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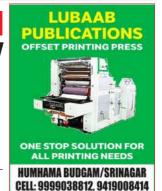
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**NEWS IN BRIEF** 

#### Air, rail ops hit as dense fog grips Jammu

Jammu, Jan 10 (UNI) The normal life was thrown out of gear while air and rail operations remained hit due to dense blanket of fog gripping Jammu on Tuesday morning.

"The foggy weather conditions will prevail for next few days bringing no respite from chill," a MeT official said adding that the weather will improve

Although sun played hide and seek but foggy and chilly conditions disrupted normal life in the winter capital by affecting road, air and rail traffic.

"Due to fog, four flights were cancelled on Tuesday and few delayed,' the Jammu Airport official said.

He added that no flight took off in the morning and none arrived due to poor visibility but the operation resumed in the afternoon after visibility improved.

Meanwhile, a senior railway official said the trains are arriving three to five hours late from their scheduled

"The trains operation is badly affected due to dense fog," said Unchit Singhal, Station Director, Jammu Tawi Railway Station

"The outstation long route trains ar riving few hours late from scheduled time due to which maintenance operation has also affected," he said, adding, "but we are trying to balance it so that trains arriving late will depart in few hours from scheduled time to prevent rush of passengers at the plat-

#### 3 people killed as vehicle falls into gorge in Doda

M S Nazki

Jammu, Jan 10 Three people were killed after a tempo traveller they were travelling in skidded off the road and rolled down into deep gorge in Doda district on Tuesday evening. Official sources told HT that the accident took place near Khankoot area in the mountainous district late in the afternoon. Soon after the accident, they said, a massive rescue operation was launched by local volunteers who were later joined by police. The rescuers shifted the occupants of the vehicle to the hospital. However, they said, the doctors declared them dead The deceased have been identified as Mohammad Aslam son of Mohammad Ismail, Mohammad Ishaq son of Mohammad Ibrahim and Mohammad Yaseen son of Ghulkam Hassan Wani (driver).

Confirming the accident SSP Doda Abdul Qayoom told HT three people were killed in the accident. A police officer said that a case has been registered and further investigations

#### 3 notorious drug peddlers arrested in **Pulwama: Police**

Srinagar, Jan 10: Jammu and Kashmir Police on Tuesday claimed to have arrested three notorious drug peddlers in Pulwama and recovered contraband substance from their possession."A police party of Police Station Litter at a checkpoint established at Khellan area of Litter Pulwama intercepted three suspicious persons who tried to flee from the spot but were apprehended tactfully. During the search, 350 grams of Charas was recovered from their possession," a police spokesman said in a statement issued to the news agency—Kashmir News Observer (KNO). They have been identified as Kifayat Rashid Yatoo son of Ab Rashid, Nazir Ahmad Bhat son of Ab Aziz and Basit Ahmad Bhat son of Mohd Shafi, all residents of Khellan Pulwama. They have been arrested and shifted to a police station where they remain in custody.

#### Two killed, Two injured in Kupwara road accident.

DR.AB QAYOOM

Kupwara, Jan 10 :Two men were killed on the spot and two and others suffered injuries in a road accident involving a car bearing registration number JK09B 2285 and army vehicle in Hayan village of North Kashmir's Kupwara district.Reports reaching HTNEWS-NETWORK, said that a car bearing number JK09B 2285 collided with an army vehicle in Hayan, resulting in on spot death of two civilians and injuries to another two persons. While the identification of both persons has been ascertained as Shams-ul zuha Son of Bashir Ahmad Ganie and Mohd Yaseen Ganie residents of Kralpora Kupwara.The Two injured persons were evacuated from the site and taken to a nearby

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### Government is committed to serve the present & future needs of farmers in an integrated manner,: LG Manoj Sinha

### Inaugurates Mega Fruit Plant Nursery at Chakroi, RS Pura

HT News Network

JAMMU, JANUARY 10: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha inaugurated Mega Fruit Plant Nursery at Chakroi, RS Pura here today.

Congratulating the farmers and fruit growers on the occasion, the Lt Governor said, the Nursery will provide best technologies as well as true-to-type quality planting material that will reshape the Horticulture Sector in the area

It is a massive achievement that in one year a mega fruit plant nursery has been established in an area where cross border shelling was a normal thing in fields, he added.

"This decade in agriculture & horticulture sector belongs to J&K UT. The policies through development plan have laid the foundations for a



sea change in J&K's economic accelerate the growth of J&K's growth", said the Lt Governor. The Lt Governor also shared Our effort is to make sub-tropithe vision of the government cal fruit cultivation a multi-facto bring a significant change in eted business by increasing plan worth Rs 5013 crores the lives of farmers of J&K and efficiency of orchards with the

economy.

help of various interventions like setting up new nurseries and new plant material testing labs, observed the Lt Governor. Government is committed to serve the present and future needs of farmers in an integrated manner. Our endeavour is also to convert farm's & orchard's potential into farmer's power and transform all the districts of both Jammu and Kashmir divisions into a hub of export with the cultivation of niche crops and value addition of special products, the Lt Governor said.

