 5,281.94 and 8.64% physical progress and Pakaldul More on P10

# **Security Scenario: GOC Briefs LG**

he General Officer Commanding (GOC) of army's 16 Corps Lt Gen Sandeep Jain on Wednesday apprised Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha about the prevailing security scenario. Lt Gen Jain called on the LG at Raj Bhavan here on Wednesday and briefed him about the prevailing security scenario, an official spokesperson said. Besides the army commander, former Minister and ex-legislators also met the LG. Ex-MLA and senior BJP leader More on P10

# 2 Militants **Arrested In Baramulla**

olice on Wednesday claimed to have arrested two hybrid militants of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) from Baramulla district of North Kashmir. Faisal Majeed Ganie and Nourul Kamran were arrested after a chase by a joint team of police, Army's 46RR and CRPF 53Bn from a mobile vehicle check post (MVCP) established at Azadgunj locality of Old Town, Baramulla, a police spokesperson said. The check post, he said, was established on specific information about the movement More on P10

# **984 Yatris Leave For Amarnath Cave**

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batch of 984 pilgrims left the Bhagwati Nagar camp here on Wednesday for the twin base camps in Kashmir to undertake the onward journey to the 3,880-metre-high Amarnath cave shrine. Over 4 lakh devotees have so far paid obeisance at the shrine since the beginning of the 62-day-long annual pilgrimage on July 1. The yatra will conclude on August 31. Of the 984 pilgrims in this smallest batch to leave the Bhagwati Nagar camp, 498 are performing the yatra through the traditional 48-km More on P10

# **Deaf-Mute Man Found Near LoC**

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n Army patrol party found a deaf and mute man roaming near the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir's Poonch district, officials said on Wednesday. Prima facie, the man also appears to be mentally challenged. He was found in an injured condition near Batharpull in Gulpur sector and was handed over to police personnel who took him to a hospital, they said. According to the officials, the man had apparently injured himself while trying to More on P10

# **Girdawar Placed Under Suspension**

n a resolute display towards zero tolerance on corruption in the delivery of public services, Girdawar, Vijay Kumar, has been placed under suspension for issuing fraudulent revenue extracts. Following a revelation that motherson duo in collusion with revenue officials, deceitfully not only sold a property to two different individuals in the Bakshi Nagar area of Jammu city but also raised bank loan against this sold out property, Anti-Corruption Bureau took note of this act. After thorough investigation conducted by the More on P10

# **Chemists Ordered To Install CCTV Cameras**

n a bid to check the menace of drug abuse and discourage chemists from selling psychotropic drugs, authorities have directed the medical shop owners and clinical establishments to install CCTV cameras for strict surveillance. Ouoting official sources, a local news agency KNT reported that a large number of medical shop owners and clinical establishments have already installed CCTV cameras, however, there are still others where surveillance cameras have not been installed. "There are More on P10



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# Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir Kashmir Golf Club. M.A. Road Srinagar

NOTICE INVITING TENDER E-NIT No. 10 of 2023-24 Dated 01.08.2023

For and on behalf of the Administrator Kashmir Golf Club, e-tenders are invited by Executive Engineer Kashmir Golf Club Srinagar by e-tendering mode on item wise Percentage basis from approved and eligible Registered Contractors /suppliers/ Firms with J&K State UTI, PWD, CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Govt. for the following works:-

S No	Name of work			Cost of T/Doc	Time of		Head of
		(Rs. In Lacs)	(in Rs)		Comp letion	Contract	Account
01	Supply of Chemicals & Fertilizers at KGC for the year 2023-24	10.00	favour of Executive Engineer KGC	1500 /= Non Refundable in shape of Bank Challan CD- 0005010100005998 J&K Bank Branch Residency Road Srinagar in favour Administrator KGC	40 days		Capex 2023-24
02	Supply & Fixing of Korean Grass Seeds for Tees at KGC	7.00	of CDR/FDR in favour of Executive Engineer KGC	1000 /= Non Refundable in shape of Bank Challan CD- 0005010100005998 J&K Bank Branch Residency Road Srinagar in favour Administrator KGC	40 days	Agriculture Licence Holder	Capex 2023-24
03	Supply/ Installation of Signage Board at Main Entrance at KGC	1.00	of CDR/FDR in favour of Executive Engineer KGC	500 /= Non Refundable in shape of Bank Challan CD- 0005010100005998 J&K Bank Branch Residency Road Srinagar in favour Administrator KGC	20 days	DEE Class	Capex 2023-24
04	Laying and Cabling for Aerator and Utility Building at KGC	6.00	of CDR/FDR in favour of Executive Engineer KGC	1000 /= Non Refundable in shape of Bank Challan CD- 0005010100005998 J&K Bank Branch Residency Road Srinagar in favour Administrator KGC	40 days	AYY Class Electric	Capex 2023-24
05	Construction of Pro Shop (Pre Fab) at KGC Srinagar	7.00	of CDR/FDR in favour of Executive Engineer KGC	1000 /= Non Refundable in shape of Bank Challan CD- 0005010100005998 J&K Bank Branch Residency Road Srinagar in favour Administrator KGC	40 days	CEE Class	Capex 2023-24

### Position of AA; Accorded

Position of TS: Obtained

Special conditions:

No exemption is allowed and so all bidders must Upload Proof of EMD and Tender Processing Fee. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any tender or all tenders without assigning any reason at

any stage. Intending bidders shall upload scanned copies of documents of valid registration card with renewal of 2023-24 /PAN/GST registration with latest renewal for the month of June 2023 OR 1st Quarter (i.e April 2023 to June 2023). However successful bidders shall produce the original copies of same before issuance of contract.

The successful Bidder has to produce an amount equal to 5% of Cost of Contract pledged to Executive Engineer KGC as performance security in shape of CDR/FDR within 02 days before fixation of contract and shall be released after successful completion of work.

The typographical error in the BOQ like Unit of item Quantity of item etc, if any found during e- NIT or after end date of NIT shall be rectified in the allotment as per the estimate.

The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from www.jktenders.gov.inas per schedule of dates given below:

1		Date of Issue of Tender Notice	01.08.2023 4:00 PM
2	2	Period of downloading of bidding docu-	From 01.08.2023 to 14.08.2023 (4.00PM on wards)
		ments	
	3	Bid submission Start Date	01.08.2023 4:00 Pm on wards
2	4	Bid Submission End Date	14.08.2023 upto 03:00
5	5	Date & time of opening of Bids(Online)	16.08.2023 at 11:00 AM in the office of the Executive Engineer KGC
			Crinadar

### General Conditions

The financial bid (BOQ) of only eligible, responsive bidders shall be opened on line on the date mentioned above in the office of Executive Engineer, KGC Srinagar. In case of any avoidable circumstances the tenders shall be opened on the next working day or any subsequent date convenient to the Authority.

The 1st lowest bidder (Successful) has to submit performance security @ 5% of the Contract Value in addition to EMD in the shape of CDR/FDR pledged to Executive Engineer, KGC Srinagar drawn from nationalized/ Scheduled bank preferably J&K Bank which should reach to the office of Executive Engineer, KGC Srinagar within 05 days from the date of opening of on line bids. In case of failure the bid shall be treated as non responsive.

The bids for the works shall remain valid for 90 days from the date of opening of tenders. The department shall not be responsible for any technical error or delay in submission of on line bids due to any

reason The department can modify the terms and conditions, specification of work if need arises before the dead line

date of receipt of tenders.

The bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually. The BOQ down loaded should be used for filling the item rate/ Percentage inclusive of all taxes and it should be saved with the same name as it contains.

- The Contractor is bound to work/ supply the material of best quality as per specifications. Any material found Substandard/ defective shall not be entertained and contractor is bound to replace it immediately at his own cost. The date of start of work shall be reckoned within 3 days from the date of issue of LOI /allotment,
- In case of delay in completion of the work beyond stipulated period of completion, penalty up to 5% of the allot-

Government Of Jammu And Kashmir Jammu and Kashmir Power Transmission Corporation Ltd **Office of the Executive Engineer** Transmission Line Maintenance Division-I (TLMD-I), Bemina, Srinagar Ph. No. 0194-2492427, Email: xentlmd1psdf@gmail.com/ tlmd1tech @gmail.com

> **TENDER NOTICE** e-NIT No: 06/JKPTCL/TLMD-I/SGR/2023-24; Dated: 01.08.2023

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of UT of Jammu & Kashmir, e-Tenders (in Two Covers) from reputed, experienced, competent and financially sound civil Contractors/Firms/ Joint Ventures fulfilling the eligibility criteria specified in the standard bidding document are invited online for the works detailed below.

e-Tenders need to be accompanied with a non-refundable Tender Fee in the form of Demand Draft pledged to Executive Engineer, Transmission Line Maintenance Division-I, Bemina, Srinagar for Rs.1000.00 (Rupees One Thousand Only) on account of Cost of Tender Document and EMD amounting to Rs. 44800.00 (Forty Four Thousand and Eight Hundred only) in the form of CDR/FDR/BG as security deposit pledged to Executive Engineer, TLMD-I, Bemina.

Cover-I: The bidding process is online. However, hardcopies consisting of Tender fee and EMD in accordance with General Terms and conditions of SBD (original instruments) in cover-1 should reach to the office of Executive Engineer, TLMD-I, Bemina, Srinagar (Phone No. 9419181913) one day after the last date for online submission of e-Bid.

However, after opening of the tenders on-line, L1 Bidder will be called to submit his/her Original/Photocopies of documents viz. relevant documents valid and renewed contractor License /Labour Registration Certificate, GST registration, PAN card, TIN No. and all other documents related to the bid for synchronization with Techno commercial evaluation.

Cover-II: The bidder shall upload online rates as per detailed BOQ enclosed as Annexure-A. The rates shall be inclusive of all taxes etc.

The Standard Bidding Document shall be kept available at website http://jktenders.gov. in.

S. No		Estimated Cost (in Lac)	Tender Fee		Time of Completion
	Up-gradation and renova- tion of civil infrastructure at 100MVA, 132/33kV Bad- ampora Grid Substation by way of concreting of 132kV and 33kV Switchyards	22.36 Lac		Rs. 0.448 Lac	02 months

The information regarding schedule of downloading of the tender document, seeking of clarifications and submission dates thereof is as per the table below **CRITICAL DATES SCHEDULE** 

e-NIT No: 06/JKPTCL/TLMD-I/SGR/2023-24; Dated: 01.08.2023

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	1.	Issue of NIT	01.08.2023
	2.	Downloading of bidding documents (Start)	01.08.2023 (04:00 PM)
	3.	Start date for seeking clarifications	02.08.2023 (10:00 AM)
	4.	End date for seeking clarifications	05.08.2023 (04.00 PM)
	5.	End date for replies to clarifications	06.08.2023 (04:00 PM)
	б.	E-Bid submission (start) date& time (uploading of e-tender fee, EMD and other supporting docu- ments in PDF formats)	02.08.2023 (10:00 AM)
	7.	e-Bid submission (end) date & time (Submission of e-tender fee, bid security and other supporting documents in PDF formats)	16.08.2023 (02:00 PM)
	8.	Last date for submission of Hard Copy of e-Bid	17.08.2023 (04:00 PM)
	9.	Online Techno-Commercial e-Bid opening date and time.	18.08.2023 (02:00 PM)
	10.	Venue of opening of Techno-Commercial-Bids	Office of the Executive Engi-

# The Jammu and Kashmir State Board Of School Education New Campus Bemina Srinagar Notice for General Public

The applicant/ candidate whose photograph is published in this notice and claiming to have lost her qualification certificate/s issued under as per below mentioned details:-

. Roll No: 32408203 Class:12th Year & Session : 2020 Registration: N17341620098 Name : Sameer Ahmad Mir Father's Name: Abdul Hamid Mir Mother's Name : Tasleema Begum



Date of Birth:- 13-09-2004 Residenc:- Kandhama Beerwah Budgam According the candidate concerned has approach to this office for issuance of Duplicate Qualification /Marks Certificate/s, so before the same is processed and provided to the candidate, under rules, anybody

having any objection in this regard, shall bring into the notice of Assistant Secretary of Certificate as well as Assistant Secretary Examination Unit I & III KD within the period of 10 & 7 days respectively, from the date of publication of this notice

(Besides the above referred "Qualification / Marks Certificate/s" bearing No: 020054 be treated as "CANCELLED") No: F(Cer is-I-DQC)B/KD/23

Assistant Secretary Certificates, KD.

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Assistant Secretary Certificates, KD.

## From The Office Of Advocate **Bilal Bhat & Associates**

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE PRINCIPAL** DISTRICT AND SESSION JUDGE AT SRINAGAR.

In the case of: -

Dated

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1) Shaheena W/O Mohammad Shafi wani 2)Mohammad Shafi wani Son in law of Ghulam mohi ud din

ted cost shall be imposed. 10.

No advance payment shall be paid to the Service/ contractor. The contractor shall ensure execution of an agreement with the Department within 15 days from the date of 11. issue of LOI/allotment

All disputes and differences between the parties arising out any relating to the NIT, Letter of intent, Allotment, work done bills and agreement to be signed between the Officer of KGC and the contractor including interpretation of its terms and conditions shall be preferable to Administrator Kashmir Golf Club Srinagar whose decision shall be final and binding upon all the parties

- The bidders are advised to quote their rates in Percentage which includes Income tax, GST, Labour cess etc 13.
- 14 The employer may terminate the contract if the contractor causes a breach of the contract
- 15. The tender is liable to rejection if it does not fulfill the requirements as laid down in the NIT/ Agre
- 16. All other terms and conditions shall remain same as laid down in PWD form-25 double /FC-31 17. Any item found to be necessary execute on site not covered by allotment the same shall be paid on in vouge rate

along allotted percentage

The DLP shall be reckoned from the date of successful completion of work shall be up to the period of not less than Eighteen Months

No overhead/ Extra Charges or carriage of replaced spares shall be allowed to the service/ contract or his me-19 chanics/ Trained Service Engineers/ Labours.

20. The replaced Spares shall atleast perform satisfactory for a period of One Year from the date of its replacement/ Maintenance.

Rates should be quoted in INR inclusive of all taxes / Charges/ FOR. 21.

No escalation of rates shall be allowed whatsoever during the period of rate contract.

22. 23. In case of the unsuccessful tenderer the CDR/ FDR shall be released after completion of the rate contract with successful tenderer

24. The contractor is required to take and furnish colored geo tagged photographs on stage based videography file of all activities before during and after completion of works. All the cost of such photographs/Videographs etc shall be deemed to have been included in the rates quoted against various items and nothing external shall be paid for the above and no bill should be processed without geo tagged photographs.

The EMD in shape of CDR/FDR with validity of not less than 24 months from any nationalized/ Scheduled bank 25. preferably J&K Bank pledged to Executive Engineer KGC and should be uploaded on the portal with tender

No: KGC/EE/2023-24/60-62 DIPK-NB-2379/23 Dated: 02/08/2023

neer, TLMD-I, Bemina Cost of e-Bid document Rs. 1000.00 11. Rs. 44800.00 12. EMD

Only the bidders possessing the qualifying criteria as mentioned in the SBD should participate in the bidding process.

Clarifications can be sought from the office of the under signed (Phone No. 9419181913) or on E-Mail addresses: tlmd1tech@gmail.com or xentlmd1psdf@gmail. com

Before participating in the bids, the bidder shall visit the site of work, have firsthand assessment of the tendered job and acquaint himself with the site of work and local conditions. The bidder shall make first hand assessment of the expenses involved with the actual execution of the contract at various sites and accordingly quote the prices. Any item or items required for arriving at the goal corresponding to a particular job item description in BOQ but not exclusively mentioned therein shall be treated to be included in the particular job item description without incurring any further financial liability on JKPTCL.

The Corporation (JKPTCL) reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without assigning any reason thereof.

The Bidders are advised to furnish and upload complete bidder address including address of place of business along with all valid Landline/Mobile Nos /fax Nos plus e-mailing addresses.

> Sd/-**Executive Engineer,** Transmission Line Maintenance Division-I, Transmission (Kashmir), JKPTCL, Bemina, Sgr

3) Ghulam mohi ud din bhat S/O Abdul sattar bhat All 1-3 are residents of brein srinagar.

... Caveators

Versus

Public at Large

..Non-Caveators

In the matter of: - Caveat Petition under Section 148-A of Civil Procedure Code 1908

May it please your Lordship, The applicant submits as under: 1. That the applicants/ Caveators are permanent residents of UT of J&K, thus have every right to invoke the jurisdiction of this Hon'ble Court for the protection of their rights.

