

Mojtaba Khamenei Is Iran's New Supreme Leader



KO Web Desk

Srinagar: Seyyed Mojtaba Hosseini Khamenei, the son of slain Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei, has been appointed the new Supreme Leader of the Islamic Republic of Iran, state television announced early Monday, marking a dramatic political development as the war triggered by his father's assassination is rattling the world.

Iran's Assembly of Experts, an 88-member body

constitutionally tasked with selecting the Supreme Leader, elected the 56-year-old cleric in a decisive vote late Sunday night. The assembly said Mojtaba Khamenei had been chosen with "strong votes" and called on the nation to unite behind the new leader during the ongoing crisis.

"By a decisive vote, the Assembly of Experts appointed Ayatollah Seyyed Mojtaba Hosseini Khamenei as the third Leader of the sacred system of the Islamic Republic of Iran," the **| More on P10**

India Calls For Dialogue In West Asia

Press Trust Of India

India on Monday advocated de-escalation of tensions in West Asia and called for dialogue and diplomacy to resolve all underlying issues, as it put the safety of around one crore Indians in the region as its top priority, along with securing energy security **| More on P10**

IT APPEARS THAT BY CHOOSING MOJTABA KHAMENEI, the former Supreme Leader's son, a clear signal is being sent that Iran will not surrender and that it is in no mood for a deal with the US. After all, they chose a Supreme Leader whose father, mother, wife, and son were just killed by Israel/US."

■ **Trita Parsi**, Executive Vice President at the Quincy Institute.



Kids walk cheerfully to school as institutions resume routine academic activities on Monday. KO Photo By Abid Bhat

Blasts Near Hostels: Kashmiri Students In Iran Plead For Evacuation

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Panic and fear have gripped Indian medical students, including several from Jammu and Kashmir, studying at universities across Iran as US and Israeli bombs were falling near residential areas where they are staying amid escalating tensions in the region.

Students studying at universities including Urmia University of Medical Sciences, Shahid Beheshti University,

Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Iran University of Medical Sciences in Qom, Kerman University, Shiraz University and Isfahan University of Medical Sciences have contacted the Indian Embassy in Tehran seeking evacuation.

Some students said they had already submitted their details to the embassy for evacuation but were informed that the possible route out was through neighbouring **| More on P10**

Indians In Iran Advised Against Border Travel

The Embassy of India in Tehran has issued an advisory asking Indian nationals in Iran not to approach any land border crossings to leave the country without prior coordination with the mission.

According to the advisory accessed by **| More on P10**

J&K Gears Up For First Digital Census

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir has begun preparations for the country's first fully digital Census, with Chief Secretary Atal Dulloo on Monday chairing a high level sensitisation session to review the arrangements for Census 2027.

The meeting was held in the presence of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India, Mritunjay Kumar Narayan, and attended by administrative secretaries, senior officers of the Union Territory administration, divisional and district officials, and representatives of various government departments.

Addressing the officers, Dulloo stressed the need for coordinated and proactive preparations to ensure the smooth conduct of the census operations. He said the meeting had clearly outlined the roles and responsibilities of different departments and urged all stakeholders and field functionaries to extend full support to the census machinery so that the exercise is conducted in a systematic, transparent and efficient manner. **| More on P10**

NC Urges HM To Withdraw FIRs Against Youth

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Farooq Abdullah, president of Jammu and Kashmir National Conference, on Monday appealed to Amit Shah to consider withdrawing cases against youth detained during protests over the killing of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

In a statement, Abdullah said that while maintaining law and order is important, it is equally necessary to understand the sentiments that led to the demonstrations.

He appealed to the Union home minister and security agencies to review the cases sympathetically and consider withdrawing the FIRs and releasing those detained, particularly students, in the larger



interest of their future and social harmony.

"A compassionate approach at this stage will help reassure families and prevent alienation among the youth. Our society benefits when young people are guided back towards education, responsibility and constructive engagement," the former chief minister said.

Abdullah said the youth who participated in **| More on P10**

J&K Panchayat Roll Revision This Month

Agencies

Srinagar: J&K's State Election Commissioner, Shantmanu, on Monday directed officials to gear up for the revision of Panchayat electoral rolls in Jammu and Kashmir. The exercise is likely to begin in the fourth week of this month.

Sources said that Shantmanu chaired a high-level meeting today to review preparations for the revision of electoral rolls in the Union Territory.

The meeting was attended by both divisional commissioners, deputy commissioners, the commissioners of Srinagar Municipal Corporation and Jammu Municipal Corporation, as well as officials from the Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Department.

During the meeting, the SEC instructed officials to remain prepared for the **| More on P10**

Rain, Snow Forecast In Kashmir For Next Few Days

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The India Meteorological Department on Monday forecast generally cloudy weather with light rain in the plains and snowfall over higher reaches of Kashmir over the next few days, along with a noticeable drop in day temperatures across the Valley.

According to the Meteorological Centre Srinagar, weather conditions on March 9 are expected to remain generally cloudy with the possibility of light rain in the plains and light snowfall at scattered places in higher reaches.

The department said that from March 10 to 11, the region is likely to witness generally cloudy conditions with light to moderate rain in the plains and snowfall over higher reaches at many places.

A few higher altitude areas of Kupwara, Bandipora, Ganderbal, Anantnag and Kishtwar may receive moderate snowfall during this period.

Weather conditions are expected to improve between March 12 and 15 with generally dry weather and occasional cloudiness. However, brief spells of light rain or snowfall may occur at isolated places, the department said. **| More on P10**

No Risk of 'Black Snow': Weatherman

Dismissing viral social media claims as misleading, independent weatherman Faizan Arif on Monday said there is no risk of "black snow" or toxic acidic rainfall in Kashmir due to the **| More on P10**

No Immediate Hike In Petrol, Diesel Prices: Sources

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: Petrol and diesel prices will not be increased for now despite international crude oil rates crossing USD 100 per barrel, government sources said on Monday, even as authorities stepped up efforts to maintain uninterrupted fuel supply lines across the country.

As the conflict in West Asia entered the tenth day, world markets plummeted, and Brent crude oil, the international standard, surged to nearly USD 120 a barrel, about 65 per cent higher than when the war started, before retreating.

Top government sources said the government is closely monitoring global oil markets, but there is no immediate plan to raise retail fuel prices. Oil marketing companies are expected to absorb the current cost pressure for the time being.

While the country has adequate stocks of both raw material (crude oil) and finished products (fuels) to meet **| More on P10**

Need To Accelerate Link Between Education & Economy: PM

Says Young Researchers Must Get Freedom To Experiment

'Fulfilling Aspirations Of People Is Resolve Of Govt'

KO Web Desk

Srinagar: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday called for accelerating efforts to link India's education system with the real world economy, stressing the need to sharpen focus on emerging areas such as artificial intelligence, automation and the digital economy.

Addressing a post Budget



webinar attended by stakeholders from various government ministries, departments and experts from the private sector, Modi said fulfilling the aspirations of **| More on P10**





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Notification for Doctor of Philosophy in Ayurveda (Ph.D. Ayurveda) Programs 2026-27

- Applications are invited in online mode for the admission in Doctor of Philosophy in Ayurveda (Ph.D. Ayurveda) programs in various disciplines of Ayurveda for the academic year 2026-2027 at All India Institute of Ayurveda, New Delhi under the University of Delhi.
- The candidates willing to apply for admission to this program may visit the entrance exam portal on website of All India Institute of Ayurveda, New Delhi through www.aiia.gov.in to download the Ph.D. Bulletin and to submit the online application form.
- The online application form will be available on the entrance exam portal from 16 March 2026. The last date for submission of online applications is 15 April 2026.
- Ph.D. Entrance Examination-To be held on 02nd May 2026. For more details visit AIIA Entrance Examination Portal at www.aiia.gov.in

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Director, AIIA

NOTICE

I have changed my name from (old name) **Javied Ahmad Jan** to (new name) **Javaid Ahmad Jan**. In future I will be known by my new name **Javaid Ahmad Jan**.

If anybody is having any objection he/she may contact Passport Office Srinagar, within & 7 days. After 7 days no objection will be accepted.

Media line advt

NOTICE

I, Subeena, R/o: Urdu bazar Fateh Kadal near old post office Srinagar, do hereby inform the general public that I had opened a Savings Account with Jammu & Kashmir Bank, Nallamar road Branch, bearing Account No. 0217041000022657 under the name Subeena Akhtar. I now intend to change my name from "Subeena Akhtar" to "Subeena" in the records of the said bank. If any person has any objection to this change, he/she may approach the concerned bank branch or the relevant authority within 7 (seven) days from the date of publication of this notice. After the expiry of the said period, no objection shall be entertained and the change shall be deemed final.

Media line advt

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my name has been wrongly mentioned in my Aadhaar Card bearing Aadhaar No. 2664 3288 9753 Now I want to change my name from LALIYA (Old Name) to AALIYA AKHTER (New Name). In this regard, if anyone has any objection, he or she may approach the concerned authorities within a period of seven days. After that, no objection shall be entertained.

Name:- AALIYA AKHTER fko
D/O:- ALI MOHAMMAD MALIK
R/O:- PUTLIBAGH, BUDGAM , Jammu And Kashmir- 191111

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Rajpal Singh, Brother Of L NK Sagar Singh No. 2715107, R/o Kutakpur Gujar Post -Tarauli Gujar District Agra (UP) Pin-283111, hereby inform That I Want To Change My Name Rajpaal Singh To Rajpal Singh. If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file them in the concerned office within seven days. After that no objection shall be entertained.

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THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR BOARD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION NEW CAMPUS BEMINA SRINAGAR

PUBLIC NOTICE
I have passed/appeared in SSE (Class 10th) Examination under Roll No. 139072007, Session Oct-Nov 2025, Year 2025, through the Jammu & Kashmir Board of School Education. The error has been committed against my M/N mothers name as ASIFA instead of ASIFA SYEED SHAH
Now I have applied for the necessary correction in The Jammu & Kashmir Board of School Education, New Campus, Bemina, Srinagar.
If any person has any objection in this regard, he/she may file the same before the Assistant Secretary, Certificates, Kashmir Division, within seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice After the expiry of the said period, no objection will be entertained.
The correct particulars are as under:
This is published for the information of the general public
The correct Particulars be recorded as under -
Name: Shah Muhammad Hameez
Father's Name: Sameer Ahmad Shah
Mother's Name: Asifa Syeed Shah
Date of Birth: 06-04-2010 (Six April Two Thousand Ten)
Residence: Bemina
Mobile No.: 9469811896

fko



PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Mohammad Maqbool Parray S/o Ab Fateh Parray R/o Chukar, Tehsil Kunzer, District Baramulla, J&K, do hereby declare that the date of birth of my son, namely Mansoor Maqbool Parray, is 06-07-2008.
Due to some unavoidable domestic reasons, the birth of my aforesaid son could not be registered in the concerned office at the proper time. As such, the birth record of my son is not registered with any concerned authority or police station till date.
Now, I intend to register the birth of my son with the concerned authority/BDO for obtaining his Date of Birth certificate for future reference.
If anybody has any objection regarding this notice, he/she may file the objection within seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice.
Sd/-
Mohammad Maqbool Parray
R/o Chukar, Tehsil Kunzer
District Baramulla, J&K

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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified for the information of the general public that the name, father's name and address mentioned in my Driving Licence bearing DL No. JK05201020036600 are recorded incorrectly.
The details recorded in the Driving Licence are as follows:
Name: Ab Majeed Parray S/o: Ablool Parray
Address: Dargam Pattan, Baramulla
Whereas the correct particulars as per my Aadhaar Card No. 4145 7236 5749 are: Name: Abdul Majeed Parray S/o: Abli Paray
R/o: New Colony, Daragam, Pattan, Baramulla, Jammu & Kashmir – 193121.
Therefore, I intend to get the above particulars corrected in my Driving Licence records. If anybody has any objection in this regard, he/she may file the same before the concerned authority within 7 days from the publication of this notice. After that, no objection shall be entertained.
Abdul Majeed Paray
R/o New Colony, Daragam, Pattan, Baramulla
Jammu & Kashmir – 193121

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, RAJPAAL SINGH , Brother of No.2715107L NK Sagar Singh, R/o- KUTAKPUR GUJAR POST - TARAULI GUJAR, DISTT - AGRA, (UP) PIN - 283111, Have Change My Name from RAJPAAL SINGH TO RAJPAL SINGH . If anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file them in the concerned office within seven days. After that no objection shall be entertained.

RAJPAL SINGH fko

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have changed my name from Mohammad Abbas Wani (Old Name) to Sheikh Mohammad Abbas Wani (New Name). , I shall be known as Sheikh Mohammad Abbas Wani for all future purposes. If anybody has any objection regarding this name change, he/she may contact the Passport Office, Srinagar within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. After the expiry of the said period, no objection shall be entertained.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I hereby inform the general public that I intend to change my name in my bank passbook from Afroza Fayaz W/o Fayaz Ahmad Yattoo R/o Goshbugh to Afroza Begum W/o Fayaz Ahmad Yattoo R/o Goshbugh. If anyone has any objection regarding this name change, they may file their objection within seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice. After that, no objection shall be entertained.
Afroza Begum
W/o Fayaz Ahmad Yattoo

fko

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have changed my name from Mohammad Abbas Wani (Old Name) to Sheikh Mohd Amar Abbas Lone (New Name). Henceforth, I shall be known as Sheikh Mohd Amar Abbas Lone for all future purposes. If anybody has any objection regarding this name change, he/she may contact the Passport Office, Srinagar within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. After the expiry of the said period, no objection shall be entertained.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is informed to the General public that my Name has been wrongly recorded in my Services record bearing Belt No:- 355/3rd Bnt sec. Pid No.996577 as Gh Moh -Ud -Din Lone instead of Gh Mohi - U - Din Lone .I would like to correction my Name in my Services record as per J&K Board of school Education D O B Certificate record bearing Certificate Serial No:- 111736 . if anybody having any objection in this regard may file the same in the office of the Compondent JKAP 3rd BNT Security Zawan Srinager within a period of (7) seven days from the publication of this notice. No objection will be entertained after expiry of stipulated period.
Gh Mohi U Din Lone S/O. Mohd Sultan Lone
R/O :- Gund Chobatera .
Tehsil:- Qaziabad . Distt :Kupwara .

fko

PUBLIC NOTICE

I intend to rectify the mother's name of my daughter, who is studying in Grade 8 (Session 2025-2026), Roll No. 25, Section: Purple, at Green Valley Educational Institute, Ellahibagh Buchpora, Srinagar. The mother's name has been inadvertently recorded in the school records as Seema instead of the correct name Samiya Yasin. If anyone has any objection in this regard, they may report the same to the Principal of the institute within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. Failing which, it shall be deemed that there is no objection from any person or authority.
Name of Parent: Imtiyaz Hussain Mir fko
Address: Khaiwan, Narwara Eidgah, Srinagar – 190002, J&K

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Munira Bagum, W/o Ghulam Ahmad Bhat, R/o Tachloo, Tehsil & District Shopian, do hereby solemnly declare that my correct name is Munira Bagum. However, due to a clerical error, my name has been wrongly recorded as Maneera Akhter in my Aadhaar Card bearing Aadhaar No. *** 0507. That my correct and actual name is Munira Bagum, and the name Maneera Akhter appearing in the said Aadhaar Card is incorrect. I have sworn an affidavit before the competent authority for the correction of my name in the Aadhaar records. Henceforth, I shall be known and recognized by the name Munira Bagum for all purposes. If anybody has any objection to this notice, they may file their claim within seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Tariq Ahmad Bhat, F/o Khubaib Bin Tariq, R/o Saidpora Bala, District Shopian, do hereby declare that the actual name of my ward is Khubaib Bin Tariq. However, in the Aadhaar Card bearing No. 5138 4080 5471, his name has been wrongly mentioned as Abu Khubaib due to a clerical error. The correct and actual name of my ward is Khubaib Bin Tariq, which is recorded in all his other personal and official documents. Now, I intend to apply for correction of the said name in the Aadhaar Card from Abu Khubaib to Khubaib Bin Tariq. If anybody has any objection to this correction, he/she may file the same before the concerned authorities within seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice.
Tariq Ahmad Bhat
F/o Khubaib Bin Tariq
R/o Saidpora Bala District Shopian

fko

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Shahnawaz Ahmad Bhat, S/o Imad Shahnawaz, R/o Adjan, Tehsil & District Shopian, do hereby solemnly declare that my correct name is Imad Shahnawaz. However, due to a clerical error, my name has been wrongly recorded as Imaad Ahmad Bhat in my Aadhaar Card bearing No. 8537 7818 2859. That my correct and actual name is Imad Shahnawaz, which is recorded in all my other personal and official documents. Now, I intend to correct my name in the Aadhaar records from Imaad Ahmad Bhat to Imad Shahnawaz. If anyone has any objection in this regard, he/she may file the same before the concerned authorities within seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice. If no objection is received within the stipulated period, the name correction shall be processed accordingly.
Shahnawaz Ahmad Bhat
R/o Adjan, Shopian

