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## First J&K Security Review Of 2026

# HM To Chair High-Level Meeting Today

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Union Home Minister Amit Shah will chair a high-level meeting in New Delhi on Thursday to review the security scenario in Jammu and Kashmir, officials said on Wednesday. This will be the first such comprehensive security review of the Union Territory in 2026.

An official said that the meeting will be attended by Manoj Sinha, along with senior officers of the Jammu and Kashmir Police, civil administration, intelligence agencies and top officials of the Ministry of Home Affairs.

The meeting will deliberate on multiple aspects of the security situation in Jammu and Kashmir, including measures to ensure zero infiltration along the Line of Control and the International Border during the winter months. Officials said the focus will also be on intensifying counter-terror operations to eliminate remaining terrorists, particularly foreign militants, and to dismantle the local support structure, including the overground workers network.

"The meeting will also review the current momentum and coordination among various security agencies, with special



emphasis on ground-level operations and making 2026 a decisive year in the complete elimination of terrorism from Jammu and Kashmir," the official said.

Besides the Lieutenant Governor, the meeting will be attended by Chief Secretary Atal Dulloo, Home Secretary Chandraker Bharti, Director General of Police Nalin Prabhat, Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan, and the heads of all Central Armed Police Forces and intelligence agencies.

The security review comes a few weeks ahead of the 76th Republic Day celebrations across the country, including Jammu and Kashmir. It also coincides with intensified counter-terror operations launched by security forces in the | [More on P6](#)

## Cyber Frauds, Online Betting & Terror Funding CIK Busts Mule Account Network; Files FIR, Detains 22

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The Counter Intelligence wing of Jammu and Kashmir Police on Wednesday intensified its crackdown on an organised cybercrime network involved in operating mule bank accounts to launder proceeds of cyber frauds, illegal online gaming, betting rackets and other unlawful activities, officials said on Wednesday.

According to a police statement, acting on credible and specific intelligence inputs, an FIR has been registered at Police Station Counter Intelligence Kashmir under provisions of the Information Technology Act, the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act. The case has exposed what officials described as a sophisticated financial crime syndicate posing a serious threat to economic and digital security.

Investigations have revealed that the accused, in connivance with local and outside operatives, exploited bank accounts



of innocent, vulnerable and economically weak individuals by converting them into mule accounts. These accounts were used to route large volumes of illicit money generated through cyber frauds, banned online gaming and betting platforms, and fake investment and trading applications.

Police said the illegally generated funds are suspected to

have been further channelled into terror financing and other activities detrimental to national security.

The syndicate allegedly operated through gross violations of banking norms, misuse of KYC procedures, registration of non-existent business entities on the Udyam portal, identity theft, impersonation and complex | [More on P6](#)

### What Is a Mule Account?

- Bank or digital accounts used to move illegal money
- Holders may be aware, misled or unaware

### Why They Are Used

- Hide criminals' identity
- Key tool in cyber fraud and money laundering

### Common Cyber Traps

- Calls, messages, social media ads
- Fake police, bank, RBI or job offers
- Forced transfers or OTP/PIN sharing

### Money Flow

- Victim → Mule account → Multiple accounts → Cash, crypto or overseas transfer

### How Mules Are Recruited

- Targets youth, unemployed, small earners
- "Work from home", easy commission offers
- Accounts dumped once flagged

## Encounter Reported In Kathua Forests

Observer News Service

Jammu: An encounter broke out between security forces and terrorists in a remote forest area of Jammu's Kathua district on Wednesday evening.

An official said that on a tip-off security forces cordoned off the Kamadh Nullah forest near Kahog village in the Billawar tehsil. "As the searches progressed terrorists present in the area opened fire which was retaliated to, triggering an encounter, which was continuing when reports last came in," the official said, adding, "Two to three terrorists are believed to be trapped in the area."

Inspector General of Police (IGP) Jammu Zone, Bhim Sen Tuti, confirmed the development in a post on X, stating: "SOG Kathua has engaged terrorists in the forest of Kamadh Nullah, Kathua."

As per sources locals sighted a suspected terrorist around 4 pm in the Kamadh Nullah area. "This individual is believed to be the same one spotted earlier in the morning at Dhannu Parole, prompting heightened alerts in the area," they added.

Reinforcements, including teams from the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), have joined the Special Operations Group (SOG) of | [More on P6](#)

## Dry, Stable Weather Likely Till Jan 22: MeT

Cold Wave Conditions To Intensify

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The Meteorological Centre Srinagar on Wednesday said Jammu and Kashmir is likely to witness largely dry and stable weather conditions till January 22, with no major weather disturbance expected during the period.

According to the weather forecast, the Union Territory will experience partly cloudy conditions from January 7 to January 15. January 16 and 17 may see generally cloudy skies, with the possibility of light rain or snowfall at isolated places in the Kashmir division.

The weather is expected to remain partly to generally cloudy on January 18 and 19. On January 20, generally cloudy conditions are likely, with light snowfall expected at isolated higher reaches of the Kashmir | [More on P6](#)

## Youth Is A Mindset, Not An Age: LG

Flags Off J&K Youth Contingent For National Youth Festival In Delhi

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Wednesday virtually flagged off a 53-member youth contingent from the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir for New Delhi to participate in the 29th National Youth Festival, rechristened as Viksit Bharat Young Leaders' Dialogue 2026.

The contingent will represent Jammu and Kashmir in the Viksit Bharat Challenge Track and the Cultural and Innovation Track at the national-level event scheduled to be held at Bharat



Mandapam, New Delhi, from January 10 to 12, 2026.

The National Youth Festival is organised every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda on January 12 and aims to promote youth | [More on P6](#)

## Employment National Wealth, 'Rare' Commodity: CAT

Asks KU To Take Lenient View In AP Case

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Srinagar: Observing that employment is a national wealth and every eligible aspirant deserves fair consideration, the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) has asked the University of Kashmir to reconsider the case of a candidate declared ineligible for the post of Associate Professor.

"It is true that educational institutions have to maintain the discipline and there can be no compromise on maintenance of such discipline, be it for the sake of students, | [More on P6](#)

## Where Are Our Bags?

# Luggage Vanishes As IndiGo Srinagar Flight Lands In Delhi

Syed Mohammad Burhan

Srinagar: Dozens of passengers travelling on IndiGo flight 6E 6762 from Srinagar to Delhi on Wednesday faced severe inconvenience after the aircraft landed at Indira Gandhi International Airport without their checked-in luggage, triggering hours of confusion and distress at the arrival terminal.

According to multiple passengers, the flight departed Srinagar at around 3.30 pm and landed in Delhi at about 4.45 pm as scheduled. However, no luggage arrived on the conveyor belt. Passengers said they



were asked to wait at the baggage collection area for nearly four hours amid confusion and a lack of clear communication from airline staff.

"Our flight was scheduled at 3.30 pm and | [More on P6](#)



## WINTER SEASON FIRE SAFETY ADVISORY

To ensure safety during winter, follow these simple precautions:

**Safety Tips:**



Unplug heaters, stoves & turn off LPG after use.



Store dry grass/wood away from homes.



Use only good-quality electrical appliances.



Stay in the kitchen while cooking — never leave the stove unattended.



Ensure proper ventilation when using LPG heaters.



Keep exits & water points clear.



Avoid throwing burning cigarette butts.



Use Kangris with utmost care, keep them at safe places and avoid their toppling.



Avoid using substandard-high wattage electrical appliances and defective electric blankets.



Call Fire & Emergency Services - 101

Control Room Srinagar: 0194-2452155, 2452222

**Courtesy- Office of District Magistrate, Srinagar**

DIPK-9749/25 | Dated: 07/01/2026



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**The Jammu And Kashmir Board Of School Education**  
 Sub Office Pulwama

I have passed/appeared in Secondary School Examination (Class- 10th) under Roll No. 132008010 Session: A/R (March) Year 2025 through the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. Due to the error committed by the Govt. High School Parigam against my Caste, F/N as Seerat Bashir D/O Bashir Ahmad Bhat Instead of Seerat Bashir D/o Bashir Ahmad Dar  
 Now, I have applied for correction/rectification of error in the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education Sub Office Pulwama. If any person has any objection in this regard, may file the same in the office of the Assistant Secretary, Sub Office Budgam within seven days from the date of Publication of this notice, after the expiry of said period no objection will be entertained.  
**Name: Seerat Bashir**  
 Father's name: Bashir Ahmad Dar  
 Mother's Name: Mumtaz Bano  
 DOB: 08-05-07-2010  
 Residence: Parigam Pulwama  
 Mobile no: 6005447501



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**J&K STATE CONSUMER DISPUTE REDRESSAL COMMISSION**

**SHAHNEED GUNJ, SRINAGAR**  
 Case Title: Abdul Ahad Rather & Ors VS Hajjee India Ltd. Srinagar  
 Execution Petition No. E23/2015

**NOTICE TO JUDGEMENT DEBTORS**

- Fabiyan Wahid Gilkar**  
 S/o: Abdul Wahid Gilkar  
 R/o Chandpora, Harwan Srinagar  
 Managing Director, Hajjee India Hospitality Private Ltd.  
 Munawar Plaza, MA Road, Srinagar
- Abdul Wahid Gilkar F/o Fabiyan Gilkar**  
 R/o Chandpora, Harwan Srinagar  
 Manager, Hajjee India Hospitality Private Ltd.  
 Munawar Plaza, M.A. Road, Srinagar
- Arsalan Gilkar S/o Abdul Wahid Gilkar**  
 R/o Chandpora, Harwan Srinagar,  
 Manager  
 Hajjee India Hospitality Private Ltd  
 Munawar Plaza, MA. Road, Srinagar

Whereas an Execution Petition bearing No. E-23/2015, titled Abdul Ahad Rather & Ors. vs. Hajjee India Ltd, Srinagar, is pending before this Commission

And whereas notices earlier issued to the Judgment Debtors in the said Execution Petition were received back unserved with the endorsement "Insufficient Address, RTS, and no fresh or alternative address of the judgment Debtors is presently available on record  
 Ans whereas in pursuance of the order dated 25-11-2025 passed by this Commission, the Judgment Debtors are hereby directed to appear before this Commission on 19-02-2026 at 10:30 A.M, either in person or through duly authorized counsel, and show cause as to why the order under execution be not enforced against them in accordance with law, and to comply with the execution proceedings forthwith  
 Take notice that, in the event of failure to appear on the aforesaid date, this Commission shall be constrained to take coercive steps, including but not limited to issuance of bailable/ non bailable warrants, attachment of property or any other mode of execution permissible under law without any further notice  
 Issued under the authority and seal of the Commission

**HEMA CHOWDHRY**  
 J&K State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission Srinagar

**The Jammu And Kashmir Board Of School Education**  
 Sub Office Pulwama

I have passed/appeared in Secondary School Examination (Class- 10th, 11th, 12th) under Roll No. 132020270, 232017048, 332015000 Session: A/R Oct/Nov, A/R March, A/R (March) Year 2021-2023-2024 through the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. Due to the error committed by the Govt HSS Newa against my name/F/N as Darakshan Naseer D/o Naseer Ahmad Peer Instead of Darakshan Nasir D/o Nasir Ahmad peer  
 Now, I have applied for correction/rectification of error in the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education Sub Office Pulwama. If any person has any objection in this regard, may file the same in the office of the Assistant Secretary, Sub Office Budgam within seven days from the date of Publication of this notice, after the expiry of said period no objection will be entertained.  
**Name: Darakshan Nasir**  
 Father's name: Nasir Ahmad Peer Mother's Name: Ruksana Akhter  
 DOB: 09-08-2007  
 Residence: Qazigund Kakapora Pulwama  
 Mobile no: 8899658945



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**Office of the Naib Tehsildar Pattan..**

Sub. Application of Ishfaq Ahmad Mian s/o Mohammad Ramzan Mian R/o pattan for issuance of Dependent certificate.  
**Public Notice..**

It is inform to general public that applicants father's dependent certificate is under process in this office in this matter report was sought from Patwari concerned which reveals that applicants father namely Mohammad Ramzan Mian s/o Ghulam Mohammad Mian R/o Pattan died on 07/04/2016 and the dependents on deceased at the time of death are as under..

