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'Ready For J&K Polls': Govt Puts Ball In EC's Court

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: The government is ready to hold Assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir whenever the Election Commission (EC) takes a final decision in the matter, Union minister Jitendra Singh said in the Lok Sabha on Tuesday.

Intervening in the discussion on the Jammu and Kashmir Reservation (Amendment) Bill and the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Amendment) Bill, the minister of state in the prime minister's office (PMO) said "whenever the EC announces it (Assembly election in Jammu and Kashmir), we are ready".

He said this in response to a demand from opposition parties for holding early Assembly polls in the Union Territory.

"The EC has its own mechanism of gathering inputs according to its requirements and it will take a final call. Let us all

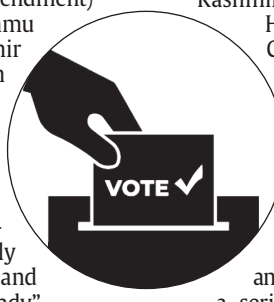
trust the wisdom of the EC and not appear to be interfering in its functioning," Singh added.

He further said democracy must reach the grass-root level and in the future, "we will do" what is in the best interest of the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

Singh blamed Jawaharlal Nehru, the first prime minister of independent India, for the Kashmir problem.

He further said the Congress should be grateful to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the abrogation of Article 370 of the Constitution that provided a special status to the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir. Singh said a series of measures have been taken to ensure development in the Union Territory.

Former Jammu and Kashmir chief minister and National Conference (NC) president Farooq Abdullah wanted to know from the BJP-led Centre why Assembly



Amit Shah In Lok Sabha

'How Can A Country Have Two PMs, Two Constitutions; Two Flags'

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: Union Home Minister Amit Shah Tuesday asserted that the concept of "one flag, one prime minister, one constitution" was not a political slogan and the BJP firmly believes in the principle and finally implemented it with regard to Jammu and Kashmir.

Responding to a remark by TMC's Saugata Roy in the Lok Sabha that "ek nishan, ek pradhan, ek samvidhan (one flag, one head, one constitution)" was a "political slogan", Shah wondered as to how can a country have two prime ministers, two constitutions and two flags.

He said Roy's remarks were "objectionable".



While responding to a remark from the opposition benches, Shah said, "Whosoever did it was wrong. Narendra Modi has corrected it. Your approval or disagreement does not matter. The entire country wanted it." This comment was made in an apparent reference to the abrogation of provisions of Article 370 in Jammu and

Kashmir.

He went on to state that "one symbol, one head, one constitution" was not an election slogan. "We had been saying since 1950 that a country should have one PM, one flag and one constitution and two will not do and we have done it."

Soon after Roy ended his speech on the Jammu and Kashmir Reservation (Amendment) Bill and the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Amendment) Bill, Union Minister Piyush Goyal said while the TMC leader mentioned Syama Prasad Mukherjee, he should have also recalled his sacrifice.

Roy said he had taught in a college named after Mukherjee and "ek nishan, |More on P6

4 Tourists Among Five Killed In Zojila Accident

Press trust Of India

Srinagar: A cab taking a group of tourists from Leh to Srinagar on Tuesday, killing five people and injuring three, officials said.

The tourists were from Kerala, they said and added that the accident took place on the Srinagar-Leh National Highway in Jammu and Kashmir's Ganderbal district.

The car's driver, who was among those |More on P6

Haris Ahmad Handoo Posted As Spl Secy In CS Office

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The Union Territory government on Tuesday ordered transfer and posting of several Jammu and Kashmir Administrative Service (JKAS) officers in the interest of administration.

According to an order, Kishore Singh Chib, JKAS, Special Secretary to the Government, Planning, Development and Monitoring Department, has been transferred |More on P6

Oppn Seeks Timeline For J&K Elections

Opposition members in the Lok Sabha sought a timeline from the government on Monday for holding Assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir, saying a democratically-elected government is necessary in the Union Territory for its development. Initiating a debate on two bills relating to Jammu and Kashmir, Amar Singh of the Congress asked the government about its plans on holding Assembly polls in the |More on P6

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No Infiltration Along IB In Jammu In Past Year: BSF

Press Trust Of India

Jammu: Inspector General (IG) of the BSF D K Boora affirmed on Tuesday that the force successfully maintained peace along the International Border (IB) in the Jammu frontier and said no infiltration was reported along the border with Pakistan in the past year.

He said there has been a significant decrease in the number of drone-dropping incidents. "There was no infiltration

along the IB in the past one year. There have been two to three attempted infiltrations, all neutralised in successful operations. Vigilant troops thwarted three Pakistani smugglers attempting to violate the IB to smuggle narcotics into the Indian territory," Boora told reporters here.

Regarding drone activities, he said there has been a notable decline in such incidents over the past year. He attributed this to the dismantling of a drone-based smuggling |More on P6

Committed To Brighten Lives Of People Treated Unfairly In Past: LG

Observer News Service

Jammu: Launching a veiled attack on successive governments of Jammu and Kashmir, Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha said Tuesday that his government is committed to brighten the lives of people, who were treated unfairly and faced discrimination for many decades.

"Government is committed to brighten the lives of people, who were treated unfairly and faced discrimination for many decades. It is our prime objective to develop rural areas into business hubs and create decent lucrative employment and entrepreneurial opportunities for youth in villages," Sinha said.

He was addressing a gathering during the 'Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra' at Flora Nagbani Panchayat here on



Tuesday.

He shared the efforts of the UT Administration, under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for socio-economic transformation and bringing weaker and marginalized sections into the mainstream.

The LG also highlighted the vision and aim of 'Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra' to achieve saturation of government schemes. He said the outreach campaign is witnessing enthusiastic response from the public, especially women, youth and farmers. "Women and youth have also become |More on P6

Reviews Progress Of Recruitment Process

The Union Territory Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha on Tuesday reviewed the progress on recruitment to various posts, Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra and status of institutionalised outreach programmes for bridging information and knowledge gap regarding government schemes and programmes across Jammu and Kashmir. Chairing a high-level meeting here, the LG also took stock of the preparations for upcoming examination of Panchayat Secretary and recruitment |More on P6

NIA Plea For Yasin Malik's Death Penalty Delhi HC Lists Case For Next Hearing In February

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court Tuesday listed for hearing on February 14 a plea by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) seeking death penalty for Kashmiri separatist leader Yasin Malik in a terror funding case.

The court directed that



Malik, who had pleaded guilty to the charges, shall join the court proceedings virtually. Noting that none appeared on behalf of Malik, the Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front (JKLF) chief currently serving a life term in the case, a bench of Justices Suresh Kumar Kait and Shalinder Kaur adjourned the matter until February 14 next year. On May 29, |More on P6

Conservation Of Ramsar Wetlands In J&K HC Seeks Suggestions On 'Violations, Encroachments'

Hydrological Connectivity Between Wular Lake, Malgamrakh Restored: Wildlife Warden

M Ahmad

Srinagar: The High Court of J&K and Ladakh has sought suggestions with regard to certain alleged violations and encroachments in Ramsar Wetland sites in Jammu and Kashmir. Hearing a suo-moto Public

Interest Litigation (PIL) on the directions by the Supreme Court, a bench of Chief Justice N. Kotiswar Singh and Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi asked Nadeem Qadri, Amicus Curiae, to submit the suggestions along with his views on the report submitted by the Wild Life Warden, Kashmir Region Srinagar. Earlier Amicus Curiae submitted that the report submitted by Wild Life Warden is quite |More on P6

S H O R T T A K E S

NIA Raids In Seven J&K Districts

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Tuesday carried out raids at several locations across Jammu and Kashmir in connection with the terror conspiracy hatched and operationalised by offshoots of the banned Pakistan-backed terrorist organisations, the investigating agency said. The searches led to the seizure of several digital devices containing large volumes of incriminating data and documents, it said. The NIA raided "several locations across |More on P6

IG BSF Visits LoC In Kupwara

BSF Inspector General of Kashmir Ashok Yadav on Tuesday visited forward posts along the Line of Control in Kupwara district of Jammu and Kashmir to review the winter preparedness of the force. "Ashok Yadav IPS, IG @BSF_Kashmir visited the forward areas along the Line of Control #Kupwara ensuring strategic preparedness of the unit under extreme weather challenges. He also interacted with All Ranks and commended them for their professionalism |More on P6

Army Fires At Suspected Pak Drone

Army troops opened a few rounds at a suspected Pakistani drone along the Line of Control in Akhnour sector here Tuesday evening, police officials said. A massive joint search operation by the Army and police is underway following the incident in forward Battalion area, they said. Alert troops picked up the movement of a suspected drone between around 6.30 pm and fired a few rounds to bring it down, the officials said. Due to the darkness, it was not known |More on P6

JKP Arrests Fraudster From Rajasthan

A man accused of duping a teacher here of over Rs 11 lakh on some pretext through online mode was arrested from Rajasthan after a hunt, officials said. Shahrugh Noor Mohammad, a resident of Rajasthan's Jhunjhunn district, was arrested by a police team of Doda from Ajmer today, they said. The accused was at large and constantly changing his locations for the last couple of years to evade arrest, they said. Mohammad was booked in early this year for |More on P6

Cold Wave Grips Kashmir

Cold conditions in Kashmir intensified as the mercury settled below freezing point at most places in the Valley, officials said on Tuesday. Pahalgam in south Kashmir's Anantnag district, which serves as one of the base camps for the annual Amarnath yatra, saw the mercury settling at minus 4.3 degrees Celsius, they said. It was the coldest area in the Valley on Monday night. Gulmarg in Baramulla district recorded a low of minus 2.3 degrees |More on P6

Two Bear Cubs Rescued In Doda

Two black bear cubs were rescued by the Department of Wildlife Protection from a pit in Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district on Tuesday, an official said. The rescued cubs were shifted to the Kishitwar trauma centre after their successful rescue, Chenab Division Wildlife warden Majid Bashir told PTI. He said the bear cubs had fallen into an open pit in Shiva village near Doda town on the intervening night of Monday and Tuesday and a rescue party |More on P6



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Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Anantnag
Notice inviting e-TENDERS
E-NIT NO. 18 of 2023-24

For and on behalf of Hon'ble Lt. Governor of J&K U.T.e-tenders (in Single Cover System) are invited on "Percentage basis" (Single Click) from approved and eligible contractors registered with J&KUT Govt./CPWD/Railways/Other Governments/ Union Territories for the following works:-

S. No	Name of work	Adv. Cost (Rs in Lacs)	Earnest Money Deposit (Amt in Rs)	Time for completion	Class of Contract	Cost of Tender Document (Rs)	Major Head of Account	Tender Opening Authority
1	Construction of Crate Protection Bund on R/S of VeshuNallah at RangkulGudder	6.91	13820/=	10 Days	CEE/DEE	100/=	MPLADS	Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Anantnag M&R 2023-24 MH-271
2	Construction of Protection wall to Khankah adjacent to River Nallah at Peer Mohalla Hutmurrah Anantnag (IRRSS2023100001) (Fresh)	10.00	20000/=	20 Days	CEE/DEE	200/=	MH-471 UT CAPEX 2323	
3	Flood Protection bund on R/S of Mathmu-Nallah at Gangnam near Masjid Sharief (Fresh)	2.64	5280/=	12 Days	DEE	100/=		
4	Flood Protection work on R/S of Gamdoon-Nallah near the land of Gh. Mohd Kumar & others at Talliwani (Fresh)	2.50	5000/=	10 Days	DEE	100/=		
5	Construction of Flood Protection work on B/S250 GamdoonNallah near the H/O Dalip Kumar at Khulchohar (Ranipora). (Fresh)	5.50	5000/=	10 Days	DEE	100/=		
6	Construction of FP work on R/S of Chaka Nadi at Pehru Anantnag near House of Javaid Ahmad and others (Fresh)	4.50	9000/=	20 Days	DEE	100/=		
7	Cement Concrete retaining wall on right side of HakhranNallah near the land of Mushtaq Ahmad Bandy (near PHE Office Verinag)	2.50	5000/=	07 Days	DEE	100/=		
8	Flood Protection work on right side of SandranNallah at Village Goornard U/S	2.49	4980/=	07 Days	DEE	100/=		
9	Flood Protection/ Anti Erosion work on left side of SandranNallah at Village Nowgam near Santearid offake	1.48	2960/=	05 Days	DEE	100/=		
10	Flood Protection work on R/S of ArdwaniNallah U/S bridge at ManzporaPushkrrei	1.96	3920/=	07 Days	DEE	100/=		
11	Restoration of sloughed embankment near the house of Ab Aziz Mir & Others at Mirgund Batpora	2.09	4180/=	07 Days	DEE	100/=		

Position of Funds: Budgetary provision 2023-24.
Position of Administrative Approval:-Accorded
Position of Technical Sanction:- Accorded
The Bidding document consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, set of terms and conditions, and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per the schedule of dates given below.

