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Jammu Colder Than Kashmir; Fog Disrupts Life

Records 4th-coldest Temp In 4 Decades

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Jammu witnessed an exceptionally cold day on Wednesday, recording a maximum temperature of just 7.4 degrees Celsius, nearly 10 degrees below the seasonal average, officials of the Meteorological Department said.

The reading stands as the fourth-lowest maximum temperature recorded in Jammu in the past four decades. Colder daytime temperatures were earlier recorded in 1986 at 5.0 degrees Celsius, in 2013 at 6.7 degrees Celsius, and in 2016 at 7.1 degrees Celsius.

The city also registered a minimum temperature of 4.0 degrees Celsius, which was 2.9 degrees below the normal for this time of the winter season.

Interestingly, Jammu emerged as the coldest recorded place in the Union territory on Tuesday,

- Shopian -7.5°C
- Pulwama -7.0°C
- Anantnag -6.6°C
- Awantipora -6.4°C
- Kupwara -6.2°C
- Srinagar -5.2°C
- Pahalgam -6.0°C
- Budgam -5.4°C
- Gulmarg -3.8°C

registering lower temperatures than several high-altitude locations in the Kashmir Valley.

The snowbound resort of Gulmarg recorded a maximum temperature of 8.2 degrees Celsius, while Pahalgam registered a daytime high of 10.6 degrees Celsius, officials said.

Srinagar witnessed a comparatively warmer day, recording a maximum temperature of 13.3 degrees Celsius. Banihal, the gateway to Kashmir along the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway, | [More on P6](#)

Snowfall In Kashmir Plains Unlikely Until Jan 20: MeT

Snowfall in the Kashmir plains is unlikely until January 20, even as a series of western disturbances is expected to affect Jammu and Kashmir from January 16, the India Meteorological Department | [More on P6](#)

SRINAGAR WITNESSED A COMPARATIVELY WARMER DAY, RECORDING A MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE of 13.3 degrees Celsius. Banihal, the gateway to Kashmir along the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway, remained significantly warmer at 17.8 degrees Celsius.

Home Secy Reviews Overall J&K Situation

Chairs High-level Security Review Meeting In Jammu

Observer News Service

Jammu: Union Home Secretary Govind Mohan on Wednesday chaired a high-level security meeting here to review arrangements for the upcoming Republic Day celebrations and assess ongoing anti-terror operations and drone intrusions along the borders, officials said.

Mohan arrived in Jammu in the afternoon on a two-day visit and straightaway headed to the Convention Centre to chair the meeting. It comes days after Amit Shah reviewed the security situation in New Delhi and directed security agencies to

continue anti-terror operations in a mission mode.

The meeting was attended by Tapan Deka, Praveen Kumar, G P Singh, and Nalin Prabhat, besides senior officers from the Army, police, civil administration, and intelligence agencies.

According to officials, the Home Secretary reviewed the security situation along the International Border and the Line of Control in view of a recent spurt in drone activities, with intelligence inputs suggesting attempts to push infiltrators and arms into the region, particularly under the cover of dense fog.

He also | [More on P6](#)

JKBOSE Class 10, 12 Exams Out; Girls Outscore Boys

Class 10 Sees 84% Pass Percentage, Class 12 At 85%

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Girls outperformed boys in both Class 10 and Class 12 annual regular examinations as the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education on Wednesday declared the results, recording an overall pass percentage of 84 percent in Class 10 and 85 percent in Class 12.

Officials said that 85.03 percent of the 94,845 students who appeared in the Class 10 examinations qualified. Of these, 47,736 were boys and 47,109 were girls. The results showed that girls were marginally ahead, with 40,408 girls, or 85.78 percent, clearing the exams compared to 40,242 boys, or 84.30 percent.

A total of 16,550 students secured Grade A1 in Class 10, followed by 14,398 who received



Class 12 Arts stream topper pictured with his family.

Grade A2.

The Class 10 examinations were conducted from November 3 across 994 examination centres set up by the Board in the Kashmir division and

winter zones of Jammu division. Of the enrolled candidates, 68,804 were from ten districts of Kashmir, while 25,224 were from eight districts of Jammu's winter zone areas. | [More on P6](#)

Govt, Pvt Schools Share Top Honours Across Streams

Observer News Service

Students from both government and private schools featured prominently among the top performers across the four major

streams in the Class 12 examinations, with two toppers each emerging from government and private institutions, underscoring a relatively balanced academic performance across school systems. | [More on P6](#)

Rakesh Aggarwal Is New NIA Chief



Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: Senior IPS officer Rakesh Aggarwal was on Wednesday appointed as the director general of the National Investigation Agency (NIA).

Aggarwal, a 1994 batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer of Himachal Pradesh cadre, is currently special director general in the anti-terror agency. He has also been holding the additional charge of the post of DG, NIA.

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has | [More on P6](#)

Courage Of Veterans Extends Beyond Battlefield: LG

'While The Nation Sleeps In Peace, Our Soldiers Stand Guard'

Observer News Service

Jammu: "Our veterans are the embodiment of living history, and their sacrifices have not only safeguarded our freedom but also shaped the destiny of our great nation," Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha said on Wednesday while paying tribute to ex-servicemen, Veer Naris and their families on the occasion of the 10th Armed Forces Veterans Day in Rajouri.

The Lieutenant Governor was addressing a large gathering at ALG Rajouri, where he expressed heartfelt gratitude to veterans and serving soldiers for always placing the safety of others above their own.

He said the selfless service of the armed forces was



not merely a profession but a lifelong commitment that continued even after military careers ended and the uniform was folded away. "The courage of veterans is not limited to the battlefield. It is equally visible in their role in

establishing peace and contributing to the nation's progress," Sinha said.

Saluting the resilience and patriotism of the armed forces, the Lieutenant Governor described the courage and sacrifice of | [More on P6](#)

India Asks All Indian Nationals To Leave Iran

Dabirah Hassan

Srinagar: India on Tuesday issued a fresh advisory urging all Indian nationals currently in Iran to leave the country at the earliest, citing the "evolving situation" amid escalating tensions and unrest.

In the advisory dated January 14, 2026, Indian embassy here advised Indian citizens — including students, pilgrims, businesspersons and tourists — to depart Iran using available means of transport, including commercial flights. The directive follows an earlier advisory issued by the Government of India on January 5, 2025.

According to estimates, a little over 10,000 Indians, including students, are currently living in Iran.

"All Indian nationals who are currently in Iran are advised to leave Iran by | [More on P6](#)

On Pulwama's Roads, A Tonga Still Holds On

For 35 years, Manzoor Ahmed has ferried passengers, now navigating modern traffic and shrinking road space

Arshina Aslam

Srinagar: The sharp clatter of iron-shod hooves cuts through the constant honking at Murrin Chowk in Pulwama. As buses, autos and sumos rush past, Manzoor Ahmed adjusts the leather reins of his horse and waits.

"I still get my customers. That is why I haven't left this work," he says, scanning the road for a familiar face.

For the past 35 years, Manzoor has earned his livelihood riding a horse-drawn tonga, a mode of transport



that once defined Pulwama's roads but now survives at the margins of a rapidly modernising transport system that includes free public transport services for women.

When tongas ruled the roads

Recalling earlier days, Manzoor says tongas were once the backbone of local transport.

He says that buses began appearing only in the late 1990s, followed gradually by sumos and later battery-operated autos, steadily shrinking the space for tongas.

"Earlier, only tonga services were running on routes like Sirmoo-Tahab-Murrin, Rajpura to Tikken," he says. "There were no buses. Even autos were rare. Only a few Bajaj scooters came from Srinagar, mostly used by businessmen."

At the Murrin adda, where he now waits for passengers, mornings once resembled today's busy transport hubs. "There used to be around fifty tongas standing here early in the morning," he recalls. "The adda was always crowded."

Surviving | [More on P6](#)

New Year, New Risks As Trump Keeps World On Edge

Steve Peoples

New York: It's only two weeks into the new year, and President Donald Trump has already claimed control of Venezuela, escalated threats to seize Greenland and flooded American streets with masked immigration agents.

And that's not even counting an unprecedented criminal investigation at the Federal Reserve, a cornerstone of the national economy that Trump wants to bend to his will.

Even for a president who thrives on chaos, Trump is generating a stunning level of turmoil as voters prepare to deliver their verdict on his leadership

in the upcoming midterm elections that will determine control of Congress.

Each decision carries tremendous risks, from the possibility of an overseas quagmire to undermining the country's financial system, but Trump has barreled forward with a ferocity that has rattled even some of his Republican allies.

"The presidency has gone rogue," said historian Joanne B. Freeman, a Yale University professor. She said it's something "we haven't seen in this way before."

Trump seems undeterred by the potential blowback. Although he doesn't always follow through, he seems intent on doubling | [More on P6](#)



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**OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE
 1ST CLASS ZAINGER BOMAI**
 Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

Public Notice
 This office has received a written application from Mohd Akbar Lone S/O Abdul Khaliq Lone R/O Tujar, Tehsil Zainger for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of Son Namely Kamran Akbar who was Born on 17_11_2014 and as per document evidence produced by the applicant.
 In this regard, if anyone has any objection, he/she may file the same before the undersigned within 07 days. After that, no objection whatsoever will be entertained by this office.