In order to meet the future challenges and to ensure new wave of growth momentum, 29 projects approved by Apex Committee for Holistic Development of Agriculture & Allied sectors are being implemented. The

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#### Identify areas which need focus to fix goals, targets for 2023: J&K DGP

HT NEWS NETWORK /UNI



Jammu, Jan 10 (UNI) Jammu and Kashmir Director General of Police, Dilbag Singh on Tuesday advocated to identify the areas which need our focus to fix our goals of augmentation as well as of better policing for the welfare of people and for the organization.

Chairing the fourth quarterly officers meeting here a Police Headquarters, to review the progress achieved in the 'targets & goals' set for the year 2022 for the Zones and Wings Police on different fronts, the DGP impressed upon the officers to identify the areas which need our renewed focus to fix our goals of augmentation as well as of better Policing for the welfare of People and for the organization. At the very outset of the

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#### Police cracks blind murder case, accused arrested

HT NEWS NETWORK / UNI

Srinagar, Jan 10 (UNI) Awantipora Police on Tuesday claimed to have solved a blind murder case by arresting the accused person involved in the murder of his sister-in-law in Pampore area of south Kashmir within 24 hours.

Police said on January 8, 2023 at around 1730 hours, Awantipora police received information that body of a 40-year-old Rozi Jaan, wife of Muzafar Ahmad Ganie, resident of Kadlabal Pampore was brought to Sub District Hospital (SDH) Pampore by her in-laws.

Since the cause of her death Prima facie appeared to be suspicious, accordingly, Pampore police after completion of medico legal procedure initiated inquest proceedings to ascertain the cause of death.

Keeping in view the sensitivity of the case, a special investigating team was constituted by Awantipora police and investigation was promptly set into motion during which several family members including the husband of the CONTINUED ON » PAGE 07

# Kashmir valley bracing for rain, snow during next 2 days

HT NEWS NETWORK / UNI

Srinagar, Jan 10 (UNI) Meteorological Department forecast of isolated light rain, snow during the next 24 hours while widespread light to moderate rain snow over Jammu and Kashmir during the next two

Weather to remain dry and partly to mostly cloudy coupled with fog in Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday.

Srinagar, the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir, had a low of 1.8 degree Celsius on Tuesday against 0.9 degree Srinagar with overcast sky

coupled with low visibility, cold and fog disrupting the normal life on Tuesday. Tourist hot spot of Pahalgam in south Kashmir recorded a

low of minus 3.2 degree Celsius against minus 0.7 degree Celsius a day ago. It was 3.8 degrees above normal during this period of the season for the valley of shepherds.

Gulmarg in north Kashmir recorded a low of minus 4.4 degree Celsius on Tuesday against minus 2.5 degree Celsius recorded the previ-Celsius recorded the previous ous night. It was 3.4 degrees night. It was 3.7 degrees above above normal for the valley normal during this period of of meadow.Qazigund on Sri-

nagar-Jammu national highway had a low of minus 0.8 degree Celsius while Kokernag recorded a low of minus 3.6 degree Celsius on Tuesday.

The frontier Kashmir district of Kupwara recorded a low of 2.9 degree Celsius against the 0.7 degree Celsius on Tuesday, the MeT office said. Weather to remain dry and partly to mostly cloudy coupled with fog in Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday.Srinagar, the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir, had a low of 1.8 degree Celsius on Tuesday against 0.9 degree Celsius recorded the previous night. It was 3.7 degrees above normal during this period of

#### **KU advertises six** administrative positions; Academicians welcome move

Srinagar, Jan 10: The Kashmir University (KU) authorities on Tuesday put several administrative positions including Registrar and Director IT to advertisement. The advertisement comes days after this news agency reported how temporary arrangement to these posts was promoting favouritism and monopoly.

Sources told news agency—that the decision to advertise these posts was taken after the Vice Chancellor Dr. Neelofar Khan passed instructions to immediately advertise these posts so that the same are filled up through proper channel.

