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Govt. To Provide Direct Bank

Transfers For Solar Panels: PM

Colonial-Era Codes Replaced

New Criminal Laws To Begin From July 1st



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New Delhi: The newly enacted laws -- Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and Bharatiya Sakshya Act -- to completely overhaul the criminal justice system in the country will come into effect from July 1.

However, the provision related to cases of hit and run by vehicle drivers will not be implemented immediately.

The three laws got the Parliament's approval on December 21 last year and President Droupadi Murmu gave her assent on December 25.

According to three identical notifications issued by the Union home ministry, provisions of the new laws will come into force from July 1. The laws will replace the

colonial-era Indian Penal Code,

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Slapping Wife In Public Isn't

Outraging Her Modesty: HC

the Code of Criminal Procedure and the Indian Evidence Act of 1872 respectively.

The three legislations aim at completely overhauling the criminal justice system in the country by giving definitions of various offences and their punishments.

The government, however, has decided not to implement the provision related to cases of hit and run by a vehicle driver as promised to truckers who had protested against it.

"In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 1 of the Bharatiya the provisions of the said Sanhita, except the provision of sub-section (2) of section 106, shall come More on P6

Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (45 of 2023), the central government hereby appoints the 1st day of July, 2024 as the date on which

Bihar: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha inaugurated the Grand Trunk Road Initiatives' (GTRi) conclave at Patna on Saturday.

the LG called for replicating the best practices of Jammu Kashmir and other regions, through a strong network of individuals and ideas, for the

overall development of Bihar. "Peace and Stability are the pre-conditions to attract investments and to build an economically empowered and inclusive society. There is also an immense potential for start-ups, technology enterprises and agro-based industries in Bihar. All the sections of the society must discharge their responsibility and work together to build a progressive state," Sinha said. In his keynote address, the LG commended the endeavour of GTRi to bring together the policymakers, entrepreneurs, innovators, influencers and thinkers to discuss and identify growth opportunities in different sectors and brainstorm over the holistic development of Bihar. He highlighted the greater efforts by states and Union Territories to develop industries and agriculture & allied sectors to address future challenges and to contribute in ViksitBharat.



was never on its agenda. After Independence, the when India Congress ruled the country for a long time but its focus was only on forming the government and not building the future of the coundevelopment. try, said Modi while virtually addressing the 'Viksit Bharat Viksit Chhattisgarh'

thinking was not big and they kept on taking decisions keeping in mind (their) political interests. Congress was elected to power again | More on P6

YOU ALL ARE MODI'S FAMILY. Your dreams are Modi's resolution. That is why today I am talking about developed India."

He dedicated to the na-

tion and laid the founda-

tion stones of 10 devel-

opment projects worth over Rs 34,400 crore on

programme.

the occasion and said becomes the world's third-largest economy in the next five years, Chhattisgarh will reach new heights of "..those who ruled the country for a long time

after Independence, their

Addressing a gathering here, the prime minister said the cooperative sector is instrumental in shaping a resilient economy and propelling the development of rural areas. | More on P6

Learn From J&K's Best Practices: LG To Bihar Says Peace, Stability Crucial For Economic Growth

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for setting up rooftop so-

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Adhere To Commission's Transfer Policy: ECI KO Web Desk

Srinagar: Observing contravention to the instructions on transfers and postings of officers in wake of upcoming Lok Sabha polls, Election Commission of India has directed the offices concerned in all states and union territories to strictly adhere to and comply with the transfer policy instructed by the Commission.

Secretary, Ashwani Kumar Mohal, in a communiqué to Chief Secretaries of all the States & Union Territories and Chief Electoral Officers of all the States & Union Territories that, "I am directed to refer to the Commission's instruction of even number dated 21.12.2023 on the subject cited and to state that the said instruction clearly indicated that the Commission has been following a consistent policy that officers connected with conduct of elections in an election going State/UT are not posted in their home districts or places where they have served for considerably long period."

"It has come to the Commission's notice that in certain cases officers are being transferred/posted in the adjacent districts within the same Parliamentary Constituency thereby | More on P6

'Handwara Narco-Terror Case' **NIA Attaches 4 Houses,** Seizes 2.27 Cr

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the country.

Grain Storage Plan'

PM Inaugurates 11

Godowns In PACS

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra

Modi on Saturday inaugurated 11 go-

downs for grain storage in primary ag-ricultural credit societies (PACS) spread

across 11 states as part of the govern-

ment's flagship 'World's Largest Grain

Storage Plan' in the cooperative sector.

for an additional 500 PACS across the

country for the construction of go-

He also inaugurated a project for

The aim behind these initiatives is to

seamlessly integrate PACS godowns with

the food grain supply chain, with a col-

laborative effort of NABARD and spear-

headed by the National Cooperative

Development Corporation (NCDC).

computerisation of 18,000 PACS across

downs and other agri infrastructure.

Modi also laid the foundation stone

Srinagar: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Saturday attached houses of four accused in a narco-terror case in Jammu and Kashmir's Kupwara district, the agency said.

The case relates to the use of the "proceeds of narcotic drugs" to fund violent terror activities by proscribed terror groups Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and Hizbul Mujahideen (HM) operating in Jammu and Kashmir's Handwara-Kupwara region, the NIA said in a statement. In a major step towards dismantling the funding networks that are fuelling terrorism in Kashmir, the NIA attached four residential properties and seized cash in the Handwara

narco-terrorism case involving LeT and HM, it said.

The properties belonging to four accused have been attached in Handwara tehsil of the north Kashmir district by the NIA, which has also seized a total of Rs 2.27 crore in cash under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA), the agency said.

The immovable properties attached are accused Afaq Ahmad Wani's two-storey house, accused Muneer Ahmad Pandey's single-storey house, accused Saleem Andrabi's house, and accused Islam-ul-Haq's two-storey house, it said. A total of 12 accused have been arrested and 15 have been charge-sheeted so far in the case, the NIA said. The case | More on P6



lic does not constitute the offence of outraging the woman's modesty under Section 354 of the Indian Penal Code, but can attract charges under Section 323 for causing hurt.

Srinagar: The Jammu &

Kashmir and Ladakh High

Court recently ruled that a

man slapping his wife in pub-

A single judge bench, comprising Justice Rajnesh Oswal, passed the judgment after a man challenged the

issuance of process against him for slapping his wife at a public hearing in their ongoing matrimonial dispute. The high court quashed the Section 354 charge while upholding the one under Section 323.

The petitioner had filed a suit for restitution of conjugal rights against his wife, who in turn filed a suit for the

Based on the police report the trial court issued an order against the petitioner for alleged offences under sections 323 (causing hurt) and 354 (outraging a woman's modesty) of the IPC.

cancellation of their marriage

The petitioner contested the trial court's decision, arguing that the allegations in the complaint did not justify the issuance of process under Section 354 of the IPC, which pertains to the offence of outraging a

woman's modesty. He highlighted that the trial court did not take any witness statements from the complainant's side at the time of the complaint's presentation, contrary to what was claimed in | More on P6

In ancient times, Bihar

The story of women and driv-

ing in Kashmir extends beyond

the realm of necessity. For Saima

Jan, 38, a stay-at-home mother

of two, learning to drive wasn't

about escaping public transport

woes, but about embracing a pas-

sion. "Since childhood, I've been

fascinated by cars," she confessed.

was considered as a seat of power, education, literature, culture and cradle of Indian Civilization. It has always been the land of spiritual unity where Buddhism and Jainism were born, the LG observed.

"Today, Bihar is witnessing economic and cultural revival and it can play a big role in industrial development and bring transformation in the nation's tourism sector," he said.

He said the impressive strides of Bihar's agriculture and service sector have resulted in the emergence of the state as a powerful player in the overall growth of the nation. It has an immense talent pool that will act as a main driving force in the future, he added.

"Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra

Saima, while appreciating the

practicality of being able to eas-

nessed triumph, glory and laid the foundation for a promising future," the LG said.

Our economy is growing at an unprecedented rate and we are confident of achieving the target of the world's 3rd largest economy by 2027. The effective on-ground implementation of people-centric policies will lead the nation in this Amrit Kaal, he further added.

"Bihar's brand ambassadors, young entrepreneurs, innovators and creative networks can further push cultural awakening and create a vibrant environment for Bihar's socio-economic growth," the LG said.

He also emphasized on developing a | More on P6



Breaking Barriers On The Road **Kashmiri Women Claim Their Place Behind The Wheel**

Shereen Naman

Srinagar: Amidst the cacophony of honking horns and the frenetic hustle of the main road, Tabish Khan, 22 stood poised behind the wheel. She adjusted her grip on the steering wheel, a thrill coursing through her veins, as she embarked on her first on-road practice.

For Khan, enrolling in a driving school wasn't just about mastering the mechanics of a vehicle; it symbolized a profound yearning for independence. "Driving is more than just a skill; it is liberation," Khan said

She had endured the chaos and discomfort of public transportation for long, yearning for a reprieve from the confines of crowded buses.

"I have to travel to university daily and driving is going to help me," she said.

The sight of women confidently navigating the bustling



streets of Kashmir from behind the wheel has become increascommonplace. Society ingly today is increasingly progressive and inclusive, and the establishment of driving schools for women has not only facilitated their empowerment and independence but has also challenged the prevailing gender biases. With each passing generation, more and more women are

ily run errands, take her children to their activities, and handle day-to-day responsibilities, said, "Earlier, it was quite challenging with only my husband knowing how to drive. Despite having a car at home, we often faced difficulties and had to rely on others to ferry my family around. Now, I take charge and personally ferry my kids to school, enjoying the newfound freedom and convenience it brings." "The number of women opting seizing the opportunity to take to drive has steadily risen in recontrol of their mobility and incent years," Maryam, Coordinator dependence by learning to drive. Maruti driving school, said.

"Our institute has seen almost a 50% increase in female learners since 2019."

'Every Move Judged'

Despite steadily reclaiming their space on the roads, women in Kashmir still | More on P6

Power Shortage Spurs Curtailment Rise: KPDCL

Agencies

Srinagar: The Kashmir Power Distribution Corporation Limited (KPDCL) has reiterated that an essential escalation in power curtailment measures is underway due to restricted power availability and related constraints.

The corporation emphasized that this decision, considered crucial for upholding grid discipline and preventing the risk of major trunk line failures and extensive blackouts.

Assuring the public of a relaxation in restrictions once power availability improves, KPDCL has urged consumers to refrain from power theft and adopt responsible electricity usage practices. The recent surge in power demand coupled with

Consumers Decry



tions will be eased gradually as power availability improves. News agency KNS reported that KPDCL urged the public to cooperate by refraining from power theft and adopting respon-

sible electricity usage practices. They underscore the imporlimitations in supply has forced utilities to implement stricter tance of conserving energy and curtailment protocols. utilizing resources judiciously to alleviate pressure on the grid.

These measures entail regulated reductions in electricity supply to certain areas during peak demand hours, aimed at balancing the grid load and preventing system overloads. Officials emphasize that

measures underscores the collective responsibility of both authorities and citizens in ensuring the stability and reliability of the power grid. while the current situation

"By adhering to | More on P6

The implementation of these

necessitates stringent curtail-

ment measures, efforts are un-

derway to alleviate the strain on

the power infrastructure. They

assure the public that restric-

esidents of many areas in Kashmir valley on Saturday expressed resentment against the unscheduled outages in 'metered and non-metered' areas. According to agency reports consumers from different areas of Kashmir division have expressed antipathy against the claims of the Kashmir Power Development Corporation Limited (KPDCL). The residents of several | More on P6

Unscheduled **Power Cuts**



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Public Notice

i want to change the name on electricity bill bearing consumer ID No : 0206050010357 From Gulzar Ahmad Khan S/o Kabir Khan R/o Kawoosa Khalisa to Gh. Mohd Khan S/o Ab Kabir Khan R/o Kawoosa Khalisa . If anybody has anyobjection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the PDD Sub Division Narbal within a period fo seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained

Gh. Mohd Khan S/o Ab Kabir Khan R/o Kawoosa Khalisa

Public Notice

Public Notice I have applied for the issuance of DOB certificate in favour of my son Faheem Abbas who was born on 20-02-2019. If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file his/he robjection in the office of the Municipal Committee Magam within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained Shahnawaz Hussain Sofi F/O Faheem Abbas bmg_r R/O Sofipora Magam

KRISHI VIGYAN KENDRA, GANDERBAL 000 SHUHAMA (ALUSTENG) GANDERBAL-190006 FAX: 0194-2262490; (M) 9419095742; 914950669 Email: kykaanderbal@omail.com AUCTION NOTICE Open auction of the traditional apple orchard (fire wood) at KVK Ganderbal, Shuhama, SKUAST-K, shall be held on 29/2/2024 at 11:00 AM in presence of Station 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 individual security deposit of their respective firms/ agencies of Rs 10,000/- in the form of cash in favour of KVK. The Auction Committee of KVK has the right to approve or disapprove the contract. The successful bidder has to deposit 60% of the total 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 and further details can be obtained from the office of KVK.

Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Kashm

o:-AU/KVK-Gbl/2023-24/1583 Dated:-21/02/2024

Sd/-Sr. Scientist & Head

KVK Ganderbal

Government Of Jammu And Kashmir Office Of The Child Development Project Officer Sogam

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Advertisement Notice: No. 01 of 2024

Dated:- 22- -02-2024

Subject: Advertisement for Recruitment of Sanginis (Anganwadi Workers) and Sahayikas (Anganwadi Helpers) in Anganwadi Centres of POSHAN Project Sogam

Reference: 1. Government order No 222-JK (SWD) of 2022 Dated: 30.11.2022

Government Order No.103-JK (SWD) of 2023 dated: 28.04.2023 2.

Approval has been accorded, vide letter No: SMD/ICDS/Recruitment/2022-23/6223-26 Dated:-21-02-2024 for filling up of various vacancies of Sanginis (Anganwadi Workers) and Sahayikas (Anganwadi Helpers) in Anganwadi Centres of POSHAN Project Sogam as per the details given below:

Sr. No.	Name of Project	Name of Post	No. of Post
1	Sogam		03
		AWH	04
Total		07	

Applications are invited in the Prescribed Proforma in Annexure "A" from the eligible candidates for engagement as Anganwadi Worker and Anganwadi Helper on Honorarium basis for aforementioned posts of Anganwadi Centres. The important dates/details with regard to the posts are as under: a) Date of commencement for submission of application 24-02-2024.

b) Last date for submission of applications is 09-03-2024

c) Annexure B- Name of the Post, Location/Ward, Qualification and Criteria for selection. d) Annexure C- Affidavit

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			Format of Application	1		
1. Name of POSHAN Pr 2. Name of Anganwad 3. Post applied for 4. Name of the Candid 5. Father's Name 6. Husband's Name 7. Residence 8. Ward .No 9. Address for correspondence of Birth 10. Contact No 11. Date of Birth 12. Age as on 01.01202 13. Academic	i Centreate					
Sr. No.	Examination passed	Board/Univer- sity	Year of Pass- ing	Marks Ob- tained	Total Marks	Percentage 1
14. Do the candidate b 15. Document Attache Date:_	d:	V/AWH (YES/NO) ill of Vacant-Posts (AV	ANNEXURE 'B' VW/AWH) alone with	name and location of	-	ature of the candidate

	Detail of Valant-Fosts (AWW/AWIT) alone with name and totation of AWC.									
Sr. No.	NAME OF ANGANWADI CENTRE	WARD	Name of panchayat Halqa	NAME OF POST	NO. OF POSTS					

Office Of The Warden KGBV School S.K. Pora Zone Narbal

Urgently required fresh vegetables/curd/meat/Cheese/Chicken etc. on daily basis at KGBV School S.K. Pora Premises. Interested sellers can come immediately to office of the Warden KGBV from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM positively with present rates of vegetables and all eatable items needed for daily basis with fare charges on proper receipt with seal and stamp. Account number of the concerned seller/shop should also be mentioned on receipt.

Note:entioned items should be listed with genuine rates

Sr. No	Item	Quantity	Rate
1	Rice	100 KG	-
2	Gas	1 Cylinder	
3	Fresh Vegetables (Onion , Tamoto, Potato Spinesh Brinial etc)	1 kg	
4	Curd	1 KG	-
5	Cheese	1 KG	
6	Meat	1 KG	
7	Chicken	1 KG	-
8	Eggs	1 try	

From Office of the Advocate Ishfaq Rasool Sheikh

In the case of Gh Rasool Sheikh S/o Late Abdul Gani Sheikh R/o Tantraypora Palhallan Pattan Baramulla (Caveator

V/s Public at large

In the Petition in terms of Section 148-A

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

Sd/advocate

From the principal District Judge, Srinagar Present : Mr. Jawad Ahmad

Dr. Seema Husseni, Aged 50 years wife of late Dr. Ashig Hussain Bhat

Muntazir Abbas Bhat Aged 11 years minor son of late Dr. Ashiq Hussain Bhat through his mother petitioner No. 1, Both residents of sector 5, hamdaniya Colony Bemina Srinagar Ghulam Mohi-ud-din Bhat Aged 74 years son of gh-

THE JAMMU & KASHMIR STATE BOARD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION CERTIFICATES-KD, NEW CAMPUS BEMINA SRINAGAR ATTENTION PLEASE The candidate whose photograph is published in the notice is claimed to have lost his qualification certificate of Secondary School Examination class 10th , and 12th issued by BOSE with the following particulars. 1. Roll No:- 2114269 2111572 2. Class:- 10th 12th 3. Year & Session :- 2016-B/A 2019-20 4. Registration No:- N15341480010 N15341480010 5. Name: Suhail Ahmad Rather Suhail Ahmad Rather 6. Mothers Name: Shareefa Shareefa 7. Abdul Majeed Rather Abdul Majeed Rather 8. Date of Birth. 01-03-2002 9. Residence:- Nasrullahpora Budgam Now the candidate has applied for the DUPLICATE QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATE. before the same is processed and provided to the candidate, any person having any objection in this regard may please file the same before the secretary BOSE or undersigned with in 07 (seven) days from the date of isuue of this notice. Besides, the above losted QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATE be traeted as CANCELLED. Sd/= Assitant Secretary Certificates - KD From the principal District Judge, Srinagar

NOTICE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC

		Present : Mr. Jawad Ahmad
l		1. Hamida W/o Late Naseer Ahmad Rather 2. Bisma Naseer 3. Sami Naseer
		Both daughters of Naseer Ahmad Rather
		All resident of Buchwara Dalgate, Srinagar Petitioners
		V/S
_		1. Public at Large
		Respondents
		In the matter of
		Application for issuance of Succession certificate in favour of the petitioner(s)
		Notice to public at Large
		Where the petitioners(s) FILED ABOVE TITLED PETITON
		BEFORE THIS COURT OF ISSUANCE OF SUCCESSION certificate
1		in favour of Petitioner(s) in respect of Rs 30,63,681 as debits
		and securities in name of Deceased Namely: Late Naseer
		Ahmad Rather S/o Late Ghulam Qadir Rather R/o Buchwara Dalgate Srinagar who died on 13-11-2023. The petition is
		pending disposal before this court and the next date of hearing
/		is fixed on 13-03-2024
f		Public Notice is hereby issued, informing all and sundry through
		the drom of this proclamation that at any anyone has any objection for issuance of succession certificate, he/she / they
		shall appear before this court either personally or through
		counsel or any authorized agent and file objections on or before
r		13-03-2024. Failing which the petition will be taken up and
2		appropriate orders will be passed in the same
		In case, the date fixed is declared as holiday the matter shall be
5		taken on the next working day. Given under my hand and seal of this court on
		Jawad Ahmad
	ן ר	nj Principal District Judge, Srinagar

From the principal District Judge, Srinagar Present : Mr. Jawad Ahmad

1. Hamida Bano W/oLate Mohammad Ashraf Sheikh 2. Zuhaib Ashraf (Minor) S/o Late Mohammad Ashraf Sheikh Residents of Tawheed Colony Natipora Srinagar through

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				Anganwadi Worker	
2	Naikoo Mohalla A			5	
3	Bakshi Mohalla GundimAchner	6	Gundimacher	Anganwadi Worker	01
			Anganwadi helper	-	
1	Saltdar Mohalln Sogam	4	Sogam B	Anganwadi Helper	01
2	Shah Mohalla Sogam	11	Sognm B	Anganwadi Helper	01
3	Chowkidar Mohalla Taklpora	7	taklpora B	Anganwadi Helper	01
4	Umerabad Rednagh	5	Rednagh	Anganwadi Helper	01
TOTAL				- '	07

Eligibility:

A. For Anganwadi Workers

1. The candidate must be domicile of the UT of J&K. 2. Women candidates in the age group of 18-37 years shall be eligible.

3. The candidate should be a resident of the electoral ward where Angany/adi Centre is situated. Name in the voter list for the ward shall be considered as the proof of residence of the candidate. In case the name of the candidate appears in the voter list along with her parents, then she must provide certificate of being un-married issued by the concerned Tehsildar. Where ever, there is any dispute as to residence for any reason, then a residence proof certifying the ward of residence from the concerned SDM/ACR shall be considered.

4) Minimum qualification for Anganwadi Worker shall be 10+2 and maximum graduation. In case no 10+2 pass candidate is available in the ward, 10+2 pass candidate from the adjoining ward shall be considered which would require prior approval of Mission Director, Mission POSHAN.

5) In case suitable candidate is not available for adjoining ward, candidate from the nearest ward within the panchavat can be considered subject to the approval of the MD, Mission POSHAN.

6) Weightage shall be given on the basis of marks obtained in 10+2 and selection shall be done purely on merit basis and no other criteria to be considered.

7) In case eligible candidate is available within the family of retiring AWWs/AWHs, the said candidate shall qualify for additional two percent points. 8) In case of tie in merit of the eligible candidate, candidate with higher age will be preferred.

9) Candidate with qualification higher than graduation shall not be considered

b Anganwadi Helpers

1. The selection of helper shall be restricted to the electoral ward where Anganwadi centre is located

Women candidates in the age group of 18-37 years shall be eligible.
 The candidate must be domicile of the UT of J&K.

4. Minimum qualification for Anganwadi Helper shall be matriculation.

5. In case no matriculate candidate available in the ward, candidates with qualification not less than 8th standard shall be considered.

6- The first and foremost criteria of eligibility amongst married women in case of Sahayikas (Anganwadi Helper) is the marks obtained in the class 10th. However, in rarest of rare cases where selection committee finds a widow headed household with no income source or a completely destitute lady with zero source of income.

In such cases preference may be given if other things are equal. In case no married candidate is available, unmarried candidate may be considered **Document Verification**

1) The candidate who is shortlisted for Document verification will be required to appear for Document Verification along-with the original documents as well as self-attested Photostat copy of each document as per the Advertisement Notification. The candidate must be in possession of the prescribed academic qualification and other document like Domicile Certificate, on or before the last date of submission of application form.

a) Marks sheet(s)/Diploma/Degree of the qualification prescribed for the post as per Advertisement Notification

b) Date of Birth/Matriculate Certificate.

c) Domicile Certificate.

d) Unmarried Certificate (where required)

2) Candidates have to bring two passport size recent colour photographs and one original Photo ID proof. Photo ID Proof can be:

AadhaarCard

Voter ID card.

3) The candidate who are supposed to furnish various certificate issued by or before the prescribed cut-off date, shall be required to produce them at the time of Document Verification or as may be sought by the Committee; in case of failure, the committee shall take necessary decision which shall be final.

ANNEXURE C

All applicants to submit affidavit stating following facts:

1. All Documents submitted are correct, without any mismatch, scanning, duplicate or fallacious in nature. If found incorrect or in any of the above stated situation the candidature of deponent may be cancelled and liable to action under law.

2. Maximum gualification is Graduation for vacancy of Anganwadi worker and this is as per facts and onus of proving it to be true lies with the deponent. 3. The deponent has read the HR policy no. 222-JK (SWD) of 2022 dated: 30.11.2022 and is well versed with all salient features of the policy and shall be applicable to the deponent in case of selection as Anganwadi worker/ Anganwadi Helper

No.:-CDPO/POSHAN/Sgm/Adv/ 2142-50 DIPK-16933/23 Date: 24-02-2024

ulam Hussain Bhat,

Mst, Sugrah aged 63 years wife of Ghulam Mohi-uddin Bhat Both residents of Baghwanpora Lalbazar, Srinagar Petitioners.

