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3 Boys Drown In Jhelum River In Bandipora



Observer News Service

Bandipora: Tragedy struck north Kashmir's Hajin area on Friday after three youths drowned in the Jhelum River while washing tent material along the riverbank, leaving the entire locality in shock and mourning.

The incident occurred in Chandergeer area of Hajin, where the youths had reportedly gone to clean tent material near the river. Witnesses said they lost balance and slipped into the fast-flowing waters, triggering panic in the area as residents rushed towards the riverbank after hearing cries for help.

The deceased were identified

as Aadil Ahmad Dar, 18, son of Bashir Ahmad Dar; Sameer Ahmad Dar, 22, son of Mohammad Jamal Dar; and Sohail Ahmad Dar, 22, son of Ghulam Nabi Dar, all residents of Chandergeer Hajin.

Soon after the incident, local residents, volunteers and rescue teams launched a massive search operation in the river. Officials said two bodies were retrieved during the initial rescue efforts and shifted to Community Health Centre Hajin for medico-legal formalities, while search operations continued for several hours to trace the third youth.

The third | More on P6

Centre Grants Emergency Telecom Powers To LG Sinha

Empowered To Intercept Messages, Block Signals During Public Emergencies

Observer News Service

New Delhi: The Centre has authorised the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir to exercise powers related to interception, decryption and suspension of telecom services in the Union Territory during public emergencies or in the interest of public safety, according to an official notification issued on Thursday.

The notification, published in the Gazette of India, said the President has directed the



Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir to exercise the powers and discharge the functions of the state government under Sub-Section 20(2) of the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

"In pursuance of clause (1) of article 239 of the Constitution, the President

hereby directs that the administrator (whether known as the lieutenant governor) of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir shall, subject to the control of the President and until further orders, exercise the powers and discharge the functions of the state government under

Sub-Section (2) of Section 20 of the Telecommunications Act, 2023 within the said Union territory," the notification stated.

Under the provisions of the Telecommunications Act, the powers can be exercised in situations involving public emergency, public safety, or national security concerns.

The order authorises the Lieutenant Governor to direct interception of messages or calls, permit decryption of communications, suspend telecom services and block transmission of signals during such situations.

The move effectively vests powers related to emergency control over telecommunications with the Lieutenant | More on P6

Srinagar Records 30°C

Rain Likely From May 11: MeT

Agencies

Srinagar: Day temperatures continued to rise across Kashmir on Friday with Srinagar recording a maximum temperature of 30 degrees Celsius, around 5.9 degrees above normal, while the Meteorological Department forecast a fresh spell of rain and thunderstorms from May 11.

According to the Meteorological Centre Srinagar, Qazigund recorded 29.6 degrees Celsius, Kupwara 28.3 degrees, Kukernag 27.6 degrees and Pahalgam 24.1 degrees. Gulmarg, the famous ski resort, recorded a maximum temperature of 21.2 degrees Celsius.

In Jammu division, Jammu city recorded 32.8 degrees Celsius, while Katra settled at 29.7 degrees, Banihal at 24.7 degrees, Batote at 22 degrees and Baderwah at 25.4 degrees.

The MeT | More on P6

LG, CM Express Grief

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Friday expressed deep sorrow over the tragic loss of young lives in a drowning incident in the River Jhelum in Hajin area of Bandipora district. In his condolence message, the Lieutenant Governor said he was deeply pained by the incident and extended his sympathies to the bereaved families. "My thoughts and prayers are with the | More on P6

J&K Tops UTs In Animal Cruelty Cases: NCRB

KO Web Desk

Srinagar: In a first, the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) has included cases of crime and cruelty against animals in its annual 'Crime in India 2024' report, with Jammu and Kashmir recording the highest number of such cases among Union Territories.

According to the NCRB data, a total of 9,039 cases were registered across the country under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act in 2024. Among Union Territories, Jammu and Kashmir recorded 223 cases, followed by Delhi with 35 cases.

The inclusion of animal cruelty cases in the NCRB database

comes amid long-standing demands from animal rights activists, who have repeatedly called for official nationwide tracking of crimes against animals.

State-wise, Maharashtra recorded the highest number of cases at 2,927, followed by Telangana with 1,890 cases, Kerala with 1,510 and Uttar Pradesh with 1,121 cases. Karnataka registered 320 cases, Tamil Nadu 259 and Gujarat 181 during the year.

The report also showed that several states and Union Territories reported either very low or zero cases under the law. Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura recorded | More on P6

Future Conflicts Will Be Shaped By Hybrid Threats, Info Dominance: DM

Calls For Stronger AI, Cyber And Multi-Domain Warfare Capabilities

KO Web Desk

Srinagar: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Friday said future conflicts would increasingly be shaped by hybrid threats, information dominance and multi-domain operations, while calling upon the armed forces to remain prepared for evolving security challenges.

Addressing the ongoing joint military commanders' conference in Jaipur, Singh said Operation Sindoor reflected the swift, precise and coordinated response capability of the Indian armed



forces in safeguarding national interests.

Describing the operation as a symbol of India's growing military capabilities and evolving defence ethos, the

minister urged commanders of the three services to remain future-ready by drawing lessons from both the operation and the changing global security environment.

According to an official readout, Singh stressed the need to strengthen capabilities in artificial intelligence, autonomous systems, data analytics and secure communication networks to effectively deal with emerging threats.

"The future conflicts will increasingly be shaped by hybrid threats, information dominance and operations conducted | More on P6

Special Courts For NIA Cases Must Be Set Up Within Month: SC

Press Trust Of India

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Friday directed that at least one special court be established to deal with 10 to 15 pending trials in cases probed by the National Investigation Agency (NIA).

Passing a slew of directions to expedite trials in cases where the Centre, through the NIA, is the

prosecutor, the apex court said the special courts should be set up within a month.

A bench of Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justice Joymalya Bagchi directed the Centre to approach the chief justice of the jurisdictional high courts and have consultations for establishing exclusive

courts under Section 11 of the NIA Act, 2008. Section 11 | More on P6

Anti-Drug Heat Rises Across J&K With Demolitions, Arrests & Seizures

₹6.5 Cr Properties Attached in Anantnag, Gulmarg Café Sealed

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir Police on Friday intensified its anti-narcotics offensive across the Valley, carrying out a series of coordinated actions that included attachment of multi-crore properties, demolition of structures linked to alleged drug peddlers, arrests, destruction of narcotic crops and sealing of business establishments as part of the ongoing "Nasha Mukht J&K Abhiyan".

In one of the biggest actions



under the NDPS Act in the Union Territory, properties worth around Rs 6.5 crore

were attached in Anantnag, while authorities also sealed a café in Gulmarg | More on P6

KCCI Submits 12-Point Reform Plan For J&K Industry

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The Kashmir Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI) on Friday submitted a comprehensive 12-point memorandum to the UT government, seeking wide-ranging structural, financial and policy reforms to improve the business and industrial ecosystem in Jammu and Kashmir.

The memorandum was presented during a high-level stakeholder consultation on ease of doing business and formulation of the draft industrial policy, attended by senior officials including Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary) Finance Shailendra Kumar, Industries and Commerce

Commissioner Secretary Vikramjit Singh, and J&K Bank MD & CEO Amitava Chatterjee.

KCCI President Javid Ahmad Tenga, along with senior members, said the recommendations were based on "ground realities" faced by businesses and stressed that the upcoming industrial policy must go beyond symbolic reforms to deliver practical and enforceable outcomes.

The chamber said that despite repeated claims of improvement, the business environment in J&K continues to face procedural delays, infrastructure gaps, policy uncertainty and high compliance burdens.

Key Demands by KCCI Ease of | More on P6

No One Can Retain Benefit Not Legally Due: HC

M Ahmad

Srinagar, May 08: Underlining that no person can be allowed to retain a benefit which is not legally due to him, the High Court of J&K and Ladakh has upheld orders directing recovery of more than Rs 2.61 crore, along with 6 percent interest, from a landowner in an acquisition case related to the four-laning of the Srinagar-Jammu Highway at Sangam in Anantnag district.

A bench of Justice Wasim Sadiq Nargal dismissed a



petition filed by the landowner, challenging orders passed by the Principal District Judge Anantnag, which had last month directed refund of excess compensation allegedly received twice under the same compensation stream. The landowner had argued

Upholds Recovery Of Over Rs 2.61 Cr Excess Compensation In Highway Land Acquisition Case

that land measuring 6 kanals and 2 marlas, along with structures existing thereon, was acquired for the highway project and that the trial Court had awarded compensation in 2014, including payment for land, structures, reinstatement of a petrol outlet and loss of earnings.

According to the petitioner, an amount of Rs 1.02 crore paid towards demolition of structures was separate from the compensation awarded and could not be adjusted. He also contended | More on P6

Smart City Bus Row

Transporters Defer May 12 Strike

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Transporters across Kashmir on Friday deferred their proposed indefinite strike scheduled from May 12 after a marathon meeting with senior government officials in Srinagar over issues related to Smart City bus operations and other transport sector concerns.

The decision was taken after a high-level meeting attended by officials from the Transport Department, Srinagar

Municipal Corporation, Transport Commissioner's office, finance wing, RTO Kashmir, estates department and security agencies, along with representatives of transport unions from across the Valley.

Transport Association Kashmir president Shabir Matta said the meeting continued for several hours in a cordial atmosphere where both sides discussed the concerns raised by transporters.

"We had | More on P6



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It is notified for the information of the general public that my name has been wrongly entered in my Aadhaar Card bearing Aadhaar No. XXXX XXXX 7486 as Jaan Mohammad instead of my correct name John Mohammad Shah. That my correct name is John Mohammad Shah as recorded in my School Certificate and other relevant documents. Now, I have applied for correction of my name in the Aadhaar records. If anybody has any objection in this regard, he/she may file the same before the concerned authority within a period of seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice. After that, no objection shall be entertained. John Mohammad Shah S/o Mohammad Ramzan Shah R/o Rambair Pora, Tehsil Kunzer District Baramulla, J&K UT

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It is notified for the information of the general public that my name has been wrongly entered in my Aadhaar Card bearing Aadhaar No. XXXX XXXX 1678 as Showkat Mushtaq Wani instead of my correct name Showket Mushtaq. That my correct name is Showket Mushtaq as recorded in my School Certificate and other relevant documents. Now, I have applied for correction of my name in the Aadhaar records. If anybody has any objection in this regard, he/she may file the same before the concerned authority within a period of seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice. After that, no objection shall be entertained. Showket Mushtaq S/o Mushtaq Ahmad Wani R/o Burzala, Tehsil Kawarhama District Baramulla, J&K UT

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OFFICE OF THE NAIB TEHSILDAR KREERI

Subject: - Agib Mushtaq Mir S/o Mushtaq Ahmad Mir R/o Saloosa for the issuance of the Income Dependent certificate. Sir.