"Some officers were trying to sabotage the advertisement and get it delayed to continue with the temporary arrangement but the VC pulled up the officers and ordered that the advertisement be issued without any delay,'

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#### In 2022, BSF killed 20 militants, recovered 11Kgs of narcotics, huge cache of arms, ammo

Force faced challenges like BAT action, : Spokesman

HT News Network

Srinagar, Jan 10: Border Security Force (BSF) Tuesday said that in the year 2022, the force killed 20 militants—10 foreigners and 10 locals besides recovering 11 kgs of narcot-

A BSF spokesman in a statement to news agency—Kashmir News Observer (KNO) said that the force besides manning LoC in Kashmir is also deployed for ensuring VA/VP duty, safety/security of people, with

full zeal and devotion. "Despite numerous challenges, like inclement weather, constrained living conditions, infiltration, dangers of BAT action, sniping, IED threats, valiant BSF Jawans are standing undauntedly to secure the LoC & hinterland round the clock with utmost dedication and unflinching spirit," the spokesman said.

He said that during the year 2022, based on BSF intelligence, number of joint Operations were successfully launched in synergy with sister

agencies, resulted in neutralization of 20 terrorists (10 Local & 10 Forinclement weather, infiltration, eign Terrorist), apprehension of 02 confirmed terrorists and 03 suspectons and recovery of quantity of war like stores including AK series Rifle – 24, M series 02. Pistol/Revolver - 20 alongwith their accessories, Grenade - 27, more than 2500 live Rounds along with 02 Kgs of Explosives, IEDs – 04 & around 11 Kgs Narcotics.

"In addition, BSF is regularly engaged in skill development and wellbeing of border population through various Civic Action including Free Medical Camps, Blood donation Camps, evacuation (Airlifted) of civilians patients from snow-bound areas, Sports & Cultural activities, Pre-recruitment training of youth from border (LoC) villages. More than, 6200 persons are directly benefited from these activities during last year," the BSF spokesman said—"In addition, BSF is regularly engaged in skill development and wellbeing of border population through various Civic Action programs including Free Medical Camps, Blood donation Camps, evacuation (Airlifted) of civilians patients from

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#### Ghulam Nabi Azad's newly launched party implodes 2 more leaders quit; Jairam Ramesh calls it 'Disappearing Azad Party'

HT News Network / KNO

Srinagar, Jan 10: Amid fast changing political situation in Jammu & Kashmir, former Chief Minister Ghulam Nabi Azad's newly launched political party is imploding with two more

leaders quitting it on Tuesday. Former MLC Choudhary Nizamuddin Khatana and his political heir and son Choudhary Gulzar, who was vice- chairman of the Guijar and Pahari Board during the PDP-BJP regime, today resigned from Azad-led party, which is yet to be registered



by the Election Commission of India. "In view of the present political development, I, Choudhary Nizamudtender my resignation from the post of general secretary of DAP including the basic membership of DAP. This may be regarded as my resignation letter," Khatana said in his resignation letter, a copy of which is in possession of news agency—Kashmir News Observer (KNO). The exit of the father-son duo was

din Khatana, former MLC, hereby

expected after former minister Peerzada Muhammad Sayeed returned to the Congress. Choudhary Gulzar is considered one of the strong

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#### Rajouri Attack: Over 50 people detained for questioning so far

HT NEWS NETWORK / KNO

Rajouri, Jan 10: Over 50 people have been detained by Jammu and Kashmir police in connection with the investigation of the recent attack in Dhangri village of Rajouri district, officials said here on Tuesday.An official told the news

agency—Kashmir News Observer (KNO), the investigation of the attack is being carried by the police with assistance of several other in-

vestigation agencies and forces. He said over 50 people have been detained so far in connection with the investigation of the case.

"More than fifty people from different parts of the district have been detained so far and their question-

ing is going on," he said. He further said that some vital leads have been received by the investigation team during questioning of these detained persons.

Kashmir Handicrafts to get

Notably, 7 people lost their lives while fourteen others were injured after militants attacked four houses in Dhangri village on January 01 followed by an IED explosion the next morning—He said over 50 people have been detained so far in connection with the investigation of the case.

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leads have been received CONTINUED ON → PAGE 07

#### DC Srinagar resolves bottlenecks in installation of Smart Meters in the City; 59000 Smart Meters installed under Phase-1

District Administration Srinagar solicits Public cooperation in implementation of Power Sector reforms

HT News Network

SRINAGAR JANUARY 10:- In order to resolve the bottlenecks in installation of smart electric meters in Srinagar City, a meeting of senior Officers was held under the Chairmanshipo f the Deputy Commis-Srinagar, sioner(DC) Mohammad Aijaz Asad here today at Meeting Hall of the DC Office Complex.

