

## 2 Soldiers Killed In Anantnag Encounter

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Two Army personnel were killed and six others, including two civilians, injured in a fierce gunfight with terrorists in a forest area of Jammu and Kashmir's Anantnag district at an altitude of 10,000 feet on Saturday, officials said as an operation to hunt down the ultras continued despite the challenging topography. The firefight occurred during a cordon and search operation that was initiated by the security forces based on intelligence reports indicating the presence of terrorists in the remote Ahlan Gagarmandu forest in the Kokernag belt. According to officials, the skirmish began when a group of terrorists opened fire at the

joint search parties comprising Army troopers, including para commandos, and local police. In the ensuing gun battle, six Army personnel and two civilians were injured, officials said, adding the injured soldiers were promptly taken to a nearby hospital where two died shortly after arrival. The remaining injured personnel and civilians are receiving medical attention, they said. Reinforcements have been deployed in the area and operations to locate and neutralise the fleeing terrorists are underway, the officials said. This encounter is a grim reminder of a similar operation in the general area of Kokernag last September, during which four security personnel, including Colonel | [More on P10](#)



Silhouettes of people and horses set against the evening sky at Gulmarg. KO Pix Abid bhat

## Rain Likely In J&K From Aug 16: MeT

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The heat wave has once again gripped multiple places of Kashmir including Srinagar, the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir where the mercury settled at 34.8 degree Celsius on Saturday. However, Srinagar and Kupwara stations were hotter than the Jammu division. The maximum temperature in Srinagar settled 4.8 degree above normal, a data shared by the local Meteorological department (MeT) reveals. According to reports, Qazigund, a gateway of Kashmir, also recorded a heat wave for the second straight day at 33.0 degree Celsius, which was 5.0 degree above normal. The Kashmir Valley and a few areas of Jammu continued to witness the prolonged dry spell, causing worries among the farmers in general and fruit growers in particular. All the stations as per the data across Kashmir have recorded above normal temperatures with mercury in Pahalgam and Kokernag areas | [More on P10](#)



## Sketches Of 4 Terrorists Released In Kathua Rs 20 Lakh Cash Reward Announced

A massive search operation was launched in a forest area of Jammu and Kashmir's Kathua district where police on Saturday released sketches of four terrorists spotted in 'dhoks' (mud-houses) and announced a cash reward of Rs 20 lakh for credible information on them, officials said. Kathua in Jammu region witnessed a | [More on P10](#)

## Reasi Terror Attack: LG Awards Job To Wife Of Slain Bus Driver

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday handed over the appointment letter to the wife of a bus driver who was among nine persons killed in a terror attack on a | [More on P10](#)

## J&K ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS Schedule Likely To Be Announced Between August 21-25

Agencies

Jammu: Since the Election Commission of India (ECI) made it clear that time is right for holding Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir, the schedule for these elections may be announced from August 21 to 25. The ECI, as per the sources, has kept August 25 the upper limit to announce the elections in this Union Territory. The Supreme Court has given a deadline of September 30 to hold elections in this UT which is without an elected government for the last six years whereas the last Assembly elections were held in 2014. Highly placed sources said that ECI is waiting for the August 20 deadline of



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publication of final electoral rolls and till then the security meeting regarding availability of forces will be completed and schedule will be announced in between August 21 and 25. "It is expected that a four-phase election to 90 seats of J&K may be announced where

## INDEPENDENCE DAY Set Up 24x7 Checkpoints: IGP To Officers

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Kashmir Police chief V K Birdi on Saturday asked security agencies in the valley to maintain strict vigil by setting up 24x7 checkpoints and implementing joint mechanisms to disrupt the terror ecosystem in the run-up to Independence Day. The officers were also asked to enhance night domination in their respective vulnerable areas, a police spokesperson said. The Kashmir IGP's direction came during a meeting at Police Control Room, Kashmir to review the overall security scenario and arrangements for the celebration of the forthcoming Independence Day and Tiranga rally, he said. The meeting was attended by senior officers of police, Army, CRPF, BSF, Traffic, and

Intelligence Bureau among others, he added. The IGP sought reports from the officers about the security arrangements and deployment plans put in place for the smooth and peaceful conduct of the events, he added. Birdi also asked the officers to establish 24x7 special checkpoints at vulnerable locations and entry-exit routes of Srinagar, the spokesperson said. The Kashmir IGP focused upon the fair and smooth conduct of the events on August 15 and directed the officers to maintain strict vigilance and alert to disrupt the terror ecosystem, the police spokesperson said. Birdi also directed the officers concerned to ensure the implementation of joint mechanisms chalked out at different levels, he said. | [More on P10](#)

## 425 Criminal Cases Settled in J&K Special Lok Adalat

Observer News Service

Srinagar: In a Special Lok Adalat held across Jammu and Kashmir, 425 out of 994 criminal compoundable cases were settled amicably, providing significant relief to litigants in Jammu and Kashmir. This was the 8th Special Lok Adalat of the current calendar year. As per the data received from various District Legal Services Authorities across the UT of JK, a total of 994 cases were taken up in the Special Lok Adalat, out of which 425 cases were amicably settled involving a total amount of Rs.3,30,24,050/- giving a huge relief to the litigants. Member Secretary, JK Legal Services Authority, Amit Kumar Gupta, while talking to media persons informed that this was the 8th Special Lok Adalat of the current calendar year and the next special Lok Adalat shall be held on Friday, August 23, 2024, focusing on the settlement | [More on P10](#)

## DSEK Changes School Timings From Aug 12

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Directorate of School Education Kashmir (DSEK) Saturday changed school timing in Kashmir division. According to the official orders in this regard, the timing for school falling within Srinagar Municipal limits will be 9AM to 3PM while the educational institutes falling outside Municipal limits of Srinagar District and other areas of Kashmir Province shall remain open from 10AM to 4PM. DSEK said that the new school timing for both government and recognised private schools in the Kashmir



Division, with effect from August 12. Notably, in a bid to provide a respite to the school children amid the ongoing heat wave, the Directorate of the School in Kashmir and Jammu division had ordered a change in the school timings for all government and privately recognised schools up to higher | [More on P10](#)

## Parents Demand Rollback Of Previous Timings

Following the orders of change in school timing in Kashmir, parents of school children Saturday urged the authorities to revoke the new orders in view of scorching temperatures. Speaking to a local news agency, parents urged the school education | [More on P10](#)

## Record-Breaking Kashmiri Folk Dance Unites 10,000 Women

Observer News Service

Srinagar: In a historic feat, 10,000 young women from Baramulla created a world record by performing the largest Kashmiri Folk Dance ever at the 'Kashur Riwaaj' cultural festival, a mega event organized by the Dagger Division of Chinar Corps in collaboration with Baramulla District Administration and Indrani Balan Foundation, in the lead up to 78th Independence Day celebration. The festival was held at Prof. Showkat Ali Indoor Stadium to showcase the vibrant traditions of Kashmir through traditional dances, music, calligraphy and cultural activities. The highlight was the collective performance of the Rouf dance by the young women, setting a new world record. "We have been rehearsing for almost a month. Now we feel all the effort was worth it. This is a great achievement and we are proud to be part of the world record," said one of the young participants. The District Administration,



led by Deputy Commissioner (DC) Minga Sherpa, ensured the smooth execution of the event. Senior officials from the J&K Cultural Department, Police and NGOs were also present at the historic event and encouraged the participants. The Indrani Balan Foundation, led by Punit and Janhavi Balan have supported the initiative, continuing their involvement in various development and cultural activities in Baramulla. "This is a shining

example of constructive engagement and cooperation between Civil-Military-Industry and the Youth," said an official from the IBF. This record-breaking event was adjudicated by the Universal Records Forum. Universal Records Forum (URF) is an ISO 9001:2015 certified organization, compliant to Guinness records standards, which underscores its commitment to maintaining quality management | [More on P10](#)

## Tiranga Rallies Organised Across Kashmir

Press Trust Of Kashmir

Srinagar: Tiranga rallies were taken out in several districts of the Kashmir valley on Saturday ahead of the Independence Day celebrations, officials said. As part of the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign, Tiranga rallies were taken out in many districts of the valley which witnessed a huge participation of people, the officials said. The rallies ignited patriotic fervour and it was a vibrant display of national pride as the rallies passed through the district headquarters, they said. The officials said the rallies were taken out in Shopian, Pulwama, Bandipora, Baramulla and Kupwara districts of the valley. These rallies promote a sense of pride and respect for the national flag, they said. Senior officers of the police and civil administration, including deputy commissioners and superintendents of police, led these rallies and hundreds of people participated in them, they added. The officials said | [More on P10](#)

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# Scholarships This Week

Kashmir Observer in association with Buddy4Study.com presents scholarships available for the meritorious students of Jammu and Kashmir.

## Scholarship Name Bharti Airtel Scholarship Program 2024-25

Description: Bharti Airtel Foundation invites applications from deserving students enrolled in technology or engineering undergraduate and integrated courses (up to 5 years) at the top 50 NIRF (engineering) institutions across India. The program is designed to support students from diverse socio-economic backgrounds, with focus on girls, to help them become future technology leaders.  
 Eligibility: For the Bharti Airtel Scholarship Program 2024-25, students should meet the following eligibility criteria:

Confirmed admission in the first year (starting with the 2024 cohort) of the UG/5 year integrated courses in fields of Electronics & Communication, Telecom, Information Technology, Computer Sciences, Data Sciences, Aerospace and Emerging Technologies (AI, IoT, AR/VR, Machine Learning, Robotics) at the top 50 NIRF Engineering institutions across India. (Basis the latest list available). Must be a citizen and resident of India. Family annual income from all sources should not exceed INR 8.5 Lakh. Applicants should not be recipients of any other scholarship or grants for the same purposes supported

by Bharti Airtel Foundation. NOTE: Girl students are encouraged to apply. Prizes & Rewards: Scholarships are for the full duration of the UG courses including integrated courses of up to 5 years (subject to meeting the renewal criteria). Each scholarship covers 100% of annual fees as per the fee structure of the respective institute/universities. The hostel and mess fees shall be given to all eligible students who apply for it. For students staying in PG/ outside hostel, the support shall be extended as per the Hostel/Mess charges of the institute

A laptop will be provided in the first year of the course. Once the Bharti Scholars graduate and are subsequently gainfully employed, they will undertake to voluntarily extend financial support to at least one student at a school or college level at any point of time, to the extent they can. NOTE: Refundable and security deposits are not covered under the Bharti Airtel Scholarship 2024-25. Students are responsible for these payments and their refunds. Last Date to Apply: 31-08-2024. Application mode: Online applications only. Short Url: www.b4s.in/observer/BHRSP1

## AN URGENT APPEAL

(My Daughter Needs Liver Transplant)



I would like to appeal all the generous, kind hearted people that my daughter Seerat Gul R/O Nowgam, Tehsil Sumbal is suffering from Wilson's disease with partial HTN with recurrent ascites and SBP. The patient needs liver transplant as recommended by doctors. The liver transplant estimate is about Rs 40 lacs as certified by Apollo Hospital, New Delhi. Subsequently I request general public, who are bestowed with means and sense of charity and empathy to provide me assistance so that I can save the precious life of my daughter.

Mushtaq Ahmad Najar  
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## SAD DEMISE

With profound grief, it is informed that Jinab Abdul Rashid Pandit S/o Late Ghulam Rasool Pandit R/o Daribal (near Latti Masjid), Naid Kadal, Srinagar left for heavenly abode on Saturday, 10th August 2024.



Inna Lillahi Wa Inna Ilaihi Raji'oun.  
 The congregational Fateha Khwani will be held on Tuesday, 13th August 2024 09:00am at Malkhah Qabrastaan, Near Makhdoom sahib ropeway station adjacent to Wugra House.

Bereaved  
 Nisar Ahmad Pandit (Son) 9149481779  
 Fayaz Ahmad Pandit (Son) 7780838252  
 Shakeel Ahmad Bandy (Son in law) 7006828467

## PUBLIC NOTICE

We want to change the name in Electricity bill Bearing C.I.D: 0206060011261 from Basit Ali Mir to Jehlum Automobiles Pro, Basit Ali Mir & Mohammad Yaseen Marazi. If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may inform in the office of the PDD Sub Division Narbal within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

Basit Ali Mir & Mohammad Yaseen Marazi  
 SBAKO

## Office of the Naib Tehsildar Snant Nagar Tehsil Chanapora Natipora

Issuance of dependent certificate in favour of dependents of the deceased Rifat W/o Manzoor Ahmad R/o Rawalpura who expired on 15-06-2024.

The above titled application for issuance of dependent certificate is under process in our office in this regard a report has been obtained from concerned field Staff which reveals that Rifat W/o Manzoor Ahmad Rangrez R/o Rawalpura expired on 15/06/24. The aid deceased was survived by following legal heirs

1	Lubaib Manzoor	Son	30 years	Student
2	Mohammad Rabu	Son	15	Stuent

The applicant seeks issuance of dependent certificate in favour of dependents of the deceased. If anyone is having any objections in this regard, he/she may intimate the office of the undersigned either personally on through an authorized agent within seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained. The notice is issued today under my seal & signature  
 zmk  
 Naid Tehsildar

## PUBLIC NOTICE

It is for the information of general public that I Bilqees akther D.O.Gh mohuden mir have been married to mr, Mukhtar ali wani s.o Nissar Ahmad wani R.o arampora singpora pattan due to my marraige with mr Mukhtar ali wani my address has been changed from balhama srg to R.o arampora singpora pattan now want to update my husband name and new address in my Bank account for which I am using this public notice if anybody has any objection same may be reported within 7 days no objection will be entertained after expiry of stipulated period

Bilqees akther  
 W/O: Mukhtar Ali Wani  
 R/O: Arampora Singpora Pattan  
 BMG\_r

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

NIT No:25/R&B of 2024-25

Dated:09-08-2024

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

S. No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees)	Earnest money (In Rupees)	Time of completion	M.H of Account	Class of Contractor	Project Authority
1	Construction of Protection wall backside community type Latrine near Post Office at W No. 02 MC Tangmarg.	2.67	200/-	5340/-	20 days	Dist. Capex 2024-25	DEE	DDC Baramulla
2	Up-gradation of Kralpora Hariwatnoo Tal Mohalla link.	9.24	600/-	18480/-	30 days	Dist. Capex 2024-25	D/C	DDC Baramulla
3	Improvement of washroom near TCP/Zig mode under MC Tangmarg.	1.97	200/-	3940/-	15 days	Dist. Capex 2024-25	DEE	DDC Baramulla

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

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	09-08-2024
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	10-08-2024
3	Bid submission Start Date	10-08-2024
4	Bid Submission End Date	22-08-2024 4:00 PM
5	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	23-08-2024 11:00 AM

2. Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Treasury Challan (Dated between bid submission start date and bid submission end date) with NIT No. , Serial No. and name of work to be deposited in **M.H. 0059 in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender inviting authority).**

3. All the bidders must upload Earnest Money /Bid security equal to 2% of advertised cost in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to **Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority)** (The Date of earnest money/Bid security should be between the Bid Submission start date and Bid submission end date, otherwise bids shall be rejected).

4. The Successful bidder will have to provide performance security @ 5% of contract value in the form of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to **Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority)** as per rule-171 (I) of GFR 2017. The earnest money/ Bid security @ 2% shall be released to the successful bidder only on receipt of Performance Security @ 5% of Contract value which shall be released after successful completion of DLP /maintenance period.

5. The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority).

6. The earnest money/ Bid security in favour of unsuccessful bidder shall be released only after submission of original Treasury Challan.

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

8. The earnest money shall be forfeited, if:-

i. Any bidder/ tenderer withdraw his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or make any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.

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

iii. Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.

38. All other terms conditions are as per PWD Form 25(Double agreement Form) and detailed NIT issued vide this office NIT No. 01 and 02 of 2024-25.

No: R&B / Divn./ Tang/2034-44  
 SD/- Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg.

DIPK-4527/24 dated:10-08-2024

## Phoen 0194-2310283 email:exenrajbaghsgr@gmail.com Government of Jammu & Kashmir

## Office Of The Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Rajbagh Srinagar. Lal Mandi, Near L.D. Hospital Srinagar- 190008.

E-NIT No.46/R&B/RAJ of 2024-25 issued under Endorsement No:4659-69 Dated:09.08.2024

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, UT J&K, e-tenders (In single cover system) are invited on Percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K Govt., CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Governments for the following works:- 32

S.No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rupees in Lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rs)	Earnest Money (In Rupees)	Time of completion	Major Head	Class of Contractor
1	Construction of Borewall including all fittings and Storage Sumps at Synthetic Hockey Turf at Amar Singh College Srinagar.	7.15	300/-	14300/-	20 Days	Under Capex Budget 2024-25 (Youth Services & Sports)	"CEE/DEE"

Position of AAA: Accorded BY vide order No.24-DYSS of 2024 Dated: 30.07.2024.  
 Position of TS: Accorded Vide NO. Accorded  
 Position of Funds: Committed /Demanded

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

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	09.08.2024.
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	11.08.2024 from 10:00AM
3	Bid submission Start Date	12.08.2024 from 10:00AM
4	Bid Submission End Date	17.08.2024 upto 04:00PM
5	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	19.08.2024 at 11:00 AM in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Rajbagh Srinagar.

2. Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Treasury Challan under M.H-0059 in favour of **Executive Engineer R&B Division Rajbagh Srinagar (tender inviting authority)** (The Date of Earnest money should be between Date of start of bid and Bid Submission End date) pledged to **Executive Engineer R&B Division Rajbagh Srinagar (Tender Receiving Authority).**

3. At the time of tendering, all the bidders must upload Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)/Bid Security equal to 2% of the Advertised Cost in the form of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to the Tender Receiving Authority i.e. **Executive Engineer R&B Division Rajbagh Srinagar (The date of Earnest money should be between Date of Start of bid and bid submission End date). The successful bidder will have to provide Performance Security @ 5% of allotted cost in shape of CDR/FDR/BG at the time of contract award. The Earnest Money/Bid Security of 2% will be released to the successful bidder only after the submission of performance security of 5% of the total allotted cost which will be released under rules after successful completion of the DLP.**

4. The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of the **Executive Engineer R&B Division Rajbagh Srinagar (Tender Receiving Authority).**

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

6. All other terms conditions are as per PWD Form 25 (Double Agreement Form).

No.4659-69  
 DIPK-4569/24 dated:10-08-2024  
 Executive Engineer,  
 R&B Rajbagh Division Srinagar.

## Office of the Naib Tehsildar Palhallan Executive Magistrate 1st Class

Application Of Application of Owais Ahmad Najar , Aqib Hamid, Aasif Hamid Najar Sons of Ab Hamid Najar R/o Ussan Khoie Pattan for obtaining OBC Certificate

## PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed through this notice that the applicant file is currently under process in the office of undersigned regarding obtaining OBC certificate. According to the field staffs report the applicants are permanent resident of village Ussan Khoie tehsil Pattan District Baramulla and have been residing here from more than 15 years and has not migrated from the said village the annual family income of the applicant from all sources is Rs 1,268800 /-. Family details of the applicant are give below.

S. No	Name	Parentage	Age	Occupation
1	Mohammad Sultan Najar	S/o Mohd Akbar Najar	75	Old aged
2	Ab Hameed Najar	S/o Mohd Sultan Najar	50	Carpenter
3	Muneera Begum	W/o Ab Hameed Najar	49	H/W
4	Owais Ahmad	S/o Ab Hameed Najar	26	Student
05	Asif Hamid Najar	S/o --	24	--
06	Aqib Hamid	S/o --	22	--
7	Imtiyaz Ahmad	S/o Mohd Sultan Najar	36	Carpenter

In this connection if any person(s) has any objection(s) he/ she can visit the undersigned's office within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection will be considered.

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 Naib Tehsildar

## Office of the Naib Tehsildar Palhallan Executive Magistrate 1st Class

Application Of Application of Waseem Ahmad Mochi and Aizam Farooq Son of farooq ahmad Mochi And Sabreena Farooq Dauther of Farooq Ahmad Mochi R/o glar for obtaining OBC Certificate

## PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed through this notice that the applicant file is currently under process in the office of undersigned regarding obtaining OBC certificate. According to the field staffs report the applicants are permanent resident of village Aglar tehsil Pattan District Baramulla and have been residing here from more than 15 years and has not migrated from the said village the annual family income of the applicant from all sources is Rs 168000 /-. Family details of the applicant are give below.

S.No	Name	Parentage	Age	Occupation
1	Farooq Ahmad Mochi	S/o Ab. Rehman	50	Labour
2	Rafeeqa Begum	W/o Farooq Ahmad	48	H/W
3	Waseem Ahmad	S/o Farooq Ahmad	25	Labour
4	Shazia Farooq	D/o Farooq Ahmad	24	H/W
05	Sabreena Farooq	D/o Farooq Ahmad	23	Student
06	Aizam Farooq	S/o Farooq Ahmad	20	--

In this connection if any person(s) has any objection(s) he/ she can visit the undersigned's office within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection will be considered.

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## ادفتر نایب تحصیلدار جدی بل سرینگر

عنوان: درخواست از جانب تنزیلہ عارف دختر محمد عارف نجار ساکنہ واگی پورہ عیدگاہ نسبت اجرائی OBC سرٹیفکیٹ

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عنوان:- درخواست منجانب دل افروز دوپہر محمد عیدل رشیدی صوفی ساکنہ پٹن بخش حصول لیگل ہیر سرٹیفکیٹ

مشہور ہر خاص و عام

معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان صدر میں درخواست ساکنہ بخش حصول لیگل ہیر سرٹیفکیٹ زیر کاروائی ہے اس بارے میں رپورٹ پٹواری حلقہ سے طلب کیا گیا جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکنہ کا شوہر متوفی عیدل رشیدی صوفی ولد غلام صوفی مورثہ 02-06-2024 کو فوت ہو چکا ہے اور متوفی کے مذکورہ ذیل افراد پر مشتمل ہے

دل افروزہ	یوہ متوفی	50 سال	گھریلو کام
مسکان رشید	دختر متوفی	24 سال	زیر تعلیم
بازل رشید	دختر متوفی	18 سال	زیر تعلیم

اس کے علاوہ اور کوئی فرد لکھ نہیں ہے۔ سرٹیفکیٹ زیر بحث اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی عزی یا اعتراض ہو تو وہ عدالت پٹن میں دن کے اندر اندر اپنے تخریب یا اعتراض وادالہ ہذا کو دفتر مذکورہ کے دوران پیش کریں۔ بعد ذکر سے میعاد کوئی تخریب یا اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔

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عنوان:- درخواست منجانب ساحل علی الدین ولد غلام علی الدین واہ ساکنہ ہانچی ویرہ بخش حصول ڈیپنڈنٹ سرٹیفکیٹ

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بنیہ بیگم	یوہ متوفی	50 سال	گھریلو کام
شفالی علی الدین	دختر متوفی	27 سال	زیر تعلیم
آمنگی الدین	دختر متوفی	26 سال	زیر تعلیم
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## GMC Super-Specialty Hosp Performs Successful 'Urological' Surgery



Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR:** The Department of Urology at Government Medical College (GMC) Srinagar's Super Specialty Hospital has successfully performed two complex surgical procedures, saving the kidneys of patients who were previously advised to undergo Nephrectomy.

The team of skilled surgeons achieved this remarkable feat by replacing the patients' diseased ureter with an ileal segment, preserving kidney function and enhancing the patient's quality of life.

First patient, a laborer 43-year-old individual from Poonch, was diagnosed with a severely diseased ureter, which was causing significant damage to the kidney. After consulting multiple medical experts, the patient was advised to have the affected kidney removed (nephrectomy). Seeking an alternative solution, the patient approached the Urology Department at GMC Srinagar.

Second patient had only Rt. functioning kidney and other kidney non-functioning with long upper ureteric stricture, secondary to previous surgery done outside the hospital.

Dr. Syed Sajjad Nazir, the lead surgeon, explained that the patient's condition was

critical, and nephrectomy seemed inevitable. However, the team was determined to explore all possible options to save the kidney. After careful consideration, the team decided to proceed with an innovative approach - ureteral replacement using an ileal segment.

This intricate procedure, known as ileal ureteral replacement, involves using a segment of the patient's small intestine (ileum) to reconstruct the damaged ureter. The surgery is highly specialized and requires precise skill to ensure the new ureter functions effectively.

The surgical team meticulously planned and executed the procedure, ensuring that the patient's kidney was preserved and that urinary function was restored. The surgery was a resounding success, with the patient recovering well and experiencing significant improvements in kidney function.

## Plantation, Sanitation Drives Held At GMC Srinagar, Associated Hospitals

**SRINAGAR:** Government Medical College Srinagar Saturday carried out a mega plantation drive under the theme 'Ek Ped Shaheedon Ke Naam', focusing on environmental conservation and cleanliness as a tribute to martyrs under Swachhata Pakhwada campaign.

Under this campaign, a series of programs have been carried out so far in GMC Srinagar and its associated hospitals.

The tree plantation drive was marked by the enthusiastic involvement of college faculty, administrative staff and college students including PGs and UGs, by planting of various indigenous saplings in the premises of Govt. Medical College thereby creating more green space and contributing towards environment conservation. The department of Social Forestry also participated in the mega event.

The drive was kick-started

by Principal/ Dean Government Medical College Srinagar, Prof. Dr. Iffat Hassan in presence of Administrator GMC Srinagar, Mohammad Ashraf Hakak and all the Head of Departments of Govt Medical College, Medical Superintendents of all Associated Hospitals, Chief Accounts Officer, Personnel Officer, Administrative Officer, Estate Officer, RMOs, CMOs, PGs, MBBS Students and all other desks officers, by planting the saplings.

During this drive, saplings were planted in one of the gardens of Government Medical College Srinagar, with the aim to contribute towards a clean and eco friendly environment and as a rich tribute to the martyrs. About 250 saplings were planted in GMC Srinagar and its associated hospitals today which show commitment of GMC Srinagar towards conservation of environment and towards a clean society.

## Com Secy HU&DD Kick Starts Mega Plantation Drive At Achan Landfill Site

Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR:** Commissioner Secretary Housing & Urban Development Department, Mandeep Kaur, along with the Commissioner SMC, Dr. Owais Ahmed today kicked off a large plantation drive in the buffer zone at the Municipal Landfill Site Achan as a key initiative under the ongoing Swachhata Pakhwada Campaign.

This event marks a crucial step towards environmental sustainability in Srinagar. With the kick starting of this great initiative today, it is estimated to plant 2000 trees at the Achan landfill site.

The initiative is aimed to enhance green cover, promote environmental conservation, and contribute to a cleaner and healthier ecosystem at the Achan Landfill Site.

The plantation drive at the buffer zone of the Achan

Landfill Site symbolizes a proactive approach to address ecological concerns, creating a greener landscape and the foul smell will also be minimized.

Commissioner Secretary expressed her appreciation for the collaborative efforts and emphasized the significance of such initiatives in promoting a cleaner and more sustainable future for Srinagar.

She highlighted the importance of community engagement and urged citizens to actively participate in environmental conservation activities.

Dr. Owais reiterated the corporation's commitment in promoting a cleaner and greener Srinagar through innovative projects and community-driven initiatives. Dr. Owais emphasized the role of sustainable practices in creating a more livable and environmentally conscious city.



**A VEGETABLE VENDOR** weighs fresh produce for customers at the well-known Sabzi Mandi in Srinagar's Dal Lake on a sunny Saturday morning. KO PHOTO, ABID BHAT

## SSCL Intensifies Road Resurfacing, Assures Speedy Completion

Agencies

**SRINAGAR:** In response to the growing concerns of commuters regarding poor and dug-up road conditions in various parts of Srinagar, the officials from the Srinagar Smart City Limited (SSCL) said they have already accelerated the road resurfacing efforts, assuring that the ongoing works will be completed within the next 10 days.

A top official from the Srinagar Smart City Ltd. (SSCL) told the news agency-KNO that the pace of road works has been significantly increased, particularly in areas that have seen delays.

"Road macadamization in the few remaining parts of Srinagar is expected to be finalized within the next 10 days," the official stated.

The top officer said that work has already begun on the left tube from SMHS Hospital to Darish Kadal, as well as from Dalgate to Khayam Chowk.



The official added that once the road macadamization on one side is completed, the process will be started on the opposite side simultaneously.

Pertinent to mention that commuters travelling along the Dalgate-Khayam road stretch have been vocal, stating that they have been frequently facing long traffic jams due to the poor road conditions. The situation has been sparking widespread complaints, and now

prompting the intensified resurfacing efforts.

Notably, the Srinagar Smart City project, a major redevelopment initiative for Srinagar has been subject to public criticism over the delays in work completion and the city's road widening policies.

However, officials state that all planning has been carried out with the consultation of experts, ensuring that the project aligns with modern development standards.

## Tiranga Rally: Traffic Police Issues Advisory

Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR:** The authorities here have issued a traffic advisory ahead of the Tiranga Rally scheduled to be taken out on August 12 (Monday) in Srinagar.

The rally, set to take place from the Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre (SKICC) to the Botanical Garden, will commence at 5:00 AM and continue until 10:00 AM.

According to an order issued by the traffic department, a significant number of participants, including VIPs and other dignitaries, are expected to attend, leading to potential traffic disruptions.

"To ensure smooth traffic flow and minimize inconvenience to commuters, the following route plan has been issued: Designated Parking Areas: Royal Spring Golf Course; Reserved for official vehicles. Botanical Garden



& Barista near Lalit Ghat: Designated for participants," it reads.

Regarding traffic restrictions, the advisory states that traffic movement from Lalit Ghat to Kralasangri will be restricted from 5:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Motorists heading towards Nishat, Shalimar, and Harwan are advised to take the Dalgate-Rainawari-Hazratbal route instead of Boulevard Road.

It further states that those traveling from Harwan, Shalimar, and Nishat

towards Lal Chowk should use the Foreshore-Hazratbal route instead of Nishat-Boulevard Road. Additionally, commuters from Gulab Bagh, Zakoor, Naseem, and adjacent areas should opt for the Habak-Dargah-Khanyar route to reach Lal Chowk, avoiding the Foreshore Road.

Regarding parking regulations, the advisory urges participants to park only in the designated areas. Vehicles parked on the roadside or in unauthorized locations will be towed at the owner's expense.

For emergency services, in case of emergencies, vehicles will be allowed to take the shortest route available. Citizens can reach out to the Traffic Police Control Room at 103 for assistance. "The traffic department regrets any inconvenience caused and requests the public to plan their travel accordingly," it reads further.

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ISHA	8:55

## This Day In History

- 1304- Sea battle of Zierikzee, Franco-Holland forces defeat Flemish fleet
- 1492- Rodrigo de Borja becomes Pope Alexander VI
- 1522- Uprising of adel/burgerij in Austria fails
- 1597 -Germany throws out English sales people
- 1611- Emperor Rudolf forces out king of Bohemia
- 1674- Battle of at Seneffe: French force led by Louis, Grand Condé fights a combined Dutch, Imperial and Spanish force under William of Orange, both sides suffer heavy casualties with neither gaining a clear advantage
- 1695- English & Dutch fleet capture Dunkerker
- 1718- Battle of Cape Passaro: British fleet destroys Spanish off Sicily
- 1772- Explosive eruption blows 4,000' off Papandayan Java, kills 3,000
- 1786-Captain Francis Light establishes the British colony of Penang in Malaysia
- 1804- Francis II assumes the title of first Emperor of Austria
- 1858- First ascent of the Eiger in the Bernese Alps in Switzerland
- 1896- Harvey Hubbell patents electric light bulb socket with a pull chain
- 1920- 1st peace of Riga-Soviet Union recognizes Independence of Latvia
- 1929- Persia & Iraq sign friendship treaty
- 1929- Russian-Chinese border fights
- 1940- 38 German aircraft shot down over England
- 1940- German air raid on British ports Portland and Weymouth
- 1942- British aircraft carrier HMS Eagle hit by 4 German torpedoes and sinks in the Mediterranean Sea, 81 miles south of Mallorca
- 1943- Red Army recaptures Tchukuej, at Kharkov
- 1945- Allies refuse Japan's offer to surrender on the condition that Emperor Hirohito retains his status
- 1950- King Boudouin I takes oath as royal prince of Belgium
- 1957- Canada's first major commercial airline disaster occurs when Maritime Central Airways DC-4 crashes in a thunderstorm near Québec City, killing all 79 aboard
- 1960- Chad declares Independence from France
- 1998 - Palestine Liberation Organisation and Palestinian National Authority president, Yasser Arafat, arrives in Cape Town on his first state visit to South Africa at the invitation of President Nelson Mandela
- 2003 - Jemaah Islamiyah leader Riduan Isamuddin, better known as Hambali, is arrested in Bangkok, Thailand.
- 2003 - A heat wave in Paris results in temperatures rising to 112°F (44°C), leaving about 144 people dead.
- 2003 - NATO takes over command of the peacekeeping force in Afghanistan, marking its first major operation outside Europe in its 54-year-history.
- 2012 - 153 people are killed and 1300 injured in Tabriz and Ahar, Iran after two earthquakes of up to 6.4 magnitude
- 2012 - 13 people are killed and 15 injured by a lightning strike at a Mosque in Bangladesh
- 2013 - 22 people are killed by flash floods in Kabul, Pakistan
- 2015 - Largest ever outbreak of Legionnaires' disease in New York - 12 dead, with over 100 cases in the South Bronx
- 2015 - Japan's Sendai Nuclear Power Plant restarts the first nuclear reactor since the 2011 Fukushima Daiichi nuclear disaster
- 2016 - A Greenland shark declared oldest vertebrate animal in the world at 392 years by international team of scientists

From KO Archives

## Abdullah Defends NC's Tie-Up With NDA

**BANGALORE-** Chief Minister and National Conference Supremo Farooq Abdullah today defended his party's tie-up with the BJP-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) saying its aim was to bring in a stable government at the Centre. Abdullah, who is here to attend the Janata Parivar's unity rally, told reporters that there was no political party in the country that was communal and disapproved of branding any party as a communal one.

Referring to Kargil conflict, he said Pakistan should stop pushing infiltrators into Indian territory and desist from claiming any territory in Jammu and Kashmir, which is an integral part of India. (PTI)

(Kashmir Observer, August 11, 1999)

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## Bangladesh Chief Justice Resigns After Hundreds Of Protesters Gherao SC

**Agencies**  
Dhaka: Days after massive unrest ousted Sheikh Hasina government in Bangladesh, Chief Justice Obaidul Hassan has decided to step down from his position after the student protesters turned towards the Supreme Court demanding the resignation of all judges, including Hassan. The 65-year-old judge stepped down on Saturday afternoon, Bangladesh news media outlets reported. According to Daily Star, hundreds of protesters on Saturday reportedly surrounded the Supreme Court and issued an ultimatum to Chief Justice

the court premises. In the face of student protest, Chief Justice Hassan not only postponed the meeting but also announced that he would step down. The Chief Justice told journalists at the apex court premises that he has decided to resign considering the safety of the judges of Supreme Court, High Court and lower courts across the country amid the emerging situation, The Daily Star reported. "There are some formalities for the resignation. Completing those, I will send my resignation letter to President Mohammed Shahabuddin by this evening," he added. **Army deployed at Court premises**



Obaidul Hassan and judges of the Appellate Division to resign by 1pm (local time). The chief justice revealed his decision around 1 pm after protesters of the Anti-Discrimination Student Movement gathered at the court premises. According to the reports, the Chief Justice left the building as tensions escalated. The protesters have threatened that they would besiege judges' residences, if they fail to resign before the ultimatum. Around 10:30am on Saturday, a huge mob, including students and lawyers, started gathering in the Court premises, demanding resignation of the chief justice and the judges of the Appellate Division.

