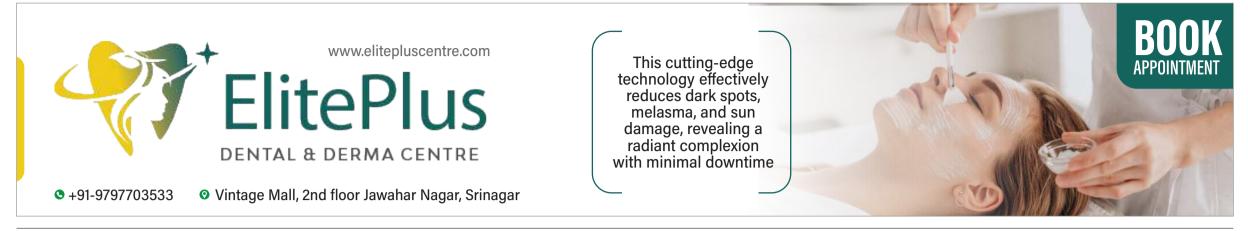
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'30% Work Pending' **AIIMS Kashmir To Miss Jan** 2025 Deadline remaining 30% cannot be fin-

ished within the one-month

window left before the dead-

line. Despite a commendable pace of work, they said it is not feasible to complete the project

There is a need to accelerate

efforts on this ambitious proj-

ect to ensure its completion at

the earliest. While 70% of the

work has been completed over

the last five years, expecting

the remainder to be finished

in one month is unrealistic," an

Residents of Awantipora and

surrounding areas have urged

the government to expedite the

completion of the project, say-

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by January 2025.

official said.

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Awantipora is likely to miss its January 2025 deadline, as approximately 30% of the project remains incomplete.

According to details, the Union government approved two AIIMS projects for Jammu and Kashmir in 2019. While AIIMS Jammu has been completed and inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, progress on AIIMS Awantipora has been slower, with 30-35% of the work still pending.

Officials said that 70% of the work on AIIMS Awantipora has been completed, but the



THE GOVERNMENT HAS SET

NDA Sweeps Maharashtra, INDIA Keeps Jharkhand



KO Web Desk

Srinagar: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)-led Mahayuti alliance has scripted a landslide victory in Maharashtra while the INDIA bloc retained Jharkhand in the Assembly polls, the results of which were announced on

Jharkhand **Results Victory For Constitution:** Rahul

No Winter Vacation For Now: DSEK Observer News Service

Srinagar: Director of School Education Kashmir (DSEK) Saturday said that it will take a call on winter vacation after the culmination of annual exams of classes 1st to 9th.

November 23.

The National Democratic Alliance (NDA) also swept assembly bypolls in Bihar and Assam, while the Trinamool Congress dominated bypolls in West Bengal. Priyanka Gandhi Vadra scripted victory in her first election in the Wayanad parliamentary bypoll. | More on P6

ongress leader Rahul Gandhi hailed the INDIA bloc's victory in the Jharkhand Assembly polls on Saturday as one for the protection of the Constitution as well as of water, forest and land, even as he described the Maharashtra poll results as "unexpected" and said his party will analyse the | More on P6

J&K Offers Treasures That Stand Among the Best: CM At IITF 2024 Calls For Greater Support For J&K's Artisans, Entrepreneurs

MAHARASHTRA

BJP+: 236 Seats

INC+: 49 Seats

IND: 2 Seats

OTH: 2 Seats

JHARKHAND:

JMM+: 56 seats

BJP+:24 seats

Observer News Service New Delhi¹ Chief Minister



Win For **Development, Good Governance: PM**

rime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday lauded the BJP-led National Democratic Alliance's massive victory in the Maharashtra assembly polls as a win for development and good governance, assuring people of the ruling bloc's continued work for the state's progress. In posts on X, he also congratulated the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha-led alliance for its win in Jharkhand, while stressing that his party will always be at the forefront to champion people's issues. He tagged Chief Minister Hemant Soren, who led the INDIA bloc coalition in the state, in his post. "Development wins! Good governance wins! United we will soar even higher! Heartfelt | More on P6

US SEC Summons Adani In **Bribery Case**

Press Trust Of India

New York: Adani group founder and chairman Gautam Adani and his nephew Sagar have been summoned to explain their stand on the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) allegation of paying USD 265 million (Rs 2,200 crore) in bribes to secure lucrative solar power contracts.

Summons have been sent to Adani's Shantivan Farm residence in Ahmedabad and his nephew Sagar's Bodakdev residence in the same city for a reply to SEC within 21 days.

"Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it)...vou must serve on the plaintiff (SEC) an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure," said a November 21 notice sent through the New York Eastern District Court.

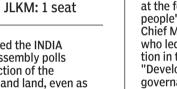
"If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court," it added.

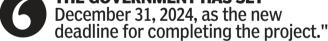
Gautam Adani, 62, and seven other defendants, including his nephew Sagar, | More on P6

Raise Voice For Er Rashid's Release: AIP TO MPs Press Trust Of India

Srinagar: The Awami Ittehad Party (AIP) Saturday appealed to the Members of the Parliament to raise their voice for the release of







Kashmir's Higher Reaches Receive Snowfall

Weather To Improve From Nov 25: MeT

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Under the influence of a feeble Western Disturbance, multiple locations across the Valley including Pir ki Gali, Gulmarg and others received light snowfall on Saturday, bringing down the mercutemperatures also witnessed improvement after J&K's

summer capital, Srinagar ecorded the coldest night of the season at 1.2 degree Celsius. As per the reports, the light snowfall was recorded in Gurez Valley, Gulmarg Phase-1, Pir Ki

ry in Jammu and Kashmir parts. However, the minimum

Gali and Sonamarg today. Simultaneously, the cloudy weather | More on P6

Gurez-Bandipora Road Closed

he Gurez-Bandipora road in north Kashmir has been closed to traffic due to snow accumulation at Razdan Top and other areas along the route, officials said on Saturday. An official said that snowfall occurred in the area this afternoon, leading to the closure of the Gurez-Bandipora | More on P6

Govt To Fix Test Rates At Private Labs: Sakeena Itoo

Observer News Service

Srinagar:The Jammu and Kashmir government is all set to fix and notify rates of the tests being conducted at the Private Diagnostic Centres in the Union Territory, the Minister for Health and Medical Education, Sakina Masood (Itoo) said on Saturday.

Itoo said that the government has already fixed rates of few diagnostic tests in government run hospitals and the rates for tests in private diagnostic centres will be notified soon.

"We are going to fix and notify rates of all tests for private diagnostic centres so that patients will know about it and nobody can charge them more," she said. She added that usually it is being witnessed that some private diagnostic centres have been charging at their will for different tests and patients don't have

any other option than to pay it. The Minister further added that nobody will be allowed to loot poor patients in the name of tests.

Notably on Friday, the government announced the official rates for PET scans and CBCT machine charges for all government run | More on P6

Director school education Kashmir Tassaduq Hussain Mir said that the first priority for the government will be to conduct free and smooth examinations starting from coming Monday under the uniform date sheet for all classes upto 9th standard. He said that the government

will only declare winter vacations after the culmination of exams of classes 1st to 9th standard. "There will be no winter vacation before the exams." About admission and capita-tion charges by some private

schools, he said that they have a fee fixation committee that regulates the fee and other charges of private schools.

"We have already cleared it that no private school can charge admission or capitation fee from the parents," he added. The director | More on P6

Abdullah Saturday Omar J&K attended the Day Celebration Event of the India International Trade Fair (IITF) at Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan in New Delhi. The Jammu and Kashmir Pavilion at the India International Trade Fair (IITF)

2024 witnessed a vibrant celebration of Jammu and Kashmir Day with Chief Minister Omar Abdullah invited to the event as the Chief Guest.

In his address, the Chief Minister highlighted the unparalleled cultural and economic richness of the region, urging visitors to explore the pavilion and support the artisans and entrepreneurs of Jammu and Kashmir.

"From world-renowned

handicrafts and handlooms to the finest agricultural and horticultural products, Jammu and Kashmir offers treasures that stand among the best in the world. I invite everyone to visit the J&K Pavilion and experience the authenticity of our indigenous products," he said.

The Chief Minister extended a warm invitation to people from across the country, urging

J&K PROMISES A UNIQUE BLEND of tranquility and adventure. We look forward to welcoming you with open arms"



SEIZED VEHICLES PILE UP: Srinagar Traffic Police Crack Down on Underage Drivers and Violations. KO Photo By Abid Bhat



of Jammu and Kashmir. Highlighting the region's rich cultural heritage and picturesque landscapes, he said, "I encourage you to visit Jammu and Kashmir in the summer of 2025 to witness its breathtak-

ing charm firsthand." The Chief Minister invited the participants to come to Jammu & | More on P6

> concerns and | More on P6 **J&K Power Crisis** Govt In Talks With Delhi For

350MW Boost: Minister

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Minister of Agriculture Production, Rural Development Department and Panchayati Raj, Javed Ahmad Dar on Saturday said the Jammu and Kashmir government led by Omar Abdullah has sought additional 350MWs from Delhi to mitigate the power crisis in the Valley.

He also assured the public that they will soon receive the benefit of 200 free electricity

Winter Power Curtailment **Schedule** Soon

units, as promised in the ruling party's manifesto.

Minister, while addressing the media in Baramulla, said that the government is committed to fulfilling all its electoral promises.

"Whatever is there in the manifesto will be implemented without any doubt, and people will get the benefit of 200 free units soon," he said.

Acknowledging the challenges posed by | More on P6

n view of dip in local power generation, the Jammu and Kashmir Power Development Department (PDD) is likely to announce a new power curtailment schedule in coming days. A top official of the PDD | More on P6

fellow parliamentarian and party chief Sheikh Abdul Rashid.

Addressing a press confer-ence here, AIP vice president G N Shaheen said Rashid alias Engineer Rashid "was summoned to Delhi and detained under false and baseless charges" on August 5, 2019, the day Article 370 was abrogated.

"Despite being held in custody, he contested the parliamentary elections, won with a massive mandate and became the elected voice of the Baramulla constituency. However, since taking his oath as a Member of Parliament, he has not been allowed to attend even a single session of the Lok Sabha," Shaheen said.

He said the Baramulla constituency consists of 18 assembly segments and accounts for nearly 40 per cent of Jammu and Kashmir's population, and from 2008 to 2018, Rashid "fearlessly served" his people, voicing their



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PUBLIC NOTICE

I want to change the name on my driving license bearing DL No: Jkol 20220001896 from kifayat to Kifayat Ali Mir. If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the concerned RTO within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained. Kifayat Ali Mir sako

Subject:- Grant Of Registration of the Proposed Travel unit under the name & Style "M/S Global Reach T&T situated Kunzer Pandithpora

Public Notice

Whereas I, Junaid Ahmad Bhat S/o Mushtaq Ahmad Bhat R/o Kunzer Pandith Pora Payeen KASHMIR intend to apply in the Department of Tourism for registration of my proposed travel unit under the name & style of M/S Global Reach T&T situated Kunzer Pandithpora KASHMIR under tourist trade act 1978/82/2011-12.

