

## Govt To Establish 2000 Start-ups In 3 Yrs: Govt Approves Start-up Policy 2024-27 For J&K

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Jammu: Administrative Council (AC) which met here under the chairmanship of Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, approved J&K start-up policy 2024-27 in supersession to the Start-up Policy notified in the year 2018. The policy has the objective of setting up 2000 new Start-ups in Jammu & Kashmir in the next 5 years.

Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to the Lieutenant Governor; Atal Dulloo, Chief Secretary; Mandeep Kumar Bhandari, Principal Secretary to Lieutenant Governor attended the meeting.

The Government of Jammu & Kashmir will set up a Venture Capital Fund of Rs. 250 Crores and will infuse a maximum of Rs. 25 Crores as an initial fund to this venture capital fund.

The venture capital fund so created shall invest primarily in recognized start-ups of Jammu & Kashmir. The Department shall work out detailed modalities for creation of venture fund and its usage in consultation with the Finance Department.

The department may also work out a mechanism to facilitate allotment of land to start-ups having good potential for growth. | More on P6

# Projects Of 20,000 Cr To Be Inaugurated In Next 4 months: LG Says Modi Led Govt Committed To Address Historical Inequities In J&K

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir's Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha Thursday said that the administration led by him is committed to welfare of the downtrodden and neglected as the Centre granted reservation to Pahari community without touching the Gujjars and Bakerwals. "Today, a delegation of the Pahari community came to meet me to express their gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah. J&K administration and the Centre is committed to provide due recognition to the communities including downtrodden sections who faced injustice in the past seven decades," the LG said while meeting 160-member Pahari community delegation at Rajbhavan Srinagar.

The delegation thanked LG Sinha, PM Modi and HM Amit Shah for including the Paharis, Padari, Koli, Gadda and Brahmin communities in | More on P6



## LG Reviews Construction Of KP Transit Accommodation

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Thursday reviewed on-going construction work of the transit accommodation for Kashmiri Pandit employees, recruited under PM package, at Zewan here. The LG, who visited the construction site, directed the officials to complete 10 blocks comprising 240 residential units by March 20, an official spokesman said. Sinha directed the officials for installation of CCTV cameras, and | More on P6

## OBCs In J&K Granted Justice For First Time: LG Says Backward Welfare Department To Be Established Like Other States

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Governor Manoj Sinha met the delegation of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) at Raj Bhawan Srinagar on Thursday.

The members of the community expressed their profound gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for reservations in Panchayats and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) of J&K.

"For the first time since India's independence, justice has been delivered to OBCs in J&K. We are also planning to establish a Backward Welfare Department like other states in the country," the LG said.

He said the Act passed by the Parliament will be implemented in letter and spirit. Rules are being framed and will be published soon, he added.

The LG reiterated the commitment of the UT

Administration towards the empowerment of OBCs to realize the vision of Viksit Jammu Kashmir.

"Today, the UT of Jammu Kashmir is witnessing a transformative change in the society. It is a new beginning for the deprived sections of the society," the LG said.

Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji, accelerated development, better infrastructure and facilities have boosted the local economy, and established peace and harmony in Jammu Kashmir, he added.

Mohammad Iqbal Ahangar, Chairman, Jammu Kashmir Other Backward Classes (OBCs) Welfare Association, expressed gratitude to the Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister Amit Shah and Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha for socio-economic and | More on P6

## 7 New Industrial Estates To Come Up In J&K

Press Trust Of India

Jammu: The Jammu and Kashmir administration has approved the setting up of seven new industrial estates at a cost of Rs 304.51 crore, an official spokesperson said on Thursday.

The estimated investment in these industrial estates, spread over 5,290 kanal across six districts, is Rs 8,700.16 crore with employment potential of 28,376 people, the spokesperson said.

He said the administrative approval for the development of seven new industrial estates was accorded by the administrative council that met here under the chairmanship of Lt Governor Manoj Sinha.

The seven new industrial estates will be developed at Sempora Medicity and Khunmoh-Panthachowk in Srinagar, Banderpora in Budgam, Bhagthali in Kathua, Karandi in Samba, Trenz in Shopian, and Hariparigam Tral in Pulwama.

The new industrial estate at Sempora on 517 kanal of state land shall be developed by IRCON at an estimated cost of Rs 22.60 crore, and the project will attract an investment of Rs 1,825.45 crore, having an employment generation potential of around 11,643.

The industrial estate at Khunmoh, Pantha Chowk, on 600 kanal of land shall be developed at an estimated cost of Rs 45.36 crore by IRCON, he said, adding | More on P6

## 2,200 Cr Kiru Hydropower Corruption Case CBI Raids Ex-J&K Guv Satya Pal Malik's Delhi House

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: The CBI conducted searches at the premises of former Jammu and Kashmir governor Satya Pal Malik and 29 other locations on Thursday in connection with alleged corruption in the Rs 2,200-crore Kiru Hydropower project, officials said.

The federal agency started its operation in the morning, with around 100 officers mobilised to swoop down at the 30 locations in multiple cities of Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Rajasthan, besides Delhi and Mumbai, the officials said.

Premises linked to Malik at R K Puram, Dwarka and Asian Games Village in Delhi, besides those in Gurugram and Baghpat, were searched, they added.

The searches also covered the premises of alleged associates of Malik, former chairman of the Chenab Valley Power Projects Private Limited Navin Kumar Chaudhary and officials of Patel Engineering Limited, the officials said.

"I have been ill for the last 3-4 days and am admitted to the hospital. Despite this, my house is being raided by the dictator



through government agencies. My driver and my assistant are also being raided and harassed unnecessarily. I am a farmer's son, I will not be afraid of these raids. I am with the farmers," Malik said in a post on X.

The case pertains to alleged corruption in awarding a civil-work contract related to the Kiru Hydro Electric Power Project (HEP) worth Rs 2,200 crore, the officials said.

Malik, who was the governor of Jammu and Kashmir from August 23, 2018 to October 30, 2019, had claimed that he was offered a Rs 300-crore bribe for clearing two files, including the one pertaining to the project.

"The case was | More on P6

## Avalanche Hits Gulmarg Ski Resort

Russian Skier Dead, 7 Rescued

Press Trust Of India

Gulmarg: A Russian skier died while seven others, including a local guide, were rescued as an avalanche struck the ski slopes of Gulmarg in Jammu and Kashmir on Thursday, officials said.

The avalanche struck the Khilan Marg on Afarwat Peak near the Army Ridge at around 2 pm, trapping several skiers under its debris, the officials said.

According to police, the group of seven Russians and a local guide ventured into a non-ski zone in the Army Ridge area, which is avalanche prone. "There was an avalanche warning but they still ventured into that zone and unfortunately one skier died," Gulmarg police station SHO Haroon Kar said.

As the news of the avalanche



File Photo

broke, a joint effort was initiated by the Gulmarg Ski Patrol of the Tourism Department, police and the Army to rescue the trapped skiers.

The deceased was identified as Hanten from Moscow in Russia and his body has been taken to the Tangmarg sub-district hospital for post-mortem, the police officer said.

The rescued persons were treated at a local hospital and one foreigner was being shifted

to Srinagar for special treatment. A government spokesperson said the ongoing 4th Khelo India Winter Games remain unaffected by the incident.

Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council secretary Nuzhat Gull said all athletes participating in the ongoing 4th Khelo India Winter Games in Gulmarg were safe.

"All Khelo India athletes are safe after the avalanche hit Khilanmarg | More on P6

## Rain, Snow Likely In J&K From Feb 27-29: Met

The weatherman has forecast mainly dry weather in J&K till February 26. "No Significant weather activity till 26th Feb," the Meteorological department said, adding that from February 27-29, there is possibility of light to moderate rain/snow at scattered to fairly widespread places. Meanwhile, night temperature recorded a fall in Jammu and Kashmir with famous ski resort Gulmarg recording minus 10.4°C and Pahalgam | More on P6

## Work Of God And Work Of Nation Going On At Fast Pace: PM

Press Trust Of India

Mehsana: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday targeted the opposition Congress, saying it continues to live in negativity and is not ready to leave the path of hatred even when the grand Ram temple has been built in Ayodhya.

The PM was addressing the public after inaugurating the Valinath Mahadev temple in Gujarat's Mehsana district. He also inaugurated and laid the foundation stones of various projects costing more than Rs 8,350 crore.

Modi said for a long time in independent India, the Congress created a conflict and enmity "between development and heritage."



"If anyone is to be blamed for this, it is the same Congress which ruled the country for decades. These are the same people who made even a holy place

like Somnath (temple) a cause of controversy," he said.

The Congress did not even show the desire to hoist a religious flag at the Pavagadh

temple in Gujarat's Panchmahal district, and for decades linked the Sun temple at Modhera with vote bank politics, he said.

"These are the same people who raised questions at the existence of Lord Ram and created hurdles in the construction of his temple," Modi said.

"And today, when a grand temple has been constructed at (Lord Ram's) birthplace, when the entire country is happy with it, the people who live in negativity are not leaving the path of hatred," he said.

Modi also targeted the Congress over the Air Force Station runway at Deesa (in Gujarat's Banaskantha district), which he said | More on P6

## Power Failure In HC's Srinagar Wing HC Gives 'Quietus' To Issue After Meeting Officials

M Ahmad

Srinagar: After assurance by the authorities, the High Court of J&K and Ladakh has given the issue related to power and heating system failure in its Srinagar wing on February 19 a "quietus".

"The issue raised by the previous order dated February 19 stands closed," a bench of Justice Atul Sreedharan and Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi said.

The order followed a meeting of the Chief Engineer of the PW(R&B) Department, Sajad Ahmad Naqeeb with the court. "In the course of meeting, it was revealed that the reason why

there was a total black-out in the High Court premises was on account of the abrupt break-down of 250 KVA generator due to overloading as the other generator 320 KVA was still undergoing

maintenance for almost two months," reads an order by the Bench.

"We express our concern that the period of maintenance was excessively long and that responsibility must be

affixed within the organization as to why a vital equipment that was necessary to supply power to the High Court during the power-cut was under maintenance for two long months," the court said, adding, | More on P6

## Drone Dropped IED Recovered Near IB



Agencies

Jammu: An Improvised Explosive Device (IED) was recovered by the Border Security Force after the troops fired at a drone near the International Border (IB) in Kathua district on Thursday, officials said on Thursday.

An official said that alert troops observed drone movement in Manihari village and engaged the drone by fire. He said that subsequently the area was searched and recovery of IED dropped by the drone was made. "Troops are on high alert and further details will be shared accordingly," he said.

## Govt Focusing On Improving Lives Of Small Farmers: PM

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday said his government was focusing on improving the lives of small farmers through various schemes and initiatives, comments coming in the backdrop of protests by Punjab and Haryana cultivators in support of their demands, including a legal guarantee of MSP for crops and a farm loan waiver. During his day-long visit to Gujarat which was packed with multiple programmes, Modi travelled to Ahmedabad, Navsari, Mehsana and Surat and attended several events, including golden jubilee celebrations of Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (GCMMF), which markets daily products under the Amul brand, and | More on P6





Government of Jammu & Kashmir.
Office Of The Executive Engineer (R&B) Division-Srinagar-Core
NOTICE INVITING TENDERS
SINGLE COVER SYSTEM (BELOW Rs. 2.50 Crores)
NIT No:- 52 of R&B /Sgr-Core/2023-24 Dated:- 21/02/2024 (E-tendering)
For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of UT J&K, e-tenders are invited on %age basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K UT Govt., CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Governments for each of the following works:-
S. No. Name of Work Adv. Cost (in lacs, incl GST) Cost of T/ Doc. (in Rupees) Earnest Money (in Rupees) Time of completion Project Authority Ref to Auth/A.A Ref. to T.S Class of Contractor
1. Upgradation / Development of Ziyarat Syed Ali (R.A), Syed Wali (R.A) at Reyazath-Tangh Khanyar B. W. O Boundary wall and lawn. 34.37 1100/- 68,740/- 60 days Directorate of Tourism Kashmir 11- DTK/ PLN OF 2024 S/41 of 2023- DATED: 17-02-2024 EE/Core/T 24 Dated: 21-02-2024 "AAY" "BEE" fko
2. Replacement of broken window panes at Govt. Psychiatry Disease Hospital Srinagar. 2.97 200/- 5940/- 25 Days Principal / Dean GMC Sgr. 50-MCS of 2024 Dated: 20/01/2024 EE/Core/T S/40 of 2023 Dated: 2102-2024 "DEE" fko
Major Head of Account = S.No.1: Capex Budget- Dev. Of Infrastructure at religious tourist destinations/Sufi Circuit.
S.No.2: HDF Position of funds = Available.
1. Date of Issue of Tender Notice 21/02/2024
2. Period of downloading of bidding documents 21/02/2024: 06.00 P.M to 28/02/2024: 6.00 P.M
3. Bid submission Start Date 21/02/2024 from 06.00 P.M
4. Bid Submission End Date 28/02/2024 upto 6.00 P.M
5. Date & time of opening of Bids (Online) 29/02/2024 at 11.00 AM in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Srinagar-CORE, Safa Kadal Srinagar
1. All Bidders have to quote the rates in BOQ Inclusive of GST.
2. 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 above schedule.
Note:- The Bidders are advised to read all conditions laid down in the NIT carefully before uploaded softcopy any short fall found in the soft copy the tender shall be rejected.
2.1 Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document (as mentioned above) in shape of Treasury Challan in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Srinagar-CORE, Safa Kadal Srinagar
(The Date of Treasury Challan must be between the date of start of bid and Bid Submission End date, also mentioning the NIT No./S.No. / Name Of The Work).
2.2 The 1st lowest bidder has to produce an amount equal to 5% of contract as Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG in favour Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Srinagar-Core (as the case may be) within 15 days after the date of receipt of letter of acceptance and shall be released after successful completion of DLP.
The Bank Guarantee should be valid for 45 days beyond DLP.
3. Bidders can resubmit/withdraw the bids as specified.
4. The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of bids.
5. The earnest money shall be forfeited, if:-
a) Any bidder/ tenderer withdraws his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.
b) Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within specified time period issue of letter of intent.
c) In case contractor fails to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.
No: EE/Sgr-core/5822-30
DIPK-16819/23 Dated: 22-02-2024
Sd/- Executive Engineer (R&B) Srinagar Core