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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Aadil NAZIR S/O Nazir Ahmad Meer R/o Tujar , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of Aadil Nazir 24-02-2010 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
Bomai
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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Rayaz Ahmad Reshi S/o Mohad Sadeeq Reshi R/o Marbal , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of Mohd Sadeeq Reshi 03-05-2022 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
Bomai
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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Mohammad Ashraf Dar S/o Ab Ahad Dar R/o Wadoora , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of ward Namely 1. Affan Ashraf DOB - 27-08-2016
2. Aabaan Ashraf DOB - 20-08-2012
3. Rayaan Ashraf DOB - 06-09-2017 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
Bomai
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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Shanawaz Ahmad Lone S/o Mohd Sultan Lone R/o Tujar Sharief , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of ward Namely Usmaan Shanawaz Lone DOB-10-11-2020 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
Bomai
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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Mohammad Sultan Lone S/o Gh Nabi Lone R/o Zaloor , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of ward Namely SANNA SULTAN DOB-10-03-2012 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
Bomai
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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Abdul Rouf Makhdoomi S/O Yahaya Abdullah R/o Tujar Sharief , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of ward Namely Ahmad Abdullah DOB 12-12-2012 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
Bomai
fko

OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Fayaz Ahmad Chopan S/o Mohd Shaban Chopan R/o Tujar , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of ward Namely Mehvish Fayaz 01-12-2010 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
Bomai
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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Mohd Yousf Bhat S/o Atequallah Bhat R/o Zaloor , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of Mohd Yousuf Bhat died on 01-10-2010 & Raja Begum died on 24-02-2021 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
Bomai
fko

OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Riyaz Ahmad Reshie S/o Mohammad Sadiq Reshie R/o Marbal , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of self Riyaz Ahmad Reshie born on 21-12-2001 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
Bomai
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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

PUBLIC NOTICE
This office has received a written application from Arshad Hussain Lone S/o Ghulam Nabi Lone R/o Tujar, Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of ward Namely Sharief Naira Jaan DOB- 12-02-2023 Mohammad Nabeel Lone DOB 22-08-2020 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
Bomai
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PUBLIC NOTICE

I Gh Nabi Mir S/o Ab Ahad Mir R/o Takiya Pandach Ganderbal hereby inform that I am the Registered Consumer of PDD having Electric Connection bearing Consumer no.0205010006818. My health condition is not well and not able to move freely to anywhere. So I intend to transfer the electric connection in my only Son's name "Hilal Ahmad Mir". If any person or party has any objection in this transfer. They may file their objection in writing in the office of the Sub Division Ganderbal within 7 (seven) days from the Date of Publication. No objection shall be entertained after stipulated Time Period.
Gh Nabi Mir
S/o Ab Ahad Mir
R/o Takiya Pandach
9419454915

Media line advt

PUBLIC NOTICE

I TOOTA BEGUM W/o GH Hassan Shah R/o Dhobi pora Ganderbal hereby inform that my husband Gh Hassan Shah commonly known as Shamshad Shah who was the Registered Consumer of PDD having Electric Connection bearing Consumer no.0205010003093 died in May 2006, Now I intend to transfer the electric connection in my name "Toota Begum". If any person or party has any objection in this transfer. They may file their objection in writing in the office of the Sub Division Ganderbal within 7 (seven) days from the Date of Publication. No objection shall be entertained after stipulated Time Period.
Toota Begum
W/o Late Gh Hassan Shah (urf Shamshad Shah)
9419454915

Media line advt

PUBLIC NOTICE

The DOB of my ward namely Uzmat Jan has been wrongly written in her school records as 15-05-2018 while her correct DOB as per JVC Hospital Srinagar is 15-05-2016. 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 office within seven days. After that no objection shall be entertained.
Mehmooda Akhter W/o Abdul Qayoom Reshi
R/o Gonipora Tehsil Kwarham

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Tabish Bashir tantary , holder of Passport No: W0185757, resident of sherpora Wanbal ,Rawapora old airport road Srinagar, hereby declare that I have changed my name from Tabish Bashir Tantary to Tabish Bashir, I further declare that my father's name has been changed from Bashir Ahmad Tantary to Bashir Ahmed tantray and my mother's name has been changed from Zyttoon Akhtar to Zyttoon akhter in my passport records. Henceforth, I shall be known as Tabish Bashir with father's name Bashir Ahmed tantray and mother's name Zyttoon akhter for all official purposes. If anyone is having any objection he/she may contact Passport Office, Srinagar within 7 days. After 7 days no objection will be accepted.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my name has been wrongly mentioned in my Aadhaar Card bearing Aadhaar No. 8653 3948 3278 Now I want to change my name from NISHEED U SABA (Old Name) to SYED NASHEEDU SABA (New Name). In this regard, if anyone has any objection, he or she may approach the concerned authorities within a period of seven days. After that, no objection shall be entertained.

Name:- SYED NASHEEDU SABA fko
D/O:- SYED MOHAMMAD HUSSAIN
R/O:- PUTLIBAGH, BUDGAM , Jammu And Kashmir- 191111

اڻ نيٽ هڙدوڻ

دخواست لڄاڻب عنوان ښه علي محمد بابا ولد غلام محمد ساکنه هڙدوڻه بمبر لوصول تاريخ پيدائش سرفکيٽ

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3-Days Training Programme for HOIs, Teachers Commences

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Social Welfare Department (SWD) Srinagar started the first day of a three-day Training Programme for Heads of Institutions (HOIs) and Teachers under the Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyan (NMBA). The programme is held at the NHM Hall, Old Secretariat Srinagar, with the objective of strengthening awareness and institutional mechanisms to prevent substance abuse among youth.

On an outset, District Social Welfare Office Srinagar Dr. Mukhtar Ahmad Dar briefed HOIs and teachers about importance regarding substance abuse prevention and building the capacity of educational institutions for early identification, counselling, and rehabilitation of individuals affected by drug abuse.

The event witnessed active participation from Heads of Institutions and teachers from various educational institutions across the district. The programme is designed to equip

participants with the knowledge and practical skills required to identify early warning signs of drug abuse and provide timely counselling and support to students.

During the programme, a medical expert, Dr. AijazSahaf from IMHANS Srinagar, delivered a comprehensive presentation on the harmful effects of drug abuse, early warning signs, preventive strategies, and the availability of de-addiction facilities. The session highlighted the crucial role educational institutions play in addressing substance abuse and guiding students towards healthier lifestyles.

An interactive Question and Answer session followed, during which participants actively engaged with the expert and raised important queries regarding identification of at-risk students, referral mechanisms, counselling procedures, and community involvement. The expert addressed these concerns in detail, making the session highly informative and impactful for the attendees.

KU Crowned National Champion in Youth Parliament Competition



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The University of Kashmir (KU) has achieved a remarkable national distinction by emerging as the Champion in the 17th National Youth Parliament Competition, organised by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Parliament of India, New Delhi.

The prestigious competition witnessed participation from 59 universities across the country at the group level. After rigorous rounds, eight premier universities from different zones qualified for the national stage. In the final round of the Group Level National Youth Parliament Competition, the KU outperformed all participating teams and emerged as the overall champion, bringing laurels to the institution and the region.

Congratulating the students, Vice-Chancellor KU, Prof. Nilofer Khan said, "This outstanding achievement reflects the intellectual strength, awareness and dem-

ocratic spirit of our students. Their performance shows that the youth of Kashmir are capable of engaging meaningfully with national institutions and parliamentary traditions. The University is proud of this historic accomplishment."

Registrar KU, Prof. Naseer Iqbal described the victory as a moment of pride for the institution and the region. He said, "Winning this prestigious national competition among leading universities of the country is a testament to the talent, discipline and commitment of our students."

As part of the recognition, 55 students from the varsity will now be invited by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs to attend the prize distribution ceremony to be held within the Parliament of India in New Delhi. During the ceremony, the KU team will also present a re-performance of their Youth Parliament session in the presence of senior officials and dignitaries of the country.

Srinagar Master Plan–2035 Amendments Await Cabinet Approval

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The amendments to the Srinagar Master Plan–2035 are awaiting cabinet approval.

Documents accessed by KNO reveal that the Srinagar Development Authority (SDA) approved a short-term review of the Master Plan during its 82nd meeting.

Later, the committee constituted by the SDA for this task was re-structured to include representatives from the Srinagar Municipal Corporation and the Lakes & Conservation Management Authority.

After examining objections and suggestions received from the public, the committee prepared a comprehensive report containing its findings and recommendations.

The draft proposal submitted by the committee was presented in a meeting held on January 01, 2025, under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary.

Subsequently, on June 17, 2025, another committee was constituted to examine the feasibility of Town Planning Scheme (TPS) areas and to identify any TPS area(s), if necessary, for the removal of preconditions related to issuing building permissions in such areas.

The committee was also tasked with examining directions and orders issued by the High Court



of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh. Based on the Court's orders regarding buffer zones of Dal and Nigeen lakes, the committee was asked to propose amendments to the Srinagar Master Plan–2035 and incorporate the directions accordingly.

As per a document, the committee headed by the Divisional Commissioner Kashmir submitted its report to the Administrative Department.

"The Department has examined the recommendations of both committees," the document read.

After examining the recommendations, the Housing & Urban Development Department circu-

lated a cabinet note among all the administrative departments and Heads of Departments of Housing & Urban Development for seeking their comments, views, and concurrence, which are being compiled for submission to the Council of Ministers for consideration and approval.

"Once the proposal seeking amendments to the Srinagar Master Plan–2035 is approved by the Council of Ministers, necessary modifications will be made to the Master Plan and the same will be notified under the relevant provisions of the J&K Development Act, 1970, and the Rules framed there-under," the document states.

Director SEK Visits Schools of Mir Behri After Winter Break

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Following the re-opening of schools after the winter vacation, Director School Education Kashmir (SEK), Naseer Ahmad Wani on Monday conducted a visit to schools located in the remote area of Mir Behri, Dal Srinagar, to assess the functioning of schools.

During the visit, the Director inspected Government Boys Middle School Moti Mohalla, Dal Kalan and other nearby institutions. He warmly welcomed the students by distributing sweets and flower garlands, creating a cheerful atmosphere on the first days after reopening.

The Director interacted with



young students and enquired about their activities during the winter break. He also held discussions with the teaching staff and emphasized that many students in the area belong to economi-

cally weaker sections, and urged teachers to extend additional academic attention and guidance to support their learning.

On the occasion, the Director stressed the importance of strengthening elementary education to ensure strong academic foundations for students across the Kashmir Division.

He further directed Chief Education Officers (CEOs), Zonal Education Officers (ZEOs) and Cluster Heads across the Kashmir Division to undertake regular field visits, interact with students and teachers and closely monitor the academic functioning of schools in their respective jurisdictions to ensure quality education at the grassroots level.



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From KO Archives

- 1862 - Great Britain & France recognise independence of Zanzibar
- 1862 - US issues 1st paper money (\$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100, \$500 & \$1000)
- 1864 - Ullyses Grant is named commander of the Union armies
- 1864 - Red River campaign begun in Louisiana by Union forces
- 1865 - Battle of Monroe's Crossroads, NC
- 1874 - Purdue University (Indiana) admits its 1st student
- 1876 - First telephone call; Alexander Graham Bell says "Mr. Watson, come here, I want to see you" to his assistant Thomas Watson
- 1888 - Heavyweight Boxing champ John L Sullivan draws Charlie Mitchell in 30 rounds
- 1891 - Almon Strowger, an undertaker in Topeka, Kansas, patents the strowger switch, a device which led to the automation of telephone circuit switching
- 1896 - After Bob Fitzsimmons KO's much larger Jim Corbett to win world Heavyweight championship he says, "The bigger they are, the harder they fall"
- 1900 - Battle at Driefontein, South Africa (Boers vs British army)
- 1900 - Regents for the King of Uganda and leading chiefs sign a treaty with Great Britain agreeing to the organization of the government, taxation, courts, military, and other functions of their country, which is under British protection.

Government of Jammu and Kashmir

OFFICE OF THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OFFICER POSHAN PROJECT TREHGAM KUPWARA

Subject: Advertisement for Recruitment of Sahayika (Anganwadi Helper) for Anganwadi Centre Mirpora Trehgam of Poshan Project Trehgam.

Ref: 1. Govt. Order No. 222- JK (SWD) of 2022 dated 30-11-2022.
2. Govt. order No. 103- JK (SWD) of 2023 dated 28-04-2023.

Advertisement No: 03- CDPO-TREHGAM of 2026
Dated: 09-03-2026

Approval has been accorded vide Mission Director Poshan J&K letter No: MD/Poshan/47213-23 dated: 24-12-2025 followed by District Programme Officer Poshan Projects Kupwara letter No. DPO/POSHAN/25/6043-55 Dated: 29-12-2025 for filling up of vacancies of Sahayika's (Anganwadi Helpers) in below mentioned Anganwadi Centre of Poshan Project Trehgam are hereby invited from the eligible married female candidates of the Panch wards shown against the below mentioned Panchayat Halqa, for the engagement of Sahayika's (AWH's) against these Anganwadi Centres of POSHAN Project Trehgam on "Honorarium basis". The applications along with required documents shall be deposited in the Office of undersigned i.e., the Child Development Project Officer Poshan Project Trehgam within 15 days from the date of Publication of this advertisement notification in leading newspapers, against proper receipt.

a) Date of commencement for submission of application forms :- 10-03-2026
b) Last date for submission of applications is:- 24-03-2026

S.No	District	Project	Name of Panchayat	Vacancy of Sahayika (Anganwadi Helper) Panch Ward no.	Name of Anganwadi Centre
1	Kupwara	Trehgam	Trehgam B	4	Mirpora Trehgam

Criteria for Selection of Sahayikas (Aanganwadi Helpers) shall remain as envisaged in the Govt. Order No: 222-JK (SWD) OF 2022, Dated: 30-11-2022 i.e.,

- ❖ Women candidates in the age group of 18-37 years shall be eligible (age shall be calculated on the 1st day of calendar year i.e 01-01-2026).
- ❖ The candidate should be a domicile of the UT of J&K.
- ❖ The candidate should be a resident of the Electoral Ward where Anganwadi Centre is located.
- ❖ Minimum qualification for Anganwadi Helper shall be Matriculation.
- ❖ In case no matriculate candidate is available in the Ward, candidates with qualification not less than 8th standard shall be considered.
- ❖ The selection shall be made purely as per merit in light of the instructions of the administrative Department communicated vide no.: SWD-ICDS/43/2022, Dated: 14-08- 2023 and as per the communication of Mission Director, Poshan J&K vide No.: SMD/ICDS/Recruitment/2022-23/21349-72, Dated: 14-07-2023.

Self-attested copies of documents to be attached with the application form:-

- ❖ Panch Ward Certificate and Voter list issued by BDO/EO concerned.
- ❖ Un-married certificate issued by Tehsildar in case name appears with parents in electoral roll.
- ❖ Domicile Certificate issued by Tehsildar concerned.
- ❖ Date of Birth Certificate.
- ❖ Academic Qualification Certificates with class 10th Marks card.
- ❖ Non employment Certificate.
- ❖ Self-Addressed envelope with postage stamp of Rs 5/-
- ❖ Affidavit from first class magistrate stating following facts.
- ❖ All Documents/details submitted along with the application form for engagement of Sahayika (Anganwadi Helper) are correct, without any mismatch, duplicacy, or fallacious in nature. If found incorrect or in any of the above stated situation the candidature of deponent may be cancelled and liable to action under law.
- ❖ Minimum qualification for Sahayikas (Anganwadi Helpers) shall be Matriculate and this is as per facts and onus of proving it to be true lies with the deponent.
- ❖ The deponent has read the HR policy no. 222-JK(SWD) of 2022 dated: 30.11.2022 and is well versed with all salient features of the policy and shall be applicable to the deponent in case of selection as Sahayika (Anganwadi Helper).

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India Emerges as World's Second Largest Arms Importer

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: India was the world's second largest importer of arms and military hardware from 2021 to 2025 and the largest chunk of the imports came from Russia, Swedish think tank SIPRI said in a new report on Monday.

Ukraine which received 9.7 per cent of all arms transfers in 2021-25 was the world's largest arms importer in that period, the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) said.

China dropped out of the top 10 arms importers for the first time since 1991-1995 due to expanded domestic production of its own designs, the think tank noted in its report, 'Trends in International Arms Transfers'.

The United States supplied 42 per cent of all international arms transfers during 2021-25, up from

2011-15 (70 per cent)," it said.

India is increasingly turning to Western suppliers, it said.

The report noted that Russia has remained India's main supplier for military hardware. At the same time, it said India has been buying arms from France and Israel as well.

"Arms imports by Pakistan grew by 66 per cent between 2016-20 and 2021-25. China supplied 80 per cent of Pakistan's arms imports in 2021-25, up from 73 per cent in 2016-20," the report noted.

The US has further cemented its dominance as an arms supplier, even in an increasingly multi-polar world, said Pieter Wezeman, Senior Researcher with the SIPRI Arms Transfers Programme.

For importers, US arms offer advanced capabilities and a way of fostering good relations, he said.

"While tensions and conflicts



36 per cent in 2016-20, it said.

Four states in Asia and Oceania - India, Pakistan, Japan and Australia - ranked among the 10 largest arms importers globally in 2021-25. The main supplier to the region in 2021-25 was the US, which accounted for 35 per cent of regional arms imports. Russia accounted for another 17 per cent and China for 14 per cent.