Whereas I will submit state subject / Domicile certificate, Qualification Certificate, pan cardr \ Experience Certificate(Minimum 5years). Police character certificate, Bank statement (minimum balance 10000), site plan, Affidavit, Rent deed duly attested by sub Registrar, printing material (Latter 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. / Adventure Tour Operator

Now as per J&K Registration of Tourist Trade Act 1978/82/2011/12) befre 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; ddtregl23@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. bmg

email: dfosrinagar@gmail.com

Government of Jammu and Kashmir Office of Chief Accounts Officer District Fund Office Srinagar

Pnone No. 01942312114

Sub: Grievence Redressal-cum-Awareness Camp (25th of November 2024 to 27th of November 2024)

NOTICE

This office is organizing "Grievance Redressal-cum-Awareness Camp" at District Fund Office, Finance Complex Haft Chinar Srinagar which is scheduled to be held with effect from 25.11. 2024 to 27.11.2024 November 2024 to redress the grievances of the G.P.Fund Subscribers/SLI Insurants.

In this connection all esteemed G.P.Fund subscribers/SLI Insurants of District Srinagar are informed that they may visit the office of the undersigned during working office hours for on spot registration or can submit their grievance through office email dfosrinagar@ gmail.com and Redressal thereof under relevant rules. A cell of the below mentioned officials have been constituted, who will remain available in the camp during the working office hours for the said period.

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Name of Official	Designation	Mobile No.
Mohd Yasein Sofi	Accounts Officer	7006617993
Manzoor Ahmad Bhat	Accounts Officer	8493968567
Abdul Rashid Wani	Examiner	9149954499
Masooda Jan	Examiner	7006207247
Showket Ahmad Gazi	Sr. Compiler	17006609927

No: DFO/Sgr/Adm/2326-27 DIPK-8488/24 Dated: 23-11-2024

FA/ Chief Accounts Officer District Fund Office Srinagar

PUBLIC NOTICE

The mother's name of my daughter has been mentioned in her school records as Nusrat while as her correct name is Nusrat Amin. Now I have applied for the correction of the same in his school records. In this regard, anybody having any objection may contact the office of principal, G D Goenka,Lalbazar (Srinagar)within a period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

Raies Ahmad Kozgar

F/O Qubaisa Kozgar class 8th Mothers Name :- Nusrat Amin 36 Friends Colony Habbak, Firdouss Educational Institute, Habbak crossing Hazaratbal Srinagar J&k 190006

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I have lsot my Driving Licence bearing dl no: 7593/MVD/Pul. Now I have applied for the duplicate of the same if anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the ARTO Pulwama within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

Nazir Ahmad Rather S/O Ali Mohammad Rather R/O Wuyan Munpora Pampore **PUBLIC NOTICE**

My name has been wrongly written in driving licence bearing Licence no JK0520090021814 As Peer Ghulam Mohd instead of Pir Gh Mohd Son of Pir Saif ud din R/O Raipora Peer Mohalla Palhallan Which needs to be corrected. If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the RTO sopore within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

Pir Gh Mohd Son of Pir Saif ud din R/O Raipora Peer Mohalla Palhallan bmg

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER (S&M) KMR J&K FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION SRINAGAR

NOTICE FOR e-AUCTION OF TIMBER e-NIA No: 08/JKFDCL/S&M/K of 2024-25 `Dated 22/11/2024

It is notified for information of bonafide consumers of Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir Public in general and Timber Traders in particular including Government Departments/ PSU's/ Autonomous bodies of Jammu & Kashmir UT that Sales and Marketing Circle of Jammu and Kashmir Forest Development Corporation, Kashmir is going to sell its timber stocks at various sale depots. Interested persons/Firms can participate in online bidding at https://oya.auction.

For registration/enrolment/participation in e-auction, Consumers/Bidders shall have to share the GSTIN/Pan, Mobile No, Mail ID & Security deposit details with this office.

Time Schedule and key details of the e-auction :-Date & Time/ particulars Activity Sangam/Harnag PC-III Shaltang | & II Kakapora PC-I CDR / FDR / Online security 02.12.2024 by or 09.12.2024 by or 16.12.2024 by or 21.12.2024 by or 28 12 2024 by or Before 1200 Hrs before 1200 Hrs before 1200 Hrs 11.12.2024 at 1100 18.12.2024 at 1100 23.12.2024 at 1100 30.12.2024 at 1100 deposit end date Auction Start Date before 1200 hrs 04.12.2024 at 1100 Hrs Hrs Hrs 12.12.2024 at 1800 18.12.2024 at 1800 26.12.2024 at 31.12.2024 at 1800 05.12.2024 at 3 Auction End Date 1800 Hrs Hrs 1800 Hrs Declaration of Result To be notified later Deposit of 10 % down payment/ By or before security deposit by H1 bidder Type of e-Auction 02.01.2025 14.12.2024 07.12.2024 20.12.2024 28.12.20124 Forward Auction Lot Types Multi Lot species-wise e-Auction Place https://oya.auction e-Auction Fee 9 10 Security Deposit Rs.25,000/ per bidder (Refundable) Payment Instrument (security CDR/FDR/Online Payment Mode (NEFT/RTGS) deposit) 12 Security Deposit Exemption Only Govt. Deptt./ PSU's/Autonomous bodies Allowed to:

Note:- There will be no auction on 25th of December 2024

Detailed auction documents (NIA) with terms and conditions will be available at J&K Forest Development Corporation portal www.jksfc.gov.in and in the office of the undersigned. However details of timber stocks (lots) to be sold shall be available two days before commencement of e-auction.

DIPK-NB-2502/24	
dated: 23-11-2024	

-/Sd M.Ayub Dar General Manager (S&M) K JKFDCL

Government of Jammu & Kashmir OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (R&B) ELECTRIC DIVISION KASHMIR, ENGINEERING Complex Srinagar Rajbagh. Near Silk Factory Srinagar- 190008. NOTICE INVITING TENDER

E-NIT No.98/R&B/Electric Division Kashmir of 2024-25 issued under Endorsement No: ERB/5105-13 DATED: 22-11-2024.

For and on behalf of The Government of J&K(U/T)e-tenders (in Double cover system) are Invited on percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K UT Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State/UT/Central Government Departments for the following works:-

	SI. No.	Name of Work	Estimated. Cost (In. Lacs)	Cost of Tender/ Doc. (In Rs.)	2% Earnest Money (In Rs.)	Time of Completion (Calendar Days)	Class of Contract	Major Head of Account	Remarks
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Union Territory Jammu & Kashmir OFFICE OF THE EXECUIVE ENGINEER R&B DIVISION BANDIPORA

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS Fresh e-NIT No.70/ET/R&B/Bandipora of 2024-25 Dated:- 21-11-2024. (Single Cover System)

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

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	onwards at Bandipora		no. on TR)					
2	Construction of Road from	29.16	1100 indicate	58320	Two Working	District	Capex Budget	"AAY" "BEE
	Khawaja Sahab to Shaheed	1	name of work		Season	Development	2024-25 Road	
	Mazar (and Chopan Mo-		with NIT serial			Commissioner	Sector	
	halla etc) Chattibandav		no. on TR)					

Position of AA: - Accorded.

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

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	21-11-2024.
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	22-11-2024.from 10:00 AM
3	Bid submission Start Date.	22-11-2024. from 2:00 PM
4	Bid Submission End Date.	28-11-2024 upto 4.00 P.M.
5	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	29-11-2024 at 10.00 A.M in the office of Executive Engineer R&B
		Division Bandipora.

2.Bids must be accompanied with cost of tender documents under MH-0059 in shape of Treasury Receipt favoring to Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Bandipora (tender inviting authority).Indicating S.No of Nit No, Name of work and Earnest Money / Bid Security in shape of CDR / FDR pledged to Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Bandipora (Tender receiving authority).

3. All bidders have to submit/upload 2% EMD of Advertised cost in shape of CDR/FDR pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Bandipora.

4. The 1st lowest Bidder has to produce an amount equal to 5% of contract as performance security in shape of CDR/FDR Pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Bandipora within 02 Days before fixation of contract and shall be released after completion of DLP

7. All other terms conditions are as per PWD Form 25 (Double agreement Form) and detailed NIT issued.

8. Treasury Challan should indicate tender document cost deposit in-between commencement date and end date of NIT, Name of work, Advt. Cost, NIT No. and Tender inviting authority.

9. For drawing of agreement of the contract and memorandum of an agreement relating to sake of bill of exchange one rupee for Rs.10,000/- or part thereof shall have to be realized/deposited by the Contractor at his own to revenue Head of Acctts.0030/Stamps of Deputy Commissioner Stamps J&K UT.

10. The successful bidder who fails to submit original copies of uploaded documents especially 2% / (EMD) security performance of NIT. Advt. Cost within five days after opening of Bid shall be debarred from participating in future tendering for a period of one year in this Department as per instructions and reference of clause 2.20.5.

11. Bidders should be fully cognizant that if the documents uploaded/submitted on the basis of which the contract was awarded are later discovered to be fake/not genuine, the contract will be cancelled and the Contractor/bidder will be blacklisted from participating in this Division/ Department for a period of three years, in addition to the performance security deposited for the said work being forfeited. 35. All other terms, conditions are as per PWD Form-25 (Double agreement)

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Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Bandipora	No. ERB/5105-13 DIPK-8525/24	DATED:-23-11-2024

No.EE/R&B/Bpr/4931-39 DIPK-8457/24 Dated: -23-11-2024.

01	Construction of Additional Accommodation at HS Kralpora BWO Internal Electrification.	Rs. 11.49/- Lacs	Rs. 600/=	Rs. 22,975/=	Linked with progress of civil work	"AAY" Class Electri cal	UT Capex Budget 2021-22	Accord of Administrative Approval accorded by Director School Education Kashmir	
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1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	<mark>22-11-2024</mark>		
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	23-11-2024 from 06.00 PM		
3	Bid submission Start Date	23-11-2024 from 06:00 PM		
4	Bid Submission End Date	16-12-2024 upto 04.00 PM		
5	Date & time of opening of Technical Bids (Online)	17-12-2024 at 02.00 PM in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Electric Division Kashmir, Engineering Complex Srinagar Rajbagh.		
6	6 Date & time of opening of Financial Bids(Online) To be notified after technical bid evaluation is completed.			
The bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, drawings, bill of quantities(BOQ), set of				
te	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:-

<u>Note:- The Bidders are advised to read all conditions laid down in the E-NIT carefully before uploading soft's copy.</u> <u>As per Circular issued by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir Civil Secretariat Finance department vide No. OM No.</u> <u>A/24(2017)-651 dtd.07-06-2018whichreadsasunder:-</u>

- a) Furnishing of Hard Copies of bids immediately after submission of e-tenders is dispensed with. The same should be obtained only from the Bidder who's. declared 1st Lowest (L-1) after opening of financial bids.
- 1. The Cost of tender document should be collected by introducing Treasury Challan (Receipt).
- 1.1. <u>The successful Bidder has to produce Performance Security Deposit @5% of contract value in the</u> shape of CDR/ FDR within the specified time as mentioned after issuance of Letter of Acceptance in his favour and which shall be released after successful completion of work with DLP. The EMD @ 2% of successful bidder will be released only after the submission of 5% performance Security deposit.
- 1.2. The bidder who so ever participate the e-tenders floated by this office will submit Additional Performance security in shape of CDR/FDR at the time of issuance of Allotment Order in case the bidder has Uploaded below Percentage Bid against the Advertised Cost for the work as per below mentioned percentage Breakup in order to avoid unbalancing of e-tender and shall be released after 75% completion of work:-

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		quoted bid by L1
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2.	Greater than 15% upto& including 20%	<mark>5%</mark>
<mark>3.</mark>	Greater than 20% upto& including 25%	<mark>10%</mark>
<mark>4.</mark>	Greater than 25% upto& including 30%	<mark>15%</mark>
5.	Greater than 30% below	20%

The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.inand 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 Electric Division Kashmir, Srinagar (Tender receiving authority).