Office of the Naib Tehsildar Pattan
Subject: Application of Ghulam Jeelani Wani S/o Mohd Abdulah Wani R/o Malpora Pattan for issuance of DOB Certificate of Zuhaan Jeelani Wani born on 01-03-2018
NOTICE
General Public is hereby informed through this notice that the undersigned office has received the above mentioned application for issuance of DOB. If any person(s) has any objection(s) he/she can visit the undersigned's office within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection will be considered.
fko

Bhat Family Bereived
Sad Demise/Rasm E Chaharum
Inna lillahi wa Inna Ilahir raajoon.
This is to inform that my beloved uncle Abdul Rashid Bhat S/O Late Ali Mohammad Bhat R/O Sector B Alfarooq Colony Jawahar Nagar Raj Bagh Srinagar breathed his last on 21 Feb 2024 at Gandhi Nagar Hospital Jammu. May Allah forgive his shortcomings and grant him Jannatul-Firdaus. The Condolences will be observed for 3 days only & the (Congregational prayers)Fateh kahwani will be observed at his ancestral graveyard at Ikhray Pora Jawahar Nagar on 23 Feb 2024 at 2:30 pm
Every one is requested to Recite surah Fatiha for the departed soul.
Bereaved Bhat Family
Adil Bhat
7006051400
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Office of the Naib Tehsildar Pattan
Subject: Application of Irfan Ahmad Lone S/o Fayaz Ahmad Lone R/o Chinkpora Sopore for issuance of DOB Certificate of his son namely Mohammad Azan Lone born on 29-05-2021
NOTICE
General Public is hereby informed through this notice that the undersigned office has received the above mentioned application for issuance of DOB. If any person(s) has any objection(s) he/she can visit the undersigned's office within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection will be considered.
fko

SAD DEMISE
With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of Ghulam mohammad lubroo S/o mohammad subhan lubroo R/o konkhan. dalgate, srinagar who passed away on 20.02.2024 his fateh kahawani will be observed on 23-02-2024.
Bereaved family
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PUBLIC NOTICE
I have changed my name from Mahjabeena Nazir to Mahjabeena Quadir. In future I will be known as Mahjabeena Quadir. If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the Regional Passport Office Srinagar within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.
Mahjabeena Quadir
fko

PUBLIC NOTICE
I have lost my 9th pass certificate somewhere. Now I have applied for the duplicate of the same if anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the Govt HS School Palhallan within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.
Showkat Ahmad Khuru
S/O Lal Mohammad Khuru
R/o Ghatgopalan
FKO

از نجات گوم احمد پورہ
درخواست نجانب: محمد عاشق میر ولد غلام محمد میر سائل ملک پورہ تحصیل پٹن بغرض حصول لیگل ہیرسٹریٹیکٹ بجن والدہ مسیتہ بیگم
اشتہار براد گاہی خاص وعام۔
معاہدہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں سائل نے ایک درخواست بغرض حصول لیگل ہیرسٹریٹیکٹ دفتر پٹن میں پیش کیا ہے جو کہ زکاروائی ہے۔ پڑھاری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی جس سے عیاں ہے کہ سائل کی والدہ مسیتہ بیگم جو غلام محمد میر کی بیوی تھیں ان کا فوت ہو چکی ہے اور توفیق کے وارثان جائز ہیں۔
نمبر شمار نام معدودہ بیت عمر پیشہ امدانی
۱۔ محمد عاشق میر ولد غلام محمد میر 40 مزدوری
۲۔ طاہر بیگم دختر غلام محمد میر 50 گھریلو کام شادی شدہ از خانہ بیرون
۳۔ پروین بیگم دختر غلام محمد میر 46 گھریلو کام شادی شدہ از خانہ بیرون
اس طور سائل کا کوئی 03 افراد پر مشتمل ہے۔ لہذا رپورٹیکٹ اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی اعتراض ہوگا وہ اپنا اعتراض ایک ہفتہ کے اندر دوران تفرقی اوقات میں اپنا اعتراض پیش کرے۔ معاذ اللہ اگر نہ ہوگا تو بعد کوئی بھی اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔
تائبہ تحصیلدار۔ fko

از عدالت ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر
با اجلاس: اروند شرما
J&K Bank B/U Batshah Mohallah Lal Bagh Sgr
بنام
M/s M.G Handicrafts
دعویٰ وصولیائی رقم مبلغ =/
Rs 1,70,049.50
اشتہار بمراد آگاہی بنام
M/S M.G Handicrafts at Munwarab Khyam Road Murtaza Ameen Dar S/o Azam Ameen Dar R/o Munwarab Khyam Road Sgr
مقدمہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ میں سائل نے بیسار کوشش کی ہے۔ الا ن تو پتہ چید پر مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ دستیاب ہوئے اور نہ ہی بذریعہ معین تمل لائی گئی۔ بدین وجہ حسب استنادی مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ جو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ کے خلاف مقدمہ بنوائے بالا اجراء بغرض وصولی رقم مبلغ =/ Rs 1,70,049.50 زیر ساعت عدالت ہڈا ہے۔ لہذا آپ کو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ بغرض بیروی اجراء ہڈا بنوائے بالا مورخہ 24-02-2024 اصالتاً یا کالاتاً بروقت پیجری حاضر آ کر مقدمہ ہڈا کی بیروی کریں۔ بصورت عدم حاضری حسب ضابطہ کاروائی تمل لائی جائے گی۔ تخریر ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر nj

از عدالت ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر
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In The Court Of City Judge Srinagar
Present- Mr. Sajad Ur Rehman
In Case of:
Syed Mohammad Amin Andrabi
VS
Syed Mohammad Ashfar Andrabi.
Complaint under Section 138 of Negotiable instrument Act
Proclamation for appearance of Accused in terms of Section 87 Cr.P.C Whereas, complaint titled above has been presented and is pending disposal before me wherein it is stated that accused namely Arif Sultan Peer S/O Peer Gulium Nabi R/O Wundhuma Ganderbal Kashmir is alleged to have committed an offence punishable u/s 138 of Negotiable instrument Act against the complainant named above. Further, the accused has appeared never before this court since the inception of this complaint. And whereas, it has been shown to my satisfaction that the accused has absconded and is avoiding the process issued by this court intentionally. Henceforth, this Proclamation is hereby made against the accused named above and you are as such required to appear before this Court at Srinagar before me to answer the said complaint against you by or before 20/03/2024.
Issued today on 10/02/2024.
Srinagar
City Judge
Judicial Magistrate 1st class Srinagar
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از عدالت ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر
با اجلاس: اروند شرما
J&K Bank B/U Sourasgr
بنام
M/S Angle Global Connectors
دعویٰ وصولیائی رقم مبلغ =/
5,46,815.93
اشتہار بمراد آگاہی بنام
M/S Angel Global Connectors, Soura Sgr Prop Shajar Ul Manzoor D/o Manzoor Ahmad R/o Firdous Colony Buchpora Sgr
مقدمہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ میں سائل نے بیسار کوشش کی ہے۔ الا ن تو پتہ چید پر مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ دستیاب ہوئے اور نہ ہی بذریعہ معین تمل لائی گئی۔ بدین وجہ حسب استنادی مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ جو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ کے خلاف مقدمہ بنوائے بالا اجراء بغرض وصولی رقم مبلغ =/ Rs 5,46,815.93 زیر ساعت عدالت ہڈا ہے۔ لہذا آپ کو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ بغرض بیروی اجراء ہڈا بنوائے بالا مورخہ 24-02-2024 اصالتاً یا کالاتاً بروقت پیجری حاضر آ کر مقدمہ ہڈا کی بیروی کریں۔ بصورت عدم حاضری حسب ضابطہ کاروائی تمل لائی جائے گی۔ تخریر ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر nj

از عدالت ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر
با اجلاس: اروند شرما
J&K Bank B/U New Secretariat Road Sgr
بنام
Huzaif Shabir shah
دعویٰ وصولیائی رقم مبلغ =/
Rs 8,01,017
اشتہار بمراد آگاہی بنام
1. Mohammad Rafiq Shah S/O Gh Mohd Shah R/O 332, Khushipora Parimpora Sgr
2. Mohd Sultan Teli S/O Abdul Khaliq Teli R/O Syed Mohalla Ziyarat Batmaloo Sgr
مقدمہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ میں سائل نے بیسار کوشش کی ہے۔ الا ن تو پتہ چید پر مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ دستیاب ہوئے اور نہ ہی بذریعہ معین تمل لائی گئی۔ بدین وجہ حسب استنادی مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ جو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ کے خلاف مقدمہ بنوائے بالا اجراء بغرض وصولی رقم مبلغ =/ Rs 8,01,017 زیر ساعت عدالت ہڈا ہے۔ لہذا آپ کو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ بغرض بیروی اجراء ہڈا بنوائے بالا مورخہ 24-02-2024 اصالتاً یا کالاتاً بروقت پیجری حاضر آ کر مقدمہ ہڈا کی بیروی کریں۔ بصورت عدم حاضری حسب ضابطہ کاروائی تمل لائی جائے گی۔ تخریر ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر nj

از عدالت ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر
با اجلاس: اروند شرما
J&K Bank B/U Batshah Mohallah Srinagar
بنام
M/s Moon Light Boutique
دعویٰ وصولیائی رقم مبلغ =/
Rs 45,387.25
اشتہار بمراد آگاہی بنام
M/S Moon Light Boutique Cum Readymade Garments, Prof Sabaya Masoom W/O Javid Ahmad Mukhdoori R/O Umer Colony B Lal Bazar Sgr
مقدمہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ میں سائل نے بیسار کوشش کی ہے۔ الا ن تو پتہ چید پر مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ دستیاب ہوئے اور نہ ہی بذریعہ معین تمل لائی گئی۔ بدین وجہ حسب استنادی مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ جو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ کے خلاف مقدمہ بنوائے بالا اجراء بغرض وصولی رقم مبلغ =/ Rs 45,387.25 زیر ساعت عدالت ہڈا ہے۔ لہذا آپ کو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ بغرض بیروی اجراء ہڈا بنوائے بالا مورخہ 24-02-2024 اصالتاً یا کالاتاً بروقت پیجری حاضر آ کر مقدمہ ہڈا کی بیروی کریں۔ بصورت عدم حاضری حسب ضابطہ کاروائی تمل لائی جائے گی۔ تخریر ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر nj

In The Court Of Executive Magistrate 1st Class Kaprin
Subject: Application of Farooq Ahmad Bhat S/o Bashir Ah. Bhat R/o Renipora Khasipora tehsil and District Shoplan for registration of event of Birth ( delayed entry) of hsi Daughter namely Shabanm Ara
PUBLICATION NOTICE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC
Whereas the applicant named above has filed present application for Issuance of birth certificate of his Daughter \_with date of birth as 10-05-1992
As such notice is issued in the name of general public that in case anybody has any objections regarding the entry of birth record of applicant's daughter with the office of Registrar (Births & Deaths)/Block Development Officer KAPRAN then he/she/they can file objections to same in this court within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which application shall be decided in accordance with the mandate of law.
Issued under seal and signature of this court today on 18-01-2024
Executive Magistrate
1st Class Kaprin
FKO

از عدالت ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر
با اجلاس: اروند شرما
J&K Bank B/U Soura Sgr
بنام
Mrs Nusrat
دعویٰ وصولیائی رقم مبلغ =/
163569.02
اشتہار بمراد آگاہی بنام
Mrs Nusrat W/o Abdul Qayoom Khan Abdul Qayoom Khan R/o Shahi Mohalla, Owantha Bhawan Sgr.
مقدمہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ میں سائل نے بیسار کوشش کی ہے۔ الا ن تو پتہ چید پر مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ دستیاب ہوئے اور نہ ہی بذریعہ معین تمل لائی گئی۔ بدین وجہ حسب استنادی مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ جو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ کے خلاف مقدمہ بنوائے بالا اجراء بغرض وصولی رقم مبلغ =/ Rs 163569.02 زیر ساعت عدالت ہڈا ہے۔ لہذا آپ کو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ بغرض بیروی اجراء ہڈا بنوائے بالا مورخہ 24-02-2024 اصالتاً یا کالاتاً بروقت پیجری حاضر آ کر مقدمہ ہڈا کی بیروی کریں۔ بصورت عدم حاضری حسب ضابطہ کاروائی تمل لائی جائے گی۔ تخریر ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر nj

از عدالت ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر
با اجلاس: اروند شرما
J&K Bank B/U Zakura Sgr
بنام
Rafiq Ahmad Bhat
دعویٰ وصولیائی رقم مبلغ =/
Rs 10,32,048.00
اشتہار بمراد آگاہی بنام
1. Rafiq Ahmad Bhat S/o Ab Ahad Bhat R/o Shaheed Gunj Sgr
2. Reyaz Ahmad Sheikh S/o Mohd Ramzan Sheikh R/o Wazabagh Hyderpora Sgr
مقدمہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ میں سائل نے بیسار کوشش کی ہے۔ الا ن تو پتہ چید پر مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ دستیاب ہوئے اور نہ ہی بذریعہ معین تمل لائی گئی۔ بدین وجہ حسب استنادی مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ جو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ کے خلاف مقدمہ بنوائے بالا اجراء بغرض وصولی رقم مبلغ =/ Rs 10,32,048.00 زیر ساعت عدالت ہڈا ہے۔ لہذا آپ کو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ بغرض بیروی اجراء ہڈا بنوائے بالا مورخہ 24-11-2024 اصالتاً یا کالاتاً بروقت پیجری حاضر آ کر مقدمہ ہڈا کی بیروی کریں۔ بصورت عدم حاضری حسب ضابطہ کاروائی تمل لائی جائے گی۔ تخریر ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر nj

از عدالت ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر
با اجلاس: اروند شرما
J&K Bank B/U Lal Bazar Sgr
بنام
Shamima
دعویٰ وصولیائی رقم مبلغ =/
Rs 1,04,908.00
اشتہار بمراد آگاہی بنام
1. Gh Hassan Sheikh 2. Ajaz Ahmad Sheikh R/O Umarabad HMT
مقدمہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ میں سائل نے بیسار کوشش کی ہے۔ الا ن تو پتہ چید پر مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ دستیاب ہوئے اور نہ ہی بذریعہ معین تمل لائی گئی۔ بدین وجہ حسب استنادی مدعا علیہ مدعا علیہ جو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ کے خلاف مقدمہ بنوائے بالا اجراء بغرض وصولی رقم مبلغ =/ Rs 1,04,908.00 زیر ساعت عدالت ہڈا ہے۔ لہذا آپ کو بذریعہ اشتہار بذراطلاع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ بغرض بیروی اجراء ہڈا بنوائے بالا مورخہ 24-02-2024 اصالتاً یا کالاتاً بروقت پیجری حاضر آ کر مقدمہ ہڈا کی بیروی کریں۔ بصورت عدم حاضری حسب ضابطہ کاروائی تمل لائی جائے گی۔ تخریر ایڈیشنل ڈسٹرکٹ جج (بنک مقدمات) سری نگر nj