Managing Director(MD) Chowdhary Mohammad Yaseen highlighted the issues requiring attention of District Administration Srinagar. Additional



Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Syed Shabir Ahmad, the meeting was attended by Superintending Engineer KPDCL, Assistant Commissioner Revenue, SDM East, SDM West, Executive Engineers, all City Tehsildars and

other concerned.

took a detailed review of feeder wise progress of smart meter installation in Srinagar made so far and discussed measures to resolve impediments hampering installation process

was apprised by MD KPDCL about CONTINUED ON » PAGE 07

the implementation of smart metering project in Srinagar. The Managing Director highlighted the advantages of smart meters installation in terms of better and reliable power supply with informed decisions by the consumers about their electricity consumption. He further informed the ease and transparency gained by the consumer in knowing about the bill and usage in smart meter installations. He informed that under the smart metering project 59000 meters have been installed in Phase-I (completed) and

tration and better protection of geographical indications (GI) relating to goods in The Director, H&H Kashmir, while highlighting the significance of the GI certification of Crewel and Chain-stitch, said that the department is working hard to get more crafts from Kashmir under the ambit of GI certification so that the genuine handmade Kashmir Handicrafts will get

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due recognition across the globe. He said there are more than 10,000 craftsmen associated with the twin crafts of Crewel and Chain-stitch scattered over different districts of the Kashmir region and they all shall get benefitted from the

SRINAGAR, JANUARY 10: The Depart-

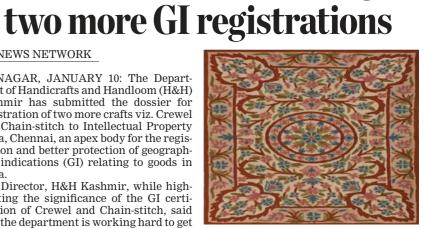
ment of Handicrafts and Handloom (H&H)

Kashmir has submitted the dossier for

registration of two more crafts viz. Crewel

and Chain-stitch to Intellectual Property

India, Chennai, an apex body for the regis-



GI certification of these crafts. These crafts have an export potential of more than 200 crores, he added.

Geographical indication tagging has acquired a greater significance ever since the focus has shifted towards Vocal for Local. The H&H department has been facilitating the promotion of

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### JKTPO's GeM onboarding drive of **ODOP reaches district Budgam**

#### 30 Kani Shawl sellers/artisans onboarded on spot

BUDGAM, 10: Jammu and Kashmir Trade Promotion Organisation (JKTPO) in association with Invest India (ODOP team) and District Administration Budgam today organised an onboarding drive of one district one product (ODOP) of Budgam i.e. Kani Shawl on Government e-Market place (GeM) for potential exporters, societies and artisans of the district at CFC, Kanihama.

On the directions of Principal Secretary to Government, Industries and Commerce Department, Prashant Goyal, JKTPO is reaching out at District Level to promote local ODOP products and to educate entrepreneurs/artisans regarding the benefits of selling products on Government e-Market

The drive is in line with the planned drives to be held across the UT for the onboarding of ODOP products on GeM platform. This is the second district level drive for onboarding of ODOP products on GeM in a row after Ganderbal.

Kani Shawl is GI tagged and ODOP of district Budgam under District as Export Hub Scheme/ ODOP initiative. Kani Shawl is a type of Kashmir shawl originating from the Kanihama area of the Kashmir valley The event was chaired



The working and benefits

of Government e-Mar-

ket place (GeM) was ex-

plained in detail and the

working of the portal was

demonstrated. The par-

ticipants were given the

opportunity to interact

with experts from JKTPO

& Invest India and all the

queries related to GeM

The Government e-Mar-

ketplace (GeM) is an on-

line platform for public

procurement in India. To

provide forward market

linkages for ODOP prod-

ucts on this portal, De-

partment for Promotion

of Industry and Internal

Trade, Ministry of Com-

merce has taken a joint

meeting of all States/UTS

in which it was informed

that "ODOP Products"

are to be onboarded on

GeM portal and "District

Collectors" have been

designated as OEMs to

facilitate the GeM portal

portal were resolved.

by SDM Beerwah, Taufeeq Ahmad Qazi and while addressing the gathering he said "Kanihama has a great potential for Kani shawls and on boarding on GeM will help them to get direct orders which will minimise the scope of middleman". He added, Kani Shawl has been selected as ODOP (One District One Product) from district Budgam and has immense potential for ex-

The District Administration is working in full swing withGovernment and other export institutions to promote the Kani shawl and make Kanihama "Village hub of exports" under District as

Export Hub Initiative. The drive was attended by the 55 artisans, societies and exporters from district Budgam and also by officers of Handicrafts and Handloom Deptt. onboarding drive at district level.

Artisans/

Farmers FPOs/ Artisan Organizations/ SHGS/ entrepreneurs of "ODOP Products" can get onboarded on GeM portal without any fees and GST. The onboarding will open the Government market for ODOP products especially for gifting/souvenir purposes during major government events, conferences, summits especially in view of various G20 meetings to be held across the country in 2023.

During this day-long drive 30 Kani Shawl sellers were onboarded on GeM on spot free of cost and rest started the process of onboarding.