- 2. The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of bids.
- The earnest money (EMD) shall be released in favour of unsuccessful bidders only after submission of Treasury Challan.
- The earnest money may be forfeited if:-
- a. Any bidder/ tendered with draws his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.
- b. Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.
- c. Failure of successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.

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Non-operational **Traffic Lights Continue To Irk Commuters**

Agencies

Srinagar: The much-anticipated Intelligent Traffic Management System (ITMS) under the Srinagar Smart City initiative continues to remain non-operational, causing inconvenience to the commuters across the City.

While the traffic police continue their rigorous campaign against traffic norm violations and minor driving, the lack of functional traffic signals has exacerbated the challenges faced by commuters.

Notably, the non-functioning of traffic lights has caused diversions at key intersections, forcing commuters to take lengthy routes.

Several commuters said that from Shaletnag Chowk, travellers heading towards Bandipora road are compelled to take a U-turn near Mustafaabad Gurdwara, significantly increasing travel time.

"At Shaletnag Chowk, we cannot cross directly to Bandipora road, we have to take a

U-turn at Mustafaabad," said Waseem Ahmad.

He said that if commuters coming from Bandipora road side have to take Baramulla road they have to take a U turn at Parimpora near Faird eal shopping complex.

Similarly, on MA Road, blockades have necessitated long-distance tours, adding to take more time among daily commuters.

There are many intersections across Srinagar City where traffic lights were installed but were never made functional.

Many commuters said that due to rising traffic volume on roads in Srinagar, traffic police could be seen managing intersections manually due to non-functional lights, but that was leading to long delays and congestion.

Notably, some signals, which were initially functional, have stopped working, while the traffic at those intersections too is being managed

by traffic police manually (KNO)

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Tengpora Accident Aftermath Over 3000 Vehicles Seized In Last 9 Days

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A senior traffic po-

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Agencies

Srinagar: As a part of stern action to curb underage driving and traffic violations in the valley, especially in Srinagar City, the Traffic Police Department has seized more than three thousand vehicles, comprising both two-wheelers and four-wheelers. over the last nine days

in Srinagar alone. The traffic crackdown, which began after the tragic Tengpora accident on November 14. claimed the lives of two young boys, with another critically injured, after a collision between two vehicles.

The incident sparked

at about 8:30 in morning widespread outrage and led to a renewed focus with end of the day at on underage driving and 11:00 PM and sometimes reckless driving practic-11:30 PM as required."

He further added, "This drive is aimed cal resident of Srinagar. at reducing road accidents, particularly those safer now, and we rarely involving minors, who see young kids behind often lack the maturity the wheel anymore. and experience needed This is a good move by the traffic police, and it to drive safely. We want to make Srinagar city should continue," said

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Wahid, another local.

Notably, the IGP Traffic J&K today also

conducted meeting with

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safer for commuting." Meanwhile, the local residents have also expressed their support for the crackdown, noting that the streets have become noticeably safer in recent days.

"The crackdown has been a much-needed step. I have seen a big difference on the roads.

Progress On Construction Of OPD Block At Shreen-Bagh Reviewed

On the occasion , the Depu-

ty Commissioner took stock of

the progress of work on Rs 14.51

crore project for construction

of new OPD Block including

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Dr Bilal Mohi-Ud-Din Bhat visited Super Speciality Hospital, Shreen Bagh in order to inspect the ongoing works on infrastructure upgradation of healthcare facilities.

During the visit, the Deputy Commissioner was accompanied

Diagnostic facility and Faculty by the Chief Planning Officer, Superintending Engineer R&B, Rooms to augment and upgrade Chief Medical Officer, Medithe healthcare infrastructure cal Superintendent SS Hospital, in Super Speciality Hospital. Tehsildar South, Executive En-On the occasion, the DC took gineers of SMC, R&B, PHE, PDD

a round of under construction building and directed the executing agency to complete the vital project under the set timeline so that patients are provided better health and patient care facilities at the Hospital.



This Day In History

- 380 Theodosius I makes his adventus, or first formal entry, into Constantinople
- 1542 Battle of Solway Moss: English beat Scottish King James V
- 1587 Battle at Auneau: Henri de Guise wins
- 1639 1st observation of transit of Venus by Jeremiah Horrocks and William Crabtree - helped establish size of the Solar System
- 1643 Battle of Tuttlingen: Beiers army under Gen Mercy beats France
- 1800 Naturalists Alexander von Humboldt and Aimé Bonpland depart Caracas for Cuba where they met fellow botanist John Fraser
- 1859 English naturalist Charles Darwin publishes "On the Origin of Species" radically changing the view of evolution and laying the foundation for evolutionary biology
- 1905 Moshav Hertzlia forms in Israel
- 1912 Conflict in the Balkans grows into an acute international crisis with major powers supporting either Austria or Serbia
- 1914 Benito Mussolini leaves Italy's socialist party. 1916 - Mexican and US representatives sign a protocol at Atlantic City, under which Pershing's troops will withdraw and each nation's army will guard the border. President Carranza of Mexico will refuse to accept it.
- 1944 US bombers based on Saipan begin 1st attack on Tokyo

Deputy Commissioner Visits Khangah-E-Nagshband Sahib^(RA)

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Dr Bilal Mohi-Ud-Din Bhat Saturday undertook a visit to Khankahe-Nagashband Sahib (RA) in Shahr-e-Khaas area of the District to take on spot review of 4.86 Cr project for development of Khanqah on heritage pattern.

On the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner reviewed works taken up as per detailed project report for restoration, revival, preservation and maintenance of heritage architecture of the 500 years old historic Khankahi Nagashband Sahib(RA), one of the finest examples of Kashmiri ancient and medieval wooden architecture.

On the occasion, the DC

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adhering to the set timelines. While interacting with the local members of the Khankah, the DC assured them that all possible measures will be taken to further development and upgrade the facilities. He also assured that necessary instructions will be given to concerned authorities for a car parking facility and adequate power supply at the Shrine.

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Beyond Binaries

Iran-Saudi accord vindicates dominant narrative of the Shia-Sunni divide cannot be an alibi for the continuing hostilities between the two Islamic nations

> he tectonic shift from rivalry to rapprochement could be a potential pathway to de-escalate and stabilize the war-torn region, argues the writer. Sands quickly shift in West Asia.

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1979 Iranian Revolution, the Iran-Sau-

di rivalry has had catastrophic con-

sequences for the West Asian region.

The deadliest conflicts in Iraq, Syria,

Yemen, Lebanon, and Bahrain have

degenerated into intractable proxy

wars-tearing these societies apart.

Imperialist interventions have added

fuel to the fire. Iran-Saudi escalations

peaked in January 2016 when Saudi

Arabia executed prominent Shia

cleric Sheikh Nimr al-Nimr on "ter-

rorism" charges (Nimr al-Nimr was a

vocal critic of the Saudi government).

Iranian protesters stormed the Saudi

embassy in Tehran, prompting Saudi

Arabia to downgrade its diplomatic

ties with Iran. The Iran-Saudi agree-

ment-with China as the matchmak-

er-expresses a 'shared desire to re-

solve disagreements through dialogue

and diplomacy,' emphasizing respect

for state sovereignty and "non-inter-

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Western leaders, academia, the media,

and think tanks often frame this con-

flict through a sectarian lens, casting

the Iran-Saudi rivalry as an ethnic

and sectarian dispute between Sunni

Arabs and Shia Iranians or as a "clash

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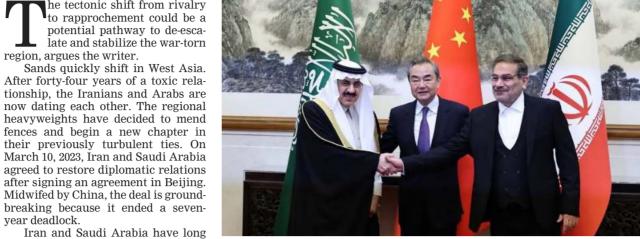
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factors equally shape the rivalry (not religion per se) between the two political heavyweights. The Iran and Saudi Arabia discord "has nothing to do with the Sunni-Shia divide in Islamic theology." The animosity between the two energy titans stems not from Islamic theology but from their shared quest for regional dominance (power projections), security, and survival.

Discourses unleash epistemic violence. By perpetuating these sectarian narratives, the West has further poisoned Iran-Saudi relations, leading to escalations. The dominant narrative amplified by Western media portrays an Islamic Iran that seeks to 'export' the Revolution. Such narratives ignore the pragmatism in Iran's foreign policy. Those who view Islamic ideology as the primary determinant of Iran's foreign policy fail to recognize the ideological flexibility embedded in both Islamic culture and the Shi'i tradition. The March 2023 agreement highlights the dominance of pragmatism over ideology, much like the 2015 nuclear deal Iran signed with the U.S. (the "Great Satan," a sobriquet Iran uses for America). It demonstrates Iran's capacity to prioritize pragmatism over ideology.

The argument that the Shia-Sunni binary or a clash of ideologies makes rapprochement between Iran and Saudi Arabia impossible is a distorted narrative. There is a historical precedent for Iran-U.S. détente. Since the 1990s, Iranian presidents have made similar diplomatic overtures to Saudi Arabia. In 1997, Saudi Crown Prince

Abdullah bin Abdul-Aziz visited Tehran, leading to a bilateral cooperation and security agreement until 2005. The rapprochement peaked with Mohammad Khatami's "Dialogue among Civilizations." In May 1999, Khatami visited Riyadh, and King Fahd optimistically stated, "The doors have been opened to both countries." Similarly, Hassan Rouhani's foreign policy, guided by the discourse of 'constructive engagement with the world," sought to reinvigorate Iran's relationships with the Persian Gulf neigbours. Rouhani's Foreign Minister, Javad Zarif, emphasized, "Our neighbors are our priority." However, Donald Trump's "maximum pressure" campaign, which had the active support of Crown Prince Salman, hindered serious diplomacy with the Saudis. Late Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi's "Neighborhood Policy' encouraged dialogue with the Saudis, and Iran's current President, Masoud Pezeshkian, recently visited Qatar and met with Saudi Foreign Minister Faisal bin Farhan. Pezeshkian referred to the Islamic countries of the region as "brothers" and called for strengthened cooperation between the two nations. Crown Prince Salman is expected to visit Tehran at Iran's invitation.