Tehsildar
 Executive Magistrate Bomial
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PUBLIC NOTICE
 My name has been wrongly written in my adhaar card bearing no: 874217513080 as Mohammad Rameez Rather, DOB 04-03-2000 instead of my correct name Rameez Ahmad, DOB 04-08-2003. 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 Jammu/Srinagar within Seven days. After that no objection shall be entertained.
 Rameez Ahmad S/o Saifuddin Rather
 R/o Tilagam Tehsil pattan
 fko

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR
 Tulumulla Campus, Ganderbal-191131 (J&K) UT

EMPLOYMENT NOTIFICATION
 (2nd cycle of Rolling Advertisement for the posts of Professor & Associate Professor)

Online applications are invited in the prescribed format through CU-Chayan portal link (<https://curec.samarth.ac.in>) from eligible candidates for appointment of Professors and Associate Professors on substantive basis in the various departments against the 2nd cycle of rolling advertisements vide No's. 02 of 2025 dated 03-03-2025, 03 of 2025 dated 03-03-2025, 06 of 2025 dated 11-04-2025, and 07 of 2025 dated 11-04-2025 respectively. The detailed notification regarding the number of vacancies, eligibility and other terms and conditions is available on the University website www.cukashmir.ac.in. The online application form shall be available on CU-Chayan Portal w.e.f 3rd January, 2026. The last date for submission of online application form/s for 2nd cycle of the rolling advertisement is 23rd January, 2026 & the submission of downloaded application form/s along with annexures latest by 31st January, 2026.
 No. CUKmr/RCT/F.No.510/26/2560
 Dated: 02-01-2026

Sd/
 Registrar

**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, 332015009 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 Darkashan Naseer D/o Naseer Ahmad Peer instead of Darakhshan 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 the said period, no objection will be entertained.
 Name: Darakhshan 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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PUBLIC NOTICE
 I want to change the name in the Electricity Connection bearing Consumer ID- 0206050016682 from Consumer name Syed Iqbal Tahir S/o Syed Mohammad Tahir R/o 63-KVA Chattabugh Syed Mohalla Sub-Division Narbal to Syed Bilal Tahir S/o Syed Mohammad Tahir R/o 63-KVA Chattabugh Syed Mohalla Sub-Division Narbal.
 Anybody having any objection in this regard may contact the Kashmir Power Distribution Corporation Ltd, Sub-Division Narbal, Distt Budgam within Seven days from the date of Publication of this Notice, after which no objection will be entered.
 Syed Bilal Tahir
 S/o Syed Mohammad Tahir
 R/o 63-KVA Syed Mohalla Chattabugh
 X

اطلاع عام
 ہر خاص و عام کو بذریعہ اشتہار مطلع کیا جاتا ہے کہ مجھے اپنے دکان نام GREEN GROW FERTILIZERS کے لئے فریڈیا کر لائسنس دکانی مطلوب ہے۔ اگر کسی کو کوئی اعتراض ہو تو وہ سات دنوں کے اندر اپنا اعتراض چیف ایگزیکٹو آفیسر بڈگام کے دفتر میں پیش کریں۔ یہ عہدہ گذرنے کے بعد کوئی بھی اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔
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 ساکنہ: کولہ باغ گوپال سیف بڈگام۔
 فون۔ 9186111344 mcb

PUBLIC NOTICE
 This is information for the general public that in Birth Certificate of my daughter the name is entered as PAKEEZA JAVEED while her actual name is ZAINAB - BINTI-JAVEED. Now I want its correction, in this regard if anybody having any objection may contact EXECUTIVE OFFICER MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BUDGAM within a period of seven days. No objection shall be entertained after that.
 JAVEED AHMAD MIR
 F/O ZAINAB - BINTI-JAVEED
 R/O NASRULLAH PORA BUDGAM
 CELL. 9682363690
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**OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT REGIONAL
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 NOTICE**
 Where a application has been received from one.
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 S/O: Naba Sheer Gojri
 R/O: Panzan Chadoora Budgam
 for issuance of duplicate driving license.
 D.L. No JK0420130018720
 Now therefore it is notified for the information of the general public that objections if any to the issue of duplicate driving license in respect of D.L. No JK0420130018720 Shall be filed in writing in the office of the Assistant Regional Transport officer ARTO Budgam within a period of 07 days from the date of publication of this news. No submission /request shall be entertained after the expiry of stipulated period of time.
 Assistant Regional Transport officer
 Budgam Kashmir
 mcb

PUBLIC NOTICE
 I have changed my name from (old name Mohamad Yussouf To new name Mohd Yousuf Pir in future I will be known as (new name) Mohd Yousuf Pir . If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file them in the Passport Office Srinagar within seven days. After that no objection shall be entertained.
 Mohd Yousuf Pir
 S/o Gh Rasool Pir
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PUBLIC NOTICE
 It is informed to the General public that my name and Parantage in my Aadhar Card bearing Aadhar No :-9260 1093 8655 has been wrongly mentioned as Haji Ghulam Mohammad Mir S/O.Amar Mir . instead of Mohd Mir S/O. Amir Mir . Now I am applying for its Correction as per my actual record . if anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may contact the same in the office of the General Manager Ranbir Govt Press Jammu within a period of seven days from the publication of this notice. No objection will be entertained after expiry of stipulated period.
 Mohd Mir S/O. Amir Mir
 R/O:- Wahiepora
 Tehsil :- Langate Distt : Kupwar.
 Pin Code:- 193302 J&Kashmir
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اڑتیاہت یوتی
 عنوان:- درخواست منجانب محمد رفیع پیر سے دلہن محمد رفیع پیر سے ساکنہ نمبر زلوار ی بمراد عطاگی RBA تحت 176 SRO سخت سخت خود
 اشتہار ہر خاص و عام
 معاملہ مندرجہ عنوان الصدر میں ساکنہ/ساکنہ نے ایک درخواست پیش کی ہے جو کہ زیر کاروائی ہے اس بارے میں بنواری علق سے رپورٹ طلب کی گئی ہے جس سے عیاں ہے کہ ساکنہ واقعی مستحق نمبر زلوار ی میں رہائش پذیر ہے اور کسی بھی ترک سکونت نہیں کی ہے۔ ساکنہ کا کہنے بذیل افراد پر مشتمل ہے
 عدیل حمید پیر سے دلہن محمد رفیع پیر سے 50 سال
 رشید بیگم زویہ عدیل حمید گھر بیلو کام 45 سال
 محمد رفیع پیر سے دلہن عدیل حمید زویہ عدیل حمید 25 سال
 شاکر حمید پیر سے عدیل حمید -- 24 سال
 ربیعہ اختر -- -- 20 سال
 عادل حمید پیر -- -- 19 سال
 ساکنہ مذکورہ RBA سرٹیفکیٹ حاصل کرنے کے خواہاں ہے اور کہیں کہیں مہوار آمدنی 6000 روپیہ تک ہے۔ سرٹیفکیٹ زیر بحث اجراء کرنے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی مزہدیا اعتراض ہو تو وہ عدیل حمید اشتہار منجانب اسات دنوں کے اندر اپنا اعتراض عدالت صدر کو دفتر ی اوقات کے دوران پیش کریں۔ بعد گزرنے کے بعد کوئی بھی اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔
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PUBLIC NOTICE
 The electricity connection with consumer ID-0204020006419 registered in the name of Ghulam Mohammad S/O late Mohd Ismail R/O Hazratbal is to be transferred in favour of Rafiq Ahmad S/O late Ghulam Mohammad R/O Hazratbal . objections If any must reach concerned authorities within a week at the most. After that no objection shall be entertained.
 Contact no:-7006881233
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NOTICE
 I want to transfer the Electric Connection bearing Consumer No. 0101030020891 which is registered in the name of RIYAZ AHMED ZARGAR S/O: ALI MOHD ZARGAR R/O: SIDHRA JAMMU 180019 JK-180001 IND in the Electric Department. In this regard, if anybody having any objection He/She may convey to Assistant Executive Engineer Electric Sub Division SD-PARADE-III within a period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.
 Tabasum Bashir
 W/o: Aitaf Ahmad Ringshawl
 R/o: Gulberg Colony Hyderpora Sgr

PUBLIC NOTICE
 I, ABDUL QAYOOM KHAN, S/o Late Ghulam Mohammad Khan, R/o Baghi Ali Mardan Khan, Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir, hereby inform the general public that I intend to obtain / transfer / change the name of the existing electricity connection bearing Consumer ID No. 0204040006180 registered, installed at Baghi Ali Mardan Khan, Srinagar, in my name.
 If any person has any objection to the above, he/she may submit the same to the concerned electric division within 7 (seven) days from the date of publication of this notice. After the expiry of the said period, no objection shall be entertained
 Sd/-
 ABDUL QAYOOM KHAN
 S/o Late Ghulam Mohammad Khan
 R/o Baghi Ali Mardan Khan, Srinagar

Government of Jammu & Kashmir
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (R&B) DIVISION AWANTIPORA.
 NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER
 NIT No: 155/EEA/R&B of 2025-26/9103-9113 Dated: 13-01-2026

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

S. No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/Doc. (In Rupees)	Earnest money (In Rupees)	Time of completion	M.H of Account	Class of Contractor	Project Authority
1.	Construction of Treasury Building Awantipora District Pulwama (Balance work).	18.15	800/-	2% of Adv cost	30 days	Relevant head of Account	BEE, CEE	Directorate of Accounts & Treasuries Kashmir

Position Of AAA: Accorded vide No: 205 of DANK Dated: 28.07.2022 and Authorization No: DTO/PUL/2025-26/547 Dated: 27.11.2025.
 Position of funds: Committed.

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:-

S	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	13-01-2026
1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	13-01-2026
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	13-01-2026
3	Bid submission Start Date	14-01-2026
4	Bid Submission End Date	27-01-2026 4:00 PM
5	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	28-01-2026 12:00 PM

- Every participating contractor to mandatorily disclose the bank account number which is linked with their GSTIN at the time of bid submission. No payments shall be released by the Government Department/Agency to any other bank account except the one linked with the GST registered number of the successful bidder. (As per circular No. 01(ADM) FD of 2025 Dated 08-07-2025 of J&K Finance Department)
 (The participating contractor may disclose his Bank Account as per the format, devised as Annexure- A of the NIT and submit/upload the same accordingly at the time of submission of the bid).
- 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 Awantipora (tender inviting authority).**
- All the bidders must upload Earnest money /Bid security equal to 2% of advertised cost in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to **Executive Engineer R&B Division Awantipora (tender receiving authority)** (The Date of earnest money/Bid security should be between the Bid Submission start date and Bid submission End date, otherwise bids shall be rejected).
- The Successful bidder will have to provide performance security @ 5% of contract value in the form of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to **Executive Engineer R&B Division Awantipora (tender receiving authority)** as per rule-171 (I) of GFR 2017. The earnest money/ Bid security @ 2% shall be released to the successful bidder only on receipt of Performance Security @ 5% of Contract value which shall be released after successful completion of DLP /maintenance period.
- 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 Awantipora (tender receiving authority).
- The earnest money/ Bid security in favour of unsuccessful bidder shall be released only after submission of original Treasury Challan.
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120-days from the date of opening of Technical bids
- The earnest money shall be forfeited, if:-
 - Any bidder/ tenderer withdraws his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or make any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.
 - Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.
 - Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.

No: 155/EEA/R&B / 2025-26/9103-9113
 DPK-10051/25 Dated: 14-01-2026
 Sd/-
 Draftsman Tech. Officer

Sd/-
 Executive Engineer
 R&B Division Awantipora.

Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir
JAL SHAKTI DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER FBI DIVISION TANGMARG
 Office Phone No.01954-254611 Email Address: exen-fbidtangmarg@jk.gov.in
 e-TENDER NOTICE No.25 of 2025-26 FBI Division Tangmarg
 For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of UT Jammu and Kashmir e-tenders on Percentage basis are invited from approved registered eligible contractors with J&K UT. Govt. for following works: -

S No	Name of work	Estt. Cost (Rs. in Lacs)	Cost of T/ Doc. (In Rs.)	Earnest money (In Lacs)	Time of Completion	Class of contract	M.H of Account
1	Construction of Retaining Wall from Paddy land of Ghulam Mohi-ud Din Lone and others at Thindma on wards upto Paddy Lands of Mohammad Yaseen Khan and others .	4.00 Lacs	200/-	8000/-	20 Days	DEE	CDF

1	Publishing date:	13-01-2026	04:00 PM
2	Download date start:	13-01-2026	05:00 PM
3	Bid Submission date start	14-01-2026	10:00 AM
4	Bid Submission date Ends:	20-01-2026	04:00 PM
5	Date of Opening	21-01-2026	11:00 AM

Position of funds: - Assured
 Position of AAA: - Accorded vide order No.391/DDC of 2025 dated: - 09-01-2025

Sd/-
 Technical Officer

Sd/-
 Executive Engineer,
 (Jal Shakti)
 FB I Division Tangmarg

DPK-10029/25
 dated: 14-01-2026

Specially-Abled Students from Abhinandan Home Excel in Class 10 Exams

Observer News Service

Srinagar: In a heartening testament to resilience, determination and the power of inclusive education, ten specially-abled students of Abhinandan Home, Rambagh, Srinagar, have delivered an outstanding performance in the Class 10 board examinations, proving that physical challenges are no barrier to academic excellence when supported by dedication and the right environment.

The students, many of whom are deaf and dumb and face multiple learning challenges, not only passed the examination but did so with commendable scores, turning their success into a beacon of hope for hundreds of similarly-abled children across Jammu and Kashmir.

Principal of Abhinandan Home, Rambagh, Mudasir Ahmad, speaking to KNO, said that all ten students who appeared in the matriculation examination this year cleared it with flying colours.

"This achievement belongs equally to our students, who worked relentlessly despite their disabilities, to our committed teachers who adopted in-

novative and customised teaching methods, and to the parents who stood by their children at every step," he said.

He identified the successful candidates as Hashmat Ullah (420 marks), Asra Zehra (400), Owais (388), Asiya (380), Rutba (379), Tajamul (366), Areba (356), Shaista (354), Salman (341) and Umar Fayaz (310).

Among the top achievers, Hashmat Ullah, who is deaf and dumb, secured an impressive 84 per cent.

Expressing his joy through sign language, Hashmat credited his success to the unwavering support of his family and teachers. "I want to thank everyone who believed in me. This is just the beginning. I want to continue breaking barriers and prove that we are capable of much more," he said.

Another achiever, Asra Zehra, who scored 75 per cent, expressed gratitude towards her teachers for adopting innovative and inclusive teaching techniques that helped her understand complex concepts with ease. "Our teachers never gave up on us. They taught us patiently, in ways we could understand," she said.



Admin Steps Up Preparations for Shab-e-Meraj at Hazratbal

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Ahead of the observance of Shab-e-Meraj (1447 Hijri), the Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Akshay Labroo, along with Senior Superintendent of Police Srinagar Sandeep Chakravarty, on Wednesday conducted an on-site inspection of arrangements at the Hazratbal Shrine to ensure smooth conduct of the auspicious religious occasion.

The inspection was also attended by SSP Traffic Police Srinagar Aijaz Ahmad. During the visit, the Deputy Commissioner undertook a comprehensive, department-wise review of facilities being put in place for the observance, particularly focusing on electricity and water supply, sanitation and cleanliness, firefighting services, transport and parking management, healthcare facilities and security arrangements.

The Deputy Commissioner directed all line departments to put in place special arrangements to facilitate devotees, especially during the intervening night of Shab-e-Meraj and on the following Friday, when a large congregation is expected at the shrine.

Emphasising close inter-departmental coordination, the DC stressed the need for peaceful, seamless and hassle-free observance of the occasion. He called for uninterrupted power and water supply, effective sanitation measures, efficient traffic regulation, strict



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food safety norms, adequate medical preparedness and elaborate security arrangements to ensure the convenience and safety of devotees.

To augment transport facilities, RTC and the Regional Transport Office (RTO) were instructed to ensure adequate public transport, particularly during night and early morning hours. Special emphasis was laid on providing e-rickshaw services from designated parking areas to the shrine for elderly devotees.

Reviewing power arrangements, the Deputy Commissioner directed engineers of the Power Development Department to ensure uninterrupted electricity supply at the shrine during night prayers and on the day of the display of the Holy

Relic, with adequate backup systems in place to address any contingencies.

Similarly, the Jal Shakti Department was instructed to ensure sufficient water supply at the shrine premises, including the positioning of adequate water tankers to meet peak demand. The Srinagar Municipal Corporation was asked to deploy sufficient manpower and machinery to maintain cleanliness in and around the shrine, establish mobile toilet facilities and implement a concrete mechanism to address the stray dog menace in the vicinity.

The DC also directed that all dysfunctional street and mass lighting in the area be made operational well ahead of the religious occasion.

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The SSP Srinagar and SSP Traffic Police shared their inputs regarding security and traffic management to ensure smooth and peaceful conduct of the event.

Earlier, the Executive Magistrate, J&K Wakf Board briefed the Deputy Commissioner on the arrangements being made by the Wakf Board for the occasion, during which thousands of devotees are expected to visit the shrine to offer special prayers and have a glimpse of the Holy Relic.

Cracks Emerge on Habba Kadal Heritage Bridge

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Barely two years after its inauguration, the restored Old Habba Kadal Bridge in Srinagar has begun showing visible signs of deterioration, raising serious questions over the quality of work carried out under the Smart City heritage project.

The pedestrian bridge, which was inaugurated on January 16, 2024, has developed cracks, damaged wooden decking and uneven surfaces, giving it a shabby appearance. Locals and pedestrians using the bridge have expressed surprise and concern over

its condition, stating that it is hard to believe the structure was restored and inaugurated so recently.

The bridge was revamped as part of a heritage conservation initiative aimed at preserving Srinagar's historic urban character. The restoration work included structural retrofitting, installation of wooden decks and heritage-style architectural elements. However, on-ground observations suggest that several wooden planks have loosened, gaps have appeared in the deck and sections of the surface show clear signs of wear and neglect.

Two Tenants Die of Suspected Suffocation in Rented Room

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Two tenants were found dead due to suspected suffocation in a rented room at Nowgam area of Srinagar on Wednesday, officials said.

The meeting was attended by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Aadil Faraed; SDM West, Irfan Bahadur; SDM East, Zubair Ahmad; Assistant Commissioner Revenue, Umar Gulzar, and all Tehsildars of Srinagar District.

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Police said the rented accommodation belongs to one Ghulam Ahmad Ahanger. The deceased have been identified as Bashir Ahmad Wagay, son of Ghulam Rasool Wagay, and Nisar Ahmad Ahanger, son of Ghulam Ahmad Ahanger, both residents of Kokernag in Anantnag district, and were working as labourers in Srinagar. KNT

Construction of ST PG Boys Hostel Reviewed

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Akshay Labroo on Wednesday conducted an inspection of the ongoing construction works of the ST PG Boys Hostel at Tulsibagh and also carried out an on-site inspection of the proposed site for construction of a Tribal Girls Hostel at Chattabal area of the district.

DC Reviews Progress of Revenue Record Digitization

Observer News Service

Srinagar: In order to review the progress of digitization of revenue records in the district, a meeting of senior Officers was held under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Akshay Labroo, here.

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05	B.Voc (Tourism & Hospitality Management)		

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Events	Date(s)
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Correction in the Particulars	02 nd February to 04 th February 2026(up to 11.50 PM)
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This Day In History

- 1861- US Civil War: Union forces at Fort Pickens on Santa Rosa Island near Pensacola, Florida refuse Florida Militia demand to surrender
- 1865- Second Battle of Fort Fisher: Union Navy bombards Fort Fisher, North Carolina, allowing Union troops to capture Confederacy's last remaining seaport
- 1882- French explorer Jules Nicholas Crevaux is the first European to discover an Inca City near Sarta, north-west Argentina
- 1892- Basketball rules first published in Triangle Magazine, written by James Naismith
- 1902- Abdulaziz Ibn Saud leads 40 men over the walls of Riyadh and takes the city, marking the beginning of the Third Saudi State
- 1907- 3-element vacuum tube patented by American inventor Lee De Forest
- 1907- Gold dental inlays first described by William Taggart, who invented them
- 1915- Japan claims economic control of China
- 1922- Arthur Griffith is elected president of the Irish Free State after Eamon de Valera resigns in opposition to the Anglo-Irish Treaty (De Valera will lead a military opposition seeking a unified and independent Ireland)
- 1934- 8.4 earthquake in India/Nepal, 10,700 die
- 1937- Spanish Civil War: Second Battle of the Corunna Road ends after both forces withdraw
- 1943- World's largest office building, the Pentagon is completed
- 1943 - 1,000 workers complete air conditioning system for Pentagon

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KO VIEW

Why Talent Leaves

Kashmir continues to place deep faith in education. Families shape entire lives around exams, results, and degrees, while students study with focus and belief that effort will open doors.

Classrooms produce talent year after year, and colleges send out doctors, engineers, researchers, and scholars who aim high and work hard.

But after graduation, the road ahead often looks unclear, and ambition slows right where opportunity should begin.

Students from the valley earn strong ranks in national tests and secure places in competitive courses. Teachers push standards higher with every batch, and success brings praise, certificates, and pride.

The next step into work, research, or enterprise remains uncertain, and many move from achievement into waiting. That gap shapes how young people imagine their future and measure the value of their effort.

Mobility gives education its meaning because learning finds purpose through work, discovery, and contribution. Kashmir struggles to build this connection.

Hiring systems move slowly, timelines remain unclear, private industry stays narrow, and research spaces grow unevenly. Graduates prepare for years without knowing when chances will appear, which turns life planning into guesswork rather than direction.

This disconnect shapes choices early. Students select degrees based on perceived openings rather than interest, and families guide children toward a narrow set of careers that appear safer. Creative talent begins to look elsewhere, and many plan to leave long before finishing college. Education then fuels departure instead of strengthening local progress.

Clear design can change this story. Predictable recruitment schedules help graduates prepare with confidence. Open data on vacancies builds trust. Strong ties between universities and industry create real demand for skill. Research funding linked to local challenges keeps scholars invested. Entrepreneurship grows when mentoring, credit, and markets move together. These systems lift merit instead of leaving it suspended.