JKTPO is providing both

physical and e-commerce marketing platforms to entrepreneurs of Jammu and Kashmir at the National and International levels. Initiatives like participation in trade fairs/exhibitions, boarding drives on GeM, ONDC and other e-commerce platforms, Export awareness programmes at District level will help to improve the overall trade and export ecosystem of UT of J&K.

A similar onboarding drive is scheduled for Kupwara and Ramban districts of Jammu and Kashmir in next coming



National level kala utsav indigenous Toya and games which was held in Bhubaneswar odisa from 3 Jan to 5 Jan 22,23 JK UT also participated in which a student from GHS kathi maidan Srinagar namely Rabia Rasool got second prize in kala utsav ndigenous Toya and games event. Pic by Surkhab Zehra

#### "Nidhi Aapke Nikat" for January 2023 conducted by EPFO Jammu KYC, E-Nomination, Claim submission, Re-setting passwords, Digital Life Certificate, Joint Declarations processed on same day

JAMMU, JANUARY 10: "Nidhi Aapke Nikat" and "Pension Adalat" for the month of January 2023 were conducted by EPFO Regional Office, Jammu for the stakeholders of Jammu & Kashmir today from 10:30 AM.

The EPFO processed claims for Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh at Regional Office, Jammu. Redressal of grievances and facilitating stakeholders was done in "Nidhi Apke Nikat ."

Considering the large number of grievances and to ensure service delivery at doorstep, various online initiatives of EPFO such as balance enquiry, filing of online claims including transfer and advance claims and members' basic details were explained with hands-on

Iqbal Hussain, Principal

KISHTWAR, JANUARY 10: Dis-

trict Development Commissioner

Kishtwar Dr. Devansh Yadav today

conducted a tour of Panchayat Tippri of Block Bounjwah and listened

to the grievances, issues of the pub-

The DDC listened to the issues pro-

jected by Sarpanches and panches besides other villagers. They de-

manded up-gradation of local infrastructure including road connectiv-

ity, electricity supply in the left out

villages, additional Winter Tuition

centres for children in some far

flung schools, up-gradation of High

school Tippri to Higher second-

availability of doctors in their re-

spective PHCs etc. The DDC listened

to all grievances patiently and re-

solved most of them in consultation

with the concerned officers present

during the tour.

lic of the said Panchayat.



Doda visited the office to take new coverage. The Establishment ID was was contacted telephonigenerated during "Nidhi cally directed to approve Aapke Nikat" by Sanjeev the KYC of the employee. Kumar, EO/AO and pro-Rakesh Kumar subvided to the School in the mitted settlement claim for P Office today.

Vijay from M/s Ganpati Food Junction has visited the office regarding PAN

of M/s Jhelum Enterprise appeared in Nidhi Aapke Nikat Programme with the grievance that her son died in 2019 and his PF claim was not submitted till now by Employer. His Employer was advised to submit the file with all of Exit and the Establishrelevant documents by torepresentative

morrow morning. Mohinder Singh retired from NHPC having PPO No. LDASR00019697 visited the office to update her Digital Life Certificate which was updated. F) a physical copy and Shri Madan Singh an Ex approached P F Commis-Woods Pvt. Ltd. sioner during the Pro-

gramme. His claim was

inwarded immediately

as he was unable to sub-

mit his transfer as well as final claim online. P F

Commissioner directed

concerned officials to pro-

Mother of Late Mahesh

war Singh an ex employee

cess the claim.

#### Prepare for heavy snowfall, Hilal Jan to admin

Srinagar, jan10: Ahead of snowfall in Kashmir, BJP senior leader and j&k spokesperson for party's Minority Morcha Hilal Jan has appealed the UT administration to prepare well in advance for the situation which could impede normal life here.

Jan in a statement to media said: "one of the good virtues of good governance is public administrations preparing well for situations for any unfavorable sit-

He further said that in the past administration was caught ill prepared to mitigate the suffering of people during the snowfall.

"Quite often when the Kashmir receives the winter's major snowfall, the key organs expected to minimise disruptions to normal life are caught unawares and devoid of preparation". he added.

BJP leader appealed the concerned officers to make necessary arrangements well in advance to prepare action plan for the betterment of general public.

"Preparedness is the key. I requested administration to keep men and machinery ready to clear the snow on roads, immediate restoration of electricity and water supply," Jan said.

#### Raj Bhavan bids farewell to outgoing officers



JAMMU, JANUARY II: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha and the staff & officers of Raj Bhavan today accorded a warm farewell to outgoing Director of Special Security Force (SSF), Sh Shakti Kumar Pathak, and Aide-de-camp to the Lt Governor, Sh Rahul Charak.

The Lt Governor felicitated the outgoing officers with a memento and expressed his appreciation for their sincere devotion with which they discharged their duties at Raj Bhavan. He wished them good health, prosperity, and success in future.