> V/S Public at Large

Respondents

In the matter of

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Application for issuance of Succession certificate in favour of the petitioner(s)

Notice to public at Large

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Where the petitioners(s) FILED ABOVE TITLED PETITON BEFORE THIS COURT OF ISSUANCE OF SUCCESSION certificate in favour of Petitioner(s) in respect of Rs 835858 as debits and securities in name of Deceased Namely: Dr. Ashiq Hussain Bhat S/o Ghulam Mohi-ud-din Bhat R/o Baghwanpora Lalbazar Srinagar who died on 22-02-2021. The petition is pending disposal before this court and the next date of hearing is fixed on 12-03-2024

Public Notice is hereby issued, informing all and sundry through the drom of this proclamation that at any anyone has any objection for issuance of succession certificate, he/she / they shall appear before this court either personally or through counsel or any authorized agent and file objections on or before 12-03-2024. Failing which the petition will be taken up and appropriate orders will be passed in the same

In case, the date fixed is declared as holiday the matter shall be taken on the next working day.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on

Jawad Ahmad Principal District Judge, Srinagar

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Public Notice

I have applied for the issuance of Fertilizer license for my business unit under name and style Bhat AgroChemicals and Pesticides/Fertilizers. If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objectionin the office of the Chief Agriculture Officer Budgam within a periodof seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertaind. **Riyaz Ahmad Bhat**

S/o Ghulam Hyder Bhat R/o Batagund Tehsil Karhama Baramulla

Public Notice

Public Notice I have applied for the issuance of DOB certificate. If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file his/ her objection in the office of the Municipal Committee Magam within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained. Fayaz Hussain Mir dob 01-04-1980 S/o Mohd Abdullah Mir bmg R/oMagam Astan PORA w-no 6

mothe r(Petitioner No 1) Petitioners V/S Public at Large Respondents In the matter of Application for issuance of Succession certificate in favour of the petitioner(s) Notice to public at Large Where the petitioners(s) FILED ABOVE TITLED PETITON BEFORE THIS COURT OF ISSUANCE OF SUCCESSION certificate in favour of Petitioner(s) in respect of Rs 995,805/- as debits and securities in name of Deceased Namely: Late Mohammad Ashraf Sheikh S/o Ali Mohammad Sheikh R/o Natipora Srinagar who died on 07-08-2023. The petition is pending disposal before this court and the next date of hearing is fixed on 06-03-2024 Public Notice is hereby issued, informing all and sundry through the drom of this proclamation that at any anyone has any objection for issuance of succession certificate, he/she / they shall appear before this court either personally or through counsel or any authorized agent and file objections on or before 06-03-2024. Failing which the petition will be taken up and appropriate orders will be passed in the same In case, the date fixed is declared as holiday the matter shall be taken on the next working day. Given under my hand and seal of this court on Jawad Ahmad

Principal District Judge, Srinagar





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Shab-e-Barat: Valley abuzz with preparations

Observer News Service

Srinagar: As the auspicious occasion of Shabe-Barat approaches, the valley of Kashmir is abuzz with preparations to ensure a memorable and meaningful celebration for the devotees.

The Jammu and Kashmir Waqf Board has put in place adequate arrangements to ensure the comfort and well-being of worshippers during this sacred night.

An official from the Jammu and Kashmir Waqf Board told the news agency—Kashmir News Observer (KNO) that every effort has been made to cater to the needs of the devotees on the auspi-

cious occasion. A local resident Zahoor Ahmad said it's reassuring to see the authorities taking proactive steps to ensure the comfort and safety during Shab-e-Barat. "This allows us to focus on the spiritual significance of the night without worrying about logistical concerns," he said.

Notably, on the occasion of Shab-e-Barat, Isha prayers will be offered at the historic Jama Masjid in Srinagar at 09:30 PM, at Dargah Hazratbal Srinagar, the prayers will be offered at 10:00 PM.

The night-long prayers will also be observed at the religious places.

CEO SSCL Reviews ICCC Operations AT Zainakot

Observer News Service

Srinagar: In a proactive move towards enhancing efficiency in Urban Services, the Chief Executive Officer, Srinagar Smart City Ltd. Dr.Owais Ahmed

today convened a comprehensive meeting to review the operations and progress of the Srinagar Smart City Ltd's Integrated Command and Control Center (ICCC), Zainakote Srinagar.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have lost my 9th pass certificate and progress card. Now I have applied for the issuance of 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 higher secondary school Palhallan within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained. Danish Ahmad malla

S/o Mohammad sultan Malla FKO R/o Palhallan pattan

PUBLIC NOTICE

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'Koshish': Srinagar Seminar Spearheads Substance Abuse Solutions

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Srinagar, in collaboration with NGOs Kashmir Concern and White Globe, and with the support of Aryans Group of Colleges, orchestrated a transformative seminar titled 'Koshish' at the ADR Centre, District Court Complex, Momminabad, Srinagar 'Koshish', a seminar on Sub-

stance Abuse, Problem in School, Role of Teachers and counselors. witnessed a convergence of esteemed dignitaries, representatives from various sectors, media personnel, influencers, and passionate volunteers.

The seminar was graced by the presence of Jawad Ahmed, Chairman DLSA (PDJ), Srinagar; Mr. Rajiv Omprakash Pandey, DIG Central Kashmir; Jahangir Ahmad Bakshi, Secretary DLSA, Srinagar; Tahir Ahmad Magray, Revenue Officer to Divisional Commissioner; Dr. Anshu Kataria, Chairman Aryans Group of Colleges; Dr. Tauseef Bhat, Chairman Kashmir Concern and Adv. Syed Junaid Sadaat, Chair-

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Notable remarks were delivered by distinguished speakers, each shedding light on the distinctive contributions of their respective domains in mitigating the menace of Substance abuse

Jawad Ahmed, Chairman DLSA (PDJ) Srinagar, underscored the indispensable role of the judiciary in addressing the complexities of substance abuse within the framework of law and justice. He also stressed upon building adequate infrastructure for dealing with the challenges of substance abuse.

He explained the legal consequences that individuals face if they engage in drug-related activities, including severe penalties such as imprisonment and fines in place to deter drug trafficking and possession and the consequences of violating these laws. He also highlighted the legal remedies available to victims of drug abuse and their families.

DIG Central Kashmir, emphasized the crucial role of law enforcement agencies, outlining strategies for effective intervention and enforcement. He highlighted the importance of the media in amplifying the message and building a drug free society.

Tahir Magray, Revenue Officer to Divisional Commissioner emphasized insightful perspectives on the vital contributions of the administration department and various initiatives for fostering a supportive environment for prevention and rehabilitation.

Earlier, Secretary, DLSA, Srinagar, Jahangir Ahmed Bakshi, in his opening remarks emphasized the need for collective action to address this issue and urged participants to play an active role in raising awareness and discouraging drug use.

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This Day In History

138 - The Emperor Hadrian adopts Antoninus Pius, effectively making him his successor

- 1497 Italians troops reconquer Taranto on France 1910 - Dalai Lama flees Tibet for British India to escape Chinese troops
- 1916 Battle of Verdun: German troops conquer Fort Douaumont without firing a shot, the largest and highest fort defending the city of Verdun during World War I
- 1921 Tbilisi, capital of the Democratic Republic of Georgia, occupied by Bolshevist Russia
- 1921 The Living Buddha, Hutuktu, is crowned King of Mongolia as the country declares independence from China
- 1925 Diplomatic relations between Japan and the Soviet Union established
- 1930 Check photographing device patented
- 1932 Austrian immigrant Adolf Hitler gets German citizenship
- 1945 US aircraft carriers attack Tokyo
- 1954 Abdul Nasser appointed Egyptian premier 1956 - Nikita Khrushchev denounces Joseph Stalin at the 20th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union

1962 - India Congress Party wins elections

- Muhammad Ali [Cassius Clay] TKOs 1964 Sonny Liston in 7 for his first world heavyweight championship title 1966 - Syrian military coup under General Hafiz al-

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Advertisement Notice

Applications on the prescribed format as per the annexure "A" are invited from the interested candidates possessing the following qualifications, for the temporary assignment as Guest Instructor in the following trade/course in this institute for the academic session 2023-24-25.

S.No	Type of as-	Trade/	Qualification
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1.	Guest Instruc-	Electronics	B.Voc/Degree in Electronics / Electronics and Telecommunication/
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			OR
			03 years Diploma in Electronics / Electronics and telecommunica- tion/ Electronics and communication from AICTE /recognized board of technical education or relevant Advanced Diploma (Vo- cational) from DGT with two years' experience in the relevant field OR
			NTC/NAC passed in the Trade of "Electronics Mechanic" With three years' experience in the relevant field. Essential Qualifica- tion: Relevant Regular / RPL variants of National Craft Instructor Certificate (NCIC) under DGT.

The last date for receiving the duly completed application forms along with the relevant documents is 05-03-2024. The Selection will be done on merit basis, as per the guidelines issued by the Skill Development Department.

Terms and Conditions for Assignment:

The assignment is absolutely temporary and for the academic session 2023-24-25 only.

The arrangement shall immediately cease after the completion of the academic session 2023-24-25 or even before that, in the event of transfer/posting of permanent staff by the Skill Development Department for the respective trade/ assignment.

The remuneration for the Guest Instructor to be engaged shall be to the maximum of Rs 20000/= per month for Degree and Rs 18000/= per month for Diploma /NTC holder, or as per the directions issued by the Skill Development Department from time to time.

The selected candidate shall have to furnish an affidavit duly signed by the First Class Judicial Magistrate that all the terms & conditions stated above from S.no 1 to 4 are acceptable to him/her and he/she shall not claim the continuity of assignment/services beyond the current academic session 2023-24-25.

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Application format for engagement of Guest instructor at Govt. Industrial training in	stitute Handwara
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NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS E-NIT NO: 25/EE/PMGSY/Uri/e-tendering of 2023-24 dated 20-02-2024

Executive Engineer PMGSY Division Uri on behalf of President of India invites percentage rate bids in electronic tenderini

system for up-gradation of roads under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana for the following works including their maintenance for five years from the eligible and approved contractors registered with J&K Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State Governments.

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1	Construction & Maintenance of road from Limber to Babagail, (Balance Work) Stage_ 2 rd , Package No. JK03-145, Length 1.8 Kms, PMGSY Division Uri	63.78	5.405	69.185	0.06	1.38	90 Days	1 ^{st.}	06-03-2024 At 11:30:PM	"A" Class in PWD or Equivalent in CPWD/ Railways and other state Governments.	

1. The Bidding documents can be downloaded from the website http://pmgsytendersjk.gov.infrom 21-02-2024 (10:00 AM) to 05-03-2024 up to (06:00 PM). 2. The Bids shall be deposited in electronic format on the website http://pmgsytendersik.gov.in from 26-02-2024 (10:00 AM) to 05-03-2024 up to (06:00 PM). The bids uploaded on the Web Site up to due date and time will be opened online on 06-03-2024 at 11:30 PM in the presence of the bidders who wish to attend If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue. 3. The complete bidding process will be online.

4. Cost of Bid Form: - Rs. 6000/- (Rupees Six Thousand only) per package (non-refundable) to be submitted online during bid submission. The procedure for the same is available online on website http://pmgsytendersjk.gov.inin Other Documents uploaded along with SBD and BOQ. 5. The bidders are requested to quote their rates excluding GST. GST @18% shall be added to the contract value by the allotting authority at the time of issue of allotment

6. A Pre-bid meeting will be held on 24-02-2024 at 11:30 AM in the Office of Executive Engineer PMGSY (JKRRDA) Division Uri to clarify the issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage as stated in Clause 9 of instruction to bidders of the Bidding documents. The intending Bidders, before attending the Pre-bid meeting, are advised to visit the site of work and acquaint themselves with the site conditions. It has been made mandatory for all the intending bidders to participate in the pre-bid meeting on the scheduled date and time.

7. Availability of Bid Document and mode of submission: The bid document is available online and bid should be submitted online on website www.pmgsytenders.gov.in. The bidder would be required to register in the web-site which is free of cost. For submission of bids, the bidder is required to have valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from one of the authorized Certifying Authorities (CA). "Aspiring bidders who have not obtained the user ID and password for participating in e-tendering in PMGSY may obtain the same from the website: www.pmgsytenders.gov.in.

8. EMD (Bid Security) is to be submitted online/offline.

9. The Hard Copy of Acknowledgement in respect of cost of bidding document/bid security (EMD), Original copy of Credit Facility by scheduled commercial bank and original copy of affidavits must be delivered in the office of Executive Engineer PMGSY (JKRRDA) Division Uri on a date not later than three working days after the opening of technical qualification part of the bid either by Registered Post or by hand failing which the bidders shall be declared non-responsive.

10. The bidders are advised to upload the required documents/information strictly as per the formats given in Section 3-Qualification Information. The bidder who fails to comply with the said instructions shall be declared as non-responsive.

11. The date and time of opening of Financial-Bids shall be notified on Web Sitehttp://pmgsytendersjk.gov.in. This is conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The Financial-bids shall be opened accordingly on line on same Web Site at the Office of Executive Engineer PMGSY (JKRRDA) Division Uri.

12. Other details can be seen in the bidding documents.

Note:-The intending bidders are advised to study the entire bidding document before preparation and submission of their bids. This includes clause 3 (Eligible Bidders), 4 (Qualification of Bidders) of ITB (Instruction to Bidders), Appendix to ITB, Section 3 (Qualification Information), Contract Data to G.C.C. & Section 7 of Bidding Document.