Name	Age (in Years)	Relation-ship with the Deceased	Marital Status
Adil Ahmad Mian	25	Son	Unmarried
Ishfaq Ahmad Mian	31	Son	Unmarried
Khushboo Ramzan Mian	20	Daughter	Unmarried
Shabir Ahmad Mian	20	Son	Unmarried
Zaina Begum	56	Wife	Widowed

In this connection if any body having objection for issuance of said certificate he may contact to this office within 04 days after that no objection shall be entertained.

fko Naib Tehsildar Pattan

**THE JAMMU & KASHMIR BOARD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION NEW CAMPUS**  
**BEMINA SRINAGAR**

**ATTENTION PLEASE**

The Candidates whose photograph is Published in this notice is claiming to have lost his 10 th Class Qualification / DOB/ Diploma Certificate of Secondary School Examination issued by BOSE with the following particulars  
**Name:- Ruksanah Amin**  
 Parentage:- Mohammad Amin Malik  
 Mothers Name:- Gulshana Begum  
 Residence:- Guloora .Langate .Distt. KUPWARA  
 Roll NO 10 th Class:- 5224270  
 Session:- Annual Regular 2019 Reg No:- N1848100009  
 Certificate Serial No :-19ARKAM-5033432  
 D O B:- 10.08.2005 Result Qualified Class 10th Rezelt Grade. A2  
 Now the candidate has applied for issuance of duplicate Qualification/ DOB /Diploma Certificate before the same is processed and issued in the candidate anybody having any objection in this regard may file the same before the Deputy Secretary, BOSE or undersigned within 07 days from the date of issue of this notice. Besides, the above referred Qualification / Diploma certificate bearing serial no :- 19ARKAM-5033432 .are be treated as cancelled,  
 No:-F(Certs-1-DOCB)/KD/26



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Deputy Secretary Certificates. KD

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I have lost my 12 th Class Pass Marks Certificate bearing, Roll No:-35217220 .Reg No :- N1848100009.D OB .10.08.2005. .Session & year Annual 2021 Class 12th Pass Distinction Marks:- 419/500. Faculty Science  
 Now I have applied for its duplicate if anybody have any objection. He/She may contact Office of the Asstant Secretary J&Kashmir BOSE Sub Office Kupwara within a period of 7 days. After that no objection will be entertained.  
**Name :- Ruksanah Amin**  
 D/O :- Mohammad Amin Malik .  
 M/N:- Gulshana Begum  
 R/o :- Guloora .Langate .Distric .Kupwara



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is information for the general public that in Adhar card bearing No 723450144476 the name is entered as ARIF JANLE S/O MOHAMMAD QASIM while My actual name is AARIF HUSSAIN JUGLE GOJAR S/O MOHAMMAD QASIM JUNGLE GOJAR. Now I want its correction, in this regard if anybody having any objection may contact Concern department with in a period of seven days. No objection shall be entertained after that.  
**AARIF HUSSAIN JUGLE GOJAR**  
 S/O MOHAMMAD QASIM JUNGLE GOJAR  
 R/o MALANGAM BANDIPORA 193502

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

My Name in my Aadhar Card has been wrongly entered as SHAMIMA BANO while my correct Name is SHAMEEMA AKHTER. Now I want the same to be corrected if anybody has any objection in this regard He/ She may file his /her objection in the Office of the General Manager Ranbir Government Press Jammu, within a period of seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.  
 Shameema Akhter  
 W/O Mohammad Ramzan Teeli  
 R/O Kurigam Qazigund

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

My name has been wrongly written in my adhaar card as Inamul Haq S/O Muzaffar Ahmad Ahanger while my correct name is Inam Muzaffar S/o Muzaffar Ahmad . Now I have applied for the correction of the same if anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file them in the concerned Adhaar Centre within seven days. After that no objection shall be entertained.  
**Inam Muzaffar**  
 S/o Muzaffar Ahmad  
 R/o Sangran

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I have applied for the issuance of "DEE Class" Contractor Card. If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file them in the BDO Hardu Aboora / concerned office within seven days. after that no objection shall be entertained.  
**Kamran Ismail Magray bmg**  
 S/o Mohammad Ismail Magray  
 R/o Karhama baramulla

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**The Jammu And Kashmir Board Of School Education**  
 Sub Office Budgam

I have passed/appeared in Secondary School Examination (Class- 10th) under Roll No.: 503191 Session: March Year 1985 through the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. Due to the error committed by the concerned School/Board/parent against my Name & Parentage as Yaqub Ismail War S/o Mohd Ismail War Instead of Yaqub Ismayeal War S/o Ismayeal War  
 Now, I have applied for correction/rectification of error in the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education Sub Office Budgam , if any person has any objection in this regard, may file the same in the office of the Assistant Secretary, Sub Office Budgam within seven days from the date of Publication of this notice, after the expiry of said period no objection will be entertained.  
**Name: Yaqub Ismail War**  
 Father's name: Mohd Ismail War  
 Mother's Name: Jana  
 DOB: 08-12-1968  
 Residence: Adina (Magam)  
 Mobile no: 6005455947



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**ازنیابت یومی**

عنوان:- درخواست منجانب خطیب الرحمان سلاطی ولد عبدالمجید رشید ساندیکہ پورہ ہمدرد اجرائی لیگل ہیئر سرنٹیفیکٹ بحق بنجی خود

**اشتیہار ہرخاص وعام**

معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکن نے ایک درخواست بغرض لیگل ہیئر/ ڈیپنڈنٹ سرنٹیفیکٹ پیش کی ہے جو کہ زیر کاروائی ہے اس بارے میں پتواری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی ہے جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکن کا والد مورخہ 16-10-2025 کو فوت ہوا ہے اور فوتی کے ادارت خانہ زیر ذیل ہے

وکیل الرحمان سلاطی	دکاندار	59 سال	پیرتونی
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سرفراز احمد پیر	--	39 سال	--
سکیم رشید دختر	گھریلو کام	51 سال	دختر متونی
ایضہ رشید	--	44 سال	--
سمرت رشید	--	36 سال	--

اس کے علاوہ اور کوئی افراد کہیں نہیں ہے سرنٹیفیکٹ زیر بحث اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی مزایا یا عزاں ہو تو وہ بعد مشہر اخبار سات دن کے اندر اندر اپنے مندرجہ عزاں عدالت حد آکو دفتر ای وقت کے دوران پیش کریں۔ بعد گزرے سے بعد کوئی مندرجہ عزاں قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔

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**اطلاع عام**

ہر خاص وعام کو بذریعہ اشتہار مطلع کیا جاتا ہے کہ میں نے ہارن ایک مگان 03-12-2025 کو خریدی ہے جو کہ MALKA BEGUM کے نام پر تھا اب اس میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی اعتراض ہو تو وہ سات دن کے اندر اندر ایک لیکوٹیکو انجینیر P.H.E بڈگام کے دفتر میں پیش کریں۔ مینا گڈو رنے کے بعد کوئی بھی اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔  
 فاروق احمد زرگر ولد غلام نبی زرگر  
 ساکن بڈگام فون 7006860065 MBC

**اطلاع عام**

ہر خاص وعام کو بذریعہ اشتہار مطلع کیا جاتا ہے کہ مجھے اپنے بھائی ایگر سینٹ زیر کزن پور نمبر 0206010074255 جو کہ MALKA BEGUM کے نام پر ہے۔ جبکہ مگان میں نے 03-12-2025 کو کبیر سے نام پر ہوا ہے اب بھائی کا کٹیشن کبیر سے نام پر ہوا ہے اس بارے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی اعتراض ہو تو وہ سات دن کے اندر اندر ایک لیکوٹیکو انجینیر P.H.E بڈگام کے دفتر میں پیش کریں۔ مینا گڈو رنے کے بعد کوئی بھی اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔  
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 غلام رسول وانی ولد غلام محمد وانی  
 ساکن بڈگام فون 9419780720 MBC

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 محمد اشرف بڈو ولد شعبان بڈو  
 ساکن بڈو بڈگام فون 6005264326 MBC

**ازنیابت یومی**

عنوان:- درخواست منجانب عبدل رشید نثار ولد غلام احمد نثار ساکن ترقی پورہ ہمدرد عطا علی OBC تحت 176 SRO بحق پیر رشید

**اشتیہار ہرخاص وعام**

معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکن نے ایک درخواست بغرض OBC سرنٹیفیکٹ بذمہ نثار پیش کی ہے جو کہ زیر کاروائی ہے اس بارے میں پتواری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی ہے جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکن واقعی نثار ذات سے تعلق رکھتا ہے اور ساکن ترقی پورہ ہمدرد رہائش پذیر ہے اور کسی بھی ترک سکونت نہیں کی ہے ساکن کا کنبہ ذیل افراد پر مشتمل ہے  
 عبدل رشید نثار ولد غلام احمد نثار ترکان 56 سال  
 داتا دہ پتیکہ زوج عبدل رشید گھریلو کام 55 سال  
 فیصل رشید پیر۔ زیر تعلیم 15 سال  
 مدحت رشید دختر -- 14 سال  
 ساکن مذکورہ OBC سرنٹیفیکٹ حاصل کرنے کا خواہ ہے اور کنبہ کی ہمدرد وانی 6000 روپے تک ہے۔ سرنٹیفیکٹ زیر بحث اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی مزایا یا عزاں ہو تو وہ بعد مشہر اخبار سات دن کے اندر اندر اپنے مندرجہ عزاں عدالت حد آکو دفتر ای وقت کے دوران پیش کریں۔ بعد گزرے سے بعد کوئی مندرجہ عزاں قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔

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**ازنیابت یومی**

عنوان:- درخواست منجانب نذیر احمد بانگرو ولد غلام رسول بانگرو ساکن ترقی پورہ ہمدرد عطا علی OBC تحت 176 SRO بحق اولاد انعام شعیان غوسہ شعیان

**اشتیہار ہرخاص وعام**

معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکن نے ایک درخواست بغرض OBC سرنٹیفیکٹ بذمہ بانگرو پیش کی ہے جو کہ زیر کاروائی ہے اس بارے میں پتواری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی ہے جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکن واقعی بانگرو ذات سے تعلق رکھتا ہے اور ساکن ترقی پورہ ہمدرد رہائش پذیر ہے اور کسی بھی ترک سکونت نہیں کی ہے ساکن کا کنبہ ذیل افراد پر مشتمل ہے  
 نذیر احمد بانگرو ولد غلام رسول بانگرو مزدوری 49 سال  
 محمود بیگم زوجہ نذیر احمد گھریلو کام 47 سال  
 اویس احمد پیر۔ زیر تعلیم 25 سال  
 یاسر احمد -- --  
 حاتم احمد -- --

ساکن مذکورہ OBC سرنٹیفیکٹ حاصل کرنے کا خواہ ہے اور کنبہ کی ہمدرد وانی 7000 روپے تک ہے۔ سرنٹیفیکٹ زیر بحث اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی مزایا یا عزاں ہو تو وہ بعد مشہر اخبار سات دن کے اندر اندر اپنے مندرجہ عزاں عدالت حد آکو دفتر ای وقت کے دوران پیش کریں۔ بعد گزرے سے بعد کوئی مندرجہ عزاں قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔

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**ازنیابت یومی**

عنوان:- درخواست منجانب ارشد احمد شعیان ولد عبدل احمد خواجہ ساکن سلیو بنگلہ ہمدرد اجرائی EWS سرنٹیفیکٹ بحق فرہان احمد محمد سائق

**اشتیہار ہرخاص وعام**

معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکن نے ایک درخواست بغرض EWS سرنٹیفیکٹ پیش کی ہے جو کہ زیر کاروائی ہے اس بارے میں پتواری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی ہے جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکن دھندل ہارن پیش پذیر ہے ساکن کا کنبہ 15 افراد پر مشتمل ہے اور کسی ساکن آمدنی زرعی غیر زرعی سے مبلغ 39364 روپے تک ہے ساکن کے پاس 15 ایکڑ سے کم رقبہ ہے ساکن کا مکان رہائش 200 SQ Ground سے کم ہے رقبہ میں تعمیر شدہ موجود ہے ساکن کا رہائش فلیٹ 1000 sq فٹ سے کم ہے ساکن کا مکان رجسٹرڈ ایسیرون میٹریل حدود میں واقع نہیں ہے ساکن کے کنبہ کی سالانہ آمدنی 8 لاکھ سے کم ہے ساکن، RBA، ST، OBC، زرعی نہیں کرتا ہے۔  
 سرنٹیفیکٹ زیر بحث اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی مزایا یا عزاں ہو تو وہ بعد مشہر اخبار سات دن کے اندر اندر اپنے مندرجہ عزاں عدالت حد آکو دفتر ای وقت کے دوران پیش کریں۔ بعد گزرے سے بعد کوئی مندرجہ عزاں قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔

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**ازنیابت یومی**

عنوان:- درخواست منجانب محمد شعیان ولد محمد کمال چام ساکن واڈورہ ہمدرد عطا علی OBC تحت 176 SRO بحق اولاد انعام شعیان غوسہ شعیان

**اشتیہار ہرخاص وعام**

معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکن نے ایک درخواست بغرض OBC سرنٹیفیکٹ بذمہ چام پیش کی ہے جو کہ زیر کاروائی ہے اس بارے میں پتواری حلقہ سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی ہے جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکن واقعی چام ذات سے تعلق رکھتا ہے اور ساکن واڈورہ میں رہائش پذیر ہے اور کسی بھی ترک سکونت نہیں کی ہے ساکن کا کنبہ ذیل افراد پر مشتمل ہے  
 محمد شعیان چام ولد محمد کمال چام مزدوری 50 سال  
 زون بیگم زوجہ محمد شعیان چام گھریلو کام 45 سال  
 شہباز احمد چام پیر۔ زیر تعلیم 25 سال  
 شانیہ شعیان دختر -- 24 سال  
 عامر شعیان پیر -- 23 سال  
 غوسہ شعیان دختر -- 20 سال

ساکن مذکورہ OBC سرنٹیفیکٹ حاصل کرنے کا خواہ ہے اور کنبہ کی ہمدرد وانی 5,500 روپے تک ہے۔ سرنٹیفیکٹ زیر بحث اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی مزایا یا عزاں ہو تو وہ بعد مشہر اخبار سات دن کے اندر اندر اپنے مندرجہ عزاں عدالت حد آکو دفتر ای وقت کے دوران پیش کریں۔ بعد گزرے سے بعد کوئی مندرجہ عزاں قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔

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## Div Com Inaugurates Parking Facility at Old Secretariat

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Anshul Garg on Wednesday inaugurated a dedicated parking facility at the Old Secretariat, Srinagar, for the staff of various offices housed at the Amar Niwas Complex.

Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Akshay Labroo and other officers including Assistant Commissioner Central, Additional Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Chief Planning Officer Srinagar, Deputy Director Planning, and other senior officers were present on the occasion.

The parking space for around 50 vehicles has been earmarked to facilitate employees of various offices including the Financial Commissioner's Office, Divisional Commissioner's Office, and Deputy Commissioner's Office.

The newly inaugurated parking facility is expected to provide significant relief to employees who were earlier unable to park their vehicles conveniently due to space constraints.

On the occasion, the Divisional Commissioner directed police officials to assist in the efficient utilization of the parking facility. He also instructed officials of the Kashmir Power Distribution Corporation Limited (KPDCL) to relocate electric poles from the parking area to ensure smooth functioning.



## 'Sanwarein Bachpan' Initiative Launched to Boost Foundational Learning

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The Mission Directorate of POSHAN & ICDS, Jammu & Kashmir, in collaboration with EduWeave Foundation, launched "Sanwarein Bachpan - Nurturing Childhood", a district-wide initiative aimed at strengthening foundational learning across Anganwadi Centres in Srinagar.

The programme was inaugurated by Mission Director POSHAN/ICDS, Sajad Hussain Ganai, in the presence of senior district and departmental officials, including District Programme Officer (ICDS) Srinagar Bureeda Majid, Deputy Chief Education Officer Anjum Raja, District Social Welfare Officer, Child Development Project Officers, ICDS Supervisors and Anganwadi Workers.

Addressing the gathering, Ganai highlighted the importance of Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) as a cornerstone of lifelong learning and a key component of the national vision of Viksit Bharat @2047. He stressed the need for a collaborative approach to strengthen Anganwadi

Centres as safe, inclusive and developmentally responsive learning spaces.

Director EduWeave Foundation, Amita Kaushik, presented an overview of the initiative, outlining its vision, objectives and implementation roadmap. She emphasised capacity building of Anganwadi Workers, adoption of play-based, child-centric learning practices, and sustained on-ground mentoring in partnership with the ICDS department.

Sharing the district perspective, DPO ICDS Srinagar Bureeda Majid underscored the need for strong Anganwadi systems aligned with NEP 2020 and the National Curriculum Framework to ensure school readiness and equitable learning outcomes.

The programme also featured an interactive ICDS Vision Wall and a shared commitment pledge, allowing officials and frontline workers to reaffirm collective responsibility towards the initiative. The event concluded with a vote of thanks and an exhibition of ECCE learning materials.

## Traffic Police Roll Out Sector-wise Plan to Ease Congestion

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Traffic City Srinagar, Ajaz Ahmad Bhat, on Wednesday said the department is working with a planned strategy to streamline vehicular movement and address key bottlenecks in the city.

He said the drives are aimed at easing congestion and ensuring smooth traffic flow, with officials continuously monitoring peak-hour movement and public adherence to road rules.

The SSP said the department has adopted a comprehensive plan to tackle persistent issues ranging from illegal parking and street vending to violations of road discipline, but stressed that public cooperation remains essential for a lasting solution.

"We have come here during evening peak time to gauge how much improvement has taken place and how many people are following traffic rules.

We feel people have become more observant and there is visible improvement—but it will take continued effort," Bhat said, as per KNO.

The officer said the department's enforcement teams are focusing on clearing road obstructions and maintaining pedestrian pathways.

"You saw yesterday, we also went to Batmaloo and Babademb. Even today, we removed some vendors who had set up again. This action will continue wherever footpaths are occupied, or shopkeepers park their vehicles and block the normal flow of traffic," he said.

SSP Bhat said the challenges built up over the years cannot be resolved overnight. "The damage that has occurred in traffic management will not be fixed in a day or two; it will take time. Our staff is ensuring that movement improves sector by sector," he added.

Bhat said his team assessed an experimental opening of one intersection to test traffic response. "We tried to open this intersection but found that congestion increased. So, we closed it again. Sometimes people feel a certain intervention will improve the situation, but when we see the ground impact, it doesn't always work that way," he explained.

Appealing to the public for cooperation, the SSP said that citizens, especially youth, have been coming forward with feedback. "The public here is sensitive and cooperative. Many young people approach us with suggestions, and we consider their advice seriously. We try to implement the practical ones," he said.

It is worth mentioning that in recent weeks, Srinagar's Traffic Police have conducted consistent enforcement and awareness campaigns under the ongoing 'Sadak Suraksha, Jeevan Raksha' initiative launched earlier this month to mark Road Safety Month.

- TRAFFIC POLICE : 9419993745, 01998-266686
- PCR: 0194-2452092, 2455883
- PDD: 0194-2450213
- FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES : 2479488, 2452222, 2452155
- CAPD: 18001807011
- SMC HEALTH OFFICER: 9469409081
- Ambulance: Kashmir EMS Service: +91 94841 00200

**AIRPORTS**  
SHIEK UL ALAM AIRPORT: 01942303311

**RAILWAYS**

- SRINAGAR: 0194-2103259
- ANANTNAG: 01932-228243
- BARAMULLA: 0194-102029
- BIJBERA: 01932-228243
- PAMPORE: 01933-294132
- PATTAN: 01954-293507
- QAZIGUND: 01951-296153

**HIGHWAY STATUS**

- Sgr-Jammu highway - (Open)
- Mughal Road - (Closed)
- Srinagar- Leh- (Open)

**PRAYERS**

**HIJRI CALENDAR**  
18 Rajab  
1447

FAJR 6: 08  
ZUHR 12:35  
ASR 3: 59  
Magrib 5:42  
ISHA 7: 06

## This Day In History

- 871 - Battle of Ashdown: Ethelred of Wessex and his brother Alfred (the Great) beat invading Danish army
- 1297 - Monaco gains its independence.
- 1558 - French troops under Duc de Guise occupy Calais
- 1610 - Simon Marius, a German astronomer, independently discovers the first three moons of Jupiter one day after Galileo
- 1656 - Oldest surviving commercial newspaper begins (Haarlem, Netherlands) Music Premiere
- 1708 - Spanish armada headed by the San Jose and loaded with gold sunk after British squadron attacks off coast of Colombia (rediscovered 2015)

**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
E-Tender Notice

Sr.DEE/TR/JAT acting for and on behalf of the President of India invites E-Tenders for the works as under. Bidders will be able to submit their original / revised bids up to closing date 29.01.2026 at 15:00 Hrs only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender and any such manual offer received shall not be considered.

Tender No.	Name of Work	App. Cost (Rs.)	Cost of Tender form (Rs.)	Date & Time for submission of tender	Earnest Money # (Rs.)	Completion Period	Opening of Tender	Website Particulars
760A-TRD-2025-26	Annual Maintenance Contract (comprehensive) of SCADA system in Suchi Pind (SCPD) - Jammu Tawi (JAT) - Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra (SVDK) Section & EMS Setup commissioned for Open Access at Remote Control Center (RCC/JAT) over Jammu Division for a period of 04 (Four) Years.	1,01,75,894.82	NIL	Up to 29.01.2026 15:00 Hrs.	2,00,900/-	Forty Eight (48) Months	29.01.2026 after 15:00 Hrs.	www.ireps.gov.in

Note: # Tenderer (s) may please note that offers received without Bid Security either in cash through e-payment gateway or as Bank Guarantee bond from a scheduled commercial bank of India or as mentioned in tender documents (as per Annexure-21) valid for a period of 90 days beyond the bid validity period, will be considered as incomplete & Invalid offer and for which contractor shall have no claim on Railway.

No.: 760A-TRD-JAT-2025-26 Dated: 06.01.2026

**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
E-Tender Notice

Sr.DEN-I/JAT acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites open tenders (E-Tenders) against below titled tenders and available on www.ireps.gov.in with closing date - 28.01.2026 up to 15:00 Hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through only payment modes available on www.ireps.gov.in portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker Cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed. For more information logon to www.ireps.gov.in

Tender Type	Tendering Section	Bidding System
Open	Works	Single Packet System
Date of Uploading Tenders	Bid Starting Date	Bid Closing Date/Time
06.01.2026	14.01.2026	28.01.2026

S. No.	Tender No.	Details of Tender
1.	76-2025-26-MCTM-DRM-JAT	Catch water drain cleaning and de-weeding of shrubs, vegetation along railway track on JAT-SVDK section
	Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money (Rs.)
	74,98,948.13	1,50,000.00
	Validity of Offer	Period of Completion
	60 Days	12 Months

Similar nature of work - "Any civil work other than track work"

Note 1. Before bidding, bidders to check for any corrigendum issued against the tender.  
No.: 770-W/01/WA/JAT/2025-26 Date: 07.01.2026

## PUBLIC NOTICE

I Mehraj ud din Najar want to change my daughters name in her adhaar card bearing no 6663 217 2143 from Ayat Mehraj (old name) to Ayisha Mehraj (new name). If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file them in the concerned centre within seven days. After that no objection shall be entertained.

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**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
E-TENDER NOTICE

Tender Notice No: 216-2025-26-ADEN-LDH & 217-2025-26-ADEN-JRC Date: 06.01.2026

Sr.DEN-I/FZR acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites open tenders (E-Tenders) against below titled tenders and available on www.ireps.gov.in with closing date 27.01.2026 up to 15:00 Hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against these tenders, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. In place of Earnest money deposit, "Bid Security Declaration" is to be submitted or prescribed format as available in document section on the portal.

Tender Type	Tendering Section	Packet System
Open	Works	Single Packet System
Date of Uploading Tenders	Bid Starting Date	Bid Closing Date/Time
02.01.2026	13.01.2026	27.01.2026/15:00 Hrs

SN	Tender Number	Details of Tender
1	216-2025-26-ADEN-LDH	Improvement in various yards of SSE/P.Way/NSS under ADEN/LDH in the jurisdiction of Sr. DEN-I/FZR.
	Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money
	3,59,46,891.52	3,29,700.00
	Validity of Offer	Period of Completion
	60 Days	10 Months
Similar nature of work: "CTR/TRR/TR/TTR including raising of track, screening, distressing of track, pre & post works for track maintenance machine like tamping machines/ ballast screening / regulating machines & TTR by T28."		
2	217-2025-26-ADEN-JRC	Improvement in various yards under ADEN/JRC in the jurisdiction of Sr. DEN-I/FZR.
	Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money
	4,35,95,429.66	3,68,000.00
	Validity of Offer	Period of Completion
	60 Days	10 Months
Similar nature of work: "CTR/TRR/TR/TTR including raising of track, screening, distressing of track, pre & post works for track maintenance machine like tamping machines/ ballast screening / regulating machines & TTR by T28."		

Note: 1. Before bidding, bidders to check for any corrigendum issued against tender.