The function was attended by all the officers in the Lieutenant Governor's Secretariat.

#### The DDC directed the concerned officer to complete all pending works in a time bound period and in the most synergistic way to provide benefit to the public in time.

He also urged people and PRIs to participate in the ongoing Pancha-

SRINAGAR, JANUARY

10:- In order to review

the implementation and

progress under Pradhan

Mantri Awas Yojana

(PMAY)-Urban in the Dis-

trict, a meeting of the Of-

ficers of line Departments

was held under the Chair-

manship of the Deputy

Commissioner (DC) Sri-

nagar, Mohammad Aijaz

Asad here on Tuesday at

Meeting Hall Of DC Office

sioner, Srinagar, Zahoor

Ahmad Mir, Additional

Chief Planning Officer,

Mohammad Yaseen Lone,

Tehsildar Recovery, Im-

tiyaz Amin Naik, besides

Officers of Housing Board

and other concerned De-

partments were present

At the outset, the Depu-

ty Commissioner took a

detailed appraisal about

the implementation of

in different parts of the

District. With regard to

the target achieved un-

der Beneficiary Led Indi-

vidual House Construc-

in the meeting.

PMAY-Urban

District

scheme

Commis-

Commissioner,

Bashir Ahmad,

Complex. Additional

Deputy

Sved

Development



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yat Electoral Roll Revision-2023 so that the registration of new and left out electors is done effectively. He is the qualifying age to become a new electorate.

DC Kishtwar tours Bounjwah area;

listens to people's grievances, issues

Earlier, Officers and field functionaries of various departments also spoke about their departmental schemes including online services, Mission Youth Schemes, during the programme and urged people to come forward and avail these schemes.An Age Certificate issuance Camp was also organised by the Social welfare Department and certificates were issued to the pro-

DC Srinagar reviews implementation of PMAY-Urban scheme

spective Pensioners

department.

En-route, the DDC also listened to a number of grievances put forth by connectivity, water and power supply, up-gradation of health and education facilities in the area which were resolved successfully in collaboration with concerned officers. The District and sectoral officers who attended the tour programme were District Panchayat Officer Sunil Bhutyal, DSWO Zubair Ahmed, EX EN PDD, Officers of PMGSY Besides Tehsildar, Officer from PHE, Health and Education

#### **CHANGE OF NAME IN ELECTRICITY CONNECTION**

The Electricity connection with Consumer ID No 0206050010586 Installation No 00717|SDN|2015 Registered in the name of Zahoor Ahmad Ganie S/o Late Abdul Gaffae Ganie R/o: Hamdan Sozeth Narbal Srinagar is to be transferred in the favour Begum W/o Abdul Rashid Shah R/o Sozeth Nar-

Anybody having any objection, May Contact Execative Engineer PDD Sub Division Narbal within a period of 7 days. After that no objection will be entertained in any case.

The Electricity connection with Consumer ID No

0212040012365 Installation No RNGI|1B is wring-

ly Registered as Nazir Ahmad Mir S/o Mohammad

Assadulla Mir R/o: Renji Khoje. Intead of Javid

Ahmad Mir S/o Mohammad Assdulla Mir R/o:

Renji Khoie Now I Have to Correct It.Anybody

having any objection in this Regard, May Contact

Execative Engineer PDD Sub Division Wagoora

within a period of 7 days. After that no objection

**Public Notice** 

I have applied for the issuance of DEE Class Contract

card from R&B Office. if anybody having any objection in

this regard he she may file his/her objection in the office

of the Super Intending Engineer (R&B) Circle Baramulla

Name - Tahirah Begum W/o Abdul Rashid Shah R/o - Sozeth Narbal.

### Syed Irfan Hashmi Disassociates from JK Awami Awaz

activist and eminent career counsellor of Jammu and Kashmir, Syed Irfan Hashmi has comdisassociated from Jammu and Kashmir Awami Awaz He said that from now on- Wards he has no concern or relationship with JK Awami Awaz and resigns from all its posts. He wished JK Awami Awaz party well . Syed Ir-



fan Hashmi also affirmed that as an independent voice he would continue to work for cause of peo-

ing point whose Consumer Id: 0209020018936 in the name of Muzaffar Rashid wani , is required to be changed to the name of Mushtaq Ahmad Dar, Shahid Shafi Dar and Bashir Ahmad Naiko. Anybody having any objection in this regard can Inform the concerned department within seven days .No objection will be entertained after the due