2. That the applicants/caveators has a reasonable apprehension that the non-applicant/non caveator may file a suit, or any proceeding against the the Applicants/Caveators by pleading false facts in order to get the ex-parte order.

3. That in event of any such suit or proceeding being filed by the non-caveator, the Caveators may be provided an opportunity of being heard before any order is issued against them.

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This is to inform you that at the time of admission the name of my son has been wrongly entered as Muhammad Riyan Khan and Father's Name Imtiyaz Hussain Khan , Class 9th , Sec- C , Roll No :- 36 under registration No :- 10415 as per the DOB issued by Srinagar Municipal Committee (SMC). Where as the correct and actual Name is Muhammad Reyan Khan and Father's Name Imtiaz Hussain Khan to rectify this mistake , I want to apply for its correction , Anybody having any objections in this regard may contact to the Office of The principal Burn Hall School, Sonwar within seven days from the date of publication of this notice, After the expiry of the stipulated time no objection shall be entertained.

Imtiaz Hussain Khan F/o Muhammad Revan Khan R/o Pamposh Colony, Natipora. A/P:- H.10, Lane 10, Aribagh, B.K. Pora.

# NOTICE

want to transfer the Electric Connection bearing Consumer No.0202020005882 Installation No.57510 which is registered in the name of Gh Qadir Mir S/o Mohd Sultan R/o: Colony Batmaloo Srinagar in the Electric Department. In this regard, if anybody having any objection He/She may convey to Assistant Executive Engineer Electric Sub Division Hazuri Bagh within a period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

> Rafiqa W/o: Sharief Ud Din Bakshi R/o: Colony Batamaloo Sgr

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### NOTICE

This is notified for the information of all the candidates who have applied for the post(s) of Carpenter advertised vide University advertisement notice no. 03 of 2022 dated 01-08-2022 issued under endorsement AU/Adm/(GAD)/Adv-NT/2022/7580-99 dated 01-08-2022, that the Trade/Skill test shall be held by the designated committee constituted for the purpose w.e.from 16th August, 2023 as per the schedule given in Annexure-A, at Industrial Training Institute (ITI), Ganderbal, Kashmir.

The admit cards will be available on SKUAST-K website https://www.skuastkashmir.ac.in from 10th August, 2023.

The candidates are informed to carry the documents (Qualification Certificate, DoB Certificate and valid identity proof) without which no candidate will be allowed to appear in the test.

No. AU/EC/R-5/(Carpenter)/2023/837-842 Dated: 02.08.2023

Sd/-Prof. (Dr.) K. N. Qaisar Controller of Examinations

# **OBITUARY**

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of Ghulam Ahmad Mir (Retired Accounts Officer) S/O Abdul Ahad Mir R/O Rambagh Bala Srinagar presently 96A, Khan Colony Left Lane Chanapora, who left for heavenly abode on 2nd August, 2023 (Wednesday). Please pray for the departed soul.

> Note : Taiziyat shall be held for 3 days only. Bereaved: Rafi Ahmad Mir (M: 9419063210) Mohd Saleem Mir (M: 09797048388) Javed Ahmad Lone (M: 9419080314)

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# **RDA SKIMS Seeks Exam Centers For MD/MS Doctors In Srinagar**

### **Observer News Service**

Srinagar: Resident Doctors Association (RDA) SKIMS Soura, urged the concerned authorities on Tuesday to establish examination centers in Srinagar for the upcoming DM/ MCh courses' examination for MD/MS doctors.

Incharge RDA, Dr Rubeena said the DM/ MCh course examinations are scheduled for 9th and 10th September 2023, and she has received numerous requests from MD/MS doctors to arrange examination centers in Srinagar.

"Due to the nonavailability of centers in Srinagar for the National Board of Examinations. aspirants are forced to choose centers in other states to appear for admissions in DM/MCh courses," said Dr Rubeena.

She further explained that some aspirants were unable to appear for the examination last year because of centers located in other states.

"We are requesting the concerned authority to establish examination centers in Srinagar, which would address the concerns of the aspirants and save their time and effort in traveling to other states for the examination," she added.

Rubeena also sought the intervention of the LG administration in this matter and expressed that the absence of examination centers in Srinagar is inexplicable, as there seems to be no valid reason for such a decision.



A beautiful view of congested down-town Srinagar from Hari Parbat (Kohi-Maran) Fort in Srinagar, KO Photo, Abid Bhat

# I-Day Celebrations-2023 **DC Orders Foolproof Security** In, Around Bakshi Stadium

### Observer News Service

**J&K Bank ATM Guards Stages** 

**Protest. Demands Job Security** 

Srinagar: Seeking justice, Jammu & Kashmir Bank ATM guards on Wednesday staged a protest at Srinagar's press enclave here to seek redressal of their concerns.

While talking to the media persons here, the protesters said the J&K Bank has installed CCTV cameras inside the premises and on gates and inside ATMs as well, following which they have been asked to resign from their posts.

"We were not only ATM guards but were helping the people as well,

but now after almost 15 to 20 years, we are being asked to resign, please tell us where we should go?

questioned the guards. "There is no need for digitization in case it ends up snatching the jobs of employed people," said the protesters.

"We are here to request the J&K Bank authorities and to Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha led administration to intervene and ensure justice is delivered as we have been working for the last 20 years and if we become jobless our families

The residents of Ra-

jouri Kadal and Chat-

tabal Srinagar staged a

protest today to press for

will be forced to starve, they said. **Protests Against Smart Meter** 

Installation Continues In Srinagar Parts

## **Observer News Service** Srinagar: In connection with celebration of upcoming Inde-

pendence-Day-2023, the Deputy Commissioner (DC), Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad on Wednesday visited Bakshi Stadium to take on site review of arrangements/preparatory the activities to be put in place by the

respective Departments. DIG, Police Central Srinagar, Sujit Kumar reviewed the securi ty arrangements during the visit. SSP Srinagar, Rakesh Bal-

wal, SSP Traffic Muzafar Ahmad Shah, SSP Security, Sheikh Fasal, Additional District Development Commissioner, Srinagar, Zahoor Ahmad Mir, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Syed Shabir Ahmad, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Syed Ahmad Kataria, Secretary Sports Council. Nuzhat Gul and other senior Officers of Police and Civil Administration were present on the occasion.

At the outset, the Deputy Commissioner along with Officers went around the Stadium pavilions and VIP Gallery to have firsthand appraisal of the preparatory activities. He took onsite review

The people from of the arrangements to be put in both the areas hit the place for smooth conduct of Indestreets and raised slogans pendence Day While chairing a meeting on the occasion, the DC directed the

# Preparations regarding various facilities including seating arrangements,

**Ensure All** 

cultural programs, march past parade, transport & parking facilities, power supply, deployment of medical & first aid and fire and emergency teams, installation of PAS

Officers of all concerned Departments to ensure all preparations regarding various facilities including seating arrangements, cultural programs, march past parade, transport & parking facilities, power supply, deployment of medical & first aid and fire and emergency teams, installation of PAS. Besides Media management, security related matters and entry of VVIPs, VIPs and other participants were also discussed.

The DC also stressed on making fool-proof security arrangements in and around the stadium to ensure hassle-free celebrations of the function. He also enjoined upon the officers to maintain close coordination with each other for holding the function smoothly. The DC asked the R&B Department to make all necessary arrangements for seating arrangements particularly at Central Pavilion, Northern Pavilion and Central pavilion of the Bakshi Stadium. The Department was also asked to install shamiyans at designated spots at the venue.

Regarding parking for vehicles, the DC asked the officers of the Traffic Department to assess the capacity of the parking slots identified for the event and formulate an action plan so that the maximum number of vehicles of the dignitaries and other participants coming to attend the function are accommodated.

While SMC authorities were asked to ensure that all washrooms are functioning properly, besides establishing mobile toilets at the venue on August 15. They were also asked to ensure proper sanitation and cleanliness in and around the venue

The DC also stressed on making elaborate arrangements to tackle water logging, if any caused due to rainfall on the occasion of Full dress rehearsal proceedings and the mega event on 15th August.

The DC also asked for making adequate transport arrangements for ferrying of participant school students, cultural artists, NCC cadets, contingents and other persons on August 15, In addition to their Boarding and lodging facilities.



# This Day In History

- 1940 Lithuanian SSR is accepted into USSR 1941 - German troops conquer Roslavl USSR
- 1944 Allied troops under Lt-Gen Joseph Stilwell take Myitkyina, Burma
- 1960 Niger gains independence from France
- 1967 45,000 US soldiers sent to Vietnam
- 1970 Hurricane "Celia" becomes most expensive Gulf storm in history
- 1972 British premier Edward Heath proclaims emergency crisis due to dock strike
- 1972 U.S. Senate ratifies the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty.
- 1973 Flash fire kills 51 at amusement park (Isle of Man, UK)
- 1975 500 drown when 2 river boats collide & sink in China's West River
- 1975 Louisiana Superdome is dedicated
- 1981 13,000 Air Traffic Controllers (PATCO) begin their strike; US President Ronald Reagan offers ultimatum to workers: 'if they do not report for work within 48 hours, they have forfeited their jobs and will be terminated<sup>1</sup>
- 1984 Bomb attack on Madras India airport, 32 killed 1985 - Train crash at Flaujac, France: 35 killed
- 1987 Discovery in Orbital Processing Facility is powered up for STS-26
- 1990 Radio Kuwait resigns air, due to Iraqi invasion

lation of smart meters by the Kashmir Power **Distribution Corporation** Limited (KPDCL).

Srinagar: The residents of

Rajouri Kadal and Chat-

tabal areas of Srinagar

on Wednesday staged a

protest against the instal-

**Observer News Service** 

against the power department in order to register their protest.

their demands.

### 1990 - US announces commitment of Naval forces to Gulf regions

1994 - 1st Jordanian plane to fly over Israeli airspace (King Hussein pilot)

# **From KO Archives**

# Leave Constitution, Talk Humanitarian: PM

### **Observer News Service**

RINAGAR - The prime minister, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, today asked all the militant groups in Jammu and Kashmir to come forward for talks with the Centre. While rejecting the possibility of Pakistan's involvement in the peace process initiated with the Hizbul Mujahideen, he, however, made a significant departure from the off-imposed rider of holding talks within the, frame work of Indian constitution.

"Our doors are open. I appeal to all militant groups and organisations, which believe in peace, to join the centre's efforts for peaceful resolution of the Kashmir issue," Vajpayee told media persons Asked whether Pakistan would be invited to form part of the

peace process, Vajpayee said, there is no question of Pakistan's involvement." Holding Islamabad responsible for the killings, he said the absence of unequivocal condemnation by Pakistan makes it all the more a suspect Pakistan must come clean as its silence on the massacres would further affect the bilateral dialogue process.

Asked whether the talks would be strictly within the framework of the constitution, Vajpayee said, "Leave the constitu-tion. Talks should be held on humanitarian considerations that violence is stopped and no more blood is shed.

To a question whether lapses insecurity led to the killings, he said the government would order an internal inquiry to find out the reasons behind the orgy of violence. Vajpayee was accompanied by union ministers George Fernandes and Mamata Banerjee, Congress President Sonia Gandhi and her party colleague Ghulam Nabi Azad, Mulayam Singh Yadav (Samajwadi Party), Somnath Chatterjee (CPI-M), K Yerran Naidu (TDP) and Kanshi Ram (BSP). Vajpayee, who was accompanied by Jammu and Kashmir governor G.C. Saxena and chief minister Farooq Abdullah, termed as ridiculous allegation by Pakistan about the involvement of Indian security forces in the killing and rejected the possibility of instituting a judicial inquiry on the issue. The involvement of Pakistan-based Lashker-e-Taiba have been proved beyond doubt other than Hizb-ul-Mujahideen being

unhappy over the peace process initiated by the centre. Maintaining that Islamabad must unequivocally condemn the massacres, Vajpayee made it clear that violence and peace talks cannot go together. Nothing can be achieved through killings. He said if General Musharraf continued to maintain silence, then the future of resumption of bilateral parleys would become even more difficult, To a question on the issue of autonomy, Jammu and Kashmir chief minister, who was present the Vajpayee's press conference, said we are talking with the centre on the issue

(Kashmir Observer, August 03, 2000)

IN THE COURT JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE SHOPIAN In The Case of	Government of Jammu and Kashmir Office Of The Child Development Project Officer Poshan Project Narbal
Bashir Ahmad Gojer Seer V/S	(PUBLIC NOTICE)
U.T of J & K through registrar Births and Deaths	Subject: Provisional Merit List of SAHAYIKAS (Anganwadi Helpers) of Poshan Project Narbal.
Notice To Public at Large	In pursuance to Government Order No.103-JK(SWD) of 2023 Dated: 28-042023, and approval conveyed by Mission Director Poshan Estt/13247-53 Dated: 08-05-2023. Accordingly, posts were advertised by this office vide Notice No. 01 dated: 13/05/2023 for 1

whereas the above titled etition has been filled by the applicant in this court for seeking direction to the non applicants for registration of particulars of the applicant's Son namely Imran Ahmad Gojer Seer S/o Bashir Ahmad Gojer R/o Amshipora Shopian Who was bom on 03/03/2013 at home. Whereas through the medium of this proclamation, the public at large is informed that in case, any one has any objection in issuance of direction with respect to the registration of Birth particulars of the applicant's Son namely Imran Ahmad Goier Seer S/o Bashir Ahmad Gojer R/o Amshipora Shopian by the non applicant. They/he/she shall file the same before this court in person or through counsel within 15 days from the date of issuance of this publication. If the date fixed is declared holiday, the matter will be taken up on the next working day. Given under my hand and seal of this office on 10/07/202

Chief Judicial fko\_r Magistrate Shopian

### PUBLIC NOTICE

I have changed my Name from SANA to SANA RAFIQ. In, future i will be known as SAna Rafiq. If Anybody having any objection, he or she may contact Passport office Srinagar within 7 days. After 7 days no objection will be accepted SANA RAFIQ bmg

shan Project Narbal. val conveyed by Mission Director Poshan J&K Srinagar vide No: MD/Poshan/ vide Notice No. 01 dated: 13/05/2023 for selection of six (06) Sahayikas (Anganwadi Helpers) for six (6) Anganwadi Centres of Poshan Project Narbal. In response to said Advertisement Notice, three (31) application forms were received, and merit list of candidates were prepared as per criteria laid down vide Government Order No.103-JK(SWD) of 2023 Dated: 28-04-2023. Thus, Provisional Selection list has been framed on the merit basis appended at Annexure-A, comprising of 06 candidates selected as Sahayikas (Anganwadi Helpers). The Provisional Merit List of each ward has been thoroughly scrutinised by the selection committee members and the most eligible candidates in accordance with merit have been provisionally selected against the vacant posts.

The Provisional Merit List is hereby published for information of General public and inviting objections/appeals (if any) which shall be received in the Office of the District Programme Officer Poshan Budgam or Child Development Project Officer Narbal within 07 days of the Publication. No objections/appeal will be entertained afterwards.

> **Child Development Project Officer** Poshan Project Narbal

No: CDPO/POSHAN/Adv/ Nbl/2023/1715-22

DIPK-6280/23 Dated:- 02/08/2023

	GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR																
	OFFICE OF THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OFFICER POSHAN NARBAL																
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**China's Big New Rules** 

# NEWS

# **20 Colleges Declared** 'Fake', Degrees Won't Be **Recognised': UGC**



Ltd, Daryaganj; United Nations

University; Vocational Uni-versity; ADR-Centric Juridical

University; Indian Institution

of Science and Engineering;

Viswakarma Open Univer-

sity for Self-Employment; and Adhyatmik Vishwavidyalaya

(Spiritual University), accord-

Uttar Pradesh has four such

universities - Gandhi Hindi

Vidyapith; National University

of Electro Complex Homeopa-

thy; Netaji Subhash Chandra

Bose University (Open uni-

versity); and Bhartiya Shiksha

Puducherry, Andhra Pradesh,

West Bengal and Kerala also

have "fake" universities, the

Maharashtra,

ing to the UGC.

Parishad.

UGC said.

Karnataka,

### **Press Trust of India**

**NEW DELHI:** The University Grants Commission (UGC) on Wednesday declared 20 universities as "fake" and not empowered to confer any degree with Delhi having eight such institutions, the highest.

"It has come to the notice of the UGC that a number of institutions are offering degrees in contrary to the provisions of the UGC Act. Degrees awarded by such universities shall neither be recognised nor valid for higher education or employment purpose. These universities are not empowered to confer any degree," UGC secretary Manish Joshi said.