**“There are some formalities for the resignation. Completing those, I will send my resignation letter to President Mohammed Shahabuddin by this evening”**

**Why Hasana resigned?**  
The protests were sparked by a full-court meeting called by Chief Justice Hassan, who is seen as a loyalist to ousted premier Hasina, without consulting the newly formed interim government. The protesters alleged that the judges are part of a conspiracy, prompting outrage and demands for accountability. Amid the unrest, the chief justice postponed the full court meeting. However, the protesting students announced a siege of

Bangladesh Army personnel were deployed at the Supreme Court premises as hundreds of protesting students gathered. Around 1 pm, army personnel were stationed in the main building, annexe building, and other areas around the Supreme Court. They urged the protesters to maintain peace and called on them to avoid damaging government properties.



## Over 100 Palestinians killed in Israeli Air Raid On Gaza School

**Agencies**  
Gaza- More than 100 Palestinians have been killed following Israeli airstrikes on a school sheltering displaced people in the east of the Gaza Strip, as the occupying regime presses ahead with its months-long aggression on the besieged territory. Palestine's official Wafa news agency said over 100 citizens were killed and dozens injured on Saturday morning after the Israeli occupation forces bombed the al-Tabin school in the al-Daraj neighborhood east of Gaza City. Gaza's civil defence agency said three Israeli rockets hit the al-Tabin school, located in al-Daraj district, describing the incident as a "horrific massacre", with some bodies catching fire. According to local media reports citing eye witness accounts, around 250 people had been inside the prayer hall at the time of the raid. Al Jazeera quoting, head of Gaza's Government Media Office,

reported that the Israeli army used three bombs weighing 2,000 pounds (907kg) each in its attack on the al-Tabin school. Palestinian journalist Hosam Shabat reported that rescue teams were unable to help those trapped by the flames as the Israeli military had cut water access to the area. Citing local sources, the agency said the occupation warplanes bombed the school while citizens were performing the dawn prayer. The statement added that "due to the horror of the massacre and the large number of martyrs, the medical crews, civil defense, relief and emergency teams have not been able to retrieve the bodies of all the martyrs so far." The Israeli army confirmed the attack in a statement and claimed that the school "served as a hideout for Hamas commanders." The Palestinian Islamic Jihad rejected the claim. "The enemy army's excuses for destroying schools are the same ones it used to destroy hospitals before, and

they have been proven false," it said in a statement. The fresh strikes came after four schools across Gaza were attacked in the previous week. On August 4, two schools serving as shelters for displaced people in Gaza City were hit by an Israeli strike, killing 30 and injuring several others. The previous day, an Israeli strike on Hamama School in Gaza City killed 17. Backed by the US and its Western allies, the Israeli regime launched an all-out invasion of Gaza after it was caught off-guard by Operation al-Aqsa Storm inside the occupied territories in October last year. Nearly 40,000 Palestinians have since been killed, most of them women and children, and upwards of 91,000 others injured in the relentless Israeli air and ground assault. Israel has also been enforcing a crippling siege on the coastal territory by choking off the flow of foodstuffs, medicine, electricity, and water into the Palestinian territory.

## 'Bloody Massacre': Reactions To Israeli Attack On Gaza School

**Agencies**  
Gaza City: An Israeli strike on a school-turned-shelter for displaced Palestinians in Gaza City has killed more than 100 people, including women and children, according to Palestinian officials who expect the death toll to rise. The Israeli military claimed its air force on Saturday struck a "command and control centre" that "served as a hideout for Hamas terrorists and commanders" at the al-Tabin school. It did not provide evidence and said it had taken steps to reduce the risk of harming civilians while dis-

missing the death toll from Palestinian officials as inaccurate. Hamas "The massacre at al-Tabin school in the Daraj neighbourhood in central Gaza City is a horrific crime that constitutes a dangerous escalation," said the movement that governs the Gaza Strip. Izzat al-Rishq, a member of the Palestinian group's political bureau, said there were no armed men at the school. Hamas said in its statement that Israel's claims of the school being used as the group's command centre are "excuses to target civilians, schools, hospitals, and refugee tents, all of

which are false pretexts and expose lies to justify its crimes". "We call on our Arab and Islamic countries and the international community to fulfill their responsibilities and take urgent action to stop these massacres and halt the escalating Zionist aggression against our people and defenseless citizens," the statement said. Ismail al-Thawabta, the director general of Gaza's Government Media Office, called on the international community and United Nations Security Council "to pressure Israel to end this cascading blood-bath among our people, namely innocent women and children".

## Jordan Denies Allowing Israel To Use Their Airspace To Foil Iranian Attack: Report

**Agencies**  
Amman : Jordan has officially denied that it would allow any party to use its airspace for military purposes, amid growing tensions between Israel and Iran. The Jordanian state-owned Al-Mamlaka news TV quoted an informed source who said the kingdom would not allow using its airspace "under any circumstances to any party, and won't allow a military response for any belligerent party currently." However, the Israeli Channel 12 reported they would, citing an informed official in Jordan's capital. "It stems from a security interest, and this is the policy, just like in April when Jordan helped Israel stop the Iranian attack. It is ultimately an ally of the United States," the source reportedly said. Israel is anticipating an attack from Iran in response to the assassination of Hamas' political bureau chief Ismail Haniyeh in Tehran on 31 July which has been widely attributed to Israel.

Hezbollah leader Fouad Shukur was also killed in an Israeli strike on Beirut last week. The Iranian Mission to the UN this week said that Iran's retaliation against Israel would be conducted in a manner that is "not to the detriment" of a possible ceasefire in Gaza. "Our priority is to establish a lasting ceasefire in Gaza, any agreement accepted by Hamas will also be recognised by us. The Israeli regime has violated our national security and sovereignty through its recent act of terrorism," Iran's New York based mission said in a statement, adding they have "legitimate right to self-defense, a matter totally unrelated to the Gaza ceasefire." This week, the US, Qatar and Egypt called on Israel and Hamas to resume truce negotiations. The three countries offered to present a "final bridging proposal" if compromise was not reached. Israel announced late on Thursday that they would be sending a delegation next week to ceasefire talks, set to be held in either Doha or Cairo.

**“Our priority is to establish a lasting ceasefire in Gaza, any agreement accepted by Hamas will also be recognised by us. The Israeli regime has violated our national security and sovereignty through its recent act of terrorism”**

## Border Forces Recover Drone Carrying Heroin Worth Rs 15 Crore In Rajasthan

**Press Trust Of India**  
Jaipur: Aug 10 The Border Security Force (BSF) on Saturday recovered a drone and a packet containing 3 kg of heroin, worth around 15 crore, near a village along the India-Pakistan border in Rajasthan's Anupgarh district, police said.



After getting information from a local farmer, the BSF jawans found a drone carrying a packet was found near 30APD village of the district this morning, they said. The drone apparently got discharged or faced technical default, foiling the smuggling bid, the police said. Anupgarh SHO Anil Kumar said when Kaluram Nay-

ak, a resident of village 30APD, went to his field, he saw a drone. The farmer informed the BSF jawans about this. The BSF jawans found heroin from a yellow packet along with the drone and they informed the local police about this, he said, adding that a case has been registered and investigation is being done.

## Senior IAS Officer T V Somanathan Appointed Cabinet Secretary

**Press Trust Of India**  
New Delhi: Finance Secretary T V Somanathan was on Saturday named as the new Cabinet Secretary by the government for a tenure of two years. He will succeed incumbent Rajiv Gauba, who completes his unprecedented five-year term in the top bureaucratic post this month-end. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved Mr Somanathan's appointment as the Cabinet Secretary with a tenure of two years from August 30, an order issued by the Personnel Ministry said. The ACC-led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has also approved his appointment as Officer on Special Duty (OSD) in the Cabinet Secretariat "from the date he joins the assignment till he takes over as Cabinet Secretary", it said. Meanwhile, a new Union Home Secretary is also likely to be appointed by the government soon, as incumbent Ajay Kumar Bhalla (a 1984 batch IAS officer) completes his five-year tenure on August 22. Mr Somanathan, a 1987 batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer of Tamil Nadu cadre, served as Joint Secretary and Additional Secretary in the Prime Minister's Office under Modi for a little over two years between 2015 and 2017. Later, he served in his cadre state before being appointed as the Expenditure Secretary in December 2019. Mr Somanathan (now 59 years) was designated as the Finance Secretary in April 2021. He is a qualified Chartered Accountant (CA) and Company Secretary (CS), he knows five languages - English, French, Hausa (spoken in select parts of Africa), Hindi and Tamil, according to official records.

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**Recruitment of the various posts of Paramedical categories**

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for the various posts of Paramedical categories in the table below. The last date for submission of application is 16.09.2024. Application (complete in all respect) must be submitted ONLINE ONLY.

Name of the Post	Pay Level as per 7th CPC	Initial Pay (₹)	Medical Standard	Age as on 01.01.2025		Total Vacancies (All RRBs)
				Min	Max	
Dietician (Level 7)	7	44900	C2	18-36	05	
Nursing Superintendent	7	44900	C1	20-43	713	
Audiologist & Speech Therapist	6	35400	B1	21-33	04	
Clinical Psychologist	6	35400	B1	18-36	07	
Dental Hygienist	6	35400	C2	18-36	03	
Dialysis Technician	6	35400	B1	20-36	20	
Health & Malaria Inspector Gr-III	6	35400	C1	18-36	126	
Laboratory Superintendent	6	35400	B1	18-36	27	
Perfusionist	6	35400	B1	21-43	02	
Physiotherapist Grade II	6	35400	C1	18-36	20	
Occupational Therapist	6	35400	C1	18-36	02	
Cath Laboratory Technician	6	35400	B1	18-36	02	
Pharmacist (Entry Grade)	5	29200	C2	20-38	246	
Radiographer X-Ray Technician	5	29200	B1	19-36	64	
Speech Therapist	5	29200	B1	18-36	01	
Cardiac Technician	4	25500	B1	18-36	04	
Optometrist	4	25500	B1	18-36	04	
ECG Technician	4	25500	C1	18-36	13	
Laboratory Assistant Grade II	3	21700	B1	18-36	94	
Field Worker	2	19900	C2	18-33	19	
				<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1376</b>	

\*\*This includes a relaxation of 3 years in age beyond the prescribed age limit as a one-time measure due to the COVID-19 pandemic\*\*.

For further details, please refer to the detailed centralized Employment Notice (CEN) No. 04/2024 available on the official websites of all participating Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) listed below.

Websites of RRBs Participating in CEN No. 04/2024			
Ahmedabad	www.rrbahmedabad.gov.in	Chennai	www.rrbchennai.gov.in
Muzaffarpur	www.rrbmuzaffarpur.gov.in	Ajmer	www.rrbajmer.gov.in
Gorakhpur	www.rrbgkp.gov.in	Patna	www.rrbpatna.gov.in
Bengaluru	www.rrbnc.gov.in	Guwahati	www.rrbguwahati.gov.in
Prayagraj	www.rrbald.gov.in	Bhopal	www.rrbhopal.gov.in
Jammu- Srinagar	www.rrbjammu.nic.in	Ranchi	www.rrbanchi.gov.in
Bhubaneswar	www.rrbbs.gov.in	Kolkata	www.rrbkolkata.gov.in
Secunderabad	www.rrbsecunderabad.gov.in	Bilaspur	www.rrbilaspur.gov.in
Malda	www.rrbmalda.gov.in	Siliguri	www.rrbiliguri.gov.in
Chandigarh	www.rrbcdg.gov.in	Mumbai	www.rrbmumbai.gov.in
Thiruvananthapuram	www.rrbthiruvananthapuram.gov.in		

This notification is purely indicative in nature. Candidates are required to go through the Post Parameter Table and Vacancy Table of detailed CEN 04/2024 to ascertain their eligibility before applying through ONLINE mode. Any Corrigendum/ addendum/ Important Notice related to the aforesaid recruitment shall be issued time to time on the above websites of RRBs only.

Chairpersons, No.: RRB/MFP/Adv/L/CEN-04/2024(Paramedical)/2 Date: 12.08.2024 Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs)

**SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE** 2492/2024

## Unfinished School Buildings In Budgam Affect Education Of Students

Agencies

**SRINAGAR:** Several school buildings in Budgam district, initially slated for completion under the RMSA (Rural Modern School Architecture) Scheme, remain unfinished, severely affecting students' education and safety.

An RTI report filed by Gulam Mohi Ud Din, highlights the delays and discrepancies in the construction of these school buildings. The RTI report reveals several key issues:

**Paharthan School:** Originally approved at a cost of Rs 94.05 lakh, with an expenditure of Rs 84.64 lakh to date, the project has a remaining liability of Rs 9.41 lakh and requires additional funding of Rs 9.41 lakh for completion.

**GHS Daharmuna:** This project has been completed and handed over, with no further expenditures required.

**GHS Galwanpora:** With a revised cost of Rs 132.03 lakh, the

structural work is complete, but the project lacks finishing touches due to a shortfall of Rs 61.49 lakh.

**GHS Soibugh:** Initially costing Rs 94.05 lakh, the project has seen an expenditure of Rs 94.04 lakh but requires an additional Rs 44.80 lakh for completion, including finishing items.

**GHS N.S. Pora:** Similar to GHS Daharmuna, this project is completed with no additional funding required.

**HS Shanipora:** The building has incurred costs of Rs 84.64 lakh against a revised estimate of Rs 132.03 lakh and requires an additional Rs 47.39 lakh for completion.

Community members have expressed concern that the incomplete buildings have become hotspots for illicit activities, including drug use by local youth. They urge the administration to prioritise the completion of these projects to provide a safe and conducive learning environment for children—(KNO)

## Govt To Launch Crop Insurance Scheme For Horticulture Sector

Agencies

**SRINAGAR:** The Jammu and Kashmir government is planning to introduce a crop insurance scheme specifically tailored for the horticulture sector, a major contributor to the region's economy, to benefit hundreds of farmers.

An official from the said that the scheme aims to protect farmers from the adverse effects of unpredictable weather and natural disasters, addressing a long-standing demand from stakeholders.

The proposed crop insurance scheme is designed to mitigate financial losses faced by farmers due to crop failures caused by natural calamities, pests and diseases. By providing this

safety net, the scheme aims to encourage farmers to invest in better farming practices and technologies, ultimately leading to increased productivity and sustainability.

Bashir Ahmad Basheer, chairman of the Kashmir Valley Fruit Growers Cum Dealers Union, told KNO that the issue has been raised with concerned authorities multiple times.

Recently, the government indicated that it is now giving the green light to this much-needed scheme, which is expected to benefit farmers significantly and should be approved as soon as possible, he said.

The official said the government plans to collaborate with insurance companies and financial institutions to implement

the scheme effectively. "The insurance will be subsidised, making it affordable for farmers," he said, adding that awareness campaigns and training sessions will be conducted to educate farmers about the benefits and processes involved in availing crop insurance. A top official in the horticulture department informed KNO that the proposal is in its final stages and is expected to be approved soon.

The introduction of the crop insurance scheme is anticipated to boost farmers' confidence, encourage the adoption of modern agricultural practices, stabilise farm incomes and reduce dependency on government aid during crises, thereby contributing to the overall economic development of the region—(KNO)

## LG Releases Book At Raj Bhawan



Observer news Service

**JAMMU:** Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha Saturday released a book titled "Common Property Resources and Sustainable Rural Livelihoods", at Raj Bhawan.

The book is authored by Dr. Jai Prakash Verma, Regional Director, IGNOU Regional Centre Jammu and Prof. Vinod Kumar Srivastava, Department of Economics and Rural Development, Dr. Rammanohar Lohia Avadh University, Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh.

The Lt Governor congratulated and extended his best wishes to the authors.

The book explores Common Property Resources' (CPRs) role in livelihood development in tribal villages of Uttar Pradesh, examining policy frameworks, socio-economic profiles and resource utilization patterns.

Prof. Bechan Lal, Vice Chancellor, Cluster University of Jammu; Prof. (Dr.) K.G. Suresh, Vice Chancellor, Makhanlal Chaturvedi National University of Journalism & Communication, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh; Dr. Dilip Kumar, Regional Director, Indian Institute of Mass Communication, Jammu and Mahendra Tiwari, senior journalist, were also present on the occasion.

## Uri Residents Protest Against Gypsum Mining, Cite Environmental Concerns

Agencies

**SRINAGAR:** Residents of Salamabad and Dachna villages in Uri in north Kashmir's Baramulla district have expressed strong opposition to gypsum mining activities in their area, saying it takes a severe toll on their lives.

Protesters, including men, women and children, gathered to voice their concerns, saying they would not allow the mining to continue under any circumstances. Fearing environmental and health impacts, the villagers took a firm stand, saying they would not be silenced until the mining activities ceased.

The agitated residents said that their lives have been drastically affected by the mining, and they can no longer endure it. "Our lives have become hell. Gypsum mining may fill some pockets, but it will drain the lifeblood of our community. We cannot allow this to con-

tinue," the protesters said.

One woman protester said the dust from the mining and transportation of the material has caused health issues. "Our children have to wear their uniforms near the school, until then, they are supposed to be in casuals," she said.

The residents are not only concerned about their daily lives but also fear for their children's future. "The mine was previously closed due to its proximity to our homes and schools. We fail to understand how it was allowed to reopen," the protesters said.

The protest entered its second day on Saturday, with residents demanding an immediate halt to the mining operations.

Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) Uri, along with the magistrate and police, visited the site and pacified the protesters. The mining activities were halted immediately. —(KNO)

## Kashmiri Apple Growers 'Relax' As Bangladesh Crisis Eases Ahead Of Harvest

Agencies

**SRINAGAR:** Kashmiri apple growers and dealers are optimistic about the improvement in the situation in Bangladesh as few varieties of apple crop nears its harvesting.

Bangladesh has been undergoing a deep crisis which unnerved the Kashmiri apple growers, who export a major part of produce to the neighbouring country.

Bangladesh is a key market for early apple varieties from Kashmir, including American, Red Delicious, Dilruba, Dilnasheen, and others.

While few varieties of apples couldn't be shipped to Bangladesh due to the unrest, the apple growers and dealers are hopeful for the improvement in the situation for continuation of trade with the neighbouring country.

"We are soon going to harvest some early varieties of apples. These early varieties of apples are being exported to Bangladesh apart from some markets of India. We hope that the situation improves in Kashmir so that apples are exported to Bangladesh," said President Sopore Fruit Mandi Fayaz Ahmad Malik.



He mentioned that dealers initially shipped a few truckloads of early apple varieties but halted trade due to the unrest.

"Eight to ten truckloads of apples were sent a few days ago. However, the trade was suspended due to the unrest, and demand for Kashmiri apples in Bangladesh has also declined," he said.

Malik stated that over 70 percent of the American apple variety from North Kashmir is shipped to Bangladesh annually.

"Out of 300,000 metric tons of apples produced in North Kashmir, 250,000 metric tons are exported to Bangladesh. The country has proven to be a strong market for Kashmiri apples, offering good

rates to dealers and growers due to high demand," he said.

Dealers mentioned that during the season, over 30 trucks loaded with apples depart for Bangladesh on average each day.

Malik said the improvement of the situation in Bangladesh is crucial for the sales of American varieties. "Bangladesh situation is very crucial for the American variety. Bangladeshi dealers camp in Sopore mandi for months together and buy apples in good quantity for exportation to their native country," he said.

Typically, dealers from Bangladesh arrive in Kashmir from August to October, purchasing various apple varieties from different mandis across the valley.

Notably, demand for Kashmiri apples in Bangladesh has surged in recent years, positioning it as a key market for the fruit.

To meet the rising demand, exporters from Kashmir have been actively collaborating with Bangladeshi distributors and retailers to establish a seamless supply chain. This partnership has not only benefited the apple growers in Kashmir but has also opened new avenues for economic collaboration between the two regions—(KNO)

## Decade On, Mega Lift Irrigation Scheme Awaits Completion At Chakoora

Agencies

**PULWAMA:** A mega lift irrigation scheme in Chakoora village of Litter Tehsil in South Kashmir's Pulwama district is awaiting completion even as the land donors too have been pushed to the wall for the disbursement of compensation.

Locals said that after repeated pleas, a scheme was approved for the area and soon the work was started.

However, they said nearly a decade has elapsed, but the scheme has not been completed yet.

They said that around 80 per cent of the work was completed but unfortunately the work has been suspended for the past four years due to unknown reasons.

"We don't have any irrigation facilities available to our orchards due to which we are suffering in the summer season and have to rely on rain water only," said Shahid Ahmad, a local resident.

He said that this year they have suffered more due to persistent dry spells and are facing immense hardships.

Locals said that due to unavailability of irrigation, the trees are drying up and production remains very low besides being less delicious and small in size.

"We provided land at a very low cost for the scheme but the compensation too was not paid so far," they said adding that they brought the issue into the notice of the concerned authorities several times, but to no avail.

They urged the authorities to look into the matter and complete the scheme so that the farmers could have a sigh of relief.

Meanwhile, an official said that both civil and mechanical sections have submitted new estimates for the pending work that costs around Rs 70 lakhs. —(KNO)

## Dr Raja Muzaffar Meets Union Minister Ramdas Athawale

Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR:** Noted Social Activist and Chairman RTI Movement Jammu & Kashmir Dr Raja Muzaffar Bhat had a meeting with Union Minister of State for Social Justice & Empowerment Ramdas Athawale in Srinagar. The Union Minister was on a one way day visit to Srinagar on Thursday. Dr Raja Muzaffar raised the challenges faced by persons with disabilities especially the visually challenged (blind) people in Jammu & Kashmir. He urged upon the Union Minister to pave a way for setting up of some schools for blind children and youth in J&K.

Dr Raja Muzaffar told Union Minister that visually



challenged people especially those with 100 % blindness were not given proper reservation in Govt jobs. He demanded that skill development institutions for visually challenged youth be set up in J&K by Govt and private sector so that this community could get benefitted. Raja Muzaffar invited Union Minister for a conference on visually challenged which would be held in September & Union Minis-

ter accepted the invitation "The Minister accepted my invitation and we would hold this conference in Srinagar where all the issues pertaining to visually challenged and persons with other disabilities would be discussed. It is unfortunate that there are no special schools for persons with disabilities, especially visually challenged people in J & K," Dr Raja Muzaffar said.

## HIRING OF VOCATIONAL TRAINERS

Olive Heritage Foundation, an NSDC empaneled Training Partner invites applications for Contractual Positions of Vocational Trainers (Total no. of positions: 4) to be engaged in Government Schools of Jammu & Kashmir (UT) under the CSS-VSE Program.

Pre-Requisites:

- Applicants should be domicile of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir
- Selection will be made on a district basis, prioritizing candidates from districts with available vacancies based on merit. If there is non-availability of eligible candidates within a district, selections for the respective trade will be made from the other districts of same division.
- Age Requirement: 18-40 years (as of January 1, 2024). Age relaxation to be provided as per Govt. rules.

Trade: Security	Eligibility: Graduate in any discipline with one year of work/teaching experience in security. OR Certificate Course as Assistant Security Officer (ASO) conducted by Directorate General resettlement DGR OR Train the Trainer course conducted by Security Sector Skill Council with two years of experience in security. Ex-servicemen who possess graduate degree and have rendered at least 10 years of service in the Armed forces are exempted from the experience clause.
Location: Kupwara (1), Anantnag (1), Banihal (1), Srinagar (1)	
*No. of vacancies / Location may increase or decrease at the time of appointment*	
Other Qualifications	Effective Communication Skills (Oral & Written), Basic Computing Skills, Technical Competencies and Soft Skills

**MONTHLY HONORARIUM Rs. 20000/- Per Month**

Interested / Eligible candidates can apply through email by sending latest CV along with documents to the email id: hr@oliveheritage.com

**Last date of receipt of CV/Documents is 20-08-2024 till 5: 00 PM**

Note: All positions are on contractual basis. This is not a Government / Permanent Job. Only shortlisted candidates will be called for written exam & Interview. Management reserves the rights to accept/reject an application without assigning any reason whatsoever.

For Queries email: hr@oliveheritage.com or visit our official website: www.oliveheritage.com  
www.oliveheritage.com , Phone No.: +91-124-4261987

## Government of Jammu & Kashmir OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD(R&B) DIVISION ANANTNAG

NITNO290F R&B/Anantnag/2024-25/E-TENDERING/4405-14 DATED 10-08-2024

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

S. No	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (Rs in Lacs)	Cost of T/ Doc. (in Rs)	Earnest Money (In Rs)	Time of Completion	Major Head of Account	Class of Contractor
1.	Renovation of the Office Buildings at Khanabal Anantnag.	6.79 Lacs Contract Price exclusive of GST: 5.75 + (18% GSTAmount1.03)	300	13580/-	30 Days	M.H 4059 Capex	CEE, DEE Class & MSME's Only

Project Authority: Chief Engineer Mechanical & Hospital Engineering Department Kashmir.

Position of AAA: Accorded vide Order No. MHED/K/TS/03, Dated 16.04.2024.

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

S. No.	Particulars	Dated
1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	10-08-2024
2	Period of Downloading of bidder documents	From 10-08-2024 (01:00PM) To 16-08-2024 (04:30PM)
3	Bid Submission Start Date	From 10-08-2024 (01:00PM)
4	Bid Submission End Date	To 16-08-2024 (04:30PM)
5	Date and time of opening of bid (online)	17-08-2024 (12:00PM)

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of tender document in shape of Treasury Challan / receipt (Under MH- 0059 PWD) in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Anantnag (Tender Inviting Authority) (NIT No. Name of Work/Item No. to be mentioned on the Treasury Challan / Receipt) (Refer Govt. order No. O.M No. A/24 (2017)-651 Dt 07-06-2018 (The Date of Treasury Challan should be between the date of Start of Bid and Bid Submission End Date) and EMD (2% of advertised Cost) in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to Executive Engineer PWD(R&B) Division Anantnag (Tender receiving Authority). (The Date of EMD/CDR/FDR/BG should be between the date of Start of Bid and Bid Submission End Date and validity of EMD at the time of opening of Bids shall be a period of 45 Days beyond Bid Validity of 120 Days)
- All the Bidders have to submit Earnest Money/Bid Security (EMD@2% of Advertised Cost) in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG. Non submission of Earnest Money/Bid Security shall render the bidder as No-responsive.
- Note: a. MSME's are required to pay only 50% of Tender Document Cost or Rs 500/- whichever is lower.
- MSME's are required to pay only 50% of the amount of EMD / Bid Security or Rs 5000/- whichever is lower.
- The 1st lowest responsive (Successful) Bidder has to produce an amount equal to 5% of contract as Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Anantnag (Tender receiving authority) within 07 Days before fixation of Contract and shall be released 60 days after successful completion of Defect Liability Period (DLP) of the work. The date of Performance Security (CDR/FDR/BG) should be after the date of issuance of letter/LOI to deposit the performance security. Failure to produce Performance Security shall render the L1 as non-responsive and case for debarring of the Contractor be forwarded to Higher Authorities for a period of 01 Year.
- The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD@2% of Advertised Cost) in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG of the successful Bidder shall be released after receiving Performance security @5% of the allotted cost in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG and same shall be released 60 Days after successful completion of Defect Liability Period (DLP) of the work.
- The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Anantnag
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of Technical Bid
- Instruction to bidders regarding e-tendering process.
- Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" option as well as from "Bidders Manual Kit" on website www.jktenders.gov.in to acquaint bid submission process.
- To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get "Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)" as per Information Technology Act-2000. Bidders can get digital certificate from any approved vendors.
- The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature. No Financial bid will be accepted in physical form.
- Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in Para-1.
- Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with bid.
- Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents including tender document fee in terms of soft copies with technical bid.
- Scan all the documents on 100 dpi with black and white option.
- The department will not be responsible for delay in online submission due to any reasons.
- Scanned copy of cost of tender document in the shape of Treasury Challan / Receipt in favour of Executive Engineer PWD(R&B) Division Anantnag (The Date of Treasury Challan should be between the date of Start of Bid and Bid Submission End Date) and EMD in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to Executive Engineer PWD(R&B) Division Anantnag must be uploaded with the documents of the bid. The Original Treasury Challan (Cost of Tender Document), EMD and other relevant bid documents shall be obtained from the lowest bidder before the fixation of the Contract.
- Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (Bill of Quantities) contents. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually.
- Price escalation and taxes: The %age quoted by the bidder entirely in Indian Rupees, shall be deemed to include price escalation upon completion of the work. Deduction on account of taxes shall be made from the bills of the contractor on gross amount of the bill as per the rates prevailing at the time of recovery.
- Bidders are advised to use "My Documents" area in their user on R&B e-Tendering portal to store such documents as are required.
- All other terms and conditions are as same as laid in PWD Form 25.

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DT: 10/08/2024

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# The Curious Case of Custody

Who gets the custody of children after divorce?

Madiya Mushtaq

Being a child is the most crucial element in inclusive growth. Youngsters do not understand their rights or responsibilities. For the benefit of their general development, they ought to live with their parents. In order for their children to grow up to be decent people, parents are the most important individuals in their lives because they teach them morality, values, and rules. A child's growth on the correct road depends on their parents. Parental discord creates a barrier and complicates child custody.

The child doesn't know who is in charge of them or if staying with them is the best course of action. Assign the child's custody to the most suitable parent while keeping a close check on the child's general development and safety. The court maintains or safeguards custody. This is a laborious and time-consuming process.

Parental duties are divided and the ideal environment for the child is created through the legal process of child custody. Decisions about child custody were usually made in response to parental annulment, divorce, or death. Getting joint parental jurisdiction over a child is a complicated process.

## Custody of children under Muslim Law

The term "minor's welfare" is fairly broad and encompasses a wide range of considerations, including:

- the minor's age, sex, and religion (courts also consider the father's personal law). The care of smaller children is typically considered to be under the mother's jurisdiction;
- the suitability and temperament of the suggested guardian.
- The character and capacity of the proposed guardian.
- Wishes of the deceased parent, especially if specified in will.

## Statutory Law

### Guardians and Wards Act, 1890:

This secular legislation governs guardianship and custody issues for all children residing in India, regardless of their religious beliefs.

### Hindu Law:

Everyone who identifies as a follower of Buddhism, Hinduism, Jainism, or Sikhism is subject to the two Acts that are covered under "Hindu Law."

### Hindu Minority and Guardianship Act, 1956:

Guardianship and child custody were not covered under classical Hindu law. The Hindu Minority and Guardianship Act, however, has a number of provisions pertaining to guardianship and custody of minor Hindu children in



contemporary statutory Hindu law.

### Muslim Law:

Under the Muslim Law, the concept of guardianship is covered under 'HIZANAT'. The concept of guardianship in Islam means the taking care of the overall well-being and an oversight of the child during the years of minority. The idea of custody and Hak-e-Hizanat are to different concepts under Muslim Law. 'Custody' simply means the physical possession of the child up to a certain age, while as 'Hizanat' means the actual guardian of the child.

The mother is not considered as the natural guardian, she only holds the right of custody and not the right of Hizanat. The natural guardianship or the hak-e-hizanat lies the father. The guardianship recognized under the Muslim Law is as under:

1. Natural/ legal guardian.
2. Testamentary Guardian.
3. Guardian appointed by courts or statutory guardian.
4. De-facto guardian.

### Natural Guardian:

A natural guardian has the authority to control and keep an eye on a minor's activities. All schools of Muslim law accept the father as the child's natural guardian. The substantive law of Islam grants the father the independent right to act as a guardian of a young child. Another name for a natural guardian is a

legal guardian. However, the father's executor may also serve as a legal guardian if the father is not present. The executor may be a person designated by the father or grandfather to take on the role of guardian for his minor child.

As a result, the following people are a minor's natural guardians in order of priority:

- a. Father
- b. Father's executor; paternal grandfather
- c. The paternal grandfather's executor

Muslim law recognizes no one else as a minor's natural guardian if any of the aforementioned individuals are not present.

### Testamentary Guardianship:

A person designated in a will as a minor's guardian may be known as a testamentary guardian. The only person who can designate a testamentary guardian is the father or, in his absence, the paternal grandfather. A testamentary guardian may also be nominated by a non-Muslim woman.

### Guardians appointed by the Court:

The court has the authority to designate a guardian for the minor's person, property, or both in the event that there isn't a natural or legal guardian. The Guardianship and Wards Act, 1890 governs the appointment of a guardian by the court and applies to all Indians, regardless of religion. Statutory Guardian is another term for these guardians.

### De-facto guardians:

A person who has taken on the custody and upbringing of a child without being a legal, testamentary, or statutory guardian is known as a de-facto guardian. Tyabji defines a de-facto guardian as an unapproved individual who, in actuality, has control of a minor's person or belongings. A person who lacks guardianship status but has assumed responsibility for acting as a minor's guardian in certain situations is known as a de facto guardian.

### Conclusion:

Islam places a strong emphasis on a child's wellbeing and best interests when it comes to guardianship and custody. Guardianship, which is frequently held by the father, entails being in charge of providing general care, education, and financial assistance. Usually awarded to the mother, custody centers on the child's daily care and nurture, particularly in the early years. The child's welfare is the main factor, hence these positions are not inflexible. Islamic law allows for modifications to these customary positions if the situation indicates that an alternative arrangement better serves the child's interests, with the child's needs always coming first.

Muslim law places a high priority on the wellbeing of the child when determining who gets to keep the child. The child's best interests are always the first priority, even though traditional Islamic norms offer a framework for custody—typically awarding the mother custody during the child's early years and the father custody thereafter. Central to custody decisions is the idea of maslahah, which places the child's welfare first and allows for more flexibility than strict interpretations of personal laws.

Courts' methods have changed over time, with a growing emphasis on the child's welfare as opposed to rigorous adherence to personal laws. A more child-centric approach, where the child's emotional, psychological, and physical needs are carefully examined, has increasingly becoming the norm in court precedents. For example, courts have acknowledged that being able to provide for the child's needs, being stable, and having a loving environment are important considerations when deciding who gets custody. This development is a reflection of a greater realization that a child's best interests may not always be served by the strict application of personal laws.

*Views expressed in the article are the author's own and do not necessarily represent the editorial stance of Kashmir Observer. The author is advocate at the Supreme Court of India and can be reached at madiyanadroo97@gmail.com*

Caution, a hallmark of the current Reserve Bank of India (RBI) governor, has been a push factor for markets to stay focused on growth and regulatory innovations. It continued unfettered today as the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) achieved a significant feat of a half century of deliberations in its rather brief sojourn since 2016.

The governor's emphasis remained on the skewed probability of downside risks gaining currency, as the choppiness in global markets can foretell. This was even when the fragmented MPC (4-2) pledged support to keep the policy rates unchanged the ninth time in a row, in line with broader market expectations.

An interesting observation in this regard could be the frenzied buoyancy in the calls for the US Federal Reserve to take a significant pivot, either through an off-cycle rate cut or cutting the Federal funds rate by as much as 50 basis points (bps) in its ensuing September meet.