Sd/-Executive Engineer PMGSY Division Uri

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- 1969 Mariner 6 launched for fly-by of Mars
- 1979 Soyuz 32 carries 2 cosmonauts to Salyut 6 space station is launched
- 1986 Thousands of Egyptian military police riot, destroy 2 luxury hotel
- 1988 South Korea adopts constitution
- 1989 1st independent blue-collar labor union in Communist Hungary forms
- 1989 Javed Miandad scores 271 v NZ at Eden Park
- 1990 Australia beat Pakistan 2-0 to win cricket's World Series Cup
- 1992 Khojaly massacre: about 613 civilians killed by Armenian armed forces during the conflict in Nagorno-Karabakh region of Azerbaijan
- 1994 Israeli extremist Baruch Goldstein massacres 30 Palestinians in Hebron
- 2009 BDR massacre in Pilkhana, Dhaka, Bangladesh. 74 People are being killed, including more than 50 Army officials, by Bangladeshi Boarder Guards inside its headquarter.
- 2012 Syrian Army kills 100 civilians in artillery shelling of Homs and Hama
- 2012 World Health Organization removes India from the list of polio endemic countries.
- 2013- Cuban President Raúl Castro announces he will not seek another term in 2018
- 2013- Italy Common Good, a centre left alliance, wins the Italian general election
- 2014-50 students are killed in a Boko Harem attack on a college in Buni, Nigeria
- 2014- Hundreds of pro-Russian protesters block the Crimean parliament and demand a referendum on Crimea's independence
- 2017- Tom Perez is elected Chair of the Democratic National Committee
- 2018- 2-man bobsleigh champions Francesco Friedrich and Thorsten Margis of Germany win their 2nd gold medals of the Pyeongchang Winter Olympics as part of the German 4-man team
- 2018- 68th Berlin International Film Festival: Romanian film "Touch Me Not" wins the Golden Bear 2018- China briefly bans the letter 'N' as part of widespread censorship efforts
- 2018- Norwegian cross-country skier Marit Bjørgen wins gold in women's 30k at Pyeongchang Winter Olympics; brings her total Games medal haul to 15, most won by any athlete in Winter Games history
- 2018- Russian national team, competing under the name of Olympic Athletes from Russia (OAR), wins Olympic ice hockey gold medal in Pyeongchang; beat Germany, 4-3 in overtime in the final

2018- Winter Olympics: Marit Bjoergen (Norway) becomes the most successful winter athlete of all Send your write ups and feedback at editpage.ko@gmail.com



What's the Status of Heartfelt Conversations in Today's World?

The healing power of listening. Nurturing heart-to-heart conversations in a digital age

Dr. Rizwan Rumi

🖌 Today, our world is noisy, with people shouting to be heard. This noise reflects our deep need to be listened to. We reward the loudest and most outrageous voices in public spaces and media. People crave attention and will do anything to get noticed. The clamor will only grow until we learn to sit down and listen. Most of us would appreciate a quieter world, and we can start by being willing to listen

In today's fast-paced world, where digital connections dominate our interactions, the essence of genuine human connection is often lost in the noise of social media updates and instant messaging. Despite our constant connectivity, many of us find ourselves suffocating under the weight of unexpressed emotions, yearning for meaningful conversations that allow us to bare our souls without fear of judgment or rejection.

In a society obsessed with projecting images of confidence and happiness, the art of heart-to-heart communication has become rare and elusive. We hide behind carefully curated social personas, afraid to reveal our vulnerabilities for fear of tarnishing our carefully constructed images. As a result, our hearts remain filled with empty defenses, longing for the release that comes with authentic connection. This lack of genuine communica-

This lack of genuine communication takes its toll on individuals of all ages. Children bottle up stress, while young people grapple with anxiety and depression in silence. Even within the confines of intimate relationships, many struggle to express themselves openly, fearing the consequences of revealing their true emotions.

The roots of this disconnect lie in our increasingly digital lifestyles, where instant gratification and constant stimulation have left little room for the patient art of listening. We have grown accustomed to shallow interactions and fleeting connections, trading depth for convenience in our pursuit of productivity and efficiency.

But amidst the chaos of modern life, there remains a simple yet profound remedy: the power of listening. In a world where everyone is vying to be heard, the act of truly listening has become a rare and precious gift. It is a gift that requires no grand gestures or elaborate expressions, only a willingness to be present and attentive to the needs of others.

Imagine a world where face-toface conversations are valued above digital distractions, where people come together to hold space for one another's joys and sorrows. In this world, conversations are not just ex-



changes of information, but opportunities for genuine connection and mutual understanding.

Such conversations come in many forms: from the simple act of listening without judgment, to the comforting embrace of a friend in times of need. They require us to set aside our devices and distractions, and to be fully present in the moment, attuned to the emotions and experiences of those around us.

In embracing the power of listening, we create space for healing and growth, allowing ourselves and others to unburden our hearts and reclaim our humanity. We discover that true strength lies not in the façade of invincibility, but in the courage to be vulnerable and authentic in our interactions with others.

In our natural state, we're meant to be together. Even though we often drift apart, we still crave connection. Everyone has a story to share, a need to connect with others. When nobody listens, we feel isolated and might even lose touch with reality. In English, the word "health" comes from the same root as "whole." We can't be truly healthy if we're not connected to others. "Whole" also connects to "holy," showing the importance of relationships in our spiritual well-being.

Listening brings us closer, making us feel more complete, healthier, and more connected to what's sacred. When we don't listen, it leads to fragmentation and suffering.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu describes today's world as suffering from "radical brokenness" in relationships. There's disconnection and fear everywhere. For instance, many teenagers feel unheard and turn to their peers to feel understood.

Two wise teachers, Malidoma Some from West Africa and Parker Palmer from the United States, noted that a culture is in trouble when elders avoid engaging with the youth. We can't build a healthy culture without connection and listening. When we meet and truly listen, we mend the world and make it more whole and sacred. Today, our world is noisy, with people shouting to be heard. This noise reflects our deep need to be listened to. We reward the loudest and most outrageous voices in public spaces and media. People crave attention and will do anything to get noticed. The clamor will only grow until we learn to sit down and listen. Most of us would appreciate a quieter world, and we can start by being willing to listen.

A teacher once shared a story of a disruptive sixteen-year-old student who shouted and threatened her. Instead of reacting with force, she sat down and listened to him. It took time for him to calm down, but eventually, he opened up about his life. Her attentive silence allowed him to see and hear himself. She didn't need to give advice or solve his problems; her listening alone made a difference.

So let us reclaim the lost art of conversation, one heartfelt exchange at a time. Let us create spaces where people feel safe to share their joys and their struggles, knowing that they will be met with compassion and understanding. Let us be the listeners that others so desperately need, offering our presence and our empathy without reservation or expectation.

In doing so, we not only heal ourselves, but we also heal the fabric of our communities, weaving bonds of trust and connection that transcend the limitations of time and space. For in the end, it is not the quantity of our connections that matters, but the depth and sincerity with which we engage with one another.

In a world that often feels chaotic and overwhelming, let us remember the simple yet transformative power of listening. Let us embrace the beauty of face-to-face conversations and heartto-heart connections, knowing that in these moments of shared vulnerability, we find the true essence of what it means to be human.

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Cleansing Political Funding In India

The Supreme Court's invalidation of the electoral bond scheme has sparked renewed debate on political funding, delving into transparency, accountability, and democratic principles

Sumant Batra

ast week, in a landmark verdict, the Supreme Court struck down the government's electoral bond scheme as unconstitutional, reviving the decades-old debate on political funding in the general election year. Notified in January 2018 via a money bill, the scheme allowed the purchase of bonds by natural and legal persons which could be encashed only by eligible political parties. A person could purchase limitless bonds of infinite amounts, removing the 7.5% cap on corporate donations. The details of the buyer were to be kept confidential. The bond was exempted from income tax.

Simply stated, the scheme allowed unlimited funding by corporates to political parties without disclosing the donor. Both the Reserve Bank of India and the Election Commission had expressed reservations on the various features of the scheme. Democracy watchdogs challenged the scheme in court, alleging that it violated the right to information of citizens, and was contrary to the principle of free and fair elections. An affluent person could make financial contributions to political parties with a legitimate possibility of quid pro quo arrangements, the petitions said.

The government justified the scheme, stating it provided the shift from the cash-driven, unregulated, and unaccounted regime of political donations to a regulated, digital, and legal political donation framework. It also served a specific object of curbing black money. The right of a citizen to know how political parties are being funded must be balanced against the right of a person to maintain privacy of their political affiliations, the government pleaded. It implored that the scheme was an economic reform and urged the court to refrain from judicial review of an economic policy.

Noting that the government had itself classified the scheme as an "electoral reform", the Court held that the amendments introduced to make way for the scheme relate to the electoral process and the scheme cannot be tested on the parameters applicable to economic policy. It would thus be subject to judicial scrutiny. The Court has held that the scheme infringes upon the right to information of the voter by anonymising contributions through electoral bonds.

Recognising the nexus between the right of citizens and open governance, the judgment holds that effective participation in democratic governance is not just a means to an end but is an end in itself. The citizens have a duty to hold the government of the day accountable for their actions and inactions, and they can effectively fulfill this duty only if the government is not clothed in secrecy. The freedom of speech and expression includes the right to acquire information which would enable people to

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debate on social, moral, and political issues. These debates would foster the spirit of representative democracy.

Regarding black money, the judgment states that the scheme is not the only means for curbing black money in electoral finance; there are other alternatives which substantially do so while not impacting the right to information. Stating that at a primary level, political contributions give a "seat at the table" to the contributor, which can translate into influence over policy-making, the judgment notes there is a legitimate possibility that financial contribution by an affluent person to a political party would lead to quid pro quo arrangements in the form of introducing a policy change or license granting.

The scheme is not fool-proof and gaps enable political parties to find the particulars of the contributions made to them. Thus, de jure anonymity of the contributors does not translate to de facto anonymity. Notably, the judgment does not cite any instance of such political contributions possibly influencing a policy change or extracting a political favour in the last six years.

Having struck down the scheme, the Court directed the Election Commission to disclose the full particulars of the donor and the amount donated to the particular political party through bonds. The decision has renewed the debate on the complex and controversial subject of political funding. India is the largest democracy in the world. Finance is a necessary component of the democratic processes. The conventional system of political funding has been to rely on donations and incur expenditures in cash. The scheme was a substantial improvement from a non-transparent to a partially transparent system, albeit with

fatal legal flaws.

The decision provides a fresh opportunity to the government to go back to the drawing board and reimagine the framework on financing democracy. The judgment itself offers many cues. It neither holds that corporate donations should be prohibited nor does it suggest a cap on the quantum of donations. It has only removed the anonymity of the electoral bond scheme. The decision recognises that private funding is a fundamental right of citizens. The decision also concedes that money is a necessary component of the overall vibrancy of the political sphere. In his separate reasoning, Justice Sanjeev Khanna has suggested that the Electoral Trust Scheme introduced in 2013 best realises the objective of the government in a real and substantial manner without significantly impacting the fundamental right of the voter to know.

The new framework should aim to strengthen the cleansing of political funding in India while enabling information to citizens, and perhaps, regulation on end-use if the income of the political parties is exempted from income tax, with codes of conduct and conflicts of interest rules to foster a wider culture of integrity.

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CHASING SUCCESS? Cease Giving In To Failures

Shreeprakash Sharma

Te speak about successes and what spontaneously crops up in our mind is the milieu of great happiness and rejuvenation achieved after perseverance, hard labour, indomitable courage, persistent practice. We succeed in our efforts to achieve something which we dote on and dream about and this accomplishment brings much-expected joy and sincerely gladdens our heart. But the roadmap of the stories of successes is not as simple as we perceive to be. The success passes through a labyrinth of travails and agonies. Success passes through a series of failures. More of the fiascos means more of the victories, more of the applauds. No failure means no learning, no lesson and ultimately no triumph.

There is no denying the fact that everyone wants to succeed in this world. In fact, there is nothing weird about this aspiration. It is natural and one of the most inherent traits of the Homo sapiens. But achieving success or getting what we want in life happens to be a tough nut to crack. It is never the matter of sheer wishes and fantasies. In fact, success in any domain of life has its own conspicuous and rigid regimen which the aspirants need to follow religiously and strictly. It is also the matter of how intensely we chase for it and how earnestly we long for it.

Success also depends upon how patiently and persistently we keep on trying to reach out to the most-cherished goal of our life. So one thing is pretty clear: success calls for hard labour, indomitable patience and undying efforts. More than anything else, the realization of one's most beautiful dreams also requires us not to give in to a series of failures which may befall us onto the path of trying for it.