از نجات گوم احمد پورہ
درخواست نجانب: محمد عاشق میر ولد غلام محمد میر سائل ملک پورہ تحصیل پٹن بغرض حصول لیگل ہیرسٹریٹیکٹ بجن والدہ مسیتہ بیگم
اشتہار براد گاہی خاص وعام۔
معاہدہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں سائل نے ایک درخواست بغرض حصول لیگل ہیرسٹریٹیکٹ دفتر پٹن میں پیش کیا ہے جو کہ زکاروائی ہے۔ پڑھاری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی جس سے عیاں ہے کہ سائل کی والدہ مسیتہ بیگم جو غلام محمد میر کی بیوی تھیں ان کا فوت ہو چکی ہے اور توفیق کے وارثان جائز ہیں۔
نمبر شمار نام معدودہ بیت عمر پیشہ امدانی
۱۔ محمد عاشق میر ولد غلام محمد میر 40 مزدوری
۲۔ طاہر بیگم دختر غلام محمد میر 50 گھریلو کام شادی شدہ از خانہ بیرون
۳۔ پروین بیگم دختر غلام محمد میر 46 گھریلو کام شادی شدہ از خانہ بیرون
اس طور سائل کا کوئی 03 افراد پر مشتمل ہے۔ لہذا رپورٹیکٹ اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی اعتراض ہوگا وہ اپنا اعتراض ایک ہفتہ کے اندر دوران تفرقی اوقات میں اپنا اعتراض پیش کرے۔ معاذ اللہ اگر نہ ہوگا تو بعد کوئی بھی اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔
تائبہ تحصیلدار۔ fko

از تحصیل کتزر
درخواست از جانب سلیئم بیگم دختر علی محمد ذاکر سائل کوئی تحصیل کتزر بارمولہ برادری حاصل D.O.B. سرٹیفیکٹ بجن خود۔
اشتہار براد گاہی خاص وعام
معاہدہ مندرجہ عنوان الصد میں سائل نے ایک درخواست بغرض حصول لیگل ہیرسٹریٹیکٹ دفتر پٹن میں پیش کیا ہے جو کہ زکاروائی ہے۔ پڑھاری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی جس سے عیاں ہے کہ سائل کی والدہ مسیتہ بیگم جو غلام محمد میر کی بیوی تھیں ان کا فوت ہو چکی ہے اور توفیق کے وارثان جائز ہیں۔
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تائبہ تحصیلدار۔ fko



## Govt Constitutes HEMC For Equipment Audit, Preventive Maintenance

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The Health and Medical Education (H&ME) department has ordered the constitution of Hospital Equipment Management Committee (HEMC) for equipment audit and preventive maintenance at CHCs and District Hospitals.

As per an order, the committee comprises Facility In-charge, senior most consultant, Dy.MS or Medical Officer, stores or senior most MO, head pharmacist or in-charge storekeeper and Head/ Sup./ Sr. Lab Technician and Head/ Sup./ Sr. Radiographer Head/Sup. /Sr. Pharmacist/ Lab-technician/ Radiographer (Paramedical staff) as per the availability at the CHC and DH.

The committee has been asked to adhere to the guidelines that receive proposals from the respective departments, evaluation of the proposals received from the department for procurement/ induction of new equipment and the justification provided

after need analysis and cost-benefit analysis, Receipt, Installation & Commissioning of new equipment at the hospital, Training of the user staff in operation & maintenance of the equipment, Preparation of Equipment Master Maintenance Plan consisting of the scheduled preventive maintenance & calibration of the equipment, Undertake review of equipment inventory (Equipment census) available and their utilization once in a year.

"List out functional, dysfunctional & repairable or BER equipment, Carry out equipment audit and review the asset base with addition of new equipment and its valuation, deletion of BER/Condemned equipment from the asset base and monitoring the activities of the maintenance service provider (in PPP), complaint management, equipment downtime, and ensuring preventive maintenance & calibration are carried out as per the OEM recommendations," the committee has been asked as per the order.



PIG: Abid Bhat/ KO

## Cricket Legend Sachin Tendulkar, His Family Enjoys Shikara Ride In Dal Lake

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Legendary cricketer and former Indian skipper Sachin Tendulkar, who along with his family is on a visit to Kashmir, was on Thursday spotted in Srinagar, enjoying a Shikara ride at the world-famous Dal Lake.

Tendulkar, accompanied by his family, arrived in Kashmir last week. After being spotted playing gully cricket with the locals in the surroundings of Gulmarg area, he was seen in Srinagar today for a brief time.

Sachin was seen enjoying the Shikara ride along with his wife and daughter in Dal Lake, saying he enjoyed the visit while heaping praises on Kashmir.

Notably, on arrival in the valley, Tendulkar first visited a bat factory in south Kashmir, and then later reminisced about his first

Kashmir willow, a gift from his sister, highlighting the deep personal connections that cricket fosters within him.

"The first bat given to me was by my sister and it was a Kashmir willow bat. Ab main yahan hoon to Kashmir willow ko to milna banta hai! P.S.: An interesting fact; some of my favourite bats had only about 5-6 grains. How many grains do your bats have?" Sachin wrote on X.

On his arrival, Tendulkar explored the beauty of Pahalgam, revelling in the scenic vistas of Betab Valley, following which he moved to world famous ski-destination Gulmarg where he expressed his excitement and extended his best wishes to the organizers and athletes of Khelo India Winter Games.

Cricket legend Tendulkar also paid a visit to a temple in South Kashmir and to the Aman Setu bridge, situated at the Line of Control (LoC) in the Uri sector of Jammu and Kashmir.

Notably, Sachin is currently on his first-ever visit to Kashmir and the Indian cricketing legend seems to be enjoying his time, and posting regular updates about his visit on his social media handles.

In one such social media interaction shared on X, Sachin gets out of his car and talks to the locals, asking if he can play cricket with them on the street, to which the locals readily agreed.

In a style that may remind Indian cricket fans of the glory days of the sport, Sachin takes to the crease and asks the locals "Kaun hai tumhara bowler (Who is your bowler)".

During his brief stint at the crease, Sachin executed some of his signature shots, like as the leg glance, and even guarded the ball with ease while complimenting the local boy's delivery.

**J&K Bank Limited**  
Zonal Office Srinagar  
W: www.jkbank.com

**EXTENSION OF TIME**

With reference to the tender notice No. jkb/zo sgr/Est/24 -Dt 10-01-2024, issued by this office, regarding advertisement for premises for outright purchase/ on lease basis for housing Branch Hyderpora Srinagar followed by 1<sup>st</sup> extension on 07-02-2024, the last date for receipt of the tenders is extended up to 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024. The tender documents can be downloaded from the link www.jkbank.com. The parties who have already applied in response to the tender notice No. jkb/zo sgr/Est/24- Dt:-10-01-2024 & 1<sup>st</sup> extension notice No. jkb/zoSgr/Est/24- dated 07-02-2024 need not to apply again.

Other terms and conditions shall remain the same.

No. jkb/zoSgr/Est/24- Sd/-  
Dated:-22-02-2024 Zonal Head

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DIPK-NB-5793/23  
dated: 22-02-2024

**J&K Bank Ltd.**  
Central Stationery Department  
Corporate Headquarters, Srinagar

**Request for Sealed Quotation for Printing and supply of School Fee Booklets"**

J&K Bank Central stationery Department Nowgam, invites Sealed Quotation from local printers/vendors for the printing and supply of School Fee Booklets. The interested printers/vendors can obtain Sealed Quotation RFO Document from central stationery Department Nowgam physically or through mail during Business hours and can submit their Quotes (Bids) from 23-02-2024 to 29-02-2024 till 17:00 hours in a sealed envelope, addressed to In Charge Central Stationery Department, Nowgam Bye Pass Srinagar.

**Date: 23-02-2024**

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**AUCTION NOTICE**

Open auction of one Bull (age 2 years) at KVK Gandebal, Shuhama, SKUAST-K, shall be held on 27.02.2024 at 11:00 AM in presence of approved Auction Committee. It is, hereby informed that the interested contractors/ firms/ individuals can participate in the auction on the said date and time after depositing security deposit of Rs 5,000/- in the form of cash with concerned Head. The Committee has the right to approve or disapprove the contract. The successful bidder has to deposit the entire bid amount on spot against proper receipt in the office of undersigned. Other terms and conditions of the auction will be communicated before the starting of the auction.

Sd/-  
Sr. Scientist & Head  
KVK Gandebal

No.-AU/KVK-Gb/2023-24/1583  
Dated:-21/02/2024

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NOTICE INVITING TENDERS  
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FRESH NIT No. 220(3rd call of NIT 54) Of R&B/Anantnag/ 2023-24/E-TENDERING/20878-87 DATED: 21/02/2024.

Executive Engineer PW(R&B) Division Anantnag on behalf of Lt. Governor of J&K, invites percentage rate bids (EPC) in electronic tendering system for their maintenance for five years from the eligible and approved contractors registered with J&K UT Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State Governments.

1. 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:-

S. No	Name of Work	Tendered Cost (Rs in lacs.)			Cost of document (Rs in Lacs)	Earnest Money (Bid Security) (Rs in lacs.)	Time of completion For Construction work	Tender Call	Time and Date of opening of tenders online (Technical Bid)	Class of contractor
		Construction Part	Maintenance Part (In Lacs)	Total cost of work						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	Construction of 1x50 Mtr Span Bridge at Ashajipora Anantnag.	774.82 Lacs Contract Price Exclusive of GST 657.80 + (18% GST Amount 117.02)	10.22	785.04 Lacs	0.085	15.50	03 Years	5 <sup>th</sup>	04-02-2024 At 11:00 A.M	AAV Class Only

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1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	21/02/2024
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	21/02/2024 from 12.00 PM.
3	Date, Time and Place of Pre Bid meeting	23/02/2024 at 11.00 A.M in the Office of the Chief Engineer PW(R&B) Department South Kashmir Anantnag.
4	Bid submission Start Date	23/02/2024 from 11.00 AM.
5	Bid Submission End Date	29/02/2024 upto 4.00 PM.
6	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	01-03-2024 at 11.00 A.M in the Office of the Chief Engineer PW(R&B) Department South Kashmir.
7	Date & time of opening of Financial Bids (Online)	To be notified after technical bid evaluation is completed

1. Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Treasury Challan/receipt in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Anantnag (tender inviting authority) (Name of Work to be mentioned on the Treasury Challan / Receipt) (Refer Govt. order No. O.M No. A/24 (2017)-651 Dt 07-06-2018 (The Date of Treasury Challan should be between the date of Start of Bid and Bid Submission End Date) and EMD (2% of advertised Cost) in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to Chief Engineer PW(R&B) Department South Kashmir Anantnag (Tender receiving Authority).  
Note: If any Bidder/Contractor has made/prepared Treasury Challan/receipt for the above work advertised vide this Office NIT No. 157, the same shall also be considered/entertained during evaluation of Tender.

2. All the Bidders have to submit Earnest Money/Bid Security (EMD@2% of Advertised Cost) in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG. Non submission of Earnest Money/Bid Security shall render the bidder as No-responsive.

3. The 1st lowest Bidder has to produce an amount equal to 5% of contract as Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG in favour of Chief Engineer PW(R&B) Department South Kashmir Anantnag (Tender Receiving Authority) within 03 Days before fixation of Contract and shall be released after successful completion of Defect Liability Period (DLP) of the work. Failure to produce Performance Security shall render the L1 as non-responsive and case for debarring of the Contractor for a period of 01 Year shall be forwarded to Higher Authorities.

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5. Bidders can resubmit/withdraw the bids as specified.

6. The date and time of opening of Financial-Bids shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The Financial-bids of Responsive Bidders shall be opened online in the Chief Engineer PW(R&B) Department South Kashmir Anantnag. The date for same shall be intimated separately.

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

8. The Earnest Money/Performance Security shall be forfeited if:-  
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b) Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required Performance Security within specified time period before signing contract agreement.  
c) In case contractor fails to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.  
9. Instruction to Bidders regarding E-tendering process.

09.1 Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" option as well as from "BiddersManual Kit" on website www.jktenders.gov.in to acquaint bid submission process.  
09.2 To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get "Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)" as per Information Technology Act-2000. Bidders can get digital certificate from any approved vendors.  
09.3 The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature. No financial bid will be accepted in physical form.  
09.4 Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned above.  
09.5 Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents mentioned in NIT and SBD with technical bid.