Not only ideology but pragmatism also shapes Iranian foreign policy thinking. "Cultural maturation" has led Iran's foreign policy to shift increasingly away from religious ideology toward pragmatic calculations of national interest. The March 2023 agreement has undermined the axis of confrontation-the so-called 2020 Abraham Accords-designed to contain and isolate Iran. The nascent axis of brotherly nations of Iran and Saudi Arabia has become a countervailing force against the impending regional war triggered by Israel's genocidal assaults on Gaza and Lebanon. The Iran-Saudi tension has had a ripple effect in the region. It has helped stabilize Yemen. Since October 2022, a truce supported by both Iran and Saudi Arabia has been in place in Yemen. It has rehabilitated Syria within the Arab world; Iran's relations with the UAE, Turkey, Egypt, Jordan, Bahrain, and Kuwait have all been restored. The thaw in Saudi-Iran relations has averted a major war between Iran and Israel, as the Persian Gulf nations have pledged not to allow Israel to use their "soil or airspace" to attack Iran.

This deal has the potential to transform the region. However, the odds remain high. The litmus test will be how both sides manage expectations, compartmentalize issues, and demonstrate ideological flexibility. Iran and Saudi Arabia need, in Huberman's terms, an "empathetic understanding" (Verstehen)-a rational discourse to mitigate the conflict. Decoupling will be necessary: Riyadh cannot expect Iran to sever its links with the 'Axis of Resistance,' which Iran views as its forward-defense strategy against Israel and the U.S. Similarly, Iran must accept that the GCC countries, particularly Saudi Arabia, cannot (and will not) end their security partnership with the U.S. Both must also commit to noninterference in each other's domestic affairs, as stipulated by the deal. This approach serves their larger national interests and is vital for the overall stability and security of the region.

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s Donald Trump A Neocon?

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rump reminds one at times of the famous line from the novel Don Quixote by 17th century Spanish author Cervantes: "In order to attain the impossible, one must attempt the absurd." Trump's first presidency was reduced to a theatre of the absurd, with the so-called Deep State blocking his path every inch of the way and rendering him ineffectual, beating his wings in the void in vain. A glaring example was the Pentagon openly flouting Trump's order to vacate the occupation of northeastern Syria (which continues.)

Well-known American podcaster Judge Napolitano titled one of his indispensable daily podcasts last week 'Is Trump a Neocon?'. Napolitano echoed the criticism among Trump's detractors (and sceptics.) In reality, though, the neoconservatives are getting frantic that Trump 2.0 is genuinely rebooted, but that's another matter.

Trump is handpicking loyalists to ensuring that Trojan horses won't infiltrate his stable — likes of Nikki Haley or Mike Pompeo. This means total rejection of so-called globalists, who repose faith in Pax Americana. At least four key figures proposed by Trump fit into this paradigm - Elon Musk and Vivek Ramaswamy who will preside over a purge of neocons dominating the bloated bureaucracy; Tulsi Gabbard as the intelligence tsarina who will not let misinformation pass as 'intelligence' or allow rogue operations, Pete Hegseth as defence secretary who will keep flamboyant Pentagon commanders in tight leash. One way or another, they take a dim view of US interventionism.

What is neoconservative foreign policy? Its parenthood can be traced to Wilsonian idealism to 'make the world safe for democracy'. Promoting freedom and democracy and protecting human rights around the world are its central tenets. Lib-



eral internationalism is its grand strategy. (Neoliberalism is a revised version of liberalism.) Thus, the neoconservative foreign policy typically advocates unilateral promotion of democracy and interventionism abroad rooted in a militaristic philosophy of 'beace through strength'.

Through the past three decades, neoconservative idealism took the form of an assertive and interventionist foreign policy that targeted regimes which defied US hegemony. Nonetheless, Trump never propagated a regime change agenda - not even toward authoritarian regimes. In this respect, he is a solitary exception while his peer group -

George H W Bush, Bill Clinton, George W Bush, Barack Obama and Joe Biden — unabashedly promoted regime changes (eg, Yugoslavia, Georgia, Ukraine, Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Libya, etc.).

That said, a caveat must be added as Trump also agrees with the neoconservatives that the US' military might can be employed whenever US interests are at stake. Now, that's some strategic ambiguity where subtlety comes in defining 'interests'. Trump's one major criticism of the Iraq war was that neither Bush nor Obama paid sufficient enough attention to seizing control over that country's fabulous oil resources.

Arguably, therefore, it is entirely conceivable that when Trump harps on an immediate ceasefire and a freeze on further Russian offensives in Ukraine that may create new facts on the ground, he may well be having an unspoken neo-mercantilist agenda

Ukraine is a treasure house of multi-trilliondollar mineral resources, including rare earths. Its famed 'chernozem' (black soil) containing high percentages of humus (4 per cent to 16 per cent) and phosphorous and ammonia compounds with high moisture-storage capacity, makes it very fertile giving great agricultural yields — which indeed already captivates MNCs, and George Soros, consistent with Trump's 'America First' and MAGA strategies.

However, the main thrust of Trump's national policy is about dismantling the Deep State. But here too, he is supportive of a strong military. Interestingly, Trump is not advocating a disbandment of NATO. His pressure tactic narrows down to NATO allies hiking defence budgets so that they remain a captive market for US weaponry — ie., vitalising the military-industrial complex.

Trump doesn't want an independent Europe. An analyst recently invoked a biting metaphor of a dominating daddy to thumb-sketch Trump's dialectic with Europeans - who habitually beats wife and kids and bullying junior to pay rent and work in daddy's business to pay back the money spent for his education.

It is a moot point whether Trump is a neocon. The crux of the matter is that Trump can be as oppressive as his neocon peer group in the pantheon of post-Cold War US presidents.

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Remembering Dr. Syed Kalbe Sadiq The Miracle Man of Education

Haider Abbas

Handsome is one who handsome does. This self righteous axiom is an apt synonym, and surmounts every bit of it, when it comes to Dr. Syed Kalbe Sadiq, whose 'remembrance day' falls on November 24, when he had left us in 2020. But, not before leaving his enduring legacy, an indelible mark, on the landscape of Lucknow, particularly for his never ending, tireless efforts towards educational emancipation of community.

His zest and zeal to uplift the 'tottering masses', from the abyss of absolute morass, yes, I am not being isolationist, the situation was even more grimy and grave, that it was only he who rose-up to the occasion, took up the gauntlet, to seek for the participation of community, in terms of the upscale ladder of human development index. His efforts did bear fruition; he bludgeoned his energies into Tauheedul Muslimeen Trust (TMT), a non-profit charitable trust, for four decades, as a mother-organization, and soon, Unity College, came into being. TMT, is where Muslims from any denomination, and non-Muslims too, have been getting scholarships, financial, economic and medical aid etc.

Unity College is an ICSE affiliated Intermediate college. It is nestled between the great Chota Imambara and the picturesque Jama Masjid, once built by King Muhammed Ali Shah. These great imposing structures, inculcate a historical sense of history, into the futuristic minds. Dr. Syed Kalbe Sadiq's greatest forte is Madinataul Uloom College, affiliated to the same board in Aligarh. It is here that he articulated his long time occidentalism, taking a kinetic shape into orientalism. A house for dynamic 'chiseled in bronze' leadership of the com-



Dr Syed Kalbe Sadiq (June 22, 1939- November 24, 2020). Photo Courtesy: The Tribune.

in fact, has truly been actualized by Dr. Syed Kalbe Sadiq, who took 11 children, who were not even able to scribble their names, their parents in abject poverty, in 1999, into his fervent embrace, and strived to provide them for all the 'school and medical' needs, even conveyance, and today, it has a strength of more than 1500 students! TMT is running a Unity

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munity was thus cast. Students from MU College, within a matter of time, have attained great heights as scholars, professors etc. Even as Member of Assembly (MLA) and as Member of Parliament (MP) too. Flag bearers of Islamism and humanism are they all Public School in Allahabad as well. Hazrat Imam Zainul Abideen (HIZA) Charitable Hospital and a Unity Private ITI in Lucknow. All of his endeavors are based in UP. His TMT patronizes ERAS Medical College, now a University, as a state-ofart medical education center, a numberone premier institute, of its kind, in the whole of UP. If, Dr. Syed Kalbe Sadiq, had a cult of aura spelt around him, it was therefore, all not without a reason, for having splattered such gems into the society.

Yours truly also had a long rendezvous with him. Travelled with him. I always found him a living example of being an 'anti-classist and a cheerful aesthetic', very conscious of the exigencies of time, always presentable with an idealized charm, to bring back optimism despite the worst hours, as his persona had endured everything after 1947. Partition, communal riots, sectarian riots, politics of majoritarianism, and whatnot. He was a post-facto insider, who assiduously pursued his 'line-of-action', that it is only through quality-education, where-in lies the key for deliverance. He was born on June 22, 1939.

But, the deliverance, however, has been found napping, as probably more than a million, who have benefitted from TMT, have never reciprocated, forget in the same evaluative terms, but even in the minimal sense of the word. Notwithstanding, the tens of crores, disbursed in the last 40 years.

Undeterred and despite the stalemate, Dr. Syed Kalbe Sadiq, served his framework, tallving up a score-card. much higher, amongst the community leaders, who were of course more than

often engaged in unnecessary bowdlerisation of self gratification. He ambled over 'all' and breasted the tape, leaving them far behind. He tried his best to stop the pervasive and systematic decimation of the community, from both within and outside, with all his inexhaustible energy. He was a performative example unto himself, who always welcomed brickbats and finally walked back with bouquets.

He was always ready with a plausible hearing, showed space to even lumpens, never ascribed to authoritarianism, despite having, having it on his sleeve, yet, was an absolute devotee to personal freedom. This personal trait is what made him win over friends, enemies and frenemies as well. He was brilliant in his disquisitions, charted in traditional Urdu, laced with distinctive English et all, made him what all he stood for. He did not wail like a dewy eyed nostalgic, but exhorted the generations to become actual participants in the starry wattage of our times. He did not yield a magic wand, but gave a long standing message, that perseverance to the stage until perspiration, in efforts are the only hallmarks for long time successes.

This writer also did sit by his bedside when he was ailing at ERAS. He remained Vice President of All India Muslim Personal Law Board, the apex Muslim body in the nation, all his life. Long Live his call for education.

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The writer with Dr. Syed Kalbe Sadiq, in the year 2019.