This is when the lopsided job markets (full- and part-time) as well as the spike in joblessness across whites and Asian sub-groups alike is creating a ripple effect globally. In addition to this, the US government has run up deficits of \$9 trillion in the last four years, including the most recent \$1.7 trillion, while interest on the debt is now shockingly more than the national defence expenditure. This limits fiscal flexibility and increases economic uncertainty, as carry trades are greatly unleveraged globally. The sell-off in risky assets is nudging a vicious cycle to take off.

The instability could prime other central banks too, with the ensuing European Central Bank's meet in Sep-

## Reading Between The Lines

Inflation outlook will largely be shaped by food inflation trajectory and base effect

Soumya Kanti Ghosh

tember being dubbed "wide open" by market watchers. Bank of Japan un-nerved the markets last week through whiplashing currency traders and hiking its policy rate.

To cut a long story short, the choices before most of the central banks suddenly appear between a fire or a frying pan, with hurried action and little communication likely to fan more panic among markets/investors.

Against this backdrop, Mint Street walked a razor-thin line, balancing the two sides of the coin as food inflation remains volatile and sticky, and an intense pan-India monsoon spell does not help in even spatial distribution.

The trade front looks hazy, with supply-side issues possibly aggravating if economies undergo a slowdown, doubling down on the catastrophic effects of a flaring Middle East. The RBI retained its inflation projection for FY25 at 4.5% and real GDP at 7.2%. The outlook for inflation will largely be shaped by the food inflation trajectory and base effect.

The RBI has been actively managing liquidity through main and fine-tuning operations and has ensured liquidity remains adequate. The impending just-in-time mechanism that

keeps government cash balances out of the banking system could have an impact on liquidity. Furthermore, capital flows in FY25 could pose challenges and opportunities for the RBI's liquidity management. The RBI thus needs to innovate on liquidity management, especially given the pressure on the rupee.

The regulator has now shifted its action to online digital lending apps (DLAs). With a view to provide information and differentiate between genuine lending apps and otherwise, the RBI has decided to create a public repository of DLAs deployed by regulated entities that will be available on the RBI website. This is expected to put some check on the digitalised loan shark business.

The RBI has also decided to alter the frequency of reporting to credit information companies, shortening it from the present 30 days to 15 days. This is expected to give a more up-to-date picture of a borrower's indebtedness. Lenders will be able to make better risk assessments for borrowers and also reduce the risk of over-leveraging by them.

By addressing the likelihood of building up of risks in the system from different known-unknown quarters, the regulator has sent a clear

and present message to faltering entities to set their houses in order. While hailing the fall in unsecured credit flows via non-banking financial companies/ credit card issuers, the regulator has also warned of a focus on top-up loans attached to otherwise secured loans, viz. housing/gold, which are eventually finding ways in speculative purposes.

Among other measures, the RBI has proposed to increase the UPI limit for tax payments from Rs 1 lakh to Rs 5 lakh after it hiked the limit to Rs 5 lakh from certain payments in December 2023.

The transaction limit for the Retail Direct Scheme and IPO subscriptions was also increased to Rs 5 lakh in December 2021. The hike in the limit will help taxpayers pay higher tax liabilities quickly and sans expenses, as the payments made via UPI usually do not attract any additional charges. Self-assessment tax is around 7% of the total gross direct receipts.

The RBI has also announced the introduction of delegated payments via UPI, which would allow an individual to set a UPI transaction limit for another individual on the primary user's bank account. This implies that an individual

will be able to provide access to their bank account for UPI payments to another individual, say a family member. This is in line with the add-on card facilities provided by credit card companies and is expected to add to the reach and usage of digital payments across India. The RBI has proposed to transition the Cheque Truncation System from the current approach of batch processing to continuous clearing with "on-realisation-settlement", which will reduce from the present duration of T+1 days to a few hours, helping customers release their value quickly in an otherwise stagnant sector.

The concerns on stable, retail-led deposit accretion to banks should see the stakeholders ramping up efforts to reward the average depositor through efficient and effective mechanisms.

However, this would also imply a fair tax treatment for bank deposits, in line with other competing asset classes by policymakers. Interestingly, UPI transactions are also ensuring that stable current account savings account deposits are moving across the banking system, as such deposits are mostly used for transaction purposes. Clearly, deposit mobilisation will remain a challenge for the banking system, with the overall lending pie also subject to regulatory checks.

*Views expressed in the article are the author's own and do not necessarily represent the editorial stance of Kashmir Observer. The article was originally published by Financial Express*

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## Money Villa: An Author's Attempt to Impart Financial Literacy in Kids

In conversation with Bilal Pandow, author of MoneyVilla: Learn to be Money Smart

Nimra Jeelani

Financial literacy is one of the most important life skills in today's world. With social media flooded with finance jargons urging people to make smart investment choices, a lot of people find themselves completely clueless. This is because school curricula have rarely ever focused on imparting skills like knowledge about managing finances.

Making informed financial decisions is essential and empowers people to navigate the complexities of the financial world with confidence and security. Young minds are our future and instilling financial literacy in such minds is very much the need of the hour.

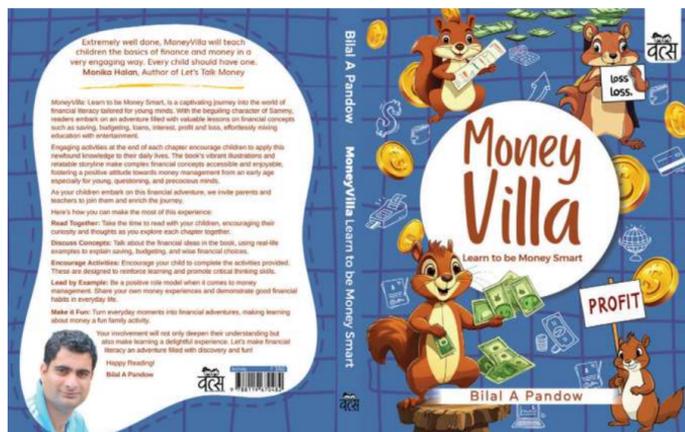
Bilal A Pandow's book "MoneyVilla: Learn to be Money Smart" is a step in this direction. Dr Bilal Ahmad Pandow is an author and educator with twenty years of experience in the field of finance His book gives young minds an opportunity to develop financial know-how and literacy very early in life.

**Q1) Why did you feel that it was important to write a book like MoneyVilla?**

I felt it was important to write "MoneyVilla: Learn to be Money Smart" because financial literacy is an essential life skill that is often overlooked in traditional education. Children and young adults are rarely taught how to manage money effectively, yet these skills are crucial for their future success. Through "MoneyVilla," I wanted to create an engaging and accessible way for young readers to understand the basics of money management, such as saving, budgeting, and investing. The goal is to empower the next generation with the knowledge they need to make informed financial decisions and build a secure future.

**Q2) Why did you choose to focus on financial literacy for young minds?**

I chose to focus on financial literacy for young minds because the earlier we start teaching children about money, the better equipped they will be to handle financial responsibilities as they grow older. Financial habits are often formed early in life, and by instilling smart money management skills at a young age, we



can help children develop a strong foundation for their future. Moreover, with the increasing complexity of financial systems and the influence of consumer culture, it's more important than ever for young people to understand how money works. By focusing on young minds, "MoneyVilla" aims to prepare them for the challenges and opportunities they will face, enabling them to make sound financial decisions throughout their lives.

**Q3) How did you come up with the character of Sammy and the storyline?**

The character of Sammy and the storyline in "MoneyVilla" were inspired by a desire to create a relatable and engaging way to teach financial concepts to children. I wanted to avoid the traditional, often dry approach to financial education and instead craft a narrative that would capture the imagination of young readers.

Sammy was designed to be a character that children could see themselves in—curious, adventurous, and eager to learn. The storyline follows Sammy's journey through different financial challenges and opportunities, allowing readers to learn alongside him in a fun and interactive way. Each chapter introduces a new lesson in financial literacy, presented through

Sammy's experiences, which makes the learning process feel natural and engaging.

In creating Sammy and the storyline, I drew on common financial situations that children might encounter or hear about in their own lives, such as saving for a goal, understanding the value of money, or making spending choices. By weaving these concepts into Sammy's adventures, I aimed to make financial literacy accessible, enjoyable, and memorable for young readers.

**Q4) What are some real-life examples or activities you recommend to reinforce the book's concepts?**

To reinforce the concepts in "MoneyVilla," I recommend several real-life activities that parents and educators can use to make financial literacy more practical and engaging for children. For example, create a savings goal: Encourage children to set a small savings goal, such as saving for a toy or a special outing. Help them track their progress using a chart or a piggy bank, just like Sammy does in the book. This activity teaches the value of saving and delayed gratification. Also, budgeting practice: Give children a small weekly or monthly allowance and guide them in creating a simple budget. They can allocate portions of their

money for saving, spending, and perhaps even donating. This exercise reinforces the concepts of budgeting and money management introduced in the book. By integrating these real-life examples and activities, children can apply the lessons from "MoneyVilla" in practical ways, deepening their understanding and helping them develop healthy financial habits that will benefit them for a lifetime.

**Q5) How do you suggest addressing any challenges children might face when learning about money management?**

When teaching children about money management, it's important to recognize that they might face challenges such as difficulty grasping abstract concepts, staying motivated, or managing their emotions around money.

I have broken down complicated financial ideas into simple, age-appropriate terms. Used analogies, stories, or visuals to make abstract concepts like interest, budgeting, or investment more concrete and relatable. For instance, comparing saving money to planting seeds that grow into trees can help children understand the idea of saving and earning interest.

Also, I have tried to keep the learning process enjoyable by using games, interactive activities, and real-life scenarios. For example, you can turn budgeting into a game where children allocate "money" to different needs and wants, rewarding them for making wise choices. The more fun and engaging the process is, the more likely with patience, creativity, and support, you can help children develop a strong understanding of money management and build lifelong financial skills.

**Q6) How do you see the role of financial education evolving in the future, especially for young audiences?**

The role of financial education is poised to become even more critical in the future, especially for young audiences, as the financial landscape continues to evolve with advancements in technology and changing economic dynamics. By leveraging technology, emphasizing digital literacy, and integrating financial education into everyday learning, we can better prepare young audiences to manage their finances effectively

and make informed decisions in an increasingly complex financial environment.

**Q7) How did you decide which financial concepts to include in the book?**

Deciding which financial concepts to include in "MoneyVilla: Learn to be Money Smart" involved a careful consideration of the fundamental skills that children need to build a strong financial foundation. The goal was to cover essential topics that would be both relevant and accessible to young readers. Here's how I approached the selection process:

I started by identifying the core financial concepts that are crucial for anyone, regardless of age, to understand. This included saving, budgeting, spending wisely, and the basics of earning money. These are the building blocks of financial literacy and provide a foundation upon which more complex ideas can be introduced later.

Since the book is aimed at young minds, it was important to tailor the content to their cognitive level and interests. I focused on concepts that could be explained in simple, relatable terms and avoided topics that might be too abstract or complex for the target age group. For example, while investment is an important financial concept, I introduced it in a very basic form, focusing on the idea of "growing money" through saving rather than delving into stocks or mutual funds.

In addition to current relevance, I considered the long-term usefulness of the concepts. The financial world is evolving, so I included topics like digital money and basic financial security, which will become increasingly important as children grow older. This ensures that the lessons they learn today will still be relevant as they navigate their financial futures.

By carefully selecting and integrating these financial concepts into the story, I aimed to create a book that is both informative and enjoyable, helping young readers develop the financial skills they need to succeed in the future.

Buy the book here (weblink).

[https://www.flipkart.com/moneyvilla-learn-money-smart/p/itm378b5ab644ff2?pid=9788119670246&lid=LSTBOK9788119670246TJ7MTZ&marketplace=FLIPKART&cmpid=content\\_book\\_8965229628\\_gmc](https://www.flipkart.com/moneyvilla-learn-money-smart/p/itm378b5ab644ff2?pid=9788119670246&lid=LSTBOK9788119670246TJ7MTZ&marketplace=FLIPKART&cmpid=content_book_8965229628_gmc)

## Savoring Kashmir's Culinary Heritage: Most Authentic Wazwan Experiences in the Valley

Indulge in the rich flavors of Kashmir's culinary masterpiece at these five must visit exquisite wazwan destinations

Diya Malhotra

Kashmir's wazwan is not just a meal but a journey through centuries of culinary heritage; it is the only royal feast that truly represents Kashmiri cuisine. However, as difficult as it may be to find an authentic wazwan experience, there are hidden gems scattered throughout the Valley where this elaborate meal finds true expression. There are places where families have held onto ancient recipes and others where creative chefs give familiar flavours an innovative twist, making Kashmir offer a variety of sensational wazwan experiences for the discerning foodie. These carefully chosen locations will not simply provide food but they will also allow you to have deeper roots into Kashmir's rich culinary culture by offering irresistible tastes that linger beyond the last mouthful.

1. Ahdoos



Ahdoos, a culinary landmark on the banks of the Jhelum River, has been serving up excellence for an impressive 104 years.. What began as a modest bakery in 1918 has blossomed into Srinagar's premier wazwan destination. The restaurant's warm ambiance and

attentive staff create a welcoming retreat, especially during bustling lunch hours. Ahdoos truly shines with its authentic wazwan, masterfully crafting dishes like goshtaba, tabakmaaz, and nadru yakhni. But the real star? Their phirni. This heavenly dessert is a creamy dream that'll linger in your memory long after the last spoonful. With every bite at Ahdoos, you're not just eating – you're savoring a piece of Kashmir's culinary heritage. (Ahdoos)

2. JJ Foods

Tucked away in the heart of Kashmir, JJ Foods offers an intimate wazwan experience that's big on flavor and authenticity. With just four to five tables, this cozy spot offers an intimate wazwan experience that feels like dining in a Kashmiri home. The attention to detail is impressive – from the traditional carpet seating to the authentic décor, every element transports you to the heart of Kashmir. Here, you're not just eating; you're partaking

in a centuries-old ritual, savoring each bite as the "wazas" intended. The must-try "Wazwan Thali" is a feast for the senses, showcasing the best of Kashmiri flavors. JJ Foods' warm and inviting atmosphere, coupled with the chance to dine in true Kashmiri style, makes it a hid-



den gem for those seeking an authentic taste of the region. (JJ Foods)

3. Mughal Darbar

Step into Mughal Darbar and you'll instantly understand why it's a beloved fixture in Kashmir's culinary scene. This gem, tucked away in the valley's center, serves up some of the most mouthwatering wazwan you'll ever taste. Trust me, come hungry – you'll want to sample every mutton delicacy on offer. But vegetarians, fear not! There's plenty to satisfy your palate too. For an authentic touch, don't miss the intimate carpet-seating section. This charming nook, adorned with woven curtains for seclusion, offers a cozy retreat from the main dining area. Surrounded by traditional Kashmiri décor and dining from copper plates, you'll feel transported to another era. Whether you're a curious tourist or a discerning local, Mughal Darbar offers a slice of authentic Kashmir that's simply not to be missed. (Mughal Darbar)

4. Chinar By Lalit

Amid the stunning Zabarwan hills, Chinar by The Lalit elevates wazwan to new heights. This gem blends Kashmir's culinary heritage with upscale dining. You're greeted by an ambiance whispering luxury – from chinar leaf-adorned tables to the option of dining in their lush garden. Prices reflect its upscale setting, but the experience is exceptional. Flavors are extraordinary, showcasing the finest Kash-



miri spices. Whether seated inside or enjoying mountain views outside, Chinar delivers a feast for eyes and palate alike. It's perfect for special occasions when indulging in wazwan at its finest.(Chinar by Lalit)

5. Gani Sons Wazwan

If you're after the real deal in wazwan, look no further than Gani Sons.While this unassuming spot may not dazzle with its decor, the true magic unfolds on your plate, where the flavors speak volumes and create an unforgettable dining experience. Run by some of Kashmir's most respected Wazas (traditional cooks), this place serves up wazwan that's nothing short of culinary poetry. From kebabs to gustaba, every dish is a masterpiece. Gani Sons exemplifies the adage that true culinary treasures often hide in plain sight. For those seeking an authentic taste of Kashmir, this humble eatery is nothing short of essential. (Gani Sons Wazwan)

6. Kashmiri Wedding

For the truly adventurous food lover, nothing beats experiencing this feast at a traditional Kashmiri wedding, where the warmth of local hospitality, the rhythmic clinking of copper utensils, and the heady aroma of spices create an indescribable magic. If you are the lucky one with a Kashmiri friend, don't miss the chance to see Kashmir's culture and cuisine in full swing at a Kashmiri wedding. Invite yourself over. Don't be shy! Kashmiris are great hosts!

Some other places where you can enjoy Wazwan are: Cafe Liberty and Bandari Wazwan which are both located in Lal Chowk.

Whether exploring these top picks or venturing off the beaten path, remember that every bite of wazwan is a taste of Kashmir's soul. Come with curiosity, leave with unforgettable memories, and let the valley's flavors captivate your senses in ways you never imagined possible.

### 'Current Climate Data, Knowledge Not Enough To Predict Tipping Points'

Press Trust Of India

Current data and understanding of Earth's climate are not up to the task to accurately predict tipping points, or points of no return, for critical regions including tropical rainforests, according to a new study.

Climate tipping points play out in response to human-caused global warming and are marked by irreversible changes and consequences.

To predict a climate tipping point, scientists use past information to extrapolate or extend the trends into the future.

Citing "huge" gaps in past long-term data and an inadequate understanding of climate-related processes, the study's authors said that the idea of predicting climate tipping points, while appealing, is "fraught with uncertainties."

"Our research is both a wake-up call and a cautionary tale," said Maya Ben-Yami, a doctoral researcher at the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK), Germany, and lead author of the study published in the journal Science Advances.

"There are things we still can't predict, and we need to invest in better data and a more in-

depth understanding of the systems in question. The stakes are too high to rely on shaky predictions," said Ben-Yami.

The authors argued that to predict a climate tipping point, along with using past data, "one must make assumptions about the system in question and how it will evolve."