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**This Day In History**

- 1455- Johannes Gutenberg prints his first Bible (estimated date) [1] 1540- Francisco Vázquez de Coronado's expedition sets off from Mexico in search of the 7 cities of Cibola 1574- France begins 5th "holy war" against Huguenots 1660- Charles XI becomes king of Sweden 1689- Dutch prince William III proclaimed King of England 1782- Engineer James Watt's patent for a rotary motion for the steam engine (his sun-and-planet gear) is granted 1846- Polish revolutionaries march on Kraków, but are defeated 1847- Battle of Buena Vista, Mexico; Zachary Taylor leads mostly volunteer troops against larger Mexican Army force; Mexico retreats, both sides claim victory 1854- Great Britain & Orange Free state sign Convention of Bloemfontein 1861- Dutch Prime Minister Floris van Hal resigns 1870- Mississippi is readmitted to US after the Civil War 1874- Major Walter Clopton Winfield patents a game called "sphairstike" (lawn tennis)
- 1883 - American Anti-Vivisection Society organized (Philadelphia)
- 1886 - Aluminum manufacturing process developed
- 1886 - "The Times" of London publishes world's 1st classified ad
- 1903 - The US and Cuba sign an agreement by which Cuba releases Guantanamo and Bahia Honda to the US for naval stations.
- 1903 - The Sultan agrees to an Austro-Russian plan to reform the government of Macedonia in yet another effort to stifle the rising disorder among the rival Bulgarian.
- 1904 - United States acquires control of the Panama Canal Zone for \$10 million.
- 1904 Having occupied Korea, Japan signs a treaty with Korea under which it becomes a Japanese protectorate in return for Japanese protection from other powers
- 1919 - Fascist Party forms in Italy by Benito Mussolini
- 1940 - Russian troops conquer Lasi Island
- 1943 - German troops pull back through Kasserine-pass Tunisia
- 1944 - Forced deportation of the Chechen and Ingush people to Central Asia.
- 1954 - 1st mass inoculation against polio with Salk vaccine (Pittsburgh)
- 1958 - USSR performs nuclear test at Novaya Zemlya USSR.
- 1967 - US troops begin largest offensive of Vietnam War.
- 1983 - The United States Environmental Protection Agency announces its intent to buy out and evacuate the dioxin-contaminated community of Times Beach, Missouri.
- 1987 - Supernova 1987A in LMC 1st seen; 1st naked-eye supernova since 1604.
- 1991 - US insists Iraq publicly announce it is leaving Kuwait by 12 PM EST.
- 1997 - Scientists in Scotland announce they have cloned an adult mammal, producing a lamb named "Dolly"
- 1998 - Osama bin Laden publishes a fatwa declaring jihad against all Jews and Crusaders.
- 2007 - Japan launches its fourth spy satellite, stepping up its ability to monitor potential threats such as North Korea.
- 2012 - A series of bomb attacks across 12 Iraqi cities kills 60 and injures 200.
- 2013 - 51 people are killed and 62 are injured in conflict between rival tribes in Darfur, Sudan.
- 2014- Canada wins the Olympic ice hockey double with a 3-0 victory over Sweden in the men's gold medal game in Sochi; first team to finish the tournament undefeated since 1984 2014- Russia sweeps the medals in the men's 50k cross country skiing at the Sochi Winter Olympics; Alexander Legkov wins gold ahead of teammates Maxim Vylegzhanin and Ilya Chernousov 2018- Dutch speed skater Kjeld Nuis wins his second gold medal of the Pyeongchang Winter Olympics in the 1,000m; also 1,500m champion 2018- Russian figure skater Alina Zagitova wins the women's singles gold medal at the Pyeongchang Winter Olympics; earlier sets a new ISU best short program score of 82.92 2018-



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## Fragile opposition unity

When INDIA Alliance was formed in June 2023, it held the promise of offering a tough political challenge to the dominance of the ruling BJP led by the overarching figure of the prime minister Narendra Modi. Apart from Rahul Gandhi's Congress Party which continues to enjoy a national footprint - albeit drastically shrunken in the last decade - the regional parties with their committed support bases made the alliance a force to reckon with. But with the exit of Nitish Kumar, one of the alliance's key architects, and the growing rumblings over pre-election seat-sharing the alliance has started unraveling.

But with the seat-sharing agreements between SP and Congress in the UP and the AAP and Congress in Punjab and Delhi, things finally seem to be turning around for the alliance. For example, the SP president, Akhilesh Yadav had recently decided to skip Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra in Amethi and Raebareli. Now he might be joining it. Akhilesh's unilateral announcement of 11 Lok Sabha seats for the Congress in UP had earlier caught the Congress off guard, leading to a scramble to address the discord. The subsequent announcement of candidates for 16 seats by the SP further complicated matters. Now the deal has been sealed with Yadav giving the Congress 17 seats.

However, there is much that isn't going well for the alliance. In West Bengal, the seat arrangement talks between Trinamool Congress and the Congress have hit a dead-end. There are other issues too. The alliance, which had initially projected a united front against the ruling BJP, now finds itself grappling with internal discord, jeopardizing its ability to present a formidable challenge not only in the crucial state of Uttar Pradesh but also at the national level.

The Congress, facing demands for more seats and navigating the delicate dance of coalition politics, must recognize the urgency of presenting a united front against the BJP. In the face of these internal fissures, the need for opposition parties to prioritize democracy over individual interests becomes paramount.

The defection of Jayant Chaudhary to the BJP further underlines the fragility of opposition alliances. The INDIA Alliance must heed this warning and prioritize a collective effort to safeguard the democratic values that bind them together. The upcoming Lok Sabha elections are not just a battle for individual seats; they are a test of the opposition's ability to present a cohesive, united front against the BJP's formidable electoral machinery.

In the midst of these challenges, it is imperative for the opposition leaders to rise above individual differences, prioritize the greater goal of countering the ruling party, and forge a unified strategy. Any internal discord only weakens their collective ability to stand against the BJP's electoral juggernaut.

OTHER OPINION

## Greening Growth

The provision of Environmental Clearance (EC) under the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) rules — notified in 2006 under the Environmental (Protection) Act — was meant to strike the right balance between the imperatives of growth and development and the environment. The EC is meant to be mandatory for various projects, including mining, thermal plants, those in river valleys, and infrastructure and industrial programmes. Unfortunately, as a report in this newspaper has shown, the balance between environment and industry seems to be tilting far too much towards the latter.

In 2017, the government brought in a loophole to the EIA and gave a six-month moratorium to all the companies that had not complied with the requirements to receive an EC. This one-time window was made indefinite under the revised Standard Operating Procedures in 2021. The notification was challenged before the Madras High Court, which granted a stay order. The Centre, however, interpreted the order as applying only to Tamil Nadu. Then, in January 2024, the Supreme Court stayed the notification, and the Court's final decision is pending. In essence, between 2017 and 2024, over 100 projects — they include coal, iron and bauxite mines, steel and iron factories, cement plants and limestone quarries — have been granted ex post facto environmental clearance under the diluted EIA, their original lack of EC notwithstanding.

Environmental clearances for business and infrastructure projects have been a fraught issue for decades. Under multiple governments and environment ministers of varying ideological leanings, the pendulum has swung both ways: At different points, the Environment Ministry has been dubbed either "anti-business" or "anti-environment". However, by any standard, the weakening of the EIA, and the National Green Tribunal, is a matter of deep concern that needs to be addressed urgently — in 2020, an Environmental Performance Index of Yale University ranked India 168 amongst 220 countries. Perhaps the only sustainable way to do this is to not see "environment" and "development" locked in an inevitably zero-sum game.

It's time to move to environmentalism as development and development as environmentalism. As climate change and sustainability increasingly become a part of the global business conversation, India has the opportunity to be a leader in this regard. This will, however, require a robust policy and regulatory framework, which while facilitating business, allows for a careful assessment of the adverse impacts of projects, and does not constantly search for and seize the loopholes.

The Indian Express

Mindful Fridays

# Caught In The Middle

## Children's Plight in Family-In-Law Discord



Wasim Kakroo

“In households where ego clashes are prevalent, children's emotional needs often take a backseat amidst the chaos. Parents and other caregivers may become preoccupied with resolving conflicts or defending their positions, neglecting the emotional support and nurturing that children require for healthy development. This emotional neglect can have long-lasting effects on children's self-esteem, relationships, and mental health.”

In the intricate web of family dynamics, ego clashes can often emerge as a significant source of tension. When these clashes occur between one's own family and in-laws, the repercussions can extend far beyond the adults involved, creating a traumatic environment for children within the household. In this article, we will discuss the various ways in which ego clashes between families and in-laws affect children and explore strategies to mitigate their impact.

### Adverse Effects on Children

Children are highly perceptive beings who can keenly sense tension and discord within their surroundings. When ego clashes occur between their parents and grandparents or other relatives, children can experience emotional turmoil. They may feel confused, anxious, or even responsible for the conflicts unfolding around them. This emotional distress can significantly impact their mental well-being and overall development.

Additionally, ego clashes between families and in-laws often lead to disrupted family dynamics. Instead of fostering a harmonious environment where children feel secure and supported, constant conflict creates instability and tension. Children may witness heated arguments, passive-aggressive behavior, or even physical altercations, which can shatter their sense of safety and belonging within the family unit.

Parents and other adult family members serve as primary role models for children. When ego clashes escalate, children observe unhealthy patterns of com-

munication, conflict resolution, and interpersonal relationships. They may internalize these behaviors, replicating them in their own interactions with peers and authority figures. Thus, the cycle of dysfunction perpetuates across generations, impacting not only the current household but also future relationships.

Moreover, in households where ego clashes are prevalent, children's emotional needs often take a backseat amidst the chaos. Parents and other caregivers may become preoccupied with resolving conflicts or defending their positions, neglecting the emotional support and nurturing that children require for healthy development. This emotional neglect can have long-lasting effects on children's self-esteem, relationships, and mental health.

Children caught in the crossfire of ego clashes between their own family and in-laws often face loyalty conflicts. They may feel torn between allegiance to their parents and loyalty to their grandparents or other relatives. This internal conflict can create immense psychological pressure, leaving children feeling guilty, anxious, or resentful. Moreover, attempts by adults to manipulate or influence children's loyalties further exacerbate the situation, deepening the rifts within the family.

In extreme cases, ego clashes between families and in-laws can result in alienation and isolation for children. They may be denied access to one side of the family or subjected to overt or covert forms of rejection and exclusion. Such experiences can leave lasting scars on children's self-worth and identity, impacting their abil-

ity to form trusting relationships and navigate social interactions later in life.

### Mitigating the Impact

While ego clashes between families and in-laws can create a traumatic environment for children, proactive measures can be taken to mitigate their impact:

1. Open Communication: Encourage open, honest communication among family members to address conflicts constructively and prevent them from escalating.
2. Setting Boundaries: Establish clear boundaries to delineate roles, responsibilities, and expectations within the family, reducing the likelihood of clashes and misunderstandings.
3. Seeking Support: Don't hesitate to seek professional support or family counseling to navigate complex dynamics and learn effective conflict resolution strategies.
4. Prioritizing Children's Well-being: Keep children's well-being at the forefront, shielding them from adult conflicts and ensuring they have access to emotional support and stability.
5. Leading by Example: Model healthy communication, empathy, and respect in your interactions with family members, providing children with positive role models to emulate.

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## Play School Teachers are Unbelievably Underpaid in Srinagar!

A young woman, just out of college, is teaching at my son's play school. She works from 10:00 - 3:00 pm. Young toddlers such as mine are very difficult to handle and one would think that these teachers would be compensated fairly for their work. Would you believe me if I say that these teachers who take care of so many toddlers and give a full working day worth of time every single day a week in every month, are paid as low as three thousand rupees a month!

While we often applaud teachers for their dedication and contributions to society, it is disheartening to witness the exploitation of these

educators, particularly in the critical early childhood education sector.

Play schools serve as the foundation for a child's educational journey, where teachers play a pivotal role in shaping young minds. However, the teachers in Srinagar's play schools are facing dire financial circumstances due to inadequate compensation. Most of these play schools aren't even registered! These educators, responsible for nurturing the intellectual and emotional growth of our children, are often subjected to meager salaries that do not align with the value of their work.

Low wages not only lead to financial stress for teachers but also hin-

der their ability to provide quality education. Underpaid teachers may struggle to make ends meet, resulting in reduced motivation and, ultimately, a decline in the quality of early childhood education. This vicious cycle affects the very foundation of a child's learning experience.

It is essential for the government, educational institutions, and society as a whole to recognize the significance of early childhood education and the vital role teachers play in it. Adequate compensation is not only a matter of fairness but also an investment in the future of our children. Well-paid and motivated teachers are more likely to deliver high-quality

education, ensuring that our youngest learners receive the best possible start in their educational journey.

I urge the relevant authorities and stakeholders in Srinagar to address this issue promptly by implementing fair compensation packages for play school teachers. It is time to acknowledge their dedication and hard work by providing them with wages that reflect the importance of their role in shaping the future of our children and our society.

Sincerely,

A Parent



# Are Our Schools Future Ready?

## Bridging the Gap Between Tradition and Technological Transformation

Ikktz Ikbal

As the schools in Kashmir prepare to reopen after winter vacations, the looming question arises: Are we adequately equipping our educational institutions for the challenges of the future? In the backdrop of this awaited reopening, let's delve into the critical need for reform in teaching practices to align with the dynamic shifts brought about by technological advancements, social media, and the omnipresence of artificial intelligence.

In an era where technological advancements, social media, and artificial intelligence have ushered in a new age, the question arises: Are our schools equipped to prepare the next generation for a future we can barely fathom? Are we preparing our children for the future with the tools of the past?

The dichotomy of the school-going children's lives is striking. As they navigate the intricacies of Snapchat and Instagram, they find themselves tethered to a traditional education system that seems oblivious to their digital dexterity. The tools of the past, wielded by teachers whose understanding of this dual life is often limited, risk leaving students adrift in a sea of obsolete information.

In the relentless pursuit of completing syllabi and focusing on rote memorization, we inadvertently stifle the very essence of learning – critical thinking. The world outside the classroom is evolving at an unprecedented pace, leaving our education system lagging behind. The gap between what children experience in their hyper-exposed global reality and what teachers comprehend is widening.

To navigate this chasm, a



radical reformation in teaching practices is imperative. It's not merely about incorporating technology into classrooms but understanding the dynamic cultural shift our children are undergoing. Teachers must evolve from being mere dispensers of information to mentors who guide students in navigating the vast sea of knowledge available at their fingertips.

The call is to prepare students for jobs that haven't even ma-



**PARENTS, TOO, PLAY A CRUCIAL ROLE IN THIS PARADIGM SHIFT.** They need to actively engage in their children's education, bridging the home-school gap and reinforcing the importance of critical thinking and adaptability

terialized. The current focus on page-writing and memorization is akin to teaching someone to

ride a horse in preparation for a world dominated by electric scooters. The revolution in AI

demand an educational revolution – one that prioritizes adaptability, problem-solving, and creativity over the regurgitation of outdated facts.

In the pursuit of educational reform, it is essential to recognize that change is not an indictment of the past but a commitment to the future. Teachers, the unsung heroes of this transformation, must be empowered with the tools and knowledge necessary to guide the next gen-

eration. Professional development programs should prioritize digital literacy, pedagogical innovation, and fostering a deep understanding of the evolving global landscape.

Parents, too, play a crucial role in this paradigm shift. They need to actively engage in their children's education, bridging the home-school gap and reinforcing the importance of critical thinking and adaptability. By creating a collaborative ecosystem where students, teachers, and parents are allies in the journey of learning, we can dismantle the barriers that impede progress.

As we usher in this era of educational metamorphosis, let us remember that the ultimate goal is not just to prepare students for jobs but to cultivate lifelong learners who can navigate the uncharted territories of an ever-changing world. It's time to embrace the unknown, acknowledging that the future holds possibilities we can only begin to imagine. Together, let us embark on a transformative journey that transcends the confines of traditional education, propelling our children toward a future where their potential knows no bounds.