Public NOTICE

Regarding the subject cited above, in this connection, a detailed report was sought from the patwari halqa concerned which reveals that the applicants family consists of 05 members and the Annual income of the Family from all sources consists of Rs. 35669 Moreover, family structure of the applicant is as under:

S.NO	NAME OF LEGAL HIER	RELATION	WTH/AGE	OCCUPATION	Marital Sta-
1	Mushtaq Ahmad Mir	Father	63	Disabled	Married.
2	Saleema Begum	Mother	60	House wife	Married.
3	Aqib Mushtaq	Son (applicant)	32	Govt. Em- ployee	Un-Married
4	Jamid Mushtaq	Son	29	Student	Un-Married
5	Owais Mushtaq	Son	26	Student	

It is further submitted that Aqib Mushtaq Mir s/o, Mushtaq Ahmad Mir is Govt. Employee by profession and is sole earning me in the said family. The applicant needs income Dependent certificate in favour of father namely Mushtaq Ahmad Mir or Medical assistance the applicant has applied for issuance of Income Dependent certificate. As such the instant matter is published through newspaper, if anyone is having any kind of objection, He/she may approach this office within 7 days (Sever Days) e the publication of this notice. After passing of stipulated time of 7 dovs (Seven Days). No objections will be entertained. fko

Naib Tehsildar

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have passed/appeared in Secondary School Examination (Class-10th) under Roll No. 121025048 Session: Reg year 2025 through the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. Due to the error committed against my father's name as Wiqar Younis Lone Instead of Viqaar Younis Lone Now, I have applied for correction/rectification of error in the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education Sub Office Magam, if any person has any objection in this regard, may file the same in the office of the Assistant Secretary, Sub Office Magam within seven days from the date of Publication of this notice, after the expiry of said period no objection will be entertained. Name: Lone Mehwish Father's name: Viqaar Younis Lone Mother's Name: Arifa Begum DOB: 11-06-2009 Residence: Kawarhama Mobile no:7006288781



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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is notified for the information of the general public that my name has been wrongly entered in my Aadhaar Card bearing Aadhaar No. XXXX XXXX 6594 as Jameel Ahmad Dar instead of my correct name Jameed Ahmad Dar. That my correct name is Jameed Ahmad Dar as recorded in my Domicile Certificate and other relevant documents. Now, I have applied for correction of my name in the Aadhaar records. If anybody has any objection in this regard, he/she may file the same before the concerned authority within a period of seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice. After that, no objection shall be entertained. Jameed Ahmad Dar S/o Ghulam Ahmad Dar R/o Yall, Tehsil Kunzer District Baramulla, J&K UT

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JAMMU AND KASHMIR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
RESHAM GHAR COLONY, BAKSHI NAGAR, JAMMU - 180016

website: http://jkpsc.nic.in

Subject: Conduct of Written Test for filling up of posts of Assistant Professor (Food Science/Food Science & Quality Control and Food Technology & Food Processing) in Higher Education Department—Disposal of the Objections/Representations received against the Provisional Answer Key and issuance of Final Answer Key thereof.

Reference: Rule 10 (d) to 10 (f) of the J&K Public Service Commission (Conduct of Examination) Rules, 2022.

Notification No. PSC/Exam/S/2026/44
Dated: 07.05.2026

- Whereas, the J&K Public Service Commission conducted the **Written Test for filling up of posts of Assistant Professor (Food Science/Food Science & Quality Control and Food Technology & Food Processing) in Higher Education Department; and**
- Whereas, the Provisional Answer Key(s) were notified and uploaded on the official website of the Commission for information of the candidates on 04.04.2026, inter-alia notifying that, if any candidate feels that the keys to any of the questions is wrong/incorrect, he/she may prefer objection on the prescribed proforma to the Controller of Examinations upto 08.04.2026 (5:00 p.m.) along with documentary proof /evidence and the fee of Rs.500/- per question; and
- Whereas, in response to the said notification, objections were received by the J&K Public Service Commission against Provisional Answer Key(s); and
- Whereas, all the objections were referred to the Experts as envisaged in Rule 10 (d) of the J&K Public Service Commission (Conduct of Examination) Rules, 2022, as amended from time to time, for Expert opinion; and
- Whereas, the Experts have recommended changes in the Provisional Answer Key(s) in respect of the said paper(s);

Now, therefore, in view of the above and on the basis of opinion of the Experts, it is hereby notified that:-

a) The changes recommended by the Experts are hereby adopted and the Final Answer Key(s) are annexed to this notification as **Annexure A and Annexure B** in respect of **Food Science/Food Science & Quality**

Control and Food Technology & Food Processing. In terms of Rule 10 (d) of the J&K Public Service Commission (Conduct of Examination) Rules, 2022 as amended upto date, the marks allocated to the deleted questions **shall be individually added to the marks secured by the individual candidate to ensure that the mark(s) allocated for the question paper as a whole remain unchanged** at the time of calculation/compilation of award sheet before the declaration of the result;

b) The amount deposited @ Rs 500/- per question is also hereby released in respect of genuine/correct representations and same shall be transferred through RTGS in individual account of candidates.

DIPK-1139/26
dated: 08-05-2026

(Sachin Jamwal) JKAS,
Controller of Examinations,
J&K Public Service Commission.

No. PSC/Ex-Secy/2026/20

Dated: 07.05.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is information for the general public that in Adhar card of bearing No 833219489311 the name is entered as JUBEENA AHAD while my actual name is JUBINA AHAD. 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. JUBINA AHAD D/O ABDUL AHAD AHANGER R/o SHOLIPORA BUDGAM

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is information for the general public that I NISAR AHMAD BHAT Son of MUSHTAQ AHMAD BHAT R/O ALAMGUCHOO BEERWAH have applied for the Contractor Card DEE Class in the office of Superintendent Engineer R & B Circle Budgam/ Superintending Engineer R&B Circle Sringar South. Any person having any objection in this regard may please submit it in the office of Superintendent Engineer R & B Circle Budgam/ Superintending Engineer R&B Circle Sringar South within a period of 7 days from the date of this notice. No objection will be entertained after that. NISAR AHMAD BHAT Son of MUSHTAQ AHMAD BHAT R/O ALAMGUCHOO BEERWAH Cell 6005233282

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OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICER BUDGAM

Subject:- Necessary Correction/change in address in data to the License No. JK-0420180004648 issued in favour of SYED ZULKARNAIN ALI KAZMI Parentage AGA SYED MUSLIM BAQIR KAZMI Whereas an application has been received by one SYED ZULKARNAIN ALI KAZMI Parentage AGA SYED MUSLIM BAQIR KAZMI wherein he claimed that the Name has been wrongly recorded in the records of Driving Licenses as AGA SYED ZULKARNAIN QAZMI Parentage AGA SYED MUSLIM BAQIR QAZMI Which needs to be changed as SYED ZULKARNAIN ALI KAZMI Parentage AGA SYED MUSLIM BAQIR KAZMI. Also the Date of Birth of license is entered as 01-01-1996 which needs to be changed as 06-04-2000. Now therefore it is notified for the information of the general public that objections if any in this regard shall reach in written in the office of the Assistant Regional Transport officer Budgam within a period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice in the daily newspaper. After expiry of stipulated time no objection will be entertained.

Assistant Regional Transport officer
Budgam Kashmir

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My name has been wrongly written in my school record Nipu Jan D/o Mohd Ishaq Zargar R/o Memandar Shopian while my correct name as per Aadhar card records is Umaya Jan D/o Mohd Ishaq Zargar R/O Memandar Shopian which needs to be corrected. 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. Umaya Jan D/o Mohd Ishaq Zargar R/o Memandar Shopiana

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I have passed/appeared in Secondary School Examination (Class 10th) under Roll No. 121006003, Session: Annual Regular Oct-Nov 2025 through the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education. Due to the error committed against my mother's name as Afroza instead of Afroza Bano, now I have applied for correction/rectification of error in the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education Sub Office Magam. If any person has any objection in this regard, may file the same in the office of the Assistant Secretary, Sub Office Magam within seven days from the date of publication of this notice, after the expiry of said period no objection will be entertained. Name: Zainub Zehra Father's Name: Altaf Hussain Mir Mother's Name: Afroza Bano Date of Birth: 07/10/2010 Residence: Dangarpora Magam Mobile No. 9966112319

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PUBLIC NOTICE

On my Driving License, bearing DL No. * JK-0520070015485 * name is mentioned as NASEER AHMAD DAR , but my actual name is NASEER AHMAD DAR , and my father's Name is mentioned as GH MOHAMMAD DAR , but my actual name is GH-ULAM MOHAMMAD DAR . I now want to correct it. If you have any objections, please contact the ARTO Office, Sopore, within 7 days. After that, no objection will be accepted. Name: NASEER AHMAD DAR S/O: GHULAM MOHAMMAD DAR R/O KRALHAR KANISPORA BARAMULLA JK Pincode: 193101

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खेल विभाग / DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS
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Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003
Date: 30-04-2026

F.No. 01-04001(03)/1/2026/262

CORRIGENDUM

भारतीय खेल प्राधिकरण में प्रतिनियुक्ति के आधार पर सहायक निदेशक के पद पर नियुक्ति के संबंध में—आवेदन प्रस्तुत करने की अंतिम तिथि में 15 दिनों का बिलाला

APPOINTMENT TO THE POST OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ON DEPUTATION BASIS IN SPORTS AUTHORITY OF INDIA REG EXTENSION IN CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS BY 15 DAYS.

भारतीय खेल प्राधिकरण (SAI), जो युवा कार्यक्रम एवं खेल मंत्रालय के अधीन एक स्वायत्त संस्थान है तथा सोसाइटी रजिस्ट्रेशन अधिनियम, 1860 के अंतर्गत पंजीकृत है, द्वारा सहायक निदेशक के पद पर प्रतिनियुक्ति के आधार पर नियुक्ति हेतु पत्र अधिसूचना में आवेदन आमंत्रित किया गया है। समय संख्या के विज्ञापन दिनांक 23.03.2026 के क्रम में, उक्त पद हेतु आवेदन प्रस्तुत करने की अंतिम तिथि को 15 दिनों के लिए बढ़ाया जाता है, अर्थात् अब आवेदन दिनांक 15.05.2026 को सायं 05:00 बजे तक स्वीकार किए जाएंगे। विज्ञापन की अन्य सभी शर्तें एवं प्रावधान यथावत रहेंगे।

SAI is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, invites application from eligible candidates for in continuation to the appointment to the post of Assistant Director on deputation basis advertisement of even number dated 23-03-2026, the closing date for submission of applications for the post of Assistant Director is hereby extended by 15 days (i.e up to 15-05-2026) (05.00 PM). The remaining clauses stand valid.

सभी प्रकार के पूर्ण आवेदन दिनांक 15.05.2026 तक वा उससे पूर्व "निदेशक (HRD-II) का कार्यालय, कम संख्या 210, द्वितीय वर, भारतीय खेल प्राधिकरण, जवाहरलाल नेहरू स्टेडियम (गेट-10), लोदी रोड, नई दिल्ली-110003" में प्राप्त हो जाने चाहिए अथवा ई-मेल "recruitment.cell.sai@gov.in" पर प्रेषित किए जा सकते हैं। विस्तृत विवरण एवं आवेदन प्रपत्र युवा कार्यक्रम एवं खेल मंत्रालय की वेबसाइट www.yas.nic.in तथा भारतीय खेल प्राधिकरण की वेबसाइट www.sportsauthorityofindia.nic.in पर उपलब्ध है।

The application complete in all aspects should reach to the O/o Director (HRD-II), Room No. 210 2nd Floor, Sports Authority of India, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium (Gate-10), Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003 on or before 15-05-2026 or on mail "recruitment.cell.sai@gov.in". The details and application form is available on website of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports www.yas.nic.in and SAI i.e. www.sportsauthorityofindia.nic.in.

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Lodhi Road, CGO Complex,
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संशोधन सूचना
CORRIGENDUM

Sub: Appointment to the post of Assistant Director (OL) on deputation in Sports Authority of India-reg.

भारतीय खेल प्राधिकरण (SAI), जो युवा कार्यक्रम एवं खेल मंत्रालय (MYAS) के अधीन एक स्वायत्त संस्था है तथा सोसाइटी रजिस्ट्रेशन अधिनियम, 1860 के अंतर्गत पंजीकृत है, प्रतिनियुक्ति आधार पर सहायक निदेशक (राजभाषा) के पद पर नियुक्ति हेतु पत्र अधिसूचना में आवेदन आमंत्रित करता है। विज्ञापन संख्या 01-04001(03)/11/2025-रिज्यूटमेंट सेल/183 दिनांक 25-02-2026 के क्रम में, सहायक निदेशक (राजभाषा) के पद हेतु आवेदन प्रस्तुत करने की अंतिम तिथि को बढ़ाकर अब 10-06-2026 (सायं 05:00 बजे तक) कर दिया गया है। अन्य सभी शर्तें एवं प्रावधान यथावत एवं अपरिवर्तित रहेंगे।

SAI is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, invites application from eligible candidates for appointment to the post of Assistant Director (OL) on deputation Basis. In continuation to the advertisement No. 01-04001(03)/11/2025-Recruitment Cell(01-04001(03)/11/2025-Recruitment/183 dated 25-02-2026, the closing date for submission of applications for the post of Assistant Director (OL) is hereby extended up to 10-06-2026 (05:00 PM). The remaining clause stand valid and unchanged.