## THE JAMMU & KASHMIR BOARD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION NEW CAMPUS BEMINA SRINAGAR

ATTENTION PLEASE  
The Candidates whose photograph is Published in this notice is claiming to have lost his 12 th Class Qualification / DOB/ Diploma Certificate of High Secondary part Two Examination issued by BOSE with the following particulars  
Name :- Ruksanah Amin  
Parentage :- Mohammad Amin Malik  
Mothers Name :- Gulshana Begum  
Residence :- Guloora, Langate, Distt. KUPWARA  
Roll No 12 th class - 35217220  
Session :- Annual 2021  
Reg No:- N18481100009  
Certificate Serial No :- 21AKTR-148113  
D O B :- 10.08.2005 Result Qualified Class 12 th. Grade. Distinction. Faculty:- Science  
Now the candidate has applied for issuance of duplicate Qualification/DOB/Diploma Certificate before the same is processed and issued in the candidate anybody having any objection in this regard may file the same before the Deputy Secretary, BOSE or undersigned within 07 days from the date of issue of this notice. Besides, the above referred Qualification/ Diploma certificate bearing serial no :- 21AKTR-148113 are treated as cancelled,  
No:- F(Certs-1-DOB)/KD/26



SD/  
Deputy Secretary  
Certificates. KD

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

I have lost my 10 th Class Pass Marks Certificate bearing, Roll No:-5224270 .Reg No :- N18481100009.D O B .10.08.2005.  
..Session & year Annual Regular 2019 Class 10th Pass Grade A2, Marks:- 420/500.  
Now I have applied for its duplicate if anybody have any objection. He/She may contact Office of the Asstant Secretary J&Kashmir BOSE Sub Office Kupwara within a period of 7 days. After that no objection will be entertained.  
Name :- Ruksanah Amin  
D/O :- Mohammad Amin Malik .  
M/N:- Gulshana Begum  
R/o :- Guloora .Langate .Distric.Kupwara



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## PUBLIC NOTICE

My Name in my Aadhar Card has been wrongly entered as MOHD RAMZAN TEELI while my correct Name is MOHAMMAD RAMZAN TEELI. Now I want the same to be corrected if anybody has any objection in this regard He/ She may file his /her objection in the Office of the General Manager Ranbir Government Press Jammu, within a period of seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.  
Mohammad Ramzan Teeli S/O Sonallah Teeli  
R/O Kurigam Qazigund

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

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER (CIVIL WORKS)

Dated:- 06-01-2026

NIT No: 120/R&B of 2025-26  
For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, UT J&K, e-tenders (In single cover system) are invited on Percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K Govt., CPWD, Railways sand other State/Central Governments for the following works:-

S. No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees)	Earnest money (In Rupees)	Time of completion	M.H of Ac-count	Class of Contractor	Project Authority	Tender call
1	Construction of Boundary wall at Girls Middle School Gonjpora.	7.38	300/-	14760/-	35 days	(PAB-2025-26)	D/C	Directorate of SA-MAGRA SHIKSHA J&K	1st
2	Construction of Boundary wall at Girls High School Kunzer.	9.45	600/-	18900/-	45 days	(PAB-2025-26)	D/C	Directorate of SA-MAGRA SHIKSHA J&K	1st
3	Construction of Boundary wall at Govt. Middle School Pinjpora.	7.38	300/-	14760/-	35 days	(PAB-2025-26)	D/C	Directorate of SA-MAGRA SHIKSHA J&K	1st

Position of AAA: Accorded

Position of T.S: Accorded

Position of funds: Assured

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

	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	06-01-2026
1	Period of downloading of bidding documents	07-01-2026
2	Bid submission Start Date	07-01-2026
3	Bid Submission End Date	21-01-2026 4:00 PM
4	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	22-01-2026 11:00 AM

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Treasury Challan (Dated between bid submission start date and bid submission end date) with NIT No., Serial No. and name of work to be deposited in M.H. 0059 in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender inviting authority)
- All the bidders must upload Earnest money /Bid security equal to 2% of advertised cost in the shape of CDR/FDR/B5 pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority) (The Date of earnest money/Bid security should be between the Bid Submission start date and Bid submission End date, otherwise bids shall be rejected).
- The Successful bidder will have to provide performance security @ 5% of contract value in the form of CDR/FDR/B5 pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority) as per rule-171 (1) of GFR 2017. The earnest money/ Bid security @2% shall be released to the successful bidder only on receipt of Performance Security @ 5% of Contract value which shall be released after successful completion of DLP /maintenance period.
- The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority).
- The earnest money/ Bid security in favour of unsuccessful bidder shall be released only after submission of original Treasury Challan.
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days s from the date of opening of Technical bids.
- The earnest money shall be forfeited, if-  
i. Any bidder/ tenderer withdraw his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or make any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.  
ii. Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.  
iii. Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.  
iv. Failure of successfully bidder to submit the performance security within the time period (as per JKPWD Engineering Manual 2020) i.e. 21 Days from the issuance of latter of acceptance, after that the work will be put to fresh tenders without any notice to the contractor and the EMD will be forfeited.
- All other terms conditions are as per PWD Form 25(Double agreement Form), NIT, GFR 2017 & JK PWD Engineering Manual 2020.
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### KO VIEW

## Telehealth For Kashmir

Getting medicines or seeing a doctor in Kashmir can be really tough, especially in winter. Snow can block the roads, and for elderly people or families without younger members around, even a short trip to a hospital or pharmacy becomes a big challenge.

This is where telemedicine is making a difference. Instead of traveling long distances, people can now talk to doctors through phone or video calls. One big service doing this is E-Sanjeevani, a national telemedicine platform. In Jammu and Kashmir, it has already helped more than 9.5 lakh people get medical advice without leaving their towns or villages.

Telemedicine isn't new here. The Sher-i-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences in Srinagar has run a telemedicine centre since 2003, connecting local doctors with specialists in big hospitals across India. This makes it easier for patients to get expert care without long journeys.

Now, the government is expanding this further, funding 80 new telemedicine units across the region so more people can get medical guidance from home.

This can be life-changing for families in remote areas. They can talk to a doctor online, get a diagnosis, and even receive prescriptions digitally. This saves them long, difficult trips in harsh weather and cuts down extra costs for travel or staying in the city.

At the same time, Jan Aushadhi Kendras, government-run stores selling affordable medicines, make it easier for people to actually get their prescriptions. There are over 324 stores across J&K, including in remote areas, so families don't have to go far to buy quality medicines.

Telemedicine works beautifully with these pharmacies. People can consult a doctor online and then pick up medicines nearby. Some pilot programs even offer home delivery. For older people or those with chronic illnesses, this is a real game-changer.

Kashmir also faces a challenge with drug misuse. The health department says more than 25,000 people have sought help for substance abuse in recent years. Telemedicine can help here as well. Regular check-ins and guidance from doctors can prevent misuse and ensure patients take the right medicines safely.

Beyond improving access to care, telemedicine is opening doors for start-ups. The government of India is focused on building a strong start-up culture, and Kashmir presents a big market for health-tech innovation.

Start-ups can build platforms that combine online consultations, prescription delivery, and medicine tracking for patients. They can link with local pharmacies and government schemes to serve families in remote areas efficiently.

These innovations solve real problems in a place where drug consumption is high and travel is difficult.

### CASH COURSE

Read This Before You Buy Anything

## Home Cost Trap

How emotional spending shapes financial stress in Kashmir

Irshad Mushtaq

Many Kashmiri families invest most of their savings in big homes. These shelters are symbols of achievement and family pride.

People often build large houses with extra floors and fancy designs to impress neighbours, even when they cannot afford it.

This leads many to take big loans, sell land, or drain their savings just to keep up with social expectations.

Spending habits go beyond homes. Weddings carry deep emotional meaning, and gold plays a central role. Brides wear gold as a symbol of pride and security. But rising gold prices mean families now spend large portions of their life savings just for these ceremonies.

Some borrow money to cover the costs, turning happy occasions into long-term financial pressure.

Many ignore practical financial planning because social approval feels more important than saving or investing. Easy bank loans and attractive credit offers make borrowing tempting.

The result is cash shortages while wealth sits tied up in assets that do not generate income.

A grand house or elaborate wedding brings short-term joy, but the long-term loan repayments and debt pressure squeeze household budgets. This limits spending on education, business opportunities, or emergency needs.

These habits reflect love for family and culture. But the emotional investment in material symbols comes with real economic costs.

The author is a Srinagar-based reputed financial advisor.



## Elegy as Archive

Urban Kashmir's language decline finds resistance in religious rituals and evolving youth engagement.

Maleeha Zehra

I first noticed it in words. Some Kashmiri words, ones you do not hear in daily conversation, came easily to me, even though I hardly spoke the language outside my home.

I wondered where this familiarity came from. Was it my grandmother? Those occasional talks with older family members?

Only later did I understand the source. It came from years of attending majalis and listening to Kashmiri marsiya and nohay.

I did not always know the exact meanings of these words. But I understood how they were used, the feelings they carried, and the moments they belonged to.

As I grew up, I began to notice something else.

While Kashmiri is slowly giving way to Urdu and English in most social spaces in the valley, especially in cities like Srinagar, it still survives in one place.

That place is the azakhana.

This kind of preservation happens without planning.

Kashmiri Shi'as mourn the tragedy of Karbala mainly in their own language, even though Urdu also remains an important part of the rituals.

In the early days of Muharram, people gather every day, and younger generations, many of whom do not use Kashmiri in daily life, sit and listen to elegies recited in the language.

Over time, the language is taken in through repeated listening.

This pattern is especially clear in Srinagar, where the decline of Kashmiri has been the most visible.

As part of my fieldwork, I spoke to around fifteen people, including marsiyakhan, scholars, and, most importantly, young adults who are at the center of this research.

Many of them spoke about how little they use Kashmiri outside religious and family spaces.

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Perhaps the clearest sign of change is that younger generations are no longer just listening. Many have started to take a deeper interest in understanding these marsiya, and some are even writing and reciting new ones themselves. What began as passive exposure has, for a few, grown into an active engagement with language, memory, and tradition.

“In our daily lives, at school, university, or work, we mostly speak Urdu or English,” one young participant told me. “It's during Muharram rituals that I engage with Kashmiri the most.”

Another thing that came up in these conversations was even more striking.

Kashmiri marsiya do more than retell the tragedy of Karbala. They also hold on to pieces of Kashmiri cultural life.

Scholars explained that older marsiya writers often narrated Karbala through local customs and imagery.

One well-known scholar and marsiyakh-

wan described how a marsiya begins by detailing a traditional Kashmiri wedding and then links it to Karbala. Another brings in the arrival of spring in Kashmir and weaves it into the language of mourning.

In this way, these texts carry cultural knowledge that is slowly disappearing from everyday life.

Some words survive today only because they live on in marsiya. Outside these elegies, they have almost disappeared from everyday speech.

One example comes from phrases rooted in the Lal Vakhs that continue to circulate through Kashmiri marsiya.

Take the phrase lusus doh. Its literal meaning is the end of the day, but in these texts it stands for death, imagined as the sun setting or a journey into another world.

In Kashmiri marsiya, the phrase often appears in a mother's plea to her son, as in the line: “Dadi chani rat jungle te koh, kath jayi losi doh,” which means, “In your pain, I will live in the jungle or a cave; I do not know where I will leave this world for the hereafter.”

This shows that mourning rituals are also holding on to memories of cultural practices that might otherwise fade away.

As scholar Syed Anis Kazmi puts it, “For any people, nation, or place to survive, there is only one condition: their language must stay alive. If the language is alive, the people are alive. The city is alive. The region is alive.”

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What began as passive exposure has, for a few, grown into an active engagement with language, memory, and tradition.

The author is a young researcher from Kashmir.

### Letter to Editor

## As a Teacher, I See Students Losing Ground in Cold Kashmir

I teach in a far-flung area of Kashmir, and every winter I face the same question from parents and students: who will teach our children when schools close?

Schools in the valley shut for nearly three months during December, January, and February because of extreme cold. This means children study for only nine months in a year.

For many students, especially those in primary and middle classes, this long break causes a serious gap in learning. By the time schools reopen in March, many children forget what they learned earlier.

Education is beyond books and exams. It shapes thinking, builds character, and prepares children for life. India recognised this long ago.

In 2002, Parliament passed the 86th Constitutional Amendment, making education a fundamental right. Article 21-A promises free and compulsory education to every child. The United Nations also

stresses this through its Sustainable Development Goal 4, which calls for fair and quality education for all by 2030.

Some years back, the government introduced winter tutorials and winter camps across the valley. These programs helped children stay connected to studies during the long winter break. They also supported students from poor and remote areas who had no access to private tuition.

Around the same time, the government banned tuition and coaching centres run by government teachers. I believe this was a fair decision meant to protect ethics in the profession.

But the real problem began when winter tutorials and camps started shrinking year after year.

This winter, the program has almost disappeared. Students in remote areas now have only three choices.

The first option is to travel to district headquarters for private tuition. This requires renting a room, arranging food,

and paying high fees. Most families cannot afford this.

The second option is to stay at home and study with elder siblings. This saves money, but learning suffers. Elder siblings are not trained teachers.

The third option is to wait until schools reopen in March. During this time, children lose grip on their studies day by day.

I see this problem closely. One month of winter break has already passed. Most children in my area spend their days roaming around. Educated youth here stay busy with other work. Teaching only for three winter months cannot support them for the rest of the year. That is why very few are willing to run tuition centres.

Government teachers cannot offer private tuition in Kashmir. In rural areas, this leaves students with almost no academic support. Parents come to me every day, requesting me to teach their children. Some parents from nearby villages call and ask if winter camps will

start. I have no clear answer for them.

Just yesterday, I met three Class 9 students carrying school bags. They told me they were coming from a tuition centre. When I asked where, they said a Class 11 student was teaching them.

I stood there wondering how one student could manage all subjects for senior classes.

Time does not wait for anyone. Students cannot afford to lose these months every year.

Through this piece, I join parents in urging the concerned authorities to act. Winter tutorials and camps must return, especially in far-flung areas.

Children should not lose their Right to Education simply because winter comes on time every year.

Sincerely,

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# Kashmir Beneath the Plastic Bags

A morning walk through a Kashmiri village reveals how plastic has settled into everyday life.