Kashmir already holds strong foundations. Universities expand every year, medical and technical colleges train capable professionals, and digital access connects youth to global knowledge. Tourism, agriculture, crafts, and services offer space for innovation. Coordination falls behind potential, with education policy moving on one track and employment planning following another. Skill programs grow without clear mapping of demand.

Young people feel this divide every day. Conversations at home and in hostels mix pride with uncertainty. Parents speak of success and worry in the same breath, while teachers celebrate results and advise patience. This strain shapes trust in institutions and influences how deeply youth stay engaged with public life.

Merit aligned with mobility strengthens society. Fair pathways reduce frustration, transparent systems reward effort and imagination together, and regions grow stable when opportunity follows hard work.

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Read This Before You Buy Anything

Golden Investment Paths

Modern tools help Kashmiri traders turn silver and gold into smart, flexible investments.

Irshad Mushtaq

Kashmiri traders have always valued gold and silver, but today, the investment landscape offers more than just storing coins in a box.

Exchange-Traded Funds, or ETFs, and the Multi Commodity Exchange, or MCX, open doors to modern, flexible ways of gaining from these metals.

ETFs work like a stock. Buying a share means owning a piece of a fund that holds gold or silver. Investors enjoy the metal's price swings without worrying about storage or safety. Convenience comes naturally: your metals sit securely with the fund, while you trade freely through your brokerage account. Costs shrink, too, since insurance and vaults no longer eat into returns. Many ETFs even bundle different metals, letting investors diversify without juggling multiple assets.

MCX trading offers a different flavour. It allows contracts on gold and silver, letting traders respond quickly to market shifts. Transparency is built in, with live prices showing exactly where the market stands. Traders can also leverage small sums into larger positions, amplifying gains when the timing feels right.

Physical metals still hold charm. Holding a coin or bar feels tangible, like a connection to centuries of value. But, they carry hidden burdens: storage, insurance, and limited trading speed. ETFs and MCX trim these obstacles, offering immediate access, tighter pricing, and the flexibility that modern markets reward.

A mix of approaches works best for Kashmiri investors eager to grow wealth while keeping pace with modern finance. Combine physical pieces with ETFs or MCX positions, spread risk, and stay informed.

With careful research, gold and silver can shine not only as timeless treasures but also as agile, smart investments that match today's opportunities.

The author is a Srinagar-based reputed financial advisor.

Kashmir's Health Blind Spot

Society questions eggs and milk while ignoring cigarettes, alcohol, and unethical medical practices.

Aubaid Ahmad Akhoun

Kashmir struggles with a strange contradiction. Foods that have fed generations, including eggs, milk, and poultry, face suspicion and debate. At the same time, cigarettes and alcohol remain accepted, familiar, and profitable.

Tobacco causes lung, throat, and oral cancers. Alcohol damages livers, hearts, and families. Hospitals see the consequences every day. Shops sell them openly. Advertisements skirt regulations. Society treats these poisons as ordinary.

Meanwhile, eggs, milk, and chicken spark fear. People worry about contamination, artificial feed, or hygiene. Society debates protein on plates while ignoring poisons in lungs and blood.

This selective panic signals a deeper failure. Public health needs ethics, rather than just rules.

Cigarettes and alcohol are not misunderstood. They are among the most studied public health hazards in human history. But still, stores selling them face less scrutiny than street vendors selling eggs or milk.

The contradiction is convenient. Addiction generates revenue, disease drives profit, and silence protects commerce. But real danger comes from what we inhale and drink repeatedly.

Kashmir once lived close to nature. Households raised poultry, collected fresh eggs, and consumed meat free from hormones and chemical feed. Eggs offer complete nutrition. Chicken supports metabolism, muscle repair, and heart health when handled prop-



erly. These foods remain affordable and nourishing.

Still, they face suspicion while cigarettes and alcohol avoid public outrage. This reversal shows society has misplaced its health priorities.

Government efforts in poultry and food safety exist, but results feel symbolic. Farms operate but rarely meet local demand. Supplies appear during festivals, leaving markets dependent on outside sources. Enforcement against unhygienic meat happens only after complaints.

Authorities act, then practices resume.

Public health cannot survive sporadic action. It needs consistent oversight and commitment.

Milk, once a daily staple, now carries doubt. Adulteration, synthetic enhancers, and missing testing centers erode trust. Infants, elderly, and



Kashmir must realign health priorities. Eggs, milk, and poultry need regulation, testing, and transparency. Cigarettes and alcohol need rejection. Medical practice needs audits and accountability. Health insurance requires supervision. Government departments must deliver results.

patients cannot rely on market ethics alone. Without strict monitoring, nourishment turns into risk.

Healthcare adds another layer. The Ayushman Bharat "Golden Card" promised up to 5 lakh in cashless treatment for vulnerable families. But evidence shows misuse.

Unnecessary surgeries happen when non-surgical options exist. Procedures generate profit, patients become statistics, and fear becomes a tool.

And when insurance covers costs, ethical responsibility shifts away from caregivers, making exploitation easier.

Prescription practices worsen the problem.

Pharmaceutical incentives drive overmedication, overcharging, and poor guidance. Food vendors face scrutiny. Prescriptions often escape it.

The pattern repeats: weak regulation, selective outrage, and institutional silence.

Kashmir must realign health priorities. Eggs, milk, and poultry need regulation, testing, and transparency. Cigarettes and alcohol need rejection. Medical practice needs audits and accountability. Health insurance requires supervision. Government departments must deliver results.

Public health cannot thrive on hypocrisy. True threats to life come from addiction, profit-driven disease, and unethical practice, rather than what lies on our plates.

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Merit Lost In Quotas

In Jammu and Kashmir, the majority population fights for a shrinking share of seats and jobs while reservations dominate every sector. A fair, balanced system can restore opportunity and reward talent.

Mohsin Masoodi



also claim Open Merit seats, effectively shrinking the unreserved share.

A GC student scoring the cutoff of 70 out of 100 competes against reserved candidates with similar marks.

As a result, unreserved students often access only 20-25% of opportunities, while reserved candidates occupy the majority.

The consequences extend far beyond undergraduate admissions.

Professional courses, government jobs, and promotions follow similar patterns. NEET PG, the medical entrance exam for specialty courses, highlights the disparity clearly.

In 2024 and 2025, only 26-27% of selected students across J&K came from the GC/unreserved category. One student may earn an MD in medicine at state rank 37, while a reserved candidate can secure the same seat at rank 300.

Even after Ladakh's separation, the 4% quota for STK/STL persists in J&K, further limiting opportunities for the ethnic Kashmiri-speaking population.

The demographic reality makes the imbalance starker.

Nearly 70% of the population vies for only 25% of seats and jobs. This situation affects every vital sector, including healthcare, engineering, and administration.

If current policies continue, Kashmiri-speaking officers, doctors, engineers, and bureaucrats could become increasingly rare over the next two decades.

Excessive quotas that reward mediocrity at the expense of talent undermine fairness. Rationalizing reservations across all categories would protect merit while still supporting disadvantaged groups.

Merit should thrive alongside social equity instead of taking the back seat. Reforming the system can restore hope for the majority without harming those who genuinely need support.

It ensures talent rises, opportunity expands, and society benefits from the skills and energy of all its members.

The time has come for Jammu and Kashmir to act.

Reforming reservations can lift merit, honour achievement, and open doors for all students and professionals.

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Letter to Editor

The Emergency We Pretend Not to See in Kashmir

Kashmir is often described through its postcard beauty, poetry, and pain, and those images still ring true, while another crisis grows behind closed doors, far from public view, shaping lives in ways many families grasp only after deep harm has already settled in.

Drugs enter homes the way an unwelcome guest does, moving from room to room, overstaying their welcome, and slowly taking control of everyday life until the household no longer feels familiar.

Drug addiction in Kashmir grows from wounds left unattended for years. Many young people turn to drugs while searching for belonging, warmth, and understanding that feel missing from their daily lives, and this search often begins long before anyone notices the signs.

Homes shaped by poverty, unemployment, trauma, and constant pressure often leave parents drained and children unheard. Fathers focus on survival, mothers carry endless responsibilities, and children learn silence before they learn how to speak about pain, which then finds another place to settle.

Drugs fill that empty space. The path often begins with a friend group that seems welcoming and understanding, offering escape without questions. A boy who feels unseen at home feels valued among peers who promise relief. A girl who feels judged finds comfort in attention that appears caring.

The feeling is brief, though it feels real in the moment, and it slowly asks for more than it gives.

Addiction reaches far beyond the

body and changes the shape of family life. Trust erodes, tempers rise, honesty fades, and homes turn tense and fearful. Parents often react with anger and control, while siblings withdraw in shame, and many families grasp the depth of the problem only after deep harm has already taken place.

Care within a family grows through listening, conversation, and guidance that does not rely on fear. Many parents love their children deeply but confuse silence with strength and obedience with emotional health, while children need to be heard long before they need correction.

Faith speaks clearly on this issue. Islam warns against substances that damage the mind, body, and soul, and it also calls for compassion toward those who fall. Addiction is not proof of moral

failure, and healing does not grow from humiliation.

The Prophet, peace be upon him, guided people through kindness, rather than rejection, and families must remember this example.

Change begins with awareness, open dialogue, and shared responsibility. Mosques, schools, and community spaces must speak openly, and parents must learn how to ask their children about feelings beyond achievements.

Kashmir has endured enough loss, and this silent crisis asks for care, honesty, and connection before another future disappears behind closed doors.

Sincerely,

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How One Teacher Is Bringing Science to Life in Kashmir

Classrooms are changing in the valley. One teacher is showing how curiosity, collaboration, and hands-on learning can transform education.

Dr. Mushtaq Rather

Naveed Gull's science classroom at Model Higher Secondary School Kokernag in Anantnag buzzes with creative energy.

He moves among his students, guiding them through experiments using simple, everyday materials.

A pulley swings, chemicals bubble, and a small stream outside turns into a living lab. Students watch, touch, ask questions, and test their ideas.

They think about what happens, talk about the results, and try again.

The classroom feels alive because learning happens through curiosity, and every student is part of it.

Gull has changed what it means to be a teacher. He works as a guide, a mentor, and a partner in learning. Science in his classroom grows through discovery and hands-on work, where students learn by exploring ideas together.

The National Education Policy 2020 supports this way of teaching and encourages classrooms that focus on experience, curiosity, and active learning.

The National Curriculum Framework for School Education high-



A garden, a pond, or even a classroom corner can spark experiments. Learning connects to real life. Concepts become meaningful and memorable.

lights. They think about what happened and compare it to what they already know.

Abstract thinking comes next. Students form ideas and connect observations to scientific principles. Then they test these ideas in new situations.

