

J&K Envisions 4-Fold Increase In Tourist Footfall By 2047

Mega Hotels With Casinos, Theme Parks, Boutique, Hotels To Come Up In UT Over The Next 24 Years: Vision Document 2047

FOCUS AREAS BETWEEN 2022-2027

Strengthening awareness of tourism

Establishing a cooperation culture amongst stakeholders

Making financing and promotion more flexible

Making training and the labor market fit for the future.

Building Strong base for digital potential

Executing a sustainable eco-tourism model for J&K.

Auqib Javed

Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir will see a five-fold increase in tourist footfall by year 2047 for which the Union Territory administration has suggested a slew of measures, including infrastructure upgrade, the "Vision Document 2047-Jammu and Kashmir" released recently states.

The ambitious 24-year plan to revolutionize the tourism sector will increase Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP), according to the document, a copy of which lies with Kashmir Observer.

From an increase in tourism destinations by four times, diversification of tourism activities, development of mega hotels (multi-purpose facilities



with casino, shops, theater, theme park, boutique, hotels etc, shall be future markets in the hospitality sector.

The administration came up with "Vision Document 2047-Jammu and Kashmir" which incorporates the action plan for carrying out the developmental process in J&K over the next 24 years. The aim of the document is

to conceptualize and visualize the priority sectors for the overall development of the Union Territory by 2047.

Development of the economy to achieve self-sufficiency, modern infrastructure, clean and green environment, connectivity and eco-friendly industries shall be the guiding principles to drive Sustainable Integrated Development. **More On P6**

4 Killed As Landslide Hits Truck on Highway

Press Trust Of India

Jammu: Four people were killed when their truck plunged into a deep gorge after being hit by a landslide along the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway early Tuesday, police said.

Due to the landslide that hit the highway near Sherbibi in Ramban district at around 5 am, vehicular movement was suspended, they said.

A police official said the truck was headed to Srinagar from Jammu. A rescue operation was immediately launched by local volunteers and police, officials said, adding that all four bodies were retrieved from the mangled remains of the truck.

Officials identified the deceased as truck **More On P6**

All Parties United For National Security: Rajnath

Press Trust Of India

Samba: Underscoring the need for civil-military fusion, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday said all political parties are united when it comes to safeguarding the nation.

He said the government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is committed to development of border areas as he lauded Border Roads Organisation (BRO) for completing major infrastructure projects over the past couple of years.

"The BRO is a glaring example of civil-military fusion and its role in the development of infrastructure along the borders will be written in golden words.

"The civil-military fusion is the need of the hour as safeguarding the country is not the responsibility of our armed forces alone but the civilians as well," the defence minister said, addressing a function here.

He inaugurated a total of 90 infrastructure projects, completed by the BRO at a cost of



Rs 2,941 crore. The projects include 22 roads, 63 bridges, one tunnel, two airstrips and two helipads spread across 10 border states and Union Territories of northern and the northeastern region.

He quoted from Hindu religious texts and said, "We have to work together to safeguard our borders."

"It is heartening to say that

we are getting full support from all to secure our borders. The projects which were completed are spread across states and UTs where different political parties are holding the power.

"I want to congratulate everyone for the completion of these vital border projects. The strength of India is that when there is a challenge to our national security or a threat to

Bharat Mata (mother India), all political parties set aside their ideological differences and come together to face the adversary," the defence minister said.

He said with today's inauguration of 90 projects, a record 295 infrastructure projects of the BRO have been dedicated to the nation since 2021. In 2022, 103 projects worth Rs 2,900 crore were inaugurated while in 2021, 102 projects at a cost of over Rs 2,200 crore were dedicated to the nation.

"In the past 900 days, the BRO completed one project every third day which demonstrates its dedication and hardwork as well as the commitment of the government under the leadership of the Prime Minister," he said.

Describing the BRO as a "bro (brother)" of the armed forces, he said through its infrastructure projects, the agency is not only securing India's borders, but also playing a key role in the socioeconomic development of far-flung areas. **More On P6**

Srinagar Sees 2nd Hottest Sept Day In 132 Years: MeT



Agencies

Srinagar: Heat wave conditions showed no signs of abating as Srinagar recorded the season's second highest day temperature in 132 years on Tuesday, officials said.

A meteorological department official here said that summer capital of J&K, Qazigund and Kokernag recorded record breaking severe heat wave.

"Srinagar recorded a maximum temperature of 34.2°C, which is 6.0°C above normal. This is the 2nd highest maximum temperature ever recorded in September since 1891," he said, adding, "It has broken the 53 years

old record of 33.8°C recorded on 01 September 1970."

The all-time highest temperature of 35.0°C was recorded on 18 September 1934, he said.

Qazigund in South Kashmir recorded a maximum temperature of 33.2°C which was 6.7°C above normal and broke the previous highest maximum temperature 32.8°C recorded on 12 September 2019."

"Today's Temperature is highest since 1956 for Qazigund," he said

The experts have stated that the prevalent weather conditions are the outcome of climate change. "The main driver of this **More On P6**

Cab Crushes Two Scooterists To Death

Two youths were killed on Tuesday after their two-wheeler was hit by a cab in North Kashmir's Baramulla district. Faizian Mushtaq Ganai and Riyaz Sajad Malla, both residents of Magam were **More On P6**

Terrorist, Soldier Killed In Rajouri Encounter

Press Trust Of India

Jammu: One suspected Pakistani terrorist and an Army soldier were killed in a gunfight during an ongoing search operation in a remote village in Rajouri district of Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday, officials said.

Three security personnel were injured in the exchange of fire, they said. Additional Director General of Police, Jammu Zone, Mukesh Singh said the encounter broke out between terrorists and security forces in Narla village.

"One terrorist and an Army soldier were killed while three security personnel and one special police officer were injured in the gunfight," he said.

The security forces launched a search and cordon operation in the forested Patrada area on Monday evening and fired a few rounds **More On P6**

Inaugurates 90 Infra Projects In Jammu

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday inaugurated 90 infrastructure projects of the Border Roads Organisation, completed at a cost of Rs 2,941 crore, in Samba district of Jammu and Kashmir. Singh, accompanied by Minister of State in the Prime Minister's office Jitendra Singh, was received at the Jammu airport by Lt Governor Manoj Sinha and senior Army and Indian Air Force (IAF) officers. Singh inaugurated the state-of-the-art 422.9 metre Devak bridge on the **More On P6**

'PoK Will Become Part Of India On Its Own': V K Singh

Agencies

Jaipur: Union minister V K Singh has said that "Pakistan Occupied Kashmir will become a part of India on its own".

Addressing a press conference as part of the BJP 'Parivartan Yatra' in poll-bound Rajasthan's Dausa, Singh said India has proved its mettle to the world by successfully hosting the recently concluded G20 meeting in the national capital.

"PoK will become a part of India on its own, it's just a matter of time," the former army chief said in response to a question on Monday.

He also said the grandeur of the G20 Summit has given India a unique identity on the world stage and the country has proved its mettle to the entire world.

"The G20 meeting was unprecedented. Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India has proved its mettle to the world. The G20 group



includes all the powerful countries of the world. All countries have praised India openly," Singh told reporters.

Targeting the Congress government in Rajasthan, he said the state has poor law and order and promises made to the youth and farmers by the government remain unfulfilled.

"Therefore, the BJP has had to organise Parivartan Sankalp Yatra to go among **More On P6**

HC Allows 7 Female Candidates To 'Ascend Peak Of Their Achievement'

Asks JKPS to Recommend Their Names For Appointment By Govt As Range Officers Despite Shorter Than Height Prescribed Under Rules

M Ahmad

Srinagar: In a landmark judgment, the High Court of J&K and Ladakh has allowed a plea by seven candidates "to ascend peak of their achievement" to become Range Officer Grade-I in forest department rather than "descend to the abyss of absurdity of a rule relating to the height requirement."

Allowing a petition by the seven candidates who were dropped despite high merit on account of their lesser height than prescribed by the JKPS on 8 February 2018, Justice Rajesh Oswal, Justice Rahul Bharti began the judgment by observing that Mount Everest, standing at the height of 29030 ft., with a claim of being the highest



point on Earth, succumbed to ascent by 6 ft. tall Sir Edmund Hillary in May, 1953 and 5 ft. tall Junko Ishibashi in May, 1975 making them first man and woman to be at the peak of the Mt. Everest to be followed in their footsteps by many men and women to scale the peak.

"As the long height was not an advantage for Sir Edmund Hillary, so was the short height not a handicap

for Junko Ishibashi to conquer the Everest," the court said, adding, "However, given to the then Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir and also for the Jammu & Kashmir Public Service Commission, seven (7) female candidates, found short in height by two or three inches but otherwise found meritorious to be in final select list, are not to be reckoned height fit to be Range Officer Grade-I in the J&K Forest (Gazetted) Service."

Present case, the court said, has this scenario presenting before it for adjudication at the call and challenge of seven female candidates.

"A relevance serving opening to this judgment is catching the contour of the case at the outset and that is as to whether with respect to an employment **More On P6**

Culpable Homicide Case Court Sentences 3 Men To Seven-Years In Jail

Press Trust Of India

Srinagar: A court in Jammu and Kashmir's Kulgam district has sentenced three people to seven years' rigorous imprisonment in a culpable homicide case.

Additional Sessions Judge, Kulgam, Parvaiz Iqbal also imposed a fine of Rs one lakh each on the convicts, Mohammad Amin Bhat, Rauf Ahmed Bhat and Younis Ahmed Bhat.

If they fail to deposit the fine amount, they shall undergo rigorous imprisonment for a further period of six months, the judge said in his order.

However, he said, the period of detention already undergone by the accused during the period of trial would be taken into consideration.

The three were involved in an altercation with the victim Bashir Ahmad Parray in Kulgam district on September 9, 2016

which led to the latter's death at a hospital in Srinagar.

The judge convicted the three for culpable homicide while noting that the accused did not have any previous enmity with the deceased.

The judge said the accused have prayed for showing them leniency on the grounds that all of them were from one family and due to their incarceration in jail, they as well as their family has suffered immensely.

The accused also prayed that two of them were students and as a result of the jail term, their whole career has doomed irreparably.

However, the prosecution strongly objected to the plea for leniency.

The prosecution, led by additional public prosecutor Zia ur Rehman Khan, said it will be a mockery of justice to permit the accused to escape **More On P6**

SHORT TAKES

3 Minor Boys Missing In Handwara

Three school-going minor boys have gone missing from Villgam in Handwara area in north Kashmir's Kupwara district since yesterday.

Quoting official sources, news agency GNS reported that three minor boys went missing while they were out playing in the vicinity on Monday afternoon.

The missing trio has been identified as Nazim Mumtaz, son of Mumtaz Ahmad Lone, resident of Phalmarg, Faizan Hameed Mir, **More On P6**

JKPS Officers, Traders Meet LG

A delegation of officers of Jammu Kashmir Police Services (JKPS) besides a team of All India Vyapar Mandal on Tuesday called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha at Raj Bhawan here on Tuesday. The JKPS delegation comprises of Joginder Singh; Perbeet Singh; Surjeet Bhagat; Sumir Kotwal; Ramnish Gupta; Raj Kumar; Mushtaq Choudhary; Shazaad Salaria; Suresh Chib and Abhishek Sharma expressed gratitude to the Lt Governor for **More On P6**

SRK's 'Jawan' Screened in Handwara

After the first movie show held last month, Shahrukh Khan starrer "Jawan" was screened on Tuesday at Cinema Hall in Handwara town of North Kashmir's Kupwara district. The Cinema Hall was inaugurated last month with the screening of Shahrukh Khan starred "Chak De India". On the occasion, a large number of people, PRIs and local youth enjoyed the show. Meanwhile, people of the district expressed their **More On P6**

LG Releases 'Song Of A Veiled Women'

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday released a poetry collection titled 'Song of a Veiled Woman' written by Smedha Manhas, at Raj Bhawan here. The LG complimented Sixteen-year-old Smedha Manhas and wished her success in all future endeavours. Meanwhile, Padma Shri Balwant Thakur, Eminent Theatre personality and former Cultural Diplomat of India to South Africa and Mauritius called on LG. **More On P6**

Teenage Girl Found Dead

A teenage girl was found hanging at her home in Khansahib area of central Kashmir's Budgam district on Tuesday. An official said that a 19-year-old girl was found hanging at her home, following which she was rushed to a nearby hospital. He said that the doctors at Khansahib hospital declared her dead on arrival. "The body will be handed over to the family for last rites after medico-legal **More On P6**

2 Drug Peddlers Held In Baramulla: Police

Jammu and Kashmir Police on Tuesday claimed to have arrested two drug peddlers in Baramulla and recovered contraband substances from their possession. A police party of Police Post Palhallan headed by IC PP Palhallan under the supervision of SDPO Pattan at a checkpoint established at Palhallan Morh arrested a drug peddler identified as Mohd Lateef Teli son of Mohd Yousuf resident of Wussan Pattan. During the search, 110 grams of Charas was recovered from his **More On P6**



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No.4 CIVIL COURT IN THE COURT OF MR. ARVIND SHARMA Additional District Judge Bank Cases, Srinagar
SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT (0.37.R-2)
Suit: 4/19/2021
JK Bank Vs Sabiya Mushtaq
Next Date: 14.09.2023

To, Sabiya Mushtaq W/o: Mushtaq Ahmad R/o: Vicharnag Nowshera Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir

Whereas JK Bank has instituted a suit against you under order XXXVII of the code of Civil Procedure, 1908, for Rs 1,49,655.78 and interest, you are hereby summoned to cause and appearance to be entered for you within ten days from the service hereof in default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled, after the expiration of the said period of ten days, to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum of Rs 1,49,655.78 and the sum of Rs 1740 for costs, together with such interest, if any as the court may order.

If you cause an appearance to be entered for you, JK Bank Pvt Ltd the plaintiff will thereafter serve upon you a summons for judgment at a hearing of which you will be entitled to move the Court for leave to defend the suit.

Leave to defend may be obtained if you satisfy the Court by affidavit or otherwise that there is a defence to the suit on die merits or that it is reasonable that you should be allowed to defend.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 30.05.2023

Additional District Judge Bank Cases Srinagar
No. 1389/ADJBC/Sgr
Date: 31.07.2023 nj

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SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT (0.37.R-2)
Suit: 4/11/2021
JK Bank Pvt Ltd Vs Taskeena
Next Date: 14.09.2023

To, Taskeena W/o: Arshid Hussain Jan R/o: Mandibal Nowshera Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir

Whereas JK Bank has instituted a suit against you under order XXXVII of the code of Civil Procedure, 1908, for Rs 1,68,621.19 and interest, you are hereby summoned to cause and appearance to be entered for you within ten days from the service hereof in default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled, after the expiration of the said period of ten days, to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum of Rs 1,68,621.19 and the sum of Rs 1840 for costs, together with such interest, if any as the court may order.