For example, for a certain component of Earth, such as the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation or AMOC, the most fundamental assumption made is that it will experience a tipping point, or a point of no return, for a given level of global warming.

The AMOC, the system of currents in the Atlantic Ocean that influence the planet's climate, is being widely studied to know if it is slowing down or close to a collapse.

A collapse of the AMOC is known to bring warmth to regions around the world and transport nutrients for sustaining ocean life, therefore, constitutes one of Earth's climate tipping points.

However, not all of Earth's components can undergo tipping, and as the methods used for analysis assume a tipping, the results are "susceptible to false positives," the authors said.

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**NOTIFICATION**

**Subject: Document Verification of candidates falling under consideration zone for various posts – regarding.**

The Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board (JKSSB), vide Notification No. JKSSB-COEEXAM(UT)/14/2024-03 (7461700) dated: 10-06-2024, issued the Result/Score-sheet of the candidates who appeared in the OMR based written examination held on 23-05-2024 for the following posts:

S.No.	Advertisement No.	Item No.	Department	Name of Post
1	01 of 2021	011	Jal Shakti	Mechanic
2	01 of 2021	012	Jal Shakti	Mechanic
3	01 of 2021	013	Jal Shakti	Electrician
4	01 of 2021	014	Jal Shakti	Electrician
5	01 of 2021	015	Jal Shakti	Electrician
6	01 of 2021	016	Jal Shakti	Electrician
7	04 of 2020	082	Transport	Fitter
8	04 of 2020	084	Transport	Welder
9	04 of 2020	085	Transport	Electrician
10	04 of 2022	132	Estates	Plumber
11	04 of 2022	153	Animal/Sheep Husbandary & Fisheries Department	Electrician
12	04 of 2022	154	Animal/Sheep Husbandary & Fisheries Department	Electrician
13	06 of 2020	196	Higher Education	Workshop Instructor
14	06 of 2020	197	Higher Education	Carpenter-II
15	06 of 2020	200	Higher Education	Maintenance Assistant
16	06 of 2020	201	Higher Education	Workshop Assistant
17	06 of 2020	204	Hospitality & Protocol	Upholsterer
18	07 of 2020	313	Skill Development	Motor Driver Mechanic
19	07 of 2020	321	Skill Development	Electrician
20	07 of 2020	323	Skill Development	Plumber
21	04 of 2021	625	Animal/Sheep Husbandary & Fisheries Department	Electrician
22	04 of 2020	081	Transport	Mechanic
23	05 of 2020	165	ARI and Training	Machineman
24	05 of 2020	172	ARI and Training	Machineman
25	07 of 2020	239	Agriculture Production & Farmer's Welfare	Carpenter
26	07 of 2020	305	Agriculture Production & Farmer's Welfare	Plumber
27	05 of 2020	173	ARI and Training	Etcher Artist

The J&K Services Selection Board (JKSSB), vide Notice No. JKSSB-COEEXAM(UT)/14/2024-03 (7461700) dated: 18-07-2024, issued Clubbing Notice, wherein, the candidates who had appeared in the above said examination and had applied for multiple advertisements, with some item numbers not being reflected on their admit cards or issued multiple admit cards were asked to submit their details w.e.f. 22-07-2024 to 24-07-2024, as per devised format on [jkssbclubbingrequest@gmail.com](mailto:jkssbclubbingrequest@gmail.com) for clubbing of their Roll Nos.

The requests so received in the Board have been examined and clubbed as per details in **Annexure B** to this notification.

Accordingly, keeping in view the need and objective to fill all requisitioned vacancies, the candidates who are falling under the consideration zone for the aforementioned posts, given in **Annexure "A"** to this notification, are hereby called upon to appear physically before the designated Document Verification Committees of the Board for the verification/scrutiny of their documents/certificates **as per the schedule and venue indicated against each.**

In case, any item number/advertisement notification is missing in **Annexure "B"** against any candidates name/roll number, such candidates are advised to submit clubbing requests as per the format enclosed (**Annexure C**) on **13-08-2024 at JKSSB, Central Office, CPO Chowk, Panjtirthi, Jammu/JKSSB, Central Office, Zamzam Complex, Rambagh, Srinagar.**

No further claim in this regard shall be entertained by JKSSB after the expiry of the stipulated period or through any other medium.

Before submitting the clubbing request, the candidates are advised to check whether the post of his/her category is available in that particular Item or not.

The candidates are required to produce following documents/certificates in original, along-with **one set of self-attested copies**, before the designated Document Verification Committee:

- Copy of Application Form.
- Two passport size recent colour photographs.
- One original photo ID Proof i.e. Aadhar card/Voter Card/Pan Card/Passport etc.
- D.O.B Certificate (10<sup>th</sup> Diploma/Marks card).
- Valid Category Certificate, if belongs to reserved categories.
- Domicile Certificate.
- Marks Sheet of Matric/Matric with Science.
- Prescribed Qualification/Certificates/Diploma/Experience certificates as per Advertisement Notifications.
- Bonafide certificate on the format prescribed by the Board duly issued by the Controller/Registrar of the concerned Institute/Board in respect of candidates, who have obtained the qualification/Diploma from outside the UT of J&K.
- Checklist sheet/form to be submitted by candidates at the time of their D.V. (**as per Annexure-D**).
- The candidates must also submit their order of preferences for various items/posts/advertisements (**as per Annexure-E**) in offline mode to the Document Verification committees.

The candidates who fail to appear before the respective Document Verification Committee(s) on the scheduled date shall forfeit their right to selection.

DIPK-4589/24  
dated: 10-08-2024

*Reyaz Ahmad Malik*  
Reyaz Ahmad Malik (JKAS)  
Controller of Examinations  
J&K Services Selection Board

No.: JKSSB-COEEXAM(UT)/14/2024-03 (7461700)

Dated: 09-08-2024

### The J&K Board Of Professional Entrance Examinations (BOPEE)

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Website: www.jkbopee.gov.in E-mail: coejakbopee@gmail.com/helpdeskjakbopee@gmail.com

**Subject: Provisional Selection list for admission to GNM Lateral Entry Course-2024 in various Government/Private Colleges of UT of J&K/Ladakh.**

Reference: **Notification No. 061-BOPEE of 2024 dated 31-07-2024.**

**Notification No.066 -BOPEE of 2024**  
**Dated: 09-08-2024**

In pursuance of Notification No. 061-BOPEE of 2024 dated 31-07-2024, the Board conducted first round of physical counseling from 05-08-2024 to 07-08-2024 simultaneously at BOPEE office Jammu/Srinagar for admission to GNM lateral entry course-2024 in various Govt. / Private Colleges of UT of Jammu and Kashmir/Ladakh. The list of candidates provisionally selected for allotment of seat(s) / Institution as per their merit cum preferences is annexed as **Annexure-A** to this Notification which shall remain available on official website of BOPEE viz. [www.jkbopee.gov.in](http://www.jkbopee.gov.in) only.

The candidates provisionally selected shall report for admission to the allotted Colleges / Institutions **by or before 14<sup>th</sup> of August 2024 (up to 03.00 P.M)** along with their relevant certificates in original. The concerned Heads of the Institutions shall complete the admission process after checking the eligibility of candidates and verifying the following documents:

- Domicile Certificate;
- FMPHW/MMPHW/ANM Diploma/Marks Cards of both years;
- Valid Category Certificate, if applicable;
- Date of Birth Certificate (Diploma/10th Class Marks Card);
- ID card to verify the identity of the candidate, &
- Any other document, as required by concerned college/institution for admission purposes.

**Note:**

- All the Heads of the Institutions/Colleges are requested to keep their admission counters open on holidays/off days to facilitate the candidates to complete their admission process well in time.
- The candidate(s) who would conceal any information at the time of admission, the candidature of such candidates shall be cancelled abinitio and fine/penalty shall be imposed upon him/her as may be deemed proper by the Board in accordance with the laid down rules.
- The allotment of seats have been made in accordance to the provisions of **S.O. 176 of 2024 dated 15-03-2024 read with S.O 305 dated 21-05-2024.**
- The Concerned Colleges/Institutions shall ensure that, in case a person with disability, is selected in open merit or some reserved category, the college/institution concerned shall refer such case(s) to the Medical College concerned for the constitution of special Medical Board to assess such candidates and make recommendations based on which colleges shall take further necessary action. In case any such candidate does not fulfill the bench marks of disability, he/she shall

not be admitted to the course/ college and the matter shall be reported to the BOPEE.

- For fee related query, candidates provisionally recommended for admission are advised to contact the concerned College/Institution.

The Heads of the Institutions shall keep record of admissions and send the shortfall of the candidates, if any, to the Board through e-mail viz. [coejakbopee@gmail.com](mailto:coejakbopee@gmail.com) / [helpdeskjakbopee@gmail.com](mailto:helpdeskjakbopee@gmail.com) on **14<sup>th</sup> of August 2024 at 04:30 P.M** positively.

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

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Sd/-

DIPK-NB-1293/24  
dated: 10-08-2024

(Prof. Gurrinder Raj Verma)  
Controller of Examinations  
J&K BOPEE

No. BOPEE/Exam-15/2024(7460322)

Dated:09-08-2024

Government of Jammu & Kashmir  
**Office Of The Executive Engineer Mechanical And Hospitals Division Srinagar**

(Tele-fax No: 019-2496089, e-mail id: xemhchdk@yahoo.in)

**Subject: - Upgradation of Infra structure for ENT Extension Block at SMHS, Hospital, Srinagar by way of Design, SITC of Modular Operation Theatres Along With MGPS and HVAC system and CMC for one year of MOTs post one year warranty period for ENT Extensionblock**

Ref :- This office e- NIT no: M&HDS/TS/2024-25/48/e-tendering Dated 20.07.2024

**CORRIGENDUM/EXTENSION**

Due to error in creation of BOQ the new BOQ is uploaded with changes.

Also the Critical dates of above subject work tendered vide above referred e-NIT are extended as follows: -

S.No.	Description	Date and Time
1.	Last Date of Bid Submission	16.08.2024 (12:00 hrs)
2.	Date of Bid Opening	16.08.2024 (14:00 hrs)

All other Terms and Conditions of the NIT shall remain the same.

Sd/-  
Executive Engineer,  
Mechanical & Hospitals Division,  
Srinagar

No: M&HDS/TS/ 3007-10  
DIPK-4491/24 Dated: 10.08.2024

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I have lost my passport bearing no: T0879281 now I have applied for duplicate one. If anybody has any objection he /she may contact Regional Passport Office Srinagar within 7 days. After that no objection shall be entertained.

ABDUL GANI MIR  
S/o GARIEND KHURD mcb

**Subject:- Grant Of Registration of the Proposed Travel unit under the name & Style "M/S North Grace Travellers situated at Soiteng Lasjan Srinagar**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Whereas I, Mr. Irfan Rouf Magrey S/o: Rouf Ahmed Magrey R/o: Soiteng Lasjan Srinagar KASHMIR intend to apply in the Department of Tourism for registration of my proposed travel unit under the name & style of M/S North Grace Travellers situated at Soiteng Lasjan Srinagar KASHMIR under tourist trade act 1978/82/2011-12.

Whereas I will submit state subject / Domicile certificate , Qualification Certificate, pan card, Experience Certificate (Minimum 5years), Police character certificate, Bank statement (minimum balance 10000), site plan, Affidavit, Rent deed duly attested by sub Registrar, printing material (Letter head / Visiting card ) Photograph of the unit (indoor and outdoor) and Two passport size photographs to the department of Tourism as per prescribed checklist I Prior to Registration of my unit as an Excursion Agency.

Now as per J&K Registration of Tourist Trade Act 1978/82/2011/12 before my case is processed for my registration by the Competent Authority, the matter is hereby notified for information of general public/ Financial institutions/Bank/ Organisation, etc for objection, if any and the same should reach to the Deputy Director Tourism Registration(email id: ddtreg23@gmail.com) within a period of 7days from the publication of this notice in a leading newspaper/newspapers of the valley. No objection beyond a period of 7 days shall be entertained.

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Government of Jammu & Kashmir  
**OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER Machinery Division Srinagar**

**Mechanical & Hospital Engineering Department, Kashmir**  
[ Fax No: 0194-2497093 | email: xemhds@gmail.com | website: www.medkashmir.org ]

**GIST of e-Tender**

(Previously tendered vide eNIT No:- 06 , dt:- 10.06.2024 and cancelled)

e-NIT No:	MDSK/TS /2024-25/36
Date	08.08.2024

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, J&K UT e-tenders are invited on **item rate basis** from eligible contractors registered with J&K Govt., CPWD, Railway/State/central Government organization for the below mentioned work: -

Name of the Work	Cost of Tender Doc. (In Rupees)	Estimated Cost (In Rupees)	Bid Security/MD in (In Rupees)	Position of Funds
1	2	3	4	5
SITC & ITC (as the case may be) of sprinkler irrigation System including HDPE pipe/LLDPE pipeline including allied fittings for Saffron Crop cultivated area at bore well No.113 under implementation of National Mission on Saffron.	100.00	821659.00	16434.00	Approved under NMS
SITC & ITC (as the case may be) of sprinkler irrigation System including HDPE pipe/LLDPE pipeline including allied fittings for Saffron Crop cultivated area at bore well No.114 under implementation of National Mission on Saffron.	100.00	946618.00	18930.00	Approved under NMS

The bidding document consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the Govt. website [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) as per schedule of dates given below :-

Sl No.	Event	Date and Time
01	Publish date	09.08.2024 ( 18:00 Hrs)
02	Period of downloading of bidding document	From 09.08.2024 ( 18:30 Hrs)
03	Bid submission start date	09.08.2024 ( 18:55 Hrs)
04	Bid submission end date	20.08.2024 ( 18:55 Hrs)
05	Date and time of opening of bids (online)	21.08.2024 ( 14:00 Hrs)

Sd/  
(Er. KaplaishPandita)  
Executive Engineer,  
Machinery Division, Srinagar

DIPK-4520/24  
dated: 10-08-2024

No: MDSK/ TS/ 2354-58

## Banks Should Focus On Their Core Business, Bring Innovative Products To Mobilise Deposits: FM

Press Trust Of India

**NEW DELHI:** Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday exhorted banks to focus on their core business and explore new ways to attract deposits, as household savings are increasingly shifting towards alternate investment products.

"Both RBI and the government have been asking banks to focus on their business activity... they should be aggressive in deposit mobilisation and then lend. That is the core activity of banks," she said.

Interacting with the media after her customary post Budget address to the central board of Reserve Bank of India (RBI), she said there is mismatch between credit and deposit growth presently.

Stressing that banks should give emphasis on collecting deposits, she said, "RBI has given them some liberty in managing the interest rates. Using that liberty, they should make deposits attractive... bring innovative products and mobilise deposits."

She also urged bankers to shun lazy banking and focus on small savers rather than big or bulk deposits.

"Trickles (small savings) are going to be your bread and butter, money to bank on... that trickle which was the emphasis long back, which kept nothing for the other side (big deposits). Now we've (banks) gone to



the other side completely. Now they are chasing bulk deposits to meet their targets," she said.

But the requisite small deposit mobilisation is one of the very critical jobs of a bank, she said, adding "it might be grinding monotony, but that's where your bread and butter lies."

Echoing a similar view, RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das said "we have been witnessing about 300 to 400 basis points gap between deposits and credit growth, deposits are lower.

"So at the moment, our effort is to highlight this point. It is kind of a proactive caution for the banks' management that going forward, this may create structural issues with regard to liquidity management. As it stands today, we don't see a crisis. But it has to be attended to."

Banks should leverage their vast branch network to mobilise deposits through innovative means and products, he emphasised.

He further said interest rates are deregulated and often banks raise deposit rates to attract funds.

## HADP To Usher In A New Era Of Agricultural Growth: Dulloo

'Youth Finding Renewed Interest In Agri Sectors'

Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR-** Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo, Saturday said that Holistic Agriculture Development Program (HADP) will usher in a new era of growth in agriculture and allied sectors that will greatly improve the lives of farmers and increase their manifold.

Chief Secretary made these remarks during interaction with HADP beneficiaries at Sher e Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology (SKUAST) Kashmir.

He said that there is certainly a view out there among the farmers of J&K that HADP has brought about significant enhancement in their income and witnessing the success stories of farmers is a reflection of the positive outcomes.

Dulloo said that 70 percent of the population in J&K has agriculture as predominant livelihood venture and it was in this context that government came up with a pragmatic and synergized policy program (HADP) which will address the challenges and transform sector into the envisioned prosperous sustainable agriculture economy in the region.

Chief Secretary said that aim of HADP is to increase the production, productivity, growth, employment generation among other things which would double the contribution of agri sector towards GDP.



Dulloo said that HADP will enhance the income of 13 lakh farmer families and provide employment opportunities to about 3 lakhs and skill development to 2.5 lakh farmers.

He said that J&K has a comparative advantage over other parts of the country in various products like saffron, musk budji rice, apples, walnuts and realising its full potential is one of the objectives of HADP.

Dulloo said that one of the biggest successes of HADP is the increasing confidence of the younger generation in agriculture and allied sectors. He said that youth who were moving away from agriculture have found a renewed interest in this sector and have greatly attained success.

He said that youth have not only created employment for themselves but also provided

employment opportunities to a large number of people and inspired them to join HADP.

Emphasizing that HADP provides a whole set of ecosystem where a farmer gets information, knowledge and understanding which builds his confidence, Chief Secretary said that this ecosystem has been brought about by the integration of farmers, agriculture department and University. Dulloo said that HADP is marked by collaborative efforts and a shared commitment to driving real income and livelihood growth for J&K's farmers.

Dulloo said that in HADP, emphasis is being laid on ecosystem services and restoration and sustainable utilization of biodiversity to efficiently use bio-resources for food, feed and industry.