The cycle continues, and every hands-on activity strengthens understanding.

In Gull's classroom, students collaborate naturally. They share results, challenge ideas, and solve problems together.

They develop skills beyond science, like communication, teamwork, and critical thinking. These skills prepare them for life and work.

Low-cost materials make experiments accessible to every student. Curiosity drives the day, and engagement shapes learning.

The benefits appear in how stu-

dents understand and remember concepts.

Learning through experience strengthens memory and creativity. Students gain skills that go beyond grades. They test ideas, adapt, and solve problems. Different learning styles are supported, and every student finds a way to participate.

This method makes science accessible and exciting in Kashmir, where resources are limited.

But despite this diligent classroom conduct, challenges exist.

Hands-on teaching requires energy, preparation, and imagination. Field trips, experiments, and projects need planning. Teachers used to lectures must adjust their methods. Standard exams rarely show what students learn through experience.

However, Gull overcomes these challenges with focus, creativity, and dedication. His classroom

thrives when curiosity leads the way.

This approach addresses bigger needs in Kashmir's education system.

Students develop scientific thinking, problem-solving, and curiosity. They become capable of handling challenges with practical skills and creative ideas. Education becomes more than exams. Classrooms become spaces for exploring, experimenting, and growing. Students experience learning instead of memorizing it.

By the end of the day, students leave Gull's classroom with excitement.

A chemical reaction sparks discussion. A stick bridge stands under testing. Tiny organisms in a pond invite wonder and conversation.

Each experience leads to reflection, new questions, and another

round of experiments.

Learning flows continuously. Students think, test, and explore ideas actively. The classroom becomes a laboratory for understanding and imagination.

Naveed Gull's work shows how education can transform a student's world. Science becomes accessible, meaningful, and exciting.

His classroom connects to a larger reality: Kashmir's students face many challenges, but education can turn curiosity into skill, ideas into action, and learning into opportunity.

Gull's classroom proves that change begins when students explore, reflect, and create.

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TEACHERS LIKE NAVEED GULL SHOW THAT LEARNING IS ALIVE, ACTIVE, AND PERSONAL.

Science becomes exciting, curiosity leads, and students grow as thinkers, creators, and problem-solvers. Learning is not an instruction to follow. It is a journey to experience, understand, and enjoy every step.

lights the same idea.

Students observe the world around them, design experiments, and use their local environment as a laboratory.

Kolb's Experiential Learning Cycle shows why this works.

It starts with doing. Students perform an experiment and feel the process in action. Reflection fol-

In Memory of Dr. Muhammad Manzoor Alam

As a great Muslim intellectual, he turned ideas into institutions, shaping minds and nurturing communities across India and beyond.

Prof. M. Aslam

I first met Dr. Muhammad Manzoor Alam through the Institute of Objective Studies, the organization he founded in New Delhi in 1986.

That encounter shaped my understanding of what it truly means to combine scholarship with service.

Dr. Alam carried a vision of research that could illuminate society, question assumptions, and empower communities. He believed that ideas could change lives, and he devoted his life to making that belief a reality.

He grew up in Rampur village in Bihar's Madhubani district, born on October 9, 1945, to M. Abdul Jalil. From childhood, he showed an appetite for knowledge that never faded.

At Aligarh Muslim University, he earned a Ph.D. in Economics and developed a deep interest in Islamic social sciences and economic reform.

Education became his instrument for change, a way to create opportunities for those who had few.

Dr. Alam's career moved across continents. He served as an Economic Advisor in Saudi Arabia's Ministry of Finance, shaping policies and development projects. He taught Islamic economics at Imam Muhammad bin Saud University in Riyadh, inspiring students to think critically and ethically.

In Medina, he coordinated the King Fahd Quran Translation Project, ensuring that knowledge crossed linguistic and cultural boundaries.

He represented India at the International Islamic University Malaysia and contributed to scholarship initiatives with the Islamic Development Bank. He connected global institutions with local concerns, always keeping the welfare of communities in sight.

Back in India, he built institutions that became legacies.

The Institute of Objective Studies completed more than 410 research projects, produced over 400 publications, and organised more than 1,230 conferences, seminars, and workshops.

These gatherings brought together scholars, policymakers, and activists to address social and educational challenges, particularly those facing Indian Muslims.

IOS became a platform where re-



DR. MUHAMMAD MANZOOR ALAM PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 13, 2026. His legacy lives on through the institutions he built, the research he championed, and the generations of scholars and students he guided.

search, ethics, and action intersected.

Dr. Alam guided hundreds of students to pursue higher education abroad. He nurtured talent with patience and insight, offering mentorship that combined practical guidance with ethical direction.

He believed that leadership required vision, humility, and dedication to collective well-being.

His influence extended through the All India Milli Council, the Muslim Social Sciences Association, the Islamic Fiqh Academy, and the Indo-Arab Economic Cooperation Forum.

He built networks that linked scholars, thinkers, and policymakers across

the world.

He wrote with clarity and purpose, producing works on Islamic economics, education, minority rights, interfaith dialogue, and social reform.

His book, *The Final Wake-Up Call*, explored media, global discourse, and the challenges faced by marginalised communities.

Every article and research paper reflected his belief that knowledge should produce solutions, rather than merely critique problems.

I remember him as a mentor whose generosity of thought and action shaped those around him.

He could challenge your assumptions, expand your understanding, and inspire you to act.

His life teaches that knowledge carries responsibility, that research must meet reality, and that scholarship can serve humanity.

Dr. Muhammad Manzoor Alam passed away on January 13, 2026. His legacy lives on through the institutions he built, the research he championed, and the generations of scholars and students he guided.

His vision endures, and those of us who knew him carry forward his commitment to knowledge, ethics, and service.

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Seized Symbols

A roadside encounter from years ago still shows why merit and law matter more than identity.

Mohammad Ilyas Bhat

It was a busy afternoon on a crowded Srinagar road. My friend's father, then a young traffic officer, was checking papers and keeping the traffic moving.

Years later, he would rise to the post of Regional Transport Officer, a role that earns respect through discipline rather than attention.

On that day, he was simply doing his work under the open sky. One small encounter from that afternoon stayed with him, long after everything else faded.

He stopped an old Bajaj Priya scooter that rattled with age but moved with confidence. The rider wore his faith openly, as if it were a badge on his chest.

The officer asked for the usual papers: registration, insurance, proof of ownership. Instead of arguing, the rider offered something creative.

He handed over a prayer book for ownership, and a string of beads for insurance.

When the officer asked about the missing helmet, he adjusted his prayer cap and wore it with assurance, as if his faith could protect him.

For a moment, it felt as if belief could take the place of every official document.

The exchange lasted only a few minutes. Faith had stepped into a space meant for law.

The officer said nothing about devotion, asked no questions, and showed no judgment. He simply followed the rules.

The scooter was taken aside. The rider pleaded for almost an hour, drawing on habit and hope, but never offering a registration number.

In the end, he paid a fine and rode away, lighter in pocket and heavier in understanding.

That moment carried a lesson beyond the road. The law stayed firm without questioning faith. Order held because symbols stayed where they



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belonged.

When rules give way to identity, governance cannot adapt. And when prayer books replace official papers, it shows the state has stepped back from its duty.

The same confidence that once relied on symbols in the streets now appears in universities, selection panels, and policy rooms, moving forward without any documents.

Merit once formed the backbone of education. Today, many institutions treat it as optional.

Performance often takes a back seat to belief. Admissions turn away students because of identity rather than ability. Education has shifted from a ladder that lifts talent to a sieve that separates people.

Medical education shows the danger most clearly.

Seats given based on faith instead of ability put lives at risk. Patients rely on skill instead of identity. Engineering follows the

same path. Structures fail when equations lose meaning and emotion takes the lead. Steel and concrete respond only to calculation.

When bridges collapse, slogans provide no support, and people pay the price beneath the debris.

A society that trades ability for appeasement drifts toward decay, even if it dresses the truth in polite words and smiles.

Respect for religion belongs to private life. Law protects everyone together. Mixing the two only causes harm.

Prayers comfort the heart. Knowledge saves lives. One cannot take the place of the other.

That traffic officer understood this lesson years ago, standing beside a seized scooter on a crowded road.

—The author works in agricultural seed production and is writing his first short story anthology.

J&K Vital Pillar Of India's National-security Architecture: Army Commander

Press Trust Of India

Rajouri: Northern Army Commander Lieutenant General Pratik Sharma on Wednesday said Jammu and Kashmir is a vital pillar of India's national-security architecture, not only because of its geographical importance but also due to its strong military ethos and human resources.

Addressing a gathering at the concluding ceremony of the 10th Veterans-Day celebrations in Rajouri, the Army commander also lauded the region's contributions to the armed forces.

"Jammu and Kashmir is not only strategically important, but is also a vital pillar of the nation's core security architecture in terms of human resources and military tradition," Lt Gen. Sharma said.

Highlighting the region's contribution to the armed forces, he said with a population of nearly 1.5 crore, Jammu and Kashmir accounts for around 4 to 5 per cent representation in India's border security forces. "This is a significant contribution when seen in proportion to the overall strength of the armed forces," he said.

Referring to the rich military legacy of the region, Lt Gen. Sharma said Jammu and Kashmir is deeply rooted in diverse regimental traditions that reflect a unique spirit of patriotism and sacrifice.

"The exceptional performance of prestigious regiments such as the JAK Rifles, JAK Light Infantry and Dogra units in every war is a matter of pride for the soil of Jammu and Kashmir and its people," he said.

The Northern Army commander pointed out that the Union Territory is home to nearly 45,000 veterans and 975

"Veer Nari", who continue to serve the country in different capacities.

"Through their discipline and patriotism, our veterans have also made valuable contributions in disaster management and in other civic roles, strengthening military-civil fusion," he added.

Recalling the role of veterans during Operation Sindoor, Lt Gen. Sharma said their experience, local knowledge and valour played a key role in boosting the morale of the troops deployed in border areas. "During this unique

coordination effort, the morale of our forces was at its peak. Every soldier of the Northern Command displayed exemplary bravery, taught the enemy a fitting lesson and upheld the highest traditions of mutual trust and camaraderie," he said.

The Army commander said a series of commemorative programmes was organised from January 8 to January 14 across various areas under the Northern Command as part of the 10th Veterans-Day celebrations, culminating in the closing ceremony at Rajouri. Expressing satisfaction over

the public participation, he said, "The gracious presence of the lieutenant governor and the large turnout today fill me with immense pride and satisfaction."

He also lauded the Dhruv motorcycle rally and said the riders covered more than 740 kilometres across the remote and challenging terrain of the Pir Panjal range. "I wholeheartedly commend the riders for their courage, endurance and discipline," he said.