"India was the world's second largest arms importer. Its imports decreased marginally (4 per cent) between 2016-20 and 2021-25," the SIPRI said.

"The largest share of Indian arms imports came from Russia, at 40 per cent - a significantly smaller share than in 2016-20 (51 per cent) and almost half that in

in Asia and Oceania and the Middle East continue to drive large-scale arms imports, the sharp increase in arms flows to European states pushed global arms transfers up almost 10 per cent," said Mathew George, Director of the SIPRI Arms Transfers Programme.

Overall, the report said the volume of major arms transferred between states increased by 9.2 per cent between 2016-2020 and 2021-2025.

"States in Europe more than trebled their arms imports, making it the biggest recipient region. Total exports by the United States, the world's largest supplier of arms, increased by 27 per cent. This included a 217 per cent increase in US arms exports to Europe," it said.

Deadly Boat Collision Off Turkiye Kills 14 Migrants



Associated Press

Ankara (Turkiye). At least 14 migrants drowned on Monday after a boat carrying them collided with a coast guard boat off Turkiye's Mediterranean coast during a chase, officials said.

Incident occurred near the coast of Demre, in Antalya province, as the vessel carrying Afghans ignored calls to stop and attempted manoeuvres at high speed to escape the coast guard boats, the state-run Anadolu Agency quoted

Gov. Hulusi Sahin as saying.

Seven people were rescued from the sea by coast guard teams and given immediate medical care, Sahin said. Fourteen others who reached the shore were detained by gendarmerie units.

Search and rescue operations were continuing by land, sea and air to locate any remaining people who may still be missing.

Authorities have launched both a judicial and an administrative investigation into the incident, Anadolu said.



People attend a gathering to support Iran's new supreme leader Mojtaba Khamenei, amid the U.S.-Israeli conflict with Iran, in Tehran, March 9, 2026. Majid Asgaripour/WANA

Investigation: US Attack Killed 165 School Girls in Iran

Associated Press

Jerusalem - The investigative group Bellingcat says newly released video "appears to contradict" US President Donald Trump's claim that Iran was responsible for an explosion at an Iranian school that killed over 165 people at the start of the war raging in the Mideast.

It comes as mounting evidence points to US culpability for the Feb 28 strike, which hit an elementary girls' school in Minab, Iran, in the country's southern Hormozgan Province.

Experts interviewed by The Associated Press, citing satellite image analysis, say the school was likely struck amid a quick succession of bombs dropped on the compound.

The video shared by Bellingcat is a three-second clip of a video taken the day the school was struck and circulated Sunday by Iran's semiofficial Mehr news agency.

The video shows a munition falling on a building, sending a dark plume into the air that mingles with smoke that likely came from earlier strikes on the compound. Trevor Ball, a Bellingcat researcher, geolocated the video to a site near the school, something also done by the AP.

Ball identified the munition

as a Tomahawk cruise missile - which only the US is known to possess in this war. It's the first

"very inaccurate" with their munitions. Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth quickly chimed in to say



evidence of a munition used in the strike.

Complicating any assessment of the incident is the lack of images of bomb fragments from the blast. No independent agency has reached the site during the war to investigate.

When asked by a reporter Saturday whether the US was responsible for the blast, which killed mostly children, Trump responded, without providing evidence: "No, in my opinion, based on what I've seen, that was done by Iran."

Trump added that Iran is

the US was investigating.

Several factors point to a US strike.

One is the launching of an assessment of the incident by the US military. According to the Pentagon's instructions on processes for mitigating civilian harm, an assessment is launched after a group of investigators make an initial determination that the US military may bear culpability.

A US official told the AP that the strike was likely a US one. The official spoke anonymously because they were not authorised to comment publicly on the sensitive matter.

Israel Using White Phosphorus in Southern Lebanon: HRW

Associated Press

Beirut, Mar 9: The human rights group Human Rights Watch said in a report on Monday that the Israeli military "unlawfully" hit a village in southern Lebanon with shells containing white phosphorus, a controversial incendiary munition.

Through geolocating and verifying seven images, Human Rights Watch said Israel fired white phosphorus using artillery at residential areas in the southern Lebanese village of Yohmor. It happened hours after the Israeli military warned the residents of the village and doz-

ens of others in southern Lebanon to evacuate.

Human Rights Watch said it couldn't independently identify if any residents were still in the area or if anyone was harmed.

Human rights advocates say the use of white phosphorus is illegal under international law when the white-hot chemical substance is fired into populated areas. It can set buildings on fire and burn human flesh down to the bone. Survivors are at risk of infections and organ or respiratory failure, even if their burns are small.

"The Israeli military's unlawful use of white phosphorus over residential areas is extreme-

ly alarming and will have dire consequences for civilians," said Ramzi Kaiss, Lebanon researcher at Human Rights Watch.

The Israeli military did not immediately respond to a request for comment. In the past, it has been maintained that it uses white phosphorus as a smoke screen and not to target civilians.

Organisations like Human Rights Watch and Amnesty International said the munition was used in Israel's last war with Hezbollah, over a year ago, on numerous occasions in southern Lebanon, while civilians were still present.

Putin Pledges 'Unwavering' Support to Iran's New Leader

Trans Asia News

Tehran/Moscow: Russian President Vladimir Putin on Monday pledged "unwavering" support to Iran's newly appointed Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Seyed Mojtaba Hosseini Khamenei, following the assassination of his father in strikes carried out by the United States and Israel.

In a direct message to the new leader, Putin reaffirmed Moscow's solidarity with Tehran and stressed that Russia would continue to stand by Iran during the ongoing conflict.

"I would like to reaffirm our unwavering support for

"I am confident that you will honorably continue your father's work and unite the Iranian people in the face of hardships," Putin said in the message.

He added that assuming leadership at a time when Iran is facing armed aggression would require "great courage and self-sacrifice".

Mojtaba Khamenei, 56, was appointed by Iran's Assembly of Experts, an 88-member body responsible for electing the country's supreme leader. He became the third Supreme Leader of the Islamic Republic following the death of his father, who had led the



Tehran and solidarity with our Iranian friends," Putin said, adding that "Russia has been and will remain a reliable partner" of the Islamic Republic.

Congratulating Mojtaba Khamenei on his appointment, Putin wrote, "Your Excellency, Supreme Leader of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ayatollah Seyed Mojtaba Hosseini Khamenei... please accept my most sincere congratulations on your election as the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Republic of Iran."

The Russian leader expressed confidence that the new Supreme Leader would carry forward the legacy of his father, Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei, who was assassinated on February 28 in a joint US-Israeli attack.

country since 1989.

Putin's message of solidarity contrasts sharply with remarks made earlier by US President Donald Trump, who criticised the possibility of Mojtaba Khamenei assuming power.

"Khamenei's son is unacceptable to me," Trump told Axios, adding the new leader would struggle to remain in power without Washington's approval.

"If he doesn't get approval from us, he's not going to last long," Trump told ABC News on Sunday. By Monday, Trump told the Times of Israel, "We'll see what happens."

Meanwhile, China also reacted to the appointment, describing Mojtaba Khamenei's elevation as a decision taken in accordance with Iran's constitution.

SC Refuses to Entertain PIL on I-T Search, Seizure

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday refused to entertain a PIL challenging the scope of search and seizure powers under Section 132 of the Income Tax Act on the ground that it has the potential of misuse by the authorities.

"We cannot second-guess a provision to the extent of the remedy provided. Remedy is good enough for us," a bench comprising Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justice Joyymalya Bagchi said, adding that such provisions were enacted to deal with big tax evaders.

The bench said that initially, the provision may look innocuous but it is made to catch big fish.

"This is an initial apprehension. There are provisions which are sometimes innocuously made but which look like they can be misused... so, courts may have to examine them later." There are provisions which are capable of misuse but are streamlined over time. These provisions are often for the big tax evaders, etc," the CJI said.

The bench disagreed with the submission of senior advocate Sanjay Hegde that the provision was unconstitutional.

The main concern raised by the senior advocate regarding the provision was that it exempted the tax officers from disclosing the reasons for the search to the assessee or to the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal.

The bench refused to entertain the plea and this led to its withdrawal. It, however, granted the PIL petitioner Vishwprasad Alva to approach the Centre with a representation seeking modifications or clarifications with respect to the provision.

The top court was hearing a PIL challenging the scope of search and seizure powers under Section 132 of the Income Tax Act on the ground that it has the potential of misuse by the authorities.

Section 132 of the Income Tax Act empowers IT officials to conduct a search and seizure when they have "reason to believe" that a person has undisclosed income, assets or documents.

NEWS MAKERS

Sharjeel Imam Gets 10-Day Interim Bail in Delhi Riots Case

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi- A court here on Monday granted 10-day interim bail to activist Sharjeel Imam, an accused in the 2020 Delhi riots case, for attending his brother's wedding.

Additional Sessions Judge Sameer Bajpai was hearing the interim bail application filed by Imam, seeking relief for six weeks to attend the marriage scheduled this month.

In an order, the court granted interim bail from March 20 to 30.

Imam is an accused in the case pertaining to the February 2020 riots in northeast Delhi that left 53 people dead and more than 700 injured.

The violence erupted during the widespread protests against the Citizenship (Amendment) Act (CAA) and the National Register of Citizens (NRC).



Bengal Couple Held with Rs 70 Crore Counterfeit Notes

Press Trust Of India

Kolkata, Mar 9: A team of Nepal Police, assisted by its West Bengal counterpart, has arrested seven persons, including a couple from the state, and seized counterfeit currency having a face value of around Rs 70 crore during a raid at a flat near Kolkata, an official said on Monday.

The raid was carried out on Sunday at an apartment within Kamarhati municipality in Belgharia in North 24 Parganas district, where the couple, identified as Deepa Dhar and her husband Arindam, had been living.

Investigators said counterfeit notes with a face value of about Rs 70 crore were recovered from iron trunks during the search. Twelve mobile phones and a luxury car



were also seized from the flat.

Deepa, a resident of the area, had married Arindam of Harinavi in Sonarpur, South 24 Parganas, a few years ago, he said.

"The couple reportedly travelled to Nepal in 2024, from where they are suspected to have begun their involvement in the counterfeit currency racket," he said.

Investigators said the couple allegedly contacted businessmen through video calls, showing

stacks of fake currency and persuading them to invest money in schemes that promised unusually high returns.

"They used video calls to display bundles of currency and lure businesspersons into investing money with the promise that their investment would double," the officer said, adding that the racket may be linked to a larger international smuggling network.

"The scale of the seizure indicates the possible involvement of a wider cross-border counterfeit currency network. All the accused are being questioned to trace the source of the fake notes and identify other members of the syndicate," he added.

Among the seven arrested persons is one Nepalese national, police said.

Retd Judge Falls Prey to 'Digital Arrest' Scam

Press Trust Of India

Hyderabad, Mar 9 : A retired district judge fell prey to the "digital arrest" scam and lost more than Rs one crore, police said on Monday.

The cyber "crooks" threatened the 69-year-old retired judge about a week ago, claiming that his mobile number was found involved in women trafficking and other offences, they added.

The victim, a resident of Malkagiri here, transferred more than Rs one crore to

them, police said. After realising that he was cheated, he lodged a complaint three days ago, and an investigation is underway.

Asked how the victim was cheated despite being a retired judge, police said victims typically get scared with the threats from fraudsters.

In the digital arrest scam, fraudsters impersonate law enforcement officials to deceive victims. They intimidate individuals by falsely accusing them of illegal activities and then demanding money, pressuring them to make the payment.

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Academic Activities Restart in Kashmir's Educational Institutions

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: All educational institutions in Kashmir valley resumed academic activities on Monday.

As per KNO, the schools upto 8th standard in Kashmir region reopened nearly after more than two months of winter vacation.

However, the reopening of the establishments upto 8th standard was delayed by a week as the government had ordered closure of all schools, colleges and universities as a precautionary measure in the region amid tension in Middle East.

Following the killing of Supreme leader of Iran Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei in joint US-Israeli strikes, a widespread protest had erupted across Jammu and Kashmir.



Abid Bhat/KO

Pertinently, schools from 9th to 12th standard reopened on February-23 in Kashmir division and winter zones of Jammu division following a winter break of

over 70 days.

The government had ordered the students of 9th class and onwards to observe the winter vacations from December-11-2025

to February-22-2026.

On November-25, School Education Department (SED) had announced winter break in a phased manner for Kashmir division and winter zones of Jammu division.

SED in an order had said that the vacations for Pre-primary (Balvatika) classes shall commence from November-26 to February-28-2026.

In case of middle classes upto 8th standard, the department had said that the vacations shall be observed from December-01 to February-28.

It also said that the winter break for 9th to 12th standard shall commence from December-11 to February-22.

SED had ordered the teaching faculty to remain available for any academic activity during the

vacation period.

The Teaching staff was ordered to report back to their respective schools on February-20-2026 for making arrangements regarding opening of schools.

Earlier on February-16, Colleges in Kashmir valley resumed activities following a 52 days of winter vacations.

The Jammu and Kashmir Higher Education Department on December-23-2025 had announced 52-days winter vacation for degree colleges falling in the winter zones of Kashmir division.

The government had said that the degree colleges in the Kashmir Division and those in the winter zone of Jammu Division shall observe winter vacations from December-24-2025 to February-14-2026.

Mehbooba Raises Safety, Evacuation of Kashmiri Students with Iranian Ambassador

NEW DELHI: Peoples Democratic Party President Mehbooba Mufti raised the issue of safety and evacuation of Kashmiri students stranded in Iran during her visit to the Iranian Cultural Centre and Embassy in New Delhi.

Mufti said she met Iranian representatives to convey condolences to the people of Iran and also discussed concerns regarding Kashmiri students stranded in the country amid the prevailing situation.

PDP chief visited the Iranian Cultural Centre and Embassy in the national capital to offer condolences and pay tributes to Ayatollah Sayyed Ali Khamenei on his martyrdom.

During the visit, Mufti also took up the matter of Kashmiri students currently studying in Iran and urged authorities to ensure their safety and facilitate their early return.

"I visited the Iranian Cultural Centre and Embassy in Delhi to offer my deepest condolences to the people of Iran in these difficult times and paid tributes to Ayatollah Ali Khamenei on his martyrdom," Mehbooba Mufti said in a statement.

She said the issue of students stranded in Iran was raised with the Iranian Ambassador during the interaction.

"Also took up the issue of Kashmiri students stranded in Iran with the Hon'ble Ambassador and urged for their safety and early return," she said.

Several students from Jammu and Kashmir are currently pursuing medical and other professional courses in different universities across Iran.

Families of these students have recently expressed concern over their safety and appealed to the Government of India to facilitate their return or relocation to safer places if required.

The issue has also drawn attention from political leaders and civil society groups in Kashmir who have urged authorities to remain in close contact with the students and ensure their well-being.

Officials from the Iranian Embassy have not issued any immediate statement regarding the discussions held during Mufti's visit.

According to KNT, the development comes at a time when concerns have been raised by students studying in different Iranian cities regarding their safety, with some appealing to the Indian Embassy and Ministry of External Affairs to monitor the situation and assist them if necessary. (Observer News Service)

Azad Supports 'One Nation, One Election'; Says Move in Nation's Interest

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Former Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad on Monday strongly supported the proposal of simultaneous polls to the Lok Sabha and state assemblies and said such a move will be in the interest of the country, will save time, improve governance and expedite development.

Appearing before the Joint Committee of Parliament examining the bills seeking to introduce simultaneous polls to the Lok Sabha and state assemblies, Azad also said that he has been a supporter of simultaneous polls since 1983, when the Indira Gandhi government was in power.

"I have been a supporter of the one nation one election for a long time. In 1983, when the Indira Gandhi government was in power, the Election Commission had suggested that the issue of simultaneous elections could be considered. I have supported that idea," he told reporters after appearing on the panel, which is headed by BJP member P P Chaudhary.

The former chief minister of Jammu and Kashmir said the number of elections has increased many old since then and as the general secretary in-charge of many states of the Congress, he had to get involved with the series of elections in the states.

"It often had happened that when one election came to an end, another election would come. The



election process was unending. It was very difficult," he said.

Azad said simultaneous elections would be in the interests of the country.

"Lakhs of officials are involved in elections. If simultaneous elections are held, offices will function, time will be saved, and there will be development and improvement in governance," he said.

According to PTI, Chairman Chaudhary said Azad had spoken "in the interest of the country" and suggested that everyone should come together for the initiative keeping aside party lines.

He said time will be saved and government resources will be saved if a single election for both the assembly and the Lok Sabha is held with a single voters' list.

"When elections are held at different times, government employees and teachers are deployed. They are given training and that results in suffering of the students as the teachers can not teach the students," he said.

Chaudhary said even some opposition members sought a single voters' list.

"Today's meeting was held in a very cordial manner. I want to thank Azad Sahab," Chaudhary said.

NC asks Shah to Withdraw Cases against Youth

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: National Conference (NC) president Farooq Abdullah on Monday appealed to Union Home Minister Amit Shah to consider withdrawing cases against youth detained and booked during protests over the killing of Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

Abdullah said that while maintaining law and order is important, it is equally necessary to understand the sentiments that led to the demonstrations.