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Additional District Judge Bank Cases Srinagar
No. 1393/ADJBC/Sgr
Date: 31.07.2023 nj

Before The Hon'ble Court Of Municipal Magistrate, Srinagar Before the Hon'ble Judge Small Cause

Nazir Ahmad S/o Abdul Razaq Haji
R/o Haji Mohalla Saida Kadal Srinagar

Applicant

VERSUS

Registrar Birth & Deaths S.M.C, Srinagar

Non Applicant

in the matter of : Application for recording the date of birth of the below named child/ person
May it please your honour;
The application is submitted as under
1 - That the date of Birth of the below named child/person has not so far been recorded in the records of S.M.C Srinagar Non-Availability certificate to this effect issued by non-applicant enclosed with this application.
2. That the applicant wishes to get the date of Birth of below mentioned child/person be recorded in record of SMC Srinagar and solicits application accordingly.
4 That this application is supported by duly sworn affidavit.

IN THE PREMISES IT IS THEREFORE prayed that the non-applicant be directed to record the following particulars of the below named child/parson.

Name	Adika
Sex	Female
Father's Name	Nazir Ahmad
Mother's Name	Maryam
Date of Birth	05-10-2010
Residence	Haji Mohalla Saida Kadal Srinagar
Place of Birth	At Home situated at Haji Mohalla Saida Kadal Srinagar

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Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir
Office of the Executive Engineer PMGSY / JKRRDA Division Kupwara

NIT No. EE/PMGSY/KUP/eNIT/2023-24/08
Dated: 12-09-2023

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, e-tenders are invited on Percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with Union Territory of J&K, CPWD, Railways, MES and other State/Central Governments for each of the following works:

S. No	Name of work	Call	Adv. Cost (Lakhs)	Cost of Tender Document (In Rupees)	Earnest Money (Bid security) Rs	Time of completion	M.H. of Account	Class of Contractor
1.	Permanent restoration of Lalpora-Hapatnar road, Package No. JK0899	II	1.16	200	2400.00	15-days	M.H-5054 Sub Head 2181	AAV/BEE/CEE/DEE Class in PWD or Equivalent in PWD / Railways and Other state Governments.
2.	Permanent restoration of Gonipora-Batpura road, Package No. JK08131	II	12.22	600	24500	30-dsys		

Position of AAA : Accorded
Position of T.S : Accorded
Major Head of Account : M.H-5054 Sub Head 2181.

- The important dates and time are as under:

1. Date of issue of fresh tender notice	12-09-2023
2. Bid submission start date	13-09-2023 from 10:00 am
3. Bid submission end date	18-09-2023 till 4:00 pm
4. Submission of Hard Copies (DD, EMD / TV etc)	18-09-2023 till 4:00 pm
5. Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	19-09-2023 at 1:00 pm
- Cost of Bid Form (non-refundable) should be submitted only in form of e-challan/treasury challan/receipt.
- Availability of Bid Document and mode of submission: The bid documents are available online and bids should be submitted online on website www.pmgsytendersjk.gov.in. The bidders are required to register in the website which is free of cost. For submission of bids, the bidder is required to have valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from one of the authorized Certifying Authorities (CA). "Aspiring bidders who have not obtained the user ID and password for participating in e-tendering in PMGSY may obtain the same from the website: www.pmgsytendersjk.gov.in. Digital signature is mandatory to participate in the e-tendering. Bidders already possessing the valid digital signature issued from authorized CAs can use the same in this tender.
- Bids must be uploaded along with Scanned copy of cost of Tender Document as mentioned in column 4 in shape of e-challan/treasury challan to MH 0059-PWD (Revenue) and scanned copy of Bid Security/Earnest Money both favouring Executive Engineer PMGSY Division Kupwara. The bid security/earnest money in the form of BG/CDR/FDR shall be valid for a period not less than 120 days after the deadline date for bid submission.
- The original documents, viz, the cost of tender document, Bid Security submitted by LI should be same as uploaded online (scanned copies) otherwise the allotment will not be issued. The tenders will be cancelled and the bidder will not be allowed to participate in any further future tendering process in PMGSY for a period of one year.
- Only online submission of bids is permitted, therefore; bids must be submitted online on website www.pmgsytendersjk.gov.in.
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for acceptance for a period not less than 120 days after the deadline date for bid submission.
- The bids of such bidders shall be out rightly rejected whose record of performance is poor such as abandoning the works, not properly completing the contract, inordinate delays in completion, litigation history or financial failure etc.
- Any damage caused to the private/public property during execution of works shall be the liability of the contractor and no claim on account of any such restoration to be carried or disposal of mulba / excavated earth to the suitable dumping spot by the contractor shall not be entertained by the department.
- The Bidder shall quote Percentage rates for the items excluding of GST (18%). The GST of 18% will be added while fixing of contract with the first-lowest (L1) bidder.
- The Employer shall not be held responsible for any delay due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the bidders of any bid updates, the Employer shall not be responsible for any information not received by the bidder. It is the bidder's responsibility to visit the website for the latest information related to the tender.
- No Engineer of Gazetted rank or other Gazetted officer employed in Engineering or Administrative duties in an Engineering Department of the State Government is allowed to work as a 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 either the contractor or any of his employees is found any time to be such a person who had not obtained the permission of the Government as aforesaid before submission of the tender or engagement in the Contractor's Service.
- The Performance Security (including additional performance security for unbalanced bids) shall be provided to the employer not later than the date specified in the Letter of Acceptance in shape of FDR or CDR, the employer, and denominated in Indian Rupees, failing which the earnest money of the bidder shall be forfeited without giving any notice. The performance security shall be valid until a date 28 days from the date of expiry of Defects Liability Period and the additional performance security for unbalanced bids shall be valid until a date 28 days from the date of issue of the certificate of completion.
- Bidders are advised to scan their documents on 100 dpi with Black and White option.
- Bidders are advised to download Bid Submission manual for the help of Bid Submission process from the "Downloads" option as well as from "Bidders Manual Kit" on home page of (www.pmgsytendersjk.gov.in).
- Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (Bill of Quantity) contents or its name. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually. The BOQ downloaded from the site should be used for filling the rates and it should be saved with same name.
- Presently, scrutiny of the Technical Bid is being done after opening of Technical Bid. Hence, system generated e-mails confirming acceptance of bid are to be ignored.
- However, the firms have to submit the supporting documents as required to be submitted along with Technical Bid. e- either in online mode along with their Technical Bid or in off-line mode in physical form to the office of Executive Engineer PMGSY Division Kupwara. In case supporting documents are to be submitted offline in physical form, then it should be so specified in their Technical Bids & the supporting documents must be deposited in the office of the Executive Engineer PMGSY Division Kupwara after date & time of opening of tenders by successful bidder.
- Site Visit-The Bidder, at his own cost, responsibility and risk is encouraged to visit, examine and familiarize himself with the site of works and its surroundings including source of earth, water, road aggregates etc. and obtain all information that may be necessary for preparing the Bid and entering into a contract for construction of the works. The costs of visiting the site shall be at the Bidder's own expense. He may contact the Executive Engineer incharge of work for any guidance relating to site visit.
- Bidding documents can be downloaded against the payment of as specified in the NIT.
- The bidder is expected to examine carefully all instructions, conditions of contract, terms and specifications, bill of quantities, drawings in the Bid Document. Failure to comply with the requirements of Bidding Documents shall be at the bidder's own risk. Bids which are not substantially responsive to the requirements of the Bidding Documents, shall be rejected.
- Clarification of Bidding Documents-A prospective bidder requiring any clarification of the bidding documents may notify the Employer in writing or by Facsimile (Fax) at the Employer's address indicated in the Notice Inviting Tenders. The Employer will respond to any request for clarification received earlier than 05 days prior to the deadline for submission of bids. Copies with the employer's response will be forwarded to all purchasers of the bidding documents, including a description of the inquiry, but without identifying its source.
- Amendment of Bidding Documents-Before the deadline for submission of bids the Employer may modify the bidding documents by issuing addenda.
- To give prospective bidders reasonable time to take an addendum into account, in preparing their bids the Employer shall extend, as necessary, the deadline for submission of bids.
- Preparation of Bids-Language of Bid is English
- DOCUMENTS COMPRISING THE BID-The bid submitted by the Bidder in electronic form shall be in two separate parts: Following documents are to be uploaded by the bidder online-
1. Copy of Bid Security
2. The tender cost in the shape of Treasury Challan / Receipt with name of work.
3. Registration card duly renewed online for the financial year: Le 2023-24
4. Registration card certificate of bidder issued on the portal JKPWDOMS (https://jkpwdoms.jk.gov.in/).
5. PAN Card.
6. GST number duly issued by the Commercial Taxes Department with latest clearance certificate FORM GST-3/GSTR-3B of the preceding Month/Quarter to the issue of NIT.
7. Correspondence address of Bidders with Whatsapp Mobile Number and email ID.
8. The Bidder have to submit affidavit duly attested by 1st Class Magistrate, format attached.
9. BoQ with quoted rate.
h). The work shall be completed by the concerned contractor as per the timeline stipulated in BID document/agreement, failing which action shall be initiated against contractor by forfeiting security deposit and shall be recommended for blacklisting.
No. PMGSY/KUP/847-51
DIPK-8698/23
Dated: 12-09-2023

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
PMGSY / JKRRDA
Division Kupwara

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PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DIVISION, BIJBEHARA
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SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER e-NIT No:- 62e of 2023-24 Dated:11-09-2023

For and on behalf of Lt. Governor of UT of J&K, Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) Division Bijbehara, invites e-tenders from reputed and resourceful Bidders/ Firms/Companies/Joint Ventures/ Consortiums between bidder/firm and Financier of all classes registered in JKPWD/CPWD/Railways/ MSME or any other state Government for "Construction & Successful testing & Commissioning of 0.10 MGD Rapid sand filtration plant comprising of clarifloculator, flash mixer, filter house along with all electrical/mechanical components as per approved design and drawings incld. trial run & maintenance for a period of 9 months after completion of work for WSS Ainoo under JMM.) of PHE Division Bijbehara," as per the Annexure A.

The bidding process shall be completed online on www.jktenders.gov.in in two covers viz. Cover 1st consisting of Qualification Criteria, General Terms and Conditions and Technical Specifications and Cover 2nd consisting of Financial Bid on percentage rate basis, in the prescribed BOQ.

Table: 1.1 General Details

Sr No	Particulars of the Work	Estimated Cost (Lacs)	Tender fee (in Rs)	Earnest money Deposit	Bid Validity	Time of Completion of work (days)
1.	"Construction & Successful testing & Commissioning of 0.10 MGD Rapid sand filtration plant comprising of clarifloculator, flash mixer, filter house along with all electrical/mechanical components as per approved design and drawings incld. trial run & maintenance for a period of 9 months after completion of work for WSS Ainoo under JMM. as per the Annexure A.	Work/ Scheme wise details given in Annexure of tender document	As per Table 1.2	2% of Tentative Advertised Cost	180 days	120 days

Position of funds: Approved Under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)
The tender inviting authority is Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) Division Bijbehara.

Table 1.2: Critical Dates

i	Publish Date	12-09-2023
ii	Document Download/sale start Date	12-09-2023
iii	Date of Pre-bid meeting (Optional) on specific request intending bidders only and may not be exercised.	14-09-2023
iv	Bid submission start date	12-09-2023
vi	Bid submission end date	20-09-2023 at 04:00 P.M
vii	Date and time of Bid opening	21-09-2023 at 11:00 A.M

- Bid documents can be accessed and downloaded from the website www.jktenders.gov.in
- The pre-bid meeting will be held in the office chamber of the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) Division Bijbehara, through virtual/online mode. (If required).
- The whole bidding process shall be completed online on tender portal www.jktenders.gov.in. The intending bidders can download the bid document from the tender portal and can submit their bids by uploading them on the tender portal.
- The valid bids received shall be opened online in the office of the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) Division Bijbehara.
- Bids must be accompanied by bid security/EMD and cost of Tender Document as specified in column 4 & 5 of the table 1.1: General Details and shall be payable at Srinagar.
a. Bid Security for an amount as specified in Column 5 of the Table 1.1 of the tentative advertised cost of the works, in the shape of FDR/CDR/BG pledged to Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) Division Bijbehara will have to be uploaded on the tender portal i.e. www.jktenders.gov.in.
b. The cost of tender documents should be in form of DD/TR/e challan in favour of Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) Division Bijbehara. The bidder shall deposit tender fee as per table 1.3.
- The hard copies of cost of tender document in shape of DD/TR/e-challan, Earnest money in shape of CDR/FDR/BG and other relevant documents shall be obtained from the bidder who is declared as successful after opening of financial cover.
- The bid shall remain valid for a period of 180 days from the last date of submission of bids. If any bidder withdraws his bid before the said period or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid, the said earnest money shall stand forfeited and the bid shall be declared non-responsive.
- Other details can be seen in the bidding documents from the website www.jktenders.gov.in.
- Queries by email if any should be made at phebijbehara230@gmail.com

Table 1.3: Tender Fee Details

S.No	Tentative Cost of Tender	Tender Fee
1	For tenders upto Rs. 5.00 Lakhs	Rs. 200/-
2	For tenders more than Rs. 5.00 Lakhs and upto 10.00 Lakhs	Rs. 500/-
3	For tenders more than Rs. 10.00 Lakhs and upto 50.00 Lakhs	Rs. 1000/-
4	For tenders more than Rs. 50.00 Lakhs and upto 1.00 Cr.	Rs. 2000/-
5	For tenders more than Rs. 1.00 Cr. And upto 2.50 Cr	Rs. 3000/-
6	For tenders more than Rs. 2.50 Cr and upto 5.00 Cr	Rs. 4000/-
7	For tenders more than Rs. 5.00 Cr and upto 10.00 Cr	Rs. 5000/-
8	For tenders more than Rs. 10.00 Cr and upto 20.00 Cr	Rs. 10000/-
9	Above Rs. 10.00 Cr	Rs. 20000/-

Annexure A: List of Works.

S.No	Division	Name of Work/WSS	Cost in (Lacs)
1	PHE Division Bijbehara	Construction & Successful testing & Commissioning of 0.10 MGD Rapid sand filtration plant comprising of clarifloculator, flash mixer, filter house along with all electrical/mechanical components as per approved design and drawings incld. trial run & maintenance for a period of 9 months after completion of work for WSS Ainoo under JMM.	114.00
Total			114.00

No: PHE/BJI/8429-44
DIPK-8666/23
Date:12.09.2023

Executive Engineer,
Jal Shakti, (PHE)
Division Bijbehara.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have lost the number plate of my motorcycle bearing regd no: J.K. 05C8662. Now I have applied for the duplicate of the same. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/his objection in the office of the ARTO Sopore Baramulla within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

Arif Hussain Neka S/O Nisar Ah
R/O Malbochan
2nd owner : Muzamil Hussain Mir
S.gulam Hussain Mir
Royagipora Magma

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I want to change my name on my previous passport bearing no K572883 from Aasim Bin Rafiq Beigh to Aasim Bin Rafiq as per my matriculation certificate. Now I am applying for renewal of my passport. If anybody has any objection he/she may contact Regional Passport office Srinagar within seven days from the date of publication of this notice. No objection shall be entertained thereafter.