Lt Gen. Sharma said medical camps were organised ahead of the main event at

Nagrota, Akhnour, Reasi, Sunderbani, Nowshera, Poonch and Thanamandi for soldiers, veterans, Veer Naris and their families.

"These camps provided medical assistance and also facilitated the distribution of blood-pressure machines, electronic wheelchairs and e-rickshaws," he added.

The Army officer said outreach initiatives related to pensions, medical care, social welfare, goodwill, employment and procurement have ensured administrative reach in remote and border areas.

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Jammu Colder

remained significantly warmer at 17.8 degrees Celsius.

Similarly, Katra recorded a maximum temperature of 18.2 degrees Celsius.

As seen last week, residents of Jammu once again woke up to dense fog on Wednesday, which disrupted air and rail traffic to and from the city.

Out of 26 flights scheduled to operate from Jammu airport, three flights were cancelled, including Srinagar-Jammu-Mumbai, Srinagar-Jammu-Srinagar and Delhi-Jammu-Delhi sectors, while nine others were delayed due to poor visibility, officials said.

Several train services were also delayed owing to dense fog and low visibility conditions, they added.

Snowfall In Kashmir

said on Wednesday. The weather department said minimum temperatures across the region are expected to rise gradually at many places from January 15 onwards, bringing some relief from the prevailing cold conditions.

However, the Met office warned that moderate fog is likely to persist over the plains of the Jammu division, with dense fog expected at a few locations over the next three days, which may impact road, rail and air traffic.

According to the forecast, snowfall in the Kashmir plains remains unlikely till January 20 despite multiple western disturbances approaching the region. The first system, expected between January 16 and 18, may bring light snowfall to higher reaches and isolated light rain in the plains.

The department said subsequent weak western disturbances are likely between January 19 and 21, January 22 and 26, and around January 27, but their impact is expected to remain limited, with only light rain or snow activity at isolated places.

Advising caution, the weather office urged travellers and transporters to plan their journeys carefully and strictly follow official traffic and weather advisories in view of fog and changing conditions in the coming days.

JKBOSE Class 10, 12

Additionally, 660 students from Kargil and 95 from Leh district appeared in the exams.

For Class 12, officials said that 85 percent of the 70,735 students who appeared in the annual regular examinations qualified. Girls continued to lead the performance chart, with 86 percent clearing the exam, while the pass percentage among boys stood at 82 percent.

Nearly 33,549 candidates, accounting for about 47 percent, secured distinction by scoring above 75 percent marks in the Class 12 examinations.

Pertinently, the Board had granted a 15 percent syllabus relaxation for Classes 10, 11 and 12 due to delayed commencement of the academic session and repeated disruptions caused by heat waves, torrential rains, cloudbursts and floods.

In an earlier notification, the Director Academics of the Board stated that, as approved by the competent authority, eligible students appearing in the annual regular 2025 examinations were required to attempt 85 percent of the syllabus, which would be treated as equivalent to 100 percent marks. This relaxation applied to students in the Kashmir division, winter zone areas of Jammu division and the Union Territory of Ladakh.

Govt, Pvt Schools

Science
In the Science stream, Hafsa of Kashmir Harvard Higher Secondary School, Habak secured a perfect 500 marks to top the list. She was followed by Aidah Nasti of Islamiya Hanifa Institute, Lal Chowk Anantnag, Asra of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Kothi Bagh Srinagar, Athar Ajiaz Shah of Candid Higher Secondary School, Nowgam Srinagar, and Azka Rafiq Bhat of Government Higher Secondary School, Chanapora, all of whom scored 499 marks.

Commerce
In the Commerce stream, Sauliha Nabi Wani of Harvard Higher Secondary School, Habak Naseem Bagh Srinagar emerged as the top scorer with 498 marks. She was followed by Huran Gulzar of RP School, Malabagh Srinagar, Maryam Ashraf of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Nawakadal Srinagar, and Muneeza Hakeem of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Zaidal Srinagar, who scored 497 marks each. Areeba Iqbal Gunjoo of Green Valley Educational Institute, Ellahibagh Srinagar secured 496 marks.

Arts
In the Arts stream, Tabin Reyaz of Government Higher Secondary School, Mattan topped with a perfect 500 marks. He was followed by Iqra Hussain of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Langate with 499 marks. Aaliya Altaf of Women's Educational Institute, Banat Lalbazar Srinagar, Ambreen Mushtaq of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Soura Srinagar, and Haiyrah of Green Valley Educational Institute, Ellahibagh Srinagar secured 498 marks each.

Home Science
In Home Science, Adiba Yaqoob of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Kothi Bagh Srinagar topped the stream with 483 marks. She was followed by Iman Taqween of the same school with 481 marks, Rabia Ashraf of Government

Girls Higher Secondary School, Rainbagh with 479 marks, Taraffuh Qureshi of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Kothi Bagh Srinagar with 467 marks, and Aroja Ajaz of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Rainbagh with 464 marks

Teen Battling

wards where he battled cancer. Armed largely with self-study, the teenager from Tral has now cleared his Class 10 board examinations with an impressive 97 percent marks.

Aakash was in the middle of his Class 9 academic session when he was diagnosed with blood cancer in 2024. What he did not know at the time was that a visit to his school in the Dadsara area of Tral in June last year would turn out to be his final regular day in a classroom.

"For the past one and a half years, I have mostly been bedridden," Aakash said. "I hardly saw my classroom after that. Instead, my days were spent moving between chemotherapy and radiotherapy wards."

Despite the prolonged treatment and physical exhaustion, Aakash refused to give up on his studies. Without attending regular classes or taking private tuition, he prepared for the examinations on his own, often studying in short intervals whenever his health permitted.

"I always wanted to do well in my first board exams," he said. "Most of the time, I did not even have the strength to stand. But whenever I felt a little better, I studied and tried to compete like any other student."

His perseverance paid off when the results were declared. Aakash scored 485 marks out of 500, a performance that stands out not just for the score but for the circumstances in which it was achieved.

However, the effects of treatment continue to weigh on him. He said he remained physically weak after undergoing monthly chemotherapy and radiotherapy sessions until April 2025.

"Even today, I am not strong enough to attend regular classes," Aakash said. "But I will continue my studies. I want to take up medical subjects through offline or distance mode."

Doctors have advised him to undergo a stem cell bone marrow transplant in the next two to three months. Before that, Aakash hopes to secure admission to Class 11, where he plans to study Physics, Chemistry, Biology, English and Physical Education.

For now, his journey from a hospital ward to a high-scoring board result stands as a testament to quiet determination in the face of serious illness. (KNO)

Mattan Student

Class 12 Arts stream, achieving the milestone through self-study and without any private coaching.

Tabin said the achievement came after two emotionally and personally difficult years during which he was unable to leave home due to his mother's illness. "I had planned to go to Srinagar or even Delhi for studies, but circumstances did not allow me to leave. What seemed like a setback eventually became a blessing in disguise," he said.

He attributed his success to disciplined self-study during Classes 11 and 12 and the strong academic support provided by his school. "I owe this result to my school. The teachers, along with the non-teaching staff, supported and motivated me throughout. I am deeply thankful to all of them," Tabin said.

He also acknowledged the role of his earlier schooling in shaping his academic foundation. "The schools I studied in earlier helped me build a strong base, which proved crucial at this stage," he added.

Recalling the moment he learned about his result, Tabin said it was an intensely emotional experience. "I was praying when I came to know about the result. After two very tough years, everyone around me was crying. It was an unforgettable moment," he said.

Tabin said his father is a cloth merchant and described the achievement as a proud moment for his family. "I plan to spend some time with my parents in Delhi before moving ahead with my future plans," he said.

Beyond academics, Tabin has a long-standing interest in writing. "I have been writing since after Class 8 and have worked on several manuscripts. I have also been writing a book for the last three years and will continue writing," he said.

Looking ahead, Tabin said he aspires to join the civil services. "That is my only goal right now," he said, adding a message for fellow students: "What is written in fate is inevitable. No one can take away what is meant for you."

Consistency, Not

Class 12 Commerce stream, securing an impressive 498 out of 500 marks. Her achievement has been widely hailed as a testament to disciplined preparation, clarity of purpose and sustained academic focus.

Speaking to the media after the results, Sualiha downplayed the obsession with marks, saying success was rooted more in direction than numbers. "Marks are just a label. I have always had a clear interest in commerce and knew from the beginning that this is what I wanted to pursue," she said.

Rejecting the notion of shortcuts or overnight success, she attributed her performance to consistent effort and careful planning. "There was no magic spell. I motivated myself by watching top-performing interviews, stayed consistent, studied with a proper plan for six months and thoroughly revised previous years' question papers," she added. Sualiha emphasised the crucial role played by her teachers and parents, describing them as the two strongest pillars behind her achievement. "My teachers and parents supported me at every step. I always stayed in one-on-one touch with my teachers whenever I needed guidance," she said.

Sharing a message for fellow students, the topper urged them to remain focused and goal-oriented. "Every student should have a clear goal in life, work towards it with dedication and move forward with purpose," she advised.

Teachers at Harvard Higher Secondary School congratulated Sualiha on her outstanding performance, saying her success reflects not only her hard work but also the institution's emphasis on academic mentoring and student engagement.

Her achievement has brought pride to her family and school, and stands as an inspiration for students aspiring to excel through consistency, planning and clarity of vision.

India Asks All

available means of transport," the advisory said, underscoring growing concerns over safety as regional tensions intensify.

The embassy reiterated that Indian citizens and Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs) remaining in Iran should exercise extreme caution, avoid areas witnessing protests or demonstrations, and stay in regular contact with the Indian mission. Nationals were also asked to closely monitor local media for updates on the situation.

India's advisory came amid rising tensions in Iran and the region after US President Donald Trump hinted at launching a military action if Tehran continues its crackdown on the rioters.

In a message Trump urged protesters on Tuesday to stay put saying that "help is on the way".

In view of possible emergencies, Indians in Iran have been advised to keep their travel and immigration documents, including passports and identity cards, readily accessible at all times. The embassy said it remains available to provide assistance as required.

To facilitate emergency communication, the Indian Embassy released multiple helpline numbers and an official email address, urging citizens to reach out in case of distress.

The advisory also asked Indian nationals who have not yet registered with the embassy to do so immediately through the Ministry of External Affairs' online portal. In cases where individuals are unable to register due to internet disruptions in Iran, their families in India have been requested to complete the registration on their behalf.

Separately, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) advised Indians to avoid travelling to Iran.