Abdullah, in a statement, appealed to Shah and security agencies to review the

cases sympathetically and consider withdrawing the FIRs and releasing those detained, particularly students, in the larger interest of their future and social harmony.

"A compassionate approach at this stage will help reassure families and prevent alienation among the youth. Our society benefits when young people are guided back towards education, responsibility and constructive engagement," the former chief minister said.

"The youth who came out to protest were expressing their concern and

distress over events taking place in a country that holds significant cultural and religious importance for many in Jammu and Kashmir," he said.

Abdullah said that the protests reflected the deep anguish felt by many people in Jammu and Kashmir over the developments in Iran, a country with which the people of the region share long-standing cultural and spiritual connections.

"Most of those detained were very young boys, many of them students, whose future should not be jeopardised because of a moment of emotional

expression. They deserve an opportunity to continue their studies and lead normal, constructive lives. Saddling them with criminal cases at such a formative stage could have long-term consequences that would serve neither justice nor society," he added.

According to PTI, the NC president expressed hope that the administration and the Union home ministry would respond with "wisdom and sensitivity", keeping in mind the larger objective of nurturing peace, stability and opportunity for the youth of Jammu and Kashmir.

J&K Bank Celebrates International Women's Day

Observer News Service

JAMMU: On the home front, women have always been leaders, but it took men of this world many generations to extend similar opportunities to them in the professional domain - a shift that happened only a few generations ago; and the results are there for everyone to see.

MD & CEO Amitava Chatterjee stated this at the Bank's Jammu Divisional Office while chairing a special function organized on the eve of International Women's Day to celebrate women's contributions in shaping the world we live in.

The event marked the special presence of women officers of the Bank, including DGMs Aneeta Nehru, Viren-der Kaur and Hafeeza Rahim, along with AGMs and Senior Managers, who joined the function from the Bank's Corporate Headquarters in Srinagar and Zonal Office Jammu.



In Jammu, the event was attended by Executive Director Sudhir Gupta, Chief General Managers along with General Managers, Deputy General Managers and other senior officers, while General Managers, DGMs and other senior officers also joined the function virtually from CHO, Srinagar.

Addressing the gathering, MD & CEO Amitava Chatterjee highlighted the Bank's consistent efforts towards promoting gender equality and financial empowerment. He said, "At J&K Bank, we firmly be-

lieve that empowering women is not only a social responsibility but also a strategic imperative for inclusive economic growth. Women today are leading change across sectors, and it is encouraging to see their increasing representation within our own organisation as well as among our customers."

Emphasising the Bank's strong relationship with women customers, he added, "Nearly 42 percent of our clientele comprises women, which reflects the trust and confidence they repose in the

Bank. We will continue to devise products, initiatives and outreach programmes that strengthen financial independence and entrepreneurial aspirations among women."

MD & CEO concluded his remarks by reciting a poem that captured the essence of how "women lead not just with their heads, but with their hearts—shaping us in every part of life, from our personal circles to our professional world."

Earlier, in her welcome speech, DGM Hafeeza Rahim said, "The year 2026 marks 115 years of International Women's Day celebrations under the theme 'Give to Gain', which highlights the importance of generosity, collaboration and reciprocal empowerment in achieving sustainable and inclusive growth. The theme reflects the larger idea that empowering women strengthens families, communities and institutions alike."

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HEALTH & MEDICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT CIVIL SECRETARIAT, JAMMU/SRINAGAR.

Dr. Gulshan Younis

Medical Officer (DGO)

FINAL NOTICE

WHEREAS, the Director, Health Services, Kashmir vide communication Est-3/1-133/6022-23 Dated: 29.10.2025 has informed that, in view of non availability of specialists at SDH Tangdar Kamah, Chief Medical Officer Kupwara was instructed to depute some specialists at SDH Tangdar;

AND WHEREAS, the Chief Medical Officer Kupwara vide Order No: CMQK/5305-12 dated: 07-08- 2025 deputed three doctors having different kind of specialization including you to SDH Tangdar with the doctors deemed to have been relieved in the said order;

AND WHEREAS, you failed to report for duties to SDH Tangdar for which an explanation was issued to you by the Chief Medical Officer Kupwara vide No: CMOK/5746-50 dated: 19-08-2025; And Whereas, you didn't report at SDH Tangdar, and instead approached the Hon'ble CAT and the Hon'ble Court has issued an order on 13-08-2025, the operative portion which is reproduced as under:

"In the meantime, subject to the objections of the other side and till next date of hearing, the respondents are directed not to disturb the applicant from her present place of posting, if not already relieved."

AND WHEREAS, a notice was issued by the Directorate of Health Services, Kashmir vide No. Est- 3/1-133/5125-27 dated 02-09-2025 and by the Chief Medical Officer, Kupwara vide letter No. CMOK/Est-1/2025/6893 dated 11-09-2025 granting a final opportunity to you for reporting for duties at SDH Tangdhar;

AND WHEREAS, you have not joined at SDH Tangdar till date and continue to remain absent from legitimate duties w.e.f 07.08.2025 without any authorization;

AND WHEREAS, it is pertinent to mention here that the post of Medical Officer is a Union Territory (UT) cadre post, and as such, the officers are liable to be posted anywhere within the UT of Jammu and Kashmir, in the interest of patient care;

AND WHEREAS, the decision to post you at SDH Tangdar by the Chief Medical Officer, Kupwara, was taken in response to public demand for better healthcare services in the area and with a view to augment the availability of experienced surgical care at SDH Tangdar, in the larger interest of patient welfare and equitable healthcare delivery across the Union Territory;

AND WHEREAS, the Hon'ble High Court of J&K & Ladakh, in PIL No. 16/2018 titled Balwinder Singh vs. State of J&K, has also expressed concern regarding the need to strengthen patient care in rural and peripheral areas and has issued a series of directions for augmentation of health services at the grassroots level;

Now therefore, through the medium of this notice you are hereby provided an opportunity to join/ resume your duties at your respective place of posting i.e SDH Tangdar within a period of 07 days from the date of issuance of this notice, failing which, it shall be presumed that you are not interested in discharging your legitimate duties and disciplinary proceedings under Article-128 of J&K Civil Services, (Classification, Control & Appeal) Joules, 1986, shall be initiated against you ex parte, which may involve loss of appointment.

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KO VIEW

Charity With Vision

Ramzan brings a powerful spirit of giving to Kashmir. Zakat and Sadaqah move families to open their hearts and reach out to those who are struggling.

During this holy month, streets, mosques, and neighbourhood groups become gathering places for generosity. People step up for widows, orphans, and families who can barely make ends meet. This compassion shows true faith and pulls the valley closer together.

Kashmiri society has always relied on charity to lift up the poor and ease their burdens. That tradition still matters today.

When families receive food, clothing, or financial help, they find real relief in hard times. Community donations during Ramzan bring comfort and stability to households across the region.

But Ramzan charity can do even more.

With some careful planning, part of this generosity can become long-term social investment. Communities can pool resources to build funds for education, skills training, and exposure for young people. These steps can open real doors for the next generation.

Young Kashmiris are hungry to learn and full of talent. Since the pandemic pushed remote work into the mainstream, many graduates have already landed global jobs online. Companies worldwide now hire professionals who work from home. Kashmir has that talent too, but the competition is fierce. Young people need advanced skills and broader exposure to stand out.

Community charity can fuel that growth.

Social funds can help promising students master modern skills like programming, digital design, data analysis, and global communication. Skill centers backed by community money can train young people for international job markets. Scholarships can send bright students to advanced courses or short study programs outside the region. Time in wider professional circles builds confidence and expands their vision.

Investing in youth also shields them from serious social problems.

When young people stay busy with learning, creativity, and enterprise, they stay on track. Families and community leaders worry deeply about rising drug abuse and emotional distress among jobless youth. Constructive opportunities channel that energy toward meaningful work and fresh ideas.

Faith calls believers to use their gifts responsibly. Life itself is a gift from the Almighty. Living faithfully means putting knowledge, energy, and talent to good use. Community support during Ramzan creates a practical path to that purpose.

Charity already helps people survive immediate hardship. Strategic giving can also build knowledge, opportunity, and growth for generations to come.

A balanced approach helps struggling families today and builds a stronger society for tomorrow through education and skills.

So Ramzan is more than a season of generosity. This sacred month is a chance to invest in the future of Kashmiri youth.

Thoughtful charity can lift families now and build a confident generation ready to contribute to society and the wider world.

CASH COURSE

Read This Before You Buy Anything

Stay the Course

When war rattles markets, disciplined investors keep investing rather than panic.

Irshad Mushtaq

When war fills the news cycle, financial markets react almost instantly. Prices fall, volatility rises, and headlines grow louder with every passing hour. In such moments, many investors feel the urge to stop investing or pull their money out until the situation settles.

That reaction feels natural, but it often leads to poor decisions. History shows that markets usually fall during wars and geopolitical crises because uncertainty spreads quickly. Investors become cautious, businesses slow down, and global trade may face disruptions. But history also shows something equally important. Markets eventually recover once the initial shock fades and economies adjust to the new reality.

The real challenge is timing.

The days when markets fall the most are often followed by strong rebounds. Investors who exit during panic frequently miss these recoveries. By the time confidence returns, prices have already risen and re-entering the market becomes more expensive.

This lesson matters even more for people who invest through Systematic Investment Plans, commonly known as SIPs. The idea behind SIPs is simple. You invest a fixed amount regularly and allow time and market cycles to work in your favour.

When markets fall, SIPs silently buy more units at lower prices. Over time, this helps bring down the average cost of investment. When markets recover, those lower-priced investments can strengthen long-term returns.

Stopping SIPs during a crisis interrupts this advantage. Investors lose the chance to buy at lower valuations, and the discipline that builds long-term wealth begins to weaken.

A steadier approach usually works better. Continue investing for long-term goals and rely on emergency savings for short-term needs. Review your investment plan calmly and avoid making decisions based only on daily headlines.

Wars may shake markets in the short term, but patient and disciplined investing has often rewarded those who remain steady when uncertainty is at its highest.

The author is a Srinagar-based reputed financial educator.



Kashmir’s Spring
Has Lost the Plot

February hit 21 degrees. Apple trees woke up in March. One late frost now could wipe out a year’s income in a single night.

Haris Mashooq Zia



We see flowers blooming in January and hailstorms tearing through June. This confused spring stems directly from urban planning that treats wetlands as empty lots and concrete as progress. We cannot afford to wait for the weather to fix itself. We must rebuild the natural infrastructure that once absorbed these shocks. We need to reopen the traditional waterways, and protect the green spaces that cool us down. If we fail, Srinagar stays stuck in permanent emergency.



Letter to Editor

If Kashmir Wants Better Schools, Start with CRCs

In a remote government school in Jammu and Kashmir, roads are rough and resources are limited. Teachers work hard to keep classrooms active and students engaged.

Regular visits from a mentor bring guidance, encouragement, and practical ideas that strengthen teaching and make classrooms more lively and effective.

That mentor is a Cluster Resource Coordinator, or CRC. These professionals are the beating heart of our school education system, and most people do not even know they exist.

The National Education Policy 2020 has big dreams for our children. It talks about competency-based learning, hands-on experiences, and nurturing the whole child.

It sounds wonderful, but here is the reality check: transformation does not

happen through policy papers and occasional training workshops. It needs someone in the trenches, day after day, helping teachers grow. CRCs are that someone.

I have been there. I have seen the classrooms where students sit with empty stomachs and worn-out uniforms. Many come from families where buying a notebook means skipping a meal. We call education a fundamental right, but for these children, it is still a daily struggle. The gap between promise and reality is heartbreaking.

Now here is what keeps me hopeful. Inside those same classrooms, I have met children who could change the world. They solve problems creatively. They ask questions that stump you, and have the spark. All they just need the right fuel. And that fuel is a teacher who knows how to recognise genius and fan it into

flame. CRCs train exactly those kinds of teachers.

These are highly qualified professionals who understand modern pedagogy inside out. When they engage with higher secondary schools, they strengthen everything: lesson planning, classroom culture, professional dialogue among staff. The impact ripples far beyond any single visit.

Let me be direct about something that angers me. Many CRCs work in areas where no one else wants to go. They travel for hours on broken roads. They make do without proper materials. And what do they get in return? Meagre salaries and zero job security.

Beyond unfair, this is foolish. You cannot build a strong education system on temporary, underpaid labour.

The government of Jammu and

chard roots. We turned our own safety net into a concrete trap.

Our ancestors understood something we have forgotten.

The city’s health depended on water and weather moving together. That coordination is shot to pieces.

We see flowers blooming in January and hailstorms tearing through June. This confused spring stems directly from urban planning that treats wetlands as empty lots and concrete as progress.

We cannot afford to wait for the weather to fix itself. We must rebuild the natural infrastructure that once absorbed these shocks.

We need to reopen the traditional waterways, and protect the green spaces that cool us down.

If we fail, Srinagar stays stuck in permanent emergency.

We swing between drought and flood with no middle ground to stand on.

The wildfire is still burning, while we carry drops of water in our beaks. We must use them to reclaim our seasons.

We must act now, or Sonth becomes nothing more than a memory from a time when the earth still knew how to keep proper time.

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Shadow Wars in the Middle East

From the Lavon Affair to today's Gulf tensions, a pattern of deception risks dragging the world into another Middle East conflict.



Khurshed Peer

Benjamin Netanyahu stood before cameras in 2025 and spoke of shared Judeo-Christian values. He criticized Muslims while seeking Western backing for military expansion. The irony burned bright.

Six million Jews perished between 1941 and 1945 at the hands of Nazis, men who claimed those same Judeo-Christian values.

History has a brutal way of mocking political theater.

False flag operations follow a simple script. One group attacks, another group takes the blame.

Israel has mastered this dark art across decades, leaving fingerprints that point everywhere except the actual source. The goal remains constant: control the story, shift the blame, justify the war.

The pattern stretches back to Israel's founding years.

Israeli agents orchestrated fake terrorist attacks against Iraqi Jews during the late 1940s. The objective was clear: drive Jewish populations toward the new state.

Population problems required population solutions. And fear proved the most effective recruiter.

1954 brought the Lavon Affair. Israeli operatives planted bombs across Egypt, aiming to frame Muslims. The target was British military presence, and the method was deception.

The operation failed when agents were caught, but the blueprint survived.

1967 saw the USS Liberty attacked by Israeli forces. Thirty-four American sailors died, while one hundred seventy-one were wounded. Official reports called it accidental, but survivors and evidence suggested deliberate action designed to pull America deeper into regional conflict.

The truth drowned in bureaucratic silence. Today, the playbook updates itself. Recent missile incidents threaten international security. NATO feels the pressure, India watches nervously, and the Middle East burns while the world holds its breath.

Azerbaijan lately decided to pull its diplomats out of Iran after accusing Tehran of car-



rying out drone attacks on Nakhchivan. Iran strongly denied any role in the incident.

As tensions rose, Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesperson Esmail Baghaei issued a warning. He said Israel is trying to widen the conflict across the region and could even stage false-flag attacks on diplomatic missions in Arab countries to trigger a larger war.

The Sun quoted an unnamed official who analyzed the drone evidence: "Considering the drone's type, range, and capabilities, Defence intelligence confirms that it was launched from Iran."

The statement raised both concern and questions.

Prime Minister Keir Starmer responded swiftly. Britain opened its military bases to American forces for defensive strikes against Iranian missile sites.

The goal sounds noble: destroy threats at their source, enhance regional security. But the reality looks different.

Nations refusing direct participation find

themselves dragged through sanctions or manufactured incidents.

Pete Hegseth's journey illuminates this trajectory.

The former Fox News host visited Israel in 2018 and discussed rebuilding the Temple on the Temple Mount. "There's reason the miracle of rebuilding the Temple is possible," he declared.

His career advanced through Guantanamo Bay service, combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan, and unwavering support for Israeli positions. He now serves as Secretary of Defense.

Amid these manufactured narratives around the Middle East, the Epstein files surfaced again. At the same time, several authoritarian politicians from Muslim countries were appointed to Donald J. Trump's Board of Peace. The timing has raised many eyebrows.

The pattern seems straightforward. Potential critics are kept silent through pressure, compromise, or political leverage.

Such tactics can push leaders toward sup-

porting conflicts they had earlier refused to join.

Energy politics drive much of this maneuvering.

Israel is accused by some of staging attacks on Gulf energy sites. Any disruption quickly spreads through the Strait of Hormuz, one of the world's most important oil routes. The resulting oil shocks often benefit the United States, while Western energy exporters gain new and profitable opportunities.

War generates winners among those selling solutions to problems they helped create.

Media complicity helps sustain the entire cycle. Sources from Israel often receive quick credibility, while independent verification struggles to keep up with the speed of breaking news.

At the same time, communication blackouts in Gaza Strip and other parts of Palestine limit transparency. When the cameras go silent and information dries up, accountability tends to fade.

The public bears responsibility here. They should check reliable sources before believ-



WAR APPROACHES IRAN THROUGH NARRATIVES THAT MANY BELIEVE ARE CAREFULLY CONSTRUCTED TO JUSTIFY ESCALATION.