What matters as more than a miracle,

appropriate enough to make him stand

Anaemia is More Than Fatigue It can silently impact fertility

Iram Saba

naemia, characterized by a deficiency of red blood cells or haemoglobin, is a common health issue among young women worldwide. Its prevalence is particularly high in developing countries, where nutritional deficiencies, menstrual blood loss, and chronic illnesses often contribute to its development.Anaemia is the major health issue in Jammu and Kashmir, especially among women and children. In Jammu and Kashmir, over 27 lakh women between the ages of 15-49 are anaemic, according to NITI Aayog's "State Nutrition Profile of Jammu and Kashmir" report. The Union Territory saw higher cases of irondeficiency especially in women between (2019-2020).

What Causes Anaemia in Young Women?

The most common type of anaemia in young women is **irondeficiency anaemia**, which arises when the body lacks sufficient iron to produce adequate haemoglobin. This can result from:

Heavy menstrual bleeding: Prolonged or heavy periods can lead to substantial blood loss, depleting iron stores.

- **Poor dietary intake**: A diet low in iron-rich foods such as red meat, leafy greens, and fortified cereals contributes to anaemia.
- Malabsorption issues: Conditions like celiac disease or inflammatory bowel disease may impair iron absorption.
- **Chronic diseases**: Disorders such as chronic kidney disease or autoimmune diseases can also contribute to anaemia.

Anaemia and Fertility: The Connection

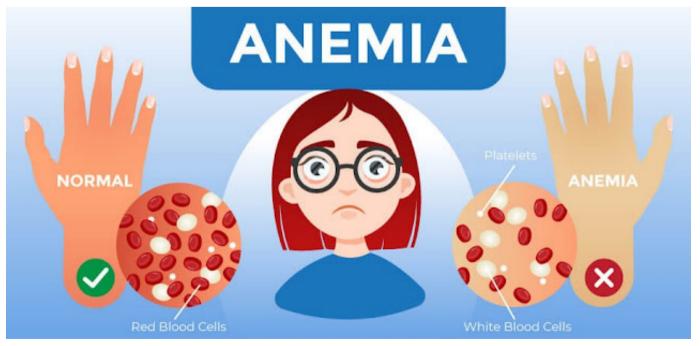
Anaemia can impact fertility in several ways, creating challenges for women trying to conceive:

1. Hormonal Imbalances

Iron is essential for the production of healthy eggs and the regulation of ovulation. Chronic anaemia can disrupt hormonal pathways, potentially leading to irregular menstrual cycles or anovulation (lack of ovulation), which are primary causes of infertility.

2. Impaired Endometrial Health

A healthy uterine lining, or endometrium, is crucial for implantation of the fertilized egg. Anae-



mia, by reducing oxygen supply to tissues, can compromise the growth and quality of the endometrial lining, making implantation more difficult.

3. Increased Risk of Pregnancy Complications

Women with anaemia face a higher risk of miscarriage, preterm birth, and low birth weight. These complications not only affect pregnancy outcomes but can also delay conception due to recurrent pregnancy losses.

Preventing and Managing Anaemia to Support Fertility To mitigate the effects of anae-

mia on fertility, young women should prioritize prevention and management strategies: 1. Adopt a Balanced Diet

Incorporate iron-rich foods such as lean meats, spinach, legumes, and fortified cereals. Pair these with vitamin C sources like citrus fruits to enhance iron absorption.

2. Take Iron Supplements if Needed

Women diagnosed with iron- sult

deficiency anaemia may benefit from prescribed iron supplements. It's important to take them under medical guidance to avoid side effects like gastrointestinal discomfort.

3. Monitor Menstrual Health

Address heavy menstrual bleeding through medical consultation and explore treatments such as hormonal therapies if necessary.

4. Check for Underlying Conditions

Treating conditions like hypothyroidism, celiac disease, or chronic inflammation is essential to resolving secondary anaemia and restoring fertility.

5. Preconception Care

Women planning to conceive should undergo a thorough health assessment, including blood tests to check iron levels and overall reproductive health.

Anaemia in young women is more than a transient health issue-it has profound implications for fertility and reproductive outcomes. By recognizing the signs of anaemia early and taking proactive steps to address its root causes, women can not only improve their overall health but also enhance their chances of a healthy conception and pregnancy. Raising awareness about this connection is essential to empowering women to make informed decisions about their health and well-being. Prioritize your health today for a brighter tomorrow.

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AIIMS Kashmir

a dire need for healthcare infrastructure in the region.

They lamented that both AIIMS projects were approved simultaneously but have not been completed at the same pace. The people of Kashmir, who have limited healthcare options compared to Jammu, are more in need of

AIIMS Awantipora, they said. Many locals called for completing the project early to reduce the hardships faced by patients requiring treatment for critical illnesses.

Meanwhile, officials working on the project said efforts are in full swing and aim to complete the work by June 2025.

They cited several reasons for the delay, including legal disputes over land acquisition for the access road, restrictions following the abrogation of Article 370, challenges posed by a nearby army base, erratic weather, and the COVID-19 pandemic. These factors collectively hindered the progress of this mega project, they said

An official said that progress has been made over the past two years. "Work on four academic blocks, multiple hospital blocks, and hostel blocks is nearing completion, and efforts are underway to hand over the facility to the concerned authorities as soon as possible," he said.

The Central government approved AIIMS Awantipora in 2019 at an estimated cost of Rs 1,828 crore. The project includes the construction of approximately 57 buildings, encompassing a hospital, hostels, residential quarters, a football ground, tennis courts, gardens with medicinal plants, and other state-of-the-art facilities.

"Due to security reasons, the construction got delayed," a senior official from the administration on anonymity told Kashmir Observer earlier this year. He, however, had said the work is going on in full swing and the project is to be inaugurated by 2025.

Upon completion, the institute will provide 1,000 beds, including 300 super-speciality beds, which is expected to bolster Kashmir's healthcare infrastructure. The project also includes a medical college with a capacity for 100 students and a nursing college for 60 students.

The government has set December 31, 2024, as the new deadline for completing the project. However, officials are optimistic that the facility will be fully operational by June 2025. (KNO)

NDA Sweeps

In Jharkhand, the JMM and its allies secured 56 out of the total 81 assembly seats. JMM leader Hemant Soren, who is set to return as Chief Minister, said: "I want to thank the people of all communities and all the farmers, women and youth of the state for casting their votes with the majority and making this election successful..

In Maharashtra, the Mahayuti coalition of the BJP, Shiv Sena and Nationalist Congress Party is set for another consecutive term as it is leading in 236 out of 288 seats, with the BIP registering its best-ever poll showing in the state with over 133 seats in the 288-member house. "The biggest message from Maharashtra after the Haryana polls is unity; 'ek hain to safe hain' has become the country's 'mahamantra'," Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said.

In Mahayuti, the BJP contested the largest number of seats at 148, followed by the Shiv Sena led by Chief Minister Eknath Shinde at 80, and the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) led by Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar at 52.

The contest was hipolar in Maharashtr

know she will lead with courage, compassion and unwavering dedication to transform our cherished Wayanad into a beacon of progress and prosperity," he said in another post on X.

Priyanka Gandhi won the Wayanad Lok Sabha bypoll with a huge margin on Saturday. The seat was vacated by Rahul Gandhi after he was elected to the Lok Sabha from both Rae Bareli and Wayanad in the parliamentary polls held in April-May.

Meanwhile, addressing a press conference at the AICC headquarters here, Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh asserted that his party may have lost the polls in Maharashtra but it would continue to raise the issues that it has been raising since the parliamentary polls.

"On Maharashtra, there can be no two ways about it that in a targeted manner, the level-playing field, a phrase that the Election Commission often uses, was disturbed. The election results are unexpected, very surprising and inexplicable," Ramesh said.

Win For Development

gratitude to my sisters and brothers of Maharashtra, especially the youth and women of the state, for a historic mandate to the NDA. This affection and warmth is unparalleled,' Modi said.

"Jai Maharashtra," he added.

Modi said the NDA's pro-people efforts have resonated all over.

"I thank people across various states for blessing NDA candidates in the various bypolls held. We will leave no stone unturned in fulfilling their dreams and aspirations," he said. Modi also said he was proud of NDA workers for their efforts on the ground.

"They worked hard, went among people and elaborated on our good governance agenda... I thank the people of Jharkhand for their support towards us. We will always be at the forefront

of raising people's issues and working for the state," he said. "After Haryana, Maharashtra has also sent a message of 'ek hain toh safe hain'. This has becomes a 'mahamantra for the country," the prime minister said during his address at the 3IP headquarters.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi hailed the people of Maharashtra today for what he called their "historic verdict",, saying the mandate was a firm rejection of the negative politics of the Opposition. This not only included what BJP chief JP Nadda described as the sabotage of the second mandate, but also the talk of a second constitution and the return of Article 370, the politics of division in the name of caste and creed, he said.

Maharashtra, he said, has become the sixth state to choose the BJP for a third consecutive term, after Goa, Gujarat. Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh.

"Every segment of the country have voted for the BJP... The Congress is unable to gauge this changed mood of the people. They don't want to understand the reality. The voter does not want instability. The voter is with the na-tion first feeling," PM Modi said, beginning a harsh takedown of the Congress.

The Congress, he said, is incapable of forming governments on its own, so it forms alliances and then lets down allies as well. "Thankfully its partners in Uttar Pradesh have been able to get rid of it (Congress). Else they too would have drowned," PM Modi said.

US SEC Summons

who is a director at the group's renewable energy unit Adani Green Energy Ltd, allegedly agreed to pay about USD 265 million in bribe to Indian government officials between approximately 2020 and 2024 to obtain lucrative solar energy supply contracts on terms that expected to yield USD 2 billion of profit over 20 years, according to an indictment unsealed in a New York court on Wednesday. Separate from the indictment brought by the US Department of Justice, the US SEC has also charged the two and Cyril Cabanes, an executive of Azure Power Global, for "conduct arising out of a massive bribery scheme".

denied the allegations and said it will seek all possible legal resources.

"The Adani Group has always upheld and is steadfastly committed to maintaining the highest standards of governance, transparency and regulatory compliance across all jurisdictions of its operations. We assure our stakeholders, partners and employees that we are a law-abiding organisation fully compliant with all laws.'

An indictment in the US is basically a formal written allegation originating with a prosecutor and issued by a grand jury against a party charged with a crime. A person indicted is given formal notice to reply.

That person or persons can then hire a defence lawyer to defend.

Prosecutors said the investigation started in 2022 and found the inquiry obstructed.

They also allege that the Adani Group raised USD 2 billion in loans and bonds, including from US firms, on the backs of false and misleading statements related to the firm's antibribery practices and policies, as well as reports of the bribery probe.

"As alleged, the defendants orchestrated an elaborate scheme to bribe Indian government officials to secure contracts worth billions of dollars and... lied about the bribery scheme as they sought to raise capital from U.S. and international investors," US Attorney Breon Peace said in a statement announcing the charges on Wednesday.

"My office is committed to rooting out corruption in the international marketplace and protecting investors from those who seek to enrich themselves at the expense of the integrity of our financial markets."