Delhi has eight "fake" universities -- All India Institute of

Public and Physical Health Sci-

# **Trump Indicted For Trying To Overturn 2020 Election**



election.

Agencies

Donald Trump was indicted on Tuesday over his efforts to overturn the results of the 2020 election -- the most serious legal threat yet to the former president as he campaigns to return to the White House.

It is the third criminal indictment of the 77-year-old Trump since March and charges him with three counts of conspiracy and one count of obstruction.

Trump, the frontrunner for he 2024 Republican presidential nomination, is already scheduled to go on trial in Florida in May of next year for allegedly mishandling top secret government documents. The new charges raise the prospect of Trump being embroiled in more legal proceedings at the height of what is expected to be a bitter and divisive presidential campaign. The indictment brought by special counsel Jack Smith accuses Trump of conspiracy to defraud the United States and conspiracy to obstruct an official proceeding -- the January 6, 2021 joint session of Congress held to certify Democrat Joe Biden's election victory. Trump is also accused in the 45-page indictment handed down by a grand jury in Washington of seeking to disenfranchise American voters with his false claims that he won the

Delhi On Alert As Haryana **Violence Spreads To Affluent Gurugram Areas** 

Agencies

GURUGRAM: Rapid Action Force personnel conducted a flag march in Gurugram's Badshahpur early on Wednesday morning following the clashes that broke out in Nuh district of the State. Security has been strengthened in the districts adjoining Nuh --Faridabad, Palwal, and Gurugram-- in light of the violence that broke out between two groups on July 31

The communal flare-up in Haryana's Nuh and Mewat after violence during a Vishwa Hindu Parishad procession that hit Gurgaon on Tuesday, has reportedly spread to newer and upscale areas closer to the capital, Delhi, as per media reports. This is despite Section 144 being imposed in the area.

According to NDTV, Delhi is on alert after fresh violence reportedly spread to Sector 70 of Gurgaon, which is close to a host of residential high-rises

and multinational offices. Meanwhile, security has been beefed up at sensitive places in the national capital in the wake of violence in some districts of neighbouring Haryana, the Delhi Police said on Wednesday, said news agency PTI.

"Keeping in view the vio-lence in some districts of Haryana, adjoining Delhi, elaborate security arrangements have been made at all sensitive places in Delhi and

additional police forces have also been deployed where necessary. "Any attempt to harm Delhi's security and communal harmony will be dealt with

This alert comes in the wake of Hindu outfits Bajrang Dal and Vishwa Hindu Parishad planning to stage protests across the national capital against the Haryana violence.



also hurled stones back at

The yatra was flagged off

from Gurugram's Civil Lines

deployed with the procession.

an objectionable video posted

on social media by a Bajrang

There were also reports that

Monu Manesar, a cow vigi-

lante booked earlier for the

murder of two Muslim men

whose charred bodies were

found in Bhiwani district in

February, was supposed to

In the Nuh violence, 5 peo-

ple were killed, including two

home guards -- Neeraj and

Gursewak and Bhadas village

resident Shakti. The police

have registered 11 FIRs in the district and detained 27

people in connection with the

join the procession.

rioting, said PTI.

Dal activist in Ballabhgarh.

uate them to safety.

On Tuesday night, several shops and shanties next to a India. In Muslim-dominated Nuh residential complex were set on fire, said NDTV, adding that on Monday, police said the the authorities have put a ban trouble began when VHP's 'Brij

on sale of petrol and diesel. Mandal Jalabhishek Yatra' was stopped by a group of young men near Nuh's Khedla Mod However, police said there were only "sporadic clashes" in the city and denied any and stones pelted at the proces-"major incident" yet. sion. Cars were then set ablaze. People in the procession

There have been some incidents of arson and skirmishes the youths who had stopped today. But there has been no them, reports said. Later, major incident," police were many took refuge in a nearby quoted as saying. temple as police tried to evac-

The authorities have appealed to people to guard against rumours and social media messages that may escalate the communal tension and panic.

Some MNCs, like American Express and KPMG, have reportedly advised employees to work from home on Wednesday after reports of fresh violence on Tuesday night.

Educational institutions in Sohna and Gurgaon, however, remain closed on Wednesday to avoid any untoward incident amid the communal flare-up.

The communal violence erupted during a procession by VHP that passed through a Muslim-dominated area in Nuh. The growing trend of taking Hindu religious processions through Muslimdominated areas, sometimes without police permission, has been a trigger for various communal flare-ups in recent

**Muslim Students' Enrolment In Higher** 

Education Up By 1.83 Lakh During 2016-2021

# For Children To Fight **Internet Addiction** Agencies BEIJING, CHINA: Chinese chil-

dren and teens will be cut off from accessing the internet at night and have their smartphone use curbed under new rules unveiled Wednesday aimed at fighting internet addiction. Under the restrictions, set to

come into force on September 2 following a public consultation, anyone under the age of 18 will be cut off from accessing the internet with a mobile device between 10 pm and 6 am.

A tiered system for managing smartphone usage time will also be imposed, spanning a maximum of 40 minutes a dav for those under the age of eight to two hours for 16- and 17-year-olds.

The new rules -- proposed by the Cyberspace Administration of China (CAC) -- are some of the most stringent in the world.

Parents will be able to bypass them if they wish, however. The CAC said the rules would "improve the positive role of

the internet, create a favourable network environment, prevent and intervene in minors' internet addiction problems, and guide minors to form good internet use habits".

by BJP district president Gargi The measures would build Kakkar. A police contingent was upon existing efforts to strengthen the online pro-According to some claims, tection of minors, it added, the trigger for the clash was



including by "enriching ageappropriate content" and reducing "the influence of bad information".

Beijing authorities have pursued expansive regulation of the domestic tech sector in recent years, due in part to concerns over the risk posed to young people by digital technology.

In 2021, China capped the amount of gaming time for children with the stated aim of fighting addiction, and froze approvals of new games for nine months, hammering the bottom lines of many companies including sector titan Tencent.

And Wednesday's decision suggests Beijing's regulatory clampdown on domestic tech giants continues.

Stocks of many leading Chinese internet firms fell Wednesday following the CAC's announcement, with Tencent's Hong Kong-listed shares down 3.0 percent.

Meanwhile, web search, AI and online services giant Baidu saw its shares fall 3.75 percent during trading in Hong Kong.

# Iran's Revolutionary Guard **Runs Drill As US Military Presence In Region Grows**



Agencies

TEHRAN: Iran's paramili-Revolutionary Guard tary launched a surprise military drill Wednesday on islands in the Arabian Gulf, just as the US military increase its presence in the region over recent ship seizures by Tehran. The drill focused primarily

on Abu Musa Island, though the Guard also landed forces on the Greater Tunb Island as well, Iran's state-run IRNA news agency reported. Ships, drones and missile units took part in the drill, the report said. Iran did not provide a reason for launching the drill, though such snap exercises have happened in the past. "We always try for security and tranquility; it is our way," the Guard's chief, Gen. Hossein Salami, said in a televised address during the drill. "Our nation is vigilant, and it gives harsh responses to all threats, complicated seditions and secret scenarios and hostilities," However, the drill comes as thousands of Marines and sailors on both the amphibious assault ship USS Bataan and the USS Carter Hall, a landing ship, are on their way to the Arabian Gulf. Already, the US has sent A-10 Thunderbolt II warplanes,

F-16 and F-35 fighters, as well as the destroyer USS Thomas Hudner, to the region.

The Pentagon has said the deployment is "in response to recent attempts by Iran to threaten the free flow of commerce in the Strait of Hormuz and its surrounding waters." Some 20 percent of the world's oil passes through the narrow waterway connecting the Arabian Gulf to the wider world and the US views it as crucial to both its national security and keeping global energy prices stable. Meanwhile, Iran now enriches uranium closer than ever to weapon-grade levels after the collapse of its 2015 nuclear deal with world powers. Meanwhile, Iran has been trying to signal its displeasure over recent comments about the islands made by Russia, which Tehran has supplied with bomb-carrying drones for their war in Ukraine. Russia earlier this summer in a joint statement with the Gulf Cooperation Council called for "bilateral negotiations or the International Court of Justice" to decide who should control the islands. That prompted an outery in Iran and Tehran summoned the Russian envoy over the remarks.

# November 2020 presidential

'Shortly after election day -which fell on November 3, 2020 -- the Defendant launched his criminal scheme," the indictment said.

spiracy was to overturn the legitimate results of the 2020 presidential election by using knowingly false claims of election fraud," it said.

Smith, a former war crimes prosecutor at the Hague, said the January 6 attack on the Capitol by Trump supporters was "an unprecedented assault on the seat of American democracy.

'The purpose of the con-



strictly," the Delhi Police said.

"It was fueled by lies," Smith told reporters in brief remarks. "Lies by the defendant targeted at obstructing a bedrock function of the US government -- the nation's process of collecting, counting and certifying the results of the presidential election.'

### WHITE HOUSE SILENCE

The White House maintained silence on the historic indictment of Trump.

Biden, who is seeking reelection next year and has previously called Trump a "threat" to the nation, continued his beach vacation in Delaware and went to dinner with First Lady Jill Biden before going to watch "Oppenheimer."

**NEW DELHI:** The enrolment of Muslim students in higher education institutions increased to 19.22 lakh in 2020-21 from 17.39 lakh in 2016-17, Union Minister of State for Education Subhas Sarkar said today.

**Press Trust of India** 

The number of teachers from the Muslim community also increased significantly to 86,314 in 2020-21 from 67,215 in 2016-17, he said.

The minister shared the statistics from the All India Survey on Higher Education, 2020-21, in response to a written question in the Rajya Sabha. "As per the All India Sur-

vey on Higher Education (AISHE), 2020-21, the enrolment of Muslim students has increased to 19.22 lakh in 2020-21 from 17.39 lakh

in 2016-17. The number of teachers from the Muslim community has shown (a) significant increase to



couraging minority students through various initiatives," Mr Sarkar added.

he said.

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He shared that the Union Ministry of Minority Affairs implements three educational empowerment schemes for students from six notified minority communities -- Buddhist, Christian, Jain, Muslim, Sikh and Zoroastrian -- all over the country.

# **Government of Jammu & Kashmir MECHANICAL HOSPITAL & CENTRAL HEATING DIVISION.** SRINAGAR

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- Subject : Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Automatic Fire Alarm and Fire Detection System at MMABM Hospital of GMC Hospital Anantnag
- This office NIT No: MHCHD/TS /2023-Ref: 24/38/ e-tendering Dated: 04.07.2023

# CANCELLATION

In view of minimum number of bidders not qualifying for opening of Cover 2<sup>nd</sup>, the above referred e-NIT is hereby cancelled and shall be issued afresh shortly.

No: MHCHD/TS/3756-59,		Sd/-
Dated: 02-08-2023	DIPK-6253-23	Executive Engineer,
	DT: 02/08/2023	MHCHD, Srinagar

# **Government of Jammu & Kashmir** OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT SHEEP **HUSBANDRY OFFICER KULGAM** Email: Sheephusbandrykulgam@gmail.com

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Subject: Establishment of Sheep/Goat/Machine shearing units and distribution of dead stock items under various schemes for the year 2023-24 and selection of beneficiaries thereof.

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- This Office advertisement notice No. DSHOK/Tech/2023-24/711-27, dated 16-06-2023.
- This Office No. DSHOK/Tech/Estt of units/2023-24/767-83, dated 20-06-2023.
- This Office No. DSHOK/Stores/2023-24/623-39, dated 13-06-2023.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

It is for the information of the general public that the selection of beneficiaries for the establishment of Sheep/Goat/Machine shearing units and distribution of dead stock items, under various schemes for the year 2023-24, notified vide the above quoted reference 2,3 &5, shall be conducted on 05-08-2023 by the designated committee in the premises of Mini Secretariat Kulgam from 11: am. The interested applicants / persons may attend the programme on the scheduled date time and venue.

No: DSHOK/Tech/Estt of units/2023-24/1345-56 Dated: -02- 08-2023 DIPK-6250-23 DT: 02/08/2023

Sd/-District **Sheep Husbandry Officer** Kulgam



# Joint Intelligence Meet In Rajouri Discusses **I-Day Strategies**

Press Trust Of India

JAMMU: The Army on Wednesday held a joint intelligence and security coordination meeting in Jammu and Kashmir's Rajouri district to formulate strategies for peaceful conduct of upcoming events, including Independence Day celebrations, a defence spokesman said.

All the stakeholders of Rajouri and nearby Poonch district, including senior officials from the Army, local police and intelligence agencies, attended the meeting, which took place at the Army's Palma Garrison to assess the existing intelligence and security situation in the region, he said.

During the meeting, the spokesman, said the attendees discussed several key issues related to intelligence gathering, threat assessment and security arrangements.

They also reviewed the security measures implemented in the aftermath of the abrogation of Article 370 and analysed any potential threats that could arise during the anniversary of this event, the spokesman added. Article 370, which granted special status to Jammu and Kashmir, was nullified by the Centre on August 5, 2019. Additionally, he said, the par-

ticipants addressed the security concerns surrounding the upcoming Independence Day celebration and the Shri Budha Amarnath Yatra, an annual pilgrimage to the holy shrine of

Budha Amarnath in Poonch. The meeting evaluated the potential challenges, such as possible terrorist activities or civil unrest, and devised strategies to mitigate these risks, the

spokesman said. He said the meeting served as a platform for sharing intelligence inputs, discussing security protocols and coordinating efforts between different security agencies.

The participants emphasised the need for seamless coordination, intelligence sharing, and proactive measures to ensure the security in the region during these important events, the spokesman said.

"Overall, the joint intelligence and security coordination meeting aimed to enhance the preparedness and effectiveness of security arrangements in Rajouri and its surrounding areas. By pooling their resources and expertise, the stakeholders aimed to create a robust security framework that would deter potential threats and maintain peace and stability in the region," he said.

# **NIA Moves HC To Produce Yasin Malik Virtually**

**Press Trust Of India** 

NEW DELHI: The NIA Wednesday moved the Delhi High Court seeking permission to produce virtually from jail Kashmiri separatist leader Yasin Malik in a militant funding case in which it has sought death penalty for him.

The application is listed for hearing before a bench of Justices Siddharth Mridul and An-

ish Dayal on August 3. The high court had on May 29 issued a warrant for production of Malik, who is serving life term in the case in Tihar jail, on August 9 when NIA's plea for enhancement of sentence is listed for hearing.

In an application seeking modification of the order, the investigating agency said Malik was a "very high risk prisoner" and it was imperative to not physically produce him in court

in order to maintain public order and safety. It also said that as per an order passed by the Home Ministry,

Malik cannot be "moved from the Tihar Jail" and shall "not be taken out of the jurisdiction of NCT of Delhi" "Respondent/Convict Yasin

Malik has been lodged in the Tihar Jail, New Delhi under the category of very high risk prisoners and thus, the present Application is in relation to a heavy security issue. Therefore, it is imperative that the Respondent/Convict Yasin Malik is not physically produced before this Hon'ble Court in order to maintain public order and safety," the

application said. Stating that grave prejudice would be caused to the State as well as the society if the request is not accepted, the application said, "Hon'ble Court may graciously be pleased to modify the



Order dated 29.05.2023 passed by this Hon'ble Court to the effect that the Respondent Yasin Malik be produced through the video conferencing facility from Tihar Jail, New Delhi".

Recently, the presence of the jailed separatist leader in the Supreme Court had created a flutter, prompting Solicitor General of India Tushar Mehta to flag a "serious security lapse" to Union Home Secretary Ajay Kumar Bhalla.

Malik apparently appeared before the top court on July 21 in connection with the CBI's appeal against a September 20, 2022 order of a trial court in Jammu in the 1989 kidnapping of Rubaiva Saveed, the daughter of then Union home minister Mufti Mohammad Sayeed.

He was brought to the highsecurity apex court premises in a prison van escorted by armed security personnel without the court's permission.

Later that week, the Department of Delhi Prisons suspended four officials over Malik's physical appearance before the top court and ordered an inquiry into the lapse.

On May 29, the high court had issued notice to Malik on NIA's plea seeking death penalty for him in the militant funding case and said, "Let warrants of production be issued against Mr. Yasin Malik, before this Court on the next date of hearing. List

### on 09.08.2023." On May 24, 2022, the trial

court had awarded life imprisonment to the JKLF chief after holding him guilty of various offences under the stringent antiterrorism law-the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA), and the IPC.