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उप निदेशक (मानव संसाधन प्रभाग -II)
Deputy Director (Human Resources Division -II)
भारतीय खेल प्राधिकरण

PARAS Health Makes History with First Private Kidney Transplant License

Observer News Service

Srinagar: PARAS Health Srinagar has achieved a significant milestone by becoming the first private-sector facility in the region to receive a KTP (Kidney Transplant Program) license, marking a new chapter in advanced healthcare delivery in Jammu and Kashmir.

The approval positions Paras Srinagar at the forefront of specialized medical services, enabling patients to access life-

critical gaps in tertiary care and ensure that advanced treatment options are accessible to all sections of society.

The milestone is being seen as a step forward in transforming the healthcare landscape of the region, with Paras Srinagar playing a key role in expanding access to specialized and life-saving medical interventions. "This milestone reflects our unwavering commitment to delivering accessible, affordable, quality, and world-class healthcare to the people of Jammu &



saving kidney transplant procedures closer to home rather than traveling outside the Union Territory. This development is expected to ease both the financial and emotional burden on patients and their families.

Facility Director Dr Murtuza expressed gratitude to the administration and all concerned regulatory agencies for their support and confidence in the institution. He acknowledged that the licensing process required rigorous evaluation and said the achievement reflects a shared commitment to strengthening healthcare infrastructure in the region.

Dr. Murtuza noted that the trust placed in Paras Srinagar reinforces the hospital's responsibility to uphold the highest standards of clinical excellence and patient care. He emphasized that the institution remains focused on ethical practices, transparency, and continuous improvement.

Reiterating the hospital's broader vision, he said Paras Health is committed to delivering quality and affordable healthcare services to people at their doorsteps. With the addition of kidney transplant services, the hospital aims to bridge

Kashmir," said Ms. Seema Vij, Zonal Director, PARAS Health. Calling it a landmark achievement for the PARAS Health Group, she reaffirmed the institution's dedication to providing advanced and patient-centric healthcare services across the region.

Vij also expressed gratitude to the medical team, especially Dr. Aadil Baigh, Nephrologist, and Dr. Yasir Ahmad, Urologist, and their team for their dedication, professionalism, and commitment towards ensuring quality patient care and strengthening healthcare delivery. She emphasized that the PARAS Group remains committed to transforming and elevating the healthcare landscape in Jammu & Kashmir through excellence in medical services and compassionate care.

Speaking on the occasion, Medical Superintendent of PARAS Health, Dr. Shafat Ahmad Kennu, appreciated the trust reposed by the government in the institution. He stated that PARAS Health is committed to providing high-quality treatment and reducing the hardships faced by patients who otherwise have to wait for long durations for transplant procedures.



At Raabita, CM Omar Interacts with Public Representatives, Deputations

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Friday met several public representatives, various deputations and individuals at his Public Services & Outreach Office Raabita here and discussed a range of public welfare and developmental issues concerning Jammu & Kashmir.

MLA Zadibal, Tanvir Sadiq, called on the Chief Minister and discussed issues related to parks and gardens in his constituency.

MLA Banihal, Sajad Shaheen, also raised several issues of public importance concerning his constituency.

Former Minister Javid Mustafa Mir also separately called on the Chief Minister.

Grand Mufti Nasir-ul-Islam also met the Chief Minister. Educationist G. N. Var met the Chief Minister and expressed gratitude over the passing of the J&K Private Universities Bill while also appraising him on several issues related to the education sector.

'Badamwari Is an Emotional Space': Tanvir Sadiq Seeks Relief for Morning Walkers

Observer News Service

Srinagar: MLA Zadibal Tanvir Sadiq on Friday said that the concerns of residents and morning walkers regarding restrictions at Badamwari Park were raised with Chief Minister Omar Abdullah during a meeting attended by senior officials.

In a statement shared on social media, Sadiq said he met

Grand Mufti Discusses Peace & Social Harmony

Observer News Service

Srinagar: Jammu and Kashmir's Grand Mufti, Nasir-ul-Islam, called on Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Friday and discussed various issues concerning public welfare and communal harmony in the Union Territory.

During the meeting, the two discussed matters related to the welfare and well-being of the people, with

particular emphasis on strengthening communal harmony, mutual respect, and social cohesion across Jammu and Kashmir.

He also underscored the importance of promoting the values of peace, brotherhood, and coexistence in the region, especially at a time when unity and understanding among different communities remain vital for sustained stability and progress.

Several deputations and individuals from different areas of Kashmir valley also called on the Chief Minister and apprised him of various public issues and grievances.

The Chief Minister gave a patient hearing to all the visiting delegations and individuals and assured appropriate consideration of the issues and matters projected before him.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Anjum Zehra, daughter of Showkat Ahmad Mir, resident of Magam, have passed/appeared in the SSLC/HSE-I/HSE-II Examination under Roll No. 121004056, Session Oct-Nov 2025, conducted by the J&K Board of School Education.



It is hereby notified that an error has occurred in my parentage particulars in the Board records. The Father's Name has been wrongly mentioned as "Shoukat Ahmad Mir" instead of "Showkat Ahmad Mir", and the Mother's Name has been wrongly recorded as "Shafeeqa Begum" instead of "Shafeeqa Bano." I have applied for the necessary correction before the concerned authorities of JKBOSE, Magam. If anybody has any objection regarding this correction, they may file the same before the office of the Assistant Secretary, JKBOSE Magam, within seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After the expiry of the stipulated period, no objection shall be entertained. The corrected particulars shall be recorded as under:

Name: Anjum Zehra
Father's Name: Showkat Ahmad Mir
Mother's Name: Shafeeqa Bano
Date of Birth: 10-07-2011
Residence: Magam
Mobile No.: 6005517756
Sd/-
Anjum Zehra

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I have lost the RC of my vehicle bearing regd no: JK05 J 1678. Now I have applied for the duplicate 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.
Mohammad Ashraf Sheikh S/o Mohammad Ibrahim Sheikh
R/o Goomahmad Pora Pattan

fko

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is notified for the information of the general public that Late Ghulam Hassan Rather, S/o Ghulam Qadir Rather, R/o Ussan Bangil, Tehsil Kowarhama, District Baramulla, J&K UT, expired on 11/02/2026.

That the following persons are the legal heirs of the deceased:

- Gulzar Ahmad Rather - Son
- Riyaz Ahmad Rather - Son
- Parweena Begum - Daughter

Concerned persons/authorities are hereby informed that an application regarding legal heir/surviving member certificate and allied revenue formalities has been moved before the concerned Revenue Department.

If anybody has any objection in this regard, he/she may file the same before the concerned authority within a period of seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice. After that, no objection shall be entertained.

Gulzar Ahmad Rather
S/o Late Ghulam Hassan Rather
R/o Ussan Bangil, Tehsil Kowarhama
District Baramulla, J&K UT

fko

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is notified for the information of the general public that my name has been wrongly entered in my Aadhaar Card bearing Aadhaar No. XXXX XXXX 1976 as Mohamad Younis Mir instead of my correct name Younis Ahmad Mir.

That my correct name is Younis Ahmad Mir as recorded in my School Certificate and other relevant documents. Now, I have applied for correction of my name in the Aadhaar records.

If anybody has any objection in this regard, he/she may file the same before the concerned authority within a period of seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice. After that, no objection shall be entertained.

Younis Ahmad Mir
S/o Mohamad Shaban Mir
R/o Rahmal Pora Biyawa, Tehsil Kunzer
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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 Nazir Ahmad Sheikh S/o Wali Mohd Sheikh R/o Darpora, Tehsil

Zaingeer for issuance of Birth & Death certificate in favour of ward Namely 1. Suhail Nazir Born on 21-06-2014 AND Murfat Nazir Born on 05-04-2012 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.

Naib Tehsildar
fko Executive Magistrate Bomai

Government of Jammu and Kashmir

Agriculture Production Department Civil Secretariat: Jammu/Kashmir.

Subject: Final Seniority list of Horticulture Development Officers and equivalent of J&K Horticulture (Gazetted) services.

Government Order No: 223-JK(APD) of 2026
Dated: 28-04-2026

Final seniority list of Horticulture Development Officers & Equivalent issued vide GO No. 214-JK APD of 2026 dated. 24.04.2026 is withdrawn ab-initio due to unavoidable circumstances. Revised Seniority List there of shall be issued shortly.

By Order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-
(Dr. Ashish Chandra Verma), IAS
Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary)
Agriculture Production Department

File No.:Horti-Gaz/1/2026- Comp.No.:7719381
DIPK-1159/26 Dated: 08.05.2026

JAMMU AND KASHMIR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RESHAM GHAR COLONY, BAKSHI NAGAR, JAMMU - 180016

website: <http://jkpsc.nic.in>

Subject: Filling up of the posts of Assistant Architect in Housing and Urban Development- Result of Written Test reg;

Notification No. PSC/Exam/5/2026/51
Dated: 07.05.2026

In pursuance of Rule 42 of J&K Public Service Commission (Conduct of Examinations) Rules, 2022 read with Rule 31 and 43(ii) of J&K Public Service Commission (Business & Procedure) Rules, 2021, the candidates as per Annexure-A to this notification are hereby declared to have qualified for the Oral Test/Viva Voce for the post of Assistant Architect in Housing and Urban Development Department on the basis of their performance in the Written Test which was held on 18.04.2026. The notification with respect to the dates of Interview/Viva-Voce shall be notified separately.

Note:

- For checking the result, candidates are advised to access the official website of the Commission i.e. <http://www.jkpsc.nic.in>.
- The candidature of candidates shown in Annexure-A is purely provisional. The documents of the candidates will be verified at the time of interview and in case any discrepancy with regard to age/qualification/experience and other eligibility conditions is noticed at the time of interview or thereafter, the candidate shall not be allowed to appear in the interview or where the candidate has already appeared in the interview, the candidature shall be deemed to have been cancelled ab-initio.
- Only eligible candidates, possessing requisite qualification prescribed under rules, shall be allowed to appear in the Oral Test/Viva-Voce subject to the condition that they are within the prescribed age limit on the cut-off date.
- The candidates shall produce their original certificates/ testimonials on the date of oral test/Viva-Voce.

This is subject to the outcome of writ petition, if any, pending disposal before any competent Court of Law.

(Sachin Jamwal) JKAS,
Controller of Examinations,
J&K Public Service Commission.

DIPK-1136/26 Dated: 08.05.2026
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Controller of Examinations,
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KO VIEW

IUST Gets It Right

Students of journalism at Islamic University of Science and Technology recently delivered a public lesson that many institutions in Kashmir should have delivered years ago. Through a sharp and timely skit, they exposed how social media theatrics have reduced journalism into spectacle, performance, and noise.

Their message struck a nerve because people already know what has happened to the media space. Anyone holding a smartphone and a microphone now claims the authority to report, interpret, accuse, provoke, and dominate public conversation. Social media pages present themselves as newsrooms. Performers introduce themselves as journalists. Public attention gets chased through outrage, emotional manipulation, staged confrontations, and endless shouting before cameras.

Kashmir did not arrive at this point overnight. Professional journalism weakened slowly while institutions watched the decline without serious intervention. News lost discipline, verification lost value, and optics started overpowering substance. Public discourse became crowded with individuals who treat journalism like a route to instant visibility rather than social responsibility.

Many of these so-called social media journalists openly defend their conduct. They argue that degrees do not define journalism and that anybody can report events. Part of that argument carries truth because journalism should never become an exclusive club reserved for elites. Public participation has strengthened media in many parts of the world.

But Kashmir's problem goes far beyond citizen participation. A dangerous culture has emerged where noise gets rewarded more than credibility. Emotional blackmail often passes for reporting. Dramatic stunts receive more engagement than verified information. Public sentiment becomes a tool for clicks and followers. Viewers consume outrage as entertainment while professional standards collapse in clear sight.

Students graduating from journalism schools now enter a field where training, ethics, media law, and newsroom discipline struggle to compete with online performance artists. Many young professionals feel disillusioned after realizing that careful reporting receives less public attention than aggressive theatrics uploaded within minutes to social media feeds.

That frustration deserves recognition because journalism was never designed to function without accountability. Every serious profession demands preparation and standards because public trust depends on competence. A society would never hand over hospitals to untrained doctors or courtrooms to random speakers holding microphones. Journalism also influences public thinking, democratic debate, and social harmony, which makes professional responsibility essential.