## 'Mobile Phones Priced Rs 10,000-20,000 Dominate Indian Smartphone Market'

Press Trust Of India

**LUCKNOW:** Mobile phones priced in the range of Rs 10,000-20,000 dominate the country's smartphone industry, constituting over 40 per cent of the total market size, according to Infinix India CEO Anish Kapoor.

Kapoor said the demand for 5G-enabled handset has increased in the recent past and devices priced between Rs 10,000 and Rs 20,000 see higher demand as compared to those priced below Rs 10,000 that used to dominate the market earlier.

The stagnancy, which was in the market for the past two years, has changed, and the market has once again started to grow back, said Kapoor who was in Lucknow on Thursday for the launch of the company's latest smartphone Note 40X 5G.

"...earlier the phones which were priced under Rs 10,000 used to dominate the market in India, and it was around 35 per cent to 40 per cent. Now, the major market has gone to the mobile phones priced in the range Rs 10,000 to Rs 20,000 now, which is close to



43 per cent," Kapoor told PTI.

He attributed the new trend to users' preference towards upgraded features and the latest technology.

"We are also seeing that after the advent of the 5G technology, everybody wants a 5G phone. The demand for 5G technology has gone up. Right now 5G phones start at Rs 10,000 to Rs 11,000," Kapoor said.

About his company's performance in the local market, the Infinix India CEO said, "Uttar Pradesh is one of the biggest markets for us both online and offline, and the response has been phenomenal for us as a brand."

He said the company has been trying to create "break-through products and premium features at more affordable segments, and that's what we are known as a brand".

## 'Tourism Sector Could Resolve 50% Of India's Employment Challenges'



Press Trust Of India

**KOLKATA:** The tourism sector has the potential to resolve 50 per cent of the country's employment challenges with the right government support, Lemon Tree Hotels Chairman and Managing Director Patanjali Govind Keswani said on Saturday.

Delivering his address at the first National Conclave on India 2047, organised by IIM Calcutta, he said India's tourism sector is on the verge of hitting the inflexion point.

Keswani pointed out that several countries have seen that the tourism sector contributes as much as 15-20 per cent to their GDP and account for 25 per cent of employment.

Expressing disappointment over the government's approach towards the tourism sector, he said, "In India, tourism contributes only 6.5 per

cent to GDP and a similar share in employment. This sector holds enormous potential for creating jobs."

"If the government can leverage this opportunity effectively, it could address up to 50 per cent of our employment challenges," he said.

Discussing India's current economic landscape, Keswani remarked that the country is at a critical juncture, similar to where China was during its rapid growth phase.

He highlighted that even household incomes in India grow at a rate of 6-7 per cent annually, setting the stage for a significant shift in discretionary consumption patterns.

"India has 280 million households, but currently, only 5 million households—less than 2 per cent—are active consumers of discretionary goods like SUVs and hatchbacks," Keswani said.

## 'Garment Sector Facing Uncertainty Due To Bangladesh Crisis, Normalcy May Return Soon'

Press Trust Of India

**NEW DELHI:** The Indian garment and knitted fabric sector is witnessing a bit of uncertainty due to the Bangladesh crisis, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said on Saturday, expressing hope that the interim government there will settle things "sooner rather than later."

Interacting with the media on the sidelines of customary post Budget address to the central board of Reserve Bank of India, she said efforts are being taken to ensure that borders with the neighbouring country are safe.

With regard to Indian investments, she said, the textile industry particularly from Tamil Nadu has made investments there in good faith and they have done well having gone there.

"The exports from Bangladesh also increased because of the duty and quota liberal approach that we have towards low-income countries. They (Indian garment industry based in Bangladesh) could even export to India."

Particularly, she said, the garment and knitted fabric sector is seeing a bit of uncertain-

ty because of the crisis in the neighbouring country.

"I hope that the investments are all safe... it's too early for me to see what kind of an impact this situation in Bangladesh will have on our economy. I hope that the interim government will settle things sooner rather than later so that both the people of Bangladesh and India can get back to normalcy," she said.

Earlier this week, Bangladesh plunged into a political crisis when Sheikh Hasina resigned as the Prime Minister and fled the country. Soon after Parliament was dissolved leading to the creation of an interim government.

The 84-year-old Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus on Thursday took oath as the head of an interim government, replacing Sheikh Hasina who abruptly resigned and fled to India leaving the country in turmoil following deadly protests against her government over a controversial quota system in jobs. On Friday, Bangladesh's interim leader Yunus announced the portfolios of his 16-member council of advisors and named a former top diplomat to head the foreign ministry.

## JKEDI Organises Sensitization Workshop On Startup Ecosystem For Govt Officials

Observer News Service

**KATHUA-** In an effort to foster a vibrant startup ecosystem in J&K, the Jammu & Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI), District Office Kathua, conducted a sensitization workshop for state government officials Saturday here at the District Employment & Counseling Centre (DECC), Kathua.

The object of the workshop was aimed to enhance the understanding, skills, and capabilities of government officials regarding the startup ecosystem in India vis a vis in Jammu & Kashmir, with a focus on disseminating information about the JK Startup Policy 2024-27.

During the proceedings of the program, in depth analysis of the Startup Policy was done to

sensitize state government officials about the dynamics of the startup ecosystem and encourage active involvement from various state departments. The interactive session was seen as a tool in facilitating meaningful interactions between state departments and startups, fostering an environment of innovation and idea exchange that will contribute to the growth of the startup landscape in the region.

Officials from various departments, including the Divisional Forest Office, Block Development Office, Handicrafts & Handloom Department, DECC, Khadi & Village Industries Board, Rural Self Employment Training Institute, Rural Livelihood Mission, Nehru Yuva Kendra along with registered and potential startups from the Kathua district were

present at the workshop.

The program commenced with a detailed presentation by Nodal Officer, JKEDI, Kathua Dheeraj Handu, who provided an overview of the JKEDI, highlighting its background, achievements, milestones, and future endeavors.

Following the introduction, a comprehensive session was conducted on the Vision of the J&K Startup Policy 2024-27. The session covered the benefits and eligibility criteria for registering and recognizing startups, as well as the current position of Jammu & Kashmir in the national startup landscape. Participants were shown examples of successful startups in India, inspiring them with stories of innovation and perseverance that have driven these startups to national prominence.

**GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR**

# J&K SPORTS COUNCIL

## Invitation of Short Term Sealed quotations.

The J&K Sports Council is conducting 21 days Rhythmic Gymnastics Coaching Camp at Srinagar for Indian elite athletes commencing from last week of August 2024. In this connection the undersigned on behalf of the J&K Sports Council invites short term quotations for hiring of rooms in local Hotels & Guests Houses in Srinagar from 23-08-2024 onwards having the below mentioned facilities for accommodating the Coaches, Officials and players with all meals plan including refreshment as per Sports Council approved rates:-

- Triple sharing AC Rooms for 30 players
- Double/Single Sharing AC Rooms for 2 officials.

(Both the Room Categories should have the following amenities:  
Hot and Cold water (Gyser) facilities round the clock, adequate bedding, LED with satellite/internet connection facilities, uninterrupted power supply, Wi-Fi internet facilities, Dining Hall, Parking)

3. Menu:

- Meals: Buffet
- Morning tea with biscuits
- Breakfast: (Cut Fruits, Juice, Omelette, Poha, Chola Puri, Porridge, Toast, Cornflakes, Milk, Tea, Butter, Jam, Honey).
- Lunch: NonVeg 2pcs, Veg/Cheese, Dal, Rice, Roti, Papad, Salad Curd.
- Evening Refreshment: Sandwich/Toast/Burger, Tea, Coffee, Milk or Roated NonVeg Steak.
- Dinner: NonVeg 2pcs, Veg, Dal, Rice, Roti, Lemon Water, Papad, Salad Curd, Sweet Dish.
- Mineral Water :-Two Ltr bottles per day per head.
- Laundry:- 2pcs per day for officials only.

The JKSC approved rate for Accommodation, Meals & Refreshment Per Person Per Day is given below :-

- Accommodation - Rs.500/- PHPD
- Meals/Food - Rs.300/- PHPD
- Refreshment - Rs.150/- Per Head Per Session.

The quotations should reach to the Office of the undersigned by or before 16-08-2024 upto 2.00 PM only by registered post/Speed post/Courier/by hand and same shall be opened on the same day on 16-08-2024 at 3.00 PM at Bakshli Stadium Srinagar in presence of the quotatationer who may wish to be present. The constituted committee reserves the rights to accept/ reject any quotation/ all quotations without assigning any reason thereof.

NO: SC/SOK/50-S/1831-35  
Dated: 10-08-2024

Sd/-  
DIPK-NB-1298-24  
DT: 10/08/2024  
Divisional Sports Officer (K)

**Government of Jammu & Kashmir**

## OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (R&B) DIVISION TANGMARG.

### NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

NIT No: 23/R&B of 2024-25  
For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, UT J&K, e-tenders (In single cover system) are invited on Percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K Govt., CPW, Railways and other State/Central Governments for the following works:-

Dated: 08-08-2024

S. No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees)	Earnest money (In Rupees)	Time of completion	M.H of Account	Class of Contractor	Project Authority
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Up-gradation of New colony Chandilora Tangmarg road near MTM Foundation School.	1.73	200/-	3460/-	15 days	Distt. Capex 2024-25	DEE	DDC Baramulla
2	Up-gradation of Keenawali link road including school link at Gogaldara Tangmarg Baramulla.	11.30	600/-	22600/-	30 days	Distt. Capex 2024-25	D/C/B	DDC Baramulla

- The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be viewed/downloaded from the departmental website [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) as per schedule of dates given below-
- |   |  |                     |
|---|--|---------------------|
| 1 | Date of Issue of Tender Notice             | 08-08-2024          |
| 2 | Period of downloading of bidding documents | 10-08-2024          |
| 3 | Bid submission Start Date                  | 10-08-2024          |
| 4 | Bid Submission End Date                    | 21-08-2024 4:00 PM  |
| 5 | Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)    | 22-08-2024 11:00 AM |
- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Treasury Challan (Dated between bid submission start date and bid submission end date) with NIT No., Serial No. and name of work to be deposited in M.H. 0059 in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender inviting authority).
- All the bidders must upload Earnest money /Bid security equal to 2% of advertised cost in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority) (The Date of earnest money/Bid security should be between the Bid Submission start date and Bid submission End date, otherwise bids shall be rejected).
- The Successful bidder will have to provide performance security @ 5% of contract value in the form of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority) as per rule-171 (f) of GFR 2017. The earnest money /Bid security @ 2% shall be released to the successful bidder only on receipt of Performance Security @ 5% of Contract value which shall be released after successful completion of DLP /maintenance period.
- The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority).
- The earnest money / Bid security in favour of unsuccessful bidder shall be released only after submission of original Treasury Challan.
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of Technical bids
- The earnest money shall be forfeited, if-
  - Any bidder / tenderer withdraw his bid / tender during the period of bid validity or make any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.
  - Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.
  - Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.
- All other terms conditions are as per PWD Form 25(Double agreement Form) and detailed NIT issued vide this office NIT No. 01 and 02 of 2024-25.

No: R&B / Divn. / Tang/1987-97  
Dated: 08-08-2024

Sd/-  
DIPK-4552-24  
DT: 10/08/2024  
Executive Engineer  
R&B Division Tangmarg.

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## 2 Soldiers Killed

Manpreet Singh, Major Ashish and Deputy SP Humayun Bhat were killed in the week-long engagement with terrorists.

Two terrorists, including a senior commander of the Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), were also neutralised during that operation.

Security forces have ramped up their efforts in the woods of Kokernag after an encounter in Doda district on July 15 that resulted in the deaths of four soldiers, including a captain.

It is believed that the terrorists involved in the recent Anantnag incident may have crossed over from Kishtwar district after escaping the confrontation in Doda.

Giving details of the current operation, a Srinagar-based defence spokesperson said that on August 5, it was confirmed through human and electronic means that terrorists responsible for atrocities in the Doda region in July have sneaked across the Kishtwar range into the Kapran-Garol area in south Kashmir.

"The Rashtriya Rifles and the Jammu and Kashmir Police have relentlessly tracked these terrorists and precise operations were launched on the night of August 9 and 10 in the mountains in the east of Kapran where these terrorists were reportedly holed up.

"Suspicious movement was observed at around 2 pm on August 10. Challenging (by security forces) was immediately responded to by indiscriminate, desperate and reckless firing from terrorists in which two Army personnel and two civilians in the vicinity were injured," the spokesperson said.

He said the terror antecedents of the injured civilians are being ascertained.

"The area is at an altitude of above 10,000 feet, has thick undergrowth, large boulders, nullahs and re-entrants that pose a serious challenge to operations. Security forces are moving deliberately and are in the process of hunting down the terrorists," the spokesperson said.

He added that the "operations will progress through the night".

The situation remains tense as security forces continue their pursuit of the terrorists in the area.

## Sketches Of 4 Terrorists

deadly ambush by terrorists on an

army patrol in a remote forest belt of Machedi on July 8, resulting in the killing of five soldiers, including a Junior Commissioned Officer (JCO).

Despite a massive search operation, terrorists affiliated with Kashmir Tigers, a shadow group of Pakistan-based Jaish-e-Mohammad outfit, who have recently infiltrated into the country, remain untraced.

In a post on X, J-K Police released sketches of four terrorists who were last seen in 'dhoks' of Malhar, Bani and Seojdhar forests in the upper reaches of the district.

"...a reward of Rs 5 lakhs (has been announced) on each terrorist for actionable information. Anyone with credible information on terrorists will also be suitably rewarded," Kathua police said in its post.

Officials said police assisted by Army and CRPF have already launched a massive search operation in the area to hunt down the terrorists.

An army helicopter was also seen hovering over the area to airdrop paratroopers, while drones and other latest equipment have been employed to assist the forces in the combing operation, they said, adding there was no contact with the terrorists so far.

District police urged the general public to provide information regarding the whereabouts of the terrorists.

"The identity of the informer will be kept secret so that more and more people come forward to assist the police, as the public's help is crucial in preventing potential threats to national security," a police spokesperson said.

Let's work together for a safer community, he said.

The ambush in Kathua was followed by another attack by a separate group of terrorists in Desa forest in Doda district on July 15, resulting in the killing of four army personnel including a captain.

Police in Doda district had also released the sketches and cash reward of Rs 5 lakh each on four terrorists involved in the attack as efforts are continuing to hunt them down.

Earlier on June 9, nine passengers, including seven pilgrims returning from Shiv Khori temple, were killed by terrorists in Reasi district. The terrorists involved in the attack are also on the run despite a cash reward on their heads.

## Reasi Terror

bus carrying pilgrims in Reasi.

Renu Sharma, the wife of bus driver Vijay Kumar of Reasi, was given a government job on compassionate grounds by Sinha at a function in Raj Bhawan here, a spokesperson said.

Kumar (40), his conductor Arun Kumar (19) and seven pilgrims were killed and 41 others injured when terrorists opened fire at a 53-seater bus, on its way from Shiv Khori temple to Katra, on June 9 evening causing it to veer off the road and fall into a deep gorge near the Teryath village of the Poni area of Reasi district.

The private bus was carrying pilgrims from Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Delhi.

Kumar is survived by his wife, two minor children and mother.

Reasi Deputy Commissioner Vishesh Paul Mahajan and other family members of the bus driver were also present at the Raj Bhawan, the spokesperson said.

## Rain Likely

settling close to heat wave.

Pahalgam has recorded a maximum temperature of 29.7 while Kokernag recorded 31.8 degree Celsius. Kupwara and Gulmarg, a famous ski-resort in north Kashmir recorded a maximum temperature of 35.0 degree Celsius and 23.8 degree Celsius.

Jammu was bit colder than Kashmir parts as the mercury at the station settled at 33.0 degree Celsius while in Banihal it settled at 30.2 degree Celsius.

Batote, Katra and Bhaderwah stations recorded a maximum temperature of 27.4 degree Celsius, 31.5 degree Celsius and 31.8 degree Celsius respectively.

Meanwhile, Jammu and Kashmir has recorded a deficit rainfall of 43 per cent during the ongoing season from June 01, 2024 to August 07, 2024.

The weatherman however has predicted a brief spell of rain and thundershower at few places during day time with light to moderate rain and thundershower at scattered places of Kashmir division & many places of Jammu division towards late night and early morning.

Director MeT, Dr Mukhtar Ahmad said that there is a possibility of a brief spell of rain and thundershower at few places during day time with a spell of rain and thundershower at scattered places towards late night and early morning from August 12 to August 14.

Moreover, on August 15, a spell of light to moderate rain and

thundershower towards early morning & late night is expected over many places of Jammu division & brief spell of light rain and thundershower at isolated places of Kashmir division during early morning & evening, he said.

He added that there is a possibility of light to moderate rain and thundershower at many places of J&K from August 16 to 18.

In the meantime, the MeT in its advisory has mentioned the possibility of intense showers for a brief period with possibility of flash floods, landslides, mudslides and shooting stones over vulnerable places of J&K.

It further added that there is a possibility of heavy rain over isolated places of Jammu division during August 11 and 14 & 16.

## Set Up 24x7

The IGP asked officers to ensure all the necessary arrangements are in place well in time. Emerging challenges and their counter-measures were also discussed during the meeting, he added.

## Schedule Likely

further delay and has sent a strong message to adversaries that ECI will not delay because there are some security related issues.

People of Jammu and Kashmir are also eagerly waiting the ECI to announce the schedule so that they can get rid of bureaucratic setup and put in place an elected government. (KNO)

## 425 Criminal

of Consumer Cases. He urged the Advocates in general and the litigants in particular to take maximum benefit of such Special Lok Adalats which are being organized by the J&K Legal Services Authority.