Malik had pleaded guilty to the charges, including those under the UAPA, and was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Appealing against the sentence, the NIA has said a "terrorist cannot be awarded life sentence" only because he has pleaded guilty and chosen not to go through trial.

While seeking enhancement of the sentence to death penalty, the NIA has said if such "dreaded terrorists are not given capital punishment on account of pleading guilty, there would be complete erosion of the sentencing policy and terrorists would have a way out to avoid capital punishment".

A life sentence, the NIA has asserted, is not commensurate with the crime committed by militants when the nation and families of soldiers have suffered loss of lives, and that the trial court's conclusion that Malik's crimes did not fall within the category of the "rarest of the rare cases" for grant of death penalty is "ex-facie legally flawed and completely unsustainable".

# **HC Issues Guidelines To Courts To Expedite Trial**

### **M** Ahmad

SRINAGAR: Observing that speedy trial is an integral and inalignable right of an accused, the High Court of J&K and Ladakh on Wednesday issued guidelines to the trial courts to expedite the cases before them with specific reference to the stage of prosecution evidence.

A division bench of the court comprising Justice Atul Sreedharan and Justice Mohan Lal issued the guidelines while hearing an appeal filed by an appellant for the grant of bail of the accused whose case was listed on twenty-eight occasions before the Trial Court after framing of charge and preparation of the trial programme. During this period, out of thirty four prosecution witnesses only six witnesses have been

examined till date. The Court said after framing of charges against the accused, summons be issued to the eyewitnesses or, if it is a case where there are no eyewitnesses, then to those witnesses who are most material to prove the case of the prosecution. "If summons is returned

unserved for whatever reason, instead of wasting further time by resorting to the same process time and again, the next summons must be served through the office of the Superintendent of Police," court said If those summonses are also

not served, the report of the police must reflect the reason why they have not been served".

" If the reasons given by the police in the report returning the summons unserved, reflect that the witnesses are unreachable/untraceable and that service cannot be effected on them on account of their nonavailability, then the trial court must skip those witnesses and

proceed to the next set of witnesses by issuing summons to them," it said

The Trial Court, it said, must realise that the case of the prosecution is actually the case of the Union Territory through the police, against the accused persons.

The Court said it is the duty of the police to produce their witnesses before the trial Court. "By skipping a set of witnesses, the court is not closing their evidence but merely keeping them in abeyance, to be recorded as and when they are found by the police or appear on their own before the Trial Court at any stage before the conclusion of the trial".

"In such a case, skipping of such witnesses would necessarily need the consent of Counsel for the defence and if opposed by the defence Counsel, for whatever strategic reasons the defence may have, then the court may issue fresh summons to the same set of witnesses".

The Court said, however, in such a situation, the delay in conduct of trial would then be on account of the conduct of the defence for which the accused cannot claim violation of the right to a speedy trial at a later point of time.

"If material witnesses cannot be secured without delay, the court must explore the possibility of examining formal witnesses and expert witnesses if any and conclude the same", the court said. " Thereafter, notwithstanding the fact that there remain witnesses for the prosecution who have not been examined on account of the inability of the police to produce them for reasons reflected in the report of the police, the court must close the evidence of the prosecution and proceed to the next stage of the case", it said.

**DC Budgam Inspects At Bairam Cave Site** 

Gupt To Be Developed As Heritage & Pilgrimage Tourism Site In Shortest Possible Time

### **Observer News Service**

BUDGAM: The Deputy Commissioner (DC), Budgam, Akshay Labroo on Wednesday visited the Bairam Cave site of Shri Abhinav Gupt at Beerwah and inspected ongoing developme



# 2649 KP Migrants Given Jobs **Under PMDP So Far: Gol**

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Union Minister of State for Home, Nityanand Rai on Wednesday informed the Rajya Sabha that 2,649 Kashmiri migrants have been appointed in various departments under the Prime Minister's Development Package till date.

He also said that till date, 2,896 Kanals and 6.75 Marlas of migrant land has been retrieved from encroachments and illegal occupation.

'Specialized grievance portal has been created for allowing Kashmiri migrants to register complaints related to illegal land encroachment," the Union

Ministry said in a written reply. He said that the government has approved a scheme for construction of 6000 transit accommodation. The monthly monetary compensation for the relief category of kashmiri migrants has been increased from Rs 6 600 to Rs 13 000 he

cile certificates have been issued," he added. "Under the One Time Finan-

cial Assistance to Displaced Persons of PoJK (1947) and Chhamb (1965 & 1971) settled in Jammu & Kashmir, an amount of Rs. 1,452.33 crore is disbursed to 33,636 beneficiaries since inception. The timeline of the scheme was also extended till 31.03.2024," he minster said.

"Under the one time Financial Assistance to families of West Pakistani Refugees (WPRs), financial assistance of Rs. 5.5 lakh per family is being disbursed by the Government

of India to 5,764," he said. "Families of West Pakistan Refugees (WPRs) who migrated from several areas of West Pakistan in the aftermath of the partition and settled in different parts of Jammu region. Since inception of the scheme in the year 2018, a total amount of Rs. 51.24 crore has been disbursed to 1642 beneficiaries

**Developmental Works** 

Says Bairam Cave Of Shri Abhinav

said. "As on date, 24,276 domi- he added–(KNO)

# **OGW Detained Under PSA In Rajouri**

## Fifth Such Detention In Two Months

### **Press Trust Of India**

**JAMMU:** Another overground worker of militant outfits has been detained under the Public Safety Act in Jammu and Kashmir's Rajouri district, police said on Wednesday.

Mohd Altaf is the fifth overground worker to be detained in the border district in the past two months under the stringent administrative law that allows detention without charge or trial for up to two years in some cases, a police official said.

Altaf, a resident of Gadyog village in Khawas, was detained on the orders of the Rajouri district magistrate after the police prepared a written dossier on

him, he said.

Senior Superintendent of Police (Rajouri) Amritpal Singh said the preventive detention of five notorious overground workers in the past two months have been made with the aim to check their unlawful acts of working for militant outfits.

In a separate case, a suspected criminal was arrested and booked under the Public Safety Act in Iammu.

Tajinder Singh alias Jinda, a resident of Simbal camp in RS Pura, was wanted in multiple cases registered under sections of the Indian Penal Code, Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act and the Arms Act, the police said.

there.

During visit, the DC inspected work progress on projects including access to the Cave, (Staircase) up to Cave, development of approach road, tile work on concrete park, lawn development and beautification of Park, installation of benches, grass cutting, functioning of street lights and Park development near the stream side, functioning of lavatory Block and illumination of viewpoint.

DC emphasised that work process be expedited on all projects and all works be completed in the shortest possible time.

He said that Bairam Cave site has huge tourism potential and same shall be developed for heritage as well as pilgrimage tourism site.

DC said that the District Administration is committed to ensure development of the Bairam Cave and facilitate all facilities for the hassle-free arrival of tourists to the spot for its heritage as well as pilgrimage significance.

He said locals of Beerwah area shall be largely benefitted once tourists start visiting this place.

He said that people from all communities are very supportive and contribute immensely in the developmental process across Budgam.

The DC was accompanied by ADDC, Dr Akramullah Tak, JD Planning, SDM Beerwah, ACD, CMO, Executive Engineers of various engineering wings, Tehsildar, BDO and other concerned.

Mirwaiz Central Kashmir, President Municipa Council Beerwah and other respected locals also called upon the DC during the tour.

# Dr Faroog Meets President Murmu Along With 31 Oppn MPs

Seeks stringent action against those responsible for communal riots in Manipur, Haryana

### **Observer News Service**

NEW DELHI: The Jammu Kashmir National and Conference President and Member of the Parliament from Srinagar Dr. Farooq Abdullah on Wednesday met with President Droupadi Murmu, along with 31 opposition MPs on Wednesday to seek her intervention in Manipur, Harvana.

He also emphasized the urgency of addressing the serious matter of the train killings, where a RPF constable killed three Muslims and his senior, an NC spokesper-



religions, cannot afford to During his interaction have such communal riots. with President Murmu, the

"He said that such incidents are intended to destaspokesperson said, Farooq expressed that India, being a bilize the nation and stressed diverse country with various that every individual has the right to practice their religion, a fundamental principle enshrined in the constitution of India," he said.

Farooq, he said, expressed deep concern over the ongoing wrongful acts and urged president Murmu to ensure that the law remains supreme, with no one taking it into their own hands. According to the party spokesperson, Faroog underscored the consequences of allowing hate-driven crimes to go unchecked, warning that they could have a cascading effect on other regions.

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- 10 Price escalation and Taxes: -The bidder's percentage shall be deemed to include price escalation and all taxes up to the completion of the work. Taxes shall be deduct ed from the contractor's bills on the gross amount of the bill at the time of recovery at the rates in effect at the time of recovery.
- 11 Bidders are advised to use the "My Documents" area in their R&B e-Tendering portal user account to store any required documents
- 12 All bidders must UPLOAD the following information and documents with their bids, in addition to the qualification criteria / qualification info pertaining to the bid must be in English):
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- 13 Bidder shall upload a Self-Certified Performance declaration (Annexed format) in support of performance in respect of Bitumen Macadam Works executed by the agency during the year 2022-23.
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# Welcome **Development**

he Army has finally taken a decision to completely relocate its troops from Srinagar's Tattoo Ground. Covering an expansive area of 139 acres, this historic ground will soon be thrown open for tourist activities. This decision comes after the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Ministry of Defence and the Ministry of Home Affairs through the J&K administration. The signing ceremony, presided over by J&K Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha at Raj Bhawan. The MoU stipulates that the Ministry of Defence will hand over the land to the Ministry of Home Affairs within 120 days.

The LG Sinha, acknowledging the cooperation of the Indian Army in this decision, emphasized the importance of the development. The relocation of the troops from Tattoo Ground is part of the administration's well-meaning effort to reduce the Army's footprint in Srinagar. Over the years, the Tattoo Ground has been a site of several confrontations between militants and security personnel, leading to loss of lives and violence. Former J&K Chief Minister Mufti Muhammad Sayeed had previously set a deadline for troop withdrawal from the area in 2015, but the move did not materialize at that time.

With the ground set to become a tourist destination, the place is expected to see a surge in footfall and economic activity. By opening up the ground for public, the government is sending a message of peace and progress in the union territory, aiming to dispel any negative perceptions associated with the union territory.

The move which couldn't be accomplished in the past despite the efforts by the successive governments underlines the shift in the Valley's situation over the past four years. It also reflects the drastic decline in the violence giving the governments, both at the centre and in J&K, the confidence to thin out troops even in Srinagar.

Early this year, there were reports that the centre is reportedly planning withdrawal of army from the Kashmir Valley in a fresh sign that the situation in the province is returning to normal after decades. The withdrawal, the reports added, will be done in a phased manner. The administration is expected to start with districts where militancy has ended. The CRPF and Jammu and Kashmir Police will fill in the space vacated by the Army. Although, no such decision has since been formally announced, even the central and the UT governments thinking in terms of reducing the footprint of Army reflects the grip on the situation the authorities have gained since the withdrawal of Article 370 in August 2019.

### OTHER OPINON

# Glimpses Of An Endgame In Ukraine

## M. K. BHADRAKUMAR

he problem with the war in Ukraine is that it has been all smoke and mirrors. The Russian objectives of "demilitarisation" and "de-Nazification" of Ukraine wore a surreal look. The western narrative that the war is between Russia and Ukraine, where central issue is the Westphalian principle of national sovereignty, wore thin progressively leaving a void.

There is a realisation today that the war is actually between Russia and NATO and that Ukraine had ceased to be a sovereign country since 2014 when the CIA and sister western agencies — Germany, the UK, France, Sweden, etc.- installed a puppet regime in Kiev.

The fog of war is lifting and the battle lines are becoming visible. At an authoritative level, a candid discussion is beginning as regards the endgame.

Certainly, Russian President Vladimir Putin's videoconference with the permanent members of the Security Council in Moscow last Friday and his meeting with Belarus President Belarus Alexander Lukashenko in St. Petersburg on Sunday become the defining moment. The two transcripts stand back-to-back and need to be read together. (here and here)

There is no question that the two events were carefully choreographed by the Kremlin officials and intended to convey multiple messages. Russia exudes confidence that it has achieved dominance on the battle front ---having thrashed the Ukrainian military and Kiev's "counterof-fensive" moving into the rear view mirror. But Moscow anticipates that the Biden administration may be having an even bigger war plan in mind.

At the Security council meeting, Putin "de-classified" the intelligence reports reaching Moscow from various sources indicative of moves to insert into Western Ukraine a Polish expeditionary force. Putin called it "a well-organised, equipped regular military unit to be used for operations" in Western Ukraine "for the subsequent occupation of these territories.

Indeed, there is a long history of Polish revanchism. Putin, himself a keen student of history, talked at some length about it. He sounded stoical that if the Kiev authorities were to acquiesce with this Polish-American plan, "as traitors usually do, that's their business. We will not interfere.' But, Putin added, "Belarus is part of the Union State, and launching an aggression against Belarus would mean launching an aggression against the Russian Federation. We will respond to that with all the resources available to us." Putin warned that what is afoot "is



The Biden administration's plan to snatch victory out of the jaws of defeat in the war is a nonstarter, as Russia will not hesitate to counter any continued attempt by the US and NATO to use Ukrainian territory as a springboard to wage a renewed proxy war, which means that Ukraine's "piece meal" absorption into NATO will remain a fantasy

an extremely dangerous game, and the authors of such plans should think about the consequences.' On Sunday, at the meeting

with Putin in St. Petersburg, Lukashenko picked up the thread of discussion. He briefed Putin about new Polish deployments close to Belarus border — just 40 kms from Brest — and other prepara-

tions under way — the opening of a repair shop for Leopard tanks in Poland, activation of an airfield in Rzeszow on Ukrainian border (about 100 kms from Lvov) for use of Americans transferring weap-

onry, mercenaries, etc. Lukashenko said: "This is unacceptable to us. The alienation of western Ukraine, the dismemberment of Ukraine and the transfer of its lands to Poland are unacceptable. Should people in Western Ukraine ask us then we will provide support to them. I ask you [Putin] to discuss and think about this issue. Naturally, I would like you to support us in this regard. If the need in such support arises, if Western Ukraine asks us for help, then we will provide assistance and support to people in western Ukraine. If this happens, we will support them in every possible way.'

Lukashenko continued, "I am asking you to discuss this issue and think it through. Obviously, I would like you to support us in this regard. With this support, and if western Ukraine asks for this help, we will definitely provide assistance and support to the western population of Ukraine.' As could be expected, Putin didn't respond — at least, not publicly. Lukashenko characterised the Polish intervention as tantamount to the dismemberment of Ukraine and its "piece meal" ab-

sorption into NATO. Lukashenko was upfront: "This is supported by the Americans." Interestingly, he also sought the deployment of Wagner fighters to counter the threat to Belarus.

The bottom line is that Putin and Lukashenko held such a discussion publicly at all. Clearly, both spoke on the basis of intelligence inputs. They anticipate an inflection point ahead.

It is one thing that the Russian people are well aware that their country is de facto fighting the NATO in Ukraine. But it is an entirely different matter that the war may dramatically escalate to a war with Poland, a NATO army that the US regards as its most important partner in continental Europe.

By dwelling at some length on Polish revanchism, which has a controversial record in modern European history, Putin probably calculated that in Europe, including in Poland, there could be resistance to the machinations that might drag NATO into a continental war with Russia

Equally, Poland must be dithering too. According to Politico, Poland's military is about 150,000 strong, out of which 30,000 belong to a new territorial defence force who are "weekend soldiers who undergo 16 days of training followed up by refresher courses.

be worried about the reliability of Washington. Going forward, Polish leadership's concern, paradoxically, will be that Donald Trump may not return as president in 2024. Despite the cooperation with the Pentagon over the Ukraine war, Poland's current leadership remains distrustful of President Joe Biden — much like Hungary's Prime Minister Viktor Orban.

On balance, therefore, it stands to reason that the sabre-rattling by Lukashenko and Putin's lesson on European history can be taken as more of a forewarning to the West with a view to modulate an endgame in Ukraine that is optimal for Russian interests. A dismemberment of Ukraine or an uncontrollable expansion of the war beyond its borders will not be in the Russian interests.