Aasim Bin Rafiq
S/o Mohammad Rafiq Beigh

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My name has been wrongly written in my J&K Bank Account Details as Mohd Asgar Bangi S/o Ghulam Mustafa Mir R/o Magam while my correct name is Mohammad Asgar Mir S/o Ghulam Mustafa Mir R/o Magam which needs to be corrected. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the J&K Bank Branch Manager Magam within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

Mohammad Asgar Mir
S/o Ghulam Mustafa Mir

BMG

از عدالت سبج میوہیل جھڑپٹ سرینگر
با اجلاس مہرین مشتاق

رہزار برتھ ایڈز تھس
ایس۔ ایم۔ سی سرینگر (سیول)

Mohamad Yaseen
Khan
سائل اسامہ
درخواست برقع اندراج تاریخ پیدائش
Azaan Yaseen
نام:
تاریخ پیدائش: 14-07-2008
معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان صدر میں سائل سالکنے عدالت ہڈا میں ایک درخواست بشمول ملحق بنرض
اندرج تاریخ پیدائش
Azaan Yaseen S/o Mohammad Yaseen Khan
مورثہ: 31-08-2023
R/o Tengpora Batamaloos Sgr
بذریعہ اشتہار طلب کیا جاتا ہے کہ نسبت درخواست کوئی مذکور یا اعتراض ہونے کی صورت میں اپنے
عدالت اشاعت اشتہار کے اندر ہی پدم عدالت میں آکر پیش کرے۔ بعد گزرنے میں کوئی مذکور یا
اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔ تاریخ آئندہ عدالت ہڈا میں 14-09-2023 کو قہر ہے۔
تحریر الصدر

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از عدالت سبج میوہیل جھڑپٹ سرینگر
با اجلاس مہرین مشتاق

رہزار برتھ ایڈز تھس
ایس۔ ایم۔ سی سرینگر (سیول)

Saleema
نام:
سائل اسامہ
درخواست برقع اندراج تاریخ پیدائش اوقات
Rahti:
نام:
تاریخ پیدائش: 27-08-2010
معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان صدر میں سائل سالکنے عدالت ہڈا میں ایک درخواست بشمول ملحق بنرض
اندرج تاریخ پیدائش اوقات
Rahti W/o Late Ghulam Rasool Malla
مورثہ: 08-08-2023
R/o Panditpora Ranawari
Srinagar
بذریعہ اشتہار طلب کیا جاتا ہے کہ نسبت درخواست کوئی مذکور یا اعتراض ہونے کی صورت میں اپنے
عدالت اشاعت اشتہار کے اندر ہی پدم عدالت میں آکر پیش کرے۔ بعد گزرنے میں کوئی مذکور یا
اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔ تاریخ آئندہ عدالت ہڈا میں 19-09-2023 کو قہر ہے۔
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FCS&CA-K Holds Awareness Program On Online Services At Bemina

Observer News Service
Srinagar: The Department of Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs (FCS&CA) Srinagar today organized a daylong awareness programme at SDA Park Bemina Srinagar as part of an awareness camp.
The Director FCS&CA Kashmir, Riyaz Ahmad Sofi was chief guest on the occasion while as Deputy Director FCS&CA, Najwan Nazki was the guest of honour.
Speaking on the occasion the Director FCS&CA-K highlighted the positive impact of online services and achievements of the department.
On this occasion, the Assistant Director Srinagar South, Shohab Latief elaborated and gave an extensive presentation of various schemes of the department wherein additional 10 Kilograms of food grains over and above regular monthly food grains are being provided to PHH beneficiaries under PMFS. He asked the rationees to avail this facility at all the Govt Sale Centers/ Fair Price Shops of district Srinagar.
He further said that the Department has moved to online (Automated) mode of ration distribution through Aadhar enabled/ Biometric based point of Sale (POS) Devices, as it simplifies the process, brings good Governance, Transparency and efficiency and also enables the rationees to get their ration entitlement in a convenient and hassle-free manner.
After this, there was an interaction session between the public and the Tehsil Supply Officers of the department wherein the queries raised by the public were redressed on spot. After this e-Tickets under AAY/PHH categories were handed over to the rationees by the Director FCS&CA-K, Assistant Director, & Corporator SMC Bemina West.
Among others, Chief Accounts Officer, Aaliya; Assistant Director Srinagar South, Shohab Latief; Assistant Director Srinagar North, Mohammad Yousof; Corporator SMC Bemina West, Shameema; President Food & Supplies Association, Aijaz Ahmad Khan; Tehsil Supply Officers and other Officials of the department and respectable dignitaries of the Mohalla Committees of Bemina and other adjoining areas attended the event



A boatman ferries students in a shikara amidst lotus bloom in the interiors of world famous Dal Lake in Srinagar. KO Photo, Abid Bhat

Chaiwala's Affection For Ailing Mother Makes Him Role Model For Young Generation

Press Trust Of India

Srinagar: Farooq Ahmad is a regular 'chaiwala' who sells tea outside the old Saddar Court Complex in Lal Chowk area of the city but his dedication and affection towards his ailing mother makes him a modern day 'Shravan Kumar'.
Ahmad, a resident of Batamalo area here, brings his mother Daulat Dee in a wheelchair to his roadside tea stall everyday as he takes care of her with religious zeal.
'It is my religious obligation to take care of my mother as, for me, the paradise lies under her feet. The God rewards those who are able to take care of their mother,' he said as his mother sat behind him.
The tea seller, who lost his father at the age of 10, even sacrificed his marital life to take care of his mother.
'My wife refused to look after my mother. So, we got separated

four years ago. Since then, I take my mother along with me to my tea stall as she is a heart patient and cannot stay alone at home,' he added.
Ahmad has decided not to remarry till his mother is alive.
The tea seller said he has two siblings a brother and a sister who are married and live separately elsewhere. The mother has only kind words for her favourite son.
'I remain here (the tea stall) from morning till evening. We go home together..Farooq serves me well. I go mad if he goes anywhere without me,' the woman in her eighties said.
People, who deal with Ahmad, like his milk supplier Shakeel Ahmad said that the tea seller is a role model for today's youths.
'I think this is a lesson for today's generation. It is a blessing of the God that he is taking care of his

mother in such a manner...everyone is not so lucky," Shakeel said.
The milkman said he has not seen such love and affection between a mother and son. "He is more than a Shravan Kumar," he added. Even customers are moved when they come to know about the tea seller's story.
"He is the first person I have seen in my life who is taking care of his mother in such a way," Aijaz Bhat, a customer, said.
While Ahmad has no grudge with his life, he is hoping that the government will provide him a shop so that he can take care of his mother better.
'I have a municipality registration (for the tea stall) and also pay sanitation fees. I ask the administration for help as my mother faces a lot of difficulties especially during winter. The washroom is also far from here," he said.

- TRAFFIC POLICE : 9419993745, 01998-266686
PCR: 0194-2452092, 2455883
PDD: 0194-2450213
FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES : 2479488, 245222, 2452155
CAPD: 18001807011
SMC HEALTH OFFICER: 9469409081
Ambulance: Kashmir EMS Service: +91 94841 00200

AIRPORTS
SHIEK UL ALAM AIRPORT: 01942303311

- RAILWAYS
SRINAGAR: 0194-2103259
ANANTNAG: 01932-228243
BARAMULLA: 0194-102029
BIJHERA: 01932-228243
PAMPORE: 01933-294132
PATTAN: 01954-293507
QAZIGUND: 01951-296153

HIGHWAY STATUS
Sgr-Jammu highway - (Open)
Mughal Road - (Open)
Srinagar-Leh- (Open)

PRAYERS
FAJR 4:48
ZUHR 12:30
ASR 4:53
Magrib 6:48
ISHA 8:10
HIJRI CALENDAR
26 Safar 1445

This Day In History

- 533 - General Belisarius of the Byzantine Empire defeats Gelimer and the Vandals at the Battle of Ad Decimium, near Carthage, North Africa
604- Sabianin begins his reign as Pope replacing Pope Gregory the Great
1224 - Francis of Assisi is afflicted with stigmata after a vision praying on Mount Verna
1500 - Predro Alvares Cabral and his Portuguese expedition arrive in Calicut, India
1515- First day of two-day Battle of Marignano: Francis I's French army defeats Swiss army force near Milan
1574 - Turkish fleet recaptures Tunis
1579 - Breda forms Union of Utrecht
1743 - Great Britain, Austria and Savoye-Sardinia sign Treaty of Worms
1751 - Britain signs Austrian & Russian alliance
1759- British beat French forces at the battle of Plains of Abrahams near Quebec - kills both leading generals Wolfe and Montcalm
1782- The Grand Assault on Gibraltar by the allied French and Spanish fleets including ten floating batteries and land forces is heavily defeated by the British garrison with all of the floating batteries destroyed and allied casualties of 1,473 compared to only 83 for the British
1787 - Prussian army moves into Netherlands
1791- France's King Louis XVI accepts constitution
1800 - Curacao in British hands (until Jan 1803)
1808- Finnish War: In the Battle of Jutas, Swedish forces under Lieutenant General Georg Carl von Döbeln beat the Russians, making von Döbeln a Swedish war hero.
1845- English chemist Michael Faraday discovers the 'Faraday effect', the influence of a magnetic field on polarized light
1850 - The main-belt asteroid '12 Victoria' is discovered by J R Hind
1861- 1st naval battle of Civil War, Union frigate "Colorado" sinks privateer "Judah" off Pensacola, Fla
1867- General Edward Canby orders South Carolina courts to impound blacks jurors
1882 - Battle at Count el-Kebir: British troops defeat Egyptian force in the decisive battle of the Anglo-Egyptian War
1898- 20,000 Paris construction workers go on strike
1906 - 1st airplane flight in Europe, Brazilian Alberto Santos-Dumont test flies his hybrid 14-bis plane (attached to a hydrogen balloon for take-off), at Bagatelle, France
1923- Miguel Primo de Rivera leads a military coup with the support of King Alfonso XIII to become Prime Minister of Spain
1925- 1st US University for African Americans, Xavier University, opens in New Orleans
1933- Elizabeth McCombs becomes the first New Zealand female Member of Parliament
1940 - Buckingham Palace damaged by German bombs
1940 - Italian troops under Marshal Graziani attack Egypt
1942 - Battle of Edson's Ridge (2nd Japanese assault) at Guadalcanal
1942 - German forces attack Stalingrad
1943- German counter attack at Salerno
1944- Great Atlantic hurricane reaches peak intensity as a Category 4 storm, goes on to kill 300-400 along the US East Coast
1966- Johannes Balthazar Vorster sworn in as premier of South Africa
1968- Albania leaves Warsaw pact
1970 - Palestine guerrillas conquer Irbid Jordania
1971- Nikita Khrushchev, Soviet premier, buried in Moscow
1971- World Hockey Association forms
1973- ABC announces it obtained TV rights for 1976 Olympics
1973 - Syrian/Israeli dogfight over Mediterranean Sea
1974 - OPEC instructs its Secretary General to "carry out a study of supply and demand in relation to possible production controls"
1984 - STS 41-G launch vehicle moves to launch pad
1984 - Shimon Peres forms Israeli government with Likud

No.4 CIVIL COURT
IN THE COURT OF MR. ARVIND SHARMA
Additional District Judge Bank Cases, Srinagar
SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT
To, Shaheela W/o: Nayeem ud Din Naqashbadi
R/o: Shah Faisal Colony Soura, Srinagar Jammu and Kashmir
Whereas JK Bank has instituted a suit against you under order XXXVII of the code of Civil Procedure, 1908, for Rs 1,51,558.75 and interest, you are hereby summoned to cause and appearance to be entered for you within ten days from the service hereof in default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled, after the expiration of the said period of ten days, to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum of Rs 1,51,558.75 and the sum of Rs 1765 for costs, together with such interest, if any as the court may order.

No.4 CIVIL COURT
IN THE COURT OF MR. ARVIND SHARMA
Additional District Judge Bank Cases, Srinagar
SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT
To, Bashir Ahmad Wani S/o: Ghulam Mohammad Wani
R/o: Khawajapora Nowshera Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir
Whereas JK Bank has instituted a suit against you under order XXXVII of the code of Civil Procedure, 1908, for Rs 112505.2 and interest, you are hereby summoned to cause and appearance to be entered for you within ten days from the service hereof in default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled, after the expiration of the said period of ten days, to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum of Rs 112505.2 and the sum of Rs 1500 for costs, together with such interest, if any as the court may order.

No.1 CIVIL COURT
IN THE COURT OF MR. ARVIND SHARMA
Additional District Judge Bank Cases, (Commercial Court) Srinagar
SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT
To, Fahmeeda
W/o: Mohammad Amin Bhat
R/o: Nowpora Lone Mohalla Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir
Whereas J&K Bank has instituted a suit against you for you are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed (and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit, or who shall be accompanied by some person, able to answer all such questions, on the 14.09.2023 at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, to answer the claim, and as the day fixed for your appearance is appointed for the final disposal of the suit, you must be prepared to produce on that day all the witness upon whose evidence and all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your defence.

No.1 CIVIL COURT
IN THE COURT OF MR. ARVIND SHARMA
Additional District Judge Bank Cases, (Commercial Court) Srinagar
SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT
To, Abdul Qayoom Ganale
S/o: Ghulam Mohammad Ganale
R/o: Syed Mohmooda Abad Wuyan Khrew, Jammu and Kashmir
Whereas J&K Bank has instituted a suit against you for you are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed (and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit, or who shall be accompanied by some person, able to answer all such questions, on the 14.09.2023 at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, to answer the claim, and as the day fixed for your appearance is appointed for the final disposal of the suit, you must be prepared to produce on that day all the witness upon whose evidence and all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your defence.