1	Date of issue of Tender Notice	04-12-2023 at 6:00 PM
2	Date of start of downloading	04-12-2023 at 6:00 PM
3	Bid submission start date Technical/Financial	04-12-2023 at 6:00 PM
4	Bid submission end date	11-12-2023 at 09:00AM
5	Date & Time of opening of Bids (online).	11-12-2023 at 10:00AM

DIPK-13341/23 dated: 05-12-2023 Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Anantnag

The J&K Board Of Professional Entrance Examinations (BOPEE)
Tele/Fax: 0194-2433590, 2437647 (Srinagar); 0191-2479371, 2470102 (Jammu)
Website: www.jkbopee.gov.in E-mail: coejakbopee@gmail.com/helpdeskjakbopee@gmail.com

Subject: - Provisional Selection List of candidates for admission to B.Ed. Courses - 2023 in Government College of Education, Canal Road Jammu, Institute of Advanced Studies (formerly Government College of Education) M.A Road, Srinagar and Composite Regional Centre (CRC) Bemina, Srinagar after second round of counselling.

Reference: - Notification No. 128-BOPEE of 2023 dated 29.11.2023.

Notification No. 132-BOPEE of 2023 Dated 04-12-2023

Pursuant to Notification No. 128-BOPEE of 2023 dated 29.11.2023, the Board conducted Second Round of (Upgradation/Allotment) counselling (physical) of eligible candidates for admission to B.Ed. courses-2023 in Government College of Education, Canal Road Jammu, Institute of Advanced Studies (formerly Government College of Education) M.A Road, Srinagar and Composite Regional Centre (CRC) Bemina Srinagar on 01.12.2023 at BOPEE office Srinagar/Jammu simultaneously for filling up of seats received as shortfall and the seats which had remained unfilled during 1st Round of Counselling. The list of candidates provisionally Selected for admission to B.Ed. Courses -2023 is hereby notified as per the below Annexure-A to this notification.

The provisionally selected candidates are advised to report in their respective allotted colleges upto 7th of December, 2023 till 4:00 p.m. along with the following documents in original: -

- Qualifying Marks Certificate (10+2+3);
- Domicile Certificate of UT of J&K / Ladakh (for candidates belonging to UT of Ladakh, ST certificate issued by Competent Authority of UT of Ladakh shall be treated as Domicile Certificate);
- Category Certificate, if any;
- Date of Birth (DOB) Certificate and
- Any other certificate/document required by the concerned College/Institution.

The Heads of the concerned Colleges/ Institutions shall get the certificates verified from the in-charge admissions before allowing the concerned candidate(s) to complete admission formalities.

The Heads of the Colleges / Institutions are advised to furnish the details of candidates, who do not complete their admission formalities as shortfall on 07.12.2023 upto 5:00 p.m. to the BOPEE office Jammu / Srinagar positively through e-mail helpdeskjakbopee@gmail.com / coejakbopee@gmail.com

Note:

- The admission of the candidates selected during 2nd round of counselling is purely provisional and shall be liable to be cancelled in case any information furnished by any candidate(s) proves to be false/fabricated, and action as warranted under law shall be initiated against such candidates.
- The Heads of the concerned Colleges/Institution are advised to ensure to admit only those candidates whose documents are complete in all respects. In case any deficiency is found during the verification of the documents/certificates including Marks Card, such candidate(s) should not be allowed admission under any circumstances. Any lapse in this regard will be the sole responsibility of the concerned College/Institution.

The other terms and conditions shall remain the same as notified by the Board through e-Information Brochure/Notifications/Notices issued from time to time in this regard.

Annexure-A

S. NO.	ROLL NO	NAME	CAT	SCORE	RANK	DISCIPLINE	INSTITUTE	CAT-SLI
1	2310275	KAJOL KUMARI	SC	71.00	99	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	OM
2	2310427	NEHA KUMARI	SC	66.25	123	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	OM
3	2310607	SHEETAL DOGRA	OSC	64.00	144	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	OM
4	2310453	SONIA CHANDAIL	RBA	59.00	190	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	OM
5	2310249	PRIYA BABORIA	SC	59.00	191	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	OM
6	2310266	NEHA DEVI	SC	57.25	206	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	OM
7	2310408	SONIA MEHTA	OM	56.25	221	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	OM
8	2310071	LAKSHMI DEVI	SC	46.00	339	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	SC
9	2310298	PALVI DEVI	SC	45.75	345	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	SC
10	2310057	REEYA	SC	37.50	449	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	SC
11	2310265	UZMA SHABIR	ST	35.25	477	B.Ed.	GCOE-JMU	ST
12	2320014	SAFIYA MANZOOR	OM	17.75	610	B.Ed.	IASE-SGR	OM

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Sd/-
Controller of Examinations
J&K BOPEE

No. BOPEE-EXAM/03/2023 (7303099) DIPK-NB-4614/23 dated: 05-12-2023

From The Office Of Advocate Shabir Ahmad Malik And Associates
In the case of
Mujeeb ul Hassan qadri s/o Late Ghulam Hassan Qadri R/o Saidakadal Srinagar (Caveators)
VS
PUBLIC AT LARGE

In the Petition in terms of Section 148-A
The caveator has reason to believe that Non-Caveator may file any Application, Petition, Ap- peal, Suit or any other type of proceeding before the Hon'ble Court and on the ground of distorted facts/ misrepresentation and cooked story and may succeed in obtaining some relief/order at their back/ in exparte against the caveators and in such eventuality the caveators will be put in irrepa- rable loss and inconvenience. It would be proper that caveators be given an opportunity of being heard by the Hon'ble court before passing any order.

Sd/advocate
Shabir Ahmad Malik
nj

Before the Hon'ble court PDJ at SRINAGAR
Through :Adv TABASSUM RASOOL & Associates

In the case of:
I.Mr. Ghulam Rasool Anchari S/O Habib Ullah Anchari R/O Lal Bazar Umer Colony B Srinagar Caveator
Vs
Public at large.
Non Caveators

In the matter of : Caveat
May it please your honour :
The caveator humbly submits as-
That the caveator is Seeking caveat wrt land situated at Nowhatta, mohallah khwaja-yarbal /kho- jyarbal under khasra no 1723/1241/1 under khawat no 262 and in case the non caveators choose to file any suit/ application /appeal etc. Notice to the caveator be given before issuance of any order. hence the publication for the caveat. .
nj

Before The Hon'ble Court Of Principal District And Sessions Judge At Srinagar

Caveat Petition No.2023
In the case of:
SHOWKAT AHMAD S/o: Gh Mohammad Bhat R/o: Tajdar Colony Zakura Sgr Prop: B-Mart Zakura Sgr. Caveators
V/s
Public at large
Non caveator

In the matter of:
CAVEAT PETITION
May It Please Your honor; The caveators most humbly submit as under:
01. That the caveator is the resident of J&K (UT) and has every right to protect his rights and interests by invoking the jurisdiction of this Hon'ble court for the same.
02. That the caveator has reasonable apprehension that non caveator may approach this Hon'ble Court and may get interim order against the said caveator by misleading this Hon'ble Court by filing any SUIT / petition / ANY motion before this Hon'ble Court.
03. That it would be fair and just if the caveator / applicant is heard by this Hon'ble Court at length in the event of any kind of such proceedings being preferred by caveators against the said order. the non-
04. That the caveator is also published a copy of said petition in daily news paper, copy is an- nexed herewith as ANNEXURE-A for kind perusal.
05. That the caveat petition is supported with an affidavit duly sworn by the caveators.
IN THE PREMISES, it is therefore, prayed that this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to provide an opportunity of being heard to the caveators through their counsel before passing any interim order in any proceedings Petition / or any motion to be filed by the non-caveators against the caveator. The same would be consonance with law and justice.
nj

Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Office Of The Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Tangmarg.
NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

NIT No: 42/R&B of 2023-24 Dated: 04-12-2023

For and on behalf of the President of India, e-tenders are being invited on percentage basis (as applicable) from approved and eligible Contractors registered with the J&K Government, CPWD, Railways, and other State/Central Governments for the following works:

S. No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/ Doc. (In Rupees)	Earnest money (In Rupees)	Time of completion	M.H of Account	Class of Contractor	Projecting Authority
1	Establishment of Smart class rooms under Aspirational Plan IV at GHS Gogaldara Tangmarg.	0.50	200/-	1000/=	15 days	3475-Edu- cation	DEE	Edu.Deptt.

Position of AAA: Accorded
Position of TS:- Accorded
Position of funds: Available

1. The bidding documents, which would include qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications/drawings, a bill of quantities (B.O.Q), a set of contract terms and conditions, and other details, can be viewed/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in on the dates listed below: -

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	04-12-2023
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	06-12-2023
3	Bid submission Start Date	06-12-2023
4	Bid Submission End Date	13-12-2023 4:00 PM
5	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	14-12-2023 11:00 AM

3. Bids must be accompanied by a Treasury Challan (dated between the bid submission start date and the Bid Submission End date) with NIT No. Name of work and Serial No. deposited in M.H. 0059 in the name of Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender inviting authority) as the cost of the tender document.

3.At the time of tendering, all bidders must upload earnest money/bid security equal to 2% of the Advertised Cost in the form of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to the tender receiving authority, i.e. Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (dated between the bid submission start date and the Bid Submission End date) otherwise the tender will be rejected. The successful bidder will have to provide Performance Security @ 5% at the time of contract award, strictly in accordance with the Government's circular instructions from time to time. The earnest money/bid security of 2% will be released to the successful bidder only after the submission of a Performance Security of 5% of the total cost, in single CDR/ FDR/BG which will be released after successful completion of the DLP/Maintenance Period.

4.All bidders must UPLOAD the following information and documents with their bids, in addition to the qualification criteria / qualification information, (All documents pertaining to the bid must be in English):

- All bidders must submit copies of original documents defining their constitution/legal status, place of registration, and principal place of business, as well as their cell phone number and e-mail address.
- A valid Contractor/Firm Registration Certificate duly renewed for the year (2023-24 On-line mode) issued by a competent authority in accordance with the Contractor Registration Act & verification of Card registration issued from the competent authority.
- Treasury Challan under (M.H 0059) & Earnest money
- Valid PAN Card
- Scanned copy of GST registration and most recent clearance certificate FORM GSTR-3B and GSTR-1 from the previous quarter or last month, whichever is applicable.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Technical Officer
R&B Division Tangmarg.

No: R&B / Divn./ Tang/2226-37
DIPK-13332/23 Dated: 05-12-2023

The Jammu And Kashmir Board Of School Education
New Campus Bemina Srinagar

I have passed/appeared in Secondary School Examination (Class- 10th)under Roll No.: 114005429 Session: Annual Private Year 2021 through the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. Due to the error committed by the concerned School/parent/ Board against my cast as Ganie instead of Lone

Now, I have applied for correction/rectification of error in the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. New Campus Bemina. Srinagar, if any person has any objection in this regard, may file the same in the office of the Assistant Secretary, Certificates-KD within seven days from the date of Publication of this notice, after the expiry of said period no objection will be entertained.

Name: Danish Sedeeq Lone
F/N: Mohd Sedeeq Lone
M/N: Zareena Begum
DOB : 10-08-2006
Residence: Gulshanpora Bagtore
fko

The Jammu And Kashmir Board Of School Education
New Campus Bemina Srinagar

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Name: Sadik Sadeeq Lone
F/N: Mohd Sadeeq Lone
M/N: Zaytoona Begum
DOB : 10-08-2000
Residence: Gulshanpora Bagtore
fko

The Jammu And Kashmir Board Of School Education
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Name: Sabreena Lateef
F/N: Abdul Lateef Gojer
M/N: Naseema Begum
DOB : 05-05-2007
Residence: Sumlar Bandipora
fko

The Jammu And Kashmir Board Of School Education
New Campus Bemina Srinagar

I have passed/appeared in Secondary School Examination (Class- 10th)under Roll No.: 2647404 Session: Annual Regular Year 2018 through the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. Due to the error committed by the concerned School/ parent/ Board against my cast As Ganie instead of Lone

Now, I have applied for correction/rectification of error in the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. New Campus Bemina. Srinagar, if any person has any objection in this regard, may file the same in the office of the Assistant Secretary, Certificates-KD within seven days from the date of Publication of this notice, after the expiry of said period no objection will be entertained.

Name: Ishfaq Ramzan Lone
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M/N: Rafiq Bagam
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Residence: Gulshanpora Bagtore
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Public Notice

My DOB in my Aadhaar Card has been wrongly written as 10/12/1968 while my correct DOB is 17/10/1966 as per Medical Certificate which needs to be corrected. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the concerned office within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

Gh Hassan Mir
S/o Ghulam Mohammad Mir
R/o Magam
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Public Notice

Mistakenly my wards name was registered in School records as Hayaan Jahangir instead of Mohammad Hayaan which needs to be corrected. If any person having any objection in this regard He/ She may file the same in the office of Principal R.P School, Alamdar colony Malabagh within week's time. No objection will be entertained after given period.

Jahangir Ahmad Najar F/o: Mohammad Hayaan
Class 7th Roll No: 25
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7211 Candidates To Appear In Panchayat Secretary Exams In Srinagar

Observer News Service

Srinagar: At least 7211 candidates are expected to appear in the Panchayat Secretary Examination at 14 designated centers across in Srinagar, Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad was informed during a review meeting here Tuesday.