"Bridging the Gap" becomes more than a catchphrase; it's a rallying cry for a holistic educational approach that acknowledges the dual life led by today's youth. Let's not just keep pace with AI and technology; let's mold a generation that surfs the technological tidal wave with finesse, ready to conquer the unforeseen challenges that lie ahead. Our children deserve an education that propels them into the future, not one that anchors them to the past.

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## Should You Listen to Your Gut?

Eva M. Krockow

Most people consider decision-making to be a means to an end. They encounter a choice situation (e.g., how to spend their afternoon off), consider the options (e.g., yoga class, meeting friends, or binge-watching "Game of Thrones" for the third time), and reach a conclusion (e.g., binge-watching it is!).

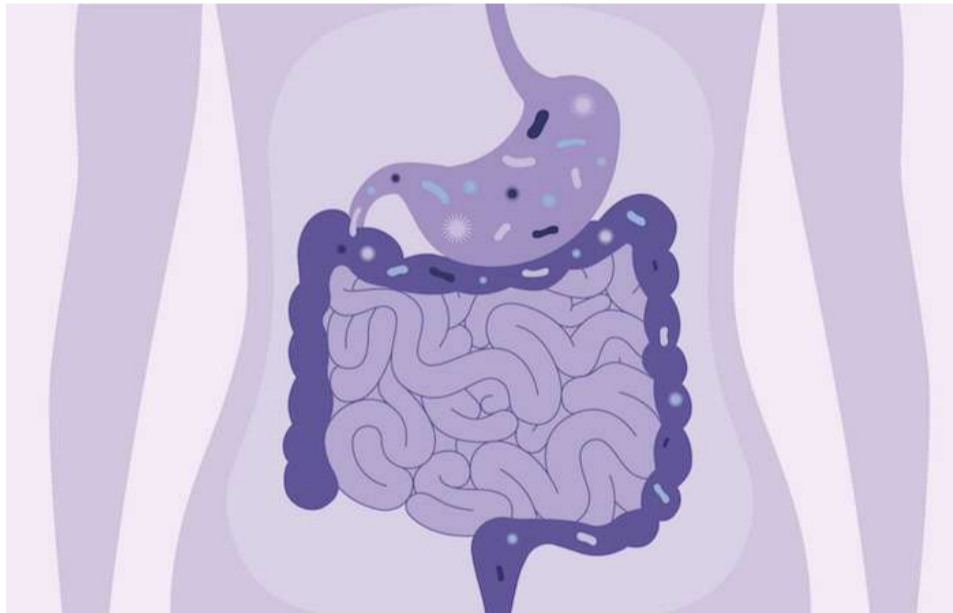
The decision process typically follows one of two approaches. On the one hand, people may use a quick approach that involves reacting instinctively and simply going with what feels right. This is often referred to as "System 1," "intuitive" or "gut" decision-making. On the other hand, people may use a slow, deliberate approach that includes careful consideration of all options. This is often called "System 2," "analytical" or "head" decision-making.

No matter which approach people follow—be it an instinctive reach for the TV remote or a careful weighing of pros and cons—the decision-making process helps to get them where they want to be (e.g., sprawled out on the sofa, comfortably watching Jon Snow slaughter White Walkers and wildlings). It is a necessity, ideally resulting in a pleasant outcome.

Recent research, however, offers an entirely new perspective. Rather than viewing decision-making as a chore, psychologists suggest that the act of making a choice may be intrinsically pleasurable and could increase people's well-being.

### EMOTIONAL BENEFITS OF DECISION-MAKING

A team of researchers from Germany and Switzerland conducted a two-week decision-making study (currently a preprint). During this period, 256 participants kept regular decision journals. Whenever they faced a decision, they logged on to the online study site and answered a series of questions.



First, they rated their general mood and provided information about the type of decision they were about to make. Then, participants received instructions to either use their gut or their head to make the decision. Once they'd made their choice, participants were asked to rate their mood again and state how easy and how "right" the decision felt to them.

This completed the initial process of journaling, but participants were able to go back into their journals at a later time and provide follow-up details. For example, they could specify whether or not they had acted upon the decision made.

The study produced several surprising results. Firstly, people's happiness ratings increased after they made a choice. It thus appeared that decision-making improved people's moods.

Additionally, the findings showed some interesting differences in the effects of intuitive gut choices and analytical head choices. The emotional boost of decision-making was greater if participants had made their choice quickly using their gut. Also, follow-up decision records showed that people were more likely to implement a decision if they had used an

intuitive approach. This led the researchers to conclude that making fast, instinctive choices was beneficial to people's well-being.

### ADVANTAGES OF GOING WITH YOUR GUT

Should people avoid lengthy rumination or procrastination to help them feel better? According to recent evidence, quick gut decisions could be an underexplored tool to promote well-being.

There are several potential reasons for the surprising benefits of intuitive choices. First, efficiency and decisiveness help to get things done, thereby playing into inherent human preferences for completing tasks, which I discussed in a related post. Also, the subjective ease experienced during instinctive decision-making could trigger positive emotions. Finally, the process of turning inward and listening to one's gut may increase personal insights and help to connect with the subconscious.

Research indicates that gut decisions are most frequent when people make choices about leisure activities and social relationships. Yet, scope exists to increase the role of intuitive judgments in other areas of life—for exam-

ple, in the context of health-related decision-making. Could you boost your happiness by increasing the number of instinctive judgments about exercise options and medical choices?

Despite the immediate emotional benefits of gut decision-making, some caution may be warranted when making major life choices. The study outlined above has yet to be published; it also didn't include a long-term follow-up and failed to consider the consequences of intuitive decision-making beyond the two-week research period. While following your gut may increase short-term happiness, this doesn't guarantee long-term satisfaction with the choices made.

Gut decisions are inherently prone to reasoning errors and biases, meaning that not all quick choices render optimal results. Sometimes, being a slow thinker can be beneficial. Big decisions with life-changing consequences in particular may require a more measured approach. After all, you don't want to rush into a marriage or choose your forever home on a short-lived whim—no matter how good the decision feels in the moment.

—Psychology Today

## Let Us Celebrate Fathers As Well

Dr. Rizwan Rumi

In the intricate fresco of human existence, where emotions intertwine and destinies unfold, the profound influence of parental love stands as an immutable force shaping our very being. Amidst the ebb and flow of life's currents, the presence of both mothers and fathers emerges as pillars of strength, each contributing their unique essence to the symphony of nurturing care and boundless affection that molds the hearts and minds of their children.

Recent research unveils a poignant truth, one that resonates deeply within the recesses of our souls: a father's love, akin to a mother's, holds the power to sculpt the very essence of a child's development, resonating far beyond the confines of familial bonds and echoing through the corridors of adulthood. In the delicate dance of parental acceptance and rejection, it is the nurturing embrace of fathers that oftentimes emerges as a steadfast beacon of guidance, resilience, and unwavering support.

As the tendrils of dawn unfurl across the horizon, casting a golden hue upon the tapestry of existence, the absence of a father's love reverberates with a haunting echo, a poignant reminder of the profound impact that paternal presence bestows upon the human spirit. From the gentle caress of infancy to the resolute steps of maturity, a father's love weaves a narrative of tenderness, fortitude, and unyielding devotion, imprinting upon the canvas of our souls the indelible mark of paternal affection.

In the labyrinth of life's myriad complexities, where the tumult of modernity threatens to drown the whispers of the heart, the role of fathers emerges as a beacon of stability amidst the tempestuous seas of change. It is within the sanctity of paternal love that children find solace, courage, and the unwavering belief in their own potential to surmount the trials of existence, guided by the steady hand and boundless love of their fathers.

Yet, in the annals of societal discourse, the portrayal of fatherhood oftentimes languishes in the shadows, overshadowed by the resplendent glow of maternal tenderness and sacrifice. It is a narrative fraught with misconceptions, a tale of unsung heroes



whose quiet strength and unwavering devotion oftentimes go unnoticed amidst the clamor of daily life. And yet, within the depths of paternal love lies a reservoir of boundless emotion, a testament to the transformative power of a father's touch upon the tender hearts of his children.

To love fiercely, to nurture tenderly, and to stand unwavering in the face of adversity—such is the sacred covenant of fatherhood. Beyond the realms of societal expectations and cultural norms, fathers emerge as custodians of dreams, architects of resilience, and guardians of the human spirit. Their love, an eternal flame amidst the vagaries of time, illuminates the path of righteousness, instilling within the hearts of their children the virtues of compassion, integrity, and unwavering resolve.

As the sun sets and shadows lengthen, let us not forget to honor the silent heroes who walk among us—fathers, whose love knows no bounds, whose sacrifices know no measure, and whose presence echoes through the corridors of time. In the gentle embrace of paternal love, children find refuge, inspiration, and the unwavering assurance that they are cherished beyond measure.

Today, as we stand upon the threshold of possibility, let us pause, let us reflect, and let us extend our heartfelt gratitude to the unsung heroes who shape our lives with love, laughter, and unwavering devotion. For in the sacred covenant of fatherhood lies the essence of unconditional love, the embodiment of strength, and the eternal promise of familial bonds that transcend the boundaries of time and space.

In the symphony of existence, let the resonance of paternal love

be heard as a testament to the enduring spirit of fatherhood, illuminating the path of humanity with compassion, tenderness, and the boundless grace of a father's heart.

Indeed, within the depths of a father's love lies a treasure trove of memories, lessons, and moments that define the very essence of our lives. From the tender embrace of bedtime stories to the sturdy hand that guided our first steps, every gesture, every word, every silent sacrifice speaks volumes of a love that knows no bounds.

In the gentle caress of a father's hand, there lies a universe of reassurance, a sanctuary where fears are quelled, dreams take flight, and the promise of tomorrow unfurls like petals in the morning light. It is a love that weaves itself into the fabric of our existence, shaping the contours of our journey with its quiet strength and unwavering presence.

As we traverse the landscapes of memory, let us linger a while in the embrace of paternal love, savoring the warmth of its embrace, the wisdom of its guidance, and the enduring legacy it leaves upon our hearts. For in the tapestry of our lives, woven with threads of joy and sorrow, triumph and tribulation, the love of fathers stands as a timeless testament to the resilience of the human spirit and the power of unconditional devotion.

So let us cherish, let us honor, let us celebrate the love of fathers—a love that knows no bounds, a love that shapes, sustains, and inspires us to reach for the stars. In their steadfast presence, in their unwavering commitment, we find not only solace for today but hope for tomorrow, guided by the enduring light of paternal love that illuminates our path, now and always.



## Union Minister, Ashwini Vaishnaw Launches Annual Capacity Building Plan for Ministries of Railways, Communications and Electronics & IT

**KO Web Desk**

New Delhi: The Union Minister for Railways, Communications and Electronics & IT, Ashwini Vaishnaw today launched the Annual Capacity Building Plan for Ministry of Railways, Communications and Electronics & IT. The annual plan has been crafted for ensuring capacity building and holistic development of manpower keeping in mind National Priorities, Emerging Technologies, Citizen Centricity along with development of organisations, Institutions and Individuals. Staff from Post offices, Railways, BSNL and Common Service Centres (CSC) shared their

experiences of iGoT Karmayogi training and how it has helped them develop their capabilities, improve their overall mindset towards their job and enhance their performance and ability to deliver the government's services to the masses in a better manner.

Addressing the august gathering of over 1000 employees of Railways, Post, CSCs and BSNL at an event in Rail Bhawan, which was also graced by the Chairperson, Railway Board; Secretary, MEITY, Secretary, Department of Post; Secretary, Department of Telecommunication and Chairman of the Capacity Building Commission; Union

Minister, Ashwini Vaishnaw congratulated all the employees for their good performance in Mission Karmayogi.

Vaishnaw said, "be it Railways, Post, CSC or BSNL, all are service related departments and service industries require a different mindset as the interaction with customers and stakeholders in continuous and it has a deep impact on the customers and the entire network. Prime Minister Narendra Modi always says "Mind is never a problem, Mindset is" and therefore, we need to make our mindsets solution oriented. Problems are faced by all but how we find solutions for these problems is important and this makes the

difference between success and failure. Our thoughts dominate our action and these actions create our destiny".

The Union Minister further stated "huge investments are being made in all four departments under the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi led government and we have long term investment plans as they will lay the foundations for a 'Viksit Bharat' or developed nation. We should keep up the spirit and never be satisfied with our performance and always work towards a higher objective. By 2047 we need to make a 'Viksit Bharat' and we all have to work towards achieving this goal together".

The Chairperson, Railway Board, Ms. Jaya Varma Sinha said "it is a proud moment to be a part of the Annual Capacity Building Plan. Indian Railway, being the largest civil employer, has to have a robust training plan and it is very important to train and enhance capacities for all employees so as to improve our service delivery". The Chairperson also thanked the Capacity Building Commission for helping Indian Railways in drafting the capacity building plan. The Annual Capacity Building Plan of Railways has been prepared in partnership with Railway Board, and the main tasks have been identified and competencies and requirements mapped out for holistic

development at the Individual as well as organizational level.

The Secretary, Department of Telecommunication said "we will try to make the training process more dynamic in nature and ensure that it does not remain a one-time exercise. We would like to train people not just for their current work profile but also for services to which they aspire for. We will make the training for vibrant and more role based rather than rule based."

Secretary, MEITY said this is a detailed exercise down to the lowest level in Ministry. Over 6000 officers have undertaken 8000 courses and we are helping create content for the govt at large. Key outcome has been

the training for CSCs. The training has made a significant difference and we will ensure that new courses are added routinely.

The Secretary, Department of Posts asserted "right from the beginning we were involved proactively with training and on 22nd June 2022, we launched a 'Dak Karmayogi Portal' and today we are at a good stage. Over 1.25 lakh staff joined for role based improvement in service delivery through training. We will try to ensure technology enabled workforce keeping in view the national level and ensure there is training on demand through knowledge experts. We have created master trainers and domain experts."

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**Govt To Establish 2000**

There is also a provision of one-time assistance as Seed Funding up to Rs.20 lakhs ( 4 equal instalments) to be provided to start-ups recognized by JKEDI which is nodal agency for start-ups. For seed funding there is capping of 25 start-ups per year which is a decision based upon available budget and desire to support a manageable number of start-ups effectively.

The Government is committed to establish 2000 start-ups in three years but by providing seed funding to a smaller number of carefully selected start-ups, the Government can prioritize quantity over quality for long term economic growth. This will also ensure that the resources are utilized efficiently. The budgetary support for implementation of Start-up Policy for a period of three years will be Rs. 39.60 Crores.