The most important lesson from the IUST skit lies elsewhere. Institutions still possess the power to intervene when they decide that social decay cannot continue unchecked. Kashmir has already witnessed this during anti-drug campaigns where coordinated institutional action pushed society toward course correction after years of silence.

Media culture now needs the same seriousness and institutional commitment. Kashmir needs journalism rooted in credibility, responsibility, and professional ethics, where public trust grows through verified reporting instead of performance and spectacle.

The Cost of Sufarish

Every unfair promotion weakens institutions, damages morale, and pushes capable people toward frustration or exit.



Dr. Fiaz Maqbool Fazili

Some dreams start with a question. In Kashmir, one such dream is fast spreading among students, professionals, and young officials: What if merit alone decided who got promoted?

What if getting ahead didn't depend on who you knew, but on how well you performed?

In a region where turmoil has frayed trust in institutions, the idea of a "sufarish-free" Kashmir—a system without backdoor deals, political influence, or family pressure—feels radical.

But it also feels necessary. If we want a just, functional, and prosperous society, we need to make merit the rule, not the exception.

The idea sounds simple. But the road to get there isn't.

Kashmir isn't alone in struggling with favouritism. Across the world, only about 4.36% of promotions go to the lowest-performing employees, but when that happens, the damage is deep.

When someone gets ahead because of connections rather than competence, it hurts morale. The entire team suffers. Good workers start wondering why they should try at all. And the institution becomes slower, weaker, less trusted.

We see this everywhere. In a school, an under-qualified head can harm students for years. In a hospital, it can mean life-or-death mistakes. In government, it leads to bad service, growing anger, and deep public distrust.

Nowhere is this more dangerous than in a place like Kashmir, where faith in public systems is already fragile. If young people stop believing that hard work leads anywhere, they look for shortcuts, or they give up. That's a crisis waiting to happen.

But there's another side to this. When people know their work will be fairly judged, they show up differently. They put in the extra hours. They innovate. They speak up. A merit-based system does more than reward good performance, it creates it.

Of course, everyone says they want the best person for the job. But who decides what "best" means?

In many places, gut instinct still drives decisions. A boss promotes someone who seems sharp or loyal or shares a hometown. That's where bias creeps in.

We need to shift to data. Real performance metrics, not vague impressions. That means tracking who delivered results, met deadlines, led teams, and solved problems.

Countries and companies that lead in fairness use tools like Human Resource Information Systems (HRIS) to log this information across departments.

They also use diverse hiring and promotion panels to reduce bias. They explain their decisions in writing. They review them. They audit them. This kind of transparency builds accountability and trust.

In Kashmir, such systems don't yet exist in any consistent way. But they can.

Let's not pretend this is easy. Patronage has become part of the fabric in many parts of Kashmiri administration. Years of instability have taught people to survive through networks, not rules. Interference in transfers and postings is common. Rules get bent.



We also need legal reforms: laws that clearly spell out how promotions must be made, what "merit" means in each role, and how decisions can be challenged. Some global systems, like the U.S. Office of Personnel Management or the Singapore Public Service Commission, offer examples of how to do this. We don't have to invent everything from scratch.

Let's imagine a timeline. In the next three years, we could roll out digital HR systems in departments like education and revenue. We could train managers to use data to make decisions, not favours. We could pass strong anti-corruption laws targeting sufarish and reward those who speak up.

In five to seven years, we could have oversight bodies with real power. We could create a culture where fair promotions are expected, not rare. We could start to see better service in hospitals, schools, and public offices. Not because the people changed, but because the system did.

In ten to fifteen years, if we stay the course, we could have a fully merit-based government workforce. Sufarish could become socially unacceptable. Our institutions could earn public trust. Investors and professionals might look at Kashmir as a place of fairness, not frustration.

The biggest obstacle to building a meritocracy isn't money. It isn't even politics. It's cynicism.

Too many people believe change isn't possible. They've seen too many bad decisions, too many rigged processes. But if we keep thinking that way, nothing will change.

The truth is, the roadmap is already there. The question is whether we have the will to follow it.

If we start today, by fixing what we can, by pushing for fair rules, by refusing to take or offer backdoor help, we can move toward a future where Kashmir runs on talent, not ties. We owe that to the next generation.

Meritocracy isn't just a dream. It's a plan we can build, step by step, role by role, and system by system. The only thing missing is the choice to begin.

The author is a member of the GCC, a Group of Concerned Citizens in Kashmir.



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People learn not to complain.

But change has to start somewhere. The first step is leadership that genuinely believes in merit, and shows it. That means saying no to pressure, protecting whistleblowers, and publicly celebrating honest success stories. The second step is investing in tools that can track and compare performance objectively.

The Death of Reverence

A culture once rooted in respect, restraint, and community now faces a deep social fracture driven by parental failure, weakened schools, and a generation left emotionally adrift.



Dr. Mushtaq Rather

Kashmir once lived by a code called Adab. It guided family life, community relations, respect for teachers, and the behaviour expected from the young. People valued restraint, manners, and mutual regard as part of everyday life. Today, that moral foundation has weakened sharply.

Many Kashmiris describe the current crisis as a clash between generations. That explanation barely scratches the surface.

The valley faces something deeper and far more dangerous: the collapse of a social ethic that once held communities together. Homes, schools, and neighbourhoods now struggle to perform the moral role they once embraced with conviction.

Older Kashmiris remember a time when elders commanded genuine regard. Young people greeted them with warmth and restraint. Families treated teachers with near-sacred esteem. Villages functioned like extended households where everyone felt responsible for the conduct of the next generation.

That culture rested on reciprocity. Elders gave affection, wisdom, and guidance. Young people returned respect and attentiveness. The relationship created balance inside families and communities alike.

Today, that balance has cracked. Modern life has pushed many families inward. The old neighbourhood culture has

weakened as social life shrinks into isolated homes and glowing phone screens. Community accountability once acted as an invisible discipline. A child feared embarrassing the family before the mohalla. Parents worried about losing social standing through public misconduct. That collective pressure cultivated restraint and responsibility.

Present-day Kashmir shows a very different picture. Individualism has grown stronger while communal responsibility has faded into the background. Families increasingly function like private islands detached from the wider moral life of society.

Nothing illustrates this decline more clearly than the changing status of the teacher.

The Ustad once occupied a revered place in Kashmiri society. Parents trusted teachers to correct, discipline, and guide their children. Students viewed educators as moral mentors rather than service providers. Education involved character formation as much as academic instruction.

Consumer culture has transformed that relationship into a transactional exchange. Many parents now approach schools like customers confronting businesses. A teacher's criticism often triggers anger rather than introspection. Children absorb that hostility quickly. Once parents undermine educators inside the home, students stop viewing authority with seriousness.

That shift carries long-term consequences. Young people raised without respect for constructive criticism struggle to develop discipline, patience, or emotional maturity.

Every correction begins to feel like humiliation, and each disagreement becomes a personal attack.



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Some educators also bear responsibility for the present condition. Tuition culture and material ambition have weakened the moral authority once associated with teaching. Students easily recognize the difference between mentorship and commercial behaviour.

Respect survives where sincerity exists. It disappears where education turns into a business transaction.

Meanwhile, Kashmir's younger generation stands trapped between crushing expectations and emotional isolation.

Parents demand academic perfection. Society measures worth through marks, degrees, and professional titles. Homes increasingly re-

semble pressure chambers where failure feels catastrophic. Emotional growth receives little attention beside relentless competition.

Many young people respond by escaping into digital life. Mobile phone addiction now functions as psychological displacement rather than harmless entertainment. Endless scrolling provides temporary relief from pressure, loneliness, and confusion. Social media creates the illusion of connection while deepening emotional isolation.

Peer influence fills the vacuum left by weakened families and weakened institutions. Drug abuse now scars large parts of the valley because many young people search desperately for escape, belonging, or numbness. Addiction rarely emerges from boredom alone. It often grows from emotional abandonment, social confusion, and the absence of meaningful guidance.

Kashmir therefore faces a collapse of moral leadership.

Repairing this damage demands far more than speeches about culture and tradition. Real change begins inside homes.

Parents must recover their role as mentors rather than mere providers. Children learn behaviour through observation long before lectures begin to matter. A father insulting neighbours at the dinner table teaches contempt. A mother dismissing teachers teaches arrogance. Daily conduct inside the home becomes the child's moral education.

Families also need boundaries around technology. Homes need spaces where family chat replaces screens and shared memory replaces algorithm-driven distraction.

Kashmir once possessed a rich storytelling culture rooted in local history, faith, poetry, and collective experience. Those conversations connected

children to something larger than themselves.

Schools must also reclaim their moral mission. Education cannot revolve solely around examinations and professional advancement. Students require ethical grounding, emotional guidance, and social responsibility alongside academic learning.

That transformation also demands honesty from educators themselves. Teachers regain public trust through integrity, empathy, and visible commitment to student welfare. Young people still respond powerfully to adults who genuinely invest in their lives.

Communities have an equally important role. Kashmir villages and neighbourhoods once functioned as moral ecosystems where elders intervened before problems spiraled into catastrophe. That spirit needs revival through youth clubs, sports programs, cultural activities, and stronger social engagement.

Young people need purpose, belonging, and human connection. Empty lectures about morality achieve little without meaningful alternatives.

Adab once gave Kashmir a moral center. That center can return through accountability inside homes, integrity inside schools, and active concern inside communities. The valley still possesses the cultural memory needed for renewal.

Future generations now wait for adults to decide whether that memory still matters.

The author is an educator based in Mattan, Anantnag. He writes about education reforms and the evolving needs of students and teachers in Jammu and Kashmir.

Beyond the Green Slogans

Kashmir's experience shows why climate action without equity risks repeating the same old injustices.



Falak Aslam

In a sleepy hamlet of Gurez, where apple trees bloom against receding snowlines, Abdul Rehman tends to his orchard with sullen silence.

"Snow used to fall in November," he says, pulling his shawl tighter. "Now it waits till January, and the flowers bloom too early." The shift has disrupted pollination, lowered yields, and deepened uncertainty.

Rehman is no climate policy expert. Yet, his life, like millions across the Global South, is shaped by a crisis born far from his orchard and intensified by solutions that increasingly exclude him.

As the world accelerates toward "green" innovation, the reality beneath the slogans is more complicated. Behind every electric car and solar panel lie hidden environmental costs, extractive supply chains, and deepening inequalities.

In places like Kashmir, where clean energy transitions are hailed as the future, questions persist: who gets to be green, and who pays the price?

The historical imbalance is stark. The United Kingdom, often celebrated for its 2008 Climate Change Act and global climate diplomacy, remains the fifth-largest historical emitter of carbon dioxide, according to the Energy and Climate Intelligence Unit. Its industrial ascent relied on coal-fired progress, resource extraction from colonies, and vast deforestation campaigns.

Today, even as it cuts emissions domestically, it exports much of its environmental footprint through supply chains anchored in the Global South.

Green technology has become the new frontier of global power. Developed nations dominate patents, set prices, and impose tariffs.

In India, solar energy, a sector with vast potential, is slowed by a 40% customs duty on imported solar modules and 25% on solar cells.

The goal is to encourage domestic manufacturing, but the result is delayed adoption and inflated costs for startups and communities eager to transition.

Shazia Qadir, an engineering graduate in Pulwama, South Kashmir, runs a modest rooftop solar installation business. "We want to build locally," she says, "but the components are still imported, and prices have risen. People are interested, but affordability is a hurdle."

In Kupwara district, an off-grid village near the Line of Control recently installed a micro-hydel power unit funded by a grassroots NGO. For the first time, students are studying at night under consistent lighting. Yet such projects remain rare and underfunded. Kashmir, despite its topographical potential for hydro and solar power, is still heavily dependent on electricity imported from the northern grid. In winters, daily power cuts last up to 10 hours in many rural areas.

Even more troubling is the human cost behind green commodities. In the Democratic Republic of Congo, an estimated 40,000 children work in hazardous cobalt mines, according to UNICEF. Cobalt is essential for electric vehicle batteries. A 2024 investigative report, *Beneath the Green*, revealed that 56 percent of women living near industrial mining zones have experienced severe reproductive health issues — conditions linked to prolonged exposure to toxic metals.