At the outset, the Deputy Commissioner held a detailed discussion regarding the arrangements to be put in place for the smooth conduct of the JKSSB forthcoming OMR bases Panchayat Secretary written examination.

The DC was informed that as many as 7211 candidates are expected to appear in the Panchayat Secretary examination at 14 designated centers across the District.

On the occasion, the DC

stressed the all concerned to ensure that adequate arrangements for proper heating, drinking water, sanitation, lighting and other basic amenities are in place for the seamless conduct of the Panchayat Secretary Examination.

The DC directed for deployment of sufficient number of Magistrates to ensure smooth and hassle free conduct of JKSSRB examination.

The DC asked the Traffic Police Department to ensure an efficient traffic management system and adequate parking facilities in and around the designated examination centers on the examination date and time. While the Police authorities were asked to ensure adequate deployment of Police personnel for escort of examination material and ensuring smooth conduct of the examination.



NC Vice-President Omar Abdullah along with senior party leaders paid tributes to Sheikh Abdullah on his 118th birth anniversary at his mausoleum in Nigeen area of Srinagar on Tuesday. KO Photo, Abid Bhat

No One Will Be Allowed To Disrupt Peace In Srinagar: ADGP L&O

Directs SSP To Hold Joint Mock Drill To Address Post Terror Incidents

Observer News Service

December 05: Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Law and Order, Vijay Kumar on Tuesday said that no one will be allowed to disrupt the peaceful atmosphere of Srinagar and that stringent actions will be taken against anyone found to be involved in disruptive activities.

ADGP Kumar also emphasized the necessity to strengthen the Counter Insurgency (CI) grid and enhance the basic functioning of police stations through effective supervision.

He also directed the Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Srinagar to hold a joint mock drill to address post-terror occurrences in the district.

Kumar was chairing a joint meet-

ing of Police and CRPF at Police Control Room (PCR) Srinagar to strengthen and synergize the security grid of the District, a police spokesman said in a statement.

He said the ADGP's guidance and directives are aimed at fortifying security measures and maintaining a secure and peaceful environment in Srinagar.

IG CRPF Ajay Kumar Yadav, IGP Kashmir V.K Birdi, DDIB, DIG CKR, DIG CRPF North & DIG CRPF South, SSP Srinagar, SSP PCR Kashmir, all the Nodal COs of CRPF, SP Cargo Srinagar, all Zonal SPs and SDPOs of Srinagar participated in the meeting.

During the meeting, a detailed security plan of Srinagar district was discussed in threadbare where in CRPF and Police were acquainted

with their new roles besides suggestions were also taken from the field officers to have a fair idea of the shortcomings, avoid confusion at the cutting edge in order to make it a perfect and comprehensive CT grid. Besides, ADGP L&O, IG CRPF and IGP Kashmir also contributed their valid suggestions.

ADGP stressed upon all the officers that the idea of a perfect security grid is only possible if the things discussed are implemented on ground in letter and spirit. ADGP has focused upon strengthening the functioning of the joint police control room and better communication mechanism between field officers of CRPF and JKP in the city.

Area domination of water bodies was also discussed and included in the area domination plan in today's meeting.

Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra Reaches Gandtal Panchayat Halqa

Observer News Service

Srinagar: As a part of ongoing Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra (VBSY) campaign today reached Gandtal Panchayat Halqa of Block Harwan gaining further momentum in Srinagar District.

Amid active participation of all stakeholders, the campaign is spreading awareness about government schemes among the public.

During the day, District Srinagar ay Gandtal Panchayat Halqa

witnessed overwhelming participation of the locals which also included the presence of PRI members. The program started with the welcoming of the VBSY van.

On the occasion, several Departments had set up stalls; disseminate information about the different flagship schemes.

The locals were also informed about various Government initiatives.

In order to address organic farming the Officials and Nodal Officers met with progressive farm-

ers and arranged a workshop on Agricultural Operations.

Free Health services were delivered through medical camps. The qualifying beneficiaries received KCC and Ayushman Bharat Cards.

The program was culminated by Block Development officer Harwan, Dr Raja Majid who felicitated Women achievers, Students and local sports persons. The participants made promises in support of Viksit Bharat , which seeks to promote the country's growth.

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FAJR	5: 53
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This Day In History

- 631 - 1st predicted transit of Venus (Kepler) is observed.
- 1534 - Quito, Ecuador, founded by Spanish colonists on the ruins of an Inca city
- 1631 - 1st predicted transit of Venus (Kepler) is observed
- 1723 - Holy Roman Emperor Charles VI's Pragmatic Sanction with the Diet of Hungary recognizes the King's daughters as successors
- 1756 - British troops under Robert Clive occupy Fulta, India
- 1873 - 1st international football game in US: Yale 2, Eton (England) 1
- 1877 - First recording made of the human voice - Thomas Edison reciting "Mary had a little lamb".
- 1877 - Washington Post publishes 1st edition.
- 1897 - London becomes the world's first city to host licenced taxicabs.
- 1912 - China votes for universal human rights
- 1916 - German army under Gen Mackensen occupies Bucharest.
- 1916 - World War I: The Central Powers capture Bucharest.
- 1917 - French munition ship "Mont Blanc" explodes in Halifax, kills 1,700.
- 1917 - Taking advantage of the temporary relaxation of authority in Russia, Finland declares itself a republic, following the Ukraine on 20 November.
- 1921 - Anglo-Irish Treaty signed; Ireland receives dominion status; partition creates Northern Ireland.
- 1925 - Italy, Britain & Egypt sign Jughub accord (Italy).
- 1938 - 117 Spanish knights under capt Piet Laros return to Netherlands.
- 1938 - French/German non-attack treaty drawn (Ribbentrop-Bonnet Pact).
- 1941 - Dutch & British pilots see Japanese invasion fleet at Singapore.
- 1956 - Nelson Mandela & 156 others arrested for political activities in S Africa.
- 1957 - 1st US attempt to launch a satellite fails-Vanguard rocket blows up.
- 1958 - US lunar probe Pioneer 3 reaches 107,269 km, falls back.
- 1962 - US abandons Skybolt ballistic missile program.
- 1965 - Pakistan's Islamic Ideology Advisory Committee recommends that Islamic studies be made a compulsory subject for Muslim students from primary to graduate level.
- 1977 - South Africa grants Bophuthatswana independence.
- 1980 - NASA launches Intelsat V satellite, no. 502.
- 1988 - Arafat meets prominent American Jews in Stockholm, Sweden.
- 1990 - Saddam announces release of all foreign hostages.
- 1992 - 300,000 hindus destroy mosque of Babri India, 4 die.
- 1998 - Hugo Chávez is elected President of Venezuela.
- 2006 - NASA reveals photographs taken by Mars Global Surveyor suggesting the presence of liquid water on Mars.
- 2012 - A 243 million year old Nyasasaurus fossil is discovered in Tanzania
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- 2012- Typhoon Bopha's death toll rise to 418 with 318 missing and 179,000 displaced
- 2013- Pope Francis gives his ascent to a proposal to create a permanent post on the Pontifical Commission on cases of sin and sexual abuse of minors
- 2017- Andrej Babiš is sworn as Prime Minister of the Czech Republic
- 2017- Starbucks opens its largest cafe in the world in Shanghai, 30,000 square-feet, 1/2 size of a football field
- 2017- US President Donald Trump officially recognizes Jerusalem as Israel's capital, announcing plans to move US embassy there

Rasm-E-Chaharum

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved Begum Syed Ali Hamdani, on 3rd December 2023. May Almighty Allah (SWT) bestow His choicest blessings on the departed soul.

Fateh Khuwani will be observed on Wednesday the 6th of December, 2023 at our ancestral graveyard at Hassanabad (Raniawari) at 8:00 AM followed by a condolence meet at the residence in Hassabanad (Rainawari), Srinagar for the whole day.

Dated: 05-12-23

FROM THE OFFICE OF ADVOCATE AZRA FAHTIMA
Before the Hon'ble Court of Principal District Judge at Srinagar

In the Case of:
1. Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd.
2. Reliance Jio infratel Pvt Ltd.
3. Summit digital Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.
Office Address:- Sarah City Mall Lal Chowk Srinagar
Pin Code: 190001

V/S PUBLIC AT LARGE (Caveators)
(Non Caveators)

In the matter of: Caveat petition in terms of Section 148-A of CPC. That the caveators have reason to believe / apprehension that Caveatee may file a suit/petition or other type of proceedings before the Hon'ble court and on the grounds of distorted facts/misrepresentation and cooked story and may succeed in obtain some relief/order at their back/exparte against the caveators and such eventually the caveators will be put to an irreparable loss and inconvenience. It would be proper that caveators be given opportunity of being heard by the Hon'ble court before passing any order.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have changed my name from old name Ramya.R to new name Dhana Lakshmi in future I will be known as new name Dhana Lakshmi .If anybody is having any objection he/she may contact passport officer, Srinagar within seven days from the date of publication of this notice. No objection shall be entertained thereafter.

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Admission Notification No. 05 of 2023

Online Application Forms are invited from eligible candidates for admission to **BS Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUGP) through Design your Degree (DYOD)** mode with an option to major in anyone of the disciplines (Artificial Intelligence/ Mathematical Sciences/ English/ Data Sciences/ Media Studies/ Islamic Studies/ Economics) for the Academic Session 2023. The interested candidates are advised to peruse the detailed Admission Notification No. 05 of 2023 available on the university website www.iust.ac.in.

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DIPK-NB-4620/23 dated: 05-12-2023

NORTHERN RAILWAY E-Tender Notice

Sr. DEN-IV/FZR acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites open tenders (E-Tenders) against below titled tenders and available on www.ireps.gov.in with closing date - **26.12.2023** up to 15:00 Hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tenders, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through only payment modes available on www.ireps.gov.in portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft Banker Cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed. For more information logon to www.ireps.gov.in

Tender Type	Tendering Section	Bidding System
Open	Works	Single Bid System
Date of Uploading Tenders	Bid Starting Date	Bid Closing Date/Time
04.12.2023	12.12.2023	26.12.2023/15:00 Hrs

S.No.	Tender No.	Details of Tender	Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money	Validity of Offer	Period of Completion
1.	327-2023-24-UHP-DRM-FZR	TWR (Through Weld Renewal) at loop lines no. 1, 2, 3, 5 at UHP, loop line no. 1, 3 & 4 at SVDK, loop line no. 1 & 2 at CRWL, loop line no. 1 & 3 at SGR, loop line no. 1 & 3 at BLA, loop line no. 1 & 3 at RMJK, loop line no. 1 & 3 at MNVL on JAT-SVDK section & at loop line no. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, ART siding, Diesel shed siding, HA siding, Parcel siding, Shunting neck, Turn Table Siding & Wheel Lathe Siding no. 1, 2 and 3 at BDGM, loop line no. 4, Saloon cum Parcel siding, Goods line & HAS siding at ANT, loop line no. 1, 3 & HAS siding at OG, loop line no. HAS siding at PTTN, loop line no. 1 & HAS siding at HME, loop line no. HAS siding at KAPE, loop line no. 1 & HAS siding at PJGM, loop line no. 1 & 3 SUDA, loop line no. 4 at ATPA, loop line no. PS siding at SINA, loop line no. ORL3 BRML end at SX2M, MZMA stations on BAHL-BRML section by using Road cum Rail Mobile, Flash Butt Welding plant in jurisdiction of Sr. DEN-IV/FZR.	5,32,85,423.36/-	4,16,400/-	60 Days	12 Months

Similar Nature of work :- "Welding of Rails with Mobile Flash Butt Welding Plant".

Note 1:- Before bidding, bidders to check for any corrigendum issued against tender. Tender Notice No:- 327-2023-24-UHP-DRM-FZR dated: 04.12.2023 3803/2023

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The Deputy Chief Engineer /BR/Workshop, Northern Railway, Jalandhar Cantt, for and on behalf of the President of India invites Open-tender under Single Packet System for the under noted work:-

S. No.	Tender Notice No.	Name of work	Approx Cost (Rs.)	Earnest Money (Rs)	Date of opening	Bidding start date on IREPS
1	OT-19-JRC-2023	Casting of PSC slabs from 3.05 m to 12.2 m span as per approved drawing inside Railway premises.	3,46,20,046.57	3,23,100.00	22.12.2023	08.12.2023 to 22.12.2023

Cost of tender form Rs 0 Completion period of work 12 Months

Date & Time for submission of Tender and opening of tender: Up to 15:00 hrs on dates shown against each and opening of tender there after at 15:00 hrs on same date; Website Particulars where complete details of Tender can be seen & downloaded: The detailed-tender notice is available on Northern Railway web site i.e. www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in and tender document is available on www.ireps.gov.in. No.: 80-W/30/Bridges/Invitation Dated: 01.12.2023

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Gaza Horror Resumes

After the seven day humanitarian truce, the Israeli invasion of Gaza has resumed, leading to further loss of civilian lives, most of them women and children. Israel has refused a permanent ceasefire, saying its goal is to eliminate Hamas. Talks on the release of more Israeli hostages and Palestinian prisoners have stalled. This calls for the international community to step in and bring an end to the harrowing suffering of Palestinians.