A. R. Matahanji

After Fajr, I stepped onto my wooden porch and breathed in the morning. A blue-grey mist rested on the houses, settling into their curves and corners. The scene carried an old beauty, shaped by time and habit, the sort of morning people speak of with pride. For a moment, the village seemed held together by light and prayer.

Then my eyes dropped. In the gaps of stone walls, inside thorny bushes, and along the narrow gutter, scraps of colour waited to be seen. Wrappers lay folded and tired. Bits of plastic caught on thorns trembled with the air. The beauty still stood, but something had crept into it, something sharp and out of place.

An elderly neighbour walked past, returning from the bakery. His hair had faded to grey, and his steps carried the memory of decades spent on these lanes. In his hand hung a thin blue plastic bag. Inside, fresh rotis released steam, fogging the plastic from within. It was a sight repeated every morning in every home.

Bread carried home, hunger answered, and life moving forward.

For him, the bag meant ease, clean hands, and a simple solution. As he passed me, the bag swung lightly at his side. I watched it and felt a strange weight settle in my chest.

That thin blue skin began to look like a layer slowly spreading over the village.

The sun climbed higher and reached the square. I stepped down from the porch and started walking. My boots met gravel, but they also met something else.

Dry plastic cracked underfoot, mixed with dust and earth. The sound followed me with each step.

I walked toward the heart of the mohalla, keeping my eyes on the ground. Every few steps, something appeared. The torn corner of a chips packet. Long strands of a polythene bag. A bottle cap pressed into the soil. A used baby diaper left to swell and fade.



These objects had settled into the earth, as if the ground itself had learned to wear a plastic coat.

The bakery stood ahead, a low stone room warmed by the fire inside. Heat from the tandoor rolled into the street. Manzoor Sahib worked with skilled hands and sharp focus. He pulled rotis from the clay walls and slipped them straight into plastic bags.

One after another, the motion flowed without thought.

I joined the line. Money passed from hand to hand. Bread passed back wrapped in plastic. The exchange moved smoothly, like a habit polished over years.

"Salam," the baker said, reaching for a bag. "Ten rotis today?"

I looked at the pile of bags on the counter. They shimmered faintly, waiting for their brief purpose. "I

brought my own cloth bag," I said. "You can put them in here."

His hand stayed in the air. Confusion crossed his face, then faded. He nodded. "As you wish," he said. "It is more work for you. You will have to wash it."

He placed the rotis into my cloth wrap. The warmth spread through the fabric. When I stepped outside, the weight in my hands felt different.

The street told another story. Some early birds walked past holding packets of chips. Women returned from the market, arms full of bags in bright colours. Red for tomatoes. Yellow for onions. Green for spinach. Plastic moved through the morning with confidence, woven into every task.

As I walked home, my thoughts sharpened. Those bags were made from high-density polyethylene,

a material built to last centuries. They served a journey that lasted minutes. The distance from the bakery to my kitchen measured three hundred meters. For those few steps, the land received something it would carry far longer than any of us.

Near the edge of the village, a small stream cut through the earth. Its water travelled onward to Wullar Lake, the largest freshwater lake in Asia. Water shaped this place. It gave Bandipora the word "Aab" in its name. In the center, the stream looked clean. Along the banks, plastic ruled.

It clung to rocks like false growth. It wrapped around the roots of willow and poplar trees, tightening its grip. A used diaper sat wedged against a stone, heavy with water and waste. Sunlight caught its plas-

tic skin and turned it bright.

This damage built itself through daily habits. Small choices repeated until they formed a pattern.

Standing there, a cold knot formed in my stomach. I had believed I cared for the land. That belief thinned under the weight of what I saw.

I returned home and sat on the grass straw mat in my kitchen. I placed the rotis beside me and stared at the empty space where plastic usually lay. If I had taken a bag, it would sit in a bin, or burn in a yard, or sleep beneath the soil.

I thought of my family, neighbours, and the whole mohalla. Five bags per house each day. The numbers rose quickly in my head. The image that followed felt heavy.

I opened my notebook, the one used for household expenses. On a



**BEFORE SPEAKING FOR THE LAKE OR THE FIELDS, I HAD WORK TO DO AT MY OWN DOOR.** I began to count. What the numbers would show remained unknown. Once written down, they would shape how I saw this village forever.

blank page, I wrote a heading: The Daily Count. The words stood plain and firm. Vague concern no longer felt enough. I wanted numbers that spoke clearly. I wanted to see my own role without comfort or excuse.

The kitchen held the early morning stillness. My pen scratched against paper. Outside the window, a plastic bag hung caught in the branches of a willow tree. It flapped and twisted, held fast. The sight stayed with me.

That bag felt like a signal. Before speaking for the lake or the fields, I had work to do at my own door. I began to count. What the numbers would show remained unknown. Once written down, they would shape how I saw this village forever.

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## Song & Sorrow

A beloved melody survives, even as Kashmir's landscapes and summers vanish before our eyes.



Mohammad Ilyas Bhat

A few years ago, a man I know, Irshad, an engineer and mostly a rational thinker, walked into a barber's shop for a routine haircut.

That day, feeling unusually bold, he asked the barber to trim his long beard as well. The scissors hovered in the air, frozen in disbelief.

"This beard will take you to heaven," the barber said, his voice calm but unyielding. "and if I cut it, I will go to hell."

Irshad tried to reason with him, speaking of hygiene, personal choice, and free will. His words collided with unwavering conviction and fell unheard. Faith had already claimed the chair, leaving no room for argument.

He paid, thanked the barber for guarding his afterlife, and walked out with his beard untouched, carrying an invisible bruise to his sense of reason.

I remembered that barber as I travelled to Sopore for a funeral, thinking about the strange ways faith and human choice shape our lives.

It was the middle of July, and the heat weighed on my skin, clinging to me as if it would never let go. As I turned toward Narbal, I was hoping for the shade of the trees that had always lined this road. Poplars, willows, mulberries, and chinars used to stand there like silent and sturdy guardians, giving shade and comfort freely, as if the air itself carried their generosity.

This time, the air carried only dust, thick and unrelenting, stirred by freshly laid four- and six-lane roads rushing toward Sangrama. The trees

road endlessly, stopping to eat shah-toot from overhanging trees, letting the juice stain our hands and clothes purple. These stains were never washed away because they were symbols of pride, marks of a childhood lived fully and without caution.

Today, the road is wide, clean, and efficient, but it is lifeless. The fruit, the shade, the laughter, and the music have disappeared. Dust swirls with every passing vehicle, speed dominates the space, and a silence hangs that even the loudest horns cannot break.

The contrast struck me with sudden clarity. A barber refuses to cut a beard out of fear of hell, dedicating his actions to protect someone's soul. Meanwhile, we erase centuries of shade and life from a road that truly offered heaven, all in the name of development.

Faith preserves hair, but human hands destroy trees without hesitation or thought.

One act is believed to lead to paradise, while the other created it and allowed it to flourish.

I wondered what stories we will tell the next generation. Likely, they will be carefully edited.

Photographs will show a single chin- nar, a vanished orchard, a road that once held summer in its every curve and shade. "This is where spring lived," we will say. "This is what we lost before it turned harsh."

But photographs cannot cool the heat of a July afternoon. They cannot shelter children on bicycles. They cannot offer apples after exams. They cannot carry Rafi's songs through the air. They only record what we destroyed, completely, ruthlessly, and calmly. By the time I returned from Sopore, I realized I had attended two funerals.

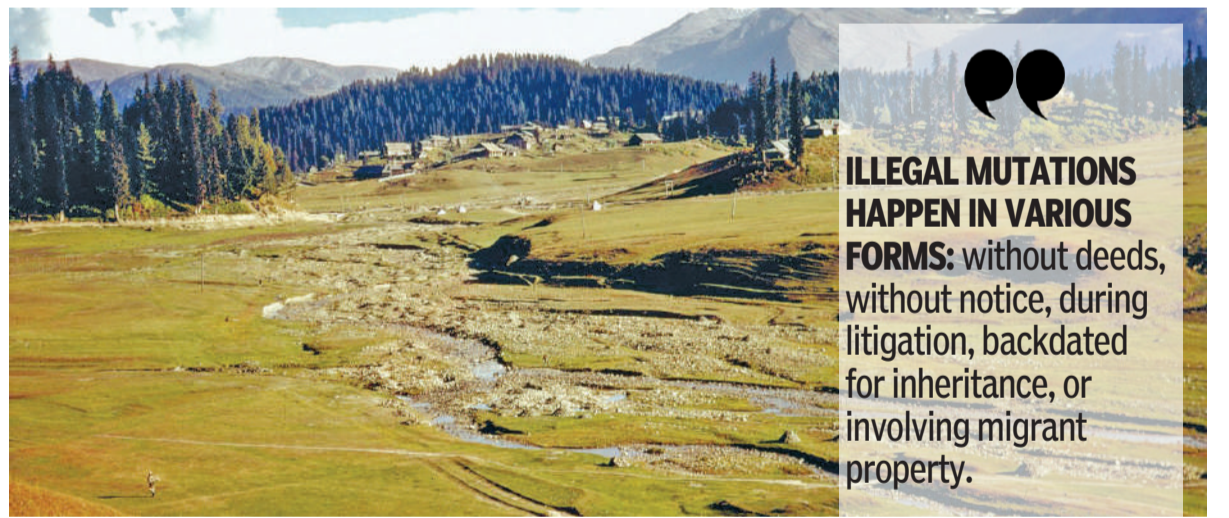
One was announced and mourned with flowers and tears. The other was silent and carried out with bulldozers and dust.

We fear going to hell, but we are capable of turning our heaven into one.

— The author works in agricultural seed production and is writing his first short story collection, inspired by life in Kashmir.

## Mutation & Mayhem

Clerical errors and illegal mutations are leaving many Kashmiris dispossessed and powerless.



Mohammad Amin Mir

Mohammad Yousuf thought that reporting his father's death and updating the revenue records was a simple formality. But this Baramulla businessman did not know that a single clerical error, a mutation, could decide whether he truly owned his family land or not.

Land is identity, history, and survival in the valley. Families tie their future to it, and the stakes are high. But much of the authority over land ownership rests in small Patwar khana, in the hands of officials who make entries that seem administrative but often have consequences far beyond their desks.

Mutation, legally known as Intiqal, is supposed to be a simple record: a note updating the rights of a property after inheritance, sale, mortgage, or gift.

The Land Revenue Act, Samvat 1996, establishes it as a statutory duty. Section 21 makes it clear: anyone acquiring land must report it. Failure opens doors to false claims, illegal possession, and fraud.

Standing Order No. 23, the operational manual for mutation, is the real law in action. It lays out the types of mutations, who can attest them, and the steps of enquiry.

The rules are precise: Patwaris report but cannot attest, Naib Tehsildars supervise, Tehsildars can validate some changes, Assistant Collectors and Collectors hold the highest authority.

Rubber-stamping or bypassing these steps is illegal. But on the ground, shortcuts are routine.

Inheritance mutations demand notice to all heirs, verification of death, and compliance with personal laws. Sale, gift, and mortgage mutations require a registered deed. Without it, the change is void.

Mutations based merely on possession are most abused. Despite repeated warnings, officials often record possession as ownership, creating false claims and dispossessing absent or migrant owners.

Tenancy mutations need inspections and checks under agrarian laws, but these too are often ignored.

Courts have been consistent: mutation does not confer ownership. It does not create or extinguish property rights.

But, villagers like Yousuf have seen neighbours, opportunists, or even powerful land mafias use mutations to claim land, sometimes during litigation or when the rightful owners are away.

These entries, once recorded, often stay in digital systems, appearing as unquestioned truth even when they were illegal at inception.

The stakes rise with migrant properties. The J&K Migrant Immovable Property Act, 1997, requires written permission, power of attorney, and verification before any mutation. Unauthorized changes are criminal.



**ILLEGAL MUTATIONS HAPPEN IN VARIOUS FORMS:** without deeds, without notice, during litigation, backdated for inheritance, or involving migrant property.

But enforcement remains inconsistent, leaving many migrant families vulnerable.

Authorities can correct illegal mutations. Collectors, Divisional Commissioners, and High Courts have the power to set them aside. Courts can quash fraudulent entries under writ jurisdiction. There is no time limit for addressing fraud, but the process can take years.

Meanwhile, disputes multiply, families live in uncertainty, and confidence in the land system erodes.

Illegal mutations happen in various forms: without deeds, without notice, during litigation, backdated for inheritance, or involving migrant property.

Each one undermines property rights, encourages fraud, fuels litigation, and chips away at public trust. Digital records may make enforcement easier in theory, but they can also entrench illegality if no audit corrects past errors.

Mohammad Yousuf still walks through his fields, but the memory of those early years remains. He knows the land belongs to his family, but the fear of rogue mutations, false claims, and bureaucratic shortcuts has made ownership feel conditional, even weak.

"We work hard, we follow the rules," he says, "but sometimes it feels like a pen can take it all away."

— The author is a South Kashmir-based revenue official.

# Closure Of SMVD Medical College Disrupts Admissions: CM Directs Health Minister to Ensure Relocation Of Affected Students

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Wednesday said he has directed the immediate relocation of students admitted to the Mata Vaishno Devi Medical College to government medical institutions closest to their hometowns.