But the greatest tragedy of human life is that the earnestness with which dreams are pursued in the beginning unfortunately goes on dwindling later on with the passage of time. This turns out to be what we may call the Achilles' heel of all successes and laurels in life. Have you ever se-



riously thought why the pace of making efforts to succeed goes on dissipating with each passing day? After all what ails the sustenance mechanism and paradigm of endeavours that restricts our steps from moving consistently onto the path of success? We need to make an honest soulsearching about this fatal mental block which makes us inert, inactive and consequently we fall into the permanent sloth of not making further efforts to achieve the goal of our life.

In fact, when we fail to accomplish something worthwhile for which we plan so meticulously and prepare so painstakingly, then we instantaneously get frustrated and depressed. This further results in shattering all hopes and optimism. Again, we get hamstrung by a slew of negative, pessimistic, self – doubting and demotivating thoughts. We

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start underestimating ourselves. Our psycho – mental strength and physical capabilities seem to have fallen to the nadir. Our self-esteem goes on continuously plummeting down to a newer low. We start assuming ourselves to be the most undeserving person on the earth. Such self-demoralizing, self-doubting and self-effacing pseudo-perceptions prove to have lethal repercussions on our mental poise.

At this crossroads, we need to be more cautious and conscientious. What is to be kept in mind is the fact that failures are the inevitable part of all phenomena which keep on occurring at regular intervals in life. No one can escape this inevitable phase of journey of what we call successes in life. Failures show us our follies, our inherent weaknesses and a lot of other obstacles which restrain us from making efforts to succeed. Thomas Alva Edison, the world known US inventor's quote "I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work" reflects a very precious lesson that defeats do not mean decimation. Failures do not mean the end of the world. We fail and it helps learn a lot of vital lessons to ultimately become successful. But for this perception we need to possess a very hard bent of mind. So it is essential to keep on learning from failures and consistently strengthening and striving hard to finally succeed in life.

The famous US social rights

activist Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope." Rejections and failures are natural procedures to finally appear as a successful person in all walks of life. Ceasing to struggle due to disappointment brought forth from the very first failure means killing all the possibilities of successes in their embryo itself. The great Chinese philosopher Confucius had once said, "Our greatest glory is in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." Failing in one's effort to succeed does only signify that the efforts were not made with flawless planning and sincere perseverance. This does not mean lack of intelligence, talent or otherwise. Failures lay out the renewed opportunities for chalking out the road maps for the more flawless and sincere efforts for final success.

Denis E. Waitley, the famous American motivational speaker, very nicely explains the impor-tance of failures in human life when he says, "Failure should be our teacher, not our undertaker. Failure is delay, not defeat. It is a temporary detour, not a dead end. Failure is something we can avoid only by saying nothing, doing nothing, and being nothing." We fail because we fail to learn the valuable lessons from the failure. We fail because we fail to assess our strengths and analyze our weaknesses. We fail because we so easily give in to the disappointment and depression without fighting and struggling with it.

We must admit that life is an odyssev of a series of sagas of ups and downs, successes and failures. Hoping for success without undergoing the inevitable pangs of failures is tantamount to living in a fool's paradise. Failures notwithstanding, we must never quit, we must never succumb to pessimism and self- doubt. This is what makes the time-tested secrets of success - never quit, never surrender and, at most, never stop trying to succeed despite failures and frustrations galore.

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How To Democratise Artificial Intelligence

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The rapid advance of artificial intelligence evokes both wonder and dread. Many regard AI as an object of marvel and awe (a Stupor Mundi, to borrow a Latin phrase), while others believe it can be a benevolent savior (a Salvator Mundi). Regardless of whether AI is seen as miraculous or merely helpful, the question remains: How can we ensure that its benefits are available to everyone?

To answer this question, we need a nuanced understanding of AI. That means rejecting several simplistic narratives: functionalism, which says humans should adapt and augment themselves to keep up with technological progress; sensationalism, which depicts AI as an existential threat; cynicism, which seeks to exploit AI for profit; and fatalism, which implies a resigned acceptance of AI's inevitable rise.

What these scenarios overlook is that the future is still ours to shape. Adopting the verum-factum principle – knowing through making – is crucial to developing a more profound understanding of Al's capabilities and implications.

To prevent a minority from coopting Al's transformative potential, it must be democratized. Equitable access is the key to ensuring that the benefits of technological progress are broadly shared, and that Al serves as a unifying force, rather than exacerbating the divisions within our fragile societies.

The potential benefits are enormous. In the 1990s, Joseph Stiglitz observed that "a child anywhere in the world who has access to the internet has access to more knowledge than a child in the best schools of the industrial countries did a quarter-



century ago." By democratizing access to AI, we can empower today's children to engage with humanity's brightest minds in a way that caters to their individual needs.

But achieving this depends on how we shape the narrative surrounding AI's adoption and future impact. Instead of making lofty promises like "AI will solve world hunger," we should focus on its ability to bring about incremental yet meaningful improvements in people's daily lives.

In this regard, the technology's rapidly expanding capabilities and declining costs create new opportunities for smaller-scale models and enable individual users to personalize AI solutions, mirroring the internet's freewheeling, creative early days. Just two years ago, for example, the leading open-source AI model was Meta's OPT-175B. Today, a leading open-source model, Mistral 7B, is 40 times smaller, at least 40 times cheaper to operate, and outperforms its predecessor. Remarkably, it was developed by a company of just 18 people.

And this is just the beginning. AI is currently experiencing its own version of Moore's law, setting the stage for rapid uptake, akin to the diffusion of telephones and televisions. This accelerated process calls for a shift in focus toward developing practical applications and mitigating risks, rather than fixating on reducing costs.

The rise of AI is a double-edged sword. The technology could be a powerful equalizer or a source of division, depending on how it is deployed and who controls it. Like previous technological revolutions, it promises to create new employment opportunities while simultaneously threatening to displace existing jobs. A recent report by the International Monetary Fund underscores this point, warning that AI could lead to a growing divide between tech-savvy individuals, well-positioned to reap the economic benefits of innovation, and those who risk falling behind. But our understanding of these technologies must reflect their complexities and the power of human ingenuity. By developing and promoting AI systems that significantly improve essential services, especially in underserved regions, we could ensure that their benefits are broadly shared. To achieve this, AI technologies must be deployed with the explicit objective of reducing existing inequalities.

At the same time, it is worth noting that AI will most likely increase the overall consumer surplus by lowering the costs associated with certain services. To ensure that these benefits reach the majority of people, a two-fold strategy is necessary: enabling individuals to harness this value locally while redistributing the overall gains to those unable to access them.

Hence, enhancing the accessibility of AI is both feasible and critical. To leverage these technologies to tackle pressing social problems, it is crucial to identify specific areas where AI can make a substantial difference, such as health care, education, environmental sustainability, and governance. But setting the right priorities and implementing technological solutions requires a concerted effort. The concept of AI for good should be integrated into the strategies of development institutions and multilateral organisations.

But first, the global conversation about AI must shift from "wow" to "what" and "how." It is time to move away from mere fascination with the emerging technology to identifying the challenges it can address and devising strategies for its integration into the educational and social systems of developed and developing countries alike. Preparing societv for an AI-augmented future requires more than just technological innovation; it calls for establishing ethical frameworks, updating policymaking, and promoting AI literacy across communities.

As we navigate the Stupor Mundi phase of AI, captivated by its seemingly magical capabilities, we must never lose sight of the fact that the impact of technology depends on how we use it. The choices we make today will determine whether AI benefits and enriches a select few or evolves into a powerful force for positive social change. To realise the promise of Salvator Mundi, we must harness these emerging technologies to forge a better, more inclusive future for all. — Project Syndicate

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J&K To Emerge As North India's Power Hub After Completion Of Hydro Projects: Jitendra Singh

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Jammu: Union Minister Jitendra Singh on Saturday said the Kishtwar district of Jammu and Kashmir is all set to emerge as north India's major "power hub" after the completion of ongoing power projects with a total capacity of 6,000 MW.

The Minister of State in the Prime Minister's office visited the 120-MW Seva-II hydropower project located on Himachal-J&K border near Bani in Kathua district, a part of his Udhampur parliamentary constituency.

Reviewing the status of hy-dropower projects with NHPC, Director (Finance) R P Goyal and other officials, the minister said at least seven major Hydro power projects have come in the region in a short span ever since Narendra Modi took over as Prime Minister in 2014.

Talking about the ongoing power projects in Kishtwar, he said the largest capacity project is Pakal Dul with a capacity project is Pakal Dul with a capacity of 1,000 MW which is expected to be completed by 2025 at an estimated cost of over Rs 8,000 crore. Another major project is Kiru

Hydroelectric project with a capacity of 624 MW. The estimated cost of the project is Rs 4,285.59 crore and the timeline is also 2025, he said.

The Minister said 850 MW Ratle project has been revived as a joint venture between the centre and Union Territory of J&K. In addition, the existing Dulhasti power station has an



installed capacity of 390 MW, while Dulhasti II Hydroelectric project will have a capacity of 260 MW.

He said these projects shall not only augment the power supply position thereby making up for the shortage of power supply in J&K, but the huge investment being made for the construction of these projects is also a boost for the local people.

and Kashmir's "Jammu Kishtwar is all set to emerge north India's major power hub generating around 6,000 MW of power after the completion of the ongoing power projects," Singh said.

He said for the first, natural resources like hydropower of Jammu and Kashmir are being utilised under the Modi government so that surplus power from this region can be supplied to other parts of north India.

Singh also discussed upcoming corporate social responsibility (CSR) activities for neighbouring Bani and Basohli of Kathua district.

Admin Comes To Rescue Of Kashmiri Pandit Living Alone In Dilapidated House In Kulgam



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

Srinagar: The district administration in Jammu and Kashmir's Kulgam on Saturday came to the rescue of a Kashmiri Pandit living alone in a dilapidated house after a video highlighted his living condition went viral on social media.

The plight of Pyare Lal, a Kashmiri Pandit living in Aamno village of south Kashmir district, was highlighted in a video which was posted on X by National Conference leader Úmesh Talashi. The video showed the

Kashmiri Pandit living in a dilapidated house under unhygienic condition. Lal has been living at the

house alone after most memon Saturday.

bers of his community left the valley in the wake of the outbreak of militancy. His neighbours from the

majority Muslim community tend to his food and some other needs.

"An elderly Kashmiri Pandit namely Pyare Lal is enduring harsh living conditions in village Aamno, Kulgam. Immediate intervention needed to ensure his well-being," Talashi posted on X.

Reacting to the vid-Kulgam Deputy eo, Commissioner Athar Aamir Khan said the district administration will look after Lal's day to day affairs.

Khan visited Lal's residence

"I visited him today. We have made proper arrangements for him at our Senior Citizen Home but he didn't want to move out despite our insistence. He doesn't want to shift to any other place. So we are making arrangements at his home as well," Khan said on X.

The deputy commissioner said the house needs repairs which would be undertaken.

"His health checkup was also done. Doctor will also visit him regularly. Cleanliness and sanitation is being done. Ration, bedding, blankets etc. have been arranged. Our District Social Welfare Officer will be looking after his day to day care," he said.

Security of Nation Can Neither Be **Outsourced Nor Be Dependent On** 'Largesse' Of Others: Army chief

Press Trust of India

New Delhi: The security of the nation can neither be outsourced nor be dependent on the "largesse" of others, Army Chief Gen Manoj Pande said on Saturday, asserting that becoming self reliant in critical military hardware will be essential to deal with future challenges. In an address at a defence conclave, he said weaning away from import dependencies for capability development requirements of the Army remains pivotal in its strategic planning to

be "future ready". "As the guardians of the nation's security, we are seized of the need to completely wean away from import dependencies for our capability development requirements. This aspect remains pivotal in our strategic planning to be future ready," he said.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the ongoing conflicts world over have shown the impact of external dependencies for critical military components, the Army chief said at the Firstpost Defence Summit.

"Technology is emerging as the new strategic arena of geopolitical competitions. The impact of external dependency for critical components, supply chains disruptions and weaponization of denial regimes came to the fore during the pandemic and also from the lessons that we learnt from the ongoing conflicts world over," he added.

'These developments have clearly underscored that the security of the nation can neither be outsourced nor be dependent on the largesse of others," Gen Pande said.



"The need to be self reliant in meeting our defence needs, both in acquiring new weapons systems, platforms and equipment and sustenance of existing ones by meeting ammunition, spares and maintenance demands and achieving self sufficiency in critical technologies is hence an imperative," he said.

The Army chief said the defence forces will continue to be "future ready" and that the military is "aligned to the changes that are happening around us."

Gen Pande said disruptive "technologies are blunting conventional combat force ratios" and that multi-domain operations to include cyber, space, electromagnetic spectrum and information are today "inescapable realities".