But the Kremlin leadership will factor in the contingency that Washington's follies stemming out of its desperate need to save face from a humiliating defeat in the proxy war, may leave no choice to the Russian forces but to cross the Dnieper and advance all the way to Poland's border to prevent an occupation of Western Ukraine by the so-called Lublin Triangle, a regional alliance with virulent anti-Russian orientation comprising Poland, Lithuania and Ukraine, formed in July 2020 and promoted by Washington.

Putin's back-to-back meetings in Moscow and St. Petersburg throw light on the Russian thinking as to three key elements of the endgame in Ukraine. First, Russia has no intentions of territorial conquest of Western Ukraine but will insist on having a say on how the new boundaries of the country and the future regime will look and act like, which means that an anti-Russian state will not be allowed.

Second, the Biden administration's plan to snatch victory out of the jaws of defeat in the war is a nonstarter, as Russia will not hesitate to counter any continued attempt by the US and NATO to use Ukrainian territory as a springboard to wage a renewed proxy war, which means that Ukraine's "piece meal" absorption into NATO will remain a fantasy.

Third, most important, the battle-hardened Russian army backed by a powerful defence industry and a robust economy will not hesitate to confront NATO member countries bordering Ukraine if they trespass on Russia's core interests, which means that Russia's core interests will not be held hostage to Article 5 of the NATO Charter.

# Uncles vs Constitution

ujarat leaders, across party lines, want parental consent for love marriages. But there's such a thing as individual rightsA "love marriage" in India is, among many other things, a manifestation of agency.

Oh, the Constitution. It seems to be standing in the way of the best laid plans of overbearing uncles, across party lines, in Gujarat. At a Patidar community event, Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel mooted a study to look into whether "something can be done to ensure that parental consent is there in it (love marriages)". The noble objective of making consenting adults seek permission from their parents to live how they choose will be explored unless "the Constitution becomes a hindrance". Congress MLA Imran Khedawala immediately expressed his support for the idea. His logic behind demanding an amendment to the Gujarat Registration of Marriages Act, 2009 is simple: "Parents raise their children, so their consent should be made mandatory.

What do adults owe their parents? A debt of gratitude, in some cases. Perhaps an allowance, if you want to get pecuniary. But the once-children, now grown up, can also present a bill for the traumas. For the scars, pressures and anxieties that they are forced to carry because of the demands of family, society and then, jobs and children of their own. At what point, in a society where "I" is just a letter in "family" or "religion", does the burden end?

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A "love marriage" in India is, among many other things, a manifestation of agency. It is an expression of individual desire, of a couple saying that the family they will build is their own. In a society where policing the boundaries of social groups has deep historical roots, it is easy to imagine why conservatives across parties fear a world where the only consent required is from the individuals involved. For tunately, the Constitution of India is more progressive than its politicians. And for all the parents, overbearing uncles and assorted guardians of community pride worried that their grown up children might actually grow up, tough luck. At least for now, love is not illegal.

The Indian Express

Again, Poland's military might doesn't translate into political influence in Europe because the centrist forces that dominate the EU distrust Warsaw, which is controlled by the nationalist Law and Justice Party whose disregard for democratic norms and the rule of law has damaged Poland's reputation across the bloc

Above all, Poland has reason to

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# **Discouraging Competition**

am writing to shed light on the detrimental effects of uncontrolled competition that have permeated our society in Kashmir. There's extreme pressure on students as young as teens to qualify examinations which are touted as life-changing. While competition can serve as a catalyst for progress and innovation, its unchecked proliferation has led to a multitude of harmful consequences that deserve our attention.

hypercompetitive In today's world, individuals, businesses, and even nations are constantly pushed to outperform others at any cost. This cutthroat environment places immense pressure on individuals, particularly in academic and professional settings. Young students, burdened with the weight of unrealistic expectations, often endure mental health issues like anxiety and depression. The quest for perfection overshadows the joy of learning, and instead of nurturing curiosity and creativity, the education system becomes a battleground for grades and scores.

In the corporate world, the race for success can foster a toxic work culture that prioritizes individual achievements over team collaboration. The relentless pursuit of profit and market dominance can encourage unethical practices, eroding integrity and trust within the business realm. Moreover, small enterprises are often crushed by larger corporations, further exacerbating economic inequalities.

The harm of competition is not limited to individuals and businesses; it extends to the societal fabric. In a world driven by competition, the disparities between the haves and have-nots widen. Those with better access to resources and opportunities gain an unfair advantage, perpetuating a cycle of social inequality. This chasm can lead to resentment and unrest within communities, further dividing society along economic lines.

Additionally, the incessant pursuit of superiority between nations can escalate conflicts and threaten global peace. The quest for geopolitical dominance can divert attention and resources away from addressing pressing global issues like climate change and poverty. A lack of international cooperation hinders progress in solving these challenges, putting the well-being of the entire planet at risk.

fications, it is crucial to rethink our approach to competition. We must seek a balance that promotes healthy competition while safeguarding individual well-being and collective prosperity. Emphasizing collaboration, cooperation, and empathy can lead to a more harmonious society where success is measured not merely in victories but in collective progress and upliftment.

In conclusion, it is essential that we reevaluate the role of competition in our lives. By acknowledging its dark side and working towards a more balanced and compassionate approach, we can build a society that thrives on collaboration and unity rather than division and rivalry.

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As we contemplate these rami-

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# Are the Days of Dairy Over?

**Tajamul Islam Salroo** 

lobally, the dairy industry has been showing unexpected disruptions on and off for some years now. In Kashmir, however, as per official reports, Kashmir is headed towards a "White revolution" and dairy farming is being touted as the next big thing.

Dairy farming is an important source of livelihood in rural economies and in the past few months, the government has painted a hopeful picture for dairy farming and the participa-

tion of the youth in it. However, there's still a threat to the dairy industry on many accounts as people's concerns and preferences evolve. As such it may be important to think ahead, identify such changes and proactive address these evolving concerns

Consumer preferences and expectations have changed over a period of time. People have become more informed and hence, expect more freshness, taste and nutritional value in dairy products, in particular and other food products, in common. With the rise in the number of brands for the same dairy product people have a good amount of choice to make before purchasing the one. Consumers look at labels and ingredients and then decide what must be taken. A good percentage of consumers are inclined towards the traditional dairy products while some more health conscious people have already reduced the intake of dairy products in their day-to-day lives.

At present there are many substitutes for dairy products. As far I have observed there is a distinct

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consumer base for different dairy products with the same application, unlike earlier times. Earlier many people used to think that the milk powder was not a milk product but made from something unknown. Similarly people

could not believe milk could stay fresh for months altogether as they were not so informed as today about UHT processes and the hi-tech packaging that retain the freshness of these dairy products. Now consumers ask for

Whole Milk Powder, Skimmed Milk Powder, Dairy Whitener, UHT Milk, Soya Milk etc. Thus, the division has been created among dairy consumers as per their choice of preferred storage and consumption.

Untested contamination and adulteration in dairy products is consciously being looked upon by the present-day consumers. Dairy products from reputed companies are expected to be unadulterated, properly tested

before dispatching to markets and meeting all the standards of freshness, taste and nutritional value. In the past several years the information disseminated through various media sources about contamination, adulteration and use of antibiotics in dairying have given rise to the introduction of analogue products that are being promoted as a better alternative by its manufacturers. And people have started switching to those alternatives.

Ordinary consumers have turned health conscious and mindful. Many people don't want fats in their diet and they have hence moved either to skimmed milk or milkless beverages. Nowadays a large number of people are seen taking black and/or green tea instead of traditional milk tea which was not the case earlier. And that is a challenge for dairy companies.

Organic dairy products are believed to have a smaller carbon footprint and therefore preferred by the contemporary consumer who pays due attention to the labels and opt accordingly for food of his choice.

Individual economic conditions over the last few years have worsened while expenses have increased and that also seems to be a reason for cutting down on dairy products to a certain extent. But it is believed to get better in the near future with the betterment in trade that is disrupted at present.

It, therefore, becomes necessary for dairy manufacturing companies to get a proper research methodology and innovation to diversify and develop new products with emphasis on best quality control and nutritional benefits.

# An Ode to Artistry

# Spotlight on Kashmir's Music and Fine Arts Academia

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hile peeking into history books, one can find nestled in the valley of Kashmir, some flourishing musical and artistic traditions, all the way from ancient times -which is evident from instruments, sculptures, miniatures belonging to the time around the 2nd century. The art, music, and art forms have constantly evolved; passing through phases which were rich, both culturally and aesthetically.

This tradition of artistry began to morph into a flourishing academic scene when J&K Academy of Culture, Art and Languages introduced Music and Fine Arts as "Hobby Classes" during the mid-60s. Upon the success of this initiative, the department was taken over by the University. Gradually, these classes evolved, going from becoming a di-ploma course to getting affiliated to the University of Kashmir in the late-70s and thereafter becoming full-fledged degree courses (BFA, MFA).

The Institute of Music and Fine Art (IMFA), at first, had a dual control system; the university controlled the academic portion, and the Academy of Culture controlled the other aspects of administration and control. In 2010, finally, the University took over complete control of the department. All this said, the department can be seen as an institution -- in itself -- within an institution.

The department has a number of good courses in fine arts, applied arts, painting, and sculpture. In music it offers, Vocal, Tabla, Sitar, Santoor Classical, and Santoor Sufiyana courses. The primary goal is to cultivate a creative mindset among students, and to harbor critical thinking in forms of artistic expression and an awareness of aesthetics. Bundled with this, it creates a creatively rich atmosphere for students to succeed as learners and professionals, while ensuring that there is enough cultural exposure and community engagement.

The department has been prescribed to not take more than ten students in each discipline, which contrary to what one may think, has been a good decision. It ensures that there is more individual atten-

IMFA is always on its toes to host events and holds a number of competitions as well as workshops throughout the year. Students regularly participate in state, national and international level exhibitions and art camps. These students have to their credit several awards and residencies at art institutions as well.

As per a conversation with the HOD of Fine Arts, the department

doesn't apply the constraint of giving out a number of themes, rather, the focus is on the natural artistic tendencies of the students, letting them express themselves freely, all the while aiding them in the pur-suit. As for collections, a wide array has been collected over time, all the way from traditional, and culturally motivated subject matter to bold and modern art.

As far as IMFA alumni are concerned, there are many notable ones, including people who now teach at prestigious colleges, like JMI, and AMU. Most of Kashmir's influential artists are alumni of this institute, going all the way back to personalities like Masood Hussain.

Respect is due to the institution, being the only such we know of; it is breath of fresh air for the creative youth of Kashmir. The education in art or music from this institution has always had a major impact on the artistic scene of the valley. The inherent aesthetic richness of Kashmir and its culture surely shines when bright and creative young people dip it into their own nuanced creativity; which is again, the result of an established institution such as IMFA.





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Government of Jammu & Kashmir Office of the Executive Engineer, Trans. Line Maintt. Division-7, JKPTCL Bemina, Srinagar-190010 Ph. No. 0194-3516481 e-mail: tlmd7.jkptcl@gmail.com

#### NOTICE INVITING TENDER e-NIT No-TLMD-VII/TS/11 of 2023. Dated: 31:07: 2023.

For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor of UT of Jammu & Kashmir State, e-tenders (in Two Covers) valid for 60 days from reputed, experienced and financially sound Experts/ Contractors/ Firms fulfilling the eligibility criteria specified in the Standard Bidding Documents are invited for the Soil Investigation works detailed below. e- Tenders need to be accompanied by earnest money deposit (EMD) @ 2% of the estimated cost in the shape of DD/CDR/FDR from any Nationalized/Scheduled Bank pledged to Executive Engineer TLMD-VII JKPTCL Srinagar.

The Cost of Tender Documents shall be deposited through Bank Account of Executive Engineer Transmission Line Maintenance Division-7, Srinagar bearing CD A/C No. 0367010200000182 JK Bank Tankipora and the bank receipt shall be uploaded.

The complete bidding process is online. However, hardcopies consisting of Tender fee & EMD in Cover-I and Techno-Commercial bid (as per SBD) in Cover- II should reach to the office of Executive Engineer Trans. Line Maintt. Division-VII, PDD Complex, Bemina Srinagar (Phone No. 0194-3516481), on the prescribed date. Financial bids must be submitted online only as per prescribed format.

The Standard Bidding Document is available at website http://jktenders.gov.in.

S.#	Scope of Work	Qty	Estimated Cost	EMD	Tender Fee	Time of Completion
1.	Soil Investigation at different Tower Locations of ZAMTL (Sec-II) i.e 220kV D/C Alusteng- Mir Bazar Transmission line by way of Drilling of Bore hole in Rock/ Boulder Substrata using Diamond Machine, Collection of Disturbed/Undisturbed Samples, their complete laboratory analysis, Preparation of Bore Hole Logs and evaluation of Safe Bearing Capacity, Conducting Stranded Pen- etration Tests (SPT) at desired interval. Collection of Samples ( Rock Core Samples) in Core Boxes 0-20 Meters including Shifting of men and machinery for the purpose. Preparation and submis- sion of Detailed Technical Report. (Complete Job)	(24) Twenty Four Locations	Rs. 9.36 Lacs	Rs. 19000.00	Rs. 1000.0	01 Month

The information regarding schedule of downloading of the tender document, seeking of clarifications and submission dates thereof is as per the table below:

CRITICAL	DATES
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(i)	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	31-07-2023
(i) (ii)	Online Start date of downloading of Tender Docu- ments	01-08-2023 (10:00 Hrs.)
(iii)		02-08-2023 (14:00 Hrs.)
(iv) (v) (vi) (vii)		07-08-2023 (12:00 Hrs)
(v)		10-08-2023 (14:00 Hrs.)
(vi)	Online Last date & time of e-Bid submission	10-08-2023 (14:00 Hrs.)
(vii)	Online Techno-Commercial Bids Opening Date & time	11-08-2023 (16:00Hrs.)
(VIÍI)		Office of the Executive Engineer TLMD-VII, JKPTCL,
		Srinagar

Only the bidders possessing the qualifying criteria as mentioned in the SBD should participate in the bidding process. Clarifications if any can be sought from the office of the under signed one-mail tlmd7.jkptcl@gmail.com

Before participating in the bids, the bidder shall acquaint himself with the site of work and local conditions there of.

The Department reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd-**Executive Engineer TLMD-VII Srinagar** 

No: TLMD-VII/TS/ 1287-90 DIPK-NB-2374/23 Dated: 02: 08: 2023

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# Office Of The Executive Engineer Spl Sub Div. Tangdar

# NOTICE INVITING TENDER

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For and on behalf of the Lt.Governor, J&K UT e-tenders (in Single Cover System) are invited on percentage % basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K State Govt., CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Governments for the following works:-

S.	Name of Work	Panchayat	Adv.	Cost of	E/Money	Time of	Class of	Major
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The Bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below:

Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of E Challan /Treasury receiptinfavour of Executive Engineer Spl Sub DivTangdar(tender inviting authority) and Earnest money/Bid security in shape of CDR/FDR pledged to Executive Engineer Spl Sub Div Tangdar(Tender receiving authority ). The Successful Bidder has to produce an amount equal to 3% additional performance security deposit of the allotted cost. The same shall be released after the successful completion of the defect liability period of the work. The EMD of 2% successful bidders shall be released after receipt of 3% Performance Security.

01.	Date of issue of Tender Notice	2.8.2023
02.	Period of downloading of bidding documents	2.8.2023
03.	Bid submission start date	2.8.2023
04.	Bid submission end date	09.08.2023 upto 4: pm
05.	Date & time of opening Bids (on line)	10.08.2023 at 10 am in the office of the Executive Engineer SPI Sub Div Tangdar

The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on web Site www.jketenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same web site in the office of the Executive Engineer Spl Sub Div Tangdar (Tender receiving authority).

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

Any bidder/ tenderer withdraws his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or makes any Modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.

Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.

- Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.
- Failure of submission of Tender document fee by the bidder using the site shall entail him for blacklisting.
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To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get 'Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)' as per Information Technology Act-2000. Bidders 1-2 can get digital certificate from any approved vendor.

The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature. No Financial bid will be accepted in physical form. 1-3 1-4 Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in Para-1.

Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with bid. Beside , original/Photocopies of documents related to 1-5 the bid be submitted physically/by registered post/through courier before the date specified in Para-1.