In view of the ongoing developments in Iran, Indian nationals are once again strongly advised to avoid travel to the Islamic Republic of Iran until further notice, it said.

Courage Of Veterans

soldiers as the backbone of the nation's security. "The sacrifices of our soldiers remain invisible. While the nation sleeps in peace, they stand alert. While the nation celebrates festivals together, our soldiers safeguard the borders far away from home. They do not speak about sacrifice. They live it every moment," he said.

On the occasion, the Lieutenant Governor inaugurated a Wall of Fame and launched a dedicated police helpline service for veterans. He reiterated the government's commitment, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, towards the welfare of veterans and their families, and towards ensuring a life of dignity for those who served the nation.

"Veterans are living role models for the youth, guiding the nation with character, timeless values and selfless service. From safeguarding the nation to serving society, our armed forces veterans continue to shape India's future," he said.

The Lieutenant Governor also paid homage to the first Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army, Field Marshal K M Cariappa, and remembered bravehearts including Second Lieutenant Ram Raghoba Rane, Brigadier Mohammad Usman, Naik Jadunath Singh and soldiers from Rajouri.

A mega ex-servicemen rally was organised to mark the occasion, during which motorised wheelchairs, retrofitted scooters and other mobility aids were distributed among veterans and Veer Naris.

The event was attended by senior military commanders, including Lieutenant General Pratik Sharma, GOC-in-C Northern Command, Lt Gen P K Mishra, GOC White Knight Corps, Maj Gen Kaushik Mukherjee, GOC 25 Infantry Division, and Brigadier Pankaj Chib (Retd), Director Sainik Welfare Department, along with veterans, Veer Naris, public representatives and senior officers of the civil, police and security administration.

Rakesh Aggarwal

approved his appointment as DG, NIA for a tenure up to August 31, 2028, the date of his

superannuation, an order issued by the Personnel Ministry said.

Home Secy Reviews

assessed the ongoing anti-terror operations in the mountainous and forested areas of Doda, Kishtwar, Kathua and Udhampur, where security forces have been carrying out sustained operations over the past few weeks.

Officials said the meeting also focused on strengthening the anti-infiltration grid and enhancing coordination among various security agencies in Jammu and Kashmir. The Union Home Secretary, along with senior intelligence officials, is also likely to visit border areas on Thursday to take stock of the ground situation.

New Year, New Risks

and tripling down whenever possible. "Right now I'm feeling pretty good," Trump said Tuesday in Detroit. His speech was ostensibly arranged to refocus attention on the economy, which the president claimed is surging despite lingering concerns about higher prices.

However, he couldn't resist lashing out at Jerome Powell, who leads the Federal Reserve and has resisted Trump's pressure to lower interest rates.

"That jerk will be gone soon," Trump said. Federal Reserve probe a step too far?

Republican leaders have overwhelmingly rallied behind Trump throughout his turbulent second term. But new cracks began to appear this week immediately after Powell disclosed on Sunday that the Federal Reserve was facing a criminal investigation over his testimony about the central bank's building renovations.

Over the last year, the Justice Department has already pursued criminal charges against former FBI Director James Comey, New York Attorney General Letitia James and former national security adviser John Bolton, among other Trump adversaries.

But going after Powell, who helps set the nation's monetary policy, appeared to be a step too far for some conservatives. Fox Business host Maria Bartiromo, a fierce Trump defender, was unambiguously critical.

"It just feels like most on Wall Street do not want to see this kind of fight," she said during her Monday show. "The president has very good points, certainly, but Wall Street doesn't want to see this kind of investigation."

The Federal Reserve plays a key role in the economy by calibrating interest rates, which Trump insists should be lower. However, reducing the institution's independence could backfire and cause borrowing costs to increase instead.

Trump takes America First' foreign policy in new direction

At the same time, Trump has decided to expand the United States' role in complicated foreign entanglements — a seeming departure from the "America First" foreign policy that he promised on the campaign trail.

No move was more significant than the US military operation earlier this month to remove Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro and his wife from his country. In the months leading up to the attack, Trump frequently insisted he was targeting Maduro because of his role in the drug trade. He has quickly pivoted to portraying the move as an economic opportunity for the US.

Trump has said the US will start controlling the sale of some Venezuelan oil, and he declared that the South American nation will be run from Washington. He even posted a meme declaring himself the "acting president of Venezuela."

Trump has also threatened the leadership of Cuba and Iran, while insisting that the US will control Greenland "one way or the other" — a position that has raised questions about US relations with European allies. Greenland belongs to Denmark, a NATO member.

"NATO becomes far more formidable and effective with Greenland in the hands of the UNITED STATES," Trump wrote on social media on Wednesday morning. "Anything less than that is unacceptable."

Immigration raids slow chaos
Meanwhile, Trump's immigration crackdown continues to spark confrontations in American cities. Some have turned deadly, such as when a federal agent shot Renee Good, a 37-year-old mother of three in Minneapolis.

Administration officials have said the US Immigration and Customs Enforcement officer acted in self-defence, accusing Good of trying to hit him with her car. But that explanation has been widely disputed by local officials and others based on videos circulating online.

The incident came after Trump dispatched 2,000 immigration agents to Minnesota, responding to reports of fraud involving the state's Somali community.

On Tuesday, Trump said the administration was targeting "thousands of already convicted murderers, drug dealers and addicts, rapists, violent released and escaped prisoners, dangerous people from foreign mental institutions and insane asylums, and other deadly criminals too dangerous to even mention."

The Trump administration's moves have created "chaos, confusion and uncertainty," said Cleveland Mayor Justin Bibb, who leads the Democratic Mayors Association.

"There's so much uncertainty across my city right now. The ICE raids in Minneapolis have really shocked the consciousness of many of my residents, and we're trying to do everything we can to calm that concerns and quell those fears," Bibb said. "But people don't feel like the world is getting better. People don't feel like the economy is getting better."

Midterm elections are a political test
Voters across the nation will have their next chance to weigh in on Trump's leadership at the ballot box this November, when Republicans hope to retain control of Congress for the last two years of his presidency.

Democratic campaign officials in Washington are focused largely on the economy in their early political messaging. Most voters maintain a decidedly negative view on the issue, despite Trump's rosy assessment this week.

Just 37 per cent of US adults approved of how the president is handling the economy, according to a January poll from The Associated Press-NORC Centre for Public Affairs Research. His economic approval, which was previously a strength, has been low throughout his second term.

On Pulwama's Roads

in a modern transport system
Despite the drastic changes, Manzoor has managed to hold on.

"Today, tongas are limited, but there are still enthusiasts," he says. "Some people ride for the experience, especially children, while others are regular passengers who have stayed loyal over the years."

He usually carries three to four passengers at a time, charging 10 per passenger. On a good day, he earns just enough to take care of daily household expenses and fodder for the horse. Some days pass slowly, with long hours of waiting at the chowk.

When autos and sumos are overcrowded or delayed, commuters from nearby villages like Sirnoo and Manghama sometimes turn to him.

"Sometimes they even call me," he says with a faint smile. "I tighten the reins and go to pick them up."

Apart from passengers, Manzoor occasionally carries light goods such as cement bags or shop supplies. He is careful not to overload the tonga.

"Too much load damages it," he explains, patting the wooden frame. "I have an emotional attachment with this tonga and with my horse."

The horse is fed before Manzoor eats his own meal. "If the horse is not well, I do not work," he says simply.

A livelihood built on patience
The tonga, Manzoor says, has sustained his family through decades of change.

"I have one son and two daughters. I got them married from this income only," he says, thanking Allah. "I have also bought some land with this earning."

In his early years, he frequently travelled as far as Nowgam, carrying oilseeds and other goods for shopkeepers in Pulwama. With little traffic on the roads, journeys were long but calm.

"Sometimes it would be dark when I returned home," he recalls. "There was no traffic disturbance. I would sit comfortably on the tonga and sing."

Softly, he hums a line from a Kashmiri folk song he used to sing on those quiet roads:

Haa shear sawaro kour gasakh, akher chei marun chui

"Whatever Kashmiri song comes to my mind, I sing it," he adds. "It keeps me company and keeps the horse calm."

Traffic today has slowed his work considerably. "A ride that took five minutes earlier sometimes takes fifteen minutes now," he says, pointing towards the congested stretch ahead.

Seasonal challenges remain another reality. "During heavy snowfall, when roads get blocked, I sit at home for some days," he explains. "But when things resume, my work resumes too."

Even now, Manzoor's tonga plays a role beyond routine transport.

If someone is very serious, or a pregnant woman needs help during winters, or goods have to be carried when transport is not easily available, they call me," he says with quiet pride. Living nearby, he is often able to respond faster than vehicles stuck in traffic.

At other times, he is asked to take children for a short ride. "The new generation has not seen tongas much," he says. "I tell them stories as we move."

Some passengers even hire him for long-distance rides from Pulwama to Srinagar, purely for the experience.

Most of Manzoor's passengers today are elderly people who prefer the slower, familiar rhythm of a tonga.

"Even with so many transport options today, including free services for women, I am satisfied," he says. "I am still running my household with this income."

Asked about the future, he pauses. "I do not know how long tongas will remain," he says.

"As long as my horse can walk and people still call me, I will continue."

As another stream of vehicles rushes past Murran Chowk, Manzoor waits patiently, reins in hand, content that even in a fast-paced world, his tonga still finds its moment on the road.

Delhi Blast Near Red Fort

NIA Custody Of 5 Accused Extended Till Jan 16

KO Web Desk

NEW DELHI: A Delhi court on Wednesday extended till January 16 the NIA custody of five accused in the Red Fort blast case including three doctors and a maulvi.

Principal District and Sessions Judge Anju Bajaj Chandna allowed the agency's plea to extend the custodial interrogation of Dr Adeel Rather, Dr Shaheen Saeed, Dr Muzammil Ganaie, Maulvi Irfan Ahmad Wagay and Jasir Bilal Wani.

The agency, in its remand paper, said that the accused persons are required to be con-



fronted with other co-accused, suspects and witnesses on cer-

cluded persons possessed exclusive knowledge of certain facts and circumstances at various locations, including Jammu and Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh and Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR).

The remand paper said that such facts were revealed by some witnesses and by the technical analysis of the extracted data retrieved from the seized digital devices.

It said "certain code words" and "other incriminating material" which surfaced after the earlier custody of the accused persons required to be explained. It further said that the ac-

cus'd extension of custody was also needed to unearth the larger conspiracy and identify additional people connected to it.

NIA's plea also underlined the need to trace the flow of communications and movements linked to the present case, besides carrying out "crime simulation".

Suicide bomber Umar-un-Nabi, was driving the explosive-laden car that detonated outside the Red Fort on November 10, last year, leaving 15 people dead.