Office Of The Executive Engineer R&B Division Bemina Srinagar.
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
NIT No.01/EE/R&B/BM/249-59 of 2023-24
DATED:12.09.2023
For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of J&K, e-tenders (in single cover system) are invited on item basis from Regd. Local Taxi Stand Unions for hiring of One No. vehicle of following types/description during the financial year 2023-24 use by the Executive Engineer, R&B Division Bemina Srinagar.
S.No Description Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees) Earnest Money (in Rupees) Time of Completion Financial year 2023-24 Class of Contract
1. Hiring of the Vehicle (Type Toyota Innova/ Mahindra Scorpio for the financial year 2023-24 with all maintenance costs of vehicle/Road taxes having valid licensed Driver, excluding cost of fuel for the use of Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Bemina Srinagar. 200/- 5000/- Financial year 2023-24 Regd. Local Taxi Stand Unions
Position of Funds:-Available.
1. Date of Issue of Tender Notice 12-09-2023
2. Period of downloading of bidding documents From 13-09-2023 10:00 AM
3. Bid submission Start Date 13-09-2023 from 10:00 AM
4. Bid Submission End Date 18-09-2023 upto 4.00 P.M
5. Date & time of opening of Bids (Online) 19-09.2022 at 11:00 AM in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Bemina Srinagar.
The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.Q.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:-
Note :-The Bidders are advised to read all conditions laid down in the e-tenders carefully before uploading softcopy any short fall found in the soft copy the tender shall be rejected.
Note: As per Circular issued by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir: Civil Secretariat Finance department vide No.OM No.A/24(2017)-651 dtd.07-06-2018 which reads as under:-
a) Furnishing of Hard Copies of bids immediately after submission is dispensed with. The same should be obtained only from the Bidder who's declared IstLowest (L-1) after opening of financial bids.
b) The Cost of tenders should be collected by introducing Treasury Challan (Receipt).
1. The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Bemina Srinagar (tender receiving authority).
2. The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of bids.
3. Instruction to bidders regarding e-tendering process.
3.1. Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" option as well as from "Bidders Manual Kit" on website www.jktenders.gov.in to acquaint bid submission process.
3.2. To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get 'Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)' as per Information Technology Act-2000. Bidders can get digital certificate from any approved Vendor.
3.3. The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature.
No bid will be accepted in physical form.
3.4. Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in Para-1.
3.5. Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the bid.
Note:- Scan all the documents on 100 dpi with black and white option.
4. The department will not be responsible for delay in online submission due to any reasons.
5. Scanned copy of cost of tender document in shape of Treasury Challan in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Bemina Srinagar.
6. Scanned copy of Earnest Money in the shape of CRD/FR pledged in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Bemina Srinagar.
7. Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (Bill of Quantities) contents. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually.
8. Price escalation and Taxes:-The unit rates and prices shall be quoted by the bidder entirely in Indian Rupees and the rates quoted shall be deemed to include price escalation and all taxes upto completion of the work, unless otherwise specified. Deduction on account of taxes shall be made from the bills of the contractor on gross amount of the bill as per the rates prevailing at the time of recovery.
9. Bidders are advised to use "My Documents" area in their user on R&B e-Tendering portal to store such documents as are required.
10. Instructions to Bidder (ITB)
10.1. All bidders shall include the following information and documents with their bids:-
10.2. Documents to be uploaded
1. Valid Registration Certificate with Tour and Travels with latest renewal.
2. All bidders shall upload Treasury Challan and Earnest Money.
3. All bidders shall upload Valid PAN Card.
a. The CDR will be released only after successfully delivering the services at the end of contract.
Note:- Scan all the documents on 100 dpi with black and white option
10.3. All documents relating to the bid shall be in the English Language.
10.4. The payment shall be debited to Work charge contingencies/proper Head of Account.
10.5. The rates quoted must be inclusive of all the Taxes and VAT.
10.6. The vehicle should be sophisticated and in very good condition of Model 2017 onwards.
10.7. The POL shall be supplied by the Department as per the consumption certificate issued by State Motor Garage.
10.8. If the successful bidder failed to provide the vehicles as per the terms and Conditions the matter shall be taken with RTO Kashmir for cancellation of Registration.
10.9. Vehicle found unsound by any means after put in use by this office shall be withdrawn immediately without any notice.
10.10. The Vehicle will remain engaged for full time with Executive Engineer R&B Division Bemina Srinagar.
10.11. Bidder must ensure to upload scanned copies of all necessary documents including tender documents fee in terms of soft copies with technical bid. No. documents (s) which has / have not been uploaded shall be entertained in the form of hard copy. However, in case of any clarification the bidders shall have to produce original documents in support of soft copies if need arises.
10.12. Insurance-Cover to Driver / Vehicle shall be mandatory.
10.13. Laws Governing the Contract-The contract shall be governed by Laws of the land.
10.14. Court's Jurisdiction:-In case of any disputes/differences between contractor and Department the jurisdiction shall be J&K UT.
10.15. The tender receiving authority reserves the right to accept or reject any tender or all tenders without assigning any reasons therefor.
10.16. License:- The driver driving the vehicle should be having valid driving license issued by the competent authority.
10.17. The Driver alongwith the vehicle shall remain available at the disposal of Executive Engineer.
Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
R&B Division Bemina Srinagar
No.249-59
DIPK-8705/23
Dt.12.09.2023

KASHMIR OBSERVERTM

Wednesday | 13-09-2023

New Tourism Push

The Jammu and Kashmir administration has launched an ambitious plan to develop 300 new tourist destinations. These destinations will encompass heritage sites, offbeat locales, adventure spots, and spiritual retreats, offering a diverse array of experiences to both domestic and international travelers. The Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha announced the plan during the inauguration of the 'Bangus Adventure Festival' in the border district of Kupwara while rightly emphasizing that many of Jammu and Kashmir's offbeat destinations are perfect havens for leisure adventurers and seekers of enchanting experiences.

The festival follows the successful hosting of the G20 tourism working group meeting in Srinagar earlier this year, which, according to the government, has led to a significant increase in the number of foreign tourists visiting Jammu and Kashmir, among them around 15000 foreign tourists. The government figures put the number of tourists who visited the union territory this year at 1.58 crore including 3.65 lakh Amarnath yatris.

Going forward, there are expectations that more tourists will come. And to this end, the administration is developing more tourist destinations and upgrading the infrastructure. The administration is also contemplating hosting a national-level tourism summit in the twin capital cities of Srinagar and Jammu. The summit is anticipated to take place either by the end of this year or in early 2024, serving as a platform to showcase the region's potential as a tourist hotspot.

There is also good news for commuters along the crucial Srinagar-Jammu highway. The police have decided to permit civilian traffic during VVIP movements, a move that will undoubtedly ease the daily travails of the region's residents and visitors. This decision comes after years of restrictions imposed in the aftermath of the devastating Pulwama militant suicide attack on a convoy in February 2019, which claimed the lives of 40 paramilitary personnel. The move to phase out restrictions on public transport during convoy movements reflects the improving security situation in the region.

The reduction in militancy-related violence and improvements in the overall law and order situation have helped this positive outlook. While 35 militants were killed in various operations by the security forces from January 1 to July 25 this year, the number was over 120 in the same period last year. In 2022, 186 militants, including 56 foreigners, were killed by the security forces, leading to a drop in violence. This, in turn, has helped bring more tourists to the region. As situation continues to steadily improve, tourism is expected to further flourish and benefit the UT's economy.

OTHER OPINION

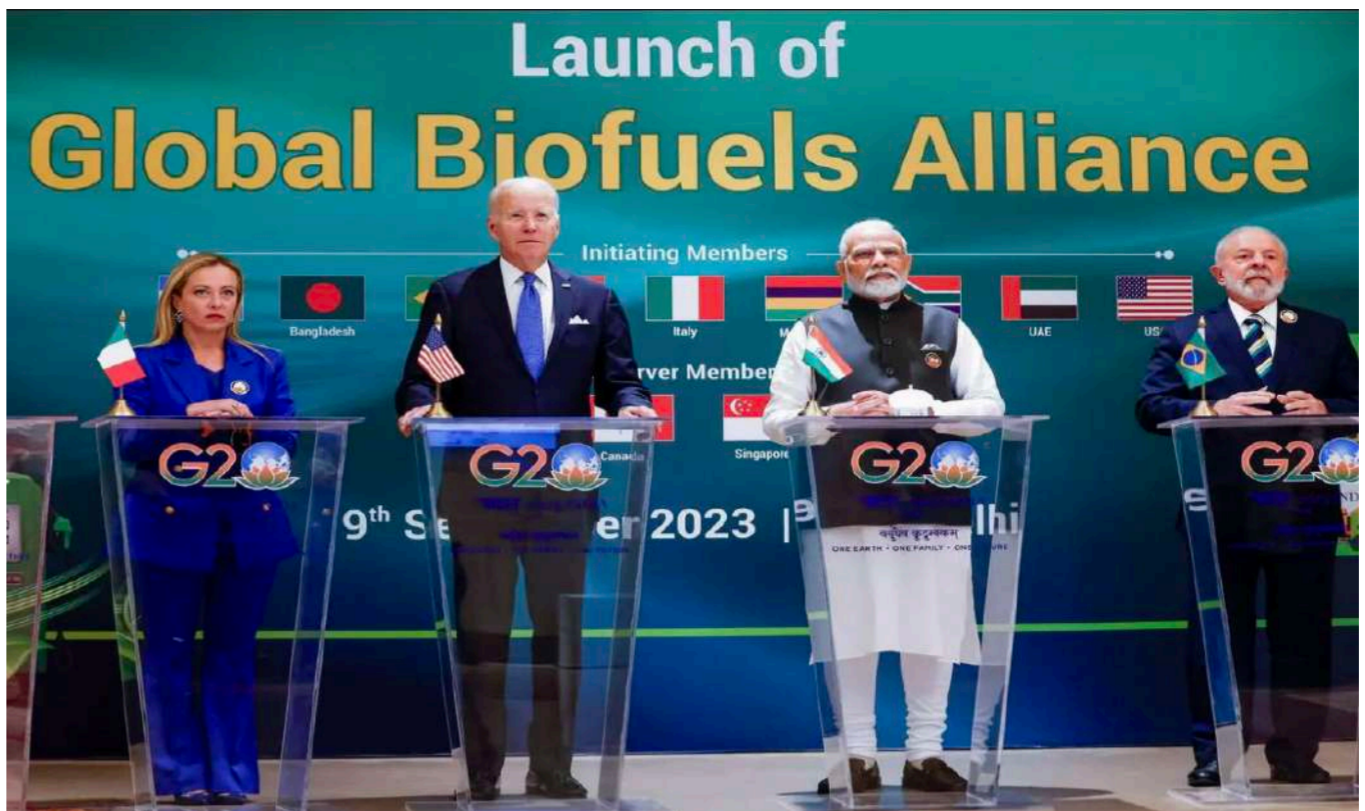
Right Place, Right Time

In diplomacy especially, timing matters. India's presidency of the G20 came at a time when the world was undergoing a geo-political churn. The Russia-Ukraine war had impacted the global economy after two years of the Covid-19 pandemic. The economic shock of these twin events had a deep impact on developing and under-developed countries — the war came at a time when these countries were just trying to get back on their feet with the post-pandemic economic recovery. As New Delhi took over the presidency in December last year, it seized the opportunity to bring together the large group of about 120 countries that were bearing the brunt of the war. The Voice of Global South summit brought in the views from these countries, and India promised to place their ideas and concerns on the G20 high table.

India's presidency was preceded and succeeded by that of other members of the Global South — Indonesia was the 2022 G20 chair, and Brazil was going to be next year's chair in 2024, followed by South Africa in 2025. The fact that for four successive years, members of the Global South are chairing the G20 offered another opportunity. And, then India moved the proposal to invite the African Union as the 21st member of the grouping. Including 55 countries in all, the AU comprises almost half of the Global South. This was in sync with New Delhi's outreach to Africa since 2008 — in 2015, India hosted the India-Africa Forum summit which was attended by 40 leaders from the African continent. In the last few years, India has committed more diplomatic resources towards Africa — it has announced 18 new embassies, which will take the number from 39 to 47 in the continent. The proposal had important backers in the US, France and China — an almost bipartisan consensus emerged across the geopolitical aisle.

So, the timing was apt when India proposed that the African Union should be part of G20, as part of the Global South push to make the grouping more representative. Both the moves of the Voice of Global South and the inclusion of AU were mutually reinforcing and they helped India to craft a diplomatically nuanced language on the Russia-Ukraine war in the joint communique, the New Delhi G20 Leaders' Declaration. Both warring parties in the G20 — the G7-led western grouping and the Russia-China bloc — acknowledged the concerns of the Global South, it became the key fulcrum, and the diplomatic outcome was clear with the entry of the African Union, lending weight to the seven paragraphs on the Ukraine conflict. They captured not just the impact in terms of the economic consequences, but also the political fallout when a powerful country invades a smaller neighbour. India's presidency achieved consensus for the joint communique with its careful combination of the right diplomatic timing and wide strategic vision.

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Modi's Global Green Movement

The Global Biofuels Alliance will strengthen India's diplomatic ties & influence in G20 plus ensuring Energy Security

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Prime Minister Modi along with the leaders of G20 nations like USA, Brazil, Singapore, Bangladesh, Italy, Argentina, Mauritius and UAE on the sidelines of the recent G20 meeting on September 9th 2023 launched the Global Biofuels Alliance-GBA. The Global Biofuels Alliance-GBA is the India's initiative as G20 Chair. The GBA intends to work towards expediting the global biofuel uptake by way of facilitating the technology advancements, intensifying utilization of sustainable biofuels, shaping robust standard setting and certification through the participation of a wide spectrum of stakeholders. The GB alliance will also act as a central repository of knowledge and an expert hub which aims to serve as a platform towards fostering global collaboration for the advancement and widespread adoption of biofuels.

The Global Biofuels Alliance shall work in collaboration with and complement the relevant existing regional and international agencies as well as initiatives in the bioenergy, bioeconomy, and energy transition fields more broadly, including the Clean Energy Ministerial Biofuture Platform, the Mission Innovation Bioenergy initiatives, and the Global Bioenergy Partnership (GBEP).

GBA & India

The Global Biofuels Alliance has been set up under India's G20 Presidency and is seen as a priority area. Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister of India Hardeep S Puri had officially made the announcement of GBA during India Energy Week 2023 early this year in Bengaluru. The GBA offers several advantages to India in the G20 context. Biofuels will reduce India's dependence on fossil fuels and its imports. It will reduce greenhouse gas emissions thus contributing to India's climate goals. It will enhance farmers income through crop diversification and will reduce stubble burning as the same can be used to make biofuel. This will also strengthen the rural economy and ensure job creation and resource efficiency. The research and development in the biofuel industry will involve more innovations and knowledge sharing. India will get more carbon credits through reduction of fossil fuel energy systems. By aligning with Global Biofuel Alliance India will also contribute a lot towards achieving Sustainable Development Goals-SDGs.

A total of 19 countries along with 12 international organizations have so far agreed to join the Global Biofuels Alliance -GBA

which includes both G20 members and non-member countries. India, USA and Brazil are the founding members of the GBA. Prime Minister Modi on September 9th formally launched the Global Biofuels Alliance-GBA in presence of the US President Joe Biden, President of Brazil Luiz Inacio da Silva, President of Argentina Alberto Angel Fernandez, Italian prime minister Giorgia Meloni, Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and others.

Apart from India, Brazil and the US, the other G20 member countries supporting the initiative are Canada, Italy, Argentina, and South Africa. Mauritius, Singapore, Bangladesh and the UAE are the G20 invited countries.

The non-G20 countries who have shown interest in joining

announced duty cuts for certain blended fuels. The Gas Authority of India Ltd (GAIL), Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), Hindustan Petroleum Corporation (HPCL) and Bharat Petroleum Corporation (BPCL) are some of the companies who plan to invest more for setting up the CBG plants. The Union Finance Minister said that under Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources Dhan- also called GOBAR -Dhan scheme Compressed Biogas (CBG) plants will be established for promoting a circular economy. These will include 200 compressed biogas plants and 300 community or cluster-based plants with a total investment of Rs 10,000 crore.

CBG is a mixture of various hydrocarbon gases, produced by decomposition of animal and plant waste which consists mainly

compression-ignition (diesel) engines. Biodiesel can be blended with petroleum diesel in any percentage, including B100 (pure biodiesel) and, the most common blend, B20 (a blend containing 20% biodiesel and 80% petroleum diesel).

Conclusion

Last year, in December, the Director of Sher-e-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences-SKIMS Dr Parvez Koul said that 10,000 deaths were attributed to air pollution in J&K every year. He said that Srinagar City has the highest incidence of lung cancer in India and a large number of people were suffering from chronic lung diseases in J&K. Dr Koul called for an urgent need to act and control air pollution by countering mea-

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the GBA are Kenya, Guyana, Paraguay, Seychelles, Sri Lanka, Uganda, Iceland and Finland. In addition to it international institutions like World Bank, Asian Development Bank, World Economic Forum, World LPG Organization, UN Energy for All, UNIDO, Bio-futures Platform, International Civil Aviation Organization, International Energy Agency, International Energy Forum, International Renewable Energy Agency, World Biogas Association are also said to have shown interest to be part of the Global Biofuels Alliance-GBA.