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4. The GST Registration with GST Clearance ending March-2023 5. PAN Card / Aadhar Card / in use Contact Number

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Downloading Start Date	02/08/2023 to 11/08/2023
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Bid submission End Date	11/08/2023 upto 06:00 PM
Date of opening of Technical Bid	12/08/2023 at 02:00 PM
Date & time of opening of financial bids (online)	To be notified after technical bid evaluation
Last Date for Submission of Original Challan and CDR/FDR and other documents (Hard Copy)	Three working days from the date of opening of tenders

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All contractors / bidders have to submit Earnest Money Deposit and Performance Security in shape of CDR/FDR as per Circular issued by the Chief Engineer, PW(R&B) Department Kashmir vide No: CE/RBK/HD/32857-92 Dated: 01-01-2022. The bid/tender without accompanying Earnest Money Deposit shall be out rightly rejected

c) The allotment / Letter of intent (Loi) shall be made strictly & only within or as per the approved, allotted & released budgetary allocation at the time of issuance and shall be valid for the current financial year only.

a) Works not completed within the stipulated time of completion shall attract fine under rule and no liability shall be accepted / carried forward.
e) All the documents listed below should be scanned in 100 dpi and uploaded with the bid, providing of Aadhar Card and Contact Number with Contractor's Registration Card is manda

f) The Contractor / Bidder / Agency shall upload Verification Report of Registration Card duly signed by Issuing Authority of the Registration Card or the Competent Authority. nied with the following docume The online bids must be accompa

Part-I Technical Bid

(Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the technical bid)

Registration Card of required class duly renewed for the year 2023-24 along with verification certificate.
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 Cost of Tender Documents (Non-Refundable) in the shape of Treasury Challan/Receipt for particular work to be deposited into Major Head 0406-Forestry and Wildlife remitted between Tender Inviting Date and Tender Closing Date only in any Treasury of J&K UT.
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The technical bid uploaded should contain the cleared scanned copies of the following documents.

Scanned copy of Tender Fee in shape of Govt. Treasury/challan

Scanned Copy of CDR.

Scanned copy of Valid Registration Card issued by PWD/CPWD/other authorized Govt. dept. duly renewed for the current year. Scanned copy of the Active GST Number and has filed the most recent Monthly/Quarterly GST return. The same will be checked by this office from GST common portal of

partment/Peridot app. Scanned copy of the PAN Card.

Latest Income Tax Return and Valid Sales Tax Clearance Certificate (Form GSTR-3B ending 5/2023)

Conv of Aadhaar card

An Affidavit with points: - 1. Correctness of Documents submitted 2. Not Being Black Listed by any institution, CID Verification/Police Verification Certificate. Bid Declaration Form

Complete address with Whats App No. and email.

The original copies of documents, EMD @ 3% Performance Security deposit and additional security deposit (if any) and relevant documents be submitted to the tender reference on the distance of t

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%age of unbalanced Bid viz-a viz advertised Additional Performance Security to be deposited on guoted Bid by Ll Unto and including 15% below Nil >15% upto and Including 20%

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The price bids uploaded on the website in time will be opened after the evaluation of the Technical Bids by the Tender Opening Committee of the Department. The dates upening of price bids as per NIT. The price bids will be opened in the office of Wildlife Warden, South Kashmir Division, Bijbehara. The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 90 days from the date of opening of bids. If any bidder/tenderer withdraws his bid/tender before the period or kes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid, then the earnest money shall stand forfeited. No Engineer of Gazetted rank or other Gazetted Officer employed in Engineering or Administrative duties in an Engineering Department of the State Government is wed to work as the contractor for a period of two years after his retirement from government service without permission of the government. This contract is liable to be cancelled if ere the contractor or any of his employees is found any time to be such a person who had not obtained permission from the government as a foresaid

The interested bidder can download the NIT / Bidding documents from the website:-https://jktenders.gov.in. To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get (DSC) Digital signature Certificate as per the information technology Act 2000 to participate online bidding. The The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with Digital signature. The bids cannot be uploaded without Digital signature; no bid will be accepted in

physical form

Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in the NIT.

Before submission of online bids, Bidders must ensure that scan copies of all their necessary documents have been attached with bid, if any document is found deficient vill be rejected during technical evaluation only. The Department will not be responsible for delay in online submission of bids whatsoever reason maybe.

All the required information for bid must be filled and submitted online.

The Original Documents, submitted by L-1 should be same as uploaded online (scanned copies) otherwise the allotment will not be issued, the tenders will be cancelled

the bidders will not be allowed to participate in any further/future tendering process in the Division for a period of One year. In case original CDR/FDR/Treasury Challan and Extra CDR/FDR and Additional "Performance Security" is not received by this office within 3 days from the date after ing of financial bid, the fresh tender shall be invited without any further correspondence with the L-1 Bidder and the work shall be executed on his risk and cost and original CDR be fortified in convevance with the concerned bank authorities and the same amount shall be credited to Revenue head of the department.

The Department shall not be held responsible for selection criteria/policy matter being adopted by the Directorate of Information regarding publishing the e-NIT, in any of ewspaper under circulation.

The accepting department however reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons thereof.

The contractor shall arrange the key materials like Cement, Steel, Wood other construction material on his own from authorized dealers for the above said work and qual-material shall be ISI marked and have to be verified / passed by the concerned J.E (Engineering Wing)/ Range Officer of the department before the start of work. ment: As per ISI mark of standard brand

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The Department reserves the right to cancel (withdraw) the tender without assigning any reasons thereof, at any stage

Bidder shall quote their rates complete inclusive of all carriages, loading, unloading of material and the rates quoted shall interalia deemed to include price escalation and txes, cess & charges upto the completion of the Work and other overheads

Bidders shall also provide their 16-digit J&K Bank Account No. and Contact No. (Mobile/Landline) and e-mail.

The rates are inclusive of all taxes and charges etc.

All other terms and conditions shall remain same as per PWD Form 25 (double leaf) and as per the detailed document.

25. The Lowest Bidder/Contractor should ensure that the allotted work be started within one week after getting the work order/Letter of Intent/acceptance, if failed to do so, the work order/Letter of Intent will be cancelled. The letter of Intent/Acceptance or work order allotment will be sent through e-mail to the Contractor by the Authority or can be collected from the Office of Wildlife Warden, South Kashmir Division, Bijbehara.

- Affidavit/ undertaking from judicial Magistrate (court) that the allotted work will be completed within time prescribed in the e-Nit, if fails action under rules will be taken. 26
- The Contractor shall have to take e-photographs of each work before execution, during execution and after completion of work
- 28 Defect Liability Period is 6 months after the date of Completion
- 29 30 The Contractor has to pay for all the Quality Test Checks as felt necessary by the Engineering Wing
- The conditional tenders shall be rejected
- In case of any dispute the decision of the Chief Wildlife Warden J & K Govt./Regional Wildlife Warden Kashmir shall be final binding 31.

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Sd/-Wildlife Warden South Kashmir Division, Forest Complex, near Padshahi bagh, Bijbehara, Anantnag

Dated: 02.08.2023

# BUSINESS

# 28 pc GST On Online Gaming Stays; To Be Reviewed After 6 **Months Of Roll-Out**



**Press Trust Of India** 

NEW DELHI: The decision to impose a 28 per cent tax on the full face value of bets placed on online games will be implemented from October 1 even though there was demand for a review from states like Delhi and Goa, finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman said on Wednesday.

The GST Council -- the highest decision making body of the new indirect tax regime that comprises Union finance minister and representatives of all states -- discussed the language of amendments that will be needed to enabling taxing online gaming, she said after the panel meeting.

The panel had at its last meeting decided to levy a 28 per cent GST on full face value



Sitharaman said Delhi finance minister opposed the levy of the tax on online gaming while Goa and Sikkim wanted the levy on GGR (gross gaming revenue) and not on face value.

Sitharaman, however, said other states ranging from Kar-nataka to Gujarat, Maharasthra and Uttar Pradesh wanted the decision taken at the last meeting to be implemented.

The new levy, after required changes are made in the central and state laws, is likely to come into effect from October 1, she said.

There would be a review of the levy after six months of its implementation, she added.

# **Tomato Prices Spike Again On** Tight Supply; Mother Dairy Stores Selling At Rs 259/Kg

# **Press Trust Of India**

NEW DELHI: Tomato prices have again hit the roof in the national capital with Mother Dairy selling the key kitchen staple at a whopping Rs 259 per kg on Wednesday via its Safal retail stores.

Tomato prices have been under pressure for more than a month now on account of supply disruptions caused due to heavy rainfall in the key producing regions.

With central government's intervention through sale of tomatoes at a subsidised rate since July 14, retail prices in the national capital had begun softening recently but have again firmed up due to

short supply. As per the data maintained by the consumer affairs ministry, retail price of tomato touched Rs 203 per kg on Wednesday, whereas at Mother Dairy's Safal retail outlets, the price was ruling at Rs 259 per kg.

"Tomato supply has been affected across the country for last two months owing to weather abnormalities. In the last two days, arrivals in Azadpur, which is the main feeder



for Delhi, has also dropped drastically. Due to short supply, prices have sharply shot up in wholesale, resulting in impact at retail prices too," a Mother Dairy spokesperson said.

mato Association President Ashok Kaushik, "In the last

three days, the arrival of tomatoes has reduced as the crop has been damaged in the growing regions because of heavy rainfall.

of only 15 per cent tomatoes on Wednesday as only six small trucks could get the supplies from Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh, he said, adding this has led to firming up of prices. Kaushik however said the supply situation is expected to improve in the next ten days.

# **Parliament Passes Jan Vishwas Bill To Promote Ease Of Business**

### **Press Trust Of India**

**NEW DELHI:** Parliament on Wednesday passed a bill which seeks to promote ease of business by decriminalising minor offences through amendments in 183 provisions of 42 Acts.

The Jan Vishwas (Amend-ment of Provisions) Bill, 2023 was passed by Rajya Sabha by a voice vote.

Lok Sabha had cleared the legislation on July 27.

The bill converts several fines to penalties, meaning that court prosecution is not necessary to administer punishments.

It also removes imprisonment as a punishment for many offences. All offences under the Post Office Act of

1898 are being removed. Minister of Commerce and Industry Piyush Goval said



The minister informed the Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) and the Cen-Upper House that a working group has been formed to tral Pollution Control Board.

The bill seeks to amend 183 take the initiative forward. He noted that the bill is provisions of 42 Acts adminnot the end but the start of a istered by 19 ministries to reprocess to bring in changes duce the compliance burden to enhance the ease of doing on individuals and businesses. Under the bill, both im-The working group comprises representatives from

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# **RBI Likely To Maintain Status Quo On Interest Rates: Experts**

## Press Trust Of India

KOLKATA: With inflation inching up, experts feel that the Reserve Bank of India is likely to maintain the status quo on key interest rates.

The six-member Monetary Policy Committee, headed by RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das, will hold the meeting from August 8 to 10.

Prof N R Bhanumurthy, Vice Chancellor, Dr B.R. Ambedkar School of Economics University, Bengaluru told PTI, "Though the consumer inflation is inching up mostly fuelled by food inflation, the demand for credit remains healthy I do not think the RBI will spoil the party. It will probably go in for a status quo on interest rates."

it may come down to nearer Bhanumurthy, formerly of said. the National Institute for Public Finance and Policy, a think tank funded by the Union finance ministry, said that his belief

"International factors lead me to believe that the CPI which may be around 5.5 per cent is impacted by a seasonal variation and if we cut that out

was that the RBI would study

the nature of inflation and its

trajectory and take a call in

the October monetary policy

review.

4-4.5 per cent," the economist Bandhan Bank's chief economist Siddhartha Sanyal said curiosity around the next MPC meeting has certainly increased.

# Harley Davidson X440 Prices **Increased A Month After Release. It Now Costs...**

Reuters

The Harley-Davidson X440

will be priced at 2,39,500 rupees

and above, with the hike applicable for all its variants, Hero said

Two-wheeler

BENGALURU:

pany's expectations.

most of its dealer network in 2020 in the country.

Harley entered the space maker Hero MotoCorp on with its British rival Triumph Wednesday raised prices of the last month and unveiled their new Indian Harley-Davidson cheapest models in India, the motorcycle by 10,500 rupees days after the Harley chief exlargest motorcycle market by sales, to tap into higher spendecutive said pre-orders of the ing in premium segments new model exceeded the comacross categories.

Triumph, which has partnered with Bajaj Auto in its India venture, had last month said that the starting price of its Speed 400 motorcycle would be 223,000 rupees for



pected to begin by October. Harley partnered with Hero, the world's largest motorcycle maker, to develop and sell a range of its own branded bikes in India, starting with the X440 after exiting and shuttering

its first 10,000 customers and then raised to 233,000 rupees. Triumph had crossed more than 14,000 in bookings last month, while Hero or Harley did not disclose their booking numbers.

# Hiring For White Collar Jobs In India Falls 19% In July: Report

**Press Trust Of India** 

**NEW DELHI:** Hiring for white collar jobs declined 19 per cent in July compared to the yearago period as many sectors, including FMCG, retail, insurance and education, witnessed cautious recruitment sentiments, according to a report.

According to the Naukri Job-Speak Index released on Tuesday, job postings for white collar hiring in July stood at 2,573, down 8 per cent compared to the previous month, and down 19 per cent compared to July 2022.

Naukri JobSpeak is a monthly index representing the state of the country's job market and hiring activity based on new job listings and job-re-lated searches by recruiters on the resume database of Naukri.com.

The IT industry hiring continued to remain an area of concern, with a 46 per cent decline in new jobs created compared to July last year, it said. Besides IT, FMCG, retail, BPO,

insurance, and education sectors showed cautious hiring sentiments with a 16-23 per cent decline in new job creation

compared to July last year. Sectors focused on the domestic economy, such as oil and gas and real estate, continued to hire aggressively. This reflected a resilience in the domestic economy, the report said.

"Positive hiring trends witnessed across domestic sectors such as oil and gas, real estate, and hospitality, along with stable hiring for AI-related roles, showcase the adaptability and diversification of the Indian job market," said Pawan Goyal, chief

business officer at Naukri.com. Meanwhile, new job openings in AI-related fields stayed flat around 31,780 compared to 32,205 in June.

With the ongoing boom in AI, demand for niche roles such as full stack AI scientists and ML engineers is strong with the number of new job openings in July up 9 per cent and 6 per cent, respectively, compared to the beginning of the year.



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the bill will promote the ease of doing business by decriminalising a number of offences.

Besides, it has representatives of the National Housing Bank (NHB), National Bank of

business.

onment is proposed to be removed and fine enhanced in certain provisions.

# **Benchmark Indices Plunge 1% Amid Weak Global Trends, Foreign Fund Outflow** sectoral slide, affected by weak global

### **Press Trust Of India**

MUMBAI: Equity benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty fell by 1 per cent on Wednesday on weak global market trends and continuous foreign fund outflows. Fitch Ratings has downgraded the United States government's credit rating, citing rising debt at the federal, state, and local levels and a "steady deterioration in standards of governance"

over the past two decades. The rating was cut on Tuesday one notch to AA+ from AAA, the highest possible rating. The 30-share BSE Sensex tumbled 676.53 points or 1.02 per cent to settle at 65,782.78. During the day, it cracked 1,027.63 points or 1.54 per cent to 65,431.68. The NSE Nifty fell by 207 points or

1.05 per cent to end at 19,526.55.

the US rating downgrade on fiscal concerns, coupled with weak factory activity data from Eurozone and China, led to widespread worries across the globe. "Additionally, prolonged FII selling, triggered by a rise in US bond vields, has disrupted the mood of the domestic market," said Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services. "The Indian market witnessed a broad

market trends. Negative news regarding

# Government of Jammu & Kashmir **DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY, ENVIRONMENT & REMOTE SENSING** PARYAVARAN BHAWAN TRANSPORT NAGAR GLADNI, NARWAL JAMMU-180006 (0191-2474553/ SDA COLONY BERNINA, SRINAGAR-190018 (0194-2494585)

Subject: - Recruitment for Project Associate-I under WUCMA Project.

# **NOTICE FOR ENGAGEMENT ON TEMPORARY BASIS**



Notice No. (DEERS) of 2023; Dated: --2023.

The Department of Ecology, Environment and Remote Sensing, J&K, invites applications for engagement on temporary basis for the designation of Project Associate-I under the WUCMA Project initially for a period of this financial year only or co-terminus with the project, whichever is earlier The eligibility, experience, monthly emoluments and number of positions is as provided below:

POSITION/Nos/Emoluments	Eligibility Criteria	Upper Age Limit
1. Project Associate-I	Eligibility: Master's Degree or BE/B.Tech in Remote Sensing & GIS	35 years
No of positions: 1	or Geoinformatics from a recognized University or equivalent.	
Emoluments: ₹ 25,000/=PM + HRA.		