Israel's blockade in the occupied Gaza Strip has cut off vital supplies like food, medicine, water, and fuel for 2.3 million Palestinians, leading Oxfam to accuse Israel of using starvation as a weapon of war in this situation. United Nations experts have referred to it as a potential genocide, a fact echoed by hundreds of scholars globally. Despite these warnings, much of the world, especially the global north, appears to be turning a blind eye to this crisis. Although the global south wants the invasion to stop, Israel, helped by its western backers, has refused to listen.

Meanwhile, the tragedy continues to unfold in Gaza. A World Health Organization official in Gaza described the situation on Tuesday as deteriorating by the hour after Israeli bombing intensified in the south of the territory around the cities of Khan Younis and Rafah. Israel has justified its invasion of Gaza and the subsequent disproportionate civilian death toll to October 7 attacks by Hamas which killed 1200 Israelis. But ongoing war crimes committed by Israel cannot be excused by the horrific murders of Israeli civilians by Hamas. It is now rightly argued by well-meaning people across the world that genocide can never be considered self-defense or a proportionate response. More so, when October 7 attacks themselves didn't happen in a vacuum, as rightly stated by the UN chief Antonio Guterres. It's important to acknowledge that these events occur within the larger context of Palestinians enduring oppressive conditions for decades, which Amnesty International has characterized as an apartheid regime.

Amid these dire circumstances, the imperative for a ceasefire cannot be overstated. Every passing moment without intervention adds to the mounting humanitarian catastrophe. Moreover, the repercussions of this conflict extend far beyond Gaza's borders. It risks further regional destabilization and fuels broader tensions, emphasizing the critical need to contain the conflict's ripple effects.

A sustainable resolution demands a multifaceted approach. While an immediate ceasefire is the immediate necessity, long-term peace hinges on robust diplomatic initiatives, which means a serious global effort for a two-state solution within 1967 borders whereby sovereign Israel and Palestinian states live side by side. For now, we need establishment of humanitarian corridors to ensure the unimpeded flow of aid to the affected population. Considering the horrific situation in Gaza, the aid can no longer wait for the humanitarian pauses to resume.

OTHER OPINION

At Dubai COP, India stands its ground

COP 28, India, Dubai, COP28 in Dubai, global warming, climate change, global warming mitigation commitments, climate diplomacy, equity and justice, indian express news Prime Minister Narendra Modi summed up the country's standpoint in his speech at the UNFCCC meet on Friday (Representational Image)

In the first two days of the COP28 in Dubai, India has affirmed its global warming mitigation commitments while underlining abiding principles of its climate diplomacy — equity and justice.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi summed up the country's standpoint in his speech at the UNFCCC meet on Friday: "For global good, it is important that the rights of everyone are protected, and everyone has equal participation." India achieved its emission intensity-related target 11 years ago and is on track to achieving its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) towards the Paris Pact, he said. Prime Minister Modi also reiterated the country's renewable energy commitments. At the same time, the government has been unequivocal about coal's important role in the country's economy.

"Coal is and would remain an important part of India's energy mix." Foreign Secretary Vinay Mohan Kwatra said on the eve of the PM's visit to Dubai. These statements send an important message that India will not buckle under pressure to raise its climate ambition — certainly not at the cost of its development priorities.

Eliminating the use of coal is sure to be among the contentious issues at the Dubai COP. Two years ago at Glasgow, a last-minute push by India, China and other emerging economies led to a change in the final text of the COP26 declaration — from a "phase out" of coal to a "phase down" of the fossil fuel. The debate at Glasgow also framed the challenge faced by countries seeking to reduce emissions while attempting to improve the standard of living of growing populations.

The share of renewables in India's energy basket, for instance, has been increasing for at least five years. However, coal provides more than 70 per cent of the country's energy needs. With the economy bouncing back from the Covid-induced crisis, power demand in the country has been growing at a healthy pace. Their natural gas reserves allowed the US and several European countries to move away from coal.

The Indian Express

An Average Kashmiri's Average Life

Even with all family members contributing, middle-class households find themselves plagued by financial vulnerability, unable to satiate their ever-mounting needs and aspirations

Peer Mohammad Amir Qureshi

“ Numerous shopkeepers have permanently shuttered their establishments, seeking fresh narratives, as the struggle to meet their daily needs became insurmountable. The paradox of personal earnings is that as one's income increases, so do the exigencies of life. Employees find themselves in a less-than-ideal situation, as their pay fails to secure a peaceful life



On my way back from Ganderbal, I hopped onto a local bus to grab some must-have items. During the ride, my attention was drawn to a lady cradling a baby in her lap, furiously rummaging through her purse. In her quest, she revealed a torn five-rupee note, clearly distressed by the loss of something precious. Touched by her plight, I stepped up to cover her fare, acting on my empathetic impulse.

As I observed this poignant moment unfold, a whirlwind of questions engulfed my thoughts. What trials and tribulations had she faced? Did her husband abandon her with a mere five Rupee note and their child? Were their circumstances truly dire? Were they plunged into abject poverty? What was the story behind that torn note? To both her and me, it appeared nothing short of a wondrous miracle that the Bus conductor didn't even ask for fare. As fate would have it, when the bus came to a halt, she gracefully exited without the conductor. Even asking for fare, leaving me in a state of Bewilderment and an insatiable thirst for Understanding. What I understood by all this is that the economic plight of the valley's Inhabitants continues to deteriorate with each passing year. Even with all family members contributing, middle-class households find themselves plagued by financial vulnerability, unable to satiate their ever-mounting needs and aspirations. Once a bastion of self-sufficiency, Kashmir now finds itself tethered to imports, with prices escalat-

ing incessantly, particularly for everyday essentials such as food items and beverages.

Inflation has exacerbated the situation in Kashmir, inflicting a severe blow on the common man. Essential items witness an unrelenting ascent in prices, with daily revisions that seem to reach new heights. The common narrative unfolds as the public contends that shopkeepers hike prices, while the merchants assert that post-GST and CST implementation, profit margins are elusive. Numerous shopkeepers have permanently shuttered their establishments, seeking fresh narratives, as the struggle to meet their daily needs became insurmountable. The paradox of personal earnings is that as one's income increases, so do the exigencies of life. Employees find themselves in a less-than-ideal situation, as their pay fails to secure a peaceful life. Economic struggles intensify toward month-end, leaving wallets empty. Borrowing for necessities becomes a common practice, with the confidence that repayment will ensue once the salary arrives. The business landscape in Kashmir has crumbled, and as the caretaker of my family emporium, I meticulously observe the market's fragility. Conversing with a distributor revealed a disconcerting trend—goods are returned due to delayed payments, a consequence of the sluggish pace of business. The intricate nature of credit, fostering a sense of dishonesty, has strained relationships between shopkeepers and distributors, exacerbating

the challenges in this economic slowdown. When I posted about the very incident of economic instability on my Facebook feed a noted columnist of valley rayees ahmad kumar commented that kashmir has lost it's sheen day after another. In a poignant recount, he shared an encounter at a xerox shop, where the shopkeeper, elated by the rare customer in the evening, revealed the stark reality—scarcity of patrons mirrored the prevailing economic downturn in the valley

Meanwhile, yesterday brought tidings from Jammu and Kashmir, unveiling a decline in the retail inflation rate to a favorable 3.4 percent in October, as meticulously reported by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation. The soaring unemployment rate in the valley has left the educated youth reluctant to engage in either farming or business, further exacerbating the prevailing challenges. We now can only hope and pray May the benevolent guidance of Almighty Allah alleviate the burdens we bear And graciously bestow upon us abundant increments in all aspects of our lives.

Views expressed in the article are the author's own and do not necessarily represent the editorial stance of Kashmir Observer. The author is a writer and columnist based in Ganderbal. He tweets @peermohdamir and can be mailed at ehsaanamy133@gmail.com



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Housing For All: A Rural-Urban Approach

To orchestrate a harmonious future, meticulous housing planning is imperative in the symphony of urban development. Proper housing planning should extend to rural areas, conserving abundant agricultural land, a critical natural resource. Sustainable resource management resonates through judicious land allocation and eco-conscious dwelling practices. Robust housing with minimal ecological impact necessitates discouraging rampant urban expansion into productive suburban lands, considering not only present needs but also anticipating future demands in our ever-changing world. This holistic housing approach can transform cities, suburbs, and rural areas into living ecosystems where humans coexist harmoniously with nature. A clarion call for stakeholders—government, private developers, housing boards, and citizens—to converge, composing a symphony committed

to a more resourceful tomorrow.

Arable land, vital for food production, faces constant threat from rampant urbanization. Rising population demands intensified residential spaces, but without proper planning, fertile land converts to housing. In UT Jammu and Kashmir, particularly Srinagar city, the alarming loss of fertile land to urbanization is exacerbated by the profit-driven interests of land mafias and private property dealers. Unplanned colonies by unregistered property dealers often receive favors for essential infrastructure development, attracting residents in need of housing facilities. However, government or housing board colonies lag in civic amenities, discouraging citizens from choosing well-planned options.

For instance, the J&K Housing Board's Ompora colony in Budgam is ecologically sound, being unirrigated and upland, with minimal flood threats. Unfortunately, authorities' apathy toward civic

amenities in such colonies drives citizens toward unplanned, private colonies on fertile lands with better infrastructure. The Ompora housing colony, meticulously planned with dilapidated roads and drains, exemplifies the need for transforming government colonies into model settlements. Authorities should focus on providing better amenities, roads, drainage, electrification, and drinking water to make these colonies preferred destinations.

Addressing Ompora's Challenges: A Resident's Perspective

Being a resident of Ompora Housing Colony, I witness firsthand the significant challenges our community faces, grappling with a lack of essential amenities crucial for our well-being. Issues such as well-maintained roads and drains, an unreliable supply of pure drinking water, inconsistent electricity, the absence of a dedicated marriage hall, inadequate fire and emergency services, the need for a well-equipped hospital,

and the absence of a police station demand urgent attention. These deficiencies not only impede the colony's potential as a preferred destination but also necessitate immediate action from authorities.

The urgency lies in transforming Ompora into a model housing colony for the region. Authorities must address these fundamental needs promptly to enhance our quality of life. Integrating these essential amenities will not only meet the immediate needs of residents but also contribute significantly to the overall success of sustainable housing initiatives in the area. It is crucial that these issues are prioritized and resolved, ensuring that Ompora becomes a shining example of well-planned, well-equipped, and thriving housing for the benefit of all its residents.

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Afghan Tragedy Unfolds in Pakistan

The deportation of Afghan refugees from Pakistan back to Afghanistan, as per a government directive is causing untold suffering and miseries to the Afghans living in Pakistan for the last 20 years or so. It seems that the decision is based on financial woes currently faced by Pakistan yet it involves other elements too

Asad Mirza

For the last two months the international attention has been focussed on the continuing Gaza crisis, yet in its background another human tragedy has been unfolding in Pakistan, noticed by few except the humanitarian agencies.

Reportedly, more than 370,000 Afghans have fled Pakistan since 1 October, after Pakistan vowed to expel more than a million undocumented refugees, mostly Afghans.

However, in a significant ruling the Supreme Court of Pakistan observed on 2 December 2023, that Pakistan is a signatory to United Nations' conventions safeguarding the rights of refugees and these agreements bind Pakistan.

Earlier, an apex committee, chaired by caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar ul Haq Kakar, on 3 October 2023 had issued a deadline for foreign nationals to depart voluntarily or risk deportation by Pakistan by 31 October.

Reportedly, this was to affect some 1.7 million Afghan refugees in Pakistan but also members of other persecuted communities including China's Uyghurs and Myanmar's Rohingya.

While the majority of the over 4 million Afghans living in Pakistan has been in the country since the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan, between 600,000 and 800,000 Afghans are believed to have arrived in Pakistan after the Taliban 2.0 took over power in 2021.

Pakistani Crackdown

As per media reports, Police and other officials have carried out mass detentions, night raids, and beatings against Afghans. They've seized property and livestock, and bulldozed homes. They've also demanded bribes, confiscated jewellery, and destroyed identity documents. Pakistani police have sometimes sexually harassed Afghan women and girls and threatened them with sexual assault.

Among those being deported or coerced to leave are people who would be at a greater risk of persecution in Afghanistan, includ-



THE UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES HAS SAID THAT THE ARRIVAL OF HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE INTO AFGHANISTAN "couldn't have come at a worse time," as the country faces a prolonged economic crisis that has left two thirds of the population in need of humanitarian assistance, and now, winter is setting in

ing women and girls, human rights defenders, journalists, and former government employees who fled Afghanistan after the Taliban takeover in August 2021.

Some of those at risk had previously been promised resettlement in the US, UK, Germany, and Canada, but resettlement processes are not proceeding quickly enough.

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The new arrivals often come with almost nothing, because Pakistani authorities have prohibited Afghans from taking out more than 50,000 Pakistani rupees (US\$ 175) each. Humanitarian agencies have described shortages of tents and other basic services for those arriving.