The directive comes a day after the National Medical Commission's Medical Assessment and Rating Board (MARB) withdrew the letter of permission granted to the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Institute of Medical Excellence in Reasi district for failing to meet minimum regulatory standards.

As per the MARB order, all students admitted during the counselling for the academic year 2025-26 are to be accommodated in other recognised medical colleges in Jammu and Kashmir as supernumerary seats by the Union Territory administration.

The withdrawal followed protests by the Sangharsh Samiti, a recently formed group of right-wing organisations backed by the BJP, which had demanded cancellation of admissions and sought reservation of seats exclusively for students professing faith in Mata Vaishno Devi.

The group emerged soon after admissions to the inaugural MBBS batch of 50 students were completed through the NEET merit list. Of these, 42 students were Muslims, mostly from Kashmir, seven were Hindus from Jammu, and one was Sikh, a composition that triggered opposition from the outfit.

"I have directed the Health Minister, Sakina Itoo, to ensure that students affected by the withdrawal of permission are adjusted in government medical colleges near their homes," Omar told reporters after addressing a district review meeting in Samba. He said the process must be

expedited so that students can continue their medical education without disruption and later serve the people of the region.

Omar also criticised the celebration by right-wing groups following the decision, calling it deeply disturbing.

"What is this happiness about? Across the country, people struggle to secure medical college seats, and here a movement was launched to shut down a medical college," he said. "If destroying the future of children gives someone happiness, then burst firecrackers."

He pointed out that 40 of the 50 seats this year had gone to students from Kashmir and said that within one or two years, the intake would have expanded to around 400 seats, with an estimated 200 to 250 seats likely to go to students from Jammu.

"Tomorrow, those children will not get medical college seats because the entire institution has

been shut down in the name of religion," Omar said, adding that people should remember those responsible for this outcome.

On governance issues, the Chief Minister said development and administrative performance in Samba district has been largely satisfactory, though work in a few sectors needs to be accelerated.

"I hope that by March 31, when the financial year ends, Samba's performance will be noticeably better compared to other districts," he said.

Addressing recent controversies over the selection of football and cricket teams, Omar said performance, not religion, should be the sole criterion.

"I do not care what religion a player belongs to. I only want teams from Jammu and Kashmir to perform well," he said, adding that he would personally meet and congratulate the under-16 cricket team that recently won the Vijay Merchant Trophy.

# BJP Welcomes, NC-PDP-Congress Slam NMC Decision

KO Web Desk

Srinagar: The decision of the National Medical Commission to withdraw approval for the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Institute of Medical Excellence in Reasi has triggered sharp and polarised political reactions in Jammu and Kashmir, with the BJP welcoming the move and the ruling National Conference, Congress and Peoples Democratic Party calling it a setback for students and the region.

Chief Minister Omar Abdullah expressed serious concern over the withdrawal of permission, saying the decision had adversely affected the future of students from the Union Territory.

Speaking to reporters in Samba, Omar said the closure of the medical college had disrupted admissions for hundreds of aspirants and accused vested interests of politicising education.

"They have played with the future of the students of Jammu and Kashmir," he said, noting that 40 of the 50 seats in

the inaugural MBBS batch had gone to students from Kashmir. "Within a year or two, these seats would have increased to around 400, with possibly 200 to 250 students from Jammu."

He said students would now be denied admission because "the entire institution has been shut down in the name of religion".

Omar said he had directed the Health Minister to intervene immediately and ensure that affected students are relocated to government medical colleges nearest to their homes so that their education is not disrupted.

"Those children who may lose medical college seats because this institution has been closed must be accommodated so they can continue their studies and serve the people here," he said.

The Chief Minister criticised celebrations by right-wing groups following the withdrawal of approval, saying that while people across the country fight to secure medical seats, "in Jammu and Kashmir, the fight

has been to close a college". "If destroying the future of children makes someone happy, then burst firecrackers," he said.

BJP Welcomes NMC Move  
The remarks drew a sharp response from the BJP, with Leader of Opposition Sunil Sharma welcoming the National Medical Commission's decision and accusing Omar of attempting to "communalise" the issue.

Sharma said the withdrawal of the Letter of Permission followed serious irregularities found during inspection and that the decision safeguarded both students' futures and public faith associated with the Vaishno Devi shrine.

"I welcome the historic decision of the NMC. Ensuring that MBBS students are accommodated in other colleges reflects a responsible and student-centric approach," he said, expressing gratitude to Union Health Minister J P Nadda, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha and the Commission.

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## HM To Chair

mountainous and remote areas of the Jammu region to track down terrorists.

Officials said senior officers are expected to brief the Home Minister on coordinated strategies to neutralise terrorists hiding in difficult and inaccessible terrain while maintaining strict vigilance along the LoC and the IB to prevent infiltration.

Over the past few months, security forces have been engaged in several encounters in the upper reaches of Kishtwar, Doda, Udhampur and other districts of the Jammu region. Infiltration attempts along the LoC and the IB have also been foiled during this period, officials said.

Earlier on Wednesday, an encounter broke out between security forces and terrorists in the forest area of Kamadh Nallah in Kathua district. Despite darkness, dense vegetation and challenging terrain, teams of the Special Operations Group of the Jammu and Kashmir Police, along with CRPF personnel, continued operations in the area, officials added. (KNO)

## CIK Busts Mule

layering techniques to conceal the origin and destination of criminal proceeds.

A mule account is a bank or digital payment account used to receive, transfer or disguise illegally obtained money. Such accounts play a key role in cyber-enabled crimes by distancing the masterminds from victims and law enforcement agencies.

CIK said cyber frauds are typically initiated through phone calls, messaging platforms, social media or online advertisements, with fraudsters impersonating police officials, bank officers, loan agents or investment advisors. Victims are coerced into transferring money or sharing sensitive banking credentials, allowing criminals to gain control of their accounts.

During the preliminary investigation, 22 suspects operating across the Kashmir division were identified. After obtaining search warrants from the Special NIA Court in Srinagar, CIK conducted simultaneous searches at 22 locations across Srinagar, Budgam, Shopian and Kulgam districts. The searches led to the seizure of digital devices and financial records considered crucial to the probe.

So far, 22 individuals have been detained for questioning to establish their roles and linkages with cyber frauds, illegal online gaming, betting platforms and suspicious financial transactions. Officials said the investigation is at an early stage and is likely to uncover a much wider network within Jammu and Kashmir and other parts of the country.

CIK said it remains committed to dismantling organised criminal syndicates and choking their financial pipelines, warning that misuse of banking systems, whether knowingly or unknowingly, will invite strict legal action. The public has been urged to remain vigilant and report suspicious financial offers or transactions to the authorities.

## Encounter Reported

Jammu and Kashmir Police in the joint operation.

The operation is being closely monitored by senior officers, including SSP Kathua. The area has been fully cordoned off and escape routes have been plugged.

## Dry, Stable Weather

region. January 21 and 22 are forecast to remain partly cloudy.

The Meteorological Centre clarified that no significant weather activity is anticipated across Jammu and Kashmir till January 22.

The department has also issued an advisory warning of a noticeable fall in minimum temperatures till January 10, after which temperatures are likely to rise by 1 to 2 degrees Celsius.

Meteorological officials said cold wave conditions are likely to intensify over the next four days, with minimum temperatures in the Kashmir plains expected to range between minus 4 and minus 9 degrees Celsius.

Higher reaches may see night temperatures between minus 6 and minus 13 degrees, while the Jammu plains are likely to record minimum temperatures between 0 and 6 degrees Celsius.

With the prolonged dry spell continuing, water levels in rivers and streams across the region are expected to keep falling, raising concerns over water availability in the coming weeks.

In addition, moderate fog is expected to prevail over the plains of the Jammu division, with dense fog at isolated locations. This condition is likely to continue for the next five days. Commuters and travellers have been advised to exercise caution during early morning and late evening hours due to reduced visibility.

Minimum temperatures dipped further across the Kashmir Valley, with Sonamarg recording the lowest at minus 10.1 degrees Celsius, followed by Gulmarg at minus 7.6 degrees and Pahalgam at minus 7.2 degrees Celsius. Srinagar recorded a minimum of minus 1.6 degrees, while the airport registered minus 2.2 degrees Celsius, it said.

Other places in the Valley also witnessed sub-zero temperatures, including Kupwara at minus 3.6 degrees, Baramulla at minus 3.0 degrees, Pulwama at minus 5.1 degrees, Shopian

at minus 4.3 degrees and Budgam at minus 2.4 degrees Celsius. Qazigund recorded a minimum of 0.1 degrees, while Kokernag settled at minus 2.3 degrees Celsius.

According to details obtained by the news agency—Kashmir News Observer (KNO), in the Jammu region, night temperatures remained relatively higher, with Jammu city recording a minimum of 8.7 degrees Celsius and the airport at 9.3 degrees. Bhandarwah, however, recorded a low of minus 2.6 degrees, while Banihal recorded 2.3 degrees and Batote 3.1 degrees Celsius. Katra registered 6.4 degrees, Rajouri 1.0 degree and Kishtwar 0.1 degrees, it added.

In Ladakh, Leh recorded a minimum temperature of minus 13.4 degrees Celsius, while Drass, known as the second coldest inhabited place in the world, plunged to minus 22.8 degrees. Nyoma recorded minus 20.2 degrees, Padum minus 16.8 degrees and Kargil minus 11.6 degrees Celsius.

## Youth Is A Mindset

empowerment and national unity. In 2025, the festival was restructured as the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders' Dialogue to align with the national vision of Viksit Bharat @2047.

Interacting with the participating youth through virtual mode, the Lieutenant Governor extended his best wishes and congratulated them for reaching the national stage after emerging successful in local-level competitions. He said their selection reflected the immense potential and talent of the youth of Jammu and Kashmir.

"Youth is not a matter of age. It is a mindset. It is about courage, curiosity and the power to bring about change. I have complete faith in our youth's potential and their resolve to shape a developed India," the Lieutenant Governor said.

Invoking Swami Vivekananda's call to action, he urged the youth to make their dreams the sole purpose of their lives and to view every challenge as a lesson in discipline and patience. He emphasised that leadership is not defined by individual achievements alone, but by the ability to create opportunities for others.

"Your greatest responsibility is towards society and the nation. True progress lies in enabling others to move forward," he said, asking the youth to focus on character building, develop future capabilities and embrace lifelong learning. He encouraged them to be bold, fearless and to think beyond boundaries, stating that courage, discipline, clarity and determination would guide them on the path towards Viksit Bharat.

Senior officials including Yasha Mudgal,

Commissioner and Secretary to the Government, Youth Services and Sports, Anuradha Gupta, Director General, Youth Services and Sports, along with other officers and members of the youth contingent, were present during the virtual interaction.

## Employment National

or for the employees or for any process of recruitment. At the same time, it needs no mention that employment is a national wealth in which every candidate has a right of consideration, particularly, when employment is a very rare commodity," a Bench comprising M.S. Latif (Member Judicial) and Prasant Kumar (Administrative Member) said and also observed that while educational institutions are required to maintain discipline and strictly adhere to recruitment norms, a humane and equitable approach may be adopted in deserving cases to protect the legitimate interests of aspirants.

The Tribunal made the observations while disposing of a plea filed by one Mohd Jameel Dar of Sopore, who had applied for the post of Associate Professor in Political Science pursuant to Advertisement Notification dated 19 December 2023.

Prior to filing of the instant petition, the petitioner had filed a petition last year which was disposed of in terms of a judgement dated 15-11-2025.

The varsity considered the petitioner's case by passing a rejection order dated 10 December last year.

In the instant plea, the candidate had sought to quash the rejection order issued by Deputy Registrar (Recruitment) of varsity, declaring him ineligible as also the other condition insisting on the submission of Performance Based Appraisal System (PBAS) Proforma.

The Tribunal noted that Dar possessed the requisite qualifications and that denial of participation in the selection process solely on procedural grounds could have serious implications for an aspirant who had spent years acquiring academic credentials. The Tribunal emphasised that while candidates do not have an automatic right to appointment, they are entitled to fair consideration.

"Being cautious that we would not like to interfere in the internal discipline of the institution, which is an institution of learning... however, what is expected is a gesture of taking a lenient view in the matter, for, the University Syndicate - Worthy Vice Chancellor, University of Kashmir, is not powerless to lean towards considering the case of the petitioner (Dar) by adopting principle of equity only to allow

the petitioner to participate in the process," the Tribunal said while clarifying that same would not confer any right upon Dar to seek his appointment.

## Luggage Vanishes

landed in Delhi at 4.45 pm, but we were not given our luggage," said Kalbi Abbas Shah Syed, one of the passengers. "We kept searching for our baggage, but airport authorities said they had no information and only issued us slips. I am 80 years old, and all my essential medicines were in the missing luggage. It was an extremely distressing experience."