Note: Candidates in their own interest should satisfy themselves, before applying for the above position, that they are eligible for the position applied for viz, requisite qualification and requisite experience. There shall be no change in the eligibility criteria and terms/conditions. General Conditions

- Only eligible candidates, satisfying above criteria who are domicile of J&K should send the scanned copies of documents/certificates 1. (viz, duly filled Application form - Annexure-A, Domicile certificate of J&K, Qualification Certificate, Experience, etc.) by or before 15/08/2023 via email to admdeers@gmail.com.
- Candidates called for interview, will have to produce all relevant original documents along with a set of self-attested photocopies at the 2. time of interview. If any information furnished is found to be wrong/false/suppressed the facts at any stage of the recruitment process, the candidate will not be allowed for Interview, and if selected/ appointed, he is liable to be terminated without assigning any reason.
- 3. No TA/DA will be paid for attending the interview.
- 4. The detailed terms & conditions, application form can be downloaded from the departmental website www.jkdears.com.
- 5. Candidates in their own interest are requested to frequently check the departmental website for updates. D

DIPK-6242-23		
DT: 02/08/2023		

**GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR** OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER QUALITY CONTROL & PROCUREMENT DIVISION, HMT, SRINAGAR

# **SHORT TERM E-NIT**

### Dated:-01-08-2023

No.: PHE/QC&PD/30of 2023-24/ e-Tender For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of Jammu and Kashmir (UT), e-tenders in two cover system are invited from registered dealers/ suppliersfor

supply and execution of the following:

р	Name of the work	Tender docu-	Estimated	Time of	Tender
		ment Fee (Rs)	cost	Completion	validity
1	Providing and installation of inverter system at JSD (PHE) Guest House New Plot Jammu	100/-	48500.00	10 days	90 days

AAA: Accorded

Account Head: M&R non Plan

Position of Funds: Available

The NIT consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Bill of Quantities (BOQ), set of www.jktenders.gov.in as per the schedule of dates given below:

### Schedule of Critical Dates/Information.

1	Date of Inviting Tender	01-08-202305.00AM
2	Clarification Period	01-08-2023 (05.00AM) to 05-08-2023 (05.00PM)
4	Documents Downloading Period	02-08-2023 (10.00AM) to 09-08-2023 (02.00PM)
6	On Line Document Submission Period.	02-08-2023 (12.00PM) to 09-08-2023 (03.00PM)
8	Date of opening of Cover 1st.	10-08-202211.00AM
9	Tender Document Receiving Authority	Executive Engineer PHE Jal Shakti QC&P Division Srinagar.
10	Tender Inviting Office	Executive Engineer PHE Jal Shakti QC&P Division Srinagar.
11	Document Fee	Rs100/-In the shape of treasury Challan(Head 0215 – Revenue & Miscellaneous)/ e-transfer to J&K Bank A/c No:0005010100005110IFSC: JAKA0CHINAR.
12	Earnest Money	Rs1000/- In shape of CDR/FDR payable to Executive Engineer PHE QC&PD, Zainakote Srinagar.
13	Bid Opening Authority	Executive Engineer PHE Jal Shakti QC&P Division Srinagar.

### The Cover-1 shall contain:-

- Scanned copy of Tender Document fee in the shape of Treasury receipt / e-Challan / e-Receipt 1.
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- Scanned copy of PAN card. 4.
- 5. Scanned copies of the Annexure "A", "B"duly accepted/signed.
- 6. The tenderer/s shall have to submit in the that the tenderer:-
- Has not been black listed by the Government or any other organization for failure to any dues.
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# **'How Can Temporary**

shall be operative only with such exceptions and modifications and from such date as he may specify, provided that the recommendation of the Constituent Assembly of the State referred to in clause (2) shall be necessary before the President issues such a notification."

The CJI asked Sibal, "What happens when the tenure of constituent assembly comes to an end? No constituent assembly can have an indefinite life. The proviso to clause (3) of Article 370 refers to the recommendation of the constituent assembly of the state, and it says before the President issues notification the recommendation of constituent assembly is required. But the question is what would happen when the constituent assembly ceases to exist?"

Sibal responded, saying it was precisely their point and their whole case is about whether the president cannot issue any notification revoking Article 370 without the recommendation of the constituent assembly.

Justice Gavai interjected and asked the senior lawyer whether the argument being made is that nothing could have been done about Article 370 after 1957, when the tenure of the Jammu and Kashmir constituent assembly came to an end.

Sibal said the court is currently interpreting a constitutional provision and it is not here to legitimise the process which is unknown to the Constitution.

"Through a political act Article 370 was tossed out of the window. This was not a constitutional act. Parliament took upon itself the role of constituent assembly and revoked Article 370 saying it is exercising the will of the people of Jammu and Kashmir. Can such a power be exercised?" said Sibal contesting the way Article 370 was repealed.

He added nobody can deny that people of Jammu and Kashmir are an integral part of India but there is a special relationship which is a unique and drafted in Article 370 itself.

"You can't jettison that relationship except by following a process ordained by law," he said, adding, "You can change the boundary of a state, you can bifurcate boundaries of a large state to make smaller states. But never in the history of this country has a state been converted into two union territories."

"So, you move away from representative democracy, convert it into a union territory under your direct rule, and now five years have passed. Every day we hear soon there will be elections. There has to be a constitutional basis for doing this. In May 2019, parliamentary elections were held in Jammu and Kashmir but they keep on saying that state elections cannot be held," Sibal said.

He said the repeal of Article 370 was a "political act and decision" which the government may take but Parliament cannot be an instrument for that.

"That political act cannot be exercised by the Parliament, which is a legislative body. Because that legislative body is controlled by the Constitution. It can't go beyond that," the lawyer said.

He contended the scheme of Article 370 says that on four items- defence, communication, external affairs, and ancillary matters- the consultation with the state is necessary and for all other matters concurrence of the state is necessary.

"If you want to abrogate Article 370, you have to get a recommendation from the constituent assembly," he said. The CJI responded with a terse remark "so long as it existed".

The senior counsel said the constituent assembly had served its term once it framed the Constitution for J-K.

"In which case, Article 370, which is a temporary provision, assumes the character of permanent provision by virtue of the fact that there is no constituent assembly," the CJI asked Sibal. "Enthe world is watching Supreme Court proceedings in Article 370. Jammu and Kashmir, despite being a Muslim-majority state, rejected the two-nation theory based on religion and joined hands with India. We were granted assurances under the Constitution. These guarantees were not given by China, Pakistan or any neighbouring country," Mehbooba said, addressing media persons at the PDP office in Srinagar.

"The Supreme Court will have to see how the institutions in the country have been subverted and the apex court remains the only institution that can save the Constitution. BJP is not only playing with the Constitution based on its brute majority in Parliament but also ignoring everything including the SC rulings. They brought an ordinance after SC ruling on Delhi which is unconstitutional," she added.

Mehbooba said the Supreme Court will have to take a bold stand for upholding the majesty of the Constitution.

"The Supreme Court is the only institution left that can save the Constitution and the country," she said.

Former chief minister Omar Abdullah said he expected justice from the top court.

"Whatever happened with Jammu and Kashmir on August 5, 2019 was wrong. It was against the Constitution and the law," he said on the premises of the top court in Delhi.

"We have got the opportunity to put forth our grievances. We expect justice like any other citizens of the country," he said.

Former J&K deputy chief minister and senior BJP leader Kavinder Gupta said they hoped for a positive result in the Article 370 issue.

"It is a good thing that the Supreme Court is hearing the issue. But, I want to say that the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Saba have discussed it and then passed it. It has a final stamp of the President of India," he said.

Congress leader Bhalla said the people of Jammu and Kashmir were eagerly waiting for the day when the hearing would begin in the Supreme Court on the Article 370 pleas.

"We are happy that a beginning has been made in this direction. They (people) have full faith in the top court and hope that they would get the much-need justice from it," he told PTI.

Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP) chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad too pinned hope on the "positive outcome" of the petitions challenging the abrogation of Article 370.

"I express my sincere gratitude to (Kapil) Sibal for his historical, fearless and eloquent presentation and arguments before the court against abrogation of Article 370 today," Azad said.

Senior advocate Kapil Sibal led the arguments on behalf of petitioners challenging the abrogation of Article 370.

"We have been unwaveringly fighting from Parliament to the Supreme Court in pursuit of justice for people of Jammu and Kashmir," Azad said.

Secretary, Jammu and Kashmir National Panthers Party (JKNPP), Capt (retd) Anil Gaur said it was a good thing said that the top court is hearing the Article 370 pleas.

"Now that the Supreme Court is hearing it, the judgement by it will put a full stop on the issue once for all," he said.

Kashmiri Pandit leader Arvind Kaul said the Article 370 issue has become a "political phobia" in Jammu and Kashmir. "It is a phobia. Political parties have exploited the issue since the past 75 years. Some say we want bring it back and others say it has been done away with once for all. Now that the SC is hearing it, its judgement will be final," Kaul said.

On August 5, 2019, the Centre came out with a notification repealing Article 370 and it also stripped the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir of its special status and bifurcated it into Union territories. Several petitions challenging the abrogation of the provisions of Article 370 and the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019, which split the erstwhile state into Union territories – Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh - were referred to a Constitution bench in 2019. Government Employees (Conduct) Rules 1971. Meanwhile, a committee, headed by the Tehsildar Sumbal, has been formed to investigate the matter and asked to submit its recommendations within a week.

Moreover, the attachment & subsequent inquiry order issued by Sub Divisional Magistrate, Sumbal, Aamir Choudhary, vide no. SDM/S/2023-24/864-69 reads,

"Consequent upon the report from the field agencies regarding an obnoxious social media post allegedly by one Mohammad Saleem Bhat Data Entry Operator, Zonal Education Office Sumbal having detrimental effect on prevalent brotherhood and peaceful situation at present which could result in animosity between sections of society."

"That such unpleasant social media posts are in contravention to Article 19 (2) of Constitution of India which deals with the Freedom of Speech and also imposes reasonable restrictions as well."

"Moreover, it is violative of Jammu and Kashmir Government Employees (Conduct) Rules 1971 which clearly lists out the activities that are not to be carried out by the employees and are violation of the Conduct Rules and can be punished under Rule 30 of the Jammu And Kashmir Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules 1956 and the Rule 30 states punishments namely: i) Censure ii) fine not exceeding one month's pay; iii) withholding of increments and/or promotion; iv) reduction to a lower post and/or a lower time-scale and/ or to a lower stage in time-scale v) recovery from pay of the whole or part of any pecuniary loss caused to vi) Government by negligence or breach of orders; vii) Premature retirement on proportionate pension other than that viii) Specified in rule 226 (2) of Jammu and Kashmir Civil Service Regulations," the order reads.

"Moreover GAD Circular No- JK (GAD) of 2023 dated 24-03-2023 makes it amply clear the Government Servant shall not engage themselves with social media in a manner which is contravention to these rules and also vehemently makes it clear that the clear the Govt employees shall not post on social media any such content or comments about co-worker or individuals that are vulgar, obscene, threatening, intimidating or that violate the conduct rules and shall refrain from indulging in unwarranted debates/discussions and sharing/commenting/posting inappropriate post/content from social media platforms and any violation of these guidelines/rules shall tantamount to misconduct and invite disciplinary action against the delinquent official under relevant rules."

"Therefore keeping in view the sensitivity of the matter the above mentioned official namely Mohammad Saleem Bhat Data Entry Operator ZEO Sumbal is hereby attached in the office of Tehsildar Sumbal with immediate effect. Moreover a committee of three members is constituted under the chairmanship of Tehsildar Sumbal comprising: 1. Zonal Education Officer Sumbal 2. Tehsil Social Welfare Officer Sumbal. The committee shall make an inquiry and submit its report along with recommendations in the office of undersigned within a weeks' time," added the order issued by the SDM.

# HC Asks CBK's

"if found established, the material collected during investigation be placed before the respective courts for taking further action in the matter in accordance with law," the court added. The petition was filed by one Vikram

The petition was filed by one Vikram Bhardwaj, a New Delhi based businessman, seeking court's direction to constitute a Special Investigation Team to be headed by a police officer not below the rank of Dy. Inspector General of Police to carry on and monitor the investigation of the case (FIR No.69/2019). In the alternative, he had sought directions for handing over the investigation of the case to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) New Delhi in view of the seriousness of the offence and the expertise available with them for conducting such investigations. According to the series of status reports filed by police pursuant to the directions passed by Court from time to time, the investigation in the case (FIR No.69/2019 of Police Station Anantnag) was initially conducted by Special Investigation Team headed by Dy.SP Headquarters Anantnag. Police said that a challan has been produced against the two accused Ajay Kumar Agarwal (of Kolkata) and Pankaj Jain (of New Delhi) before the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Anantnag, on 14-09-2021. In one of the status reports, the police said that petitioner (Vikram Bhardwaj) again approached the DIG, Anantnag, for re-investigation of the case and on the instructions of the DIG, a SIT headed by Dy.SP Headquarter, Anantnag, was constituted 13-02-2022 and further investigation of the case in terms of Section 173(8) of Cr.P.C was commenced. During further investigation of the case, the investigation was transferred to Crime Branch, Kashmir in terms of PHQ order dated 12-05-2022.

and address the vision of 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan," he added.

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Acknowledging the significant role of the workforce in India's economy, the LG reiterated the commitment of his administration to create vibrant, sustainable and inclusive affordable rental housing avenues for urban migrants, poor and working communities.

"Labour force and Workers are backbone of our trade, business, industries and making valuable contribution in building strong and Aatmanirbhar J&K. Besides, skilling and opportunities to workers it is our responsibility to protect their interests and ensure quality living for the family," he said.

The LG also shared the interventions made by the UT administration to provide means of livelihood and raising the living standards of the workforce.

"In less than 3 years, a huge number of selfemployment opportunities have been created and we continue to focus on skilling of workers to meet the needs of the economy and better quality employment," he said.

Principal Secretary, Housing & Urban Development Department (HUDD) Prashant Goyal, gave a detailed briefing on the Affordable Rental Housing Complex (ARHC) and other similar projects of the department to provide affordable housing to the people of J&K UT.

According to an official spokesperson, the initiative of "Affordable Rental Housing Complex" has been envisioned for providing rental housing for EWS/LIG urban migrants including labour, urban poor (street vendors, rickshaw pullers, other service providers etc.), industrial workers, and migrants working with market/ trade associations, educational/health institutions, hospitality sector, long term tourists / visitors, students or any other persons of such category.

## **'Need Engineers**

"India's future offers immense opportunities for engineering careers. As the nation continues to invest in research and development, infrastructure and technological advancement, a plethora of opportunities await engineers," he said.

Under the guidance of the Prime Minister, the LG said, India is on the move and is emerging as a technology and services hub powered by the knowledge economy.

"The 'Make in India' and 'Digital India' initiatives coupled with a burgeoning startup ecosystem, presents a fertile ground for young minds to make their mark and carve a successful career in engineering," he added.

The LG advised the students to explore new paths and keep re-inventing themselves to keep pace with the change happening around the world.

"We need engineers who will not be confined to the mundane, but who will think beyond textbooks and question the status quo and embrace challenges as opportunities. The expertise of the young engineers' expertise will be instrumental in driving the mission of Make in India and Start Up India," he said.

Citing examples of Japan and USA, the LG said the Engineering prowess of these countries has contributed to their growth and elevated their status in the world.

He said the world's greatest powers are witness to the fact that great engineers have been instrumental in propelling those nations to unparalleled heights.

"India needs engineers who can address the challenges of urbanization, infrastructure and access to quality healthcare and education for all. Young engineers' ideas and solutions can pave the way for a more inclusive and equitable society," Sinha said.

"India needs engineers who can collaborate

### Act was registered in Police Station Nowhatta.

## 'J&K has 20k MW

- 1000 MW with 8,112.12 with 35.58% physical progress.

"Successful completion of 100% electrification under the SAUBHAGYA scheme, ensuring "last mile connectivity" and universal household electrification. Launch of the Smart BS application empowers consumers by providing them with easy access to their consumption and billing records," the minster said.

In an another question, he said that the Government of India has notified a New Central Sector Scheme for Industrial Development of Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir on 19.02.2021 with an outlay of Rs. 28,400 crore to boost industrial development.

Various policy initiatives have been taken by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir and the policies including J&K Industrial Policy 2021-30, J&K Industrial Land Allotment Policy 2021-30, J&K Private Industrial Estate Development Policy 2021-30 and J&K Wool Processing, Handicrafts and Handloom Policy 2020 are notified for making the UT an investor friendly destination.