Appreciating the efforts of all the Judicial Officers, Secretaries DLSA's, Advocates, staff of the district and tehsil courts as well as Legal Services Institutions besides litigants for their wholehearted participation in the Special Lok Adalat and facilitating settlement of cases in such a large number, he also acknowledged the role of Para Legal Volunteers and the media, both print and electronic in creating and spreading awareness amongst the masses about such initiatives of Legal Services Authority.

## DSEK Changes

secondary level. The new timing for

the schools was fixed from 8 am to 1 pm for the school children while the teaching and the non-teaching staff have been directed to attend their duties till 2 pm.

## Parents Demand

authorities and the divisional administration to re-consider the previous school timing.

On July 23, amid hot weather conditions, the School Education Department had ordered a change in school timing for all classes from 8Am to 1Pm in both rural and urban areas of Kashmir region.

"We want the government concerned authorities to restore the previous school timing keeping in view the persistent heatwave and ultimately the health of children," said one of the parents.

She said that nothing was more important for her except for the wellbeing of her wards.

Meanwhile, another parent Feroz Ahmad said, "Previous timing of 8Am to 1Pm was good and feasible for every student to avoid the heat wave. However, the new timing will make them sick and dehydrated."

"As of now, even a healthy and stable persons can't handle the ongoing heat wave and the government is putting pressure on students to attend the classes during the scorching weather," Another parent said.

Pertinently, on July-28, division administration of Kashmir had ordered suspension of class work for students upto primary level in both government and private schools on July-29 and 30.

However, on Saturday the Directorate of School Education Kashmir (DSEK) changed school timing in the Kashmir division.

According to the official orders in this regard, the new timing for school falling within Srinagar Municipal limits will be 9Am to 3Pm while the educational institutes falling outside Municipal limits of Srinagar District and other areas of Kashmir Province shall remain open from 10Am to 4Pm.

In the meantime, Director of School Education Kashmir was not available for his comments.(KNO)

## Record-Breaking

standards. This certification ensures that URF adheres to rigorous processes and standards in its operations, including record verification and adjudication.

A local professor commented, "Kashmiri culture is a melting pot of diversity, but today's youth show declining interest because it is not fashionable. The initiative of the army and district authorities has revived interest in our age-old traditions."

The Cultural Fest served as a vibrant showcase of Kashmiri artistry and talent from renowned local artists. Attendees had the privilege of witnessing remarkable performances and celebrating the rich cultural heritage of Kashmir.

Ishfaq Hamid Bhatt, a 13-year-old prodigy, showcased his exceptional skills on the Rubab. Awarded the prestigious Pradhan Mantri Bal Puraskar 2024, Master Ishfaq is renowned for his remarkable talent and dedication to preserving Kashmiri musical traditions.

Naseer Ahmed Mir, a celebrated Santoor player, also performed at the fest. He has been awarded a gold medal by the President of India during the Kashmir University convocation in 2021, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the art of Santoor playing. The Rubab and Santoor mini concert mesmerised the audience.

Shafi Mir, a calligraphy expert from Baramulla, was also part of the event. 70 years old, Mir has brought a lifetime of experience and skill to this craft. He also presented an intricate calligraphic work made on-the-spot to the chief guest.

The show was stolen by the passionate performance of the "Strings of Baramulla" band of the Chinar YUVA Centre. The audience was thrilled to see the popular RJs of Radio Baramulla take centre stage as the Master of Ceremonies. "It was a programme of the Youth, by the Youth, for the Youth of Baramulla," said RJ Harleen.

RJ Sajid added "This event has demonstrated the vibrant spirit of our young generation and their dedication to preserving our cultural heritage while embracing a sense of national pride."

The success of 'Kashur Riwaaj' has set a benchmark for future cultural engagements in the region, uniting the youth of Kashmir in a display of tradition and patriotism.

## Tiranga Rallies

such rallies and other events will continue as part of the Independence Day celebrations in Jammu and Kashmir.



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## Hope People Never Forget What Vinesh Did For Country: Neeraj

Press Trust of India

**PARIS:** Star javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra is keeping his fingers crossed for wrestler Vinesh Phogat as she awaits a verdict on her appeal against disqualification from the Games but at the same time, he is also hoping that "people don't forget what she did for the country" if the decision is not in her favour.

Vinesh was found 100gm overweight before her 50kg category final on Wednesday and she has appealed against her disqualification in the ad-hoc division of the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Paris. A decision on the appeal is expected to be delivered by 9.30pm IST on Sunday.

Chopra, who claimed his second successive Olympic medal -- a silver to follow up on the



gold in Tokyo -- said he wants the medal around Vinesh's neck for one simple reason --

"people shouldn't forget her."

"If she gets the medal, it would be very good. If things had not panned out the way they did, she would have had the medal. I hope she gets it because if you don't have it around your neck, that thing stays in your heart," the 26-year-old Chopra told reporters in Paris.

"Today people might say that she is our champion but they will forget after a few days. Agar aisa na hota, (If this hadn't happened) a medal wouldn't have mattered. So, I hope she gets the medal. I just hope whether she gets the medal or not, people don't forget what she did for the country," he said.

Chopra is the first track-and-field athlete from the country to win two Olympic medals. His gold in Tokyo continues to be an unmatched achievement for Indian athletics.

### Short TAKES

#### PM Narendra Modi Lauds Grappler Aman's Perseverance



**W**restler Aman Sehrawat overcoming adversity to stand on the podium on Friday touched an emotional chord with Prime Minister Narendra Modi as he led the tributes to the 21-year-old, who won a bronze medal to take India's tally at the Paris Olympics to six.

The 21-year-old 57kg free-style grappler, who was raised by his grandfather after he lost his parents as a child, defeated Puerto Rico's Darian Cruz in a high-intensity third-place contest to become India's youngest medallist at the Olympics.

PM Modi lauded Aman's tenacity, saying, 'More pride thanks to our wrestlers! Congratulations to Aman Sehrawat for winning the Bronze Medal in the Men's Freestyle 57kg at the Paris Olympics. His dedication and perseverance are clearly evident. The entire nation celebrates this remarkable feat.'

## KIC Ganderbal Bags 2 Gold Medals In Women's Judo League



Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR:** Two trainees of the Khelo India Judo Centre Ganderbal have won gold medals in a national level championship.

The record breaking performances by the Khelo India Judo Centre Ganderbal trainees came in the North Zone Khelo India Women's League being held at Shimla, Himachal Pradesh.

The Jammu & Kashmir Sport

Council on Saturday congratulated the players of the Khelo India Judo Centre Ganderbal, namely Anjum Akhtar and Aysha Hassan.

Anjum Akhtar secured first place in the 57kg weight category, while Aysha Hassan won gold in the 52kg category.

"These girls from Ganderbal are making huge difference as they are inspiring other girls and parents to join the sports and be the icons," the JKSC said in a statement.

## 'Tiranga Run' Held In Shopian



Observer News Service

**SHOPIAN:** In the run up to the Independence Day celebrations, District Administration Shopian organized a grand Tiranga Run/Marathon here on Saturday.

The run commenced from Batapora Stadium and concluded at DPL Shopian. The rally saw the participation of students, civil society and local public and officials, who carried the national flag.

The run saw several officers including the ADC Shopian, ACR, ASP, Dy SP, other officers from YSS, education, police and paramilitary forces and representatives from the Education, youth services and sports and other departments.

Tiranga Rallies were also held at various places of the district including at Keller, Kanjiullah blocks by the tehsil and block administrative offices and at Shopian town, a rally was taken out by MC Shopian.

## Bangladesh To Arrive In Pakistan Early After Unrest Disrupts Training



Press Trust of India

**DHAKA:** The Bangladesh senior cricket team will arrive in Pakistan on August 13 after the political unrest at home disrupted the preparations for the two-match Test series, the PCB announced on Saturday. The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) has accepted the invitation from the PCB in this regard. Bangladesh will face Pakistan in two Test matches

which are part of the ICC World Test Championship. The first Test will be played at Rawalpindi from August 21 and 25 while the second match will take place between August 30 and September 3 at Karachi.

PCB Chief Operating Officer Salman Naseer said they were delighted that BCB had accepted their invitation. BCB Chief Executive Nizam Uddin Chowdhury thanked the PCB for giving

the Bangladesh cricket team the opportunity to have additional training in Pakistan. Bangladesh will train at the Gaddafi Stadium between August 14 and 16 before traveling to Rawalpindi on August 17 to hold practice sessions from August 18.

This will be Bangladesh's first tour to Pakistan since 2020 when they played three T20Is in Lahore and a one-off Test in Rawalpindi.

## Bangladesh Board Seeks Army's Assurance For Hosting Women's T20 WC

Press Trust of India

**DHAKA:** The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) has sought security assurance from the country's army chief for conducting the women's T20 World Cup, scheduled to be held between October 3 and 20 amid political unrest in the country following ouster of former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina.

The women's T20 World Cup is slated to be held in two Bangladesh cities ---- Sylhet and Mirpur.

According to Cricbuzz, the BCB has written to Bangladesh's army chief of staff General Waker-Uz-Zaman seeking security assurance for organising the tournament. The warm-up round for the women's T20 World Cup is set to begin on September 27.

The ICC has been monitoring the situation after violent protests against the government leading to deaths of hundreds of people and culminating with the resignation and fleeing of former PM Hasina.

It is expected that the ICC could also opt to host the tournament at a different venue within a similar time zone, which leaves India, UAE and Sri Lanka as the choices.

However, a few other directors remain in Dhaka and hope that the tournament will not be shifted from Bangladesh.

## CAS Decision On Vinesh Phogat's Appeal On Sunday Night

**T**he Court of Arbitration for Sport's decision on Vinesh Phogat's appeal against disqualification from the Olympics wrestling finals has been deferred by a day, to Sunday, August 11, 9.30pm IST.

The hearing on the matter concluded in Paris on Friday after it accepted Vinesh's appeal against her ouster for being 100gm overweight on the morning of her final against eventual gold-winner Sarah Ann Hildebrandt of USA.

After the hearing, the Indian Olympic Association insisted that it was hopeful of a "positive resolution".

## Paris Olympics: Wrestler Reetika Knocked Out In Quarters

**I**ndian wrestler Reetika Hooda lost a close quarter-final bout against Aiperi Medet Kyzy of Kyrgyzstan in the women's 76 kg freestyle category at the Paris Olympics on Saturday.

The wrestlers were locked 1-1 after six minutes of top-quality defensive wrestling but the Kyrgyz won having logged home the last equalising point as per rules.

Reetika will now wait for Kyzy to enter the final which will give her a shot at competing in the re-charge round.

## Khelif Wins Women's Welterweight Gold Amid Gender Dispute

**A**lgeria's Imane Khelif, the female boxer thrust into the centre of a gender dispute at the Paris Games, beat China's Yang Liu to claim the Welterweight Olympic gold medal in crushing fashion, sending her newfound devotees into delirium on Friday.

Khelif, silver medallist at the 2022 World Championships, and Taiwan boxer Lin Yu-ting have been in the spotlight as part of a gender dispute in Paris that has dominated headlines and been the subject of much discussion on social media platforms.

## Spain Beats France In Extra-Time For Men's Soccer Gold

**S**pain secured the gold medal in the Olympic men's soccer tournament after Sergio Camello scored twice in extra-time to earn a dramatic 5-3 win over hosts France in a nail-biting final at Parc des Princes on Friday.

The teams were locked at 3-3 at the end of normal time but Camello scored 10 minutes into the extra period and scored at another at the end to earn Spain their first Olympic title 1992.

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#### NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

e-Nit AUC030F 2024-25 Dated:09-08-2024

Sanitation Contract of Fruit and Vegetable Market Parimpora Srinagar for the year 2024-25

For and on behalf of Market Administrative Committee Fruit & Vegetable Market Parimpora Srinagar, e-Tenders are invited from the interested parties, interested persons/ registered firms/ persons through online for cleanliness & sanitation of F&V Market Parimpora Srinagar for the year 2024-25 (starting from 00:00 hrs of 21-08-2024 and shall terminate at 24:00 hrs of the intervening night of 31-03-2025 and 01-04-2025). Bid form can be obtained online against payment of Rs. 2000/- (Rupees Two Thousand Only) in shape of Demand Draft in favour of Member Secretary MACF&V Parimpora (digital-uploading) accompanied with CDR worth Rs.3.00 Lakhs (Rupees Three Lakhs Only) pledged in favour of "Member Secretary MAC Parimpora Srinagar".

The tender documents can be downloaded from <http://jktenders.gov.in>.

Critical Dates Table.

1	Publishing Date	09-08-2024
2	Document Download/Sale Date	09-08-2024
3	Bid Submission start Date	09-08-2024
4	Bid Submission Closing Date	16-08-2024 (Up to 4:00 PM)
5	Bid Submission Opening Date	17-08-2024 (At 11:00 AM) at Deputy Director (K) office Rajbagh Srinagar

SUMMARY:

1. Period of Contract: 21st August 2024 to 31st March 2024
2. Cost of tender application: Rs.2000/-
3. CDR amount: Rs. 3.00 Lakhs
4. Maximum reserve bid: Rs.4.10 Lakhs/Month

The committee will comprise of the following members:-

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S.No	Particulars	Estimated Cost (In Lacs)
1	Improvement/Stabilization of LT network by way of replacing damaged Wires/Link Sets and replacing the worn-out cables of existing DT's of various capacities at Khunmoh B	2.96
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The complete tender document is available at website <http://jktenders.gov.in>. Interested bidder/tenderers may view, download the e-Bid document, seek clarification and submit their e-Bid online up to the date and time mentioned in the table below. Bidding Documents contain Qualifying Criteria for Bidders, Specifications, Bill of Quantities, Terms and Conditions of Contract and other details.

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iv)	Date & Time of Bid Uploading (Start/End)	08.08.2024; 16:00 Hrs to 19.08.2024; 10:00 Hrs
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# Anti-racism protesters rally across UK

Agencies

LONDON: Thousands of anti-racism demonstrators rallied across the UK on Saturday to protest recent rioting blamed on the far-right in the wake of the Southport knife attack that killed three children.

Crowds massed in London, Glasgow, Belfast, Manchester and numerous other English towns and cities, as fears of violent confrontations with anti-immigration agitators failed to materialize.

It followed a similar situation unfolding on Wednesday night, when anticipated far-right rallies up and down the country were instead replaced by gatherings organized by the Stand Up To Racism advocacy group.

More than a dozen places across England as well as Belfast had been hit by unrest prior to that, following the July 29 stabbing spree, which was wrongly linked on social media to a Muslim immigrant.

Rioters targeted mosques and hotels linked to immigration, as well as police, vehicles and other sites.

However, recent nights have been largely peaceful in English towns and cities, prompting hope among authorities that the more than 700 arrests and numerous people already being jailed has deterred further violence.

However, in Northern Ireland, which has seen sustained disorder since last weekend, police said they were investigating a suspected racially motivated hate crime overnight.

A petrol bomb was thrown at a mosque in Newtownards, east of Belfast, in the early hours of Saturday, with graffiti sprayed on the



front door and walls of the building, according to the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI).

It said the petrol bomb thrown at the property did not ignite.

"This is being treated as a racially motivated hate crime, and I want to send a strong message to those who carried this out, that this type of activity will not be tolerated and any reports of hate crime are taken very seriously," PSNI Chief Inspector Keith Hutchinson said.

There was also overnight reports of damage to property and vehicles in Belfast, as nightly unrest there rumbled on.

The disturbances in Northern Ireland were sparked by events in England but have also been fueled by pro-UK loyalist paramilitaries with their own agenda, according to the PSNI.

Around 5,000 anti-racism demonstrators rallied in Belfast on Saturday without incident.

In London, hundreds massed

outside the office of Brexit architect Nigel Farage's Reform UK party before marching to parliament, as a large police presence looked on.

Farage and other far-right figures have been blamed for helping to fuel the riots through anti-immigrant rhetoric and conspiracy theories.

"It's really important for people of color in this country, for immigrants in this country, to see us out here as white British people saying 'no, we don't stand for this,'" attendee Phoebe Sewell, 32, from London, told AFP.

Fellow Londoner Jeremy Snelling, 64, said he had turned out because "I don't like the right-wing claiming the streets in my name."

He did not hold Farage "personally responsible" for the violence but argued that the Reform party founder had "contributed" to the volatile environment.

"I think he is damaging and I think he's dangerous," Snelling added.

# Stressed Chinese youth fuel wellness boom with traditional twist

Agencies

SHANGHAI: Popping supplements, drinking herbal teas and signing up for lifestyle classes, China's youth are turning to the wellness industry as work stress and pandemic memories spur a growing interest in health.

These new habits are part of a global wellness boom, but the traditional concept of "yangsheng" — literally meaning "cultivating one's life force" — has given the trend a unique cultural twist in China.

In Shanghai, Annie Huang sat in a trendy cafe-like establishment that sold traditional herbal teas, sipping a bitter concoction purported to protect the body against the summer heat.

"Young people today frequently pull



all-nighters... so they want to drink something that they feel is good for their body," Huang, in her thirties, said.

Rooted in Taoism and traditional Chinese medicine beliefs, the vast umbrella of "yangsheng" includes habits like avoiding foods thought to make the body cold, and targeted massages that purportedly treat a range of ailments.

Capitalising on the trend, state-run traditional Chinese medicine giants such as Beijing Tongrentang have

opened fashionably decorated stores offering "all-nighter water" and goji berry lattes alongside traditional ingredients believed to promote health like bird's nest and ginseng.

Thousands of "yangsheng" influencers have filled Chinese social media with posts that offer tips on "expelling body dampness", how to incorporate ginger juice into daily meals, and finger exercises that allegedly improve blood circulation.

The passion for "yangsheng" has even spilled over into tourism, with youths flocking to desert areas to lay on sand in the belief that the practice rids the body of unhealthy dampness.

China, the world's second largest economy is battling sluggish consumption against the backdrop of a property crisis and stubborn youth unemployment.

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