In order to nurture and inspire entrepreneurial talent of J&K by creating a vibrant and robust start-up ecosystem in the UT. The Government felt that there is a need to refurbish the existing start-up policy issued in the year 2018 and bring new policy suited to meet model challenges in this sector in the UT of J&K.

The feedback received from various stakeholder consultations by the Industries and Commerce Department, need was felt to strengthen the incubation and acceleration eco-system for start-ups which has been addressed in the current policy.

The implementation of this scheme in UT shall be monitored by a High Powered Committee headed by Chief Secretary and implemented by a Task Force Committee headed by Administrative Secretary, Industries & Commerce.

The policy provides for providing entrepreneurship facilities to students, women and support to the entrepreneurs through Government/ Private/ High Net worth individuals for setting up start-ups.

**Projects Of 20,000**

the Schedule Tribe.

"Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, J&K administration will ensure all those who faced injustice in the last seven decades are given their due share," the LG said.

The LG said that PM Modi recently inaugurated projects worth Rs 32000 Crore and in the coming four months, projects worth Rs 20,000 Crore will also be inaugurated as well. "Infrastructure will give a boost to the tourism sector and lure more tourists to J&K," he said.

**LG Reviews Construction**

to complete the work on the approach road to the transit accommodation and boundary wall, simultaneously, the spokesman said.

The LG was informed that more than 70 per cent target under the project has been achieved with the completion of civil works on 26 blocks comprising 624 flats.

**OBCs In J&K**

socio-political upliftment of the OBC community. He said, the last four years in the history of J&K have been truly "4 Saal Bemisaal".

Mohammad Shafi Shama, President, J&K OBC Welfare Association, thanked the Government of India and UT Administration for empowering the OBC community in J&K.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji has mitigated our decades-old suffering and provided justice to the community, Advocate Shabir Ahmed said.

More than 150 representatives of the OBCs from different walks of life were present during the interaction.

**7 New Industrial**

the project will attract investment of Rs 465 crore and has employment potential of around 355.

He said the industrial estate at Bhagthali, Kathua, on 2,949 kanal shall be developed at an estimated cost of Rs 83.13 crore by NBCC. The project will attract an investment of Rs 4,599.89 crore and has employment potential of around 8,278, the spokesperson said.

**CBI Raids Ex-J&K**

registered on allegations of malpractices in the award of the contract worth approximately Rs 2,200 crore of civil works of the Kiru Hydro Electric Power Project (HEP) to a

private company in 2019," the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) had said earlier.

The agency has booked Chaudhary and other former officials of the Chenab Valley Power Projects Private Limited — M S Babu, M K Mittal and Arun Kumar Mishra — and Patel Engineering Limited.

"Though a decision was taken in the 47th board meeting of CVPPPL (Chenab Valley Power Projects (P) Ltd) for re-tender through e-tendering with a reverse auction after the cancellation of the ongoing tendering process, the same was not implemented (according to the decision taken in the 48th board meeting) and the tender was finally awarded to Patel Engineering Limited," the FIR has alleged.

The agency had conducted searches at the premises of five people in January in connection with the case.

**Avalanche Hits**

area of Gulmarg... All the fixtures are being run as per schedule," Gull posted on X.

The Winter Games began on Wednesday and will conclude on Sunday.

A spokesman of the Sports Council said all precautionary measures were in place to ensure safety of the players.

National Conference leader Omar Abdullah, who was skiing in Gulmarg till Wednesday, prayed for the safety of the skiers.

"While the details are still sketchy some skiers are reportedly missing after an avalanche was triggered in the area around Gulmarg. It appears the skiers were skiing off the piste or groomed slopes in the 'back country'."

"Days like today remind us that while the skiing is fun, the fresh powder exhilarating & the visuals spectacular, skiing is not without its dangers & risk to lives. Praying that all the missing skiers are found alive & the reports of a casualty end up being unfounded," Abdullah said in a post on X.

The last avalanche in Gulmarg was in February last year, when two Polish skiers were killed and over a dozen were rescued.

Avalanches are very common in Gulmarg. In 2010, at least 17 soldiers were killed after an avalanche hit the Army's High Altitude Warfare School.

**Rain, Snow Likely**

minus 8.6°C on Thursday, officials said on Thursday.

Quoting a meteorological department official, news agency GNS reported that Srinagar recorded a low of minus 1.0°C and it was below normal by 1.9°C for the summer capital of J&K for this time of the year, he said.

Qazigund recorded a minimum of minus 4.4°C against 0.0°C on the previous night and it was 4.3°C below normal for the gateway town of Kashmir, the MeT official said.

Pahalgam recorded a low of minus 8.6°C against minus 1.6°C on the previous night and it was 4.6°C below normal for the famous resort in south Kashmir.

Kokernag, also in south Kashmir, recorded a minimum of minus 5.4°C against minus 3.4°C on the previous night and the temperature was below normal by 4.7°C for the place, the official said. Kupwara town recorded a low of minus 3.1°C against minus 0.4°C on the previous night and it was 0.1°C below normal there, the official said.

Gulmarg recorded a low of minus 10.4°C against minus 9.4°C on the previous night. The temperature was below normal by 3.7°C for the famous skiing resort in north Kashmir where 4th edition of Khelo India games are underway presently.

Jammu, he said, recorded a minimum of 9.2°C and it was below normal by 1.4°C for the

winter capital of J&K.

Banihal recorded a low of minus 3.2°C, Batote minus 1.0°C and Bhandarwah minus 1.0°C, he said.

**NSM Scheme**

and National Horticulture Board (NHB).

The main objective of the mission was to make vertical and horizontal improvement in the overall productivity of Saffron. Additionally, it aimed to enhance the quality of Saffron and research and extension capabilities. The mission also sought to develop appropriate systems for organized marketing, quality-based pricing of Saffron, and for formulating direct transactions between growers, traders, exporters, and industrial agencies.

The figures reveal that over the years, there has been substantial increase in the crop yields recorded for the areas rejuvenated under National Mission on Saffron from 1.88 kg/ha to 4-5 kg/ hectare.

The progress report further says that the irrigation system has been strengthened with construction of 128 (124 Private Sector: 04 Public Sector)

It says that each well is to be connected with 30 sprinkler irrigation sets and each sprinkler set has a command of 01 hectares.

The report further stresses that the production of saffron is an outcome of biological activity which is highly sensitive to changes in weather.

The important weather variables such as excessive rainfall, temperature, humidity, wind etc. influence the biological process directly or indirectly.

"For instance, low soil moisture due to poor precipitation adversely affects corm multiplication resulting in reduced plant density and poor precipitation during growth period results in stunted plant growth which ultimately affects the crop yield/productivity," it adds.

The report says that the department is vigorously motivating the farmers to adopt scientific methods of Saffron Cultivation for higher biological yields i.e. 7.5 Kg/ha which will result in the socio-economic upliftment of Saffron growers, excess revenue generation, and importantly the UT of J&K will maintain the legacy of producing world's best saffron which is being pursued by way of implementing approved components under Saffron Mission.

On domestic marketing of spice, the report says that the Saffron produced at farmer fields is considered to be of good quality in comparison to Iranian produce.

"...therefore, intermediaries are required to be eliminated from the marketing channel to ensure better pricing for growers in the domestic and international market which will help growers in realizing competitive prices," it adds.

On quality testing and marketing of the spice, the department says that National Horticulture Board, Gol have constructed the Spice Park/India International Kashmir Saffron Trading Center (IISKSTC) under National Saffron Mission at Dussu Pampore at an estimated cost of Rs. 37.81 Crore.

The idea, according to them, is to establish a state-of-the-art facility at IISKSTC. This facility aims tout in place scientific post-harvest handling practices like Stamen Separation, Drying and Grading etc. ; to enforce adoption of quality standards and fix the price based on Quality grades at farm gate level; to end the menace of spurious saffron and adulteration; to carry out regular evaluation and certification of saffron; and to provide a common facilitation center for E- trading of Kashmir saffron on PAN INDIA

Mode and branding of Kashmir Saffron.

**Work Of God**

will develop as a major centre of India's security.

"As the then chief minister (of Gujarat), I wrote several letters and tried a lot for this, but the then Congress government at the Centre tried its best to create hurdles. Even the Air Force people said this location is important from the point of India's security, but they did not listen," he said.

"From 2004 to 2014, the Congress government kept sitting on its file. Around a year-and-a-half back, I laid the foundation stone for the project, because Modi does what he determines," the PM said.

He also said that north Gujarat has emerged from a situation 20-25 years ago when opportunity was limited due to water scarcity, all with the effort of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) government.

Before attending the public function, the PM also attended the consecration ceremony of the Valinath Dham Temple.

Modi said it has been his government's effort to preserve and develop India's heritage as world heritage.

"Gujarat also has many symbols of ancient civilisation of India. These symbols are very important not only to understand history but also to connect the coming generations with their roots. That is why it has been the effort of our government to preserve and develop them as world heritage," he said.

He said that only last month, traces of civilisation dating back to 2,800 years were found in Vadanagar in Mehstana district.

Vadanagar is the hometown of PM Modi.

A similar ancient Indian heritage was found at Dholavira in Gujarat. "These are India's pride, and we are proud of this rich past," Modi said.

Every effort being made in the new India is towards creating a heritage for the coming generations, whether it is the new and modern roads or railway tracks, he said.

Modi said his government is making efforts to improve the lives of people from all sections of society.

"The aim of Modi's guarantee is changing the lives of people at the last rung in society," he said.

On one hand temples are being built in the country, the government is also building pucca houses for crores of poor people, the PM said.

"This is the time when whether it is the work of God or work of the country, both are happening at a fast pace," he said.

"We will carry out development work and preserve our heritage," he added.

**Govt Focusing**

inaugurated or laid foundation stones of a slew of projects.

He also dedicated to the nation two new Pressurised Heavy Water Reactors (PHWRs) with a cumulative capacity of 1,400 megawatt at Kakrapar Atomic Power Station (KAPS) in Surat district.

Addressing a gathering of nearly 1 lakh people, mostly cattle-rearers and farmers, at the Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad's Motera on GCMMF golden jubilee celebrations, he maintained that strengthening the rural economy was necessary to achieve the goal of a 'Viksit Bharat' (developed India).

Referring to the BJP government's plan of creating 10,000 FPOs or Farmer Producer Organisations, Modi said his administration was on a mission to turn small farmers into "agri entrepreneurs and exporters".

The PM listed many schemes meant for

farmers and village-dwellers, such as Micro ATMs, GOBARdhan scheme and Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samridhi Kendras.

"With Micro ATMs installed in villages, cattle-rearers don't have to go far to withdraw cash. We are also planning to give RuPay credit cards to cattle-rearers. As a pilot project, we have launched that scheme in Banaskantha and Panchmahal districts," the PM maintained.

"We are giving priority to each and every aspect of villages and our focus is on improving the lives of small farmers, on improving the health of livestock and how farmers get more income through allied activities such as fishing and bee-keeping. That is why we have decided to give Kisan credit cards to fishermen and cattle-rearers, too," he said.

To protect livestock from the deadly foot-and-mouth disease, his government has launched a free vaccination drive for cattle at a cost of Rs 15,000 crore and nearly 60 crore jabs were already given, he added.

"We have also set up Kisan Samridhi Kendras across the country so that farmers get scientific solutions to their problems near their villages. We are also making arrangements to help farmers in making organic fertilisers," Modi noted.

Referring to solar panel installations in fields and setting up of bio-gas plants which in turn produce bio-fertiliser from cow dung, the PM said his government wants to turn "anna data" into "urja data" and "uvarak data" (food grain growers into producers of energy and fertilisers).

"We are providing solar-based pumps and helping farmers in installing solar plants in their fields. Under our GOBARdhan project, we will buy cow dung from farmers to produce gas. This bio-gas is then used for producing electricity for dairy plants. The bio-fertiliser produced during that process will be given back to farmers," Modi said.

At the same event, the PM appealed to farmers and other stakeholders of the cooperative sector to make GCMMF, the world's No. 1 dairy company from its current eighth position.

Giving an overview of India's booming dairy sector, Modi said it is growing at a rate of 6 per cent per annum, while the global dairy sector is expanding at 2 per cent.

"At present, Amul (GCMMF) is the world's eighth biggest dairy sector company. You all need to make it the world's biggest dairy company. My government is with you in this endeavour, and it is Modi's guarantee," the PM said in his address.

**HC Gives 'Quietus'**

"Mr. Sajad Ahmad Naqeeb, Chief Engineer, has also assured us that he will look into the matter and also ensure that the High Court shall never have power cuts of this duration ever again and that if need be, the Department would hire a 320 KVA generator as a standby to ensure seamless power during power-cuts to the High Court."

In view of the assurance given by the Chief Engineer, the court said that it was satisfied that no further action needs to be taken in this case. "The issue can be given a quietus," the court said and directed that the order dated February 19 "stands closed."

Pertinently, the High Court on Monday came down heavily on government over power and heating system failure in its Srinagar wing and had directed Chief Secretary of Jammu and Kashmir to take measures immediately to get rid of the "pathetic and unbelievable" condition in the highest court which is common to J&K and Ladakh union territories.

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## Labour killed in Ramban landslide

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**BANIHAL/JAMMU:** A worker of a construction company was killed in a landslide along the Jammu-Srinagar national highway which remained closed for the fourth consecutive day on Thursday, officials said.

The construction worker identified as Deshpaul (31), a resident of Uttar Pradesh, was hit by the landslide outside his company headquarters near Seri in Ramban district around 8.30 am, police officials said.

They said the deceased was moving towards the mess of the company for breakfast when the incident occurred. His body was retrieved and shifted to hospital for postmortem.

An official of the traffic department said the 270-km long highway, the only all weather road linking Kashmir with the rest of the country, remained closed for the fourth day following a fresh landslide at Kishitwari Pathar near Banihal.

"The restoration work is in progress and will take some time," he said.

The traffic on the strategic highway was suspended on Monday following multiple landslides triggered by heavy rains at over a dozen places between Ramban and Banihal.

## "Largest Grain Storage Project": Land identified in J&K

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**JAMMU:** Secretary Cooperative Department, Babila Rakwal, on Thursday convened a meeting to review progress on land identification for establishment of grain stores under Centre Government's ambitious initiative "World Largest Grain Storage Project" in all districts of Jammu and Kashmir here at Civil Secretariat.