He said that these initiatives have led to receipt of investment proposals worth Rs. 80,000 crore with employment generation potential of more than 3.5 lakh. "During 2022-23, an investment of Rs.2,153 Crore has been materialized providing employment to more than 11,000 persons. This has boosted the local economy and employment opportunities by increasing investment," he said.

The year-wise details of the investments are including 2019-20, 296.64 crore, 2020-21 412.74, 2021-22 376.76, 2022-23 2153.00.

"The G.I registration of products has been started to authenticate Handicrafts & Handloom Products. 08 crafts viz. carpet, Pashmina, Sozni Embroidery, Khatamband, Walnut Wood Carving, Paper Mache, Kani Shawl, Basohli painting have been G.I Tagged. 9,235 carpets and 20,126 Pashmina Shawls respectively have been GI Tagged. Common Facilitation Centers (CFCs) are being set up at Samba and Kathua at an estimated cost of Rs. 8.76 crore for promotion and development of bamboo craft," he said—(KNO)

# Security Scenario:

Devender Singh Rana and former legislator Ms Shehnaz Ganai submitted the memoranda to the LG and apprised him of the various issues of common masses.

Sinha, the spokesperson said, assured the former legislators of appropriate action on the genuine issues put forth in the memoranda. Later, Surjit Singh Slathia, former minister, also met LG and discussed with him various issues of development and welfare of the people.

### 2 Militants Arrested

of militants in Baramulla Town. Both the accused, he said, tried to flee from the spot but were apprehended tactfully.

"Incriminating materials, arms and ammunition including 1 Pistol, 1 Pistol Magazine, 4 live Pistol rounds and 1 Grenade were recovered from their possession. They have been arrested and shifted to the police station where they remain in custody," the spokesperson said.

During preliminary investigation, he said, it came to fore that both the individuals are "hybrid terrorists" linked with LeT and had collected arms & ammunition for carrying terrorist activities in Baramulla Town in view of forthcoming Independence Day.

"Accordingly, a case under relevant sections of law has been registered in Police Station Baramulla and investigation has been initiated," he added.

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"Absolutely," the lawyer replied and added no Parliament can convert itself into a constituent assembly.

"Where does Parliament get such power and under what provisions? There was a unique structure in place which was changed on August 5, 2019 and Article 370 was tossed out of the window," he said.

According to him, Justice Kaul told Sibal, Article 370 sub-clause 3 became otiose after 1957 as it served no purpose.

The CJI said Article 370 was included in part 21 of the Constitution which contains Articles that were transitional, temporary and special provisions which shows it was a temporary provision.

Justice Kaul said even a state assembly, which is an elected body, cannot recommend revocation of Article 370.

Sibal replied in the affirmative and said Article 370 states the ordinary law making power of Parliament shall be limited to matters in the Union list and the Concurrent list, which will be done in consultation with the state government.

The hearing remained inconclusive and will continue on Thursday.

The top court is conducting day-to-day hearing in the matter and will hear arguments except on Mondays and Fridays, which are days for hearing miscellaneous matters in the apex court. Only fresh petitions are taken up on these days for admission hearing and regular matters are not heard.

Several petitions challenging abrogation of the provisions of Article 370 and the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019, which split the erstwhile state into two union territories – Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh- were referred to a Constitution bench in 2019.

### **Expect Justice From**

Article 370 pleas was a "good thing", but asserted that the Constitution provision was done away with legally.

Working president of J&K Congress Raman Bhalla said he has "full faith" in the apex court that it will give much-needed justice to the people of the erstwhile state.

Many others said the top court's verdict will put a full stop to the contentious issue.

A five-judge constitution bench headed by Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud on Wednesday commenced hearing a batch of pleas challenging the Centre's August 5, 2019 decision to abrogate Article 370, a move that had come in for vicious attack by some major opposition parties but earned fulsome praise from those supporting the BJP.

# **FIR Filed Over**

showing some participants raising "pro-freedom" slogans, was circulated on social media.

Senior Superintendent of Police, Poonch, Vinay Sharma in the wake of the incident on Tuesday said "We are analysing the video through forensic experts as to whether it is real or fake and legal action shall follow accordingly

... So far, we could see tricolours raised high throughout the protest demonstration."

Earlier, six prominent Gujjar leaders requested the centre to hold "participative decisions on sensitive issues" that have the potential of disturbing intercommunity relations in the Union Territory.

The joint statement on Monday was issued by former ministers Mian Altaf Ahmad Larvi (National Conference), Chowdhary Zulfikar Ali, Aijaz Ahmad Khan and former legislator Choudhary Qamar Hussain (Apni party), former deputy chairman J&K Legislative Assembly Choudhary Javed Ahmad Rana (NC), and former MLA Choudhary Mohammad Akram Lassanvi who resigned from Congress last year.

"The widespread protests by the Gujjar-Bakerwal tribe and unrest in the community across the Union Territory of J&K are grave developments. Protests by the Gujjar-Bakerwal tribe against the Union government and UT administration is an aberration and we are deeply concerned and utterly bewildered by the prevailing situation," they had said.

The J&K unit of BJP called the statement "ridiculous, untimely and misleading" and asked the protesters what they had been objecting to when the government had already made it clear that it was not reducing the 10 per cent quota of scheduled tribes in any way.

The BJP statement from Gujjar leaders affiliated with the party said the government is taking concrete steps for the improvement and welfare of all deserving backward areas and classes.

"Now that the panchayat, local body and parliamentary elections are coming, the people fully understand the fact that the narrative of the incomprehensible thing you are making is only of a political nature and not of public interest," the BJP statement said.

## Govt Employee

in violation of Article 19(2) of the Indian Constitution, and the Jammu and Kashmir

## 2 Bankers Charges

The charge-report, he said, was produced before the Court of Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Pattan for their alleged involvement in commission of offences punishable under Sections 409, 420, 201 & 120-B of RPC.

Giving more details, the spokesperson said that the CB received a written communication from the Registrar of Cooperative Societies, J&K which, inter-alia, alleged that some officers and officials of the Baramulla Central Cooperative Bank Ltd. have dishonestly and fraudulently embezzled large amounts of public money in different bank branches, including that of Palhallan branch.

Accordingly, he said, the instant case was registered at P/S Crime Branch Kashmir in the year 2016 and investigation started.

"During the investigation, allegations leveled against the accused individuals were substantiated and conclusively proved. Accordingly, the charge-report u/S 173 CrPC against the two accused individuals has been produced before the court of competent jurisdiction for judicial determination," the spokesperson added.

# LG Unveils Affordable

sustainable housing ecosystem for the underprivileged, bring qualitative change in the lives of a family, prevent the growth of future slums globally, foster partnership with other countries and institutions to address complex global challenges. I strongly believe young engineers have the potential to not only make India self-reliant but also position it as a global leader," he added.

The LG impressed on the educational institutions to create an environment, an education system that reflects today's reality.

"Universities, as the cradle of innovation, need to become the backbone of progress. By collaborating with Industries and addressing real-world challenges, Universities can produce graduates equipped with skills to solve complex problems," he said.

"Let us harness the power of innovation and engineering to build a better tomorrow. The opportunities that lie ahead in India's journey are immense, and I have no doubt that young engineers' brilliance and determination will drive our nation to new heights," he added.

The LG asked the students to be aspiring and start their new journey with an aim to leverage technology, knowledge and wisdom to transform our great nation.

Prof Manoj Singh Gaur, Director, IIT Jammu presented a detailed overview of the Five-day long Foundation Programme.

### **HC Upholds PSA**

'compelling reasons' to believe that he is likely to be released in the substantive offence either on bail or due to his acquittal or discharge."

According to the grounds of detention formulated by the District Magistrate, Wani was found to be the main accused in Dy.S.P lynching case at Nowhatta. The authorities said that the incident occurred on the intervening night of 22/23.06.2017 in which an officer of the rank of Dy. Superintendent of Police was lynched to death by a mob raising slogans against the Union of India and accession of J&K State with the Union of India. The grounds of detention also revealed that the police officer of security wing of J&K Police was deployed at Jamia Masjid Srinagar in view of large gathering there on the eve of Shab-i-Qadr, to supervise the manpower which was deployed there for frisking purposes.

"(Wani) along-with other anti-national elements attacked the said officer and snatched his service pistol and thrashed him ruthlessly till he succumbed to the beating and died on spot," theb administration said, adding, "The accused persons didn't stop there but inhumanely dragged the dead body of the deceased out from the area adjacent to the mosque, tore his clothes and left the body without clothes and other belongings at Bata Gali Nowhatta." In this regard FIR 51/2017 under Sections 148, 392, 341, 302, 149 RPC and 13 Unlawful Activities Prevention 486 are heading for the 14-km Baltal route in Ganderbal district, officials said.

With this, over 1.41 lakh pilgrims have left the Jammu base camp for the valley. The yatra is scheduled to conclude on August 31.

### Deaf-Mute Man

cross the border fence.

He was admitted to the district hospital and is undergoing treatment, they said.

## **Girdawar Placed**

Anti-Corruption Bureau, it was found that the then Patwari now Girdwar, was issuing fards in collusion with the private beneficiaries.

This act also resulted in financial losses for both the buyers and the institutions involved in the transaction. An FIR has been lodged under relevant sections of the Prevention of Corruption Act, Samvat 2006, as well as Sections 120-B, 420, 467, 468, and 471 of the RPC. The Anti-Corruption Bureau's inquiry has also prompted the initiation of a departmental action against the accused.

## **Chemists Ordered**

strict directions from the authorities to concerned officers to get the CCTV cameras installed for surveillance with regard to the containment of sale of psychotropic drugs."

Official sources added that the government has adopted a zero-tolerance policy against drug suppliers and traffickers across Jammu and Kashmir.

"Not only the chemists have been directed to install cameras but sustained campaigns in schools and colleges have been intensified to sensitize students and common masses about ill effects of drugs," official sources added.

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# Spotlight

# A New Era in Jammu and Kashmir Empowering Tribal Communities

### Irfan Mushtaq

Ver the past four years, Jammu and Kashmir have witnessed a remarkable transformation in the realm of tribal welfare. The implementation of The Scheduled Tribes & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Rights) Act has paved the way for numerous initiatives and projects aimed at uplifting the tribal communities in the region.

### Forest Rights Certificates and Transhuman Nomadic Tribes:

One of the significant steps taken in the last four years is the issuance of 3032 Forest Rights Certificates, recognizing the rights of tribal communities over their traditional forest lands. This has enabled these communities to protect and sustainably utilize their natural resources.

Additionally, the completion of the first-ever survey of Transhuman Nomadic tribal populations is a crucial milestone. Understanding the unique needs and challenges of these nomadic tribes will lead to targeted and effective interventions to improve their living conditions and preserve their traditional way of life.

### **Investing in Education:**

Education plays a pivotal role in empowering any community, and the government has shown its commitment by earmarking an annual outlay of 49 Crore



for scholarships in tribal areas. This initiative aims to ensure that tribal youth have access to quality education and can secure a better future for themselves.

To further enhance educational opportunities, 221 Smart Schools have been established in tribal areas, providing modern and technology-driven learning environments. Additionally, 29 Cluster Tribal Model Villages with a project cost of 10 crore each are currently under implementation, fostering all-round development in these communities.

### Promoting Livelihoods and Infrastructural Development:

Creating sustainable livelihood opportunities is crucial to uplift tribal populations. In this regard, 14 Milk villages have been established, empowering tribal families by promoting dairy-based businesses. Moreover, the establishment of 1428 mini Goat/Sheep Units has provided a boost to the traditional animal husbandry practices in these areas.

To support the migratory lifestyle of certain tribal groups, 08 Tribal Transit accommodations have been set up along migratory routes, providing essential fa-

### cilities and infrastructure.

Furthermore, 24 new ST/G&B Hostels are being constructed, ensuring access to safe and conducive living spaces for tribal students pursuing education away from their homes.

### Preservation of Culture and Heritage:

Recognizing the importance of preserving tribal culture and heritage, the government has taken steps to establish 02 Tribal Museum and Research Centres in Poonch and Jammu. These centers will serve as hubs for research, documentation, and showcasing the rich cultural diversity of tribal communities in the region.

#### Transportation and Infrastructure Development:

Ensuring smooth transportation for the migratory tribal population is vital to their well-being. Adequate transport facilities have been put in place to support their movements.

Moreover, an allocation of 21 Crore under CSS "PMAAGY" has been made for infrastructure development in 119 villages. This will pave the way for improved connectivity, better healthcare facilities, and enhanced living conditions for the tribal communities.

The last four years have marked a significant shift in tribal welfare in Jammu and Kashmir. With a focus on rights recognition, education, livelihood promotion, cultural preservation, and infrastructure development, the government's initiatives have led to positive changes in the lives of tribal populations. As these efforts continue, it is hoped that the tribal communities in the region will thrive and contribute to the overall progress and prosperity of Jammu and Kashmir.





# Har Gaon Hariyali J&K Govt's Initiative Helps Reversing Progression Of Climate Change, Increasing Green Cover

### **Firdos Ali**

G lobally, climate change is threatening access to clean air, safe drinking water, nutritious food supply and safe shelter. Human activities are causing the earth to become warmer and resultant changes are altering the geographic range and seasonality of certain infectious diseases besides disturbing food-producing ecosystems. Countries are realising the urgency to have well-prepared and responsive health systems to prevent and minimize health risks posed by climate change.

The Paris Agreement is the first universal and legally binding agreement on climate change that was adopted in 2015. India has drafted a policy on the National Action Plan on climate change outlining ways to reduce impact of climate change by applying principles of adaptation and mitigation in health systems.

Similarly, the Government of Jammu and Kashmir is too very serious towards this global concern and has initiated the remarkable 'Har Gaon Hariyali' program in November 2021 with the aim to bring two third geographical area of J&K under the forest and tree cover.

The forest cover in J&K is about 55 percent, which is substantially higher than the national average of 24.56 percent.

The UT Government launched this initiative in consonance with the vision of 'Green Jammu and Kashmir' to ensure sustainable development and promote climate justice across J&K.

Green Jammu and Kashmir campaign aims at creating people's movement at a massive scale with involvement of all stakeholders particularly village panchayats, women, students, Urban Local bodies, NGOs and civil society.

The Social Forestry department is organizing



various programs with multiple activities in all districts of Jammu and Kashmir to provide impetus to J&K Green drive initiative with participation of local communities.

Under 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav', the Social Forestry department in collaboration with the School Education Department is also involving schools in afforestation and awareness activities. The students being important stakeholders in sustainable development, their adequate sensitization would go a longer way in achieving the long-term objective of the programme.

With the serious efforts of Forest Department and active involvement of people, around 90 lakh saplings have been planted during the current fiscal against the set target of plantation of 1.35 crore seedlings under Jammu and Kashmir, Government's ambitious initiative 'Har Gaon Hariyali',.

The 'HGH' campaign helps reversing progression of climate change and increasing the green cover in J&K UT.

Under this initiative, plantation of 1.35 crore seedlings is fixed as the target for the year 2022-23, of which, 26.50 lakh saplings to be planted with active involvement (Janbhagidari)of Village Panchayat Plantation Committees (VPPCs) to create green assets in the Gram Panchayats.

The government is adopting a multi-disciplinary convergence model linking school-level eco clubs, Village Panchayat Plantation Committees to various plantation and protection drives to ensure active participation of people in governmentsponsored plantation drives.

As per the NITI Aayog's 'State Energy and Climate Index' report, J&K has 94.5 tonnes of carbon stock per hectare of forest land. Carbon stock refers to the amount of carbon stored in forests in the form of biomass, soil, deadwood, and litter. An increase in green cover and carbon stock indicates a healthy trend to deal with global warming.

A recent Forest Survey of India report has revealed that Jammu and Kashmir has witnessed an increase in the total forest cover in the last three years. The credit for this achievement must go to the Forest and sister department for seriously working towards increasing the green cover and raising awareness among masses for tree plantation by providing them the plants free of cost from its modern nurseries.

The department is organizing such programs with multiple activities in all districts of J&K to provide impetus to J&K Green drive initiative with participation of local communities. The department appeals to people in general and farmers in particular to avail the supply of plants from departmental nurseries to take up agro-forestry activities on their lands.

Pertinently, J&K UT has 20,194 sq km of forest area which is 47.80% of its geographical area with 55% forest and tree cover and 43% open forest. Besides, having the maximum number of forest types, J&K also has the highest biodiversity of herbs in the country. SRINAGAR | THURSDAY | 03.08.2023

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