Another passenger, Parvez Ahmed, said several Umrah pilgrims were travelling on the flight and feared their baggage may have been mistakenly routed elsewhere. "There were many pilgrims on board, and we are worried that our baggage may have gone to another destination. We really do not know what has happened," he said, calling the travel experience "deeply unpleasant".

"All that we were given was a slip, and our phone numbers were taken," he added. "We were told we would be informed once any information was received, but no clarity was provided, leaving everyone anxious and worried."

Eventually, passengers were allowed to leave the airport after airline officials assured them that their luggage would be delivered to their respective home addresses within 24 hours. Many travellers, including elderly passengers and those with onward journeys, expressed frustration over the prolonged wait and inconvenience.

As of the filing of this report, IndiGo had not issued any official statement explaining how the baggage was left behind or whether compensation would be provided to affected passengers.

The incident has added to growing complaints against IndiGo over service disruptions reported over the past few months.

In early December 2025, the airline experienced a major operational crisis, leading to the cancellation of around 4,500 flights over a 10-day period. The disruptions began on December 2 and peaked on December 5, when more than 1,600 flights were cancelled in a single day, leaving hundreds of thousands of passengers stranded during the peak winter travel and wedding season.

The crisis was largely attributed to the airline's failure to adequately adjust pilot rosters in line with stricter Flight Duty Time Limitations mandated by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation, which came into full effect on November 1, 2025.



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# 'Health Risks, Lost Livelihoods & Broken Schooling' Bakarwal Families In Pulwama Give Up Seasonal Migration

Arshina Aslam

**PULWAMA:** For generations, seasonal migration defined the lives of Bakarwal families in Jammu and Kashmir. Moving with livestock between the plains in winter and high-altitude pastures in summer was not just an economic activity but a way of life. That tradition, however, is gradually changing, as some Bakarwal families in south Kashmir give up migration and choose permanent settlement, citing livelihood losses, health risks and disruption to their children's education.

In villages like Rahmoo in Pulwama district, small clusters of tin sheds and mud houses now stand where migrant families have begun to settle. The decision, families say, has not been easy and follows years of hardship on migration routes.

"Migration was our identity, but it became too difficult," said Yousof, a Bakarwal man who settled in Rahmoo two years ago. "We were losing animals, falling sick, and our children were missing school every year."

For women, the shift away from migration is closely tied to years of personal struggle. Shahida, a Bakarwal woman, said she was married at the age of 17 and had to manage household responsibilities, livestock and long-distance travel simultaneously. Migration, she said, left no space



for education or personal growth. "There was no time to think about myself," she said. "We were always moving, and responsibilities kept increasing."

Migration, she explained, involved long journeys on foot, cooking on makeshift hearths, fetching water, caring for children and livestock, and enduring harsh weather. Pregnancies during migration were particularly difficult due to the absence of healthcare facilities along travel routes.

"Pregnancy during migration was the hardest," Shahida said. "There was no doctor, no hospital, and still we had to keep moving."

After recently delivering a child, Shahida developed complications and was initially taken to a government hospital in Srinagar. She said inadequate treatment forced the family to shift her to a private nursing home in Pulwama, where medical expenses reached nearly ₹70,000. To manage the cost, the family borrowed money and sold live-

stock, pushing them into debt. Repeated livestock losses during migration finally forced her family to settle permanently two years ago. "Animals would fall sick and die on the way," she said. "Here, at least our husbands can find other work alongside herding."

Shameema, another Bakarwal woman in the settlement, shared a similar experience. Married young, she had to leave school and spend years moving between seasonal camps. "I had dreams," she said. "Now I want my child to study and live differently."

For many families, education has become the decisive factor. Zubair Ahmad said his younger brother dropped out of school because frequent relocation disrupted his studies. "He felt lost every time he joined a new school," he said. "Settling down felt like the only solution."

Parents said permanent settlement had allowed their children to attend school for a full academic year for the first time. However, access to education

remains uneven. Many families lack basic documents such as Aadhaar cards and birth certificates, making school enrolment difficult.

Twelve-year-old Shaheen has been unable to enrol because officials asked her family to produce records from Rajouri, where they migrated earlier. "We do not have the money or support to travel back," her family said.

Livelihoods after settlement remain fragile. While livestock continues to play a role, most families now depend on daily wage labour, orchard work, small farming, selling firewood and transporting fodder. Some women sell milk and dairy products in nearby villages. Income is irregular, and winters are particularly harsh, with many families living in temporary shelters and relying on borrowed money.

Families said government welfare schemes for Scheduled Tribe communities exist largely on paper. Lack of awareness, documentation hurdles and repeated visits

to government offices prevent access to scholarships, healthcare benefits and livelihood support. Promises of land allotment also remain unfulfilled.

Mohammad Ashraf, a daily wage labourer, said the government had promised one kanal of land, but nothing had materialised. He said he was denied benefits under the Golden Card health scheme after losing cattle during winter. "Paperwork exhausts us more than physical labour," he said.

Women in the settlement also reported poor access to menstrual hygiene facilities and healthcare outreach. Gulshan said they still wash and reuse cloth. "No one has come to educate us about hygiene," she said, adding that women hesitate to visit health centres without female health workers.

Repeated attempts to contact officials from the concerned departments for comment were unsuccessful.

For now, the families say their demands are modest: recognition of their settlements, access to basic documents, secure land, education for their children and healthcare that does not push them into debt.

Holding her newborn, Shahida summed up the decision that changed her family's life. "We left the mountains so that our children do not have to live the life we did."

## Labour & Employment Dept, JKAS Fraternity Mourn Demise of Mrs. Sapna

**SRINAGAR:** The Labour and Employment Department of Jammu & Kashmir, along with the JKAS fraternity, has expressed deep sorrow and profound grief over the untimely demise of Mrs. Sapna, JKAS, who passed away after a prolonged illness.



Mrs. Sapna was presently posted as Assistant Labour Commissioner with the J&K Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board (JKBOCW/WB). Earlier, she had served as Assistant Labour Commissioner, Jammu, where she rendered her duties with exemplary dedication, sincerity and compassion. A committed and conscientious officer, she was widely respected for her humane approach, professional integrity and tireless efforts towards labour welfare. Her contribution to the department and public service will be remembered with gratitude and respect.

The Secretary to the Government, Labour and Employment Department, Kumar Rajeev Ranjan, IAS; Labour Commissioner, Charandeep Singh, JKAS; Special Secretary, Pawan Parihar, JKAS, along with officers and officials of all ranks, have expressed heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family and mourned the irreparable loss caused by her passing. The department has extended full moral and institutional support to the family and children of the departed officer, affirming that they will not stand alone during this difficult time. (Observer News Service)

## Barzulla Fire Operation Ends After 30-Hour Intensive Effort

**SRINAGAR:** Fire Operation at Barzulla Bulbul Bagh in Srinagar ended after a 30-hour-long intensive fire-fighting operation, bringing to a close one of the major fire incidents reported in the city in recent times.

The fire had broken out yesterday evening. Fire and Emergency Services teams were immediately mobilised, and the first response unit reached the spot within minutes to initiate containment measures.

The blaze involved a U-shaped, double-storeyed showroom-cum-godown constructed with pucca wooden structure and GCI sheets. Several business establishments including New Express Jammu, Prevegia Logistics and Chamba Manali Transport Company, Chandigarh were operating from the premises. The structure was being used to store cosmetics, paint thinner, hardware goods, kiriyana items, medicines, kitchenware, blankets, tyres, carry bags and other miscellaneous materials.

Alongside the commercial structure, 37 residential sheds constructed with wooden frames, tarpaulin and GCI sheets were also engulfed by the fire. Household goods and scrap material stored inside these sheds were severely damaged. (Observer News Service)

## New Infrastructure Unveiled at Historic Dastgeer Sahib Shrine

**SRINAGAR:** Jammu and Kashmir Waqf Board Chairperson Dr. Syed Darakhshan Andrabi on Wednesday dedicated multiple new infrastructural facilities to the public at the historic shrine of Peer Dastgeer (RA) in Khanyar, Srinagar, marking another milestone in the Board's ongoing reform and development drive.

The inauguration ceremony, held within the shrine premises, witnessed the opening of a newly constructed Administrative Block, Imam Residential Quarters, and an Open Ablution Facility aimed at improving both management efficiency and amenities for devotees. Waqf Board Member Syed Mohammad Hussain accompanied the Chairperson, while senior officers from the civil administration and engineering wings were also present on the occasion.

## Minister Rana Sets March Deadline for Forest Projects

Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR:** Minister for Forest, Environment and Ecology Javed Ahmed Rana on Wednesday called for completing all on-going works of the Territorial Forest Department in Kashmir Division, as the department has achieved 53 per cent progress under the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) projects. With 60,000 quintals of firewood supplied and 2 lakh CFT of timber delivered, Rana directed the timely completion of key initiatives.

The minister, as per KNO further directed that all pending projects, including afforestation drives, eco-parks and forest huts, must be completed by March 2026.

Rana chaired a review meet-



ing of senior officers, focusing on key operational, developmental and service delivery aspects such as firewood distribution, afforestation and plantation activities, timber supply under the Kashmir Notice Timber framework, SASCI project implementation, eco-park and forest hut development, timber marking and achievement of physical and financial targets.

Officials informed Rana that the department has achieved 53 per cent physical progress

under the SASCI projects. The remaining works, along with other ongoing initiatives, are on track for completion by March 2026, he said.

Regarding essential public services, the minister was informed that against the 80,000 quintal firewood target, nearly 60,000 quintals have already been provisioned across the division, with the remaining supply expected by March to ensure adequate winter availability.

## BUDGET SESSION

### J&K Law Department Directs Early Submission of Draft Bills

Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR:** The Department of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs has directed all government departments to submit draft bills and other legislative proposals requiring legal vetting well before the commencement of the forthcoming Assembly session.

In a circular, the department said that early submission of legislative proposals is necessary to allow adequate time for proper legal examination before they are introduced in the House.

The department cited Part C of the Transaction of Business of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir Rules, 2019, which lays down the procedure for initiating legislation and mandatory consultation with the Law Department.

The circular further stated that rules and notifications which are required to be laid before the Legislative Assembly must be placed before the House during the ensuing session to meet statutory requirements.

It also directed that legislative proposals requiring the recommendation of the Lieutenant Governor, as mandated under Section 36 of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019, be submitted well in advance to the Lieutenant Governor's Secretariat.

The department has asked all Financial Commissioners (Additional Chief Secretaries), Principal Secretaries and Commissioners or Secretaries to ensure that the prescribed procedures for dealing with questions and other legislative business are strictly followed.

## Commissioner SMC Conducts Inspection of Municipal Assets

Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR:** In a concerted push to reinforce financial sustainability and enhance the delivery of civic services, the Commissioner, Srinagar Municipal Corporation (SMC), Faz Lul Haseeb, on Wednesday undertook an extensive field inspection of key municipal assets, underscoring the pivotal role of revenue generation in effective urban governance.

The Commissioner inspected municipal properties at Bagh Nand Singh and Pindchi Mandi (Tattoo Ground), accompanied by the Joint Commissioner, Chief Revenue Officer, and other senior officers of the Corporation.

During the visit, the Commissioner reviewed the physical condition, operational status, and current utilisation of the assets under the ongoing asset mapping and monetisation programme. He assessed their scope for optimal, lawful, and transparent utilisation through policy-driven monetisation mechanisms aimed at strengthening the Corporation's revenue base.

Highlighting the direct correlation between strong municipal finances and improved civic amenities, the Commissioner stated that sustainable revenue streams are fundamental to ensuring efficient sanitation services, upgraded urban infrastructure, and the timely delivery of essential civic facilities.

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

### EXTENSION NOTICE 3

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

SNO	E.NIT No.	Name of the work	Tender ID	Cost tender document (In Rs)	EMD Cost (In Rs)
1	eNIT No STD-II / 55 of 2025-26 Dated 29-11-2025	Construction of Additional Bay for Receiving Station Wanganpora, Electrical part.	2025_PDD_296906_1	Rs 500.00	Rs 15240.00

No.: STD-II/10122-10124/Ts  
Dated: - 07-01-2026  
DIPK-NB-2959-25  
DT: 07/01/2026

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

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

### CORRIGENDUM

Due to typographical error inadvertently occurred in e-NIT No. STD-II/ 57 of 2025-26 Dated: -16-12-2025 issued vide this office endorsement No. STD-II/9479-81/Ts Dated: 16-12-2025, the following correction is hereby made:

Read as	Instead of
Providing and laying of 33kV, Single core 630 mm2 Aluminum, round wire Armored XLPE Cable, FRLS (one spare cable) to be laid through HDPE pipe (PE63/PE80/PE100) conforming to IS14930 ensuring pipe inner dia. is at least 1.5 times the overall dia. of the cable, including cost of HDPE pipe	Providing and laying of 33kV, Single core 630 mm2 Aluminum, round wire Armoured XLPE Cable, FRLS (one spare cable) to be laid through HDPE pipe suitable for 630sqmm cable as per IS 3961(Part 7): 2017 including cost of HDPE pipe

No.: STD-II/10097-99/Ts  
Dated: - 06-01-2026  
DIPK-NB-2957-25  
DT: 07/01/2026

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

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### TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders affixed with revenue stamp of Rs. 25/- are invited from deputed firms/ approved medicine dealers for the supply of veterinary medicines/ drugs and allied items for MUV (Mobile Veterinary Unit) medicine 2025-26 as per annexure "A" (enclosed) which should reach the office of the undersigned within four days from the date of publication of this tender notice in the daily newspaper through registered post or personal delivery. The tender will be opened on the next working day in the office of the undersigned at 2 PM in the presence of the committee constituted for the purpose and suppliers who wish to participate.