Alliances between neighboring countries begin to crack under growing pressure. Peace weakens as covert actions and unclear incidents blur the true origins of conflict. The pattern repeats again and again. The only real question is which generation finally decides to break the cycle.

ing viral claims. They must question narratives that serve specific political agendas. They need to consult multiple independent news outlets instead of relying on echo chambers.

Healthy skepticism remains one of the strongest defenses against sophisticated deception.

This conflict manufactures global instability for political gain. It cultivates artificial admiration for Judeo-Christian values while exploiting Jewish trauma.

Politicians sometimes act as if Jews might forget the Holocaust. Jewish communities know that will never happen. Memory stays alive, and history remembers who stood where.

War approaches Iran through narratives that many believe are carefully constructed to justify escalation. Alliances between neighbouring countries begin to crack under growing pressure. Peace weakens as covert actions and unclear incidents blur the true origins of conflict.

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— The author can be reached at reachme@khurshedpeer.com.

The Son of the Soil

A profile of scholarship, sacrifice, and succession in a nation under fire.



Humaira Ahad

Mojtaba Khamenei grew up in the shadow of giants. Born in 1969 in Mashhad, Iran's holiest city, he watched his father, Seyyed Ali Khamenei, steer the Islamic Revolution through thirty-seven turbulent years.

Now, at fifty-six, he occupies that same seat himself, the third Leader of the Islamic Republic, elected by the Assembly of Experts during Ramzan prayers on a Sunday evening in March.

The announcement arrived late. Worshipers filled mosques across Iran for the special prayers of Ramzan when word came through: the Assembly had chosen Mojtaba Khamenei by decisive vote.

His predecessor, his father, had fallen weeks earlier in what Iranian officials describe as illegal military aggression by the United States and Israel.

This is a story about inheritance, certainly. It is also a story about a man who spent decades building credentials independent of his bloodline.

Mojtaba spent his childhood in Tehran. He attended Alavi School, an institution with a reputation for producing the thinkers and administrators who would populate the upper ranks of the Islamic Republic.

The curriculum emphasized discipline, while the environment demanded excellence. He absorbed both.

War arrived during his adolescence. At seventeen, he volunteered for the Iran-Iraq front.

He served with the Habib ibn Mazaher Battalion, part of the 27th Mohammad Rasulollah Division based in Tehran. The experience marked him.

Former comrades recall a young man who carried himself with seriousness beyond his years, who spoke little about the violence he witnessed but returned with convictions that would guide his subsequent choices.

When the war ended in 1988, Mojtaba pivoted toward religious scholarship. He relocated to Qom in 1989, the city that houses Iran's most prestigious seminary. He remained there three years, then returned to Tehran for additional study.

In 1997, he married Zahra Haddad Adel. The couple raised three children: two sons, Mohammad-Bagher and Mohammad Amin, and a daughter, Fatemeh. Zahra Haddad Adel died on February 28, martyred in the same American-Israeli strikes that killed her father-in-law.

Following his marriage, Mojtaba returned to Qom. He pursued advanced studies in jurisprudence and the principles of jurisprudence under the seminary's most respected scholars. He attended the highest-level lectures, where senior clerics engage in independent reasoning on matters of Islamic law.

Colleagues describe him as rigorous, precise, and intellectually independent. He avoided the easy answer, questioned assumptions, and built arguments from first principles.

His scholarly output eventually grew, as he contributed to debates within traditional seminary sciences, particularly in jurisprudence, narration, and legal methodology. His lectures attracted thousands of students, making his classes among the most popular in Qom.

Religious experts note that he possesses a coherent intellectual framework spanning the codified Islamic sciences. He writes clearly, teaches methodically, and has established academic institutions and specialized schools aimed at cultivating the next generation of scholars.

But Mojtaba Khamenei has always operated



with an awareness that scholarship holds social obligations.

He has funded educational initiatives and social programs targeting disadvantaged communities. He has also encouraged the development of scholars who combine academic excellence with community engagement.

This dual emphasis, intellectual depth and social responsibility, runs through his entire career.

His network extends beyond the seminary walls, as he maintains close relationships with leading religious authorities in Qom and Mash-

had. He has advised his father on national affairs for years, participating in consultations with senior officials across multiple governments.

His involvement spans economic policy, housing development, agricultural modernization, and technological advancement. He has taken particular interest in knowledge-based industries and artificial intelligence, fields he sees as essential to Iran's future.

On the regional stage, he cultivated relationships with figures associated with the Axis of Resistance.

He knew Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah, the Hezbollah leader martyred in recent conflicts. He maintained a longstanding connection with General Hajj Qasem Soleimani, the anti-terror commander killed in an American drone strike in 2020. These relationships developed away from cameras.

Mojtaba has consistently avoided personal publicity, preferring to strengthen what he calls the broader intellectual current of the Islamic Revolution.

This deliberate reticence has served him well. He has avoided association with any particular political faction.

Senior clerics trust him, political figures respect him, and the wider public knows him primarily through his scholarship and his father's legacy.

He enters leadership with credibility across Iran's fractured political landscape.

The moment could hardly be more precarious. Iran faces active military conflict with the United States and Israel. The new Leader assumes power while missiles fall on Iranian territory. Top officials and military commanders have pledged allegiance.

The immediate task involves consolidating authority during wartime. The longer-term challenge involves defining his own leadership while honouring the legacy of his predecessors.

Mojtaba Khamenei has spent thirty-five years preparing for this role. He has the scholarly credentials. He has the administrative experience. He has the relationships.

What remains unknown is how he will deploy these assets now that the position is his.

The Islamic Revolution has entered its third chapter. Its new author has spent a lifetime studying the first two.

— The author is a Kashmiri journalist associated with Press TV, the English-language international news network based in Tehran. This is an abridged version of her original profile, edited for focus and format.

Indian Youth Rank 60 In 84-Nation Mental Health Study, Older People Perform Better

Press Trust Of India

Indian young adults have performed poorly in Mind Health Quotient (MHQ) scores, ranking 60 out of 84 nations featured in an ongoing global mental health study.

The study by US-based Sapien Labs -- Global Mind Health in 2025 -- also revealed that not only did Indian youths in the 18-34 age group score poorly globally, but they also did worse on mental well-being parameters compared to older Indians aged above 55, who were ranked 49.

According to the study, young adults in India had an average MHQ score of about 33, defined under the "Distressed or Struggling" category, while the average for those above 55 was nearly 100, indicating the "Managing or Succeeding" category.

"Since we began measuring in 2019, the mind health of adults

aged 55 and older has remained consistently at scores of about 100, exactly where a normal population is expected to be on the MHQ scale. On the other hand, young adults under 35, who were already struggling relative to their parents and grandparents before the COVID-19 pandemic, took a sharp nosedive during the pandemic from which they have never recovered," Tara Thiagarajan, founder and chief scientist at Sapien Labs, said in the report.

Geographically, the 18-34 age group fared worse than older adults in all countries.

Those countries that have relatively better mind health are predominantly in Sub-Saharan Africa and include Ghana, Nigeria, Zimbabwe, Kenya and Tanzania.

Those at the bottom include Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, the United Kingdom and China.

Finland, which consistently

tops the World Happiness Index based on their rating of life satisfaction, ranks 28 out of 84 countries on mind health for those aged above 55, and 40 out of 84 for those aged 18-34 years.

The report, which uses data from over one million internet-enabled respondents across 84 nations in 2024 and 2025, also looks at different aspects of modern life that are worsening the mental health in global youth.

Thiagarajan said the surprising aspect of this decline in mental health in younger generations is that it is most pronounced in the wealthier and more developed countries.

"To solve it, we will have to tackle its root causes rather than simply treat symptoms. For the past four years, we have been probing these root causes to understand what aspects of modern life -- di-

minished family bonds, diminished spirituality, smartphones at a young age, and increasing consumption of ultra-processed food -- are driving this trend," she said.

The report notes that those who have poor family relationships are almost four times more likely to have mind health scores in the distressed or struggling ranges: 44% in those who don't get along with anyone in their family, compared to 12% in those who are close to many family members.

In an associated study of mind health among internet-enabled adults in India, closeness to family was found to matter far more for mind health and well-being than income.

In India, nearly 64% respondents in the 18-34 age group reported being close to their families, while the number was higher at about 78% for those above 55.

Government of Jammu & Kashmir
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
Machinery Division Kashmir
Mechanical & Hospital Engineering
Department, Kashmir

GIST of e-Tender

e-NIT No: MDSK/TS /2025-26/103
Date 07.03.2026

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, J&K UT e-tenders are invited from OEMs of Snow Mobile /their authorized dealers/representatives :-

Name of the Work	Cost of Tender Doc. (In rupees)	Esti-mated Cost	Bid secu-rity (EMD) in Rs	Position of AA	Position of TS
Supply, Test-ing and Com-missioning of Snow Mobile (Polaris 550 Voyager LXT144) for Gulmarg Development Authority	500.00	26.50 Lacs	53000.00	Accorded vide order No.132 GDA/TS/179; of 202, dt:- 15.01.2026	Accorded vide No. MHED/K/TS/179; dated:- 28-02-2026

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

01	Publish date	07.03.2026 (18:00hrs)
02	Period of downloading of bidding document	07.03.2026 (18:30hrs)
03	Bid submission start date	07.03.2026 (18:55hrs)
04	Bid submission end date	13.03.2026 (18:55hrs)
05	Date and time of opening of bids (online)	14.03.2026 (14:00hrs)

Sd Executive Engineer,
Machinery Division, Srinagar

No: MDSK/ TS/6876-6880
DIPK-11701/25
Date: 09.03.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is information for the general public that in School records of my son the name is entered as ALI ASGHAR while his actual name is ALI ASGHAR BHAT. Now I want to change the name from ALI ASGHAR TO ALI ASGHAR BHAT in this regard if anybody having any objection may contact PRINCIPAL THE KASHMIR VALLEY HUMHAMA BUDGAM with in a period of seven days. No objection shall be entertained after that.

MOHAMMAD AQEEL BHAT F/o ALI ASGHAR BHAT
R/O OLD BUS STAND BUDGAM CELL. 968277385

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The Jammu And Kashmir
Board Of School Education
Sub Office Pulwama

I have passed/appeared in Secondary School Examination (Class- 10th 11th, 12th Under Roll No. 1330170107, 233014008, 333013007 Session: A/R , A/R- MARCH, A/R- Oct -Nov Year 2024, 2025, 2025 through the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. Due to the error committed by the Future Vision Model School Tral against my Mother's name as Mehjabeena instead of Mahjabeen 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 Pulwama within seven days from the date of Publication of this notice, after the expiry of said period no objection will be entertained.

Name: Raksh Jehan Father's name: Ajaz Ahmad Malla
Mother's Name: Mahjabeen DOB: 22-05-2009
Residence: Amirabad Tral DISTT Pulwama
Mobile no: 9419143043



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PUBLIC NOTICE

I have changed my name from Subeena Akhtar to Subeena. In future, I shall be known as Subeena. I have applied for correction of my name in my J&K Bank account details. If anybody has any objection in this regard, he/she may file the same in the concerned branch office of J&K Bank, Nallamar Road, Srinagar, within seven days from the publication of this notice. After that, no objection shall be entertained.

Subeena W/o Mohammad Yaqoob
R/o Urdu Bazar, Fateh Kadal, Srinagar

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DEPARTMENT OF URBAN LOCAL BODIES KASHMIR
Office of the Executive Officer, Municipal Committee Devsar

Subject: Regarding engagement of Self Help Group as Community Mobilizers in Municipal Committee Devsar.

Ref No: Advertisement Dated 24/12/2025 of Mission Director SBM (U)- 2.0 of J&K letter no MD/SBM/U/2025-26/2174-76 dated: 06/03/2026 of Mission Director SBM (U)- 2.0, J&K.

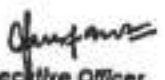
The selected list of Self-Help Group Members as community mobilizers in Municipal Committee Devsar is attached herewith.

The President/Secretary/Treasurer of the concerned self-help group are hereby informed to sign contract agreement with Municipal Committee Devsar as per the selection procedure of the TOR regarding engagement of its selected members as community mobilizers.

The self-allotted copies of all requisite Personal, educational and experience related documents for verification along with SHG registration certificate and postbook/canceled cheque of the SHG and non-Judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100/- (In the name of SHG as second party) shall be submitted in the office of Municipal Committee Devsar by the SHG for signing the contract agreement by or before 10th of March 2026.

The SHG who have signed the contract agreement shall direct their respective members to join in the office of Municipal Committee Devsar w.e.f 12th of March 2026.

NO: MC/Dvr/SBM/2026/307-310
Dated:- 07/03/2026


Executive Officer
Municipal Committee Devsar

Selected List of Candidates as Community Mobilizers in respect of Municipal Committee Devsar

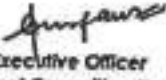
S.No	S.No as per Short List	Name of Candidate	Parentage	Address	SHG Name
1	1318	Aamishla sojed	Sajad ghmed nalk	Brinai	Suhana shg
2					Deendayal
	1354	Fatma Faried	Faried Ahmad Sali	Reshipora Kulgam	Anydaya Yajana
3	1383	SHAKEELA AETHER	ISHFAQ HAMID ASHIE	LADGOO RAMBHAMIA	MANJOOR SHG


Executive Officer
Municipal Committee Devsar

Waiting List of Candidates as Community Mobilizers in respect of Municipal Committee Devsar

S.No	S.No as per Short List	Name of Candidate	Parentage	Address	SHG Name
1	1331	Najma Javeed	Javeed Hassan Najar	Chaitipora	Khushi SHG
2					HIGENPORA KUND DIST. KULGAM
	1295	BISMA JAN	IMTIYAZ AHMAD SHEIKH		ALIZA SHG
3	1373	Rugala Jan	Aamir Ahmad Bhat	Pahlaa	Madhila shg
4	1317	Uzma Jan	Gh nabi hajom	Akhal	Skyblue shg
5	1350	Salma rashid	Abdul rashid kumar	Chaitipora	Gulam shg
6					AKHAL DEVSAR, District Kulgam Tehsil DEVSAR
	1326	SHAMEE REHMAN	ABDUL REHMAN LONE		MS ARVISH SHG

Note: The priority of the waiting list candidates shall be determined strictly in the order of their serial numbers, I.e., Serial No. 1 shall be given priority, followed by Serial No. 2, and so on.


Executive Officer
Municipal Committee Devsar

DIPK-NB-3539/25
dated: 09-03-2026

OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE
MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS
ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

Public Notice

This office has received a written application from Mymoona Akhter D/o Abdul Kheliq Lone R/o Tujar , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of Mymoona Akhter 06-04-1992 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
Bomai

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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE
MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS
ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

Public Notice

This office has received a written application from Bashir Ahmad Mir S/o Mohd Kamal Mir R/o Latishat , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of Bazilah Bashir 01-04-2013 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
Bomai

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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE
MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS
ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

Public Notice

This office has received a written application from Rayaz Ahmad Reshi S/o Mohad Sadeeq Reshi R/o Marbal , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of Mohd Sadeeq Reshi 03-05-2022 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
Bomai

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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE
MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS
ZAINGEER BOMAI

Subject: Issuance of registration order in respect of delayed Birth & Death

Public Notice

This office has received a written application from Shakeel Ahmad Peer S/o Abdul Aziz Peer R/o Latti Shat , Tehsil Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of Shakeel Ahmad Peer 20-07-1976 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
Bomai

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is information for the general public that in Adhar card bearing No 684186953055 the name is entered as FATIMA BEGUM while my actual name is FATA. Now I want its correction, in this regard if anybody having any objection may contact Concern department with in a period of seven days. No objection shall be entertained after that.

FATA W/O HABIBULLAH DAR
R/O BARZULLAH SRINAGAR

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اطلاع عام

ہر خاص وعام کو بذریعہ اشتہار مطلع کیا جاتا ہے کہ مجھے اپنے والد غلام محمد اور والدہ احمد اری فوٹنگ سرٹیفکیٹ نم ہوگئی ہے تاریخ فوٹنگ 25-10-2011ء جب اسکی ڈپلیکیٹ کائنی مطلوب ہے۔ اگر کسی کو کوئی اعتراض ہو تو وہ سات دنوں کے اندر اپنا اعتراض بلاک ڈیپوٹ آفیسر بدگام کے دفتر میں پیش کریں۔ مبعاد گزرنے کے بعد کوئی بھی اعتراض قابل قبول نہیں ہوگا۔

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Rupee Hits Record Low, Closes At 92.21 Against US Dollar

Press Trust of India

MUMBAI- The rupee crashed to its all-time closing low of 92.21 against the US dollar on Monday, losing 39 paise during the session, as global crude oil prices saw a sharp spike, and the greenback strengthened amid worsening conflict in the Middle East.

Forex traders said heightened geopolitical uncertainty risks driving energy costs higher, which could widen the trade deficit and stoke inflationary pressures.

Moreover, withdrawal of foreign funds amid intense selling in domestic equity markets further pressured the rupee, they added.

At the interbank foreign exchange, the rupee opened at 92.22 and rose briefly to 92.15 but kept losing ground through the session and recorded an intraday low of 92.35.

At the end of Monday's trading session, the rupee was quoted at 92.21, down 39 paise from its previous close.