Conventional instruments of war have also undergone notable technological progression, he said, adding non-state actors are increasingly getting access to modern technologies of military use and employing them for an asymmetric leverage in conflict. Cumulatively we have seen that the battle space has become more complex, contested and lethal, he said.

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New Criminal

into force," one of the notifications said. After the laws were enacted the truckers had protested the provision of Section 106 (2) which provides for 10 years imprisonment and fine to those who cause death of any person by rash and negligent driving of vehicle not amounting to culpable homicide, and escapes without reporting it to a police officer.

Union Home Secretary Ajay Bhalla had said the decision to invoke Section 106 (2) of the Bharatiya Nyay Sanhita will be taken only after consultation with the All India Motor Transport Congress.

According to the Section 106 (2) of the BNS, "Whoever causes death of any person by rash and negligent driving of vehicle not amounting to culpable homicide, and escapes without reporting it to a police officer or a magistrate soon after the incident, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description of a term which may extend to ten years, and shall also be liable to fine.' While replying to a debate on the three bills in Parliament, Union Home Minister Amit Shah had said the focus was on delivering justice rather than handing down the punishment.

The counsel representing the man argued that the allegations in the complaint did not substantiate a charge under Section 354 of the IPC against him. Additionally, the counsel pointed out that the magistrate did not record any witness statement before passing the order on March 30, 2022, which directed an investigation under Section 202 of CrPC.

The counsel for the wife (respondent) also acknowledged that while the allegations do not constitute an offence under Section 354 IPC, they do establish a case for Section 323. The counsel agreed that the order issuing process for the commission of an offence under Section 323 of the IPC, was correct and justified.

Justice Oswal observed that the incident reported involves the petitioner allegedly assaulting the respondent in public, resulting in injuries. After reviewing the complaint and based on the investigation report from Pulwama station house officer, the court found sufficient grounds to initiate proceedings under sections 323 and 354 of the IPC. It was, however, acknowledged that while the complaint substantiates a charge under Section 323 for causing hurt, it does not establish the criteria for a charge under Section 354, which involves outraging a woman's modesty. The court concluded that the act, while constituting assault, did not meet the specific intent or nature required for "outraging modesty" under Section 354, but is sufficient for invoking a charge under Section 323. Consequently, the order for the issuance of process under Section 354 of the IPC was quashed, while the process under Section 323 was upheld.

ancestors had seen. Did anyone think 10 years ago that digital payments could be done even in villages? Had anyone ever thought that a son who had gone to work outside would be able to send money to his family in the village? Today it has become possible," he said.

Hitting out at the Congress, Modi referred to the statement by then PM Rajiv Gandhi about iust 15 paise of every rupee being spent for development reaching the rightful beneficiary.

If the same situation prevailed today, one can imagine what would have happened to the nation, the PM said.

"In the last 10 years, the Centre transferred more than Rs 34 lakh crore into the bank accounts of citizens through Direct Benefit Transfer. Had the Congress been in power and had the 15 paise tradition continued, then Rs 29 lakh crore out of this Rs 34 lakh crore would have been embezzled by middlemen," he said.

Throwing light on initiatives to create health

Aditi Nandan, Curator, Grand Trunk Road Initiatives; senior officials of Government of India: team members of GTRi, experts, policymakers, and prominent personalities from diverse fields were present.

NIA Attaches

was registered following the recovery of a black bag and a large number of Indian currency notes of Rs 500 denomination during checking of vehicles in the Langate area of Handwara.

Preliminary questioning of the car's driver, Abdul Momin Peer, had led to revelations about the narco-terror nexus and prompted a detailed investigation by the NIA.

During initial searches conducted at the houses of the accused, 21 kg of heroin and various other incriminating material, including large sums of cash, were seized, the NIA said.

the effects of power curtailment and contribute to the resilience of the electrical infrastructure,' KPDCL said.

Meanwhile the Kashmir Power Distribution Corporation Limited (KPDCL) has issued a stern advisory to all its consumers, urging them to clear their pending electricity bills to avoid disconnection of power supply.

The announcement comes as the utility company initiates a disconnection drive, the first of its kind in many years, aimed at addressing the mounting backlog of unpaid bills.

With a significant number of consumers failing to settle their electricity dues, KPDCL has been compelled to take stringent measures to recover outstanding payments and ensure the financial sustainability of its operations.

Officials from KPDCL emphasize the importance of timely bill payments in maintaining uninterrupted power supply and sustaining essential services. "Failure to settle outstand ing bills not only disrupts the revenue stream crucial for operational expenses but also undermines the reliability of the power distribution network. Consumers are urged to take immediate action to clear their pending electricity bills to avoid inconvenience and potential disconnection of power supply. KPDCL has facilitated multiple payment channels, including online platforms, designated payment centers, and mobile banking services, to facilitate ease of payment and ensure accessibility for all consumers," the KPDCL said. The disconnection drive underscores the necessity of responsible electricity consumption and adherence to payment obligations by consumers.

For the first time, the word terrorism has been defined in the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita. It was absent in the IPC.

The laws have given a clear definition of terrorism, abolished sedition as a crime and introduced a new section titled "offences against the state".

The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita lists offences such as acts of secession, armed rebellion, subversive activities, separatist activities or endangering the sovereignty or unity in the new avatar of the sedition law.

According to the laws, anyone purposely or knowingly, by words, either spoken or written, or by signs, or by visible representation, or by electronic communication or by use of financial means, or otherwise, excites or attempts to excite secession or armed rebellion or subversive activities, or encourages feelings of separatist activities or endangers sovereignty or unity and integrity of India or indulges in or commits any such act shall be punished with imprisonment for life or with imprisonment which may extend to seven years and shall also be liable to fine.

According to IPC Section 124A, which deals with sedition, anyone involved in the crime may be punished with life imprisonment or with a three-year jail term.

Under the new laws, 'Rajdroh' has got a new term 'Deshdroh', thus doing away with the reference to the British crown.

The provisions of this Sanhita shall also apply to any offence committed by any citizen of India in any place without and beyond India, any person on any ship or aircraft registered in India wherever it may be and any person in any place without and beyond India committing offence targeting a computer resource located in India.

Under the new laws, the magistrate's power to impose fines has been increased as well as the scope of declaring a proclaimed offender.

Shah had said the three legislations were drafted after comprehensive consultations and that he had gone through every comma and full stop of the draft legislation before bringing them to the House for approval.

Slapping Wife

the court's order dated March 19, 2022. This inconsistency was a significant part of his challenge against the proceedings.

The court also directed the trial court to proceed in accordance with the law.

Govt. To Provide

and again but forgot to build the future of the country," the PM said.

Their (Congress) thought was only to form a government while taking the country forward was never on their agenda, he said.

"Today too the Congress' 'dasha and disha' (condition and direction) are the same as earlier. The Congress cannot think beyond parivarvaad, corruption and appeasement," he said.

PM Modi said those who are only busy making the future of their sons and daughters can never think about "your sons and daughters"

"But for Modi, you all are Modi's family. Your dreams are Modi's resolution. That is why today I am talking about developed India and developed Chhattisgarh," he added.

A developed Chhattisgarh can be built with the empowerment of the poor, youth and women, he said.

The previous Congress government in Chhattisgarh had stalled the construction of houses for the poor but the new BJP government has expedited it. the PM said.

Referring to himself as the servant of the people, Modi said he had given 140 crore Indians a guarantee of his commitment and hard work.

Strong action was being taken against those who had looted the poor and the money recovered is being utilised for the betterment of citizens, he said.

Modi spoke about his government's welfare schemes under which people are getting free rations, medical treatment, affordable medicines, housing, piped water, gas connection and toilets.

"Ten years ago, Modi had given the guarantee that we will create an India as per the dreams of our ancestors. Today, look all around, a new India is being built just like the dreams that our

and education facilities as well as infrastructure like roads and rail lines, the PM said development starts and employment opportunities get created once corruption comes to an end.

The government was transforming the "annadata" (food producer) into "urjadata" (power producer) by assisting farmers to set up smallscale solar plants on barren farmlands, Modi said.

The BJP government in Chhattisgarh, which took over in December last year, has begun fulfilling "guarantees" (poll promises), Modi added.

The BJP unseated the Congress in the 2023 Assembly polls, winning 54 seats in the 90-member House.

Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai and senior BJP leaders were present at the main event held in the Indoor Stadium Budha Talab in Raipur.

PM Inaugurates

"Today we have launched the world's largest storage scheme for our farmers. Under this, thousands of warehouses and thousands of godowns will be constructed across the country," he said.

He also urged the cooperative sector to help India reduce its import dependence on agricultural products, including edible oils, and also fertilisers.

Adhere to Commission's

undermining the spirit of transfer policy," observes the communique.

"Therefore, the Commission has directed that, except for the States/UTs that comprise up to two Parliamentary Constituencies, all States shall ensure that officers who are transferred out of the district are not posted within the same Parliamentary Constituency. This shall also be applicable to the transfers/postings that have already been given effect in pursuance of the Commission's instruction. It is reiterated that the transfer policy of the commission must be adhered to in both letter and spirit."

"The Commission has further directed that a report certifying the compliance of the earlier directions and including the above be furnished by the Chief Secretary and the DGP of the State concerned to the Commission latest by 3:00 PM on 26.02.2024," the communique further reads.

Learn From J&K's

robust ecosystem of Religious. Archaeological and Cultural Tourism in Bihar. The LG released the first edition of Bihar Discourse Journal and 'Fool Bahadur', a Magahi novel translated by Poet-Diplomat Abhay K.

Kashmiri Women

face a complex web of challenges. "It seems as though our every move while driving is more heavily analyzed than those of their male counterparts. Harassment and traditional social mindsets contribute to a vicious cycle of women disliking to drive or driving less," Saima said.

"I am a learner and drive at a slow speed to balance my moves, but I am always humiliated by male drivers on the road, they label me and judge me, which makes me very uncomfortable." said Mehak, a student.

Dr Shazia Malik, Assistant Professor, Department of Gender Studies, University of Kashmir also expressed similar views. "The perception is that the street is a part of the public sphere that belongs to men, therefore, women need not own any part of it. The harassment of women drivers is an outcome of social expectations and traditional gender roles," Shazia said. Shazia believes that the public-private di-

chotomy dictates much of what women are allowed to do.

"Women are encouraged to work as teachers and professors because the job involves nurturing that is an extension of the gender roles women are assigned in the private spaces. But they are rarely encouraged to ride a bike and drive a car," she added.

In Shazia's opinion, if women make any mistake while driving it is because of her gender and she will be instantly questioned which will eventually lead to losing access to transport altogether. "This stereotype in society has made women less courageous to face any hurdle on the road, even when they are not at fault," Shazia said.

While most men seem to degrade women drivers with sexist criticism on the road, some have contrary opinions that women tend to feel nervous because of the confirmed societal bias associated with them.

"All-Female Training"

Sustaining the fight against socially enforced roles for her gender, Iman Aslam has come forward with her all - girls driving institute called, steer we go.

"I have trained over 200 women at the institute. The number of enrolments keep increasing with each passing day," said Iman, adding, "women in search of a friendly and a patient atmosphere, search for me which makes me feel proud and happy to be at a convenient service.".

"In my experience, women are better drivers than men, and are able to pick up quickly."

Power Shortage

guidelines and exercising prudence in energy consumption, communities can help mitigate

Consumers are encouraged to reach out to the utility company for any queries or assistance regarding bill payments and related matters. (KNS)

Consumers Decry

areas of Srinagar said that they were facing the worst electricity crisis.

Naseer Ahmad of Batamaloo said, "Currently we are facing more than 10 to 12 hours of curtailment in smart metered areas and more than 15 hour curtailment for non metered areas"

Naseer said, "Besides the long curtailments, unscheduled power cuts are adding fuel to the fire."

Similarly, the residents of Jawahar Nagar, Chattabal, Tengpora, Mominabad, and Karanagar expressed the same issues. "The pesky unscheduled power cuts are making our ives miserable."

The residents of Pulwama, Qazigund, Ganderbal and subdivision Kangan areas informed that the concerned authorities have failed to implement its directives on ground. "It seems that the KPDCL orders and directives pertaining to supply of power and uninterrupted service remain confined to papers and offices only.

A resident of Pulwama, Zahid Ahmad said, "Irony is that the consumers even after paying the bills on time are being forced to reel under darkness.

"Frequent snapping of power against the scheduled power curtailment especially in morning and evening hours have jeopardized the living in rural areas," he said.

On Friday, residents of Zafran Colony in Pantha Chowk area of Srinagar expressed their resentment against the DISCOM for resorting to unscheduled and irritating long power cuts in the area stating that they pay electricity bills well in time.