From:Muzafar Rashid Wani

#### SOLAR **PANELS INVTERS ELECTRONIC APPLIANCES**

HOME

**APPLIANCES** 

CSC ID: 25745236007 EMAIL: LONETELECOM945 @ GMAIL.COM CELL NO.:8082080256-9596080256 JAMMU & KASHMIR BANK

LOAN SUVIDHA CENTRE DAR GANIE GUND

VEHICLE INSURANCE - ITR (TAX RETURN) FILLING

HOUSING| HOME LOAN CAR\VEHICLE LOAN - EDUCATIONAL LOAN

tion(BLC) and Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme directed the concerned under PMAY-U, the DC Officers to ensure that the was apprised that as on scheme guidelines are fol-



January 10, 2022, as many as 1203 houses have been completed so far in the District. It was also given out that more than 1600 houses are under different phases of construction. DGM Housing Board apprised the chair about release of instalments to the verified beneficia-

The DC was also apprised that an amount of Rs 25 crores have been disbursed till date in the accounts of genuine beneficiaries after following due procedure and multilevel verification.

On the occasion, the DC

lowed in letter and spirit so that all genuine eligible beneficiaries are covered under the PMAY-U scheme in the District. He impressed upon the field functionaries to follow the robust mechanism already put in place to ensure immediate verification and processing of cases at each stage of construction and consequent disbursement of payments to the verified beneficiaries under the scheme.

The DC enjoined upon the concerned Officers to compile the data about beneficiaries by checking all parameters as per the scheme guidelines including title ver-

ification as per Revenue records and speed up the process for release of payment under the scheme to genuine beneficiaries of the District.

The DC asked all the concerned Officers after undertaking proper demand survey in the District and it should be ensured that not a single genuine beneficiary is left out of the coverage under the scheme. He also stressed on maintaining utmost transparency and accountability in addition to timely disposal of cases.

He also emphasised on the Banks to provide additional Loan assistance if required by the eligible beneficiaries.

Pertinent to mention that Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U) jas been launched by the Government with the aim to provide ease of living to weaker Section in urban areas.

The PMAY-U has been envisaged to address urban housing shortage among the EWS/LIG and MIG categories including the slum dwellers by ensuring a pucca house to all eligible urban house holds.

#### /Kupwara within aperiod of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained. Name: Firdous Ahmad Malik

will be entertained in any case.

S/o Mohammad Assadulla Mir

Nazir Javid Ahmad Mir

R/o: Renji Khoie

S/o:Abdul Salam Malik R/o- Managam Wagoora

# DC Baramulla reviews progress of District under Aspirational District Programme

Initiatives need to be taken for 100% saturation in all Indicators/Sectors: Dr Sehrish

BARAMULLA, JANUARY 10: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Baramulla, Dr Syed Sehrish Asgar today convened a meeting of concerned officers to review the progress achieved under different indicators of Aspirational

District Programme, here. The meeting held threadbare discussion and reviewed the progress achieved under Health, Education, Agriculture, Financial inclusion, Household Electrification, Water resources, Roads, Sanitation, Drinking Water, Internet Connectivity, Common Services Centre, Process Digitization and Skill Devel-

After taking a comprehensive review of all the sectors, Dr Sehrish projected that initiatives need to be taken by all departments to reach 100% saturation across the district.

While taking a review of prog ress of the Health department, the DC directed Chief Medical Officer Baramulla to speed up the completion of OT's in Sub District Hospital Sopore and involve already roped NGOs in patient centric services. The DC also exhorted upon the Principal, Government Medical College Baramulla to keep the institute in hygienic condition and focus on quality Health Care Services.

While expressing satisfaction for oil and seeds production in the district by 25% in the last couple of years, the DC urged the concerned functionaries of



community involvement meeting, other related sectors may be taken to its maximum were also thoroughly discussed for employment of youth for

progressive farming.During the

ternet Connectivity, Skill Development during which DC stressed upon the concerned officers to redouble their efforts so that targets fixed could be achieved within the stipulated time frame.

Joint Director Planning M Yousuf Rather, Principal GMC (Prof) Dr Ruby Reshi, SEs of PHE & JKPDCL, Chief Medical Officer, Assistant Commissioner Development and other District Officers attended the meeting. During the meeting, other related sectors were also thoroughly discussed including water resources, Internet Connectivity, Skill Development during which DC stressed upon the concerned officers to redouble their efforts so that targets fixed.

#### **DC Shopian reviews** functioning of Revenue **Department**



SHOPIAN, JANUARY 10: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Shopian, Sachin Kumar Vaishya today convened a meeting of revenue officers to review the functioning of the Revenue department in the district.

Addressing the meeting, the DC stressed upon all the officers to work with utmost dedication and honesty and ensure people do not face any inconvenience while visiting their offices.

He took detailed review of online services being provided by the department and instructed to ensure ontime and quick disposal of services and grievances.