The National Investigating Agency has arrested nine accused persons in the case.

Dr Darakhshan Hails Performance of Waqf-Run Institutions

SRINAGAR: Chairperson of the Jammu and Kashmir Waqf Board, Dr Syed Darakhshan Andrabi, on Wednesday expressed satisfaction over the performance of Waqf Board-run educational institutions in the Class 10 board examination results declared on Wednesday.

Dr Andrabi said that all educational institutions managed by the Waqf Board have shown significant improvement in their results, reflecting sustained efforts to enhance academic standards. She described the institutions as emerging centres of distinction.

"Our educational institutions have become centres of distinction. The results stand testimony to the fact that Waqf Board means excellence and improvement. Our roadmap to improve the standards of our educational centres has fetched these remarkable results," she said.

Congratulating the Waqf Board management, teachers, parents, and students, the chairperson said the collective dedication and hard work of all stakeholders has contributed to the improved performance.

She as per KNT said students who have brought honours to their respective institutions will be felicitated by the Waqf Board in recognition of their achievements. (Observer News Service)

J&K Ranks 2nd in Export Preparedness Index Among Small States, UTs

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Jammu & Kashmir has secured the second rank in the category of small states, North-Eastern states, and Union Territories in the Export Preparedness Index 2024, released by NITI Aayog on Tuesday.

The report, a copy of which is in possession of Kashmir Observer, places Jammu & Kashmir second after Uttarakhand among 19 small states, North-Eastern states, and Union Territories.

The overall ranking of Jammu & Kashmir is 14th. The Export Preparedness Index (EPI) ranks States and Union Territories on the basis of how well they are prepared to drive and enhance their exports.

According to the report, Jammu & Kashmir exported goods worth Rs 1614 crore to different countries in 2024. Bangladesh was the topmost importer, followed by the UAE, Oman, Myanmar, and the Philippines.

"In FY24, the region recorded total exports worth Rs 1,614 crore. The primary export items from J&K include drug formulations

and biologicals, ready-made garments made of wool, and man-made yarn fabrics, reflecting the region's growing participation in pharmaceuticals and textile-based trade," the report states.

According to the report, Jammu and Kashmir's export portfolio is led by a strong pharmaceutical presence and a rich legacy in textile craftsmanship.

"The top HS code export category from the state is medicaments, including mixed/unmixed products, antibiotics, and vitamin-based medicaments," the report adds.

Citing data of the Union Ministry of Commerce and Industry, the report states that Jammu & Kashmir exported medicaments (Rs 370 crore), followed by shawls, scarves, and mufflers (Rs 258 crore), yarn of synthetic staple fibres (Rs 240 crore), cotton yarn (Rs 76 crore), nucleic acids and salts (Rs 39 crore), lead, unwrought (Rs 29 crore), pharmaceutical goods (Rs 28 crore), razors and razor blades (Rs 28 crore), rice (Rs 27 crore), and nitrogen heterocyclic compounds (Rs 26 crore).

Apple Demand Picks Up as Prices Rise

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: After months of uncertainty, low demand, and depressed prices during the main harvesting season, apple growers in Kashmir are finally witnessing a turnaround. The demand for the fruit in cold storage units has picked up further in wholesale markets, leading to an increase in rates and comparatively better returns



for orchardists. Growers told KNO that the late-season improvement has come as a much-needed relief after one of the toughest apple seasons in recent years, marked by high input costs, erratic weather, and sluggish market movement during peak arrivals.

According to growers and traders, the demand for stored apples—particularly A-grade Delicious, Kullu Delicious, and premium varieties—has improved in mandis across Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru, and other major markets, pushing prices upward over the past few weeks.

"During the main season, we were selling apples at throwaway prices. Boxes that cost us Rs 500-800 to produce were selling for barely Rs 600," said Abdul Rashid, an apple grower from Shopian. "Now the rates have improved, and rates have gone to Rs 1100-1800, and at least we are able to cover our costs and earn something for our labour."

Growers recall that the peak harvesting period, especially between September and October, remained extremely challenging. Oversupply, reduced buying by traders, high transportation costs, and competition from imported apples and other

fruits severely impacted prices, they said.

"Trucks remained stranded on the highway and mandis, payments were delayed, and demand was very weak," said Ghulam Mohammad Dar, a grower from Sopore, one of Asia's largest apple trade hubs. "Many farmers were forced to sell at distress rates because they had no storage facilities."

Experts say that limited access to controlled



atmosphere (CA) storage and cold storage units kept small and marginal farmers at a disadvantage, forcing them to sell immediately after harvest when prices are lowest.

Mehraj Ahmad, a fruit grower from Pulwama, said that Kashmir apples are now witnessing better demand, which has led to the early opening of cold storage units and currently rates are picking up with each passing day. "Rates have gone up by Rs 500-Rs 1000 per box compared to the peak season," said Farooq Ahmad, an orchardist from Pulwama. "If this demand had come earlier, growers would not have suffered any losses."

They said that cold storage units have been opened recently, and there is much produce in cold storage units as of now, and growers are hopeful of continuous better returns. Apple cultivation remains the backbone of Kashmir's rural economy, supporting nearly seven lakh families directly or indirectly. While the current rise in demand has brought relief, growers say long-term sustainability of the sector depends on policy support, better market access, and protection from volatile price swings.

Chadoora Bridge Closure Forces Risky Daily River Crossings



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Two months after the vital Chadoora bridge in central Kashmir's Budgam district was closed for repairs, residents continue to face severe hardships and are now forced to wade through a river channel daily to commute.

The bridge, which connects Chadoora with Charar-i-Sharif, Yousmarg and Pulwama, was declared unsafe in late November following damage caused by floods.

However, what was meant to be a week-long repair has stretched into months, leaving thousands of commuters stranded and angry.

Fresh visuals accessed show vehicles and motorcyclists crossing the cold, shallow riverbed as an improvised route, risking accidents each day. Though the water level has receded, the path remains muddy, rocky and dangerous.

"We are forced to move through this river because there's no alternative," said local resident Sofi Arshid.

"If we avoid this route, we have to walk long distances and take another road, which adds several kilometres. Nobody from the ad-

ministration has come here to see our problems."

Locals say the delay has turned a temporary inconvenience into a daily struggle, especially for patients, students and traders who rely on the bridge for regular movement.

"Authorities had said the bridge would reopen in a week. It has been two months now, and they have disappeared after fencing it off," another commuter told KNO.

Officials earlier maintained that the bridge would be reopened only after clearance from competent authorities post-repair, but locals allege no visible work has been carried out since November.

In November, authorities ordered the closure of the Chadoora bridge in central Kashmir's Budgam district for traffic movement after experts declared it unsafe due to damage caused by recent floods.

The bridge had been shut down in the interest of public safety following an inspection by experts from the DIQC, Srinagar.

The floods had dislocated the base of one of the bridge pillars, making the structure unsafe for vehicular movement and requiring immediate repair.

No Discussion on Separate Jammu State Within BJP: Jugal Kishore

JAMMU: Senior Bharatiya Janata Party leader and Member of Parliament Jugal Kishore Sharma categorically rejected claims that the BJP is seeking a separate statehood for Jammu, asserting that there is no such discussion taking place within the party.

Talking to reporters in Jammu, Jugal Kishore said that the BJP's clear and consistent stand is the restoration of statehood to the entire Jammu and Kashmir, as promised by the Prime Minister and the Union Home Minister.

"There is no discussion at any level within the BJP about creating a separate state for Jammu. Our demand and commitment is the restoration of statehood to Jammu and Kashmir," he said.

The BJP MP as per KNT, said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has already assured the people that statehood to Jammu and Kashmir will be restored at an appropriate time. He added that Union Home Minister Amit Shah has also repeatedly reiterated the government's commitment to the issue.

Jugal Kishore stressed that misleading narratives are being spread to create confusion among the people. "Such claims about a separate Jammu state are baseless. There is no proposal, no discussion, and no intention in this regard," he said. He further said that the BJP wants peace, development, and political stability in Jammu and Kashmir and that restoration of statehood will be done in line with the assurances given on the floor of Parliament. (Observer News Service)

Sajad says CM Must Honour Promise of Law University in Budgam

SRINAGAR: Peoples Conference chairman Sajad Lone on Wednesday said that the Chief Minister must honour his promise of establishing a Law University in Budgam, stating that the sanctity of the constitutional office demands that commitments made during elections are fulfilled.

Reacting to the debate over the proposed Law University, Lone said that during the recently concluded Budgam Assembly by-election, the Chief Minister had promised a Law University for Budgam and must live up to that assurance. He said the credibility of the institution of the Chief Minister rests on keeping such promises.

Commenting on objections being raised from Jammu, Lone said he genuinely hopes that Jammu prospers, but termed the insistence that every institution sought by Kashmir must be duplicated or diverted as irrational. He said Jammu already has an IIM and questioned why a Law University in Kashmir should be objected to. (Observer News Service)

Kargil Rally Expresses Support for Iran's Supreme Leader



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: A massive procession and public gathering were organised in Kargil on Wednesday in support of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution, Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khomeini. The programme was held under the banner of the Imam Khomeini Memorial Trust (IKMT) after Zuhr prayers.

According to details, following a call by IKMT, a large procession emerged from Jamia Masjid Kargil, with thousands of men, women, religious scholars, and members of various social and religious organizations participating. The participants carried portraits of the Supreme Leader and placards expressing solidarity with the people of Iran and condemnation of the policies of the United States and Israel.

The procession passed through the main market area and concluded near the Old Taxi Stand, where a formal public meeting was held. Meanwhile, a separate women's procession organized by the Zainabia Women Welfare Society marched from Fatima Chowk and later merged with the main gathering. Throughout the route,

participants according to KNT raised slogans in support of the Supreme Leader and the Islamic system, while also voicing strong opposition to the United States and Israel. At the beginning of the procession, symbolic coffins representing the US President and the Israeli Prime Minister were also dragged as part of the protest.

Addressing the gathering, Asghar Ali Karbalai said that the people of Kargil have always stood firmly with the Islamic system and are ready to make every sacrifice for its defence. He described the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution as a source of hope for oppressed people across the world. Referring to recent unrest in Iran, he alleged that the United States and Israel, through their agents, had damaged mosques, imambaras, libraries, and other public properties. He asserted that the Islamic Republic of Iran holds immense sanctity and that any threat to it would endanger holy places worldwide.

Hujjat-ul-Islam Sheikh Sadiq Rajai, in his address, praised the political insight and courage of the Supreme Leader, stating that all conspiracies by hostile forces had failed due to his leadership.

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