The area of Torkham - the crossing point between Pakistan and Afghanistan -, lies just outside the city of Ja-

lalabad. The Taliban government has converted this area into a massive tent city, bereft of civic amenities, to accommodate the influx from Pakistan.

Souring of Pak-Afghan Relations

Since 2021, Islamabad has attempted to close its border with Afghanistan with little success. Apparently, as expected the bilateral relationship between the two countries after the Taliban's takeover of power in Afghanistan didn't worked out on expected lines.

The Taliban 2.0 were not the same

lot as the earlier Taliban. This time around they were surer of themselves and instead of following Pakistani diktats through ISI, the Taliban charted a new course of their own.

The relationship even soured more, once the new Taliban government started fencing along the border on the Durand Line. Added to that was the issue of free trade between the two countries, which stopped flow of goods into Afghanistan via Pakistan twice over the last two years. Pakistan has also implemented several measures to tighten the Afghanistan-Pakistan Transit Trade Agreement (ATTA), which critics say has been misused, for smuggling goods back into Pakistan.

Additionally, over the past year, there has been a surge of militant attacks inside Pakistan, with most claimed by Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), a close ally of the Afghan Taliban. Pakistani authorities have blamed Afghan migrants in part for the rise in attacks.

Only last week, an air force base was attacked in Mianwali, the capital of the Punjab province, though most attacks take place near the long border with Afghanistan, where Islamabad says the TTP has safe-havens.

When the decision to deport refugees was announced, Interim Minister Sarfraz Bugti had stated that out of the 24 suicide bombings in Pakistan this year, Afghan nationals carried out 14.

The Taliban government in Kabul has denied involvement and has done little to allay Islamabad's security concerns. Refusing to take back any refugees, Kabul also disapproves of Islamabad's repatriation plan.

As tempers rise, the Afghan interim Prime Minister Mullah Mohammad Hassan Akhund has criticised Pakistan's decision to expel refugees, saying that Islamabad had violated international laws, while his deputy Sher Mohammad Abbas Stanikzai has warned Pakistan "not to force their hand to react over the move".

Hostility is so deeply entrenched against Afghans that Jan Achakzai, caretaker minister in Balochistan province, has said that the expulsion of refugees would continue, "no matter which political government comes to power after the elections." The tenure of the current caretaker government ends in February 2024.

Though the current situation may have arisen due to Pakistan's own economic woes, in addition to its souring relationship with the Taliban 2.0, yet, the major sufferer in this case is the common Afghan. In this backdrop it becomes the duty of international humanitarian agencies and western governments to take cognisance of the issue and start a slew of measures to ensure care of Afghan citizens and also try to get relations patched up between the two neighbouring countries.

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Teaching Kids The Art Of The Comeback

Suzanne Bender

"You don't know what is in the ice cream flavor Moose Tracks? I can't believe you have never had it. That's so weird."

"Eew—a purple dress makes you look like a grape."

"I was watching you during swim class and you didn't swim in a straight line at all, even after the teacher told us to."

Starting in elementary school, children often make hurtful thoughtless comments to one another—even to good friends. Some children are aware they are being mean when they spout off; others don't even recognize they are being rude.

The remarks may be a way to displace distress (financial, emotional, academic or physical) onto a peer. The frontal lobe (the part of the brain that provides impulse control) is not fully developed during childhood, which increases the likelihood of spewing insensitivity.

Of note, I'm not talking about cruel exacting putdowns that make a child feel unsafe and/or bullying. Bullying requires repeated physical or emotional harm and increased fear, while creating an overall hostile environment. These situations may cause significant psychological harm and require direct intervention by adults.

Intermittent inane statements are a different beast. That said, these remarks may still cause distress to children who are sensitive. The words truly hurt and the child may feel helpless in response.

As a caring adult, your first job is to validate the feelings. It is important to call a nasty comment a nasty comment. You understand why the child is fired up about it.

It's useful not to lambast the character of the offender. The



annoying peer might become a good friend within a week. Comment on the comment, not the person.

Sometimes adults try to understand the point of the view of the provoker ("I hear their parents are getting divorced—so maybe that is why they are being mean".) This is generally not helpful. Empathizing with the perpetrator doesn't help the child feel seen or understood.

Next step if the child is interested: It can be empowering to learn how to respond independently to unkind judgments rather than immediately involving an adult. The old adage "teaching one to fish" applies to

playground shenanigans as well.

Some recommend ignoring the mean statement. If the instigator doesn't interact with the child often, if the off-hand remark is in passing, or if the individual in question has a history of escalating any confrontation, the best strategy may be to ignore the provocation. It may not make sense to engage with unpredictable children just as adults may hesitate to engage an irate driver on the road.

The calculation changes if the quips are coming from a peer whom the child interacts with often. In this situation, ignoring comes at a cost—because rude remarks without any pushback

may continue, or even escalate. In kid world, it can feel amusing to harass someone who doesn't respond.

Humor or a response that is unexpectedly agreeable may be effective ("Well, I love grapes and couldn't be prouder to represent this fruit" or "Thank you very much!") but it requires verbal agility and the ability to think on one's feet. For a child who might otherwise freeze and go blank in response to verbal insensitivity, a prepared response can be empowering. In role play with a trusted adult, the child can take a turn playing both the aggressor and the responder. It is useful to learn comebacks that work in mul-

multiple situations. The adult involved in rehearsal can encourage direct eye contact and an assertive tone. Confidence will increase with practice.

Some classic comebacks that work in multiple scenarios

"Why do you care?"
"So what?"
"What's your point?"
"That's your best point?"
"What's your problem?"
"Who says that? Seriously, Who does that?"

"I don't comment on your ____."
If these don't work, the targeted child can go on offense. "Why are you obsessed with talking about my purple dress? What's going on with you?"

How it may play out in rehearsal:

"Umm, that dress makes you look like a grape—it is so purple!"
"Why do you even care?"
"It's just weird."
"So what?"
"Well, if you want to look like a grape..."
"Well, I don't comment on your clothes."
"It's just strange. You look strange"

"Why are you obsessed with purple dresses? You don't have anything else better to do?"
"Never mind, just forget it"

These simple comebacks have a lot of power. First, the instigator wants to feel powerful, but with pushback, the interaction won't feel as fruitful. The final retort, if all else fails, creates a boomerang effect. All of a sudden, the provoker is in the spotlight. The child is no longer a soft target, which can be protective in the future as well.

Over the years, I have found that a child doesn't even need to say the comebacks to feel a bit better with an annoying peer. They just need to think them. The power of fighting back, even in one's own head, provides a sense of agency. The child who has rehearsed a defense may have a change in facial expression; sometimes the aggressor senses the change, and move on to bother someone else instead.

Empowering the child and giving them agency is helpful in numerous ways. With emotional support, the child no longer feels alone. With validation, they learn to trust their internal experience. Add in some comebacks to hold in their back pocket, and they may feel emboldened, rather than discouraged when dealing with the inevitable immature communications that are part of childhood.

— Psychology Today

Div Com Asks BEACON To Ensure Proper Maintenance Of Roads, Timely Snow Clearance

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The Divisional Commissioner (Div Com) Kashmir, Vijay Kumar Bidhuri today convened a meeting to review the maintenance of roads and timely snow clearance in Border Districts to ensure road connectivity to remote areas during the winter season.

The meeting was attended by senior officers from BEACON besides District Administrations. Addressing the meeting, Div Com directed for ensuring regular maintenance of roads under



the jurisdiction of BEACON for smooth movement of vehicles and constant supply chain of essential commodities to peripheral habitations. He also directed for advance

deployment of machinery for clearing snow from major roads during the winter season. The meeting was informed that all the required numbers of men and machinery have

been put at different locations in a standby position to ensure opening of roads simultaneously.

Meanwhile, Div Com reviewed construction of retaining wall of Road at Thune Kangan in Ganderbal which had been damaged by landslide.

On the occasion, Div Com directed concerned Beacon officers to start the construction work for the retaining wall from Monday on the critical portion to be identified by DC Ganderbal so that the road shall be restored at the earliest for

transportation.

Div Com also reviewed road safety measures in the landslide prone areas of the districts and impressed on district administrations to work out the mitigation plan to protect roads and other infrastructure from damage besides precious human lives.

While reviewing the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, Div Com enjoined for intensifying the campaign to educate the general public in every panchayat about centrally sponsored welfare schemes.

Koshish Celebrates Work Aids Day

Observer News Service

Srinagar: In connection with World Aids day celebration KOSHISH a Srinagar based NGO in collaboration with the Jammu and Kashmir AIDS Control Society (JKACS) organised truck Mela in Srinagar's Pampora fruit Mandi.

The programme was held under the guidance of Project Director Dr Sameer Mattoo. The thematic focus for the year 2023 was "Let Communities Lead."

In adherence to Dr. Sameer Mattoo's directives, the KOSHISH team successfully mobilized various stakeholders, including truckers, community members, fruit dealers, and

truck associations, to participate in the awareness rallies.

Notably, the New Kashmir Fruit Association provided crucial support within the mandi premises.

The primary objectives of these awareness rallies encompassed the commemoration of World Aids Day and the dissemination of information pertaining to HIV/AIDS.

Beyond the annual observance, KOSHISH consistently conducts such awareness programs to sensitize the long-distance trucker community about HIV/AIDS, dispel myths, and underscore the importance of protection and self-awareness.

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'Ready For J&K

polls are not being held in Jammu and Kashmir.

Participating in the discussion, Congress leader Manish Tewari also sought to know about the election and when statehood would be restored in Jammu and Kashmir.

He wondered that at a time when the treasury benches are claiming that normalcy has been restored in Jammu and Kashmir, "why elections" are not being held.

Tewari further said constitutional propriety demands that the government should refrain from coming up with these legislations as a matter related to the Constitution (Amendment) Act pertaining to the abrogation of Article 370 is pending in the Supreme Court.

Home Minister Amit Shah, who was present during the debate, said he would give a detailed reply on all the issues raised by the opposition members.

Jamyang Tsering Namgyal of the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) said peace in Jammu and Kashmir is "more important" than elections.

He said after the abrogation of Article 370, the situation in Jammu and Kashmir has improved and investments have started pouring in.

Intervening, Union minister Anurag Thakur said it is sad when security personnel are killed, but the opposition should not forget that 45,000 people died in Jammu and Kashmir during the 70 years of their regime.

National Conference (NC) MP Hasnain Masoodi also demanded early polls in Jammu and Kashmir.

He said the government should tell the truth to the country and not spread the illusion of normalcy in Jammu and Kashmir.

Masoodi also claimed that unemployment is increasing in the Union Territory.

Supriya Sule of the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) too demanded early polls and said the government should bring a comprehensive bill on reservation to meet the aspirations of the people of different states.

Janata Dal-United's Kaushalendra Kumar also demanded the holding of Assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir.

Oppn Seeks Timeline

Union Territory. Home Minister Amit Shah will respond to the debate on the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Amendment) Bill and the Jammu and Kashmir Reservation (Amendment) Bill, taken up together, on Wednesday. One bill seeks to nominate not more than two members, one of whom shall be a woman, from the community of "Kashmiri Migrants" and one member from the "Displaced Persons from Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir" to the legislative assembly of the Union Territory.

The other seeks to change the nomenclature of "weak and underprivileged classes" to "Other Backward Classes" in Jammu and Kashmir.

The Union Territory, which has the provision for a legislative assembly, is currently under central rule.

Singh said Shah should assert that the election in Jammu and Kashmir will be held, with security forces ready to deal with any situation.

He said while a provision is being made to provide reservation for two members from the community of "Kashmiri Migrants" and one from the "Displaced Persons from Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir" to the legislative assembly of Jammu and Kashmir, a representative from the Punjabi community from Jammu should also be provided. He said the "Punjabi" should not necessarily be a Sikh.

Jugal Kishore Sharma of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), who represents Jammu in the Lok Sabha, said the bill to change the nomenclature of "weak and underprivileged classes" to "Other Backward Classes" in Jammu and Kashmir will benefit people in getting reservation in other parts of the country for the first time.

Saugata Roy of the Trinamool Congress (TMC) said the government should announce a time-frame for holding polls in the Union Territory.

He said providing reservation and similar issues are state subjects and

should be dealt with by the state legislatures. The hurry, he said, is to pass bills, but it should be for holding the Assembly polls.

Roy claimed that the abrogation of the provisions of Article 370 of the Constitution has brought no changes in the lives of the people of Jammu and Kashmir. He said this was the first time that a state was converted into a Union Territory.

He said the government tells tourists that everything is fine in Jammu and Kashmir but in reality, that is not the case.

Speaker Om Birla intervened to say after the abrogation of Article 370, most of the MPs have been to Jammu and Kashmir and the region is at it was earlier.

The TMC leader said it was a matter of opinion.

He also said the people of Jammu and Kashmir and not the lieutenant governor should rule the Union Territory.

Roy's remarks on the LG drew protests from the BJP members.

The Election Commission (EC) has recently said the Jammu and Kashmir polls will be held at the "right time", keeping in mind the security situation there.

Announcing the poll schedule for five states on October 9, Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Rajiv Kumar said the election in Jammu and Kashmir will be held when the commission deems it the "right time", keeping in mind the security situation and other polls being held in the Union Territory.