STATE

Swift Settlement of Insurance **Claims Relieves J&K Bank Customers**



KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: In a major relief to the affected families, J&K Bank facilitated quick settlement of MetLoan & Life Suraksha (MLLS) insurance claims of its deceased borrowers who had their accounts in different branches of the Bank's Rajouri Zone. Since last few months, the claims worth Rs 3.60 Crores were paid to the family members of the deceased customers.

The Bank's Zonal Head (Rajouri) Satish Kumar displayed the symbolic cheque worth Rs 3.60 Cr handed over to the nominees/legal heirs of the deceased customers with Regional Manager (Credit Life - PNB MetLife) Nisar Ahmad in presence of Branch Heads and other officials of PNB MetLife.

Expressing gratitude to the Bank and its insurance partner

PNB MetLife, the recipients described settlement of claims as a big relief for the kith and kin of the deceased. "We are very thankful to the Bank for covering these loans under insurance. We are also grateful for the timely settlement of the claims, which has relieved our families of such huge financial burdens", they said.

Speaking on the occasion, officials from the Bank and the insurance company highlighted the significance of getting loans insured. "With a single-premium option alongside the bank finance available for the customers, the shall continue to educate people about of benefits of getting their loans insured for the financial protection of their own families.

families of borrowers can be safeguarded in case of such unforeseen eventualities", the Zonal Head said, adding that the Bank

Northern Army Commander Reviews Security Situation

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Northern Army Commander Lieutenant General M V Suchindra Kumar reviewed the security situation in Kashmir and the operational preparedness of the force, the Army said on Saturday. During his maiden visit to

the Valley, Lt Gen Kumar also met Jammu and Kashmir Director General of Police (DGP) R R Swain. In a post on X, the Army's

Northern Command said, "#Lt-GenMVSuchindraKumar, #ArmyCdrNC accompanied by #ChinarCorps Cdr visited Victor and Kilo Force to review the prevalent security situation. He was



ror) grid, Soldier-Citizen connect & Operational preparedness."

The commander appreciated the operational alacrity of the formations, it said.

During his visit, Lt Gen Kumar also visited forward areas along the Line of Control (LoC) to review the counter-infiltration grid and the ongoing counter-terrorism operations

in the hinterland, officials said. He exhorted all ranks to remain focused on operational preparedness and to continue working with utmost zeal and enthusiasm, they said.

The Army commander also held discussions with DGP Swain and senior officials of other agencies on the prevailing security situation and building synergy for future operations.

Train to Kupwara: Admin Seeks Data for Final Location Survey

KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR- In a latest development vis-à-vis the extension of approximately 33.7 kilometre long railway line from Sopore to Kupwara under the Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla Rail Link (USBRL) project, the Kupwara administration has sought latest requisite data from various offices in the district for the purpose of 'Final

Location Survey' (FLS) by the Railway authorities.

"Dy. Chief Engineer/C-II, Northern Railway, USBRL Project, Banihal vide communication under reference has conveyed that Northern Railway is conducting the Final Location Survey (FLS) for extending the Railway Line from Sopore to Kupwara. An assessment of the anticipated traffic on this proposed new line has to be made as a part of the project report which will help in deciding the requisite infrastructure at various stations," reads a communiqué by ADC Kupwara to General Manager DIC, Chief Agricultural Officer, ARTO, Assistant Director FCS&CA, Area Marketing Officer, Deputy **Registrar Cooperatives Society** Kupwara and Executive Officer MC Kupwara/Handwara/ Langate.

Renowned Educationist Prof A G Madhosh No More

KO NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR: Renowned educationist and psychologist Prof Abdul Ghani Madhosh passed away on Saturday morning. He was former Dean and Head school of Education, physical education, and former Director SRC Kashmir University.

His death has been widely mourned and people from all sections of the society are visiting his residence in large numbers. Prof. Madhosh has contribut-

ed immensely to the education policy and planning, both at the state and the national level. Meanwhile, The Kashmir Uni-

versity (KU) condoled the demise of Prof A G Madhosh. The octogenarian served as former Dean and Head, School of

Education, KU; Director, Physical Education and Sports, KU and former Director State Resource Centre, KU, an official statement issued here read.

While extending her condolences to Prof Madhosh's family, KU Vice Chancellor Prof Nilofer Khan in her message said that the passing of Prof Madhosh is an irreplaceable loss to the educational fraternity and that his legacy will continue to inspire generations to come "Prof Madhosh was a stalwart

in the field of education policy and planning. We mourn the



loss of a revered figure in the educational community. Our thoughts and prayers are with Prof Madhosh's family, friends and colleagues. May his soul rest in peace," an official spokesperson quoted Prof Khan in the statement.

In his condolence message, KU Registrar, Prof Nasser Iqbal, said that Prof A G Madhosh was a distinguished educational expert and researcher, widely recognised for his significant contributions to the field of education emphasising and promoting non-formal education.

"His dedication to enhancing educational practices and his commitment to nurturing future generations has left lasting impressions on the educational landscape," Prof Naseer said, adding that throughout his career, Prof Madhosh inspired countless students, colleagues and aspiring educators with his wisdom, insight and passion for learning.

Maternity Hospital Anantnag Operates From Unsafe Building

Agencies

ANANTNAG: The Maternity and Child Care Hospital (M&CCH) in Anantnag town, catering to patients from all four districts of south Kashmir as well as Ramban and the Chenab Valley, continues to function from an unsafe building since 2014.

Located in the congested Sherbagh locality, the hospital faces a space crunch, with authorities placing beds in the corridors to accommodate the huge influx of patients.

Officials who spoke with the news agency, said that more than 100 patients remain admitted in the labour and surgical wards almost every night. They said thousands of patients visit the hospital OPD daily.

For such a huge rush, there are only two labour wards and four surgical wards besides an operation theatre, the officials, wishing anonymity, said, adding, "Multiple patients occupy a single bed,

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and the hospital is overcrowded and noisy, with people usually jostling each other to move in." The building in which MCCH

is functioning at present was declared unsafe by the Fire & **Emergency Services Department** around a decade ago. "After the building was declared unsafe, the government planned to shift the hospital to

the district hospital; however, political influence forced authorities to revoke the order within 24 hours," the officials said.

"Seven years ago, the government decided to shift the hospital to the Rehmat e Alam building (a building of trust) in the Sarnal area of the town. However, the hospital continues to work from the unsafe building which faces a space crunch among other problems," they said.

According to officials, the hospital receives more than 50,000 patients in the Out-Patient Department (OPD) and about 10,000 indoor patients monthly.

PRINCIPAL DISTRICT JUDGE AT SRINAGAR In the Case of Mudasir Ahmad Bhat Nadira Salam Bhat All Son A daughters of Zaraona begum & Late Ghulam Nabl Bhat, All Residents of Sonwar, Srinagar ...(Petitioner's) Versus **Public At Large** (Respondent/s) In the matter of: Petition in terms of Section 372 of Indian Succession Act, 1925 Seeking Issuance of succession certificate in favour of the appli cant in respect of Amount of Rs. 21,44,366/-(Rupees Twenty One lac's forty four thousand three hundred sixty six rupees only) along with interest left behind by the deceased namely Late Mst Zareen Begum D/o Abdul Salam Sheikh W/o Late Ghulam Nabi Wani R/o

BEFORE THE HON'BLE COURT OF

Sonwar Srinagar who has left behind the mentioned amount in the Office of Medical Superintendent Chest Disease, Srinagar on account of Leave Salary, G.P Fund and Gratuity (DCRG). The petition is pending disposal before this courtand the next date of hearing isfixed on 16-03-2024

Public Notice is hereby issued, informingall and sundry through the drom of this proclamation that at any anyone has any objection for issuance of succession certificate, he/she / they shall appear be fore this court either personally or through counsel or any author ized agent and file objections on or before 13-03-2024. Failing which the petition will be taken up and appropriate orders will be passed in the same In case, the date fixed Is dec lared as holiday . the matter s hall be taken on the next working day. Given under my hand and seal of this court. Principal District Judge, Srinagar

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All bidders shall upload the following information and documents along with qualification criteria/ qualification information with their bids.

Copies of original documents defining constitution/ legal status/ place of registration and principal place of Business.

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public that I have los my son's passport bearing passport No Y9603808 under the name of Murfa anywhere Yaseen now I have applied for the duplicate copy of the same so, in this regard have any body any objection he/she may file his/ her objection report at Regional passport office Srinagar within a period of seven days after the publication of this notice after due that no objection will/ Shall be accepted or entertained. Mohammad Yaseen Wani

F/O:Murfa Yaseen R/O: Near Rice Mill Lethapora, Pulwama

NOTICE

This is to inform public the general that my son namely Mohammad Anzar Sofi Son Of Tariq Ahmad Sofi R/0 Shahi Hamdan Lane Umerabad Zainakote Srinagar. have not registered him indeaths and births records as such I am intending to register the actual date of birth of my son namely Mohammad Anzar Sofi (10/12/2014). If any body is having objection he or she may approach me within seven days **Tariq Ahmad Sofi**

Father Of The Applicant (Mohammad Anzar Sofi) R/O Shahi Hamdan Lane Umerabad Zainakote Srinaga

SCIENCES & TECHNOLOGY OF KASHMIR ESTATES WING, MAIN CAMPUS SHALIMAR - 190 025 **NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER**

E-NIT No. (116) of 2023-24 Dated: 23.02.2024 For and on behalf of Vice-Chancellor, SKUAST-Kashmir, e-tenders (Single-cover system) are invited on percentage basis from approved and eligible Electric contractors whose cards are valid up to 31-12-2024 registered with State PWD, CPWD Railways and other State /Central Govt departments for the follow

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S.No	Name of the work	Estimated Cost (in lacs)	Earnest Money (in Rs.)	Class of Contractor	Cost of Tender document	Time of completion
1.	Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 25 HP Motor for Water Lifting Station at Pahroo Nallah at Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura SKUAST-Kashmir (HADP)	2.17	4,340	A class	300/-	10 days
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GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR SKIMS MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL BEMINA, SRINAGAR (J&K)-190017. Abbreviated Advertisement Notification No:

SKIMS-MC (04) Acad, of 2024; Dated: 22-02-2024

SKIMS Medical College, Bemina, Srinagar invites applications on prescribed format from eligible domicile candidates of J&K & Ladakh, up to 45 years of age as on last date of receipt of application forms for 02 positions of vacant/ likely vacant tenure posts of Senior Residents in the Department of Dentistry.

TIMELINES:

- Last date of Issue of Application Forms: 4th March, 2024 till 11:00 AM (on all working days).
- Last Date of Receipt of Application Forms: 4th March, 2024 till 1:00 PM. (on all working days).

NOTE:

Application forms can be obtained from the Academic Section against Bank receipt of Rs.500/-paid to CD-10 account at JK Bank, SKIMS-MCH Branch. CANDIDATES ARE ADVISED TO REGULARLY CHECK THE OFFICIAL WEBSITE http://www.skimsmc.edu.in FOR ANY UPDATES/ CHANGES

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- The confirmation status of GST-3/GSTR-3B will be verified online
- If it is determined to be invalid, the defaulting contractor shall be barred from participating in the future tendering process
- \geq Only digitally issued and renewed contractor registration cards through www.ikpwdoms.gov.in shall be accepted for contractors registered with PW(R&B) department.
- However, contractors registered with other departments must have online registration on www.jkpwdoms.gov.in
- Earnest money/Bid Security & tender document Fee indicating name of the work/NIT No. therein
- No documents which have /have not been uploaded shall be entertained in the form of hard copy. However, in case of any clarification the bidders shall have to produce original documents.
- Class of Contract is strictly as per Column number 7 in table 1.
- No other CARD and Certificate is accepted.
- All documents relating to the bid shall be in the English language

SD/ EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PW (R&B) PROJECT DIVISION III SRINAGAR.