PM Modi through an official statement uploaded on X (formerly called twitter) said, "The launch of the Global Biofuels Alliance marks a watershed moment in our quest towards sustainability and clean energy. I thank the member nations who have joined this Alliance."

Oil producing nations like Saudi Arabia, Russia and China have decided to stay away from the new biofuel alliance.

10,000 Cr Budget for CBG

India has already shown keen interest in providing clean energy by taking up initiatives like setting up more and more biofuel plants. The Indian Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in her budget speech in the parliament earmarked Rs 10,000 crore from the Union Budget for 2023-24 towards setting-up of 200 Compressed Biogas (CBG) plants and 300 community & cluster based biogas plants in the country. The Minister also

of Methane. This is further processed and compressed for use as fuel. CBG is chemically similar to CNG, and hence can be used to replace CNG as transportation fuel. CNG and CBG are both methane based gases. CNG, like gasoline, comes from underground, while CBG is made from fermented waste or other biological material, thus making it a CO2 neutral fuel.

Ethanol and Biodiesel

Unlike other renewable energy sources, biomass can be converted directly into liquid fuels which is also called "biofuel". This will help to meet transportation fuel needs. The two most common types of biofuels in use today are ethanol and biodiesel, both of which represent the first generation of biofuel technology.

Ethanol (CH₃CH₂OH) is a renewable fuel that can be made from various plant materials, collectively known as "Biomass." Ethanol is an alcohol used as a blending agent with gasoline to increase octane and cut down carbon monoxide and other smog-causing emissions. Biodiesel is a liquid fuel produced from renewable sources, such as new and used vegetable oils and animal fats and is a cleaner-burning replacement for petroleum-based diesel fuel. Biodiesel is nontoxic and biodegradable and is produced by combining alcohol with vegetable oil, animal fat, or recycled cooking grease. Like petroleum-derived diesel, biodiesel is used to fuel

and initiatives like afforestation around Srinagar city especially growing more trees on the hills surrounding Srinagar city like Hari Parbat and Zabarwan mountains which can reduce the air pollution. This is not enough as we need other major steps to be taken on reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The Govt of J&K has to start transitioning from fossil fuel to biofuel. It is encouraging to see more and more electric buses are being operated by Srinagar Municipal Corporation -SMC under the smart city project. In the last one year we have had a sudden rise in the sale of e-rickshaws which are successfully running on roads in Srinagar and Jammu. We now need to set up electric vehicle charging stations. This is also the time to set up more and more biofuel plants in Kashmir for which PM Modi has launched a global green movement called Global Biofuels Alliance -GBA. Our Govt institutions, officers must now stop giving licence to set up fresh brick kilns or cement factories. We need a moratorium on such pollution causing industrial units & then only we can claim to be part of this new green movement.

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The Poetic Escape: Pills or Roses?

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In my opinion, the youth of Kashmir who are trying to look for an escape from substance abuse as a (an unhealthy) coping mechanism should be directed towards seeing poetry, especially escapist poetry as an ideal alternative.

The turmoil in Kashmir has had a profound and long-lasting impact on the youth of the region. Those who have grown up in the shadow of it have been exposed to violence, displacement, and uncertainty from a young age. This has led to high rates of anxiety, depression, and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

The turmoil has also limited employment opportunities and led to social isolation. As a result, many young people have turned to substance abuse as a way to cope with their pain. However, there are also some positive coping mechanisms emerging, such as art and music.

One study found that 60% of young women in Kashmir have experienced anxiety or depression, and 40% have had thoughts of suicide. The study also found that young women who have experienced violence or displacement are more likely to suffer from mental health problems. Another study found that the prevalence of depression is 55.72% among the youth of Kashmir. The prevalence is highest (66.67%) in the 15 to 25 years age group followed by 65.33% in the 26 to 35 years age group. Females have an overall prevalence of 60 per cent while males have 51.34 per cent. The turmoil has also had a negative impact on the education of young people in Kashmir. Schools have been closed for long periods of time due to it, and many young people have been forced to drop out of school. This has made it difficult for them to find jobs and build a better future for themselves.

In my opinion, the youth of Kashmir who are trying to look for an escape from substance abuse as a (an unhealthy) coping mechanism should be directed towards seeing poetry, especially escapist poetry as an ideal alternative. Alice Osborn argues that poetry is important for its ability to help us understand and appreciate the world around us. She writes that poetry "bares open the vulnerabilities of human beings" by revealing their thoughts and feelings in a way that is both honest and beautiful. This can help us to connect with each other on a deeper level, as we realize that we are not alone in our experiences. Emily Warn agrees, stating that poetry "binds solitudes" by creating a sense of community among readers. When we read a poem, we are not only connecting with the poet but also with all of the other readers who have ever read that poem. This can help us to feel less alone and more connected to the world around us. Daisy Fried says that great poetry "reinforces and deepens our human-

ity" by helping us to see the world through the eyes of others. When we read a poem, we are invited to step into the poet's shoes and experience the world from their perspective. This can help us to develop empathy and understanding for others.

The best form of poetry or literature in general suited for this purpose is escapist literature. Abigail Mazour, in her research paper "The Reality of Escape in Fantasy" (2018) writes that escapist literature is fiction that provides a psychological escape from the everyday world. This type of literature can be helpful for people who are struggling with pain and suffering as it can provide a temporary reprieve from the challenges of life. It can allow us to forget our troubles and immerse ourselves in a different world. This can be a helpful and healthy way to cope with stress and anxiety.

Escapist literature can also provide us with new perspectives on the world. When we read about characters who are facing different challenges than our own, it can help us to see our own problems in a new light. This can be helpful in developing coping mechanisms and finding solutions to our problems.

Back home, an Associate Professor of English and Principal of GDC, Kashmir, Gazala Gayas says, "Escapist poetry has helped poets to leave the conflict-oriented society and seek solutions to conflict through subconscious mindscaping. People try to leave the stage and enter a world of peace and love through poetry. This genre of poetry has helped the young generation to become more strong and positive. As a poet, I always felt a sense of security and peace when I leave the conflict-oriented world and enter into the world of peace and love through my art of poetry. It helped us to build a strong psyche where love and peace is the ultimate goal. This is not possible in the contemporary world of conflict and hate. What Keats calls negative capability. I believe that confessional and personal poetry is the ultimate connection between self and subconscious."

To augment this argument, I had a conversation with a few Kashmiri youths who expressed their views on how poetry has been helpful for them like an anchor in a storm. They find comfort in escapist poetry, which provides a temporary escape from the harsh realities of their surroundings.

Youhana Yasoob, an ardent reader of poetry, says that it can help people relate to each other's experiences and feel less alone. He says, "When I read poetry by other Kashmiris, I feel like I'm not alone in my experiences. I know that other people have felt the same things that I've felt, and that makes me feel less isolated."

Sehrish Shafi Lone, an English Literature student, agrees, saying that literature can be a source of solace and connection for people from conflicted areas. She says, "When you're



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living in a place where there's so much conflict and violence, it can be really isolating. But literature can help you to connect with other people who are going through the same thing. It can make you feel less alone and more understood."

Zahir Wani, a writer himself, says that escapist poetry can be a lifeline for people in Kashmir, providing a sense of hope and normalcy. He says, "When the world around you is constantly in chaos, it can be hard to find hope. But escapist poetry can offer a glimpse of a better world, a world where things are peaceful and calm. It can give you the strength to keep going."

Zohra Kanth, another English literature student, says that reading escapist poetry can help her to hope for a better future. She says, "When I read poetry about a better world, it makes me want to work towards making that world a reality. It gives me hope that things can change."

The views mentioned above are substantiated by experts of Psychology and also by some forerunners of mental health improvement research studies. For example, in her article 'The Poetry of Grief: Be-

yond Scientific Portrayal,' Margaret Stroebe, a researcher from Department of Clinical Psychology and Experimental Psychopathology, University of Groningen, highlights the unique role poets play in enhancing our understanding of the emotions that arise after losing a loved one. Through their expressive depictions, poets make these feelings more relatable and intimate. Stroebe emphasizes that poets not only articulate grief effectively but also emphasize the impact of putting feelings into words. She suggests that poetic expressions offer metaphors to help us process ongoing attachments and incorporate loss into our lives.

David Hansen Xiang and Alisha Moon Yi, in their work titled 'A Look Back and a Path Forward: Poetry's Healing Power during the Pandemic,' discuss how poetry has proven effective in helping individuals manage pain and cope with stressors. Previous studies and reviews indicate poetry's positive influence on patients, aiding pain management, stress coping, and personal well-being (Lepore and Smyth 2002). Poetry also equips patients with additional

strategies for handling unexpected or stress-inducing situations. Earlier research has shown that engaging in reading and composing poetry briefly enhances working memory, potentially empowering individuals to proactively navigate stressful scenarios. Expressive writing, commonly found in poetry, has been associated with reduced physiological stress markers, such as muscle tension, perspiration levels, blood pressure, and heart rate (Smyth et al. 1999). This form of writing encourages introspection, allowing patients to reflect on their lives and accept their circumstances with composure and tranquility.

Quoting Heimes, "Whether it is coping with pain, dealing with stressful situations, or coming to terms with uncertainty, poetry can benefit a patient's well-being, confidence, emotional stability, and quality of life." According to Wassiliwizky, poetry wields emotional power, reminding us that we're not alone. Amid collective voices, we find resonance and connection. Reading poetry can provide solace and great hope to us, as it reaffirms our place

in the world and, in those moments when we come across a poem or certain lines that strongly resonate with us, it is as if we are jolted with electricity at the sheer joy of knowing we can share a bond with someone who we may have never met."

Back home again, Consultant Clinical Psychologist Wasim Rashid Kakroo states, "Escapist, confessional, and relatable literature or poetry can play a significant role in supporting youth in conflict-impacted zones like Kashmir. Escapist literature provides a temporary escape from harsh realities, allowing young individuals to experience relief from stress and emotional burdens. Relatable literature or poetry, especially if it reflects their own experiences, creates a connection and validation of their feelings. This can promote a sense of belonging and reduce feelings of isolation. Through literature, youth can explore various perspectives, build empathy, and better understand their emotions. Instances from conflict zones like Bosnia or Syria have shown that literature and art provide an outlet for expressing emotions, reducing psychological distress, and enhancing coping mechanisms. Creative expression can empower youth by giving them a voice and a way to reclaim some control over their lives."

Masood Maqbool, Lecturer of Clinical Psychology at IMHANS, Kashmir, adds, "Escapist literature can act as a good distraction with which sometimes a person can identify and can help develop new interests while coping with issues. This healthy distraction can be a good coping mechanism for Kashmiri youth in conflict in place of the unfortunately prevalent substance abuse being used as an escape."

In a conversation with Dr. Yasir Hassan Rather, a Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at IMHANS, GMC Srinagar, he opined, "Escapist, confessional or relatable literature and poetry can be incredibly helpful for youth in conflict-impacted zones such as Kashmir. These works can provide an emotional and creative outlet to help youth process their experiences and make sense of the world around them. Studies have shown that literature and poetry can help foster empathy and understanding, and can even have a positive impact on youths' mental health. In Kashmir specifically, several projects have used literature to help bolster social cohesion and encourage youth to engage in dialogue and creative expression. For example, the Poetry and Conflict Initiative (PACI) uses poetry workshops to bring together youth from different backgrounds and empower them to use their voices constructively. Other organisations, such as the Himalayan Writers' Guild, use literature to help youth in conflict zones express their feelings and experiences as well as to help them better understand and appreciate the experiences of others."

Exploring Social Media Gracefully While Maintaining Integrity and Faith

HAZRA KHATOON

As I engage with the world of social media, I can't help but acknowledge the significant role it plays in the lives of Muslim women like myself. It has become a powerful platform that allows avenues for self-expression, community-building, gaining knowledge, and spreading positivity. However, amidst the vast opportunities it offers, social media also has hurdles that test our faith.

To reinforce our discussion, I reflected on the words of our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, who said:

"Verily, Allah is beautiful and He loves beauty." (Muslim)

This hadith highlights the essence of beauty and aesthetics in Islam.

As Muslim women, it is important to embody this beauty, both inwardly and outwardly, extending even to our online interactions. Let's discover how to chart our own path on social media that aligns with our beliefs, upholds our goodness, and allows us to be a source of positive change.

CHALLENGES FACED BY MUSLIM WOMEN ON SOCIAL MEDIA
Now that we've established

the significance of managing integrity and faith on social media, let's delve deeper into the difficulties we often face. When we understand them, we can better equip ourselves to overcome them and navigate the digital landscape with grace and strength.

1. STEREOTYPES AND MISCONCEPTIONS

Chances are, both you and I have personally faced the stereotypes and misconceptions that exist about Muslim women on social media. We're often subjected to unfair generalisations, portraying us as oppressed or backward.

However, these stereotypes are far from the truth. In reality, Muslim women are succeeding in all fields like business, science, art, and sports. We have the power to choose their education, jobs, and relationships, just like any other woman. In the Quran, Allah says, "Indeed, the noblest of you in the sight of Allah is the most righteous of you." (Surah Al-Hujurat 49:13)

This verse directs us toward the understanding that genuine nobility is rooted in piety and righteousness, rather than adhering to societal expectations or stereotypes.

2. PRESSURE TO VALIDATE

SOCIETAL EXPECTATIONS

As Muslim women, we often find ourselves under immense pressure to conform to societal norms and expectations. We may feel compelled to present ourselves in a certain way or engage in activities that contradict our values. This pressure can be especially heightened on social media, where the pursuit of likes, followers, and popularity can cloud one's judgement.

In the Quran, Allah reminds us, "And be not like those who forgot Allah, so He made them forget themselves." (Surah-Al-Hashr 59:19)

We must remember that our purpose on social media is not to seek validation of societal expectations, but rather to seek the pleasure of Allah and stay true to ourselves.

3. KEEPING MODESTY AND HIJAB ONLINE

In a world where immodesty is often celebrated and encouraged, manoeuvring the digital space while maintaining modesty holistically can be challenging.

The Quran tells us, "Say to the believing women that they should lower their gaze and guard their modesty. That is purer for them." (Surah-An-Nur 24:30).
The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ

said, "Modesty is a branch of faith" (Sahih Muslim)

Islam guides us to prioritise the value of modesty in all our interactions. When it comes to social media, let us be mindful of the content we share, the way we present ourselves, and the impact our actions may have on others.

4. UPHOLDING ISLAMIC VALUES

In an ever-changing digital world, it is highly probable that we will encounter content that goes against our beliefs or is tempted to engage in discussions that go against the teachings of Islam. It is in these moments that we must rely on our faith and the guidance of Allah and His Messenger ﷺ.

What does the Quran say about it?
Allah advises us, "And whoever holds firmly to Allah has [indeed] been guided to a straight path." (Surah Ali 'Imran 3:101).

By holding firmly to Allah and His teachings, we can navigate social media with wisdom, compassion, and virtue.