The meeting was informed that a total of 56 land locations have been identified in sixteen districts, so far, including 3 in Jammu, 1 in Samba, 5 each in Kishtwar, Kathua, Shopian, Poonch Kulgam and Doda, 2 in Udhampur, 4 in Budgam, 3 in Pulwama, 1 each in Srinagar, Reasi, Ganderbal, Anantnag and Rajouri.

Regarding the remaining locations to be identified for raising these



grain stores, the Secretary exhorted upon the concerned officers to ensure that the same is done within a week's. She said that no delay would be tolerated in execution of such prestigious projects as this badly affects the development process.

The Secretary asked the concerned officers to personally visit the locations for finalizing the same for the store keeping in view all the parameters set under the guidelines for the project implementation. She further instructed all the

Deputy Registrars to ensure identification of a minimum of seven locations in their jurisdictions with emphasis on selection of far flung areas for maximum benefit to the common masses.

Among others the meeting was attended by Registrar Cooperative Societies, Special Secretary Cooperative, Director Finance Cooperative, Additional Secretary Cooperative, Joint Registrar Banking and Finance, Deputy Registrars and other concerned officials in person and virtually.

## DC Bandipora Stresses Collaborative Youth Engagement

KO NEWS SERVICE

**BANDIPORA:** The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Shakeel ul Rehman Rather on Thursday convened a meeting at VC Room Mini-Secretariat, here to review the progress of Mission Youth schemes, Sanklap and Skilling Courses of B2V4.

The meeting held three-hour discussions on various schemes of Mission Youth, including Tejaswini, Mumkin, SEI, Avsar, besides the functioning of Youth Clubs.

The meeting was apprised that under Mumkin scheme of Mission Youth, 66 applications were received during 2023-24, and out of which 43 were approved by the District Level Implementation Committee (DLIC).



It was informed that the subsidy amount of Rs. 30 lac was released under the Mumkin scheme, and the same has been utilized completely.

Reviewing the Tejaswini scheme, the DC was informed that under the Tejaswini scheme of Mission Youth, 25 applications were received out of which 10 were approved by DLIC and 08 were sanctioned by the Bank and the funds to the tune of Rs. 11.5 lac stand utilized.

The meeting was informed that under the Spurring Entrepreneurship Initiative (SEI), 98 applications were received, out of which 76 have been approved by DLIC.

The meeting also discussed various matters of AVSAR, including Skill Development Target, Career Guidance, Soft Skills, Job Melas, Industry Academia Connect, and Study Center of Professional Exams and other parameters of the scheme.

**OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER SUB TRANSMISSION DIVISION-IIND, RAJBAGH, SRINAGAR**

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**EXTENSION NOTICE 01**

Due to poor response, the date of submission of bid in respect of below mentioned e-NIT's is hereby extended with the details enumerated below:-

SNO	ENIT No.	Name of the work	Tender ID	Cost tender document (In Rs)	EMD Cost (In Rs)
1	STD-II / 55 of 2023-24 Dated 29-01-2024	Execution of works at Receiving Station Bemina 1st & Receiving Station ShaliStore (SCADA Receiving Stations)	2024_PDD_243940_1	Rs 500.00	7052.00

Last Date of Bid Submission extended upto	02-03-2024; 2:30pm
Bid Opening Date	04-03-2024; 2:30pm

No.:STD-II/4482-84/Ts Dated: - 21-02-2024  
DIPK-NB-5788-23 DT: 22/02/2024

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Sub Transmission Division-II, Rajbagh, Srinagar.

**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER SRINAGAR**

**Sub:-Seniority list of Jr.Grade Nurses/PMA/MMPHW/Jr.,Asstt of District Srinagar.**

**C I R C U L A R**

The seniority list of Jr/Asstt/MMPHW/PMA/Jr.Grade Nurses working in this office is hereby circulated for objection if any With regard to service particulars shown against each. The same should reach to this office alongwith documentary evidence within a week from the date of issuance of this list, so that the same is updated and forwarded to Director Health Services Kashmir accordingly.

S.No	Category of post	Name of the Employee	D.O.B	D.O. of Ist Apptt	Place of initial Posting viz Block posting	Present place of posting	Appointment Authority
1	Jr.Grade Nurse	Mehbooba Ara	10/10/1965	9/2/1988	B.M.O.Larnoo	PHC Khonmoh	DHSK
2	Jr.Grade Nurse	Saira Bano	4/17/1964	5/25/1989	B.M.O.Kallar	PHC Bemina	DHSK
3	Jr.Grade Nurse	Riyaz Ahmad Wani	4/14/1967	5/19/1992	B.M.O.Chadoura	PHC S.R.Gunj	DHSK recommended by SSRB
4	Jr.Grade Nurse	Gurdeep Kour	10/31/1972	8/20/1997	C.M.O.Budgam	PHC Chanapora	DHSK recommended by SSRB
5	Jr.Grade Nurse	Rehna Bano	3/19/1973	05-05-1998	B.M.O.Kralpora	PHC Marwara	DHSK recommended by SSRB
6	PMA	Ajaz Ahmad Bhat	9/5/1971	2/27/2000	C.M.O.Budgam	CMO Srinagar	DHSK
7	MMPHW	Zulqadar Muzamil Nazki	4/2/1970	2/26/1994	B.M.O.Chadoura	UPHC Lasjan	DHSK recommended by SSRB
8	Jr.Asstt	Rifat Ara	3/11/1969	11/29/2004	CMO Sgr.	PHC S.R.Gunj	The official has been appointed as Jr.Asstt on adhoc basis vide DHSK order No:Est/1V/5594-96 dt:29-11-1997 & regularised by CMO Sgr vide order:3054-55 Dt:30-06-2007 w.e.f.29/11/2004
9	Jr.Asstt	Manasir Mohidin	12/12/1995	5/4/2023	CMO Sgr.	CMO Srinagar	DHSK recommended by SSRB
10	Jr.Asstt	Bisma Gul	9/15/1992	5/4/2023	CMO Sgr.	CMO Srinagar	DHSK recommended by SSRB
11	Jr.Asstt	Peezada Ishaq Rashid	2/2/1992	5/4/2023	CMO Sgr.	CMO Srinagar	DHSK recommended by SSRB

No:-CMO/Sgr/ Dt:- DIPK-16850-23 DT: 22/02/2024 Chief Medical Officer, Srinagar.

**GOVT. OF JAMMU & KASHMIR**

**DEPARTMENT OF MATERIALS MANAGEMENT (PURCHASE-I)**

**SHER-I-KASHMIR INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES**

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E-NIT NO.: SIMS 325 (PI) Tender 02 OF 2024 | DATED: 22-02-2024

**Subject: Notice inviting e-tenders for Supply of "Various Dietary Items" for SKIMS Hospital Kitchen/Staff Canteen, Soura Srinagar (J&K) on annual rate contract basis.**

e-tenders under single cover system are invited for and on behalf of Lt. Governor of Jammu & Kashmir UT through Director Sher-I-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences Soura, Srinagar from registered/authorized dealers/suppliers having registration of Municipality etc. for supply of following dietary items on annual rate contract basis for the SK Institute of Medical Sciences, Soura. The tender documents are available at [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in).

Group	Description	Tender Fee	Earnest Money
"A"	Vegetables & Fruits	Rs. 1,500/-	Rs. 50,000/-
"B"	Fleshy Food Items (Chicken, eggs & cheese)	Rs. 1,500/-	Rs. 50,000/-

Nomenclature		Schedule	
Online Bid Submission End Date		13-03-2024 6:00 pm	
Last date for submission of original EMD / Demand Draft		14-03-2024 upto 3:30 pm	
Technical Bid Opening		15-03-2024 at 12:00 noon	

Note: Vegetables & Fruits (Group 'A') shall be allotted to the lowest bidder on item rate basis while as award of contract for Chicken, eggs & Cheese (Group 'B') shall be done item-wise. Complete bidding process will be online on government e-tendering portal, [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) & the tenders should be submitted strictly in accordance with the provisions of the detailed NIT.

No.: SKIMS/MMOP-I/5/2024-PurI-982-89. Dated: 22-02-2024. DIPK-NB-5797-23 DT: 22/02/2024 Sd/- Materials Management Officer Purchase I

**GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR**

**JAMMU AND KASHMIR SERVICES SELECTION BOARD**

**CPO CHOWK, PANJITHIRTI, JAMMU/ZAM ZAM COMPLEX, RAMBAGH, SRINAGAR**

([www.jkssb.nic.in](http://www.jkssb.nic.in))

**Subject: Final Selection List for 855 posts of Junior Engineer (Civil), Public Works (R&B) Department, advertised vide Notification No. 06 of 2022 dated 11.11.2022.**

**Notification No. 13-Selection of 2024 21st of February, 2024**

Whereas, the 3&K Services Selection Board, vide Indent No. PWD-Adm/122/2021(Comp. No. 118431) dated 06.04.2022, received the requisition for 855 posts of Junior Engineer, Civil from the Public Works (R&B) Department, which were advertised by the Board vide Notification No. 06 of 2022 dated 11.11.2022, under Item No. 201, as per the following category-wise break up:

Name of the Post	Cadre of the Post	Category-wise Break-up								Total
		OM	SC	ST	OSC	ALC / IB	RBA	PSP	EWS	
Junior Engineer (Civil)	UT	428	68	86	34	34	85	35	85	855

Whereas, the requisite qualification for selection against these posts of Junior Engineer, Civil in the Public Works (R&B) Department, as per the Indent/advertisement, is given as under:

**"03 years diploma in Civil Engineering from Government recognized institute/ Indian University, Degree in Civil Engineering, AMIE Section (A&B) INDIA."**

Whereas, the cut-off/last date for applying for these posts, and for determining the eligibility of the candidates for purpose of educational/category and other benefits, was 27.12.2022. Accordingly, the OMR based Written Examination for selection against these 855 posts of Jr. Engineer, Civil was conducted by the JKSSB on 19.11.2023; and

Whereas, the Board, vide Notification No. JKSSB-COEEXAM(UT)/89/2023-03 (7314803) dated 07.12.2023, notified the Result/Score-sheet of the OMR based Written Examination held for these posts. This was followed by the Document Verification of the candidates falling in the consideration zone w.e.f. 13.12.2023, both at Jammu and Srinagar, which concluded with Supplementary DV on 29.12.2023; and

Whereas, vide Office Order No. 323-SSB of 2023 dated 22.12.2023, a Selection Committee was constituted for preparing the Selection List for these posts. The said Selection Committee, upon careful scrutiny of the Indent/advertisement and requisite eligibility, prepared the Provisional Selection List for these posts in accordance with the merit and eligibility of the candidates and as per the extant rules; and

Whereas, the Provisional Selection List, as prepared by the aforesaid Selection Committee for these posts of Junior Engineer (Civil), Public Works (R&B) Department, was placed before the Board in its 257th meeting held on 25.01.2024, which, after due deliberations and consideration of the matter, approved its notification; and

Whereas, the Provisional Selection List for the aforesaid 855 posts of posts of Junior Engineer (Civil), Public Works (R&B) Department was, accordingly, notified vide No. JKSSB-Scry/2/2024-03(E-7390977) dated 29.01.2024, seeking objections from the candidates. In the Provisional Selection List, a total 64 cases were kept withheld for various reasons; and

Whereas, pursuant to the above, various representations were received in the Board, pertaining broadly to submission of documents w.r.t. withheld cases, correction in particulars, withdrawal of candidature etc., which were examined as per the available record/extant guidelines. However, among the withheld candidature, it was observed that some candidates had failed either to respond or had submitted insufficient documents and, accordingly, vide Notice No. JKSSB-Scry/2/2024-03(E-7390977) dated 07.02.2024, these candidates were again advised to submit the requisite documents within a period of five days. The response to the Notice has also been examined for necessary action as per the available record; and

Whereas, the proposal for notifying the Final Selection List for the aforesaid 855 posts of posts of Junior Engineer (Civil), Public Works (R&B) Department, advertised vide Notification No. 06 of 2022 dated 11.11.2022, as prepared by the concerned Selection Committee, was placed in the Board in its 261st meeting held on 19.02.2024, which after due consideration and deliberation on various aspects attendant to the selection, approved its notification.

Now, therefore, the Final Selection List of the candidates for the 855 posts of Junior Engineer (Civil), Public Works (R&B) Department, advertised vide Notification No. 06 of 2022 dated 11.11.2022, is hereby notified as per Annexure-A to this Notification. It is further notified that:

- The above Final Selection List shall be subject to outcome of the OAs/Writ Petition(s), if any, pending adjudication before any Competent Court of law.
- The List shall also be subject to the outcome of such enquiry, involving any candidate(s), as figuring in this List.
- The formal recommendations to the concerned Indenting Department shall be forwarded separately.
- The candidates whose recommendations are kept withheld shall submit the requisite documents/certificates within a period of one month.
- The Selection of the candidates has been made on the basis of Self-declaration/Certificates submitted by them and if at any stage, it comes to the light that any candidate(s) has submitted false information or has secured selection on the basis of fake documents/certificates, the selection shall be liable to cancellation at any stage.

BY ORDER

No. JKSSB-Scry/2/2024-03(E-7390977) Dated: 21.02.2024

(Sachin Jamwaj) JKAS Secretary JK&K Services Selection Board

DIPK-16827-23 DT: 22/02/2024

**Government of Jammu & Kashmir.**

**OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (R&B) DIVISION-SRINAGAR-CORE**

**NOTICE INVITING TENDERS**

**SINGLE COVER SYSTEM (BELOW Rs. 2.50 Crores)**

NIT No.: 52 of R&B /Sgr-Core/2023-24 Dated:- 21/02/2024 (E-tendering)

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

S. No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (in lacs, incl GST)	Cost of T/Doc. (in Rupees)	Earnest Money (In Rupees)	Time of completion	Project Authority	Ref to Auth/A.A	Ref. to T.S	Class of Contractor
1.	Upgradation / Development of Ziyarat Syed Ali (R.A), Syed Wali (R.A) at Reyazath-Tangh Khanyar B. W. O Boundary wall and lawn.	34.37	1100/-	68,740/-	60 days	Directorate of Tourism Kashmir	11- DTK/PLN OF 2024 DATED: 17-02-2024	EE/Core/T S/41 of 2023-24 Dated: 21-02-2024	"AAY" "BEE"
2	Replacement of broken window panes at Govt. Psychiatry Disease Hospital Srinagar.	2.97	200/-	5940/-	25 Days	Principal / Dean GMC Sgr.	50-MCS of 2024 Dated: 20/01/2024	EE/Core/T S/40 of 2023 Dated: 21-02-2024	"DEE"

Major Head of Account = S.No.1: Capex Budget- Dev. Of Infrastructure at religious tourist destinations/Sufi Circuit. S.No.2: HDF Position of funds = Available.