The rupee depreciated 18 paise against the US dollar on Friday to close at 91.82 against the American currency.

"In line with broader weakness across Asian currencies, the rupee has depreciated against the US Dollar as international crude oil prices surged past USD 100 per barrel, reclaiming levels not seen since 2022," said Dilip Parmar, Research Analyst, HDFC Securities.



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Parmar further noted that the soaring energy costs pose a significant threat to India's trade deficit, GDP growth, and inflation, given the country's high reliance on oil imports.

"Amidst heightening geopolitical uncertainty, the spot USDINR is expected to remain firm, with a resistance level near 93.00 and established support at 91.80," he said.

Meanwhile, Brent crude, the global oil benchmark, was trading higher by 10.93 per cent at USD 102.82 per barrel in futures trade as the war between US-Israel and Iran intensified.

The dollar index, which gauges the greenback's strength against a basket of six currencies, was trading 0.29 per cent higher at 99.27.

On the domestic equity market front, the Sensex plunged 1,352.74 points to settle at 77,566.16, while the Nifty tumbled 422.40 points to 24,028.05.

Silver Drops ₹3,400 To ₹2.68 Lakh/Kg; Gold Flat On Strong Dollar



Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI- Silver prices declined by Rs 3,400 to Rs 2.68 lakh per kilogram, and gold traded almost flat at Rs 1,64,300 per 10 grams in the national capital on Monday as a firm US dollar dampened the precious metals' demand amid volatile global markets.

According to the All India Sarafa Association, the white metal extended its losses for the third straight day by plunging Rs 3,400, or nearly 1.3 per cent, to Rs 2,68,300 per kg (inclusive of all taxes) from Friday's closing level of Rs 2,71,700 per kg.

"Silver extended last week's decline as a sharp rise in crude oil prices raised concerns that inflationary pressures could intensify again," Saumil Gandhi, Senior Analyst, Commodities at HDFC Securities.

Higher energy prices tend to feed into broader inflation expectations, which may delay the pace of interest rate cuts by the Federal Reserve. This scenario supported the US dollar and Treasury yields, which in turn weighed on precious metals, he added.

Meanwhile, gold of 99.9 per cent purity rose marginally by

Rs 200 to Rs 1,64,300 per 10 grams (inclusive of all taxes). The yellow metal had settled at Rs 1,64,100 per 10 grams in the previous market session, as per the Association.

Globally, spot gold fell USD 65.23, or 1.26 per cent, to trade at USD 5,105.89 per ounce, while silver was also trading 0.53 per cent lower at USD 83.92 per ounce.

"Gold is trading lower at USD 5,097 per ounce level as crude oil prices surged nearly 30 per cent overnight on Middle East supply concerns," Praveen Singh, Head of commodities and currencies at Mirae Asset ShareKhan, said.

Kaynat Chainwala, AVP Commodity Research, Kotak Securities, said that forced liquidations to meet margin calls during the broader market sell-off have also pressured bullion prices since tensions escalated sharply last week.

Investors will now monitor key US macroeconomic indicators such as CPI, Core PCE Price Index, Prelim GDP, and JOLTS job openings, for further cues on the Fed's policy trajectory, while geopolitical developments in West Asia are expected to continue influencing market sentiment, she added.

Investors Lose Over ₹22 Lakh Cr Since West Asia Conflict Began

Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI- Equity investors became poorer by Rs 22.40 lakh crore since the beginning of the conflict involving the US, Israel and Iran, which has rattled stock markets, driving the BSE Sensex lower by 4.6 per cent.

The US and Israel launched military strikes on Iran on February 28, killing Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, Iran's supreme leader.

Following the military offensive, Iran has carried out a wave of attacks mainly targeting Israeli and American military bases in several Gulf countries, including the UAE, Bahrain, Kuwait, Jordan, and Saudi Arabia.

Brent crude, the global oil benchmark, jumped 12.82 per cent to USD 104.6 per barrel.

Since February 27, the 30-share BSE Sensex has tanked 3,721.03 points or 4.57 per cent.

The market capitalisation of BSE-listed companies dropped sharply by Rs 22,40,408.82 crore to Rs 4,41,10,262.45 crore (USD 4.78 trillion) during this time.

"Indian equity markets ended the session sharply lower after opening with a steep gap-down of nearly 3 per cent, as weak global cues and the deepening conflict in the Middle East weighed heavily on investor sentiment.



"The escalation in geopolitical risks pushed crude oil prices above the USD 100 per barrel mark and drove the Indian rupee to a record low against the US dollar, amplifying concerns around inflation and external balances," Ponmudi R, CEO of Enrich Money, an online trading and wealth tech firm, said.

On Monday, the Sensex tanked 1,352.74 points or 1.71 per cent to settle at 77,566.16, registering its second day of decline. During the day, the benchmark crashed 2,494.35 points or 3.16 per cent to 76,424.55.

"Selling intensified as the Middle East conflict entered its second week with no signs of de-escalation," Vinod Nair, Head of Research, Geojit Investments Limited, said.

UltraTech Cement was the biggest loser in the Sensex

pack, tumbling 5.09 per cent, followed by Maruti, Mahindra & Mahindra, State Bank of India, InterGlobe Aviation, and Adani Ports, which were among the major laggards.

In contrast, Reliance Industries, Sun Pharma, Infosys, Tech Mahindra and HCL Tech were the gainers.

The BSE smallcap select index dived 2.11 per cent and the midcap select index tanked 2.08 per cent.

All BSE sectoral indices ended lower. The BSE mid-small private banks quality tilt tumbled 4.50 per cent, PSU Bank (3.92 per cent), auto (3.89 per cent), services (3.37 per cent), Bankex (3.16 per cent), oil & gas (3.11 per cent) and Private Banks index (2.89 per cent).

A total of 3,379 stocks declined, while 972 advanced and 185 remained unchanged on the BSE.

India Says No To IEA's Call To Release Strategic Oil Reserves



Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI- India will not join the International Energy Agency (IEA) initiative to release strategic oil reserves as part of an effort to cool oil prices, top government sources said.

India, the world's third-largest oil-importing and consuming nation, has 5.33 million tonnes of underground strategic reserves. But they are only 80 per cent filled currently.

G7 nations are due to discuss the possible release of oil

reserves to calm markets that have seen crude prices jump to close to USD 120 per barrel, the highest in four years, on the widening West Asia conflict.

"The crisis (that led to a rise in prices) is not our creation. Those responsible have to deal with it and create situations to ease (prices)," the source said, ruling out releasing Indian reserves.

The reserves that India holds are to be used in situations of disruption in supplies.

"Ours is a India first policy," the source said.

India is not a full member of IEA and does not have an obligation to follow dictates of the international body. India is an associate member of IEA.

IEA executive director Fatih Birol is due to speak to Indian authorities on the issue.

In 2021, New Delhi joined efforts led by the US and released 5 million barrels of oil from its strategic petroleum reserves (SPRs).

Sources said India has no plans to restrict its fuel exports as it has 'reasonably' comfortable stocks of petrol, diesel and ATF.

World Shares Tumble as Iran War Pushes Oil Above \$110

Associated Press

BANGKOK- World shares tumbled on Monday, with Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 index plunging more than 5%, after oil prices spiked at nearly \$120 a barrel, casting a shadow over economies heavily dependent on imports of oil and gas from the Middle East.

The futures for the S&P 500, Nasdaq composite index and the Dow Jones Industrial Average were trading more than 1% lower after dropping more than 2% late Sunday.

A Chinese special envoy to the Middle East, Zhai Jun, called for an end to the attacks and said strikes on non-military targets and civilians should be condemned. Meanwhile, South Korean President Lee Jae Myung warned against hoarding, panic buying and collusion between refiners and gas stations.

"Please respond proactively to the growing volatility in the financial and foreign exchange markets, which are the lifeblood of our economy," Lee said. He said the government would cap fuel prices.

Oil prices rocketed higher after both sides in the war struck new targets over the weekend, including civilian ones.

Bahrain accused Iran of hitting one of the desalination plants that are crucial for drinking water in Gulf countries. Its national oil company declared force majeure after the country's sole oil refinery was attacked. Israel struck oil



depots in Tehran, sending up thick smoke and causing environmental alerts.

In early European trading, Germany's DAX dropped 2.6% to 22,983.67 and the CAC 40 in Paris lost 2.7% to 7,779.46. Britain's FTSE 100 lost 1.9% to 10,089.05. The only market to show gains was in oil exporter Norway, where its benchmark edged 0.1% higher.

During Asian trading, Japan's Nikkei 225 plunged more than 7% early in the day but regained some of those losses to close 5.2% lower at 52,728.72. South Korea's Kospi sank 6% to 5,251.87.

Chinese markets, which tend to be less affected by global trends, saw more moderate losses. Hong Kong's Hang Seng fell 1.4% to 25,408.46 and the Shanghai Composite index lost 0.7% to 4,096.60.

Taiwan's benchmark dived 4.4% and India's Sensex lost 2.3%. Other regional markets also swooned.

As of 0900 GMT, the price for a barrel of Brent crude was \$106.61 a barrel. US benchmark crude rose to \$103.20. Both were about 15% above their closing prices Friday.

Sensex, Nifty Fall Around 2% Amid Oil Price Surge

Press Trust Of India

MUMBAI- Equity benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty nosedived nearly 2 per cent on Monday as soaring crude oil prices and weak global trends due to the worsening situation in West Asia triggered a sharp sell-off in the stock market.

Besides, unabated foreign fund exodus and the weakness in the rupee against the US dollar weighed heavily on investors' sentiment, traders said.

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On similar lines, the 50-share NSE Nifty dropped 422.40 points, or 1.73 per cent, to end at 24,028.05. Intra-day, it tumbled 752.65 points, or 3.07 per cent, to 23,697.80.

"Selling intensified as the Middle East conflict entered its second week with no signs of de-escalation. The sustained rise in crude prices is likely to complicate the RBI's policy outlook by keeping inflation elevated and posing risks to growth. Additional concerns in the US about potential caps on redemptions in specific funds also contributed to the sell-off.

"Despite this, the current



phase may offer opportunities for long-term investors. Selective value buying in pharma and IT helped limit deeper losses and indicated a defensive stance amid a weakening rupee in the short term," Vinod Nair, Head of Research, Geojit Investments Limited, said.

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In contrast, Reliance Industries, Sun Pharma, Infosys, Tech Mahindra and HCL Tech were the gainers.

Brent crude, the global oil benchmark, jumped 12.34 per cent to USD 104.1 per barrel.

The rupee crashed to its all-time closing low of 92.35 (provisional) against the US dollar on Monday, losing 53 paise during the session, as global crude oil prices saw a sharp spike, and the greenback strengthened amid worsening conflict in West Asia.

Govt Opens Applications for Artisan Awards, Pension Scheme

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The Union Ministry of Textiles has invited applications from registered artisans and craftsmen for National Handicrafts Awards (Ship Guru & National Award) for the Award Year 2025 and Pension Scheme 2025-26, under its premier National Handicrafts Development Programme (NHDP) and Handicrafts Artisans Comprehensive Welfare Scheme.

In a press statement issued here today, a spokesman of the Handicrafts and Handloom Department, Kashmir, stated that the office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), Ministry of Textiles, has invited applications from registered artisans for Handicrafts Award 2025 under HSC for Srinagar, Budgam and Ganderbal districts, the last date of which has been fixed for March 31, 2026. "We urge the artisans to apply in online mode along with self-attested copies of documents including 02 recent passport size photographs, Adhaar, Artisan & PAN Cards, Award & Character Certificate, photograph of Award Entry, history of craft, his Brief Note along with videos and affid-



vit in a pen-drive," he said, adding that the copies of the notification, along with enclosures, are available on the department's official social media handles.

Similarly for Pension Scheme under the aegis of 'Financial Support Scheme to Artisans in Indigent Circumstances', the spokesman stated that the office of DC (Handicrafts), Government of India, has fixed April 02, 2026 as the last date of submission of forms in online mode from eligible artisans of Srinagar, Budgam and Ganderbal districts. "The documents to be affixed with online form include 02 recent passport size photographs, Adhaar, Artisan and PAN cards, Awards certificate, if any, Income Certificate, Caste and Disability Certificate, Age Certificate and affidavit along with Bank Mandate form," he added.

Augmentation Of Seed Storage, Irrigation Facilities Underway At SM Farms

Observer News Service

JAMMU- Director Agriculture Jammu, Anil Gupta Monday chaired a meeting to review the progress of projects undertaken to augment irrigation and storage facilities at the Seed Multiplication Farms, Chinore and Chakroi.

The meeting was attended by Joint Director Agriculture (Farms/SLUB) Aman Jyoti Sharma; Deputy Director Agriculture (Central)/Agriculture Chemist Sanjeev Rai Gupta; Regional Level SMS Krishan Kant; Deputy Director Planning Mudassar Yaqoob Zargar; Accounts Officer Vriti Uppal; Farm Manager Chinore Verinder Dogra; Farm Manager Chakroi Parshotam Kumar along with other senior officers and staff of the department.

At the outset, the Joint Director Agriculture (Farms/SLUB) briefed the Director about the ongoing and the projects proposed for the augmentation of irrigation infrastructure and storage facilities at the twin farms.

Detailed discussions were held regarding the availability of irrigation sources, status of functional and non-functional tubewells, land levelling works, installa-

tion of micro-irrigation systems, repair of irrigation channels and progress of NABARD-funded projects, including proposals under Phase-II projects for further strengthening the infrastructure. The Director Agriculture stressed the early completion of fencing and irrigation infrastructure development works. He further instructed for formulation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for Phase-II and submission of the same to Directorate within 15 days for necessary processing.

The meeting also reviewed proposals aimed at enhancing seed storage capacity by developing new storage facilities. Detailed deliberations were held regarding the installation of Automatic Weighing Machine under CAPEX and other infrastructure required for efficient farm operations.

"The seed processing unit available at the farms shall be made operational at the earliest so that seed produced at the farms can be processed locally in a systematic manner," the Director Agriculture instructed. He further directed to expedite the repair of non-functional borewells to ensure adequate irrigation facilities for farm activities.

JKEDI Launches 2nd Batch Of ESDP Under RAMP In Pulwama



Observer News Service

PULWAMA- Jammu and Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI), Pulwama, Monday launched the 2nd batch of the Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Program (ESDP) under the Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) scheme at the Industrial Training Institute (ITI), Pulwama.

The program was formally inaugurated by Range Officer (South Kashmir) JKEDI, Nafia Nazir, in presence of District Nodal Officer (DNO), JKEDI Pulwama Raiyees Manzoor, Superintendent, ITI Pulwama, Gh Nabi Shah, and other senior officials from JKEDI.

Speaking on the occasion, Nafia Nazir outlined the key objectives of the RAMP

scheme, emphasizing its vital role in nurturing grassroots-level entrepreneurship across Jammu and Kashmir. She highlighted how such targeted program empower aspiring entrepreneurs with essential tools to build sustainable businesses.

Furthermore, the District Nodal Officer, commended the initiative and stressed the critical importance of entrepreneurship in addressing unemployment challenges and fostering a self-reliant economy in the region.

The RAMP-funded ESDP is designed to equip prospective entrepreneurs with comprehensive skills in business development, financial planning, market awareness, and other foundational areas necessary for launching and successfully managing their ventures.

No Compromise On Quality Of Medicines, Equipment: Itoo

Press Trust Of India

Jammu: Jammu and Kashmir Minister for Health and Medical Education Sakeena Itoo on Monday emphasised on stricter quality checks and greater accountability in the procurement and supply of medicines and equipments across the Union Territory.

Itoo made the remarks while

chairing a high-level review meeting at Civil Secretariat here to assess the performance and functioning of Jammu and Kashmir Medical Supplies Corporation Limited (JKMSCL), an official spokesperson said.

Addressing the officers, the minister said JKMSCL plays a vital role in public healthcare delivery system by ensuring

timely availability of medicines, surgical consumables and medical equipments in government health institutions.

"Any compromise in quality, transparency or efficiency will not be tolerated, as it directly affects patient safety and credibility of the public health system," she said.

While reviewing quality

control measures and other protocols, the minister instructed the managing director to maintain constant check on the quality of medicines and equipments procured by the Corporation.

"Tighten quality control protocols at every stage, from procurement and testing to storage and final distribution", she said.

The minister instructed the

corporation to ensure that only certified, safe and standard-compliant medicines and equipment reach government hospitals, warning that any negligence in quality verification will invite strict action.

"Conduct regular quality audits, enhanced laboratory testing and strict vendor scrutiny so that suppliers adhere fully to

prescribed standards and contractual obligations," the minister maintained.

While reviewing procurement procedures, supply chain management, inventory status, vendor performance and existing quality testing mechanisms of the corporation, she directed the MD to take action against firms delaying supply of essential

drugs or medical equipments.

She also sought a detailed report from the Corporation on action taken since 2021 against ill-performing vendors.

Emphasising on timely availability of life saving drugs, the minister derved on the Corporation to follow protocol of prominent medical institutions regarding Cancer medicines.

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Mojtaba Khamenei

body said in a statement.

The announcement was broadcast on state television along with scenes of celebrations across Iran. Mojtaba Khamenei becomes the third Supreme Leader of Iran, following the founding leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini and his father, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who led the country for more than three decades.