HELPFUL WAYS TO MAINTAIN INTEGRITY AND FAITH ON SOCIAL MEDIA

I think it is safe to say that challenges will always be there. So how can we sustain integrity and faith in the light of the

Quran and Hadith?

1. SET PERSONAL BOUNDARIES AND GUIDELINES

I have found that setting guidelines is meaningful for nurturing probity and staying true to my faith. I ask myself, "What are my values and beliefs, and how do I want to reflect them online?" By defining these boundaries, I establish a clear framework for my interactions on social media.

Islam teaches us why we need moderation and balance in all aspects of life.

The Quran states, "And We have made you a just community so that you will be witnesses over the people and the Messenger will be a witness over you." (Surah al-Baqarah 2:143)

This verse reminds me that as a Muslim, I should strive to be a witness, even in my online presence. Setting boundaries helps maintain a sense of balance and can ensure that actions align with intentions.

2. SELECT APPROPRIATE CONTENT AND CONNECTIONS

Being mindful of the content I consume and the connections I make on social media is another essential strategy. I choose to follow accounts that align with my values, inspire me, and provide beneficial knowledge. Sur-

rounding myself with positive influences creates an uplifting digital environment. Fortunately, numerous fellow Muslims are doing fantastic work in order to provide an elevated social media experience for the community.

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ advised us to, "Choose your companions wisely, for you are upon the religion of your companions" (Sunan Abi Dawood). This hadith serves as a reminder to be selective in the company we keep, even in the virtual world.

3. BE MINDFUL OF THE ONLINE IMPACT

Each post and comment we share on social media carries the power to influence others. Hence, we must exercise caution and mindfulness in selecting our words and actions, both in our physical lives and in the virtual world. Asking ourselves, "Is this post or comment valuable? Does it foster positivity in the discussion? Does it align with the values of Islam?" can guide our online presence responsibly.

Islam places great emphasis on the power of speech and advises us to use our words wisely.

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, "Whoever believes in Al-

lah and the Last Day, let him speak good or remain silent." (Sahih Bukhari)

It is imperative to remember that when we interact with others on social media, we must do so with respect, gentleness, and the intention to build bridges rather than create divisions.

4. UTILISE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Utilising privacy settings and implementing security measures, can help safeguard our personal information and create a safer online experience.

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, "Be discreet in order to achieve what you want, for everyone who is blessed is envious." (Saheeh al-Jaami)

This is a clear suggestion of being mindful of the potential consequences of oversharing or exposing ourselves to unnecessary risks.

While exploring social media as Muslim women, we may deal with tests and trials. With patience, kindness, wisdom, and seeking support, we can hold our ethics and belief in the digital world. It helps to remember that Allah is always with us, guiding and protecting us as we handle the complexities of our world, real or virtual.

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J&K Bank Commissions An ATM In Baramulla



Observer News Service

Srinagar: Continuing its mission of providing convenient banking services to people, J&K Bank has dedicated an Auto-mated Teller Machine (ATM) for public use at its Goom Ahmadpora branch in Baramulla district.

The Bank's Zonal Head (Baramulla) Imtiyaz Ahmad Bhat inaugurated the ATM in presence of Cluster Head Sheikh Mohammad Muzaffar, Branch Manager Mirza Mudassar and Institutional Heads of the

area amid a gathering of valuable customers, local businessmen and residents.

Reaffirming the bank's commitment to provide world-class banking facilities and financial services, Zonal Head said, "The machine will cater to the cash needs of people thereby saving their valuable time and energy." He urged the people of the area to avail the easy and convenient banking services.

The participants present on the occasion appreciated the bank for providing easy and customer-friendly services.

General Manager Reviews Performance Of Northern Railway

Observer News Service

New Delhi- Shobhan Chaudhuri, General Manager Northern Railway held a review meeting with the departmental heads of Northern Railway and DRMs.

Deliberations were held on keeping focus on passenger amenities at stations like extension of platforms, increase of level of platforms, washable aprons, provision of 2nd entry, foot over bridges, Escalators, lifts facilities for Divyangjans, improvement of station building including façade etc.

He also reviews the progress of mobility enhancement and other developmental infrastructure works and Freight loading.

Apart from performance review the GM also presented Safety Awards to 9 vigilant employees for their contribution towards maintain high standards for safety and security of passengers and railway property.



He instructed to maintained good record of punctuality of trains and expedites the works related with mobility enhancement and conducting drives to

check the progress. He stressed upon the safety during ongoing monsoon season and all efforts should be done to curb any kind of obstruction during operation

of trains. He reviewed the work done over the zone in improving the maintenance standard of track, welds and removal of scrap lying near the tracks.

He also emphasized on focusing on electrical safety on tracks, trains and premises. Enhancing speed of trains is a priority over the zone. Works should be expedited as to complete the projects on time. The GM also took stock of the tree cutting activity and removal of vegetation alongside the tracks.

Chaudhuri emphasized upon minimizing the human failure in train operation, extensive monitoring of rail fractures and rail welds and said no error should be left.

Talking on freight Business Development, the GM instructed that BDUs should create an environment of trust, support and confidence amongst the customers. He added that the initiatives and concessions offered by the Railways should reach the clients. He also informed that, loading of food grains & other items have steadily increased with every passing month.

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J&K Envisions 4

An official told Kashmir Observer that the vision of J&K at 2047 is sustainable integrated development through technology for prosperous and quality human life at par with National/Global Standards with focus on connectivity, modern Infrastructure, preservation of environment, horticulture & agriculture, industrialization, tourism and energy, keeping the prosperity of community at the core of all development.

"Vision 2047" proposes sector wise strategies to meet specific targets with focus on local resource utilization, private investment and involvement of the community for a conducive development.

"Core strengths tourism, horticulture, energy, local handicrafts clubbed with improved infrastructure, connectivity, logistics, better health, education and knowledge hubs, digital governance shall be the focus areas for realizing Vision 2047," the documents reads.

As per the details, over the 24 years outlined in the plan, special focus shall be on health and sports tourism. The hospitality and tourism sector has a very high employment potential having a multiplier effect.

As per the document, from 2022-27, metros and hyper-loops shall steer the Mass Rapid Transport System. Electric and Green vehicles shall replace fuel based vehicles. International standard roads, Tunnels, Highways, Expressways, Flyovers shall be made.

The government further plans to upgrade the present roads including rural roads. Airports will be of international standards and domestic airlines and chopper services will be added over time. Railway will be connected to the last corner of the UT, the document says.

Notably, the valley is an important tourist destination and has been a place of attraction for tourists since centuries. The lush green forests, sweet springs, perennial rivers, picturesque alpine scenery, and pleasant climate of Kashmir valley, has remained an internationally acclaimed tourist destination.

The tourist footfall in the UT of J&K in the year 2021 was 113.16 lakh and during 2022. It was 188.84 lakh thereby registering a growth of 67 percent.

The tourism tag has always placed the UT in the limelight at the national level as well as international level.

Apart from the agricultural sector, the tourism sector is the most popular source of income of the UT. A significant population of J&K is engaged in the Tourism Sector directly or indirectly.

The UT possesses a lot of tourist attraction in the form of Pilgrimage, Leisure, Heritage, Adventure, Golf, Eco tourism, Film tourism with enormous scope to transform the whole economy as a tourist driven economy by providing jobs through trickling down effect and the Tourism Department, J&K Intends to promote the UT of J&K as the tourism capital of the country.

"The UT of J&K with its vast potential and growing economy has immense potential for the sustenance of the tourism industry. Tourism is an important industry of the 21st century. This sector has given jobs to many people and generated economic activities especially in the tertiary sectors. Its impact is visible in the service industry sector of the state such as transport, hospitality, horticulture, and small-scale Industry," the document reads.

The government will diversify tourism activities and develop new types of tourism experiences, such as adventure tourism, eco-tourism, heritage tourism, cultural tourism in order to appeal to a wider range of visitors.

The document says that the deficiency in Management Skill, Lack of Innovation, lack of Quality Service, High Turnover Rate, Seasonal Staff and Conventional Marketing Strategies are the weakness in the Tourism Sector currently.

Personalized Service with unique experience destinations, unusual venues to attract people, new products, eco-friendly destinations, economical service and online marketing are the opportunities which the Tourism Department, JK is exploring to Increase the tourist footfall in the UT.

4 Killed As

driver Mohd Afzal Garoo (42), his brother Altaf Garoo (36) of Kulgam, Irfan Ahmed (33) and his brother Showkat Ahmad (29) of

Anantnag.

Around six cattle, which were being transported in the truck for domestic use, also perished in the accident, they said.

The landslide blocked the highway, the only all-weather road linking Kashmir with the rest of the country, and efforts are on to make it traffic-worthy, officials said.

Cab Crushes Two critically injured when their scooty was hit by a cab in Singhpora area of Pattan on Tuesday afternoon, reports said. Both the injured men were removed to the nearest hospital for treatment. However, the doctors there declared them dead.

Meanwhile, police have arrested the driver and seized the cab, besides registering a case under relevant sections of law.

Terrorist, Soldier

after noticing suspicious movement of two persons, the officials said.

However, they said, both the suspects managed to escape from the scene taking advantage of the darkness and thick foliage. They left behind a rucksack along with some clothes and other articles that were recovered by the search parties.

The cordon and search operation was extended to nearby areas, including Babel and Narla, to track down the terrorists, the officials said, adding the search operation in the area was underway.

A Defence spokesperson said a brave Army dog, a six-year-old female Labrador from 21 Army Dog Unit, also lost its life in the encounter while saving its handler.

"Army dog Kent was at the forefront of 'Operation Sujaligala'. Kent was leading a column of soldiers on the trail of the fleeing terrorists. It came down under heavy hostile fire. While shielding its handler, it laid down its life in the best traditions of the Indian Army," he said.

The border districts of Rajouri and Poonch have witnessed several encounters this year, resulting in the killing of about 26 terrorists and 10 security personnel.

Most of the terrorists were killed while attempting to sneak into Indian territory from across the border, according to officials.

Srinagar Sees

sudden change in weather conditions is climate change. There is a possibility of erratic weather conditions due to climate change. In that context, snowfall was recorded in the month of November in 2018-19, which is due to climate change. So the present heat wave is also a part of the erratic weather conditions," Dr Irfan Rashid, an expert was quoted as saying by KNO.

"In the ensuing autumn, Kashmir may witness different kinds of weather events that will follow as a part of ongoing regional climate change, which Kashmir is experiencing," Dr Irfan Rashid added.

He further stated that the weather system might have weakened, which has led to the prolonged dry spell, but it needs to be researched properly meteorologically.

About climate change, he said that the people at present mostly rely on conventional fossil fuel, which led to the increase in regional emissions. "The governments as well as the policy makers need to look into it, which can reduce the carbon footprint and can help somehow to tackle the situation," he added.

According to the Deputy Director MeT, Dr Mukhar Ahmad the present heat wave is the outcome of prolonged dry spell, saying that there was no active Monsoon activity and also the absence of Western Disturbances have led to the present weather conditions.

"The present heat wave conditions will continue for the next one week. There is a forecast of hot and dry weather conditions till September 15, following which the weather conditions would improve," he said.

Moreover, Srinagar once again recorded the hottest day in the month of September. According to the Independent Weather Forecaster, Faizan Arif Keng, Srinagar has recorded the second highest maximum temperature in the month of September since 1891.

The maximum temperature in Srinagar settled at 34.2 degree Celsius, which is 6.0 degree Celsius above normal.

The previous record was 33.8 degree Celsius on 01 September 1970 while the all-time record was 35.0 degree Celsius on 18 September 1934, Keng informed.

Moreover, Kokernag and Qazigund

continued to witness severe heat wave conditions as the mercury settled 6.6 degree Celsius and 6.7 degree Celsius above normal respectively.

In Qazigund, the maximum temperature settled at 33.2 degree Celsius, he said, adding that the previous record was 32.8 degree Celsius on 12 September 2019 while the all-time record is 33.2 degree Celsius.

As per Keng, the maximum temperature in Kokernag settled at 32.0 degree Celsius, which is also similar to the all-time hottest day in September recorded in September 1977 while the previous record was 31.8 degree Celsius on 02 September 2023. --With inputs from KNO

All Parties United

"Together with BRO, we are ensuring that the nation is secure and border areas are developed. Timely completion of infrastructure projects in far-flung areas has now become the new normal of New India," he said.

The defence minister also referred to the ISRO's successful Chandrayaan-3 mission to the moon and said hoisting of the Indian flag by lander Vikram on Shiv Shakti Point 'exhibits the power of the nation.

"There was a time when ISRO was not even able to launch a satellite and we had to request other countries for the launch of our satellites," he said.

He said with ISRO attaining the expertise, the situation has completely changed and "today not only the Moon and the Mars, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is reaching out to the Sun (referring to the country's solar mission). It has launched 400 satellites from various countries."

The defence minister also virtually laid the foundation stone of Nyoma Airfield in Eastern Ladakh and said this airfield, to be developed at a cost of Rs 200 crore, will boost the air infrastructure in Ladakh and augment IAF's capability along the Northern border.

He exuded confidence that this airfield, which will be one of the world's highest, would prove to be a game-changer for the armed forces.

He also expressed hope the BRO will soon set another unique record with the construction of Shinkun La Tunnel, the world's highest at an altitude of 15,855 feet.

"The tunnel will connect Lahaul-Spiti in Himachal to the Zaskar Valley in Ladakh and provide all-weather connectivity," he said, commending the BRO for developing infrastructure in border areas and making an invaluable contribution to the security of the nation.

He emphasised infrastructure development in border areas is not only necessary for national security, but also promotes connectivity with neighbouring countries that function with a spirit of cooperation with India.

He pointed out the BRO has constructed infrastructure projects in several countries such as Myanmar and Bhutan and helped in strengthening peace and cooperation with them.

Singh also called upon the BRO to involve local bodies and the people by understanding their needs and taking inputs for the projects in border areas. "Your job is not only to connect one place with another. It is also to connect the hearts of the people with your actions. The constructions should represent the spirit of 'for the people, of the people and by the people,'" he said.

The defence minister lauded the BRO for being conscious about its responsibilities towards environment while executing their projects.

"Till now, we have worked with the mantra of 'minimum investment, maximum value'. Now, we need to move forward with the mantra of 'minimum environment degradation, maximum national security, maximum welfare'," he said.

Inaugurates 90 Infra

Bishnah-Kaulpur-Phulpur Road in Samba district besides 89 other projects virtually.

The Devak bridge is of strategic importance to the defence forces and will facilitate speedy induction of troops, heavy equipment and mechanised vehicles to forward areas and will also boost the socio-economic development of the region, a spokesperson of the BRO said.

The BRO projects include 22 roads, 63 bridges, one tunnel, two airstrips and two helipads across 10 border states and Union Territories of northern and northeastern

regions constructed under challenging weather conditions, at most inhospitable terrain locations, he said.

Of the 89 projects inaugurated virtually, 36 are in Arunachal Pradesh, 25 in Ladakh, 11 are in Jammu and Kashmir, five in Mizoram, three in Himachal Pradesh, two each in Sikkim, Uttarakhand and West Bengal and one each in Nagaland, Rajasthan and Andaman and Nicobar Islands, the official said.