Grant of registration to the Hotel under the name and style "M/s Lemon Tree" Sub: situated at Sonamarg, Ganderbal.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, Mr.Naseem Mushtag S/o Mushtag Ahmad Chaya R/o Brien Nishat Srinagar and Mir Suhail S/o Mr. Showkat Ahmad Mir R/o Hardu Abnoora Tehsil Tangmarg Baramulla,Kashmir have approached this office for grant of Registration to the Hotel under the name and style "Lemon Tree" situated at Sonamarg, Ganderbal;

Whereas, the applicant has submitted the documents like NOC from SDA vide their No.CEO/SDA/2024/3519-21 dated 13.01.2024, Building permission by the Sonamarg Development Authority, vide order No. 23/CEO/ SDA/BPC of 2013 dated 03.04.2013 in the name of Mr. Mir Suhail S/o Mr. Showkat Ahmad Mir R/o Hardu Abnoora Tehsil Tangmarg Baramulla for construction of 2 hotel blocks only in stages on their piece of land, Partnership deed duly registered between Mr. Naseem Mushtaq S/o Mushtaq Ahmad Chaya R/o Brien Nishat Srinagar and Mir Suhail S/o Mr. Showkat Ahmad Mir R/o Hardu Abnoora Tehsil Tangmarg Baramulla dated 05/03/2019, PHE Bill, PDD bill, NOC from F&ES Department issued vide No. DFES/EF/1/2022-04/ CC-7079322/2829 dated 15.06.2023, NOC from F&ES Department issued vide No. DFES/EF/1/2022-04/CC-7079322/2829 dated 15.06.2023, State Subject certificate photocopy, Character Certificate, Ownership papers of land/Revenue Extract, PAN Card, Id Proof, Non-Conviction Affidavit and other related documents etc;

Whereas, grant of registration certificate for the hotel is purely for purpose of running operation management of the said hotel and does not confer any right of ownership of the hotel or any other entitlement in respect of property disputes and shall also not regularize any unauthorized structure and encroachment on Government land;

Now therefore, in exercise of powers conferred on me under section 10 of J&K Registration of Tourist Trade Act 1978/82/2011/2012, before issuance of registration certificate in favour of Mr. Mr. Naseem Mushtag S/o Mushtaq Ahmad Chaya R/o Brien Nishat Srinagar and Mir Suhail S/o Mr. Showkat Ahmad Mir R/o Hardu Abnoora Tehsil Tangmarg Baramulla, Kashmir the matter is hereby notified for information of General Public/ Financial Institutions/ Banks/ Development Authorities/ PHE Department/ Electric Department etc, that in case of any objection, the same should reach the office of undersigned within a period of 07 days from the date of publication of this notice. No objections beyond a period of 07 days will be entertained and the request of the applicant will be considered as per norms and as after submission of all requisite documents. No: Reg/UP-97/DTK/854 Sd/-Dated:24.02.2024 ourism

DIPK-16974-23	Deputy Director Tourism
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KHELO INDIA WINTER GAMES DAY 4

J&K's Shahid, Viqar, Sobia, **Gousia Clinch Medals**

GULMARG: On the fourth day of Khelo India Winter Games, a local boy from Tangmarg, Shahid Ahmad Chachi, triumphed Ski Mountaineering in Men's Verticle Category at Kangdoori on Saturday, capped J&K's first gold medal of the 2024 edition.

Mayank Dimri from Uttrakhand was decorated with silver while Thir Bhadhur with bronze.

In the same event for women, Kamaya Kartikayan from Maharashtra, Menak Gunjiyal from Uttrakhand and Gousia Gulzar from J&K won Gold, Silver and Bronze, respectively.

In Alpine Skiing Slalom for women Anchal Thakur from Himachal Pradesh clinched Gold, Sobiya Nabi from J&K followed with Silver and Diya Thakur from Himachal with Bronze.

Regarding the arrangements she expressed gratitude to the government and J&K Sports Council for excellent arrangements and providing athletes opportunity to enhance their skill.



Apline Skiing Slalom for Men witnessed Army triumphing with medals as it's athletes Baqir Hussain won gold medal, Mayank Panwar obtained silver, Jekmat Rafstan got bronze. Baqir also becomes the player who won gold medals both in Giant Slalom and Slalom.

In another event of Snowboard Parallel Slalom of

Men's Category, Kulvinder Sharma from Army, Vikar from J&K and Kamal Jeet from Himachal emerged victorious wining Gold, Silver and Bronze, respectively. Kulvinder Sharma also took second gold medal after winning Snowboard Slalom and Parallel Slalom at Kangdoori. Bhavani Thekkada Nan-

junda from Karnataka lit

the Golf Course Nordic Skiing track with celebrations when she struck hattrick of Gold medals after winning Nordic Distance 10Km competition. In the previous two events, she had also won gold in Sprint 1.6km and Sprint 5Km.

Sapna and Prince from ITBP won silver & bronze respectively in the event.

Sachin Meets J&K Para Cricketer Amir, Calls Him 'A Hero, An Inspiration'



Lone narrated his journey to Tendulkar, calling the former

international cricketer his inspi-

ration. "Where I am today is all

because of you sir. You have been

you have achieved cannot be

suffers from such a trauma, over-

coming that and then later in

life becoming an inspiration for

others, is a huge achievement," Tendulkar said, adding "perhaps,

you do not know what you have

Tendulkar gifted him an au-

The bat had a message which

tographed bat, saying "you may

achieved by anyone else".

done".

perhaps like it".

Tendulkar told Lone, "What

When an eight-year old child

my biggest inspiration," he said.

Lone told Tendulkar.

Press Trust of India

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Para cricket team captain Amir Hussain Lone is a 'real hero and an inspiration', legendary Sachin Tendulkar said on Saturday after he met the differently-abled sportsman during his trip to the valley.

Tendulkar posted a video of his interaction with Lone on his social media accounts and wrote, "to Amir, the real hero. Keep inspiring! It was a pleasure meeting you".

Tendulkar invited Lone to his hotel where he greeted him with a hug and also gifted him his autographed bat.

Tendulkar told Lone that after he watched his video, which had gone viral last month, he wanted to meet the para cricketer.

"I never lost hope in my life. I

always thought and kept in mind said "Amir, the real hero. Keep that I have to fulfil my dream," inspiring".

He then asked Lone to show his batting stance which the dif-ferently-abled obliged.

Later, Tendulkar met Lone's family and told them he was very happy to have met the J&K para cricket team captain.

He also posed for a photograph with Lone's family and friends. Last month, after his video

went viral, Tendulkar said on X that he wanted to meet Lone. "And Amir has made the im-

possible possible. I am so touched watching this! Shows how much love and dedication he has for the game. Hope I get to meet him one day and get a jersey with his name. Well done for inspiring millions who are passionate about playing the sport," he posted on X.

India 219/7 After Bowling **Out England For 353**



Press Trust of India

RANCHI: India reached 219 for seven at stumps against England on the second day of the fourth Test, trailing the visitors by 134 runs here on Saturday.

England were all out for 353 in their first innings earlier in day having resumed from their overnight score of 302 for seven. In-form young opener Yashasvi Jaiswal top-scored in the home team's first innings with a 73 off 117 balls.

most and ended the day with figures of 4/84. For England, Joe Root remained not out on 122 after breaking his lean run with the bat, and Ollie Robinson contrib-

uted a useful 58. Ravindra Jadeja picked up 4/67, and pacer Akash Deep grabbed 3/83 in an impressive debut. Brief scores: India 1st innings: 353 all out in 104.5 overs (Joe Root 122, Ollie Robinson 58, Ben Foakes 47; Ravindra Jadeja 4/67, Akash Deep 3/83)

Why Karnataka's Thekkada Bhavani Nanjugunda Is The 'Queen Of Nordic Skiing' In India

Observer News Service

GULMARG: If there was a prize for the 'Woman of the Khelo India Winter Games 2024' underway in Gulmarg, Thekkada Bhavani Nanjugunda would perhaps walk away with the honours. The Karnataka skier, who is also a mountaineer with decent credentials, completed a hattrick of gold medals in Nordic skiing at the iconic Gulmarg Golf Course on Saturday.

Bhavani's consistency in this edition of the Games, where the technical parameters have been directly managed by the Sports Authority of India, impressed no other than six-time Winter Olympian Shiva Keshavan, who thinks there is a lot to achieve for Indian snow sport athletes given the fantastic conditions available in Gulmarg. Thekkada Bhavani Nanjugunda won the 10 km race on Saturday to cap off a very successful KIWG 2024. She had won the 5 km and the 1.6 km races earlier in the championship and has been solely responsible for Karnataka's fine run in the Games. A slim girl with average



says, "After that I joined Jawahar Mountaineering Institute at Pahalgam where the Principal of the institute and instructors encouraged me to learn cross

country She never looked back. For the first time in 2020, she took part in a cross-country race at Gulmarg. "I learned techniques while watching the Army teams," said Bhavani, adding that the High Altitude Warfare School has been one of her greatest supports.

"I continue my training with Army at Gulmarg who are providing me accommodation and other technical facilities," she said, adding, "Throughout the year I do endurance training at home."

"When my friends watch running everyday, they ask me 'What is the fun about?' I tell them I am preparing for the Winter Games. They look a bit puzzled. The awareness on winter sports needs to grow," said Bhavani, who aspires to represent India at the 2026 Winter Olympics in Milan Cortina, Italy. Bhavani has been conducting seminars to motivate young-

sters to take up winter sports.

"Today we see a lot of change as players from non-snow states are seriously participating in Khelo India Winter Games," said Bhavani. Karnataka skaters dominated the first leg of the KIWG in Ladakh earlier this month.

Bhavani is no stranger to Khelo India Winter Games. On her debut in 2021, she won gold and bronze in cross-country skiing. Interestingly, Bhavani is the first women to represent India in a biathlon event. A biathlon event usually combines cross-country skiing and rifle shooting!

The Khelo India Winter Games are a step in the right direction and Bhavani feels athletes from Jammu and Kashmir can do much better since snow is at their footsteps. "The (J&K) girls are lacking awareness. Family support is pivotal and it is important to break away from stereotypes," said Bhavani, who wants more junior level tournaments to raise interest and awareness in winter sports from childhood.

Dhruv Jurel (30) and Kuldeep Yadav (17) were unbeaten at stumps, having helped India recover from 177 for seven.

Among England bowlers, offspinner Shoaib Bashir shone the

England 1st innings: 219/7 in 73 overs (Yashasvi Jaiswal 73; Shoaib Bashir 4/84).

height, Bhavani hails from Karnataka where snow is found as abundantly as water in desert. Bhavani happened to visit Kashmir during winter in her

childhood. The snow fascinated her, the 28-year-old recalled. It was through the NCC

where she first got the taste of adventure sports. Bhavani

League Cup Trophy Part Of Final **Chapter With Liverpool: Klopp**



Agencies

Winning the League Cup would be a crucial addition to the final segment of a memoir with Liverpool, the soon-to-depart manager Juergen Klopp said before his side's final match against Chelsea. Klopp has announced his decision to step down as Liverpool manager at the end of the season, citing dwindling energy levels.

The 56-year-old, who is the only Liverpool manager to win six different major trophies, would dedicate the victory to everyone connected to the Merseyside

club as part of his trophyladen nine-year epoch.

"I want to win on Sunday but not for me or my trophy cabinet," Klopp said of the League Cup final.

'It is for the boys, for the club, for the people. That is much more important.

"We wrote, and we are still writing, a wonderful book, and when I leave we close that book and put it on the shelf and then someone else will write a wonderful book.

'Yes, there is space for some chapters. It is long. I am not there and writing the resume already? Not at all. I am 100% in trying to create a

few special memories on top of what we have done."

Klopp's side have a lengthy injury list that could hinder their chances of securing a record-extending 10th League Cup triumph at Wembley, with the likes of Diogo Jota, Trent Alexander-Arnold, Alisson and Curtis Jones sidelined and forwards Mohamed Salah, Darwin Nunez and midfielder Dominik Szoboszlai doubtful for Sunday. Liverpool's most recent triumph came in the 2021-22 campaign when they also lifted the FA Cup, and narrowly missed securing a treble as they finished second in the Premier League.

Soreness Rules Warner Out Of Final T20 Clash With NZ

Agencies

David Warner has withdrawn from the third and final match of Australia's Twenty20 series against New Zealand in Auck-land on Sunday with adductor soreness, Cricket Australia announced on Saturday.

The 37-year-old, who is retiring from all forms of inter-national cricket after the T20 World Cup in June, did not feature in Friday's 72-run victory over the Black Caps as the Australians completed back-to-back wins over their hosts. "Warner will require a brief

recovery period, which is not expected to affect his availability for the upcoming Indian Premier League leading into the ICC Men's T20 World Cup," Cricket Australia said in a statement.

Warner hit 32 runs off 20 balls in the opening win over New Zealand in Wellington on Wednesday, but was booed off the field by the home fans in what was his final appearance in the bilateral international series.



Pakistan To Host T20 **Series Against NZ In April**



Press Trust of India

KARACHI: The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) is set to host a fivematch T20 international series against New Zealand in April this year.

A PCB official confirmed that talks were underway with New Zealand Cricket (NZC) to finalise the dates and venues for the rubber but the window would be from April 13 to 24.

The official said that the series, being held in preparation for the T20 World Cup this year, would be probably staged in Lahore and Rawalpindi as Karachi would be hosting a series

between the Pakistan and West Indies women's teams around the same time.

Pakistan last month played a five-match T20 series, which New Zealand won 4-1.

The Pakistan team, after the Pakistan Super League, will be involved in a series of T20 matches against Afghanistan, New Zealand and England ahead of the World Cup in June in the USA and the West Indies.

Pakistan in the last two years has been able to host number of international teams, including top ranked sides like Australia, England and New Zealand.