No Winter Vacation

further said that in case such complaints come to them, they will definitely take cognisance and action accordingly.

J&K Offers Treasures

Kashmir during summers when it is simmering hot in the rest of India to enjoy the pleasant weather, the cuisine and buy whole range of products that are on display here. He also invited the general public to visit spiritual destinations like the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine, in Jammu, nestled amidst the serene Trikuta Hills.

"From snow-capped peaks and lush valleys to sacred sites and vibrant traditions, Jammu and Kashmir promises a unique blend of tranquility and adventure. We look forward to welcoming you with open arms."

During his speech the CM welcomed Industry Associations, prominent business leaders, exporters, entrepreneurs, women entrepreneurs, manufacturers, artisans and exhibitors from Jammu and Kashmir and the artists performing at the event.

He hailed the participation of visitors who joined from different parts of the country for celebrating Jammu and Kashmir Day.

CM Abdullah acknowledged the role of the organizers for providing this platform to highlight the immense opportunities in J&K and for reflecting the culture, handloom & handicrafts and heritage of Jammu & Kashmir.

CM visited the J&K Pavilion and commended the exhibitors for showcasing their products.

The J&K pavilion showcased iconic products such as pashmina, saffron, and GI-tagged handicrafts, Nasir Aslam Wani, Advisor to the Chief Minister, commended the efforts of Industries & Commerce Department and the Jammu & Kashmir Trade Promotion Organization (JKTPO) in supporting the region's artisans and

about the remarkable increase in participation from Jammu and Kashmir at IITF, which has grown from 30 exhibitors earlier to 115 exhibitors in 2024

He announced plans to expand the reach of J&K's artisans and entrepreneurs by participating in International Exhibitions and events in the near future.

A grand cultural program showcased the essence of Jammu and Kashmir through mesmerizing performances of Dogri and Kashmiri folk dances and songs by local artists, captivating the audience and leaving them spellbound.

The J&K Pavilion featured over 115 exhibitors, including women entrepreneurs, specially-abled entrepreneurs, and cooperative societies, offering an array of products, from Geographical Indication (GI)-tagged treasures like Pashmina Shawls, Kani Shawls, Sozni Embroidery, and Basholi Paintings to highquality agricultural produce such as Saffron, Honey, Walnuts, and Lavender Oil.

The pavilion's interactive features, such as video walls showcased success stories, craft techniques, and J&K's stunning tourist destinations.

Managing Director of JKTPO, Khalid Jehangir thanked all guests, participants, officials and public whose participation contributed to the success of the event.

He reaffirmed JKTPO's unwavering commitment to empowering local artisans and entrepreneurs by providing them with platforms to showcase their talent and expanding opportunities through such events.

This year marks the 43rd edition of India International Trade Fair (IITF) being organized by India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO) from November 14 to 27, 2024 with November 23rd celebrated as Jammu & Kashmir Day at the trade fair event.

This flagship event offers a platform for businesses and individuals to explore business opportunities and foster collaboration, thus serving as a convergence point for domestic and international trade.

Raise Voice

aspirations without compromise.

"Yet today, the same voice is being silenced under the pretext of incarceration, denying the people of Baramulla their rightful representation," he added.

The AIP leader urged all parliamentarians to rise above political affiliations and stand for "democratic principles" by demanding's Rashid's release and his right to attend the Parliament.

"Denying him this opportunity is not just a betrayal of his mandate, but an insult to the democratic process itself. It sets a dangerous precedent where the will of the people is suppressed and their chosen representative is silenced." he said.

Shaheen warned what was happening with Rashid "could happen to any of you (MPs) tomorrow."

Kashmir's Higher

conditions prevailed across the plains including Srinagar throughout the day, which brought the mercury further down in the Valley today.

As per the details, the night temperature improved in Srinagar and elsewhere as the mercury went up and settled at 2.5 degree Celsius while in Qazigund, the mercury settled at 0.8 degree.

Pahalgam, a famous tourist destination, recorded 3.3 degree Celsius, Kupwara at 2.1 degree Celsius and Kokernag 2.4 degree Celsius. Gulmarg, a famous ski-resort, was the only station where the mercury settled below freezing point. Director meteorological department (MeT), Dr Mukhtar Ahmad said that the weather would remain generally cloudy while there is a possibility of light rain and light snow over higher reaches at isolated places till forenoon tomorrow.

of light rain and light snow over higher reaches at scattered to fairly widespread places during late night of November 30 to forenoon of December 01.

Furthermore, he stated that the weather would remain generally dry from December 02 to December 05.

In its advisory, the MeT has stated that there is a possibility of slight rise in minimum temperature during 23rd & 24th Nov and thereafter fall by 2-3 degree Celsius.

The tourists, trekkers, travellers and transporters have been advised to follow administration and traffic advisory

Gurez-Bandipora

road for traffic by the evening due to snow accumulation.

The official advised drivers to avoid travelling on the road until further notice, stating that the closure was implemented as a precautionary measure for public safety.

Notably, several areas in the Gurez Valley received fresh snowfall this afternoon, while the plains experienced rainfall.

Govt To Fix Test

hospitals and health institutions of the Health and Medical Education department except SKIMS.

The rates per scan/test for PET Scan Whole Body will be Rs. 10,000, for PET scan Cardiac metabolism is Rs. 4000, for PET guided Biopsy is Rs. 1200, for PET scan review from outside is Rs. 600 and for CBCT machine charges is Rs. 1200.

This significant step has been taken by the government with an aim to provide more affordable diagnostic services to patients, particularly those from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. (KNO)

Govt in Talks

high power consumption during winters, compounded by reduced water levels in power-generating water sources, he disclosed that Chief Minister Omar Abdullah has initiated discussions with Delhi for an additional 350 MW of electricity to mitigate the shortages.

"Once we get that, power supply issues will be redressed by and large," he added.

On the issue of road connectivity, the Minister urged patience, stating that major road repair works would commence in summer.

He also stated that concerned departments have been directed to address urgent issues through consolidation wherever necessary.

Winter Power

said that "Soon we will be announcing the new power curtailment schedule. We are already working on it and most likely we will be announcing the curtailment schedule this week only.'

"Currently, we have availability of 2300-2400 Megawatts for both the Jammu and Kashmir regions. However, the demand is 2500-2600 Megawatts," the official said.

He said, "We have a number of Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) that go for 20-25 years. Besides, we have central allotments as well. There is a regular purchase process.'

The official further said, "We are also receiving the power from the centre from the PPA made in 2023.'

Earlier this week, it was reported that in Jammu and Kashmir, the power generation from the state pool has reduced by nearly 80 percent.

"From across the regions, the total powr generation capacity is 1200 Megawatts However, as of now we are only able to generate a total of 200-260 Megawatts of power from the UT pool," the official said. About the ongoing power curtailment, the official had said, "We cut off nearly 200-250 Megawatts during the peak hours. That is a force curtailment. Otherwise we have 38-40 feeders that are working 24 hours.' The official had also said, "In urban areas, as of now there is a power curtailment of over 6 hours and over eight hours of power curtailment in rural areas."(KNO)

Mahayuti alliance contested to retain power, while the Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) aimed to wrest control from the ruling alliance in the state

Uddhav Thackeray and Sharad Pawar lost their party's name and symbol to mutinies led by their trusted ones. The two leaders fought this election as a prestige fight. Their big defeat now raises a question mark on their political future.

The Opposition has a reason to smile in Jharkhand though. The Jharkhand Mukti Morcha-led alliance has won 57 seats in the 81-member Assembly, bettering its 2019 score.

The NDA, which fought the election on an "anti-infiltration" plank and showcased the Centre's schemes in its campaign, has won 23 seats this time.

The votes for 48 assembly and two Lok Sabha bypolls across states were also counted. In Kerala's Wayanad, Congress General Secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra won the Lok Sabha bypoll with a thumping margin of over four lakh votes, surpassing her brother Rahul Gandhi's victory margin in the Lok Sabha polls, in her electoral debut.

Maharashtra voted for 288 seats in a single phase on November 20. The 81 seats in Jharkhand voted in two phases – November 13 and 20

Jharkhand Results

election outcome in the state in detail.

In a post in Hindi on X, the leader of opposition in the Lok Sabha thanked the voters of Iharkhand as well as those who voted for the INDIA opposition bloc in Maharashtra.

"Heartfelt thanks to the people of Jharkhand for giving a huge mandate to INDIA. Hearty congratulations and best wishes to Chief Minister Hemant Sorenji, all the workers of the Congress and the JMM for this victory.

"This victory of the alliance in the state is a victory for the protection of water, forest and land, along with that of the Constitution," he said.

"The results of Maharashtra are unexpected and we will analyse those in detail," Gandhi said as he thanked the voters of the state for their support and all the party workers for their hard work.

The former Congress chief also lauded Priyanka Gandhi Vadra for her victory on her poll debut from Kerala's Wayanad Lok Sabha constituency and said she will transform Wayanad into a beacon of progress with her dedication.

"I feel immense pride as my family in Wayanad has placed its trust in Priyanka. I The ports-to-energy conglomerate has

YouTube

He expressed optimism about expanding Jammu & Kashmir's participation in such events in the coming years, ensuring even greater opportunities for showcasing the region's rich craftsmanship.

"Next year, we aim to make this platform even larger, allowing more artisans to present their unparalleled creations to the world," he remarked.

Earlier, Commissioner Secretary of Industries and Commerce, Vikramjit Singh, welcomed the Chief Guest Omar Abdhullah and informed

However, he said that the weather would remain generally dry from November 25 till 30th evening.

He added that on December 01, the weather would remain generally cloudy with possibility

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STATE

DSEK Orders Four Teachers To Return To Original Posts In Bandipora

Agencies

BANDIPORA: Four teaching officials who had been working on a deployment basis in the Office of the Chief Education Officer, Bandipora, for several years were detached on Saturday.

As per the order issued by the Directorate of School Education Kashmir (DSEK), the officials have been instructed to report to their original places of posting immediately

As per the order, the officials include Mir Irfan Maqbool, a master with an original posting at MS Madar; Mushtaq Ahmad Mir, a teacher with an original posting at MS Konan; Arsallah Habib, a teacher with an original posting at PS Aragam; and Shabir Ahmad Bhat, a teacher with an original posting at HS Chanpal.

The Chief Education Officer, Bandipora, has been instructed to ensure compliance and submit an action-taken report to the Directorate. Insiders in the Education Department stated that the officials had been holding these positions for years.

Despite being detached multiple times, they managed to retain these positions under various pretexts and repeatedly secured

postings in the CEO's office. According to an RTI reply, Mir Irfan Maqbool was assigned du-ties in the CEO office, including responsibilities for manpower and trainings under SVEEP, SNO JK Smart School Attendance Portal, DNO JK Shiksha, SNO ULLAS (New India Literacy Policy), SNO OASIS MISAAL, IT, PRABANDH Portal, ATAL, ICT, and CAL.