The BRO completed the critically strategic projects in record time and several of them were constructed in a single working season using state-of-the-art technology, the spokesperson said.

He said the 500-metre Nechiphu Tunnel on Balipara-Charduar-Tawang Road in Arunachal Pradesh, along with the under-construction Sela Tunnel, will provide all-weather connectivity to the strategic Tawang region and will be beneficial to both the armed forces deployed in the region and the tourists visiting pristine Tawang.

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu joined the ceremony virtually.

Reconstructed and revamped Bagdogra and Barrackpore Airfields in West Bengal will not only improve the defensive and offensive architecture of the Indian Air Force along the borders but will also facilitate commercial flight operations in the region, the spokesperson said.

The defence minister also laid the e-foundation of Nyoma airfield in eastern Ladakh which will be developed at a cost of Rs 218 crore for wide-ranging strategic air assets, the spokesperson said.

The construction of this airfield will tremendously boost the air infrastructure in Ladakh and augment the IAF capability along the northern borders, he said.

He said the surge in road and bridge construction by the BRO in the last three years has led to the completion of several critical and strategic projects which has bolstered the defence preparedness.

The BRO has also connected the farthest and most remote villages of the country like Huri in Arunachal Pradesh to the mainland. This connectivity has triggered reverse migration along the border villages.

In the last two years, the BRO has dedicated a record 205 infrastructure projects to the nation at a cost of Rs 5,100 crore.

Last year, 103 BRO infrastructure projects were completed at a cost of Rs 2,897 crore while in 2021, 102 BRO infrastructure projects were dedicated to the nation at a cost of Rs 2,229 crore.

The defence minister will also attend the ongoing North Tech Symposium at IIT Jammu's Jagti campus which was inaugurated by Vice Chief of Army Staff Lt Gen M V Suchindra Kumar on Monday.

Inaugurates 90 Infra

the people and listen to them," he said.

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recruitment in/to public service, a prescribed physical standard, in terms of height and chest measurement, can be agender without bearing any distinction between two sexes i.e. male and female; and whether on that basis seven (7) female candidates, who competed amongst 567 contestants to come out fully qualified on the basis of written test, interview and walk test so as to figure in final selection list of 28 candidates against 44 posts under selection, can be filtered at the last step to appointment just because their height is found to be short by few inches to the gender prescribed height standard."

The court responded in affirmative to the contentions by the seven candidates by holding that these seven candidates should not have been made or held hostage by the JKPS as being a constitutional body to a discriminatory, unfair, unreasonable and unintelligible height requirement. The court further said that the JKPS should have been left for the government of UT of J&K to address its discernment and discretion in favour of seven candidates by exercise of its rule relaxing power and appoint them as Range Officers-Grade "who at the end of day are the merit makers making the Jammu & Kashmir Forest Gazetted Service to get for the very first time in its history induction of 8 women officers borne out of single selection process."

Ultimately, the court reckoned that the ends of justice would be served by directing the JKPS to consider recommending for

appointment the names of the seven candidates to the government of J&K at the first instance on account of their merit based and proved claims.

It also directed the Government of UT of J&K having the executive power as well as the power under rule 4 of the J&K Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1956 to relax the rigor of any service rule, to consider accepting JKPS recommendation with respect to the seven candidates and granting appointment to them as Range Officer-Grade I by relaxing the height requirement in their favour in acknowledgement of their meritorious position in the selection process.

The court also ended its verdict by epilogue by Maya Angelou's quote: "Each time a woman stands up for herself, without knowing it possibly, without claiming it, she stands up for all women."

Court Sentences

the extreme penalty of law when faced with such evidence.

The common man will lose faith in the courts, Khan added.

He said it is the duty of every court to award proper sentence and that undue sympathy would do more harm to the justice system.

3 Minor Boys

son of Abdul Hameed Mir, resident of Kalmooona and Uzair Ahmad Dar, son of Mohammad Shafi Dar of Champpora.

"The parents of the missing boys have lodged a missing report at Police Station Villgam", the sources said.

When contacted, SHO Villgam Jaan Mohammad confirmed about receipt of a missing report into the matter.

"We have launched efforts to trace the trio", he said, further urging the local inhabitants to come up if they have any information or clue about the boys.

JKPS Officers,

the release of NFS Scales of Grades, an official spokesperson said.

Similarly, he said a delegation of Federation of All India Vyapar Mandal (FAIVM) also called on LG Sinha.

He said that the delegation comprising of Dr Sanjay Bansal, President FAIVM, Sandeep Mengi, Vice President, Sanjeev Agarwal Secretary, Ajay Ahuja, Treasurer and Ramit Khurana Consultant expressed their gratitude to the Lt Governor for the many initiatives taken by UT administration to promote Industries and Business activities in J&K UT.

"They also apprised the Lt Governor of various issues of the business community," the spokesperson said.

Sinha, he said, assured the members of the delegation of redressal of their genuine demands and safeguarding the interests of the MSMEs.

SRK's 'Jawan'

gratitude towards the UT Government for opening up the Cinema and screening of movies in Kupwara district.

The Deputy Commissioner Kupwara, Ayushi Sudan; ADC Handwara, Nazir Ahmad Mir, President Municipal Committee Handwara, Abdul Majeed Pandit; EO MC Handwara, Naveed Ajaz, ARTO, DSWO and other Officers were present during screening of the movie.

LG Releases 'Song

Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd.), Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, also met LG Sinha at Raj Bhavan today.

Teenage Girl

formalities, while further investigation has been started," he said--(KNO)

2 Drug Peddlers Held

possession, a police spokesman said.

Similarly, he said, a police party of Police Post Mirgund at a checkpoint established at Odina Mirgund, arrested a drug peddler identified as Mohammad Jamal Ahanger son of Gh Mohammad Ahanger resident of Yakhmanpora Pattan. During the search, 5.6 Kgs of Poppy Straw was recovered from his possession, police said. "Both the drug peddlers have been shifted to respective police stations where they remain in custody," the spokesperson said. Accordingly, he said, police said that cases under relevant sections of law have been registered at respective police stations and investigations have been initiated.

RING ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Supreme Court Issues Notice To J&K Govt

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The Supreme Court of India has issued notice to Jammu & Kashmir government as the aggrieved land owners from Wathoor district Budgam had moved an appeal against the J&K High Court Division Bench order dated 16th November 2022 wherein the court had directed the authorities to pass fresh award in Srinagar Ring Road construction case, but the assessment of the compensation was to be made as per J&K Land Acquisition Act Samvat 1990 which has been repealed now post article 370 abrogation.

The Government also didn't adhere to the provisions of the said order and preferred to challenge the order in the Supreme Court through an SLP which is yet to be listed there.

Details available reveal that Supreme Court bench of Justice A S Bopana and Sanjay Kumar on Monday heard the counsel of the petitioners Senior Advocate Anitha Shenoy and Srishti Agnihotri, Advocate on Record (AOR) in the case of Special Leave Petition-SLP titled Gulzar Ahmad Akhoun and others v/s UT of J&K and others.

The SC bench in its order condoned the delay in filing of the SLP and issued notice to the respondents (Govt of J&K and others). The counsel for the petitioners Senior Advocate Anitha Shenoy requested that National Highway Authority of India -NHAI be impleaded as party in the case and SC bench allowed the same.

The J&K High Court on November 16th 2022 had directed the Collector Land Acquisition, Budgam to pass a fresh award in Wathoor as the petitioners had challenged the award passed in 2021 at a time when the central land acquisition law was already extended to J&K. The aggrieved petitioners had demanded that the award passed by Collector land acquisition Budgam has lapsed due to efflux of time as Govt

is supposed to pass an award within 2 years from the date of issuance of notification under section 6 of erstwhile JK Land Acquisition Act Samvat 1990.

The High Court in its order dated Nov 16th 2022 had said "The Collector Land Acquisition shall pass a fresh award qua the petitioners only and for that purpose shall construe 11th August, 2020 (date of final award) as the relevant date for determination of market value but shall apply the yardsticks for assessment of compensation provided under the 1990 Act in respect of acquired land of the petitioners only. The Collector shall calculate other statutory benefits on such amounts including interest to be calculated and determined by taking into consideration the date of taking over possession i.e. 13th March, 2018"

"We were not satisfied with this order and infact the Govt also didn't implement the same. By virtue of this order we would have got 30 to 40 % more compensation but we want four times more compensation which is a provision under the central law applicable to J&K post 370 abrogation. We challenged the High Court order in the Supreme Court.

We are grateful to the apex court who allowed our appeal -SLP and issued notice to Govt of J&K. We want to get the benefits of central land acquisition law which was extended to J&K with effect from Oct 31st 2019 but the Govt forcibly took our land under the old and outdated law in 2020 " said Gulzar Ahmad Akhoun the petitioner in the case

The counsel of the petitioners have pleaded before the Supreme Court land which was acquired in Wathoor has a market value of Rs 1 Crore per kanal and the aggrieved petitioners are supposed to 4 times more compensation under Central Act (Right to Fair Compensation Act 2013) which amounts to approximately Rs 4 Crores per kanal, but the Govt gave them mere Rs 38 lakhs plus 15 % solatium (jabirana).



India's Borders More Secure Than Ever Under Modi Govt: Jitendra Singh

Press Trust Of India

SAMBHA: Union Minister Jitendra Singh on Tuesday said the country's borders are more secure than ever before under the Narendra Modi government.

He was addressing a gathering at the inauguration of 90 infrastructure projects of the Border Roads Organization here by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.

"Bharat has gained great strategic strength with technological interventions in the last nine years and its borders have become more secure than ever under the prime minister (Narendra Modi) and defence minister," Jitendra Singh said.

On the two-day G20 Summit, which ended on Sunday,



he said, "The world today looks up to Bharat as an equal partner in every field."

"The recently concluded G20 Summit with the adoption of the Delhi declaration is a testimony to it and it showcased Bharat's technological capabilities as well as economic strength," Jitendra Singh said.

He said India's G20 presidency also coincided with the country's glory in space with the success of the Chandrayaan-3 lunar mission.

Hailing the defence minister, Jitendra Singh said the construction of much needed border bunkers, four per cent reservation to border residents and establishment of border battalions have been possible under Rajnath Singh as a new political culture has been set up in the country based on equality for all without any discrimination.

"Basantar in the Kathua-Udhampur parliamentary constituency was today chosen for the inauguration of 90 infrastructure projects as this constituency has been designated as an infrastructure marvel among all constituencies having seen tremendous development in the last nine years," he said.

J&K Offers One Of The Lowest Tariff Rates To Its Consumers: PDD

Smart meters known for accurate energy measurement, department demonstrated, proves at public places, consumer premises

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The J&K Power Development department on Tuesday rejected a news report published by a local daily and maintained that the department was offering lowest electricity tariff to its customers in the Union Territory.

"In response to a news item published in local daily of Jammu and Kashmir on 12th September, the J&K Power Development department states that news report is factually incorrect and the department was not consulted before publication of this news item," an official spokesperson said.

According to communique of JKPDD, he said, the Hydro Power projects of Jammu and Kashmir have been developed in both State and Central sectors and the UT-owned plants contribute to 18 % of the total energy requirement. It adds that the allocations from Central Generating Stations (CGS) contributes to the majority (70%) of the power supply and remaining (12 %) is sourced from Power exchange/private sector.

The communique further reads that power generation from the UT owned power plants, a major part of J&K's own electricity generation is produced from the Baglihar Hydro Electric Project (BHEP), which generates approximately 900 megawatts (MW) of power and the other locally owned power generation plants like Upper

Sindh, Lower Jhelum, Chenani etc, collectively generate around 200-250 MW only. It adds that the total power generation of approximately culminates to 1100-1140 MWs through UT's own generating stations, which however, dips to around 200 MWs in winters due to low water discharge in rivers, when the peak demand rises to more than 3000 MWs. The communique further reads that remaining requirement of the power during winters is met through the Central Generating Stations (CGS) located both within and outside the J&K's boundary.

The PDD further states that out of total installed capacity of 1140 MW in UT sector, the major share of around 1030 MW (88% of total capacity) is utilised in J&K, while the remaining 150 MW is sold outside the J&K to honour the agreements executed between J&K and other entities in the year 2009.

CHEQUE BOUNCE CASE

2-Year Jail For Man, Fined Double Of Cheque Amount

Agencies

SRINAGAR: The court of (sub-judge) special magistrate Baramulla has sentenced a man to two year imprisonment and directed him to pay Rs 16 lakh compensation to the complainant - which is double the cheque amount. In an order, Judge Iqbal Ahmad Akhoun found Ameer Ahmad Khan of Boniyar Baramulla guilty of commission of offence under section 138 of the Negotiable Instrument Act and sentenced him to two year imprisonment. The court also directed him to pay Rs 16 lakh to complainant Abdul Lateef Khan as fine.

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No. 9-24/CCA/JK/2023-24/Pen Ada Attention DoT/BSNL Pensioners Dated:- 11.09.2023

NATIONWIDE PENSION ADALAT NOTIFICATION

A Nationwide Pension Adalat will be organized by O/o Controller of Communication Accounts, J&K Telecom Circle, Jammu-180012 on 20th September 2023 for prompt & quick redressal of pensioners' grievances of DoT/BSNL Jammu & Kashmir Circle within the framework of extant pension policy/guidelines as per the schedule given below.

Aggrieved pensioners of DoT/BSNL are requested to submit their grievances/complaints, if any, mentioning therein details of their grievances/complaints, PPO No., Contact No. on email ccajk@nic.in & cao.penjk@nic.in / Landline number 0191-2479283/Toll Free No 18001807306.

Station	Last date of receipt of grievance/complaints	Venue	Date & Time of Pension Adalat
Jammu	18.09.2023 (05:30 PM)	Conference Hall, O/o CCA, J&K HUDCO Bhawan Railhead Complex, Jammu-180012	20.09.2023 at 11:30 AM

Sd/- Accounts Officer (Pension)
O/o CCA, J&K Circle Jammu-180012

No.4 CIVIL COURT
IN THE COURT OF MR. ARVIND SHARMA'
Additional District Judge Bank Cases, Srinagar
SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT (0.37.R-2)
Suit 8.392/2020
JK Bank Pvt Ltd Vs Raziya Khan
Next Date: 14.09.2023

To,
Raziya W/o: Mohammad Shafi Dar
R/o: Abi Karpora Dal Lake Srinagar Jammu and Kashmir

Whereas JK Bank has instituted a suit against you under order XXXVII of the code of Civil Procedure, 1908, for Rs 60243.96 and interest, you are hereby summoned to cause and appearance to be entered for you within ten days from the service hereof in default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled, after the expiration of the said period of ten days, to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum of Rs 60243.96 and the sum of Rs 1250 for costs, together with such interest, if any as the court may order.

If you cause an appearance to be entered for you, JK Bank Pvt Ltd the plaintiff will thereafter serve upon you a summons for judgment at a hearing of which you will be entitled to move the Court for leave to defend the suit.