In theory, green technologies are designed to reduce harm. In practice, they often relocate it.

An electric vehicle, for instance, emits up to 60 percent more carbon during production than a conventional petrol car, largely due to the energy-intensive mining and refining processes of lithium, cobalt, and nickel. For every tonne of lithium extracted, between five and fifteen tonnes of carbon are released. Water use is equally intensive. In South America's lithium triangle, evaporation ponds used in lithium mining have contributed to groundwater depletion, threatening indigenous farming communities.

India, meanwhile, has set an ambitious target: 80 million electric vehicles by 2030. Yet much of the electricity to charge them still comes from coal-fired power plants. While EVs may reduce tailpipe emissions, they don't eliminate upstream pollution. And they risk sidelining simpler, lower-impact alternatives like public trans-



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port, cycling infrastructure, or biogas — solutions that are accessible, affordable, and time-tested.

In Ladakh, high in the Trans-Himalayas, 32-year-old schoolteacher Sonam Angmo commutes daily by bicycle. "It's not about being modern or backward," she says. "It's about what works without hurting the mountains."

Kashmir, despite its potential, remains largely excluded from national-level green pilot projects. There is no major EV policy tailored to the region's terrain and climatic needs. Srinagar, a city of over 1.2

million people, continues to battle choking winter smog — made worse by diesel-run gensets and unregulated brick kilns that emit particulate matter in large quantities. In a 2023 study by the Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Board, PM2.5 levels in Srinagar exceeded safe limits on over 60 percent of winter days.

The problem extends beyond urban centers. In Pahalgam, a famous tourist spot in South Kashmir, the introduction of more diesel-run transport vans to meet visitor demand has spiked local air pollution.

"Tourism boosts our economy," says Fayaz Ahmad, a hotelier in the area, "but no one is talking about sustainable practices. There's no electric public transport option. No incentives. Not even a waste segregation system."

Meanwhile, in the wetlands of Hokersar, one of Kashmir's designated Ramsar sites, degradation has accelerated. Once a thriving bird sanctuary and natural flood buffer for Srinagar, the wetland now struggles under encroachments, waste dumping, and shrinking water levels. Green transitions that ignore local ecosystems are not only incomplete — they can be actively destructive.

Some countries have taken different paths. Norway, often cited as a model, generates 96 percent of its electricity from hydropower — much of it designed to minimize methane emissions by locating reservoirs in high-altitude, low-vegetation zones.

These projects are decades in the making, built with long-term environmental safeguards. India's approach, in contrast, increasingly leans on expanded mining initiatives under the newly launched Critical Mineral Mission. The 2024-25 Union Budget allocates significant resources toward domestic extraction of rare earths. The aim is strategic autonomy; the risk is replicating old, extractive patterns in a new key.

International agreements like the Sustainable Development Goals call for "the promotion, transfer, and dissemination of environmentally

sound technologies" to developing countries. But mechanisms for meaningful technology sharing remain vague, underfunded, or politically blocked. A recent UNCTAD report noted that fewer than 20 percent of green tech patents are shared across borders — and most of those flow between wealthy countries.

"If the Global North is serious about equity," says a climate policy researcher at Jawaharlal Nehru University, "then it must dismantle the barriers to access. Until then, the Global South is being asked to green its future with tools it cannot afford."

In Budgam, central Kashmir, a pilot project converting cow dung into biogas has enabled 14 families to cook without firewood or LPG. "It's clean, it's ours, and it works," says Ruqaya Bano, a mother of three. Such small-scale, community-based projects often achieve more impact with fewer resources — yet receive less attention and funding than flashy tech solutions.

In the village of Larnoo in Anantnag district, local youth have started a volunteer-led afforestation drive after flash floods swept through their fields in 2022. "The floods destroyed our crops. We realized we had to protect our own," said Bilal Dar, a recent graduate. Over 2,000 saplings have been planted so far, mostly local species like walnut, willow, and deodar.

India's transition must be more than a change of engines. It must include systemic changes in urban design, rural livelihoods, and lifestyle aspirations. Instead of mimicking the consumer-heavy models of the West, policymakers could draw from grassroots practices — from community forests in the Northeast to off-grid solar co-ops in Rajasthan — and certainly from Kashmir's own underreported innovations.

Going green is not just about technology. It's about justice. And justice requires listening — to orchardists in Gurez, to miners in Katanga, to engineers in Pulwama, to wetland watchers in Hokersar, to mothers in Budgam, to sapling planters in Larnoo.

The green revolution will only be clean when it is shared.

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In the Hills of Gool

While cities swelter under rising temperatures, the meadows, forests, and warm springs of Gool offer a softer kind of escape.



Syed Aijaz Shah

The road to Gool winds through the hills of Ramban like a forgotten thread, stitching together forests, small homes, and the hush of mountains that seem to listen more than speak.

In this corner of Jammu and Kashmir, where the air grows sweeter and the summers softer, Gool sits, not in a hurry, not trying to be seen, just there, as it has always been.

When I first heard about the town, it was a passing mention, the kind of place people recommend with a wave of the hand, half expecting you won't go.

But something about it called me. Maybe I was looking for air that didn't burn in June. Maybe I was just tired.

The valley had been wilting under a hard sun. Srinagar was gasping at thirty-five degrees, the streets thick with dust and restlessness.

In Gool, I was told, the breeze still ran cool across the meadows, and the forests still smelled of pine.

I packed light and left for a place I had only heard in stories. What I found was something I had not known I was missing.

The days in Gool do not follow the same rhythm as the cities. They stretch and soften.

The mornings arrive with a thin gold light that falls over the hills and slips into the streams. The evenings walk in slowly, the air growing tender, the sky folding itself in a soft blue-grey.

The pine trees lean over the paths, the leaves whisper under your feet, and the meadows seem to hold their breath as you pass.

One afternoon I wandered toward Ghora Gali, where the grass opened up in wide, gentle patches between thick forests. I sat there for hours, listening to the birds and the faint rustle of wind moving through the trees. There was no rush to leave. The place seemed to know that.

Further along, about ten kilometers from Gool, the road led me to Daganatop, a place that knows how to fill your eyes.

It was like standing on the edge of a green sea, the meadows rolling out in soft waves, stitched with wildflowers and brushed by air that carried the sharp, clean scent of the mountains.

In the distance, the folds of hills rose and fell like the slow breathing of the earth. They say



in winter, the place transforms, thick with snow, alive with sledges and skiers.

But in June, it felt like standing inside a story where the pages turned with the wind.

Some places in Gool are not known for grand views, but for the way they let you be still. Rama Kunda is like that, a small space tucked into the lap of the hills, where the trees stand tall and close.

There, you can sit with your thoughts and let them settle, like dust in a glass of water. You don't need to speak. The place understands.

On the last day, I found myself at Tatta Pani, where warm sulphur springs bubble up from the earth, known to soothe aching joints and tired muscles.

People come here from nearby villages, from towns further away, to feel the water on their skin, to lean into its slow medicine. I let my feet sink into the warmth and watched the way the steam curled up into the air, soft and steady, as if the ground itself was breathing.

The places we stayed became part of the memory. In Gool, we spent our nights at a small Forest Hut, where the scent of pine slipped in through the windows, and the air was fresh enough to wake you before dawn.

In Sangaldan, the Farooq Naik Guest House welcomed us with simple comfort: a room that felt like it belonged to the hills, not

borrowed from somewhere else.

But places, no matter how beautiful, become something more because of people. My brother-in-law, Syed Abid, made sure of that. His warmth, his careful planning, his small kindnesses stitched the trip together in a way that no guidebook could.

His team, Bashir Sahib, Amir, moved like old friends, making sure every path we took, every meal we had, felt like it had been waiting for us. In their company, I was not a visitor. I belonged.

Gool is not a place that calls attention to itself. It is not loud. It does not clamor for tourists. But it holds something rare: the ability to make you slow down, to feel the air, to see the way light falls on grass, to hear the story of a stream as it moves over stone.

When I left, I carried more than just pictures. I carried the shape of mornings spent in meadows, the sound of crickets in the dark, the touch of warm springs on tired feet, and the memory of a place that does not ask you to be more, only to be present.

Some places you visit. Some places stay with you. Gool, for me, is the latter.

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3 Boys Drown

body was later recovered from the river, bringing the rescue operation to an end, officials said.

The incident triggered scenes of grief across Hajin and adjoining areas, with hundreds of mourners participating in the funeral prayers of the deceased youths. Residents described the tragedy as one of the most painful incidents witnessed in the locality in recent years.

Authorities have initiated proceedings into the incident.

LG, CM Express

grieving family members. We stand in solidarity with the bereaved in this difficult hour," he said. Chief Minister Omar Abdullah expressed profound grief over the tragic drowning incident and conveyed his heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families and prayed for eternal peace to the departed souls.

He also prayed for strength and forbearance for the grieving families during this difficult hour.

Centre Grants

Governor in the Union Territory. Officials said the powers would be exercised subject to the control of the President and remain in force until further orders.

Srinagar Records

department said weather is expected to remain generally dry on May 8 and 9, although brief showers at isolated places during late afternoon hours cannot be ruled out.

On May 10, the weather is likely to remain mainly dry till evening, with chances of brief showers at a few places towards evening or night.

"A generally cloudy weather with one or two spells of light to moderate rain or thundershower is expected at many places from May 11 to 13," the MeT office said, adding that hailstorms, thunder, and gusty winds are also likely at a few places during the period.

The department has issued an advisory warning of thunder, lightning and gusty winds with speeds of 40-50 kmph at a few places in both Kashmir and Jammu divisions between May 10 evening and May 13.

It also said day temperatures are expected to rise gradually by 2-3 degrees Celsius during the next three days before witnessing a fall of 3-5 degrees till May 13 due to the approaching wet spell.

Farmers have been advised to continue farm operations until May 10. (KNO)

Future Conflicts

simultaneously across cyber, space, electromagnetic and cognitive domains," the defence minister said.

He underlined the importance of integrated national preparedness across all spectrums of conflict and highlighted the transformative impact of emerging technologies on warfare.

Singh appreciated the progress made in enhancing jointness, integration and technological adoption across the Army, Navy and Air Force, saying synergy among the services would play a key role in future military preparedness.

"Future wars will not be won solely through weaponry, but through innovative thinking and enhanced synergy," he said.

The defence minister also asked military commanders to cultivate the "element of surprise" to stay unpredictable before adversaries and maintain a strategic advantage in any situation.

At the same time, he cautioned the armed forces to remain alert to possible surprise tactics from enemies and advised them to stay "two steps ahead".

Singh further reiterated the Narendra Modi government's commitment to strengthening the defence forces with advanced weapons systems and modern platforms, adding that special emphasis was being laid on research in niche and emerging domains.

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Jal Shakti Department. However, no official statement had been issued by the government till the filing of this report.(KNO)

Special Courts

of the Act deals with the power of the central government to constitute special courts.

"We request the chief justice of the high courts to consult the state governments to provide requisite and sufficient space for the establishment of special courts where the presiding officers will be entrusted with the trial of cases," the bench said.

The top court was hearing a suo motu case titled 'In Re: creation of special exclusive courts'.

The bench directed that no other cases shall be entrusted to the special courts and the trial would be conducted on a day-to-day basis. The bench said the special court judges would be at liberty to list the matters in the manner they want while ensuring that at least one trial is concluded within a month.

"It is made clear that there shall be at least one special court for 10 to 15 pending trials," the bench directed. It said two special courts would be set up if the number of pending trials were above 15.

The bench asked the states to comply with its earlier order in which it had said that it would be necessary for them to provide the requisite courtrooms and other immovable infrastructure for the establishment of the exclusive special courts.

The bench also dealt with the issue of trials in cases under Section 22 of the Act where the state is the prosecutor.

Section 22 deals with the power of the state government to constitute special courts.

The top court asked the advocate generals of the state, in consultation with the registrar general of the high courts, to furnish details of pending trials in their respective jurisdictions.

It posted the matter for hearing in July.