Ayatollah Khamenei was assassinated on February 28 in a joint US-Israeli military strike, triggering a war that has since spread across the Middle East. Iranian media earlier reported that several members of the late leader's family, including his daughter, son-in-law and granddaughter, were killed in the strike, though Mojtaba Khamenei himself survived.

His appointment also comes despite threats by Israel that any future Iranian supreme leader would be considered a legitimate target, remarks that had heightened fears over the safety of potential successors.

In its statement, the Assembly of Experts paid tribute to the slain leader, describing his death as the end of an era of steadfast leadership and offering condolences to the Iranian nation.

The statement also honoured other victims of the strikes, including senior military commanders and students killed during attacks on the Shajra Tayyiba School in Minab city.

Mojtaba Khamenei had long been considered a possible successor to his father, though he has never held any government position. He had not appeared publicly since the outbreak of the war.

Senior Iranian officials quickly endorsed the selection. Former top security official Ali Larijani praised the Assembly of Experts for convening despite ongoing airstrikes in Tehran and said the younger Khamenei had been trained by his father and was capable of guiding the country during the crisis.

Iran experts say that, by choosing Mojtaba Khamenei, a clear signal is being sent that Iran will not surrender and that it is in no mood for a deal with the US. "It appears that by choosing Mojtaba Khamenei, the former Supreme Leader's son, a clear signal is being sent that Iran will not surrender and that it is in no mood for a deal with the US. After all, they chose a Supreme Leader whose father, mother, wife, and son were just killed by Israel/US," Trita Parsi, Executive Vice President at the Quincy Institute in Washington, DC wrote on X.

Iran's powerful military establishment also pledged allegiance to the new leader.

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No Immediate Hike

requirements for the next 6-8 weeks, the government has tweaked the policy for ordering a cooking gas LPG refill.

The minimum gap for booking a domestic LPG refill has been increased to 25 days from the current 21 days, a move aimed at preventing hoarding and ensuring equitable distribution of cylinders.

Sources said the minimum waiting period for booking a domestic LPG cylinder refill increased from 21 days to 25 days to prevent hoarding.

Average households consume 7-8 LPG cylinders of 14.2 kg in a year and should normally not need a refill in less than 6 weeks, they said, adding the refill booking period has been increased to prevent hoarding and creation of artificial scarcity in the market.

The oil companies have an adequate stock of LPG, they added.

Sources said the government is closely monitoring the evolving global energy situation and has taken steps to ensure that supply chains remain stable.

The widening conflict in the Middle East, which began on February 28 when the United States and Israel carried out strikes on Iran, followed by retaliatory attacks from Tehran, has disrupted energy flows through the Strait of Hormuz.

The narrow shipping corridor is a crucial artery for India's energy supplies, with about 40-50 per cent of the country's crude oil imports and nearly 85-90 per cent of its LPG shipments from Gulf nations passing through the route.

Sources said that while there is enough crude oil available from alternative sources, such as Russia, replacing any loss of LPG supplies is more time-consuming, as other alternative sources are largely located in the United States and Canada.

To ensure uninterrupted supplies, the government has ordered refineries to maximise LPG production and not use any of its streams for making petrochemicals.

On petrol and diesel, the situation is "very comfortable", one of the sources said.

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India Calls For

and trade.

The US and Israel launched a major military attack on Iran on February 28, and killed its 86-year-old Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. The war has so far killed at least 1,230 people in Iran, 397 in Lebanon and 11 in Israel, according to officials.

Making a suo-motu statement in Parliament, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said New

Delhi stood for maintaining the sovereignty and territorial integrity of all states in the region. He defended allowing the Iranian ship to dock at an Indian port as the right decision taken on humanitarian grounds.

He said the Indian government has been constantly monitoring the evolving situation in the region at the highest level and has already brought back 67,000 stranded Indians from the conflict zone.

Jaishankar said the safety of Indian nationals and national interests, such as energy security and trade, remain the topmost priority for the government.

"India is in favour of peace and urges a return to dialogue and diplomacy. We advocate de-escalation, restraint, and ensuring the safety of civilians," he said in identical statements in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.

"The well-being and security of the Indian community in the region is our priority. And our national interests, including energy security and trade, will always be paramount," he said.

In both houses, the Opposition staged vociferous protests as Jaishankar rose to make his suo-motu statement, demanding that a full-fledged discussion should precede his statement on the situation in West Asia. While the Opposition staged a walkout in the Rajya Sabha, they forced the Lok Sabha to be adjourned amid noisy scenes.

The minister said the government had issued a statement on February 28, expressing its deep concern and urging all sides to exercise restraint, avoid escalation and prioritise the safety of civilians.

"We believed and continue to believe that dialogue and diplomacy should be pursued to de-escalate tensions and address underlying issues. Sir, it is also imperative that the sovereignty and territorial integrity of all states in the region be respected," he stressed.

Jaishankar said developments in the region are a cause of deep concern to "all of us", and added that the conflict has continued to intensify and the security situation in the region has deteriorated significantly.

The minister emphasised that Prime Minister Narendra Modi continues to closely monitor emerging developments and the relevant ministries are coordinating to ensure effective responses.

He said the prime minister has spoken to leaders of several countries in West Asia and has received assurances that the well-being of the Indian community would be a priority for them.

"I have similarly been in close touch with my counterparts in these countries. Insofar as the United States is concerned, we have maintained regular contacts through diplomatic channels. While attempts have been made, contacts with Iran at the leadership level are obviously difficult at this time. I have, however, spoken to Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi on February 28 and March 5, 2026. We will continue these high-level conversations in the coming days," he assured the house.

Jaishankar informed Parliament about the steps taken by the government to bring back Indians and provided details of the operation of flights by several airlines to bring back those affected.

Referring to concerns on the energy front amid rising global crude oil prices, he said the government remains committed to ensuring that fully, taking into account costs and risks of the energy markets.

"For us, the interests of the Indian consumer have and will always be the overriding priority. Where required, Indian diplomacy has supported the endeavours of our energy enterprises in this volatile situation," he asserted.

On the Iranian vessel currently docked in Kochi, the minister said the Iranian side requested permission on February 28 for three ships in the region to dock at Indian ports and permission was accorded on March 1.

"IRIS LAVAN actually docked on 04 March in Kochi. The crew is currently in Indian naval facilities. We believe that this was the right thing to do and the Iranian Foreign Minister has expressed his country's thanks for this humane gesture," he said.

He noted that in view of the large number of Indians living and working in Gulf countries and a few thousand in Iran for study or employment, ensuring regional stability was critical for India. The Gulf is also central to India's energy security and trade, accounting for nearly USD 200 billion in commerce," he said.

The minister said attacks on merchant shipping have affected Indian seafarers, with casualties reported and one Indian mariner still missing.

He also informed Parliament that his ministry, as well as Indian embassies in West Asian countries, had been issuing regular advisories to Indian citizens there, asking them to avoid non-essential travel to Iran and advising those already there to remain in contact with the Indian embassy.

The Ministry of External Affairs has also set up a dedicated control room to monitor the situation and respond to requests from Indian nationals, while the Directorate General of Shipping has created a quick response team.

Blasts Near Hostels

Armenia, from where they would have to arrange their own travel to India.

"Most of us are students and cannot afford

such costly arrangements," a Kashmiri student studying at Urmia University said.

Several students have been temporarily accommodated by the embassy in a hotel near the Fatima Masumeh Shrine area in Qom. However, they said the situation has become alarming after explosions were heard close to their accommodation.

"On the night of March 8, we heard two to three loud blasts near our hotel. Some buildings within nearly 200 metres of our accommodation were reportedly targeted. We are extremely frightened. Many students were crying and calling their families," a student said.

Another student said they are living in constant fear and often rush to basements or safer corners whenever they hear loud sounds.

"Our families are extremely worried and we request the Government of India to evacuate us as soon as possible," the student said.

Students in Kerman said embassy officials had informed them that the area was considered safe and that there was currently no relocation plan.

"Officials told us the area is safe and there is no relocation plan for now. But we are seeing reports of attacks in nearby places, which have created panic among students," a student said.

Students from Shiraz and Isfahan universities reported similar responses from authorities despite hearing reports of attacks in surrounding areas. Many said they have started moving to basements whenever they hear sounds of explosions.

Meanwhile, parents of students in Jammu and Kashmir have appealed to the Government of India to intervene immediately and arrange evacuation.

"Our children are calling us and telling us that blasts are happening near their accommodation. We are extremely worried and unable to sleep at night. The government must bring them back safely," a parent from Pulwama said.

Another parent alleged that the official response had been slow and urged the authorities to arrange special flights for the safe return of the students.

Dr Mohammad Momin Khan, National Representative of the All India Medical Students Association (AIMSA), said the organisation has been receiving hundreds of distress calls from students across Iran.

"We are receiving nearly 500 distress calls every day from students across Iran. Many of them are frightened and requesting immediate evacuation. We are in constant contact with them and are conveying their concerns to the concerned authorities," he said.

Student groups and families have urged the Government of India to take urgent steps to ensure the safe evacuation of the stranded students as tensions continue in parts of the country.

Indians In Iran

news agency Kashmir News Observer (KNO), Indian citizens have been urged to seek explicit guidance from the embassy before attempting any movement toward land border points.

"Indian nationals are hereby advised not to approach any of the land borders of Iran for travel outside the country without prior coordination with the Embassy. Any movement towards land border points should be undertaken only after obtaining explicit guidance from the Embassy," the advisory stated.

The embassy warned that individuals who attempt to exit Iran through land routes without proper coordination may face serious difficulties.

"It may please be noted that the Embassy will not be in a position to extend assistance once individuals have exited Iranian territory and are unable to enter the third country concerned," the advisory said.

The development comes as many Indian nationals, including students studying at universities across Iran, have been exploring travel options through neighbouring countries by land routes amid growing security concerns in the region.

Authorities have urged Indian citizens to remain in close contact with the embassy and follow official instructions to avoid complications during travel.

The embassy reiterated that it remains available to assist Indian nationals through its emergency helplines and advised citizens to rely only on official communication channels while planning any movement outside Iran.

Need To Accelerate

citizens is the core objective of his government and sectors like education, skill development, health, tourism, sports and culture play a key role in achieving that goal.

"Fulfilling the aspirations of the people is not just a subject, but it is the core objective and the resolution of this government," the prime minister said.

He said education, skill development, health, tourism, sports and culture are fundamental sectors that act as major mediums for meeting public aspirations.

Highlighting the need to align education with employment and entrepreneurship, Modi said the National Education Policy provides a strong foundation for connecting learning with the needs of the economy.

"We will need to accelerate the process of connecting our education system to the real world economy even further. On topics like AI and automation, the digital economy and

design driven manufacturing, we will need to increase our focus even more," he said.

The prime minister also emphasised the importance of transforming educational institutions into hubs of industry collaboration and research driven learning so that students gain practical exposure and skills required in the modern economy.

"I would urge you that in this webinar there must be a brainstorm on developing your campuses as centres of industry collaboration and research driven learning," he said.

Modi also called for building a strong research ecosystem that allows young researchers to innovate and experiment freely.

"We have to create such a research ecosystem where young researchers get full opportunity to experiment and work on new ideas," he said.

The prime minister highlighted the importance of STEM education Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics and said it was encouraging to see increasing participation of girls in these fields.

"It is heartening to see that the daughters of our country have a great interest in STEM. When we talk about futuristic technologies, it is important that no daughter is held back due to lack of opportunities," he said.

Talking about the health sector, Modi said initiatives such as the Ayushman Bharat Yojana and the establishment of wellness centres have strengthened healthcare delivery, particularly in rural areas.

He also referred to the growing "care economy", saying that the demand for trained caregivers will increase as the population of senior citizens rises.

"I request that new training models should be developed," he said.

The prime minister said India is working towards a vision of preventive and holistic healthcare and noted that health infrastructure has expanded significantly in recent years with the opening of new medical colleges across several districts.

He also highlighted the importance of sports in national development, stating that the country's youth power becomes national power only when it is healthy, disciplined and confident.

"That is why in the past few years sports have been viewed as an important stream of national development," Modi said, adding that initiatives like Khelo India have injected fresh energy into the country's sports ecosystem and helped strengthen sports infrastructure.

Referring to the potential of tourism and culture to generate employment, Modi said developing new destinations beyond traditional tourist spots can boost a city's branding and contribute to overall development.

"Trained guides, hospitality skills, digital connectivity and community participation are becoming the pillars of our tourism sector. Alongside these, cleanliness and sustainable practices are essential," he said.

The prime minister said suggestions from stakeholders on tourism and related sectors would help further strengthen India's position as a global destination.

NC Urges HM

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"The youth who came out to protest were expressing their concern and distress over events taking place in a country that holds significant cultural and religious importance for many in Jammu and Kashmir," he said.

He added that the protests reflected the anguish felt by many people in the region over developments in Iran, a country with which people in Jammu and Kashmir share long standing cultural and spiritual connections.

Abdullah also expressed concern about the impact of criminal cases on young students and their future prospects.

"Most of those detained were very young boys, many of them students, whose future should not be jeopardised because of a moment of emotional expression. They deserve an opportunity to continue their studies and lead normal, constructive lives," he said.

"Saddling them with criminal cases at such a formative stage could have long term consequences that would serve neither justice nor society," Abdullah added.

The NC president expressed hope that the administration and the Union home ministry would respond with wisdom and sensitivity, keeping in mind the larger objective of nurturing peace, stability and opportunity for the youth of Jammu and Kashmir.

J&K Gears Up

He also highlighted the importance of public awareness and outreach, noting that citizens must be encouraged to actively participate in the process and provide accurate information. A successful census, he said, depends on the cooperation of both the administration and the public.

Speaking on the occasion, Narayan expressed satisfaction over the level of preparedness in Jammu and Kashmir. He said the sensitisation carried out for officers at different levels of the administration had instilled confidence that the census operations in both phases would be completed diligently and within the prescribed timelines.

Highlighting the significance of the census exercise, he said the data collected plays a

crucial role in determining the share of states and Union Territories in Finance Commission allocations and government development programmes. Census data, he said, forms the foundational dataset guiding policy planning and development initiatives for the next decade.

During the session, Director Census Operations for Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh, Amit Sharma, delivered a detailed presentation outlining the strategy, methodology, administrative arrangements and digital systems planned for conducting the census in the Union Territory.

He informed that the Census of India 2027 will be conducted in two phases. The first phase will consist of the House Listing Operations followed by the second phase of Population Enumeration.

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J&K Panchayat

upcoming revision of the Panchayat electoral rolls across the Union Territory.

"The exercise is likely to begin in the fourth week of this month with the unveiling of draft electoral rolls," sources said, adding that the process is expected to be completed by the first or second week of May with the publication of final electoral rolls.

According to officials, the electoral roll for Urban Local Bodies will be available only after the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) is completed in J&K.

"The electoral roll of assembly polls is used for municipal polls. No revision of electoral rolls for assembly polls has been undertaken since 2021. So, new electoral roll of Assembly is expected to be available only after the SIR exercise," they added.

The Special Intensive Revision (SIR) exercise is expected to begin in April, as the Election Commission of India (ECI) pointed out in a communique to the Chief Electoral Officers of States and Union Territories.

It is worth to mention here that the term of the first two tiers of the Panchayati Raj system- Panchayats and Block Development Councils- ended on January 9, 2024, while the tenure of the third tier-District Development Councils- concluded on February 24, 2026. The tenure of elected Urban Local Bodies came to an end in October-November 2023.(KNO)

Rain, Snow Forecast

From March 16 to 18, the weather is likely to remain generally cloudy with light rain or snowfall over higher reaches at isolated to scattered places.

The Met department has issued an advisory warning of temporary traffic disruption over higher reaches and key mountain passes in parts of Kupwara, Bandipora, Ganderbal, Anantnag and Kishtwar due to snowfall.

Farmers have also been advised to suspend farm operations between March 10 and 12.

Officials further said that day temperatures across the Valley are expected to fall by four to six degrees Celsius after March 9 and may remain below normal until March 12.

There is also a possibility of thunder and gusty winds with speeds of 30 to 40 kmph at a few places between March 9 and 11.

Meanwhile, the minimum temperature in Srinagar was recorded at 3.3 degrees Celsius, while Gulmarg recorded minus 4 degrees Celsius, the department said.

No Risk of

ongoing tensions in the Middle East.

Arif said posts circulating on social media suggesting that the conflict in the Middle East could trigger black snow or toxic rain in Kashmir are not supported by current atmospheric conditions.

He explained that such phenomena generally occur only during large scale environmental disasters involving prolonged burning of oil wells or refineries, which release massive quantities of soot, sulphur dioxide and other pollutants into the atmosphere.

Arif cited the example of the Gulf War oil fires when hundreds of oil wells were set ablaze, producing huge volumes of smoke and pollutants that travelled long distances and affected regional weather patterns.

"At present, there is no large scale war scenario or widespread destruction of major oil infrastructure in the Middle East that could generate emissions on such a scale," he said.

According to Arif, most incidents reported so far in the region involve localised military strikes or short duration fires, many of which were brought under control within hours.

Such emissions, he said, usually disperse and dilute in the atmosphere and are unlikely to travel thousands of kilometres in concentrations capable of affecting precipitation.