Leave to defend may be obtained if you satisfy the Court by affidavit or otherwise that there is a defence to the suit on die merits or that it is reasonable that you should be allowed to defend.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 30.05.2023

Additional District Judge
Bank Cases Srinagar

No. 1381/ADJBC/Sgr
Date: 25.07.2023

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No.1 CIVIL COURT
IN THE COURT OF MR. ARVIND SHARMA'
Additional District Judge Bank Cases, (Commercial Court) Srinagar
SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT (0.5.R-1.5)
Suit 5012854/2018
J and K Bank Ltd Vs M/S Ganale Construction Company Prop Showkat Ah Ganale
Next Date: 14.09.2023

To,
M/S Ganale Construction Company Prop. Showkat Ah Ganale
S/o: Haji Ghulam Mohammad Ganale
R/o: Syed Mohmooda Abad Wuyam Khrew, Jammu and Kashmir

Whereas J&K Bank has instituted a suit against you for you are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed (and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit, or who shall be accompanied by some person, able to answer all such questions, on the 14.09.2023 at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, to answer the claim, and if the day fixed for your appearance is appointed for the final disposal of the suit, you must be prepared to produce on that day all the witness upon whose evidence and all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your defence.

Take notice that, in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 30.05.2023

Additional District Judge
Bank Cases Srinagar

No. 1399/ADJBC/Sgr
Date: 31.07.2023

NJ

No.4 CIVIL COURT
IN THE COURT OF MR. ARVIND SHARMA'
Additional District Judge Bank Cases, Srinagar
SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT (0.37.R-2)
Suit 4/14/2021
JK Bank Vs Mahina
Next Date: 14.09.2023

To,
Mahina W/o: Syed Helal Ahmad
R/o: Bilal Colony Soura, Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir

Whereas JK Bank has instituted a suit against you under order XXXVII of the code of Civil Procedure, 1908, for Rs 1,60,815.39 and interest, you are hereby summoned to cause and appearance to be entered for you within ten days from the service hereof in default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled, after the expiration of the said period of ten days, to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum of Rs 1,60,815.39 and the sum of Rs 1815 for costs, together with such interest, if any as the court may order.

If you cause an appearance to be entered for you, JK Bank Pvt Ltd the plaintiff will thereafter serve upon you a summons for judgment at a hearing of which you will be entitled to move the Court for leave to defend the suit.

Leave to defend may be obtained if you satisfy the Court by affidavit or otherwise that there is a defence to the suit on die merits or that it is reasonable that you should be allowed to defend.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 30.05.2023

Additional District Judge
Bank Cases Srinagar

No. 1392/ADJBC/Sgr
Date: 31.07.2023

NJ

No.4 CIVIL COURT
IN THE COURT OF MR. ARVIND SHARMA'
Additional District Judge Bank Cases, Srinagar
SUMMONS FOR DISPOSAL OF SUIT (0.37.R-2)
Suit 4/14/2021
JK Bank Vs Mahina
Next Date: 14.09.2023

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Date: 31.07.2023

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SEC Reviews 2nd Supplement Of Panchayat Electoral Roll In UT

Observer News Service

JAMMU: State Election Commissioner (SEC), B R Sharma on Tuesday convened a meeting to review the preparations for adding left out voters in Panchayat Electoral Roll by way of new Supplement.

During the review meeting, SEC asked DCs to ensure that no eligible voters with respect to 1.1.23 as qualifying date is left out of current process of updation which will be stated from 20th of Sept and will culminate on 20th of October. A tentative schedule was shared with the Deputy Commissioners to start pre-updation activities.

The meeting held brief discussions on availability of soft/hard copies of Panchayat Electoral Rolls-2023 for displaying the same for preparing 2-d Supplement, Printing of electoral rolls /forms

and availability of infrastructure, Strategy to include new voters in Panchayat rolls whose names already exist in Assembly Rolls w.r.t 01.01.2023 as qualifying date, availability of ERO/AERO/ Panchayat Election Booth Officials (PEBO) and updation of their names and other details on websites of Districts as well as on SEC website.

The mechanism of updation and printing both online and offline mode i.e (passwords etc for the users & user IDS and role of NIC/DIOs), requirement of funds by each District for the Electoral Roll (Updation & SVEEP activity), tentative Schedule of Revision, Handbook for revision of rolls, meeting of DCs with District Technical team headed by DIO of concerned District and (ERO/AERO/ PLBOs) along with RDD functionalities was also discussed.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, DISTRIBUTION, KPDC DIVISION BIJBEHARA, KASHMIR.

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CORRIGENDUM

In partial modification to this office e-NIT No. EDB/e-tender/52 of 2023-24 Dated- 29-08-2023, for the work of "Re-erection/ Re-installation of Old dismantled ST Poles for Strengthening of LT/HT Network of Sub-Division Aishmuqam under District Capex DDC Grants 202324." all items shall be read as "supply installation, testing and commissioning " and "installation, testing & commissioning only in respect of steel tubular poles figuring at S No 1.01 and S.No 1.02 in the uploaded BOQ.

Moreover the bid submission closure date has been extended and new Bid submission end date shall be read as 15/9/2023 and opening date shall be on 16/9/2023.

No:-EDB/TS/5448-55
Dated:- 12-09-2023
DIPK-NB-3140-23
DT: 12/09/2023

Sd
Executive Engineer,
Electric Division Bijbehara

Government of Jammu and Kashmir
OFFICE OF THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OFFICER
POSHAN PROJECT PAMPORE
ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE

Applications on prescribed Proforma (Annexure-I) are hereby invited from the eligible female candidates of the Panch wards/Municipal Wards shown against the below mentioned Panchayat Halqas/Municipal Wards, for the engagement of Sahayikas (AWHs) preferably married "for the Anganwadi Centres of Poshan Project Pampore on "Honorarium basis". The applications along with required documents shall be Submitted in the Office of the undersigned i.e Child Development Project Officer Pampore by or before 30th of September, 2023 against proper receipt.

S.NO	Name of the district	Name of the project	Name of the Panchayat/ Municipality ward	Vacancy Of Sahayikas (Anganwadi Helpers)	
				No. Of Panch ward /MC Ward	Name of AWC
01	Pulwama	Pampore	LETHPORA-B	PC-IV	LETHPORA-I
02	Pulwama	Pampore	DRANGBAL	WARD NO - 1	BAGANDER-A

- Criteria for Selection of Sahayikas (Aanganwadi Helpers) shall remain as envisaged in the Govt Order No: 103 JK (SWD) OF 2023 Dated 28.4.2023 i.e.
- Women candidates in the age group of 18-37 years shall be considered for the post.
 - The candidate should be a domicile of the UT of J&K.
 - The candidate should be a resident of the Electoral Ward where Anganwadi Centre is located.
 - Minimum qualification for Anganwadi Helper shall be Matriculation.
 - In case no matriculate candidate is available in the Panch Ward/MC Ward, candidates with qualification not less than 8th standard shall be considered.
 - The committee shall select the most destitute/ needy married women of the Panch ward/MC Ward as helper from amongst those who fulfill the qualification criteria. In case no married candidate is available, unmarried candidate can also be considered.
 - Self-attested copies of documents to be attached with the application form:-
 - Panch Ward /MC Ward Certificate/ Present /continuous, Ward residence certificate issued by BDO/Executive Officer which ever applicable duly countersigned by ACR/SDM.
 - Domicile Certificate issued by Tehsildar concerned.
 - Date of Birth Certificate.
 - Academic Qualification Certificates with Marks card of 10th.
 - Non employment Certificate from a Gazetted Officer.
 - Self-Addressed envelope with postage stamp of Rs 5/-.
- No:-CDPO/POSHAN/PM/Adv/2023/ 810-26
Dated:- 12/09/2023
- Child development project officer
Poshan Project Pampore

(ANNEXURE-I)

APPLICATION FORM FOR ENGAGEMENT OF SAHAYIKA (ANGANWADI HELPER)

- S.NO:
- Name of the District: - Pulwama
 - Name of the ICDS Project: - _____
 - Name of the Anganwadi Centre for which engagement sought: _____
 - Panch Ward/ MC Ward: _____ Panchayat Halqa: _____
 - Name of the Candidate (In Block Letters) _____
 - Fathers Name (In Block Letters) _____
 - Marital Status: - Married /Un Married _____
 - Husband Name (if married) _____
 - Place of Permanent Residence: _____
 - Mohalla: _____ Village: _____
 - Panch Ward Constituency: _____
 - Name of the Panchayat Halqa: _____
 - House No. _____ (As per latest Panchayat Ward Electoral) Block: _____
 - Address for Correspondence: _____ Mobile No: _____
 - Date of Birth: _____



D	D	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y

- Age as on 01-01-2023: _____
- Academic Qualification _____

S.No	Examination passed	Board/School	Year of passing	Marks Obtained	Max. Marks	%age
1	Matric					
2	Middle					

- Do candidate belong to family of retired AWH (Yes/No).
 - Documents attached.
 - Panch Ward Certificate/ Present / continuous, Ward residence certificate issued by BDO duly countersigned by ACR/SDM.
 - Domicile Certificate issued by Tehsildar concerned.
 - Date of Birth Certificate.
 - Academic Qualification Certificates with Marks card of 10th.
 - If candidate belong to family of retired AWH then copy of the e-ration card/ any other proof.
 - Non employment Certificate from a gazetted Officer.
 - Self-Addressed envelope with postage stamp of Rs 5/-.
- Signature of Candidate

UNDERTAKING

I, _____ D/o/W/o _____ R/o _____ do hereby certify that the contents of the application given above are correct and true to the best of my knowledge. In case any of the above contents is found incorrect, the selection committee shall have the right to reject my application and similarly revoke my engagement order.

DIPK-8707-23
DT: 12/09/2023

Signature of Candidate

Two Matches Played In Srinagar Premier League

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Two matches of the 2023 Srinagar Premier League were played on Tuesday at Synthetic Turf TRC.

In the first game Ali Jana FC took on SCFA Srinagar in an early morning kick off. Ali Jana took the lead in 18th minute, before doubling it two minutes later. Ali Jana added two more goals in the second half to win

the game 4-0.

The second game of the day, a late evening kick off, saw Novelty FC take on Kashmir Panthers FC. Farhan gave Kashmir Avengers the lead in 6th minute. However, Novelty made it 1-1 via Rahul. The score stayed the same till the 89th minute, when Yasir scored the winning goal for Novelty to make it 2-1 at full time.

Inter-District Handball Competitions Continue

Observer News Service

BARAMULLA: The ongoing Inter-District Provincial Handball Championship for Under 14, 17, and 19 boys continued to captivate audiences on Tuesday at the Indoor Stadium Khawaja Bagh here.

The championship is organised by Department of Youth Services & Sports.

After the exhilarating con-

clusion of the under 14 handball competition on Monday, the spotlight is on the Under-17 category.

Ten districts from Kashmir Valley are participating, showcasing their prowess on the handball court. The under 17 competition was inaugurated by Jatinder Singh, District Youth Services & Sports Officer Baramulla. Alongside him, all the Zonal Physical Education Officers (ZPEOs) of the department gathered at the kick-off of the event.

The semifinals of the under 17 handball competition are



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Ten districts from Kashmir

scheduled to take place today, promising more exhilarating action. The competition in the Under-19 category is also on the horizon.

India Beat Sri Lanka To Enter Asia Cup Final



Press Trust of India

COLOMBO: India beat Sri Lanka by 41 runs in Super 4 match to enter final of Asia Cup.

Sri Lankan duo of Duni Wellalage and part-timer Charith Asalanka spun a web around the Indian batters on a turning track, restricting them to a sub-par 213 in their Asia Cup Super 4 match in Colombo on Tuesday.

Left-arm spinner Wellalage (5/40), all of 20, and offie Asalanka (4/18) knifed through the star-studded lineup after India opted to bat.

Rohit Sharma, who made 53 off 48 balls, added 80 runs for the opening wicket with Shubman Gill (19), and that remained the brightest phase of Indian innings.

During his innings, the Indian captain also went past a significant personal milestone, becoming

the sixth Indian batsmen to score 10000 runs in ODIs.

Other Indian batsmen to reach the mark are: Sachin Tendulkar, Sourav Ganguly, Rahul Dravid, Virat Kohli and MS Dhoni. Indeed, a magnificent company to be in!

However, the introduction of Wellalage changed the whole complexion of the game as the spinner halted Indian batsmen's charge.

Gill was the first to go. The opener played a forward defence without entirely covering the line and once the ball beat his bat, Gill's fate was sealed.

Wellalage, a former under-19 captain of his country, then went on to show why he has been spoken so highly in Lankan cricketing circles.

He bowled a straight, quick delivery and Rohit could not bring his bat down on time, as the ball rearranged his timber.

But Wellalage wasn't finished yet. He added the wickets of Virat Kohli (3), KL Rahul (39), who added 63 runs with Ishan Kishan (33) for the fourth wicket, and Hardik Pandya (5) to his kitty for his maiden five-wicket haul in ODI cricket.

For India, a win against Lanka will assure them a place in the final with four points.

A defeat will not harm India, but they will need a victory against Bangladesh on Friday.

Their current NRR of +4.56, which will dip a bit if they lose this match, too might come handy in the event of an equation tussle with Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

If India will have to split points on Tuesday after a washout, then they will enter the final with three points, awaiting either Lanka or Pakistan in the summit clash.

Injured Rauf, Naseem Doubtful for Asia Cup; Dahani, Zaman Added As Back-Ups

Press Trust of India

COLOMBO: Pakistan pacers Haris Rauf and Naseem Shah's participation in the remainder of the Asia Cup has been rendered doubtful after the duo picked up injuries during the Super 4 match against India.

The Pakistan team management said quicks Shahnawaz Dahani and Zaman Khan have been included as back-ups for Rauf and Naseem in their Asia Cup squad "as a precautionary measure".

"Pakistan have called up Shahnawaz Dahani and Zaman Khan as backups. The two have been called up after Haris Rauf and Naseem Shah picked up niggles in the match against India," read a statement from the Pakistan team.

"This is only a precautionary measure keeping in mind the fitness and well-being of the players ahead of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup next month," the management said.

Rauf, who had bowled five

overs on Sunday, had felt "a little discomfort in his right flank" and did thus did not roll his arm or come out to bat against India when the match resumed on the reserve day on Monday.

Naseem completed his quota of 10 overs but the pacer left the field in the 49th over of India's innings on Monday, holding his hand. He is suspected to have suffered an injury to his bowling shoulder. He also did not come out to bat as Pakistan ended their innings at 128 for 8, losing to India by a record margin of 228 runs.

The Pakistan team management said both Rauf and Naseem will be monitored over the next few days.

"Haris and Naseem will continue to remain under the observation of the team's medical panel. The team management will only request replacement from the ACC technical committee if Naseem or Haris are ruled out for the next seven days," the statement added.

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Subject: Provisional selection/admission to B. Tech (Agri. Engineering) Degree Programme for the Academic Session 2023-24 - extension reg

EXTENSION NOTICE

The last date for submission of Online Application Forms for provisional selection/admission to B.Tech(Agri. Engineering) Degree Programme for the Academic Session 2023-24 notified vide Admission Notice No.Au/Acad/UET/UG/6865-6915 dated 25.08.2023 is hereby extended upto 11:50 p.m of September 30, 2023.

Other details and terms & conditions shall remain the same.

By Order

No. Au/Acad/UET-23/7571-7601 Sd/-
Dated: 12.09.2023 (G.N. Dar)
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