Similarly, Dr. Reyaz Ul Hassan was given the role of District Coordinator for the Cultural Education Wing, handling programmes and events such as Independence Day, Gandhi Jayanti, Shanti Yatra, Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat, Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Fit India Movement, ATAL Innovation Mission, Beti Anmol, Padega Bharat Bhadega Bharat, SVEEP Programme for Parliament/Assembly Elections, NCC Wings, NSS Wings, School Safety, Narco Coordination Cells, CSR initiatives. Legal Literacy, Electoral Literacy, JKSSB Examination, Kala Utsav, Bharat Darshan Tours, CCRT, Student Exchange Programmes, Nasha Mukt Bharat, ToFEI, and various other activities and events.

SKIMS Medical College Research Paper Adjudged Best Int'l Paper At RCPsych Event In UK

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Dr Hadiya Kar, a PG Alumni of Dept.of Psychiatry SKIMS Medical College Srinagar brought laurels to the dept and institution by grabbing Best Paper award at Royal College of Psychiatrists (RCPsyh) International Addiction Conference at Cardiff, United Kingdom, in November 2024.

The research work titled 'Psychiatric comorbidities and concurrent substance use in patients who Inject drugs' was conducted in Dept of Psychiatry (Now Advanced Centre for Mental Health & Addiction Medicine), SKIMS Medical College Bemina under the guidance of Dr Abdul Majid, Professor and HOD. Principal SKIMS MC Prof. Ashraf

and Dr. Abdul Majid for the accomplishment said it is an acknowledgement of the work done by the department under the guidance of efficient & experience d faculty and shows the academic excellence of the SKIMS MC. Dr. Hadiya and Dr. Majid said it was overwhelming as it came from SKIMS and was recognised as good work

Ganie congratulated the Dr. Hadiya

in the said prestigious event. It is pertinent to mention here that Prof. Abdul Majid was recently given the responsibility of Editor in chief of a reputed "Journal of Geriatric Mental Health" during an event held at the prestigious National Institute of Mental Health and Neuroscience NIMHANS Bangalore



Press Trust Of India

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Police has arrested a man accused of raping a woman here from his

relentless efforts from Kukra in Lakhimpur Kheri district of Uttar Pradesh and brought to Jammu. Meanwhile, the police arrested two absconders, who were want



PETROL PUMPS IN J&K declare no fuel for minors, riders without helmets. KO PHOTO BY ABID BHAT

used here as well.

He further revealed that few

of the Departments had been

on-boarded till now and the

training of Nodal officers and

PIOs of Civil Secretariat has also

The SIO, NIC, JS Modi in-

formed the meeting that nearly

3300 PIO/FAAs had to be on-

boarded on the portal before

dedicating it to the public. He

made out that an end to end

solution for filing of applica-

tions would be developed here

it was revealed that the neces-

sary customization has already

been done along with integra-

tion of payment gateway and

It was further added that 41

Public Authorities had been

boarded by GAD and the cre-

ation of other PIO/FAA is un-

der progress. It was given out

that the site will be live for the

general public once officially

Later the Chief Secretary

launched here.

SMS templates development.

About the status of the portal

for the UT.

been accomplished already.

CS Directs Launching RTI Portal By 10th December

Observer News Service

IAMMU: Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo Saturday while taking stock of the development of online RTI portal here in J&K impressed upon the concerned to make all efforts to dedicate this service to the public by 10th of December this year.

Those who were present included Principal Secretary, Finance and IT Departments; Commissioner Secretary, GAD; SIO, NIC and other concerned officers

Dulloo while going through the developmental plan of the NIC for development of this significant public service urged them to create an end to end digital solution for the same along with gateway for payment of fees and sending email and

SMS alerts to the applicants. He enjoined upon the General Administration Department to make provisions for on-board-

ing all the public authorities and nodal officers from each department. He stressed on monitoring its progress on a daily basis till its launch in the next month.

The Chief Secretary also advised for imparting necessary training to Public Information Officers (PIOs) and Appellate Authorities from the Departments and Districts to make them well versed about the use of portal for swift disposal of ap-

plications swiftly as per the pro-



the same has been enhanced from 34 Mbps to 100 Mbps for 10 Districts and from 100 Mbps to 1G link the other 10 district headquarters.

It was further disclosed that there are around 224 websites and applications developed and hosted by NIC along with provisioning of 1166 online services through different platforms here.

Regarding some novel initiatives the NIC revealed that they are going to develop property rights cards for the rural population with the help of SVAMIT-VA portal and one separate portal for management of Evacuee property. The centre is also going to launch Preventive Detention Information Management Portal (PDIMP) for police to manage information and alerts about court cases.

On this occasion the NIC also apprised about the prospect of having a digitized Legislative Assembly. It was informed that National eVidhan Application (NeVA) aims at creating a digital legislature and J&K too can partake as a sum of Rs 22.62 Cr had been made available by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs for this purpose. Some other initiatives which came up for discussion includes Online Building Permission System. Next Gen Hospital with its allied modules and other publicoriented initiatives that can be taken here for public use in the UT.

Rana For Inculcating Spirit Of Fraternity, Brotherhood Among Students

Observer News Service

JAMMU: Minister for Jal Shakti, Forest, Ecology and Environ-ment, and Tribal Affairs, Javed Ahmed Rana, Saturday presided over the annual day and prize distribution ceremony of RM Public School, Jammu, titled 'Aarangam,' held at the Zorawar Singh Auditorium, University of Jammu.

Principal Secretary, School Education Department, Suresh Kumar Gupta, Shailender Singh and Padma Shri S.P. Varma, graced the occasion as guests of honour. On the occasion, Lakshmi Dutt Shastri, a dedicated educationist, and Jagdish Chandra were honoured with the Lifetime Achievement Award for their significant contribution towards the field of education.

In his address, Javed Rana applauded the hard work of the students and praised the theme 'Aarangam.' Ĥe acknowledged the role of private educational institutions in providing quality education while calling for expanding reach, accessibility and making it affordable for underprivileged sections of society. He emphasised that fostering a brotherhood environment is crucial for education. He also urged

students to plant at least one tree to combat climate change.

Chairman Rameshwar Mengi Trustee Rita Mengi, Director Pushp Vatika, Risheek Mengi, and several guests from affiliated schools attended the event along with parents and patrons. Director RM Public School, Rakshan Mengi, Vice Principal, Dr. Harvinder Kour and Administrator, Surinder Singh extended a warm welcome to all dignitaries.

Highlighting the theme of the cultural show, AARANGAM, Dr. Kour explained that it symbolizes a space where challenges and opportunities coexist, testing and celebrating true potential. This theme aims to inspire students to face their own challenges with courage and creativity.

The two-hour cultural show captivated the audience with impressive performances, including interstate flare displays, theatrical presentations on transgender issues, a mask and robot dance besides an energetic bhangra by the students, which filled the event with enthusiasm. A standout moment was the euphonious rendition of the school anthem "We are RMPS Family," performed by the school orchestra team.

J&K Film Policy To Be Game Changer For Stakeholders: Jatin Kishore



Observer News Service Film Festival of India

JAMMU: In a bid to further promote and propagate the Jammu and Kashmir Film Policy 2024, the Jammu and Kashmir pavilion has been set up at the Film Bazaar of the 55th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa to promote and publicise the newly launched Jammu and Kashmir Film Policy. 2024. The prestigious film extravaganza was inaugurated by Goa Chief Minister. Pramod Sawant, and Information and

Broadcasting Secretary Sanjay Jaju. Director Information, J&K, Jatin Kishore, while explaining the broad contours of the policy, highlighted the measures which have been taken to position Jammu & Kashmir as a premier destination for film production. "The policy aims to boost both the domestic and international film production in Jammu and Kashmir. It includes plans for highimpact financial incentives to enhance the attractiveness of filming in J&K", maintained the Director while speaking at a Special Session organised for J&K UT on the sidelines of the International

During his presentation, it was emphasised that J&K offers unparalleled natural and cultural diversity for filmmakers, ranging from scenic valleys and

lakes to historic sites and modern urban landscapes. To facilitate film production Jammu and Kashmir Government has developed a single-window clearance system to streamline the process of obtaining shooting permissions, ensuring approvals are granted in a time-bound manner. Designated Nodal Officers would also be available to provide support to filmmakers. One of the major incentives under the policy is financial support for film projects the filmmakers can avail a

home state Uttar Pradesh, an official said on Saturday.

Mohd Ali, a resident of Uttar Pradesh's Bijnor district, was on the run after he was booked for rape on the complaint of a woman at Pacca Danga Police Station in Jammu on October 31, said a police spokesman. He said that the accused was finally arrested after

ed in separate cases registered against them at Bishnah Police Station in the outskirts of Jammu on Saturday.

Neeraj Kumar Puri and Sahil Sharma were booked in separate criminal cases in 2017-18 and were finally arrested from Bishnah after a long hunt of seven years, the spokesman said.

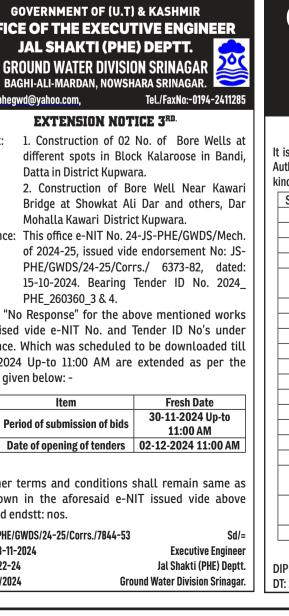
visions of law. He also asked for the necessary security audit of the portal before its launch here. The Commissioner Secretary, GAD, Sanjeev Verma apprised the meeting about the present status of the development of this portal. He revealed that the portal based on the software employed byDoPT, GoI has been

went through the plans of augmenting the NIC connectivity across J&K. It was said that the Informatics Centre is going to develop Mini NOC at Srinagar and Security Operations Centre (SOC) at Jammu for enhanced cyber and security monitoring from central NOC.

About the upgradation of bandwidth it was revealed that

10% subsidy on the cost of production and additional 25% subsidy for movies that win national or international awards. The policy also focuses on infrastructure development, including film studios, production facilities and hosting promotional events such as film conclaves. These efforts aim to revitalise J&K's economy by boosting employment, increasing tourism and promoting Jammu & Kashmir as a global hub for film tourism.

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NOTICE

It is by medium of this notice hereby informed that the below mentioned cases are under trail as per Section 52-IFA-1927 in the Authorized Court. Now, the hearing of the said cases has been fixed on 27th of November 2024 at 11:00 A.M in case, anyone having any kind of objection, will produce the same before this Authority on scheduled date and time.