While hearing the matter on April 20, the top court asked all the states and Union Territories (UTs) to provide details of terror and narcotics cases being probed by the central and state agencies, including the NIA and the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), as a step towards setting up special exclusive courts for early disposal of the cases.

It asked the Centre to consider providing funds of Rs 1 crore each for setting up the courts in all states and UTs to prosecute cases lodged under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) and the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act (NDPS).

On March 24, the apex court directed the establishment of special courts for cases investigated by the NIA and those falling under the UAPA.

Expanding the ambit, the bench had asked advocate generals of 17 states to furnish the details of cases lodged under the UAPA and the NDPS Acts, irrespective of whether they were prosecuted by the NIA or the state police and by NCB or by state agencies.

The bench highlighted that early disposal would balance the rights of the accused and victims both. It had also issued notices to the remaining states and asked them to furnish the requisite information.

The suo motu petition was initiated following concerns that NIA trials were languishing for years. (Agencies)

Anti-Drug Heat

and demolished a shop in Tangmarg during the Valley-wide crackdown.

A police spokesperson said the action was carried out by Anantnag Police under Section 68-F of the NDPS Act against Bashir Ahmad Mir and his family members, residents of Doonipora Sangam.

The spokesperson said the attachment proceedings were initiated following an inquiry which revealed that the family had allegedly amassed huge movable and immovable assets disproportionate to their known lawful sources of income.

According to police, the inquiry established that the properties were jointly held by the family members and were suspected to have been acquired through proceeds generated from narcotics trafficking.

During the course of investigation, police also found that the family had a history of involvement in multiple NDPS cases.

Officials said the first FIR was registered in 2011 in which 1.1 kilograms of charas was allegedly recovered from Gul Mohammad, father of Bashir Ahmad Mir.

The second case was registered in 2020 during which 500 grams of charas was allegedly recovered from Bashir Ahmad Mir, police said.

In another case registered in 2024, police said 58.90 kilograms of poppy straw was recovered.

The properties attached during the proceedings include a double-storey residential house, a newly-constructed residential house, a commercial building located in Sangam area, 211 marlas of land in Sangam and Naina areas, besides a vehicle.

Police said the total estimated value of the attached assets was approximately Rs 6.5 crore.

Officials said the anti-drug operations were conducted across multiple districts as part of intensified efforts to dismantle narcotics networks and curb substance abuse in the Union Territory.

In south Kashmir's Anantnag district, police attached residential houses, a commercial building identified as "Muskan Restaurant", more than 200 marlas of land and a vehicle allegedly acquired through proceeds generated from narcotics trade.

Police said the action was taken under Section 68-F of the NDPS Act after investigations revealed that the assets were disproportionate to the known lawful sources of income of the accused persons.

In north Kashmir's Baramulla district, police along with Revenue authorities demolished a shop belonging to an alleged drug peddler in Ferozpora area of Tangmarg.

Authorities also sealed "North Wind Cafe", an outsourced property of the Gulmarg Development Authority, after its lessee was allegedly found involved in an NDPS case registered at Police Post Wagoora. Officials said further proceedings, including cancellation of the lease, have also been initiated.

In Kulgam, police and Revenue authorities retrieved nearly five kanals of kahcharai land worth around Rs 60 lakh from persons allegedly involved in narcotics-related cases.

Police in Anantnag also destroyed illegally cultivated opium poppy crops in Achabal and Aishmuqam areas and registered separate cases under the NDPS Act against the accused persons.

Meanwhile, three alleged drug peddlers were arrested during separate operations in Anantnag, Sopore and Handwara, with police claiming recovery of charas-like substances and codeine phosphate from their possession.

In Pulwama, police recovered a drug consignment during a joint operation with the Drug Control Department and conducted searches at houses of suspected drug peddlers as part of a cordon and search operation.

Officials said several medical shops were inspected in the district, while one shop was sealed for allegedly violating mandatory record-keeping norms.

Police also intensified destruction of wild hemp in vulnerable areas of Handwara to prevent illegal cultivation and narcotics trafficking.

Alongside enforcement measures, anti-drug awareness rallies, student outreach programmes and public campaigns were organised across several districts, including Shopian, Sopore, Awantipora, Ganderbal and Pulwama.

Officials said strict action against drug peddlers and those facilitating narcotics trade would continue as part of the government's on-going campaign to make Jammu and Kashmir drug-free.

No One Can

that once the award had attained finality up to the Supreme Court, the trial court had

become functus officio and lacked jurisdiction to entertain an application under Section 151 CPC.

The High Court, however, rejected the contention and held that inherent powers under Section 151 CPC could be exercised to prevent abuse of process and ensure that excess public money was not retained unlawfully.

"Section 151 Code of Civil Procedure (CPC) preserves the inherent powers of the Court to do real and substantial justice. The inherent powers of the Court are not exhausted upon the conclusion of proceedings rather they continue to subsist to prevent abuse of its process and to ensure that its orders do not occasion injustice."

The court also held that compensation under land acquisition law includes not only the value of land but also structures and assets attached thereto, and that all payments already received by the claimant were liable to be adjusted against the final compensation.

"It requires to be noted that it is a well-settled principle of law that compensation under the land acquisition is not confined merely to the value of the land acquired, but extends to all interests therein, including structures and assets attached to such land."

The Court further ruled that permitting retention of the excess amount would amount to "clear unjust enrichment at the cost of public funds," which is impermissible in law.

"The doctrine of unjust enrichment mandates that no person can be allowed to retain a benefit which is not legally due to him," the court said, underlining that once it stands established from the record that an amount has been received in excess of lawful entitlement, the obligation to pay/restore the same arises, forthwith.

"Retaining the said excess amount would not only defeat the statutory scheme governing compensation but would also undermine the principles of equity, fairness, and public accountability."

Ultimately, the High Court also upheld the direction requiring the petitioner to deposit Rs 2,61,34,972 along with 6 percent interest within one month, failing which the amount shall be recovered as arrears of land revenue.

"Before parting, this court would like to observe that filing of review petition by the petitioner after earning dismissal in the application under Section 151 of the Code of Civil Procedure (CPC) read with Section 17-B of the Land Acquisition Act was a tactic to avoid depositing of the excess public money," the court said, adding, "Even after dismissal of the review petition, the petitioner has made another attempt to file the instant petition by invoking the supervisory jurisdiction of this Court under Article 227 of the Constitution on false and flimsy grounds in absence of any perversity, jurisdictional infirmity, patent illegality and that too urging similar grounds and facts which have been gone in detail by the learned trial court by cogent reasons."

Transporters Defer already given a strike call due to continued issues, especially related to Smart City buses, permits, green tax and operational concerns affecting the livelihood of transporters," Matta said.

He said the government has agreed to constitute a committee comprising officials and transport stakeholders to examine all pending issues related to the sector.

According to transporters, the committee will review concerns regarding Smart City bus operations, route rationalisation, permit issues and green tax-related matters.

Matta said transporters were assured that no major decision affecting the sector would be taken without consulting stakeholders.

"We have deferred the strike and not withdrawn it. If our genuine issues are not addressed within a reasonable time, we will be compelled to reconsider our decision," he said.

Transporters had on May 6 announced an indefinite strike from May 12, warning of a complete halt in public transport services across Kashmir if their demands were ignored.

Earlier, a Valley-wide "chakka jam" observed on April 20 had disrupted public transport services and caused inconvenience to commuters, including students and patients.

Transporters had particularly raised concerns over the expansion of Smart City bus services, claiming that it was adversely affecting the livelihood of thousands of drivers, conductors and vehicle owners across the Valley.

J&K Tops UTs

no cases in 2024. Among Union Territories, Ladakh, Lakshadweep and Chandigarh also reported zero cases.

Reacting to the data, Maneka Gandhi welcomed the NCRB's move to include animal cruelty cases in its annual crime report, calling it an important recognition of an issue that had long been ignored.

"Once the police realise the crime that is involved here, I hope they will pay more attention to it," Gandhi told PTI.

She also said cruelty towards animals was often linked to violent behaviour against humans.

"The government needs to understand that people who are cruel to animals will also be cruel to people," she said.

Animal rights activist Rashmi Sharma described the inclusion of such data in the NCRB report as a "welcome step".

"Recognising animal cruelty cases as crimes will build awareness that such acts are unacceptable and punishable by law," Sharma said.

She added that crimes against animals remained highly underreported and greater visibility could encourage reporting and create deterrence against increasing cruelty.

KCCI Submits

Doing Business: Full digitisation of approvals, integrated clearances and time-bound deemed approvals, citing failure of existing single-window systems.

Industrial Infrastructure: Immediate development of roads, power, water and internet in industrial estates; early possession of allotted land in areas like Tulbal Sopore and Sempora Pampore.

NCSS 2021 Reforms: Extension of the scheme till 2035, increase in outlay by 75,000 crore, 25% reservation for local entrepreneurs, inclusion of expanding units.

Regulatory Reforms: Reduction in compliance burden, 30-day deemed approvals, removal of certain fees and introduction of a Sick Unit Revival Policy.

Marketing & Branding: Creation of a dedicated MSME marketing mission, legal protection for "Made in Kashmir," export support and trade fair participation.

Public Procurement: Enforcement of 25% MSME procurement quota with preference for local units and regular disclosure of procurement data.

Technology Upgradation: Incentives for automation, energy efficiency, green technologies and expansion of existing units.

Relief for Interim Units: Eligibility for incentives for units established before the new policy through a clear cut-off mechanism.

Transparent Land Allocation: Fair and verifiable criteria for land allotment, including post-allotment employment verification.

Stamp Duty Exemption: Extension of 100% exemption to units operating on private land.

Insurance & Solar Subsidies: Full insurance premium support and 75% subsidy for rooftop solar installations.

Loan Restructuring: One-time restructuring package for stressed units affected by disruptions.

Tenga said the memorandum reflects the pressing concerns of the business community and emphasised the need for a policy framework that is practical, inclusive and growth-oriented.

Officials assured that the recommendations would be given due consideration while finalising the revised industrial policy. KCCI said it is ready to provide further inputs and detailed data to support its proposals.



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Detailed Traffic Advisory Issued for Anti-Drug Rally in Anantnag

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Traffic Police Rural Kashmir has issued a detailed traffic advisory ahead of the scheduled mega Padyatra being organised in Anantnag on May 9, 2026, i.e. today as part of the ongoing Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan campaign.

The advisory has been issued to ensure smooth traffic regulation, avoid congestion in the town, and facilitate hassle-free movement of vehicles carrying participants from different areas of south Kashmir who are expected to attend the anti-drug awareness rally in large numbers.

Officials informed KNO that the designated routes and parking spaces have been earmarked for vehicles arriving from various regions to maintain an effective traffic management system throughout the event.

As per the traffic movement plan, vehicles ferrying participants from the Pahalgam, Aishmuqam, Mattan and Kehribal areas will travel through the Sarnal Crossing-Laizbal route and park at the General Bus Stand parking slot in Anantnag.

Similarly, vehicles coming from Kokernag, Achabal and Brakpora areas have been directed to use the

NH-244 route via Brakpora Bypass, Shirpora and Janglatmandi. These vehicles will be parked at the Ahli-Hadith Eidgah parking area. Additional parking facilities have also been arranged at Hamdania Sumo Stand, New Achabal Adda, Old Achabal Adda, Mechanical Parking and Hanfia Eidgah in Anantnag town.

Vehicles arriving from the Kulgam and Qazigund areas have been advised to use the Alstop-Wanpoh route and park near the Railway Station parking slot.

Meanwhile, participants travelling from the Bijbehara side will move through Puzalpora and Batengoo, where parking arrangements have been made at the Fruit Mandi and Sumo Stand parking slots.

Vehicles coming from the Dooru side have been directed to take the Dialgam Bypass route via NH-244 and use the Railway Station parking area.

Traffic authorities have appealed to the public, drivers and commuters to cooperate with on-ground personnel and strictly follow the designated routes and parking instructions to prevent traffic bottlenecks and ensure smooth conduct of the rally. (Observer News Service)

Kashmir's Capt. Kapil Raina Cleared for Airbus A350 Ultra Long-Haul Operations

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: In a moment of pride for Jammu & Kashmir, senior Air India pilot Capt. Kapil Raina has been upgraded to operate the state-of-the-art Airbus A350 aircraft for ultra long-haul international operations after successfully completing advanced training at Airbus in Singapore.