He further said Kashmir lies roughly 1,800 to 4,000 kilometres away from major Middle Eastern conflict zones, and pollutants from relatively small fires would significantly dilute before reaching the region.

"For black snow or chemically significant acid rain to occur, there must be extremely large and sustained emissions of particulate matter and sulphur compounds along with specific atmospheric circulation patterns that transport those pollutants towards the region," he said.

Under the current circumstances, Arif added, the likelihood of black snow or toxic acid rainfall in Kashmir due to the present Middle East conflict remains extremely low.

From Barbados to Ahmedabad: India's Era of Unparalleled Dominance

Press Trust of India

NEW DELHI: If Barbados was about breaking a curse, Ahmedabad was about building a kingdom. Simply put, India's current stranglehold on the shortest format is without precedent in cricketing history.

The home team's 96-run thrashing of New Zealand in Sunday's final didn't just secure a historic first-ever title defence, it also signalled a ruthless new era of Indian supremacy in the T20 format.

More importantly, the on-field brilliance also moved the spotlight away from the diplomatic tensions that overshadowed the tournament's buildup thanks to Bangladesh's withdrawal due to "security concerns" and Pakistan's threat to boycott their big-ticket group league fixture against India.

Given that India is the first team to win three T20 World Cups and clinch consecutive titles (2024, 2026), this claim of unparalleled strength makes perfect sense.

Add to this the BCCI -- the game's financial behemoth -- and their incredible bench strength, and it becomes a heady cocktail of power and performance.

Besides emerging as the standout team of this World Cup, this Indian squad may well be the finest T20 side ever assembled internationally since

the advent of the shortest format more than two decades ago.

India's supremacy is a throwback to the time when the West Indies of the mid-1970s to 80s and the Australians in the first decade of this millennium called the shots, winning a bagful of global titles and series across the world.

Such has been India's dominance that they have left the rest of the top-tier teams to fight for second place, something that is not good for the global game as it points to a lack of competition.

While the the manner and margin of India's victory conveys the team's superiority in the short format, evaluating the true depth of their cricket will require looking at the players who didn't even make the squad for this tournament.

Even as the likes of Sanju Samson, Ishan Kishan, Jasprit Bumrah, Axar Patel, Hardik Pandya and Shivam Dube bask in the glory of their achievements, it would be wise to take look at those who missed the cut.

If one were to glance through the records of men like Yashasvi Jaiswal, Shreyas Iyer, Shubman Gill, Ruturaj Gaikwad, and the precocious 14-year-old Vaibhav Sooryavanshi, one would realise the frightening depth of Indian cricket at the moment.

One cannot find fault with the game's experts when they say that India could very easily



field a 'B' team and still win the World Cup, because they are stating facts.

The onus is now on the other major teams to stop India from dominating world cricket for years to come.

A combination of factors have contributed to India's success, including the think tank's adoption of a high-risk, high-reward strategy that prioritised rapid scoring over wicket preservation, near-perfect execution of plans on the field and clinching the key moments of the game.

And when a team is packed with a dazzling array of talents, including a certain Bumrah, the job gets much easier as they can singlehandedly change the direction of matches in a matter of few balls.

New Zealand the new chokers

With yet another abject surrender in the knockouts of an ICC white-ball tournament, New Zealand seemed to have inherited the tag of chokers from South Africa. The Kiwis have reached six finals in 13 ICC events since 2015, winning only the 2021

World Test Championship.

Some of the decisions made by skipper Mitchell Santner in the final were highly questionable, including the move to bowl first after winning toss instead of focussing on putting scoreboard pressure in the tournament's biggest game.

Despite India's top order showing vulnerability to off-spin throughout the tournament, New Zealand left out specialist off-spinner Cole McConchie, who had taken two key wickets in the semi-final against South Africa, for pacer

Jacob Duffy.

Furthermore, Glenn Phillips was only given one over early on -- despite conceding only five runs -- and was not brought back.

Pakistan's decline

The tournament also saw Pakistan cricket continuing its prolonged slump brought about by frequent captaincy shifts, lack of unity in the team and a lack of player development programme. The Pakistan Cricket Board, highly influenced by the country's ruling establish-

ment, also played its part in the team's terminal decline in recent years.

Criticism around pre-seeding

The ICC's pre-seeding system for the tournament, which locks Super 8 spots based on pre-tournament rankings rather than performance in the group stage, has drawn heavy criticism for favouring India and few other top teams.

This structure, which is designed for commercial broadcasting benefits, resulted in imbalances as all four group winners (India, South Africa, West Indies, Zimbabwe) were placed in one group, while the runners-up got an easier path.

The whole process eliminated the traditional suspense and fairness one associates with a global event in any sport, prioritising commercial gains over real action on the field.

Associates make a mark

Associate teams made a mark in the tournament though they are still a long way from closing the gap with full member nations. Highlights included the USA stretching India, the Netherlands nearly beating Pakistan, England's close shave against Nepal, and Canada's Yuvraj Samra scoring a century against New Zealand. Also, Zimbabwe beating Australia to knock the out in the group stage.

'Champions Once Again'

Celebrities Hail India's T20 World Cup Victory

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NEW DELHI: Celebrities erupted in joy and pride after India clinched the ICC Men's T20 World Cup for the record third time, with stars such as Amitabh Bachchan, Shah Rukh Khan, Priyanka Chopra Jonas, Allu Arjun and Alia Bhatt hailing the men in blue for their comprehensive and dominant victory over New Zealand in the final.

India produced a batting spectacle of rare ferocity to overwhelm New Zealand by 96 runs in the summit clash at the Narendra Modi Stadium on Sunday and defend the T20 World Cup title after posting a record total.

Bachchan shared a series of pictures from the match on his personal blog on Monday and captioned it simply, "Says it all."

Shah Rukh congratulated the team for a "comprehensive victory".

"What a comprehensive victory!! Well done to our men in blue!!! You guys are champions, and watching you on the field has made us all very proud. Take a bow. Jai Hind," he wrote.

Haasan wrote, "Our Men in Blue, back-to-back ICC Men's T20 World Cup champions! Men's ICC Cricket World Cup runners-



up. Women's ICC Women's Cricket World Cup champions. A testament to India's deep domestic ecosystem, from the Ranji Trophy to the IPL. @BCCI. Imagine what India could achieve if every sport had such a domestic ecosystem. The potential of India's youth is limitless. From gullies to grand stadiums, from childhood dreams to world champions - India rises."

Chopra Jonas wrote on her Instagram Stories, "Let's gooooo @indiancricketteam," she wrote, while Bhatt posted, "World champions. Congratulations team India... what a victory."

Arjun posted, "Heartiest congratulations to Team India for winning back-to-back T20 World Cups. A proud moment for the entire nation. Jai Hind."

Ajay Devgn said Team

India has "made billions of hearts beat with pride tonight".

"My throat is gone from all the shouting, but my smile isn't going anywhere all week... #TeamIndia CHAMPIONS once again," he wrote on X.

Anushka Sharma also congratulated Team India for their "back-to-back World Cup wins".

"Heartiest congratulations to this brilliant team for this phenomenal victory," she added.

Rashmika Mandanna wrote, "Yesssss!! Congratulations @indiancricketteam Vicky Kaushal said, "World Champions Baby!!! Pure dominance. Pure class. Well done Team India."

Ayushmann Khurrana said the Ahmedabad jinx "has been broken", referring to India's loss in the ODI World Cup final to Australia

in 2023.

"The worthy winners have written history all over again! All three winning captains of the T20 World Cup are present today! MSD, Ro and SKY," he said

Shahid Kapoor shared a moment from the match on Instagram and wrote, "Pure class from Team India tonight."

Sidharth Malhotra said, "History written in Blue. India are the ICC Men's T20 World Cup champions again! Congratulations #TeamIndia, proud always

Congratulations also came from actors Ranveer Singh, Kareena Kapoor Khan, Katrina Kaif, Kriti Sanon, Kiara Advani, Ananya Panday, Madhuri Dixit, Triptii Dimri, Tamannaah Bhatia, and Ishaan Khatter.

It was an all-round display of dominance by the Suryakumar Yadav-led India on Sunday night as top-order batters Sanju Samson, Ishan Kishan and Abhishek Sharma launched a blistering assault to power the team to a record 255 for five after being put in to bat by New Zealand.

Jasprit Bumrah then delivered a masterclass with the ball, claiming four wickets for just 15 runs in his spell.

WORLD CUP SUCCESS

Former Pakistan Players Hail India's Process Driven Structure

Press Trust of India

KARACHI: India's historic second successive World T20 Cup title has earned appreciation and grudging praise from former Pakistan stalwarts, players and critics.

Former Test captain and batting great Javed Miandad said any team that could get 250-plus totals in the semi-final and final deserved to be champions.

India posted a mammoth 255 for five in the final against New Zealand and won by handsome 96-run margin on Sunday night in Ahmedabad.

"Their team (India) is now reaping the benefits of a strong process-driven cricket structure," Miandad said.



"If you look at the talent they are producing now, it is because of their strong structure. They are not short on batters, spinners or fast bowlers and their young players are result-driven and have game awareness," he added.

The former great noted that when there is a winning culture and mentality established in a team's

dressng room, it always leads to title wins which is why India also won the Champions Trophy last year.

"We had this environment in our dressing room once and we won frequently," he said.

Former captain Rashid Latif said India's triumph didn't come as a surprise because their players had now become accustomed to performing under pressure.

"When you regularly reach finals of big events players also get accustomed to winning," he said.

He also said that continuity and stability in the Indian cricket team was also an essential reason for their success unlike Pakistan where frequent changes and impatience has caused a host of problems.

Cricket host, analyst and writer, Dr Nauman Niaz said that India's dominant show in the final was an eye opener as to how well their players executed their roles and how well they had adapted to the changes in modern day T20 cricket.

"Their success is based around a perfect blend of young brave players and seniors coming through when most required like Jasprit Bumrah, Axar Patel and Hardik Pandya did in the final," Niaz said.

Former Test pacer Sikander Bakht said until the prevailing culture of likes, dislikes and making incorrect selection and captaincy calls doesn't end, the Pakistan team would continue to struggle against big teams in big events.



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Subject: Final Selection List for engagement of Self-Help Group (SHG) Members as Community Mobilizers to support IEC Initiatives under Swachh Bharat Mission Urban 2.0.

Ref:- Advertisement No. DIP/J-201-P dated 26.12.2025 and Letter of Mission Director, Swachh Bharat Mission Urban 2.0 vide letter No. MB/SBM-U/2025-26/2153 dated 04/02/2026.

Whereas, the office of Municipal Council Ganderbal vide Notice No. MC/GBL/2025-26/541-46 dated 12/02/2026 issued a notice for conducting the interview of the shortlisted candidates for engagement as Community Mobilizers.

Whereas, the interview of the candidates was subsequently conducted at the Town Hall of Municipal Council Ganderbal by the duly constituted committee for the said purpose.

Now, therefore, the Final Selection List of 13 candidates and the Waiting List of 10 candidates for engagement of Self-Help Group (SHG) Members as Community Mobilizers to support IEC initiatives under Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban) 2.0 are hereby notified. The list of selected candidates is enclosed as Annexure-A, and the Waiting List of candidates is enclosed as Annexure-B to this notification.

The President / Secretary / Treasurer of the concerned Self Help Group are hereby informed to sign Contract Agreement with Municipal Council Ganderbal as per the selection procedure of the TOR regarding engagement of its selected members as Community Mobilizers.

The original copies of all requisite personal, educational and experience related documents for verification along with SHG registration certificate and passbook / cancelled cheque of the Self Help Group and Non-Judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100/- (in name of the Self Help Group as second party) shall be submitted in the office of Chief Executive Officer, MC Ganderbal by the Self Help Group for signing the contract agreement by or before 11th of March, 2026.

The Self Help Groups who have signed the contract agreement shall direct their respective members to join in the office of Municipal Council Ganderbal, w.e.f 13th of March, 2026.

No.: MC/GBL/2025-26/ 842-46
Dated: 09/03/2025

Chief Executive Officer
Municipal Council Ganderbal

Annexure- A
Selection list of SHG Members to be engaged as Community Mobilizers In MC Ganderbal

S.No	Sr. No. as per Short List	Full Name	Father's/Spouse Name	SHG Name
1	1647	Gulshan Nabi	Gh. Nabi Ganaie	Gousiya Shg
2	1666	Rozy Bano	Gulam Mohidin Hajam	Mursleen Shg
3	1652	Aasima Salam	Ab Salam Bhat	Jasmine Shg
4	1613	Syed Zoya	Syed Showkat Ahmad	Yaqeen Shg
5	1655	Waheeda Shafi	Mohammad Shafi Khan	Mehak Shg
6	1648	Rooma Salam	Abdul Salam Sheikh	Sunset Shg
7	1665	Fahmeeda Akhter	Mohammad UmarBhat	Fahmeeda Akhter Shg
8	1649	Sabreena Akhtar	Gh Nabi Hajam	Roshin SHG
9	1611	Bilkisa Jan	Gulam Mohidin Sofi	Singing Star SHG
10	1638	Bilkeesha Bano	Ghulam Ahmad Kuchay	Ya Nabi Shg
11	1634	Qulsouma Nazir	Nazir Ahmad Wani	Wani Shg
12	1609	Mozima Mumtaz	Mumtaz Ah Lone	Habakhatoon Shg
13	1653	Muskan	Mohammad Maqbool Mir	Hoorian SHG

Annexure- B
Waiting list of SHG Members to be engaged as Community Mobilizers In MC Ganderbal

S.No	Sr. No. as per Short List	Full Name	Father's/Spouse Name	SHG Name
1	1616	Rameesa Rashid	Abdul Rashid Bhat	Shadab SHG
2	1610	Razia Yousuf	Mohammad Yousuf Lone	Singing Star SHG
3	1643	Iqra Maqbool	Mohd Maqbool Bhat	Yam in SHG
4	1664	Kawsara Bano	Gh Mohi Uddin Din Hajam	Zeenat SHG
5	1628	Iqra Nabi	Ghulam Nabi Laherwal	Khushee Shg
6	1663	Irfana banoo	Shabir Ahmad Rather	Zeenat SHG
7	1623	Shazia	Shabir ahmad	CHINAR SHG
8	1642	Khushboo Ashraf	Mohd Ashraf lone	Dua SHG
9	1650	Saika Rasheed	Abdul Rasheed Guroo	Mehak SHG
10	1659	Nusrat Nazir	Nazir Ahmad Dar	DUHA SHG

Note:- The priority of the waiting list candidates shall be determined strictly in the order of their serial numbers, i.e., Serial No. 1 shall be given priority, followed by Serial No. 2, and so on.

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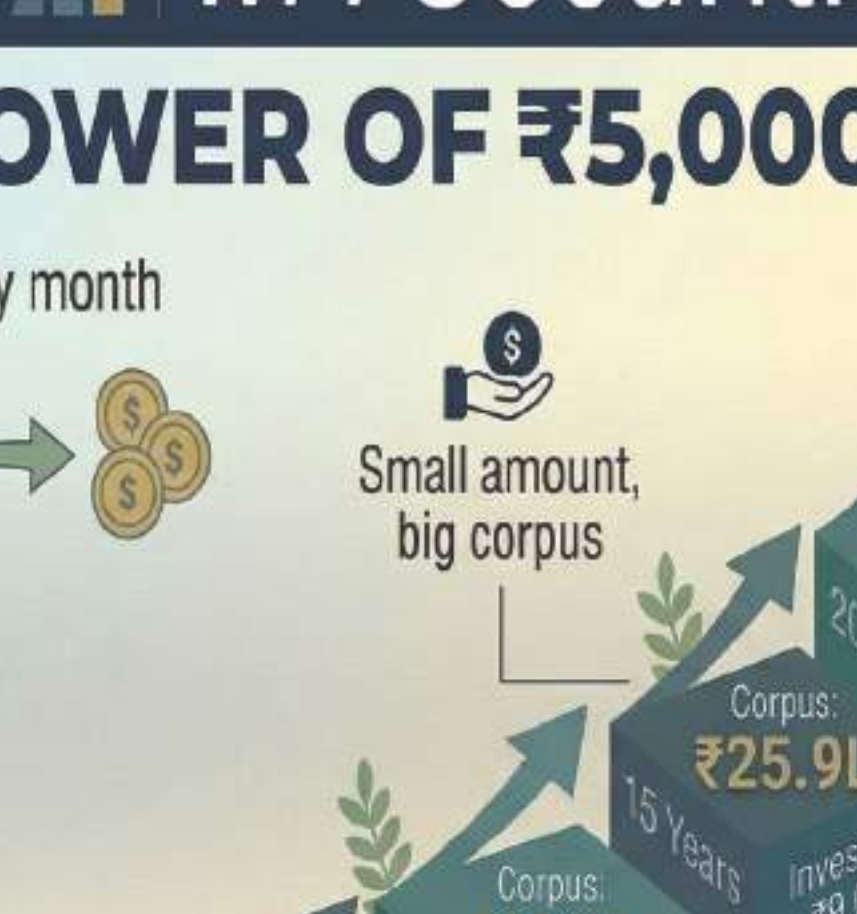
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