'How Can A

ek pradhan, ek samvidhan" was his slogan and it was a "political slogan".

Shah then rose to hit back at the TMC member.

J&K Has Changed

He was responding to the Trinamool Congress (TMC) leader's remarks that "ek nishan, ek pradhan, ek samvidhan" was a political slogan.

The information and broadcasting minister alleged that the TMC government in West Bengal is not allowing in the state the "Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra", which showcases the people-centric policies of the Narendra Modi government.

The Modi government removed Articles 370 and 35A in Jammu and Kashmir, which was not done even 70 years after Independence, he said.

Thakur slammed the opposition for not mentioning the contribution of Maharaja Hari Singh, who signed the Instrument of Accession with India, to the development of Jammu and Kashmir.

"Does his contribution not count? Should the contribution of Sardar Patel, who ensured the merger of princely states, not be counted? Sardar Patel laid the foundation of a strong India. The shortcomings left behind by (Jawaharlal) Nehru were rectified here on Aug 5-6, 2019 in Parliament by PM Modi," Thakur said.

4 Tourists Among

killed in the accident, lost control of the vehicle at a turn near the Zojila Pass due to slippery road in the snow-covered area, the officials said.

Those injured were admitted to the Sonamarg Primary Health Centre, they said and added that one of them has been referred to a hospital here for specialised treatment.

While two bodies were retrieved soon after the accident, rescue teams had to search the snow-covered area for several hours to locate the other three bodies, the officials said.

The deceased have been identified as Sudeesh, Anil, Rahul, Vignesh, all from Pallakad area of Kerala, and their driver Aijaz Ahmad, a resident of Ganderbal, they said.

Haris Ahmad Handoo

and posted as Special Secretary in the office of Chief Secretary.

Similarly, Haris Ahmad Handoo, JKAS, Vice-Chairman, Srinagar Development Authority, has been transferred and posted as Special Secretary in the office of Chief Secretary, Athar Aamir UI Shafi, IAS, Commissioner Srinagar Municipal Corporation (SMC), has been given additional charge of the post of

Vice-Chairman, Srinagar Development Authority (SDA), in addition to his own duties, till further orders.

Meanwhile in a separate order, Atau-Munim Tak, JKAS, Deputy Secretary to the Government, Health and Medical Education Department, under orders of transfer as Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Marwah shall continue at his present place of posting.

Committed To Brighten

Charioteer of Vikas Rath and actively engaged in spreading awareness about the schemes. This constructive spirit of Jan Bhagidari will ensure benefits reach far corners of Union Territory to build a modern and prosperous Jammu Kashmir," he said.

The LG commended the endeavour of the Sarpanch of Falora Nagbani Panchayat in Solid-Liquid Waste Management. He called upon PRI representatives to replicate the best practices to transform their respective Panchayat into a model Panchayat.

He administered the 'Hamara Sankalp Viksit Bharat' pledge to officials, PRI members and the citizens present on the occasion. He visited the stalls put up by different departments and handed over the sanction letters to beneficiaries under various schemes.

Vandana Kumari, Sarpanch Flora Nagbani highlighted the steps taken to ensure saturation of government schemes.

Reviews Progress

to various other posts by J&K Service Selection Board. He directed the senior officials to regularly assess and closely monitor the saturation of flagship schemes.

The meeting was attended by Atal Dulloo, Chief Secretary; RR Swain, DGP; Vijay Kumar, ADGP Law & Order; Dr Mandeep Kumar Bhandari, Principal Secretary to Lt Governor; Rajesh Sharma, Chairman JKSSB; Administrative Secretaries; Divisional Commissioners; DIGs; Deputy Commissioner, SPS, senior officials of Civil and Police Administration, in person and through virtual mode.

"We must reach out to farmers, youth, women and deprived section of society to inform and educate them about government schemes and programmes. All the schemes should be saturated to realize Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of Viksit Bharat," Sinha said.

He instructed the Deputy Commissioners, SPS, and other concerned Departments to generate awareness about Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra and other public outreach programmes of the government.

Delhi HC Lists

the high court had issued notice to Malik on NIA's plea seeking death penalty for him in the terror funding case and sought his presence before it on the next date.

Subsequently, the jail authorities had filed an application seeking permission for his virtual appearance on the grounds that he was a "very high risk prisoner" and it was imperative to not physically produce him in court to maintain public order and safety.

The request was allowed by the high court.

A trial court here had awarded life sentence to Malik in the case on May 24, 2022 after pronouncing him guilty of various offences under the stringent Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) and the IPC.

Malik had pleaded guilty to the charges, including those under anti-terror law UAPA.

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

While seeking enhancement of the sentence to death penalty, the NIA has said if such dreaded terrorists are not handed capital punishment only because they pleaded guilty, there will be complete erosion of the sentencing policy and terrorists would have a way out to avoid capital punishment.

A life sentence, the NIA asserted, is not commensurate with the crime committed by terrorists when the nation and families of soldiers have suffered loss of lives and the trial court's

conclusion that Malik's crimes did not fall within the category of the "rarest of the rare cases" for grant of death penalty is "ex-facie legally flawed and completely unsustainable".

The agency has emphasised that it has been proved beyond reasonable doubt that Malik spearheaded terrorist activities in the Valley and, with the help of dreaded foreign terrorist organisations, had been "masterminding, planning, engineering and executing armed rebellion in the Valley in an attempt to usurp the sovereignty and integrity of a part of India".

"Not giving capital punishment to such dreaded terrorist will result in miscarriage of justice, as, an act of terrorism is not a crime against society but it's a crime against the entire nation; in other words it's an act of 'external aggression', 'an act of war' and an 'affront to the sovereignty of nation'," the plea has said.

The trial court, which had rejected the NIA's plea for capital punishment, said the crimes committed by Malik struck at the "heart of the idea of India" and were intended to forcefully secede Jammu and Kashmir from the Union of India.

It had, however, noted that the case was not the "rarest of rare", warranting death penalty.

The maximum punishment for such an offence is death penalty.

Malik was awarded life term for two offences - section 121 (waging war against government of India) of IPC and section 17 (raising funds for terrorist act) of the UAPA.

According to the Supreme Court, life imprisonment means incarceration till the last breath, unless the sentence is commuted by the authorities.

The court had also awarded Malik 10-year jail term each under sections 120 B (criminal conspiracy), 121-A (conspiracy to wage war against government of India) of IPC and sections 15 (terrorism), 18 (conspiracy for terrorism) and 20 (being member of terror organisation) of UAPA.

HC Seeks

comprehensive and voluminous to which he seeks time to file views on the same.

There are five wetlands covered under the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands in J&K and include Hokersar, Wular Lake, Shalbugh and Haigam in Kashmir Valley besides Surinsar-Mansar Lake Jammu.

Among others, the Wild Life Warden submitted that Wetlands should be conserved by ensuring their wise use. "Wise use is defined as 'sustainable utilization for the benefit of mankind in a way compatible with the maintenance of the natural properties of the ecosystem. Sustainable utilization is understood as 'human use of a wetland so that it may yield the greatest continuous benefit to present generations while maintaining its potential to meet the needs and aspirations of the future generations,'" he said, adding, "Wise use" may also require strict protection.

The Warden also informed that the Demarcation of the Wular Lake has been carried out and 1159 concrete boundary pillars have been fixed all over the periphery of the Lake. "An area of 4.35 Sqkm of critically silted area of lake stands restored by removing 72.80 Lac cum of silt from Wular Lake." He said that the present dredging operations are carried out using modern and hi-tech machines such as Cutter Suction Dredgers for efficient, fast, and quality dredging from Wular lake. "Under Willow Action Plan 1.20 Lac willows have been removed from Lake for its eco-restoration generating a revenue of 24.35 crore."

Besides this, the Warden said, the choked feeder channel (Naaz Nallah, having a total length of approximately 6.00kms) stands completely de-silted, cleaned, and restored back to its original course, thus restoring hydrological connectivity between Wular Lake and MalgamRakh.

Regarding afforestation of badly degraded catchment areas, the Warden said that approximately 16.76 lac saplings (both conifer and broadleaved species) for mass greening of the denuded hill in Erin and Madhumati Watersheds. "Fodder development

and energy plantations too have been raised in the target areas falling under the catchment areas besides large-scale vegetative and engineering measures stand taken to prevent and control soil erosion in these areas."

For biodiversity conservation, he said, focus has been given to conservation of wildlife within and outside the Wular lake.

The High Court, following the directions by the Supreme Court on 3 April 2017, had treated an affidavit filed by the petitioner M K Balakrishnan before the apex court regarding certain wetlands which were covered under the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands as PIL.

The Top Court had asked the Chief Justices of the concerned High Courts to treat the affidavit as a suo moto PIL and, if necessary, appoint an amicus curiae to assist the court so as to ensure that the Ramsar Convention sites within their jurisdiction were properly maintained.

The High Court pursuant to the directions registered the affidavit as PIL on its own motion and in its first order on the PIL on 28 August 2018, underlined that the "importance of preservation of Wetlands and Water Bodies cannot be sufficiently emphasized as well as the need to set up a regulatory mechanism for all wetlands so as to maintain their ecological character and ultimately support their integrated management in the three regions of the (then) State (Kashmir, Jammu and Ladakh)."

No Infiltration

network earlier in the year.

"A big gang connected with drone-based smuggling was busted earlier this year. There is almost nil activity of drones along the IB in Jammu. There has to be someone to collect the material dropped by drones from across the border. That network has been busted by police and terrorists sympathisers have been arrested," the Border Security Force (BSF) officer said.

He emphasised that there is no involvement of those living near the border in any such activities.

On recent ceasefire violations, Boora said there were three such incidents along the IB and the BSF responded with a "befitting reply", inflicting heavy losses on Pakistan.

He said the ceasefire is not aimed at pushing terrorists into India, but for a different purpose, which cannot be disclosed publicly.

Boora highlighted the challenges faced by the border-guarding force in 2023, including drone activities, unprovoked firing and smuggling attempts, and lauded the BSF, Jammu for successfully dealing with those.

On terror launchpads along the IB, the officer said the BSF remains alert, aiming to seal the border effectively.

"The year 2023 witnessed manifold challenges... like drone activities, unprovoked firing and smuggling attempts. But true to its tradition, the BSF-Jammu thwarted all attempts of the adversary and foiled its nefarious designs," he added.

On the implementation of the projects of smart fencing and an anti-drone set up, Boora said those are almost complete.

Responding to questions on tunnels, he said there were no reports of tunnels being used by terrorists in the past year. He emphasised the use of manual and technological measures to prevent such possibilities.

Asked about the possibility of aerial attacks on the lines of those perpetrated by Hamas on Israel, Boora affirmed that any such mischief would receive a befitting reply.

Regarding cultivation along the IB, he said 20 per cent of the land ahead of the border fence is being cultivated by farmers.

NIA Raids In

Jammu and Kashmir in connection with the terror conspiracy hatched and operationalised by the offshoots of the banned Pakistan-backed terrorist organisations, such as Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT), Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), Hizb-ul-Mujahideen (HM), Al-Badr, Al-Qaeda, etc", the agency said in a release.

Teams of NIA cracked down on eight locations in the seven districts of Poonch, Shopian, Pulwama, Baramulla,

Ganderbal, Kupwara and Srinagar of the Union Territory of J&K, it said.

The locations raided today were residential premises of hybrid terrorists and Overground Workers (OGWs) associated with the newly-formed affiliates and offshoots of the banned terrorist outfits, it added.

"Extensive searches were also conducted at the premises of the cadres and sympathisers of these newly floated organisations, which included The Resistance Front (TRF), United Liberation Front Jammu & Kashmir (ULFJ&K), Mujahideen Gazwat-ul-Hind (MGH), Jammu & Kashmir Freedom Fighters (JKFF), Kashmir Tigers, PAAF, among others," the NIA said.

The searches led to the seizure of several digital devices containing large volumes of incriminating data and documents by the NIA, which has been investigating the conspiracy of the recently launched offshoots of the banned terror outfits to destabilize J&K through violent terrorist attacks and activities, the agency added.

NIA had registered the case (RC-05/2022/NIA/JMU) suo moto on 21 June 2022 to probe the involvement of the cadres, OGWs and other suspects of the new outfits in the collection and distribution of sticky and magnetic bombs, IEDs, funds, narcotic substances and arms/ammunition to spread terror, violence and subversion in J-K.

NIA investigations so far have revealed that Pak-based operatives were using social media platforms to promote terror, and were also using drones to deliver arms and ammunition, explosives and narcotics to their operatives and cadres in the Kashmir valley.

These activities were "being carried out as part of the terror conspiracy hatched by the banned outfits, backed by their masters in Pakistan. The conspiracy also involved radicalisation of local youth and mobilisation of OGWs to carry out violent and disruptive activities in J-K", the agency said.

IG BSF Visits

& dedication," the Border Security Force (BSF) posted on X.

The chances of infiltration from Pakistan-occupied Kashmir are higher before the closure of natural passes along the LoC due to heavy snowfall during winter.