A resident of Karan Nagar in Srinagar, Capt. Raina belongs to one of Kashmir's well-known business families. His late father, J.L. Raina, was among the Valley's pioneering transporters and was associated with Bharat Transport Company.

With a distinguished aviation career spanning several decades, Capt. Raina has served in various key management roles within Air India and also headed the Indian Commercial Pilot Association as its President. Widely respected in aviation circles, he has earned recognition as an Instructor and Examiner on Airbus aircraft and has logged more than 29,000 flying hours during his career.

Capt. Raina has long been regarded as one of the most trusted pilots operating in and out of Jammu & Kashmir, particularly during ad-



verse weather conditions. Passengers often expressed reassurance upon learning that he was commanding their flight, given his vast experience and exceptional flying skills.

He was especially known for operating flights on the challenging Leh sector, where difficult terrain and unpredictable weather demand high levels of precision and expertise.

Adding to the family's achievements, his daughter Capt. Tanvi Raina became the first and youngest commercial pilot from Kashmir at the age of 18. His other daughter serves in the medical profession, making the family an inspiration for many young Kashmiris.

Apart from his contributions to commercial aviation, Capt. Raina is also credited with playing a significant role in initiating helicopter flight connectivity for the Sonamarg area, helping strengthen regional air transport services.

Ruhullah Flags Ideological Drift in NC

Press Trust Of India

SRINAGAR: Lok Sabha MP Ruhullah Mehdi on Friday called for stronger accountability in tackling drug trafficking in Jammu and Kashmir, while sharply flagging what he described as an "ideological drift" within his own party, the National Conference (NC).

Speaking to reporters, the Srinagar MP said strict action must be taken against those enabling drug trafficking and stressed that the issue requires seriousness rather than symbolic measures. He also endorsed Health Minister Sakina Itoo's view that coercive action should not be extended to family members of accused persons, asserting that punishment must remain within the ambit of law.

However, Mehdi's strongest remarks were directed at internal party dynamics, where he openly called for course correction and adherence to ideology.

To a question on speculations about defections in the ruling NC, the MP, who has been disgruntled with the party for some time now, said he does not appreciate any defections in the party.



"If anything, I want resilience in NC. People within the NC should stand up to the hierarchy - I won't call them 'leadership' - and tell them that we are compromising on the ideology.

"We are going against the mandate of the people; they should stand up to the hierarchy and correct the course. That is what I want," he said. He also said he does not see any defections taking place in the NC.

"I see them distancing from ideology, but they are distancing in flocks; I don't see any defections on the basis of ideology," he added.

On the remarks of Chief Minister Omar Abdullah that cabinet expansion was not taking place because statehood was not restored, Mehdi asked whether the chief minister would expand the cabinet if statehood were not restored for five years.

24 Tourists Rescued After Helicopter Develops Technical Snag

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: In a joint rescue operation Army, J&K Police and administration on Friday rescued 24 tourists who got stranded at Sunshine Peak in Gulmarg after a civil helicopter they were travelling in developed a technical snag.

Officials told KNO, the rescue mission was carried out jointly by the Indian Army, Baramulla district administration, Gulmarg Development Authority and Jammu and Kashmir Police.

They said Army aviators responded immediately after receiving information about the incident and safely evacuated all the stranded tourists from the peak. The operation was completed successfully without injury to tourists, they said.

In a statement, the Army



said its personnel acted swiftly to ensure timely evacuation and reiterated its commitment towards safeguarding civilians during emergencies.

Meanwhile, Chief Minister Omar Abdullah appreciated the coordinated rescue operation carried out by the Army and civil administration after tourists were stranded in the higher reaches of Gulmarg.

The Chief Minister, Omar said the prompt response by the Army and district admin-

istration ensured the safe rescue of all stranded tourists.

He also directed the administration to take all necessary measures to further strengthen safety protocols and ensure a secure experience for tourists visiting the Valley.

He stressed the need to prevent the recurrence of such incidents and asked the concerned authorities to review existing safety mechanisms related to tourist activities in high altitude areas of Gulmarg.

Murder Of Uri Man Due To 'Poisoning': HC Rejects Bail To Accused

M Ahmad

SRINAGAR: The High Court of J&K and Ladakh on Friday dismissed a bail application filed by two accused facing trial in a 2020 murder conspiracy case registered in Uri Baramulla.

A bench of Justice Sanjay Dhar passed the order while rejecting Bail Application filed by B A Abbasi and another accused, who are facing trial under Sections 302 and 120-B IPC before the court of Additional Sessions Judge, Baramulla.

According to the prosecution, on January 24, 2020, Police Station Bijhama received information that an unidentified person was lying unconscious near Bela Reshiwari bridge Uri along the roadside. Some passersby shifted the person to Sub-District Hospital Uri, where doctors declared him brought dead. Police initiated inquest proceedings, took custody of the body and later identified the deceased as MS Abbasi. Following the postmortem examination, the body was handed over to the family for burial.

The prosecution further stated that the postmortem

and subsequent investigation revealed that the deceased had died due to poisoning. Consequently, FIR No. 02/2020 under Sections 302 and 120-B IPC was registered at Police Station Bijhama and investigation was set into motion.

During investigation, police allegedly found that the deceased had been in a relationship for nearly five years with a woman (name withheld) and both intended to marry. However, her family members were opposed to the relationship. The prosecution alleged that the woman's sister and her brother along with the petitioners (accused persons) conspired to eliminate the deceased.

As per the prosecution case, the accused persons allegedly lured MS Abbasi to the house of the woman on the assurance that his marriage with the woman would be arranged. It is alleged that the accused had already procured rodent killer poison, which was mixed in Lipton tea and served to the deceased. After consuming the tea, the deceased left the house and was later found unconscious near

Reshiwari bridge, where he eventually succumbed.

While seeking bail, the petitioners argued that they had remained in custody for over five years and that the case rested solely on circumstantial evidence. They contended that forensic evidence weakened the prosecution case because the poison recovered from the accused's kitchen differed from the poison detected in the viscera of the deceased.

Opposing the plea, the prosecution maintained that the accused were involved in a heinous offence punishable with death or life imprisonment and that sufficient material existed to establish their involvement.

The High Court observed that at the stage of considering bail, a detailed appreciation of evidence is impermissible and only a prima facie assessment is required. The Court noted that prosecution witnesses had supported the prosecution version regarding a recorded telephonic conversation allegedly made by the deceased shortly before his death, wherein he named the accused persons.

GOVERNMENT MEDICAL COLLEGE, SRINAGAR

10-KARAN NAGAR, SRINAGAR KASHMIR, 190010 (ACADEMIC SECTION)

Subject: Selection list for the tenure post of Senior Residents in the department of Paediatric Nephrology & General Surgery, Government Medical College, Srinagar.

NOTIFICATION NO. 17-RA OF 2026 DATED: 07-05-2026

In continuation of this Office Notification No. 16-RA of 2026 Dated. 28-04-2026, Where under on scrutiny of application forms, it has been found that in the department of Paediatric Nephrology & General Surgery, the number of applications is also less than or equal to the vacant positions; and As such in terms of Government Order NO. 383-JK (HME) of 2024 Dated. 20.06.2024 there is no need to conduct written tests for selection purposes in the aforesaid disciplines where the number of applications is less than or equal to the posts advertised.

Therefore, in light of the above stated position, the selection list comprising of 05 candidates in the aforesaid departments as indicated in the Annexure "A" to this Notification are hereby directed to report to the Office of the Registrar Academics, Government Medical College, Srinagar alongwith the following documents within 07 days from the date of issuance of this notification, to enable this office to send URL, login ID & Password to their respective registered Mobile number for submission of online form through Employee Verification System (EVS) to the concerned doctors: -

1. Application form (in colored).
2. xerox copies of all uploaded certificates.
3. Affidavit (in original).
4. All Original Certificates for physical verification.

However, if any candidate(s) fails to report to the Office of the Registrar Academics, Government Medical College, Srinagar within the stipulated time or at the time of physical verification if the aforementioned documents are not found in accordance to the conditions laid down in the advertisement notification, his/her selection in the concerned discipline shall forfeit without any further notice.

No: RA-GMCS/SR/Se/c/131-87MC
Dated: 07-05-2026

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Annexure - "A" to the Notification No. 17-RA of 2026 Dated. 07-05-2026

S. No.	Applicant Name	Qual.	Wheather In-service	Discipline	Status
1	Dr.Hafeezullah Shiekh	MS	Yes	GENERAL SURGERY	Selected
2	Dr. Rukaya Akhter	MS	No	GENERAL SURGERY	Selected
3	Dr. Mudasir Nazir	MS	No	GENERAL SURGERY	Selected
4	Dr. Ifaq Ul Majid	MD	No	PEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY	Selected
5	Dr. Sheikh Sabat	MD	No	PEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY	Selected

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Principal/Dean
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Srinagar

Why Bulldoze Family Homes?: Itoo Questions Anti-Drug Actions

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Health Minister Sakina Itoo on Friday said demolishing properties under the garb of fighting drug menace should be stopped, asserting that such actions end up punishing families and sending a wrong message to society.

Speaking to reporters here, Itoo said while the ad-

ministration's efforts to curb drug abuse were appreciable, coercive actions such as bulldozing houses were creating hardships for families.

"The Lt Governor is making significant efforts and we all have to work together to curb drug abuse. I appreciate such efforts. But people should not be made targets under this pretext," she said.

Referring to the ongoing

anti-drug campaign, Itoo said if a person is arrested in a drug-related case, the focus should be on tracing the supply chain rather than demolishing family properties.

"When you arrest someone with drugs, the home department needs to check how it reached him. When you target people, demolish properties and bring bulldozers, it causes problems to the people," she said.

THE J&K BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS

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Subject: Inviting Online Application Forms for admission to M.Sc. Nursing Courses-2026.

NOTIFICATION NO. 059-BOPEE OF 2026 DATED 07-05-2026

Online Applications are invited from eligible/desirous candidates who intend to appear in the Common Entrance Test for admission to M.Sc. Nursing Courses for the Academic Session-2026 in the Government/Private Colleges/Institutions of the UT of J&K. The selection of the candidates to such courses shall be regulated by the J&K Board of Professional Entrance Examinations Act 2002 and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder; Jammu & Kashmir Reservation Act, 2004 as amended vide J&K Reorganization Act, 2019, J&K Reservation Rules, 2005 and S.O. 176 dated 15-03-2024 read with S.O. 305 dated 21-05-2024 and subject to further amendments, if any, made by the Competent Authority, from time to time.

Important Information:

1. Receipt of Online Application Forms w.e.f. 08-05-2026 (11:00 A.M. onwards).
2. Last date for filling the Online Application Forms 21-05-2026 (Midnight).
3. Fee of Rs. 1500/- (Rupees One Thousand & five hundred only) to be paid online through National Credit Card/Debit Card/Net Banking.
4. The syllabus for the Common Entrance Test is available in the E-Information Brochure.
5. Date of Common Entrance Test: To be notified separately.
6. The Common Entrance Test shall be conducted by the Board through offline mode.

Online Application forms:

The procedure for filling out the online Application Form and eligibility, etc. of the candidates has been given in detail in the e-Information Brochure.

Help Desk:

The applicants can also contact the J&K BOPEE Help Desk during office hours on working days by phone at +91 194-2433590 / +91 191-2479157 and/or by e-mail at helpdeskjkbopee@gmail.com for any assistance/guidance in this regard.

Submission of Online Application Forms:

The interested candidates are required to upload the following scanned Original / Certificates in the PDF format with a size of 100-200 KB along with the Application Form: -

- (i) Domicile Certificate of UT of J&K/UT of Ladakh, as the case may be (For Candidates of UT of Ladakh, ST certificate issued by the Competent Authority of Ladakh shall be treated as Domicile Certificate).
- (ii) Qualifying marks card of B.Sc. Nursing/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Nursing /Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing,
- (iii) Registration Certificate issued by the Nursing Registration Council of any State/ UT
- (iv) One year of work experience after B.Sc. Nursing
- (v) One year of work experience before or after Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing
- (vi) Valid Reserved Category Certificate, if any.