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03	LP Truck	JK02U/3985	27.11.2021	Range Officer Baramulla	Vehicle/timber under trail	-	
04	Tata Tigo Car	JK05H/1768	27.11.2021	Range Officer Baramulla	Vehicle/timber under trail	-	
05	Tractor	40955B0554001022 ZZ5482	30.06.2022	Range Officer Baramulla	Vehicle/timber under trail	-	
06	Load Carrier	JK05K/6842	18.08.2023	Range Officer FCR Bla	Vehicle/timber under trail	-	
07	JCB	Modal N0 TH86	14.12.2023	Range Officer Uri	Vehicle/timber under trail	-	
08	Load Carrier	JK08D/9126	24.06.2024	Range Officer Doabgah	Vehicle/timber under trail	-	
09	LP Truck	JK02BH/2215	15.01.2023	FPF K-07	Vehicle/Timber under Trail	-	
10	Load Carrier	JK05K/3099	12.01.2024	Dy. Director FPF Bla	Vehicle/Timber under Trail		
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12	Truck	JK02BS/1163	07.08.2017	Dy. Director FPF Bla	Vehicles/timber under trail	-	
13	Tata Mobile	JK05B/1315	30.12.2018	Dy.Director FPF Bla	Vehicle/timber under trail	-	
14	Tata Mobile	JK01N/9626	29.06.2019	Dy. Director FPF Bla	Vehicle/timber under trail		
15	Tata Mobile	.JK05/9561	18.08.2020	Dy. Director FPF Bla	Vehicle/timber under trail		
16	Maruti-800	JK05/6225	18.08.2020	Dy. Director FPF Bla	Vehicle/timber under trail		
17	Autoload carrier	Jk05D/9640	21.11.2021	Dy Director FPF Bla	Vehicle/timber under trail		
18	Maruti-800	JK05/6113	27.04.2022	Dy. Director FPF Bla & R.O Doabgah	Vehicle/Timber under Trail		
19	TATA Mobile	JK09/5435	23.06.2022	FPF K-07 & R.O Bla	Vehicle/Timber under Trail		
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SPORTS

BGT 1st Test: Rahul Silences Doubters As India Openers Dominate Australia

Agencies

PERTH: Makeshift opener KL Rahul repaid the faith India have showed in him despite recent struggles, helping to put the touring side in the driving seat against Australia in the first test in Perth on Saturday.

Rahul finished unbeaten on 62 as India reached 172 without loss at the close on day two, leading by 218 having bowled Australia out for 104. The 32-year-old has played

a chanceless knock, silencing his critics by balancing the youthful positivity of Yashasvi Jaiswal (90 not out) with maturity borne from 10 years in, and sometimes out, of the test team.

"They worked very hard," paceman Harshit Rana said of India's opening pair.

"It was not easy at the start but they spent some time in the middle after which they faced no real problem."

Rahul adopted the same mature approach on a dizzying opening day too, when India



were rolled for 150 inside two sessions by Australia's seamers. The Bengaluru-born righthander was the only top-order batsman intent on preserving his wicket, but fortune did not

favour him. The third umpire judged on review that Snicko showed balledging-bat off Mitchell Starc to keeper Alex Carey and Rahul had to trudge off for 26.

It is familiar territory, though, for a player who has been trolled mercilessly online for his inconsistent form. The reasons range from a bi-

zarre dismissal playing for India

A this month in which he left a straight ball, to his low Indian Premier League strike rate -- his franchise Lucknow Super Giants released him this year.

The jury reached its verdict in the civil trial at Ireland's High Court after about six hours of deliberation.

Head coach Gautam Gambhir has leapt to Rahul's defense, praising his versatility and ability to bat wherever required.

In this test, it was a recall as opener in place of Rohit Sharma who is not playing due to the birth of his second child.

'The way he saw off the new ball at the start, it was very useful for the team because if you don't lose early wickets, batting becomes a lot easier," Rana said. Rahul has struck four boundaries during his 153-ball vigil, but would have been most pleased by a single in the 48th over. With a gentle poke of Mitchell Marsh to third man, he brought up his 16th test fifty -- and re-

ceived the warm acknowledgment of the 32,368-strong crowd.

Short TAKES

Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy: Abdul Samad's 74 Propels J&K To 25-**Run Win Over Jharkhand**

Observer News Service

&K senior men's cricket team defeated Jharkhand by 25 runs in their opening match of the 2024-25 Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy on Saturday at MCA Cricket Ground in Mumbai, Maharashtra.

Maverick batter Abdul Samad smacked an unbeaten 74 of 29 balls to help J&K to a towering 224/4 total after being put into bat first. The blitz included 5 fours and 7 sixes. Opener Qamran Iqbal also put in a strong display, scoring 61 of 32 balls. His innings included 3 fours and 6 sixes.

In reply, Jharkhand could only make 199/9 in 20 overs. Pankaj Kumar top scored for the team, making 56 of 28 balls. For J&K, spin all rounder Abid Mushtaq was the pick of the bowlers, taking four wickets in his four overs.

The win comes on the back of a strong showing in the 2024-2025 Ranji Trophy, where J&K finished second in the Elite Group A.

Their next match of the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy will take place at Wankhede Stadium on Monday, November 25, against Delhi at 11:00 AM.

IPL Auction: Rishabh Pant Set For Date With History

The bids on Rishabh Pant could well soar like his audacious no-look six at Perth as he seems poised to become the highest paid player among the 577 who will go under the hammer at the two-day IPL mega auction starting here on Sunday.

There will be INR 641.5 crores cumulatively in the kitty of 10 teams with 204 possible slots to be filled but one can be rest assured that all eyes will be trained on Pant's name when it comes up. Punjab Kings, with INR 110.50 crore in their cof-

fers, are ready to outbid the other franchises. Royal Challengers Bengaluru, with INR 83 crore, can be another serious bidder, so can be Delhi Capitals,

who have INR 73 crore and a Right To Match (RTM) card to get their skipper for past few seasons back.

However, it is reliably learnt that Pant doesn't want DC to flash the RTM card as their parting of ways has not been the most pleasant and he no longer feels a part of the franchise. His comment that "my Retention wasn't about money for sure" is a reflection of his thought process.

But the biggest question will be whether Pant can become the first Indian player to breach the INR Rs 25 crore mark? The answer lies in how the 10 franchises are stacked up and how they are looking at their team composition.

Chelsea Closes Gap On PL Leader Liverpool After 2-1 Win

Chelsea closed the gap on Premier League leader CLiverpool to five points by beating Leicester City 2-1 on Saturday.

Nicolas Jackson and Enzo Fernandez put the London club on course for victory at King Power Stadium, with Jordan Ayew scoring for Leicester in the 95th minute. Liverpool doesn't play until Sunday when it travels to last-place Southampton. Jackson showed good close control in the box

before poking Chelsea in front with a clever finish in the 15th minute. It was the Senegal striker's seventh goal in 13 appearances this season.

Fernandez headed in Chelsea's second in the 75th fter Jackson's header was saved by goalkeeper Made

PCB Says No Meeting With ICC, **BCCI To Resolve CT Imbroglio**

all," he disclosed.

the schedule.

Press Trust of India

KARACHI: The Pakistan Cricket Board on Saturday brushed aside reports that its officials will be holding a virtual meeting with their counterparts at International Cricket Council (ICC) and Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) on November 26 to resolve the uncertainty surrounding the Champions Trophy.

The announcement of the schedule for the marquee event has been delayed after BCCI has conveyed its inability to send the Indian team to Pakistan for the tournament.

"We have no information from the ICC about any meeting between us, BCCI and ICC," a reliable PCB source told PTI.

He also said the PCB is yet to receive any response from the ICC on the email it has sent to the global body asking for the reaabout India's reluc-



meeting on Tuesday could he added.

take place to find a solu-The official conceded tion for the vexed issue. that this time the PCB has "It is a virtual meeting also taken a strong stance of the Executive Board and was not willing to members to resolve the budge from its stance issue of the Champions of holding the Champi-Trophy schedule once for ons Trophy in Pakistan,

as they have no issues in He said the meeting hosting any team. "The PCB has also made has been called since the broadcaster of the event it clear that even if the has been putting a lot of Hybrid model is adopted pressure on ICC to finalise it will not play its group match against India in "There is a chance that

Dubai," the source said. there could be a vote on He said that a suggestion has been made by what to do and whether the event should be held the Executive Board to keen Pakistan and India in Pakistan, relocate it.

Real Kashmir Kicks Off I-League Season At TRC Today

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Real Kashmir FC will take on Raiasthan United in their I-League 2024-25 opener on Sunday at TRC Stadium here. The game kicks off at 2:00 PM.

The Snow Leopards are being led by coach Ishfaq Ahmad and will look to maintain their reputation of being a difficult team to beat at home.

During his pregame press conference on Saturday, Ishfaq acknowledged Rajasthan as a "strong side," but said his team has been training for a month and to secure a

the Under-17 India national team, also urged fans in Srinagar to attend Sunday's game in numbers. **REAL KASHMIR FC SQUAD:**

GOALKEEPERS

Furkan Ahmad, Mohammad Arbaz, Shivam Pednekar DEFENDERS

Hyder Wani, Salah Shafi, Shahid Nazir Wani, Mohammed Aqib, Karandeep Singh, Aminou Bouba, Ramazani Tshimanga



win, they need to play exceptional football. Real Kashmir lost several key players in the offseason, and the Srinagar-based club has replaced the outgoings with local talent. "Our team this year consists of five

MIDFIELDERS

Asrar Rehbar, Shykh Talib, Mohammad Inam, Afridi Bhat, Lalramdinsanga Ralte, Lalramsanga Tlaichunn, Sheikh Aqib Mushtan, Kamal Issah, Koj

The coach, fresh off his success with

tance to send the team to the neighbouring nation.

However, an ICC source clarified that an internal

in separate pools but the or adopt the Hybrid Model as suggested by the broadcasters are not will-BCCI with India playing its matches in the UAE," ing to accept this because of the revenue dip.

foreign players, national talents, and local Kashmiri boys,"Ishfaq said. "We are optimistic about their performance and hope they deliver positive results."

FORWARDS

Basit Ahmed, Ahteeb Ahmad, Ifham Ahmad, Ubaid Ullah Haroon, Shakir Ahmad Sheikh, Abdou Karim Samb

Hermansen.

Third-place Chelsea was a point behind Manchester City in second. City was playing Tottenham Hotspur later on Saturday.



Celebrating the World Heritage Week 2024



Sunday, 24th November, 2024 | 11:00AM - 01:00PM At Parsas Sarah City Center, Jehangir Chowk

For Registrations Call: 9469 037182

FUNDRAISER – FOR CANCER

WE NEED YOUR HELP



Help Save A Life

Mother Helpage JK Seeks Your Compassionate Support For: Patient Name: Manzoor Ahmad Baba S/o: Late Abdul Ahad Baba R/o: Illahi Bagh Buchpora Srinagar Diagnosis: Sigmoid Colon Cancer 3rd B Stage of Adenocarcinoma Cost: 6,00,000. our team visited the patient & find the need genuine please come forward to help this patient

Patient's Family Message

We have used up all our savings to pay for expenses that amounted to a lot. We can't bear any more expenses and need your help immediately. We need a huge amount to complete the medical procedure. My father is closest to my heart, and I can't see him in this condition.

Please help in this hour of need by kindly contributing towards the treatment. Your contribution is greatly appreciated!



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