Army Fires At

whether the drone went back or fell down, they said, adding that the Army along with police had launched a massive operation immediately to check the area for the drone or its payload like weapons, narcotics and money.

Further details are awaited, the officials said.

JKP Arrests

cheating and duping government teacher Showkat Ali of Kashtigarh area of Doda district after coming in contact with him through Facebook and defrauding the complainant of Rs 11,67,220, officials said.

An FIR has been registered and further investigation is underway.

Cold Wave

Celsius while the minimum temperature in Srinagar fell below the freezing point for the first time in five days, settling at minus 1.4 degrees Celsius, the officials said.

Qazigund recorded a low of minus 1.6 degrees Celsius, down from minus 0.4 degrees Celsius the previous night, they said.

Kokernag town in south Kashmir was the only station in the valley which registered a minimum temperature above the freezing point at 0.2 degrees Celsius, while Kupwara recorded a low of minus 1.7 degrees Celsius.

The meteorological office said the weather would remain partly to generally cloudy, but mainly dry till December 10.

Two Bear Cubs

was immediately rushed to the scene after information was received from the local people.

Both cubs are in good health, the official said, adding the department had taken necessary measures to tackle the situation in case the mother returns to the village for her cubs.

4 Kashmiris Among Five Chargesheet Over ISKP Links

Press Trust Of India

AHMEDABAD: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Tuesday filed a chargesheet in the special court here in Gujarat against five persons, including a woman, for their alleged links with terror outfit Islamic State of Khorasan Province (ISKP).

The chargesheet against Ubaid Mir, Hanan Shawi, Mohamad Hajim Shah, Zubair Ahmed Munshi, and Sumerabanu Hanif Malek was submitted in the court of special judge Kamal Sojitra by NIA special public prosecutor Amit Nair.

The ISKP is a UN-designated terrorist organisation. Investigations by the NIA revealed that the accused had planned to "train themselves and carry out terror attacks" in Afghanistan after reaching the war-torn country via Iran as directed by their handler, the chargesheet stated.

On June 9, the Gujarat Anti Terrorist Squad (ATS) busted this ISKP module and arrested Mir, Shawi, and Shah from Porbandar city in Gujarat. A day later, the ATS nabbed Sumerabanu from Surat and Munshi from Srinagar. All four men hail from Srinagar in Jammu and Kashmir.

They were booked under relevant sections of the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA) and section 120 B (Punishment of criminal conspiracy) of the Indian Penal Code.

The NIA had found a video clip in which the accused can be seen pledging their allegiance to ISKP while flashing sharp weap-

ons sitting under the flag of the outfit, as per the chargesheet.

The interrogation of the accused by the ATS had revealed that all of them were part of the ISKP module and radicalised by their handler Abu Hamza, officials had said.

Mir, Shawi and Shah had reached Porbandar to work as fishermen on boats with the given GPS coordinates as directed by Abu Hamza. They had planned to cross the International Maritime Boundary Line and reach Afghanistan via Iran to join ISKP, the ATS had said.

From Porbandar, they were to be taken to Iran on a dhow and were provided with fake passports for Afghanistan and to reach Khorasan via Herat, as per the ATS.

The ATS had found mobile phones, tablets, and sharp weapons in the bags of the accused.

It was revealed that their handler had planned to release the pre-recorded videos and photographs of their 'sacrifice' in Afghanistan. In a video clip, they can be seen pledging their allegiance to ISKP while flashing sharp weapons.

The ATS had found copies of various publications promoting radicalisation, including ISKP's mouthpiece "Voice of Khorasan" during the search of the house of Sumerabanu Hanif Malek in Surat.

Malek had "admitted" to having been in touch with Abu Hamza and being "close" to Munshi, the ATS had said.

The case was transferred to the NIA by the Ministry of Home Affairs on June 28.



LEIUTENANT GOVERNOR MANOJ SINHA on Tuesday attended historic Jhiri Mela and paid obeisance to Baba Jitto at his Samadhi in Jhiri Village in the outskirts of Jammu city.

Crime Branch Charges Couple In Jammu For Duping Lecturer

Observer News Service



JAMMU: The Crime Branch of Jammu and Kashmir Police on Tuesday filed a charge sheet against a couple for allegedly cheating a lecturer of Rs 6 lakh on the promise of arranging a plot of land from the Jammu Development Authority (JDA), an official said.

The Economic Offences Wing of Crime Branch Jammu filed the 214-page charge sheet in a court against Jameel Anjum and his wife Sana Mir for allegedly cheating Tripta

ni Rama area of Jammu.

On receipt of the complaint, a preliminary inquiry was initiated and the allegations were prima-facie substantiated, leading to the registration of a formal case for in-depth investigation, the official said.

During the course of investigation, the official said material evidence was gathered and it came to fore that Anjum and his wife connived and duped the complainant. The official said Anjum is a habitual offender and is involved in four more criminal cases of similar nature.

Charak, incharge lecturer, district institute of education and training, the official said.

Charak, in her complaint to crime branch early this year, alleged that Anjum introduced himself as a public relation officer of a former minister and swindled an amount of Rs 6 lakh on the pretext of arranging a piece of JDA land at Chan-

Wednesday's meeting of the alliance, Abdullah said he can't speak on behalf of the TMC chief while asserting that his party will be in attendance.

"I can't speak for Mamata ji.. I can only speak for the NC and the NC has received an invitation for dinner at the residence of the Congress president tomorrow. Now, if this meeting takes place, then certainly, we will attend. If, for some reason, it is postponed, then we will see what happens going ahead," he said.

BJP Win In State Polls Not INDIA Bloc's Defeat: Omar

Press Trust Of India

SRINAGAR: The BJP's victory in the assembly polls in three states is not the defeat of the INDIA bloc as the opposition parties did not contest the polls together, National Conference vice president Omar Abdullah said on Tuesday.

The BJP swept Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Chhattisgarh on Sunday inflicting a resounding defeat on the Congress to tighten its stranglehold

in the Hindi heartland.

"INDI alliance didn't fail, the Congress was unsuccessful to some extent in this election and it knows the reasons better," Abdullah told reporters after paying tributes to his grandfather Sheikh Moham-mad Abdullah on his 118th birth anniversary.

"These elections were not contested as an alliance. They were fought separately by the parties. There were candidates from the Congress, SP, AAP, and

others. So, I don't consider it as a defeat of the INDIA alliance because we didn't contest as an alliance," Abdullah said.

The NC vice president, whose party is part of the INDIA bloc, said the alliance will now have to assess the damage done by the statements given by some alliance members against one another during the elections.

Asked about West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's remarks that she has not received an invitation for the

Director Info, Employees Condole Demise Of Shabir Ahmad's Mother

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Director Information, J&K, Minga Sherpa has condoled the demise of mother of Shabir Ahmad Bhat, AIO of Joint Director Information Kashmir, who passed away after a brief illness.

In his condolence message, the Director Information expressed his deepest condolences with Shabir Ahmad and his family and prayed for peace to the departed soul.

Meanwhile, the employees of DIPR also condoled the sad demise of mother of Shabir Ahmad. The officers and employees of the department offered their deepest condolences to the bereaved family and prayed for eternal peace to the departed soul and courage for the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss.

Car Catches Fire On Kashmir Highway

SRINAGAR: A private car was charred to a crisp after it 'suddenly' caught fire along Jammu-Srinagar highway near Shamsipora in Kulgam district, officials said on Tuesday.

The driver of the vehicle (JK02CL-4090) Arvin Pandita son of M L Pandita of Jammu and other travellers, whose names were not immediately known, escaped unhurt in the incident, news agency GNS reported.

Personnel from Police station Qaimoh reached the spot and started further necessary action. SHO Qaimoh Muser Asgar said that there were no injuries reported and all people travelling in the vehicle are safe.

NORTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE

Sr.DEEE/G/FZR acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders (www.ireps.gov.in) against below titled Tenders. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only.

Tender No.	Name of Work	App. Cost (In Rs.)	Earnest Money (In Rs.)	Completion Period	Opening of Tender	Website Particulars
251-Elect-T-53-2023-24	Repair and breakdown maintenance of RMPUs of AC coaches in military coaches nominated to ASR, JUC and JAT depot of FZR Division for one year.	43,42,859.42	86,900.00	12 Month	26.12.2023 after 15:00 Hrs.	www.ireps.gov.in

251-Elect/T.Note No. 35-Elect/2023-24 Dated: - 04.12.2023 3800/23

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Possession Notice

Notice under Section 13 (4) of the SARFAESI ACT, 2002 read with Rule 8 (1) of the Security (Enforcement) Interest Rules, 2002

Whereas Mr.Sajad Ahmad Wani, as the Authorized Officer of the Jammu & Kashmir Bank Limited under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers under section 13(2) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notice dated : 03.01.2023 thereby calling upon the Borrower namely : M/s Mohammad Shafi & Co Partners: 1. Mr. Gulzar Ahmad Bhat 2. Mr. Mohammad Ayoub Bhat 3. Jeel Mohammad Bhat all sons of Late Mohammad Shafi Bhat 4. Legal Heirs of deceased partner Zaina Begum W/o Mohammad Shafi Bhat 4a. Bashir Ahmad Bhat 4b. Nazir Ahmad Bhat 4c. Jan Mohammad Bhat all sons of Mohammad Shafi Bhat and R/o Chotta Bazar KaniKadal Srinagar 4d. Nayeema W/o Farooq Ahmad Wani R/o 90 Feet Road Owanta Bhawan Srinagar AND Mortgagor. Mr. Bashir Ahmad Bhat S/o Mohammad Shafi Bhat Chota Bazar Kani Kadal Srinagar to repay an amount of Rs.53,35,151.39 (Rupees: Fifty Three Lac Thirty Five Thousand One Hundred Fifty One Paise Thirty Nine Only.)being the balance outstanding as on 30.11.2022 in the accounts of the Borrower, within 60 days from the date of the said notice together with the future interest and other charges thereon.

The said borrower having failed to repay the said amount, notice is hereby given to the said borrower in particular and the public in general that the undersigned being authorized officer of the J & K Bank Ltd. has taken possession of the mortgage property described herein below, in exercise of the powers conferred on me under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules, on this the 30th November, 2023

The said borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned against dealing with the said property in any manner whatsoever and any dealings with the said property will be subject to the charge of the J&K Bank Limited for the amount in aggregating to Rs. 56,04,905.39DR(Rupees: Fifty Six Lac Four Thousand Nine Hundred Five Paise Thirty Nine only) together with future interest thereon from 01.11.2023 and other charges incurred or to be incurred.

The borrowers attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property
(As per the schedule provided in mortgage deed/ latest particulars including any accreditations)

Equitable Mortgage of house property along with land measuring 5 marla's & 59 Sqft under Khasra No 412, Khata No.342 & Khewat No. 139 of mouza Tashwan & Tehsil Khas District Srinagar.

Dated:30/11/2023 **Authorized Officer**

Place :Srinagar

TECHNICAL SERVICES HORS J&K, SRINAGAR/JAMMU

Website: www.jkpolice.gov.in Email: igptech@jkpolice.gov.in Srinagar: 0194-2431435 Jammu : 0194-2458921

AUCTION NOTICE

It is notified for the information of the General Public /interested bidders that the J&K Police Department is re-conducting a Forward Auction on the GeM Portal (e-auction) for Condemned Vehicles for the below mentioned lots. The details of Auction ID No's alongwith other relevant dates, are as under:

Lot No	Auction ID No.	Type of Condemned Vehicle	Total Vehicles	Earnest Money	Earnest money deposit Starting Time- 10 am	Earnest Money closing date Time-03 PM	Auction Start date time-10 am	Auction End date Time -02pm	Location of condemned Vehicle	Name of the Owner
15	8887	Ambassador Car	04	4420	24-11-2023	01-12-2023	02-12-2023	04-12-2023	Police Transport Workshop Channi Himmat Jammu. 180015	Director General of Police J&K
16	8888	Ambassador Car	04	4670	24-11-2023	01-12-2023	05-12-2023	06-12-2023		
17	8896	Motor Cycle	04	500	25-11-2023	04-12-2023	07-12-2023	08-12-2023		
18	8897	Motor Cycle	05	580	25-11-2023	08-12-2023	09-12-2023	11-12-2023		
19	8899	Maruti Van	02	1340	25-11-2023	08-12-2023	12-12-2023	13-12-2023		

The interested bidders shall have to deposit the Earnest money as shown above against each Auction ID No in the shape of CDR/FDR only pledged to Staff Officer to Inspector General of Police, Technical Services PHQ J&K as a security deposit as per date and time above. The original hard copies of CDR/FDR will be deposited with Sr Superintendent of Police Transport Workshop Jammu before participating in the auction proceedings. The office landline No of Sr Superintendent of Police, Police Transport Workshop Jammu is 0191-2460580 and cell No. 9086010523-for any assistance.

The detailed terms and conditions are available on GeM Portal with each Auction ID No.