However, it is for the information of all the concerned that the afore-titled documents as required for submission of the online application form shall be considered provisional and subject to change(s), if any, as may be notified by the Competent Authority.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION:

A candidate must:

- (i) be a domicile of UT of J&K/UT of Ladakh as the case may be (For Candidates belonging to UT of Ladakh, ST certificate issued by Competent Authority of Ladakh shall be treated as Domicile certificate);
- (ii) have passed B.Sc. Nursing/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Nursing /Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing with minimum of 55% aggregate marks,
- (iii) should have undergone B.Sc. Nursing/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Nursing /Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing in an institution which is recognized by the Indian Nursing Council.
- (iv) should be a registered Nurse and Registered Midwifery or equivalent with any State/UT Nursing Registration Council.
- (v) have a minimum of one year work experience after B.Sc. Nursing
- (vi) have a minimum of One year work experience prior to or after Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing
- (vii) Valid Reserved Category Certificate, if any.
- (viii) Candidates shall be medically fit.

Syllabus etc.:

The syllabus for the Common Entrance Test is available on the e-information Brochure. The examination shall be conducted in one sitting of two hours duration, and the paper shall contain 120 Multiple Choice Questions comprising different sections.

Note-I

The eligibility is bare minimum/provisional and shall be subject to such changes/benchmarks as may be fixed by the Indian Nursing Council. The Board shall, on receipt of any such communication from the Authority concerned, notify the same, which shall govern the eligibility criteria.

Original Documents required to be submitted to the Institution at the time of Admission: -

- a) Mark's card for B.Sc. Nursing/B.Sc. (Hons.) Nursing /Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing
- b) Domicile Certificate for candidates belonging to the UT of J&K and ST certificate as a Domicile for candidates belonging to the UT of Ladakh;
- c) Registration Certificate issued by any State/UT Nursing Registration Council
- d) Minimum of one year of work experience after B.Sc. Nursing
- e) Minimum of one year of work experience before or after Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing
- f) Category Certificate, if any;
- g) Any other document, which may be required by the Institution.

Venue for Conduct of Examination:

The Common Entrance Examination shall be conducted by the Board through offline mode at Jammu / Srinagar Centres simultaneously as may be decided by the Board.

Issuance of Admit Cards:

Information with regard to the availability of Online Admit Cards and Venue of the Common Entrance Test will be issued separately in due course of time.

NOTE-II:

1. The sports category candidates must indicate their sports category on the Application Form. They are also required to submit their Sports Certificate(s) in the office of the Secretary, J&K Sports Council (as notified by the Council in due course of time) to determine their sports points, which shall later be officially forwarded by the Council to the BOPEE. The J&K BOPEE, however, shall not be responsible for the non-inclusion of any candidate in the list forwarded by the Sports Council or the delay on their part for submission of sports points to the BOPEE.
2. The candidates having more than one reserved category certificate can get the benefit of only one category indicated and uploaded along with the Application Form, which in no case shall be changed afterwards.
3. The CDP category candidates are advised to write their priority (01-08) in the online Application form issued by the competent authority.

Note-III

1. The submission of the online Application Form is purely provisional and is liable to be cancelled at any stage, subject to the final verification of the documents, and even at any stage, where such a document is proved to be fake/false
2. The candidature of those candidates who may have submitted an incorrect/wrong application form during the online process shall be liable to be rejected without any further notice to such candidates. However, they can rectify their errors, if any, by submitting a physical representation at the J&K BOPEE office, Jammu/Srinagar, on or before the last date fixed by the Board for filling up online application forms.
3. Mere submission of the Application Form and appearance of the aspiring candidate in the Common Entrance Test shall not confer any preferential right/claim for admission upon the intending applicants, but shall be subject to the fulfilment of the eligibility criteria and the qualification prescribed for the said course.
4. The seats shall be provisionally allotted to the candidates purely based on the online information filled by the candidates (including category) during the online application form. In case the candidates have filled /uploaded the wrong category during the online application form, the seat shall be allotted accordingly & the Board shall not be responsible for the same.

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Sd/-
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Controller of Examinations,
J&K, BOPEE

Spin choke and Allen's blitz power KKR past DC

Press Trust of India

NEW DELHI: Kolkata Knight Riders' spinners strangled Delhi Capitals with a ruthless choke before Finn Allen unleashed a brutal six-hitting exhibition to power the visitors to a comfortable eight-wicket win and reignite their IPL playoff hopes here on Friday.

The spin trio of Anukul Roy (2/31), Sunil Narine (1/17) and Varun Chakravarthy (0/28), stifled Delhi's batting line-up, restricting them to a modest 142 for 8 despite a sparkling 29-ball 50 from Pathum Nissanka.

Impact substitute Allen then produced a fearless knock at the top. The Kiwi hit an astonishing 10 sixes and five fours in his unbeaten 47-ball 100 as KKR chased down the target on 14.2 overs.

The win, KKR's fourth on trot, catapulted them to seventh place while the loss, DC's seventh in 11 games this season, has all but killed their chances of making the playoffs.

Defending a below-par total, Delhi desperately searched for early breakthroughs and briefly found hope through moments of fortune.



Ajinkya Rahane was run out after the ball brushed Mitchell Starc's fingertips onto the stumps at the non-striker's end, while Angkrish Raghuvanshi was undone when the ball flicked his glove and rolled back onto the stumps.

But Allen's fearless strokeplay ensured KKR never lost sight of the chase as he dismantled the DC attack with clean hitting and aggressive intent.

Earlier, if it wasn't for Ashutosh Sharma's 39 off 28 balls which was laced with three boundaries and as many sixes, DC would have struggled to even cross the 100-run mark.

KKR's pacers complemented the spinners superbly, with Kartik Tyagi

(2/25), Vaibhav Arora (1/29) and Cameron Green (1/12) striking at key moments to ensure Delhi never found sustained rhythm.

Asked to bat, Nissanka (50) and KL Rahul (23) provided Delhi a fluent start, with the Sri Lankan taking the aggressive route early, striking the innings' first boundary and six.

KKR, however, showed complete faith in their spin resources from the outset, handing the ball to Roy and Narine inside the powerplay. Though the Delhi openers negotiated the challenge well initially, the pressure steadily mounted as the spinners dried up the boundaries post the powerplay.

Once Tyagi and Green

removed Rahul and Nitish Rana (8) in quick succession, KKR unleashed their spin stranglehold in full force.

Chakravarthy turned the screws with a suffocating three-run over spell, forcing the batters into riskier options.

Narine then struck immediately after returning to the attack, dismissing Sameer Rizvi, who miscued a sweep straight to deep midwicket.

Nissanka briefly resisted, bringing up his fifty with a crisp boundary through extra cover, but Roy outfoxed him off the very next delivery as the batter was stumped trying to break free.

Roy then compounded Delhi's misery by bamboozling Tristan Stubbs in the same over, triggering another collapse as DC lost four wickets in the middle overs while KKR's spinners completely strangled the innings.

Ashutosh finally broke the 38-ball boundary drought with a six. He followed it up with back-to-back boundaries to collect 16 runs off the 17th over before adding another six and a four.

5 Boxers Move To Semifinals Of Asian U17 Boxing Championships

Press Trust of India

TASHKENT: Five Indian boxers progressed to the semifinals of the Asian U17 Boxing Championships with dominating wins here on Friday.

In the quarterfinals, Yash Yadav (50kg) secured a hard-fought 4:1 victory over Kubanychbek Bolushov of Kyrgyzstan. Nivesh Pal (54kg) continued the dominance, registering a unanimous win against Shingen Kanai of Ja-

pan to book his place in the semifinals.

In the 70kg category, Naman Kumar produced a commanding performance, defeating Ruzibek Miravotov of Tajikistan with a 5-0 decision.

Lakshay Phogat (75kg) also impressed, securing a clinical 5-0 victory over Cheng-En Li of Chinese Taipei to progress to the last four.

In other results, Karung Albertson (60kg) went down 0-5 against Emir Mukhit of Kazakhstan, Ranveer (66kg)

suffered a 0:5 defeat against Islam Suleimanogly of Kazakhstan, while Sidhant (+80kg) lost 0-5 to Sabyrzhan Sagym of Kazakhstan, ending their campaigns.

With four more medals confirmed today, India's total tally in the U-17 boys category now stands at five.

The Indian contingent will look to build on this momentum and push for top podium finishes in the semifinal stage.

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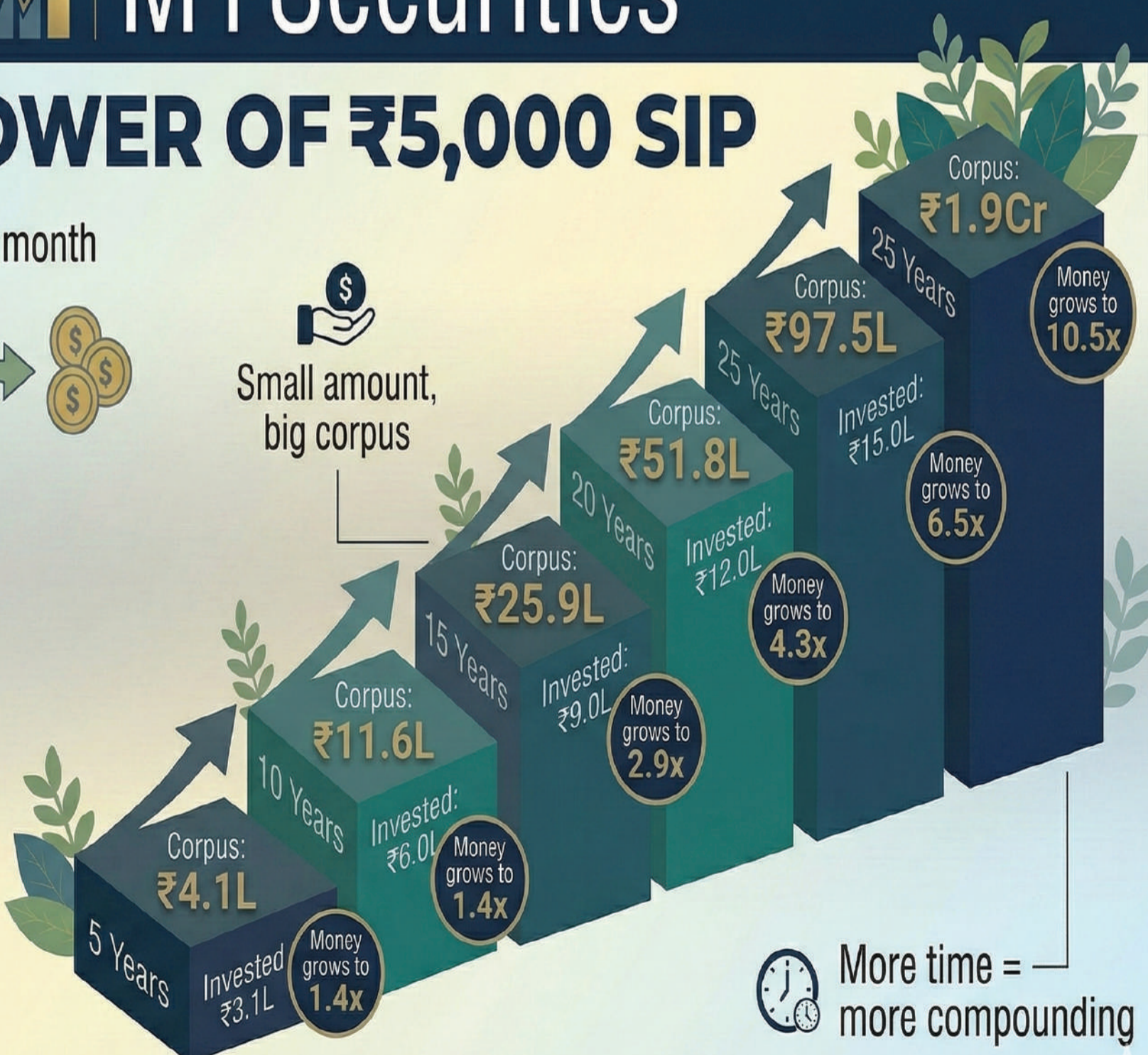
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