- The tenders should be accompanied with CDR of Rs. 5000/- pledged to CAHO Ganderal without which the tender will not be entertained.
- The successful tender shall have to make supplies within three days from the date of issuance of supply order otherwise the placed order shall stand cancel.
- The rates should be inclusive of GST.
- The material should have to be delivered in the stores of CAHO Ganderal.
- Only those firms/ approved dealers shall quote who possess CST/GST and have tax clearance certificate from the commercial department.
- Payment in respect of successful tender shall be made after receipt of material as per specifications and conditions duly authenticated by the committee constituted.
- The quantity mentioned in the tender notice may vary, the supply order will be issued as per the availability of the budget.

Any other details can be had from the office of the undersigned on any working day during the office hours.

### ANNEXURE-A

S no	Name of item	Units of Item	Quantity Required
1	Injectable solution Containing Meloxicam BP 20mg/ml, 100 ml vial	100 ml vial	60
2	Injectable solution containing Paracetamol 150 mg/ml, Meloxicam BP 5 mg/ml, 100ml vial	100 ml vial	60
3	Injectable solution Chlorpheniramine Maleate 10mg/ml, 100ml vial	100 ml vial	60
4	Injectable solution contains Enrofloxacin 100 mg/ml Benzyl Alcohol as preservative 1.5 W/v water for inj. 100ml vial	100 ml vial	60
5	Injectable solution containing Atropine Sulphate 0.6 mg/ml, 100ml vial	100 ml vial	30
6	Injectable solution. Containing:- Frusemide I.P. 50 mg/ml, 10 ml vial Benzyl Alcohol - 1 %	10 ml	30
7	Ceftriaxone -4000 mg, Tazobactam 500 mg, 4500 mg vial with disposable syringe, needle and water	500 mg	40
8	Each Vial Contains ceftriaxone3gm Tazobactum 375mg, 3.375 gm vial with disposable sterile syringe, needle and water for injection	3 gm	120
9	Inj. solution containing Oxytetracycline HCL IP 50 mg/ml, 100 ml vial	100 ml vial	120
10	Inj. containing Dicyclanil HCL IP 10 mg/ml, 30ml vial	30 ml vial	40
11	Inj. containing Tolfenamic Acid Ph Eur 40mg/ml Benzyl Alcohol 1.04% w/v, 30 ml vial	30ml vial	120
12	Injectable solution contains Methylcobalamin-500mcg, Pyridoxine HCL IP 50 mg/ml, Nicotinamide IP 50 mg/ml, benzyl Alcohol IP 2% v/v (as preservative) water for injection IP, 100ml vial	1000 ml vial	60
13	Injectable Liver Extract & Vitamin B1, B2, B6 & B12, 100ml vial	100 ml vial	120
14	Oral bolus containing Ciprofloxacin 1.5 gm & Tinidazole 1.8 gm, 2 bolus strip	gm	60
15	Injectable Solution Containing Ivermectin IP/BP 10 mg/ml, 100ml vial	1000ml vial	40
16	Injectable solution containing Flunixin Meglumine 50 mg/ml, 20ml vial	20 ml vial	120
17	Injectable solution contains Dexamethasone Sod. Phosphate IP equivalent to Dexamethasone Phosphate 4 mg/ml, 20 ml vial	20 ml vial	60
18	Each vial containing Streptomycin Sulphate IP 2.5 gm Procaine Penicillin G IP 15 lacs IU Penicillin G Sodium IP 5 lac IU, 2.5g	5 lac IU, 2.5g	120
19	Pot. Permanganate Crystals IP, 500gm	500gm	60

No. SK/GBL/2025-26/ 2967-69  
Dated: 07-01-2026

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(Dr. Aijaz Ahmad Bhat)  
Animal Husbandry Officer  
Ganderbal

# Bethell's First Century Pushes Ashes Match to Day Five

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**SYDNEY:** Jacob Bethell posted his first test century Wednesday and it couldn't have come at a more crucial time for England, ensuring the fifth and last Ashes test will be decided on Day 5 at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

The 22-year-old, Barbados-born allrounder went to the crease in the first over of England's second innings when Mitchell Starc trapped Zac Crawley lbw on the fifth ball.

He shared an 81-run second-wicket stand with Ben Duckett (42), 32 with Joe Root (6), 102 with Harry Brook (42) and 45 with Jamie Smith (26) to help England reach 302-8 at stumps on Day 4, a lead of 119 runs.

Bethell finished 142 not out from 232 balls, helping England erase the 183-run first-innings deficit and maintain a chance of winning back-to-back tests Down Under. The Australians retained the Ashes with wins in the first three tests, but England is determined to narrow the margin after its drought-breaking win in Melbourne.

"It was special to get the mile-



stone," Bethell said in a TV interview. "To have the family over ... (and) to top it off with a hundred here is very special."

In just his sixth test, and second of this series, Bethell found a way to survive while wickets tumbled around him as all-rounder Beau Webster (3-51) emerged as the unlikely star for Australia by taking three wickets with his occasional offspin.

Webster took two wickets in three deliveries to swing momentum. He removed Brook, trapped lbw to a ball that turned sharply out of the rough, and Will Jacks, inexcusably hitting

out and caught in the deep by Cameron Green for a second-ball duck, as England slumped to 219-5.

A chaotic run out, first ball after the drinks break in the evening session, saw Jamie Smith (26) sent back by Bethell and well out of his ground when Jake Weatherald threw to Marnus Labuschagne to whip off the bails at the bowler's end.

Bethell was 123 at the time, and England at 264-6, when his injured skipper Ben Stokes went to the crease.

England added just three runs before Webster, bowling around

the wicket, enticed Stokes (1) to cut a turning ball to Steve Smith at slip.

Scott Boland then dismissed Carse, giving him two wickets for the innings after a close lbw decision against Root.

**Come in spinner**  
Webster's wickets may have a positive spinoff on a turning pitch for England, which has Bethell, Jacks and possibly Root as spin options and could make chasing 170 or more a tricky prospect.

The Australians didn't take a specialist spinner into the match, instead relying on part-timers Travis Head and Webster, who also bowls medium pace.

"Certainly didn't think it would be with spin today," Webster said of the crucial wickets in his Ashes debut.

The 32-year-old allrounder said the Australians were "very well placed, obviously" to win.

"We'd like to mop up these last two as quickly as we can, hopefully with the new ball around the corner as well, ... and (England) hopefully not too many ahead, and let the top-order

boys get the job done."

**Stokes injured**  
England picked up Australia's last three first-innings wickets for 49 runs after the hosts resumed at 518-7 but the morning session was overshadowed by an injury to Stokes. He bowled 10 deliveries before leaving the field for treatment on a right adductor problem. He didn't move freely when he batted and there's doubt over his ability to bowl on Day 5.

"He's moving pretty gingerly," Bethell said. "I don't think that bodes too well for him bowling tomorrow."

**Australia's 1st innings**  
Australia's commanding innings was built on centuries from stand-in opener Head, his third of the series, and Steve Smith (138) and a late contribution from allrounder Webster, who remained unbeaten on 71.

Smith was 129 overnight but didn't settle into a rhythm before he was caught behind off Josh Tongue's bowling, ending a 107-run eighth-wicket partnership with Webster.

## Young Zuhair Sets High Targets

Ajai Masand

**NEW DELHI:** Young shotgun shooter Zuhair Khan had been waiting for the moment when he would win the senior national title ever since he decided to pick up a gun after watching his father compete.

That day finally arrived earlier this month at the Karni Singh Shooting Range, when the 20-year-old clinched the trap gold at the National Championships, outshooting seasoned stalwarts and Olympians.

A third-year B.Tech student at Aligarh Muslim University, Zuhair took up the sport at 12 and had been relentlessly pursuing a senior national medal, only to miss it each time despite reaching the final on three previous occasions.

"This is my first senior national medal. I have two bronze medals in the junior category. I had reached the senior finals earlier as well, but this time I managed to convert it into a win," says Zuhair, whose father Babar Khan is also a national-level shotgun shooter.

However, the youngster's professional journey has not been smooth. Zuhair suffered a collarbone fracture while playing football and missed his inaugural nationals at the age of 13. The COVID-19 pandemic break too hampered his progress.

"I started trap shooting at the age of 12 and have been competing ever since. I lost one year due to a collarbone injury and another because of COVID-19, but apart from that, I have trained consistently at the Karni Singh Ranges," he added.

With very few talented trap shooters coming through the ranks, Zuhair has emerged as an exciting new find. His journey began when he would tag along with his father to the shooting range.

"So, when I went to the range I was fascinated by the sport. I thought 'let's give it a try'."

Balancing academics with competitive sport is never easy, but the youngster has managed to carve out a workable middle path.

"I am pursuing a B.Tech degree at Aligarh Muslim University. There isn't a fixed schedule for shooting, but whenever I have exams, my focus is entirely on academics. And when there are shooting competitions, I am here in Delhi," he said.

The past couple of years have brought valuable experience for Zuhair, and he is pleased to be shooting consistently high scores now.

"I represented the country at the 2024 World Championship in Peru. This year, I competed twice internationally — first at the World Cup in Suhl, Germany, and then at the Asian Championships in Kazakhstan, where I participated in the junior category in both tournaments."

While he is yet to win an international medal, his success at the National Championships has significantly boosted his confidence.

"I shot 120 this time at the Nationals, and I had also shot 120 earlier in 2024 at the Khelo India Youth Games. On both occasions, I won the gold medal," said the youngster from Rampur in Uttar Pradesh.

He has already set his next target — a strong showing at the ISSF World Cup in Cairo in April.

"The World Cup in Cairo is around April, and my long-term goal is, of course, the Olympics. I would love to get the opportunity to compete at the 2028 Los Angeles Games," he says. (PTI)

## Playing in India: BCB Says Working with ICC

Press Trust of India

**DHAKA:** The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) on Wednesday said the ICC is "willing to work closely" with it to address "security concerns" around the team's participation in the T20 World Cup in India even though its demand for a change of venue has not yet been accepted.

The T20 World Cup starts on February 7 and Bangladesh are due to play their four games in Kolkata and Mumbai.

"The Bangladesh Cricket Board has received response from the ICC regarding the Board's expressed concerns over the safety and security of the Bangladesh National Cricket Team in India for the ICC T20 World Cup, including the request for relocation of the team's matches," the BCB said in a statement here.



"In its communication, the ICC has reiterated its commitment to ensuring the full and uninterrupted participation of the Bangladesh team in the tournament."

"The ICC has conveyed its willingness to work closely with the BCB to address the concerns raised and has assured that the Board's inputs will be welcomed and duly considered as part of the detailed security planning for the event," it added.

Hostilities shot up between India and Bangladesh following Bangladeshi pacer Mustafizur Rahman's

ouster from the IPL on BCCI's instructions.

The Indian Board did not give a clear reason for the decision but it was largely attributed to the deepening diplomatic tensions between the two neighbours in the wake of attacks on Hindus in Bangladesh.

The BCCI's action prompted a livid BCB to demand that its four World Cup matches in India be shifted to co-host Sri Lanka in a written submission to the ICC.

The ICC has not yet issued a public response to the BCB on this subject and a planned meeting between the two bodies on Tuesday also could not take place.

The BCB said it will continue the "constructive engagement" with the ICC and relevant event authorities in a "cooperative and professional manner".

## Hopeful Shaheen Will Play T20 World Cup: Agha

Press Trust of India

**KARACHI:** Pakistan's T20 captain Salman Ali Agha has expressed optimism about Shaheen Shah Afridi's recovery from a knee injury, hoping the fast bowler will regain full fitness in time for next month's T20 World Cup.

Afridi has been a key figure in Pakistan's pace attack, and his availability could be crucial for the team's chances in the tournament, being co-hosted by India and Sri Lanka.

"We are hopeful he will be fit for the World Cup but the final decision will come from the (Pakistan Cricket) Board on advice from the medical

panel," Salman told the media in Dambulla where Pakistan take on Sri Lanka in the first T20I on Wednesday.

Shaheen's rehabilitation is being supervised by the PCB's medical panel at the High Performance Centre in Lahore.

The PCB on Wednesday released a video of the pacer doing rehabilitation but didn't mention the extent of his injury or how long it will take for him to regain full fitness.

Shaheen hurt his knee while fielding in a Big Bash League match in Australia recently. He was released by his side, Brisbane Heat, with the PCB calling him back for rehabilitation.

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