No Tech/Q-117/Auction/2023/4040-43
Dated: 25-11-2023
DIPK-13319-23
DT: 05/12/2023

BHIM SEN TUTI
Inspector General of Police
Technical Services Hqrs J&K
Chairman Auction Committee)

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (R&B) DIVISION GANDEBAL

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

CIVIL WORKS SINGLE COVER SYSTEM (upto Rs.2.50 Crores)

EE/R&B/Divn/Gbl/e-TenderNIT-No.181of2023-24 issued under endorsement No. 14171-76 Dated:04-12-2023

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, UT J&K, e-tenders (In single cover system) are invited on Percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Governments for the following works:-

S.No	Name of the Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees)	Earnest Money (In Rupees)	Time of completion	Project Authority	M.H of Account	Class Of Contractor
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
01	Development of various link roads at Sheerpathri Area and Construction of RCC Culvert under UT Road Sector.	Rs.92.71 Lacs	Rs.1600/=	Rs.1,85,420/=	90-Days	R&B Department	UT Road Sector	AAV

Position of AAA: -Accorded,
Position of funds: Available as per allocation.

- The Bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below -

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	04-12-2023 6:00 PM
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	04-12-2023 from 6:00PM.
3	Bid submission Start Date	04-12-2023 from 6:00 PM
4	Bid Submission End Date	12/12/2023 upto 4.00PM.
5	Date & time of opening of Technical Bids(Online)	13/12/2023 at 10:35 A.M in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Gandebal

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document (as mentioned above) in shape of Treasury Receipt/ e-Challan in favour of Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Gandebal.

Note:- The Date of Treasury Challan and CDR must be between the date of start of bid and Bid Submission End date.. Any deviation shall render the bidder as Non-responsive.

Instructions to Bidder(ITB).

- All bidders shall upload the following information and documents along with qualification criteria qualification information with their bids:-
 - Copies of original documents defining constitution/legal status, place of registration and principal place of Business with Cell No. and Correspondence address.
 - Scanned copy of E-challan/Treasury receipt.
 - Scanned copy of Registration Card with latest renewal on JKPWOMS portal
 - Scanned copy of Valid GSTIN No. & PAN No.
 - Scanned Copy of GSTIN Registration and latest clearance certificate FORMGST-3B of the Latest Quarter i.e., July-September 2023/ Qualifying Month. ie, October-2023.

Illustrations:-
The bidder has to upload the latest clearance certificate FORM GST-3B of the Latest quarter i.e., July-September 2023/Qualifying Month. ie, October-2023.

- Bidders are advised to quote rate without GST. GST @18% shall be added at the time of allotment by allotting authority.
- The tender/bid is liable to rejection if it does not fulfill the requirements as laid down in NIT.
- All other terms conditions are as per PWD Form 25 (Double agreement Form)

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
R&B Division Gandebal

No: 14171-76 DIPK-13315-23
Dated: 04-12-2023 DT: 05/12/2023

DPS Srinagar Wins Inter-DPS Football National



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Delhi Public School Srinagar has secured the Inter-DPS Football National Championship 2023 held at Delhi Public School Nerul, Navi Mumbai from December 3rd to 5th, 2023. The win marks a major milestone in the sporting annals of the region as it represents the first time, a valley-based school has won such a prestigious and gruelling tournament spanning

over several zones and levels.

In the finals held at DPS Nerul on 5th December DPS Srinagar defeated DPS Vasant Kunj 4-2 in penalties, after both teams were locked 1-1 at the final whistle.

Siyam Ishtiyah was declared the player of the tournament for scoring 11 goals. Over 130 DPS schools from various parts of the country engaged in intense competition during the ini-

tial zonal rounds. The top-performing 20 teams that emerged victorious in these rounds earned a coveted spot in the nationals.

Congratulating the football team, the Principal Shafaq Afshan said, "To win such a tournament that spanned the entire length and breadth of the country is a feat worthy of the highest praise. Congratulations to the team and its coach - Mr Mudasir." Chairman Vijay Dhar also

congratulated the team, remarking, "When DPS Srinagar was established, the goal of holistic excellence seemed a bridge too far for many. But, our faith in the talent of our students, and indeed the region has never wavered. The win is not just a mere sporting win, but a testament that given the right environment, youth from the valley can compete and outscore at every level. Bravo, DPS Football Team!"

Baramulla Taekwondo C'ship Concludes At Indoor Stadium



Observer News Service

BARAMULLA: The two-day long 4th District Baramulla Taekwondo Championships 2023-24 was held at JKSC New Indoor Stadium, Khwajabagh. The event was organized by District Baramulla Taekwondo Association under the aegis of J&K Taekwondo Association (Regd.)

Different zones, academies and Schools across the Baramulla district participated in the championship. All the Gold medalists from the event were selected for the forthcoming UT Championship

2023. The first day of the event witnessed a massive show of combative skills and was attended by Master Atul Pangotra (2x Commonwealth Medallist) as Chief Guest.

The event was designed and proposed by the technical committee of Baramulla Taekwondo Association under the supervision of Adv Neelofar Masood (President, Baramulla Taekwondo Association). Mumtaz Ahmad was the Organising Secretary, while as Mohsin Ali, Abid Ayoub and Anwar Ah were tournament referee officials. More than 100 martial artists

from different schools, clubs and academies participated in the championship.

On the closing ceremony, Iqbal Ah Akhoun (Secretary, DLSA) was Chief Guest, while Mohammad Ibrahim Wani (Manager, J&K Bank Azad Gunj Branch) declared as Guest of honor.

Mr. Iqbal Akhoun while felicitating the medalists congratulated all the athletes for winning medals and Baramulla Taekwondo Association for organizing the 4th District Baramulla Taekwondo Championship 2023.

KIIT University Wins 'Best Sports Facility' Award



Observer News Service

Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) was honoured at the first CII Sports Business Awards 2023. Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Founder, KIIT & KISS received the award on behalf of KIIT from Chanakya Chaudhry, Chairman, CII National Committee on Sports.

Royal Challenger, Bangalore was awarded with the Sports

Franchise of the Year award and Tamil Nadu was awarded as Best State Promoting Sports.

The jury comprised of National and Global leaders from the World of Sports and included Abhinav Bindra; Michelle Wade, Commissioner to South Asia, State Govt. of Victoria, Australia; Abhishek Binaykia, Partner, Transformation, Head of Technology Center of Excellence and Head of Sports Advisory, Grant Thornton Bharat; Nic Coward, Expert Partner, Portas Consulting and Aahna Mehotra, Partner TMT Law Practice.

Earlier, KIIT was awarded Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puraskar 2022 by the Govt. of India; FICCI India Sports Award 2022 by FICCI; Sport Star Aces Award 2022 by The Hindu; and Biju Patnaik Sports Award 2019 for 'Best Contribution for Promotion of Sports and Games' by Govt. of Odisha.

Provincial Level Volleyball Coaching Camp Underway

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Director Youth Services & Sports J&K Subash Chander Chibber on Tuesday declared Volleyball coaching camp for Under-19 Boys open at Sports Complex Wazir Bagh here. He was accompanied by Joint Director of the Department for Kashmir Division Waseem Raja. Volleyball enthusiasts hailing from different educational institutions of the Kashmir Province are participating in the camp.

The coaching camp is organized by the Department of YSS to prepare the players for Inter-Division/Provincial Level competition and the 67th National School Games afterwards. The camp will continue for some



more days. The Departmental trainers well versed with the techniques and skills of the

game are on job to make the players able to compete strongly at bigger levels.

J&K Suffer 4-Wicket Loss To Haryana In Vijay Hazare Trophy

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: J&K senior men's cricket team on Tuesday lost to Haryana by 4 wickets in the 2023-24 Vijay Hazare One-Day Trophy match at Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

Haryana won the toss and elected to field first.

The team got instant reward as J&K opening batter Qamran Iqbal fell for naught in the fourth ball of the first over.

J&K's slide continued as they were reduced to 92-5 at one point. Jammu boys Sahil Lotra 74 (75), Shubham Pundir 46 (57) and captain Shubham Khajuria 41 (61) led the

team to a respectable 250-10 in 49.4 overs.

In reply, Haryana managed to chase the total down with two balls left. Rahul Tewatia 67 (68) and Nishant Sindhu 61 (59) led the team's charge as they overcame J&K bowlers effectively. Aquib Nabi and Sahil Lotra took 2 wickets each for J&K.

EPL Sells Domestic TV Rights For Record \$8.45 Billion

Agencies

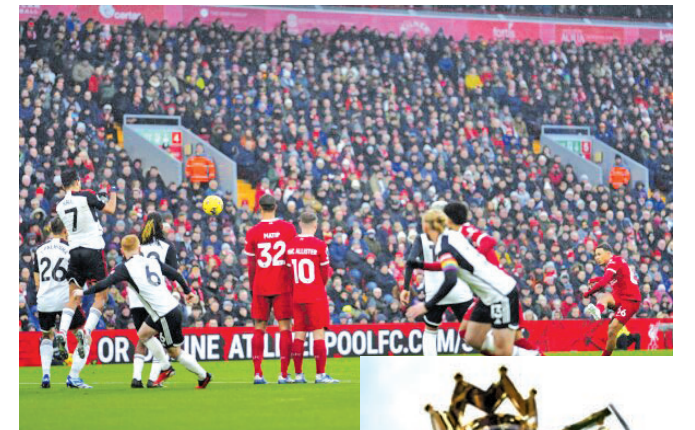
LONDON: The Premier League sold its domestic TV rights for 6.7 billion pounds (\$8.4 billion) for the next four-year cycle, for what the competition was the largest sports media rights deal ever concluded in Britain.

The new contract covering the period from 2025-26 to 2028-29 underlined the league's status as the richest in soccer, with the annual figure of 1.675 billion pounds (\$2.12

20 matches per season in the current cycle up to 2024-25, reportedly did not bid for any matches in the next cycle.

The current deal is worth a reported 1.66 billion pounds (\$2.10 billion) a season.

"The outcome of this process underlines the strength of the Premier League," said Richard Masters, its chief executive, "and is testament to our clubs, players and managers who continue to deliver the world's most competitive football in full stadiums,



billion) around double the value of domestic rights in each of Germany, Spain and Italy.

Sky Sports will screen a minimum of 215 matches per season - up to 100 matches a season more than it currently does - while TNT Sports, formerly BT Sport, will get 52 games. Amazon Prime, which shows

and to supporters, who create an unrivalled atmosphere every week."

Jude Bellingham Becomes First Real Madrid Player To Win Golden Boy Award

Agencies

Star English midfielder Jude Bellingham has created a milestone by becoming the first Real Madrid player to win the 'Golden Boy Award' in Turin on Tuesday. The 'Golden Boy Award' is given to the best footballer under 21 years of age playing at a European club.

The 20-year-old made his place from a list of 25 finalists, including his Los Blancos teammate Arda Guler. Following his win, Bellingham said that he has big goals in his life, and to win as many trophies as possible.

He added that there is a lot of pressure on both the Real Madrid and England National Team, but still, he is happy to represent both the big names. The star midfielder further dedicated the trophy to his country and the Spanish club.



"I have to have big goals, to win the lot if possible. I enjoy playing for my country, England, and with Real Madrid as well. The pressure is huge but I'm so happy to represent both of these teams. I'm going to give it my all to win trophies both for my country and for

Real Madrid," Bellingham said after winning the trophy as quoted by Real Madrid's official website.

Earlier, Bellingham won the Kopa Trophy at the Ballon d'Or gala, again recognising him as the best player under 21 footballer. The 20-year-old has en-

joyed a stunning start to his first season for Real Madrid, scoring 15 goals already. The Englishman scored his last goal for the Los Blancos in the UEFA Champions League (UCL) against Napoli, in which Real Madrid won the game by 4-2. (ANI)

Bangladesh Looking To Secure First Test Series Win Over New Zealand

Press Trust of India

MIRPUR: Bangladesh head coach Chandika Hathurusingha wants his players to guard against complacency as it tries to secure a first series win against New Zealand in the second and final test.

Bangladesh won the first test in Sylhet by 150 runs to close in on a landmark series victory. The only top-level teams that Bangladesh has ever beaten in a two-match test series are Zimbabwe and West Indies.

"I can't see complacency in the team. If I see any action of complacency, I will have one to one chat," Hathurusingha said ahead of Wednesday's opening day. "We had a good chat inside the dressing room yesterday. Strong and experienced leaders like Mushy (Mushfiqur Rahim) and Mominul (Haque) spoke very emotionally. They



spoke in Bengali. I can see there's no tall poppies in the dressing room." The Sylhet test victory was only Bangladesh's second against New Zealand in 18 meetings, and it came courtesy of captain Najmul Hossain Shanto's second-innings century. In doing so, Shanto became the first Bangladeshi cricketer to hit a century on his debut as

captain. "Captaincy and leadership are two things," Hathurusingha said. "Shanto's captaincy was excellent. He was tactically on the mark. He was step ahead of the game most of the time. Very impressive field placings as well. Sometimes unorthodox, but very effective. "(His) leadership was

excellent. He led from the front with his performance. He was commanding respect, and demanding the standard. I think he has a long future ahead." Left-arm spinner Tajjul Islam, who took 10-184 in the first test, will be a Bangladesh's most crucial weapon in Mirpur, which traditionally has a slow wicket with uneven bounce.