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	21/02/2024
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	21/02/2024; 06.00 P.M TO 28/02/2024; 6.00 P.M
3	Bid submission Start Date	21/02/2024 from 06.00 P.M
4	Bid Submission End Date	28/02/2024 upto 6.00 P.M
5	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	29/02/2024 at 11.00 AM in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Srinagar-CORE, Safa Kadal Srinagar

1.A) Bidders have to quote the rates in BOQ Inclusive of GST.

- 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](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) as per above schedule:
- The Bidders are advised to read all conditions laid down in the NIT carefully before uploaded softcopy any short fall found in the soft copy the tender shall be rejected.
- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document (as mentioned above) in shape of Treasury Challan in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Srinagar-CORE, Safa Kadal Srinagar (The Date of Treasury Challan must be between the date of start of bid and Bid Submission End date, also mentioning the NIT No./S.No. / Name Of The Work).
- The 1st lowest bidder has to produce an amount equal to 5% of contract as Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG in favour Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Srinagar-Core (as the case may be) within 15 days after the date of receipt of letter of acceptance and shall be released after successful completion of DLP. The Bank Guarantee should be valid for 45 days beyond DLP.
- Bidders can resubmit/withdraw the bids as specified.
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of bids.
- All work components shall be executed strictly in accordance with the specifications laid out in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways publication "Specifications for Road and Bridge Works" and any amendments made up to the date of issuance of N.I.T.
- A periodic sieve analysis of each type of aggregate, as well as a periodic check of aggregates at the gradation control unit, shall be performed to ensure that the specified proportion of aggregates is complied.
- Conducting mandatory quality control tests in the lab and/or field for various components of the advertised work, will be the sole responsibility of the contractor, as will the correct execution of the work.

No: EE/Sgr-core/5822-30 Dated: 21-02-2024

DIPK-16819-23 DT: 22/02/2024

Sd/- Executive Engineer (R&B) Srinagar Core



## J&K Wins 3 Medals On Khelo India Winter Games Day 2

Observer News Service

**GULMARG:** The J&K Ski Mountaineering contingent won the region its first medals of the Khelo India Winter Games 2024 on Thursday at Gulmarg.

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs and Youth Affairs & Sports, Nisith Pramanik, flagged off women's mountain ski event at Kongdoori Phase 1.

J&K's Shazia Hassan, a resident of Anantnag, bagged the Silver medal in the women's event, which was won by Menalgun Jayan of Uttarakhand.

After flagging off the event, the Union Minister appreciated the enthusiasm and talent of participating female skiers and encouraged them to pursue their passion for winter sports.

The Minister also interacted with the players and officials on the occasion. He expressed satisfaction over the successful organisation of this national event and praised the efforts of the Jammu and Kashmir administration, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports as well as the J&K Sports Council.



In the men's Ski Mountaineering event, J&K achieved the second and third position. Shahid Ahmed Chachi won the Silver medal, while Mehraj ud Din Bhat took the Bronze. The event was won by Ma-yank Dimri of Uttarakhand.

**ALL KHELO INDIA ATHLETES SAFE: SECRETARY JKSC**

In the wake of the deadly avalanche that hit Khilnarmarg area of Gulmarg on Thursday, J&K Sports Council Secretary Nuzhat Gul assured the media that all Khelo India athletes are safe.

"All Khelo India athletes are safe after the avalanche hit Khilnarmarg area of Gul-

marg. All the fixtures are being run as per schedule," the Secretary said.

She said that the avalanche that hit Khilnarmarg area of Gulmarg earlier this afternoon has not impacted athletes taking part in ski and snowboard events of Khelo India Winter Games 2024 at Kangdoori Phase 1. All necessary precautions have been taken for safety, she added.

A collaborative effort between the Gulmarg Ski Patrol of Tourism Department, J&K and J&K Police resulted in the rescue of a group comprising six Russian skiers and one local guide following an avalanche at the

higher reaches of Gulmarg, known as Army Ridge.

Despite the valiant efforts of the rescue team, one Russian skier died due to the avalanche.

The avalanche site is located far from the Kongdoori area, where the 4th Khelo India Winter Games are currently underway. The ongoing sporting events remain unaffected by the incident.

The rescued individuals are currently under the care of the district administration, receiving basic medical treatment. One skier sustained minor injuries but is in stable condition and is receiving treatment at a local hospital.

## Never Seen Something Like That Before: England Skipper Ben Stokes On Ranchi Pitch Ahead Of 4th Test Against India

Press Trust of India

**RANCHI:** England captain Ben Stokes added spice to the talks on Ranchi pitch for the fourth Test against India, saying he has not seen anything remotely like the 22-yard strip here in the past.

India are leading the five-match series 2-1 and the penultimate Test will start here on Friday.

However, discussion about the "plate cracks" on the pitch as described by England batter Ollie Pope has dominated the build-up to this Test.

Stokes added a touch of intrigue as well. "It looked interesting, didn't it? I don't know. I can't say much. I don't know, I've never seen something like that before so I have no idea. I don't know what could happen," Stokes was quoted as saying by ESPNcricinfo.

It indeed was an ominous reading of the playing surface, if you are from the England camp. But then Stokes had a reason for it as well.

"If you looked down one side of opposite ends it just looked different to what I am used to seeing, especially out in India.

It looked green and grassy up in the changing-rooms, but then you go out there, it looked different. Very dark and crumbly and quite a few cracks in it," Stokes offered.

The nature of the pitch also delayed England making a decision on their playing 11.



Pacer Ollie Robinson will come in for Mark Wood but the call to add fourth spinner in Shoaib Bashir or an extra batter in Dan Lawrence will have to wait for now. Lawrence can also double up as a handy off-spinner.

"He's (Robinson) got unbelievable skills to be a successful bowler anywhere in the world. What we've seen in England is he's very skillful, but we've seen more than that in Pakistan. "It's similar but different here,

but the skill he possesses, he can find any movement, and his release point is always going to be dangerous," said Stokes.

So, will Stokes finally wear his bowling cloak? The Durham man remained a bit secretive.

"My knee itself was absolutely fine today bowling. It was just good to push past that 20-minute barrier, which is what I've been working around at the moment. It might be a bit stiff but we'll wait and see," he noted.

## Salvatore International School Honors Its Martial Arts Achievers



Observer News Service

**BANDIPORA:** Salvatore International School celebrated the accomplishments of its students Sheikh Usman and Sheikh Umar, who clinched silver medals in their respective weight divisions at the 3rd WAKO India Open International Championship held at the Indira Gandhi International Stadium in New Delhi.

The felicitation event, held at the school premises, was graced by the presence of Padmashri Awardee Fasil Ali Dar, Principal of SSM College of Engineering, Dr. Sajad Hussain Din, and other guests.

Padmashri Fasil Ali Dar

shared insightful words of wisdom, motivation and encouragement with both parents and students, highlighting the significance of discipline, dedication and sportsmanship in molding successful individuals.

The speaker emphasized the value of pursuing sports as a career path and steering clear of substance abuse. The felicitation ceremony provided a platform to inspire students to pursue their passions while maintaining a harmonious balance between academics and extracurricular activities.

Parents, students and faculty members gathered to witness this proud moment at Salvatore International School.

## Sachin Tendulkar Plays Gully Cricket In Kashmir

Press Trust of India

**SRINAGAR:** He aptly called it a "match made in heaven" as Sachin Tendulkar pleasantly surprised a bunch of youngsters playing gully cricket in Uri, turning his bat upside down at one point just to give the boys a shot at dismissing him.

On his maiden trip to Jammu and Kashmir, Tendulkar got down from his SUV when he saw some young boys playing cricket on the road with a cardboard carton and an empty oil can as their stumps.

"Cricket and Kashmir: Match made in heaven," posted Tendulkar on X along with a short video in which he can be seen facing nine balls, watched in awe by the locals.

His wife Anjali can also be seen smiling in the clip which starts with Tendulkar asking the boys, "Hum khein? (Shall we play?)."

"Kaun hai tumhara bowler (Who is your bowler?)" he probed further as he gripped a bat.

Dressed in a brown jacket Tendulkar, who retired from cricket in 2013, played nine deliveries, hitting straight drives and also a scoop shot.

There was also an attempted paddle sweep before he turned the bat upside down and jokingly stated, "Ye out karna padega (you will have to dismiss me)."

But even with an upside down bat, Tendulkar was not to be dismissed as he signed off with a smooth drive, fetching a round of



applause and several smiles.

He wasn't done enthralling the gathered crowd with just his cricket. The iconic former captain, who played six World Cups, took selfies with the fans, giving them a memorable few minutes to cherish.

"Mera dhyaan aapke upar hai (I am focussed on you)," he told the group.

Tendulkar arrived here last week and visited a cricket bat manufacturer in the Sangam area in South Kashmir before heading to Pahalgam where he stayed at the Pine and Peak hotel.

Floored by the hospitality at the hotel, Tendulkar left a signed note

for the staff thanking them.

"I would love to come back and spend more time over here," he wrote.

On Wednesday, he visited the Aman Setu bridge — the last point on the Line of Control in Uri sector of Jammu and Kashmir.

Tendulkar interacted with soldiers at the Kaman Post, near Aman Setu, during his visit that lasted around one hour, officials said.

Tendulkar is also accompanied by his daughter Sara in this trip. He visited a cricket bat manufacturing unit at Chursoo on Srinagar-Jammu national highway and also went to Pahalgam in south Kashmir.

## Shami Ruled Out Of IPL, To Undergo Surgery In UK



Press Trust of India

**NEW DELHI:** Senior pacer Mohammed Shami has been ruled out of next month's Indian Premier League owing to a left ankle injury, for which he will undergo a surgery in the UK, a BCCI source told PTI on Thursday. The 33-year-old, who is not part of the ongoing Test series against England, last played for India in the ODI World Cup final against Australia in November.

"Shami was in London in last week of January to take special ankle injections and he was told that after three weeks, he can start light running and take it from thereon.

"But the injection hasn't worked and now the only option left is surgery. He will shortly leave for UK for surgery. IPL seems out of question," a senior BCCI source said on the condition of anonymity.

Shami, who was one of the architects of India's stupendous World Cup campaign with 24 wickets, played through pain as he had problems with his landing but didn't let it affect his performance.

Shami, who was recently conferred with the Arjuna Award, has 229 Test, 195 ODI and 24 T20 wickets in his decade-long career.

## Holdes CSK To Play RCB In IPL Opener In Chennai On March 22

Press Trust of India

**NEW DELHI:** Defending champions Chennai Super Kings will take on Royal Challengers Bangalore in the 2024 IPL season-opener in Chennai on March 22, the BCCI announced Thursday while unveiling the schedule for only the first 17 days of the popular T20 league.

The roster for the remaining matches will be announced once the dates for the upcoming general elections are announced early next month.

The first 17 days of the tournament will see 21 matches taking place. Delhi Capitals will take on Punjab Kings on March 23 in Mohali.

As per the format, 10 teams are divided into two groups of five. In the group stage, each team plays 14 games facing the other

TATA IPL 2024 FIXTURES	
1	MAR 22 8:00 PM IST CHENNAI
2	MAR 23 3:30 PM IST MOHALI
3	MAR 23 7:30 PM IST KOLKATA
4	MAR 24 3:30 PM IST JAIPUR
5	MAR 24 7:30 PM IST AHMEDABAD
6	MAR 25 7:30 PM IST BENGALURU
7	MAR 26 3:30 PM IST CHENNAI
8	MAR 27 7:30 PM IST HYDRABAD
9	MAR 28 3:30 PM IST JAIPUR
10	MAR 29 7:30 PM IST BENGALURU
11	MAR 30 7:30 PM IST LUCKNOW
12	MAR 31 3:30 PM IST AHMEDABAD
13	MAR 31 7:30 PM IST VIZAG
14	APR 1 7:30 PM IST MUMBAI
15	APR 2 7:30 PM IST BENGALURU
16	APR 3 7:30 PM IST VIZAG
17	APR 4 3:30 PM IST AHMEDABAD
18	APR 5 7:30 PM IST HYDRABAD
19	APR 6 3:30 PM IST JAIPUR
20	APR 7 7:30 PM IST MUMBAI
21	APR 7 2:00 PM IST LUCKNOW

four sides in their group two times each (home and away basis, four teams in the other group once, and the remaining team two times.

The general elections are expected to be held in April-May. Only in 2009, the IPL, in its entirety, was held overseas (South Africa) while the 2014 edi-

tion was partially held in the UAE due to the general elections. However, in 2019, the tournament was held in India despite the elections.

## Mbappé Chasing Milestones In French League Before Summer Exit

Agencies

**PARIS:** Kylian Mbappé has 12 matches left to play in the French league. Twelve matches left to set new records in a league he has dominated for years. The star striker is leaving Paris Saint-Germain at the end of the season when his contract expires. He is widely expected to sign a lucrative deal with Real Madrid, the club he dreamt of playing for when he was a kid.

Since his debut with Monaco at age 16 in December 2015, Mbappé has scored 185 league goals, making him one of the top 10 marksmen in Ligue 1 history.

It's impossible for the 2018 World Cup winner to catch Delio Onnis, the league's all-time leader with 299 during the 1970s-80s. But Mbappé, who has 21 goals this season, has a chance to reach 200.

At 25, Mbappe is already



PSG's all-time best scorer, with 244 in all competitions. He will set another record if he finishes as the

league top scorer for a sixth consecutive time. He currently shares the record with Onnis, Carlos Bianchi

and Jean-Pierre Papin. PSG has dominated French football since Qatari owners took over in 2011, and is on track for a record-extending 12th league title. It hosts Rennes on Sunday with a 13-point lead over second-placed Brest.

Brest, the surprise of the season, will be without striker Steve Mouñié for the next two games.

Mouñié was suspended for his red card last week for elbowing a defender during a 1-0 win against Marseille. He will miss facing Strasbourg on Saturday then Le Havre.

Since coming back from two goals down to stun last season's runner-up Lens on the opening day of the season, Brest has been living a fairy tale and has dreams of qualifying for the Champions League for the first time. Brest has a best league finish of eighth. (AP)