On the occasion, the DC directed Tehsildars to ensure completion of the digitization of all revenue records including Masavis, Jamabandi etc in their respective Tehsils. Progress under land encroachments was also discussed and the need to intensify anti encroachment activities were ordered to be initiated.

The DC also reviewed several other departmental issues. He directed Tehsildars not to leave the station without proper permission from his office.

The DC emphasized on the Tehsildars and Naib Tehsildars of the district to personally monitor the pro-

vision of public services. He particularly laid focus on proper monitoring of drug/ Pharma outlets. Assistant Commissioner, Revenue, Shahbaz Ahmed Bodha, Tehsildars, Naib Tehsildars and other con-

#### **Commissioner SMC/ CEO Smart** City tours city parts

CEO Srinagar Smart City, Athar Amir Khan today visited various parts of Srinagar city to take on the spot review of construction works being carried out under Smart city Project. On visiting Ghantaghar, M.A Road, Residency Road,

Polo View and TRC, the Commissioner impressed upon the concerned officials to complete the work within the stipulated time. He also directed the officials of Smart city to work

24×7 so that the dream of Srinagar Smart City is re-The Commissioner SMC was accompanied by many

#### **ADDC Ganderbal reviews** R-day celebration arrangements in district

GANDERBAL, JANUARY 10: The Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC), Ganderbal, Mushtaq Ahmad Simnani today chaired a meeting of officers to discuss the arrangements for celebration of Republic Day, 2023 in the district.

A threadbare discussion was held on the arrangements related to the smooth conduct of the function like seating, barricading, drinking water, power supply, sanitation, fire services, security, transport, traffic regulations, illumination of government buildings and other necessary arrangements on the national day function. The ADDC directed all concerned officers to ensure all arrangements for the successful celebration of national event are put in place on time. He also directed them to mobilize a maximum number of people for the participation in the National event to make it more attractive and joyful.

The meeting was informed that the district-level function shall be organized at Qamaria Ground where the National Flag will be unfurled by the chief guest followed by a march past by the contingents of CRPF, JKP, JKAP, NCC besides school children.

The ADDC directed district heads of all departments to ensure their presence at the Republic Day function at District Headquarters, while directing their subordinate officers and officials to attend national functions in their respective jurisdictions. He directed already constituted Committees to ensure foolproof arrangements for Cultural programme, Reception, seating arrangement, refreshment and other related arrangements to make the National function a grand success. Among others, the meeting was attended by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mehraj-ud-Din Shah; SDM Kangan, Javaid Ahmad Rather; ACR besides other district and sectoral officers.

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#### **Director RDD reviews implementation** status of development schemes in Kupwara

Ghars and the expenditure made, funds released under RGSA and 13th FC,



Kashmir, Khalid Majeed today chaired a meeting at conference hall DC Office to review the implementation of schemes, status of developmental works of RDD in Kupwara district. At the outset, the Director took detailed work wise status of the works and expenditure incurred under UT CAPEX (CD & Panchayats) 2022-23, UPDS, Rural connectivity and infrastructure and DDC/BDC buildings.

Director also reviewed the status of construction/repairment renovation of panchayat

14th FC, besides, People's plan Campaign, status of preperation of GPDP and progress on panchayat awards was reviewed.

On the occasion, the Assistant Commissioner Development (ACD), Hilal Ahmad Mir presented a detailed presentation on status of ongoing works, targets, achievements, works tendered and allotted and overall implementation of flagship schemes in the district through a

power point presentation. Stressing on the timely execution and comple-tion of all developmental works, the Director emphasised on eco-friendly asset creation and work in proper coordination with

The Director stressed on making robust development plans as per the norms and requirement and DPRs with proper estimations. He also appreciated the RDD Kupwara for good work in creation of durable assets

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### **Mayor SMC reviews Winter Contingency Action Plan**

SRINAGAR, JANUARY 10: The Mayor of Srinagar, Junaid Azim Mattu today chaired a high level meeting here to review the winter contingency action plan.

Commissioner Managing Director KP-DLC, CE KPDCL Kashmir, CE Jal Shakti, Director FC&CA, Director Welfare, Commissioners

Secretary SMC, CAO SMC, Health Officer SMC, SE Drainage Circle, MVO SMC, Ex.Engineer L/R Divisions, CEO SMC and other senior officials from different departments and SMC were present in the meeting.

The meeting discussed threadbare preparedness, action plan and steps to be taken in case of any eventuality during the ongoing winters.

Issuing clear-cut guidelines to the concerned officials, the Mayor directed all HODs to establish a joint control room in coordination with allied departments so that there will be smooth clearance



ensure hassle free movement in and around hospitals, Junaid directed CSO to sprinkle salt within hospital premises well in advance especially on ramps so that the general public does not face any inconvenience. He also directed the PDD

department to keep all front line warriors ready in case of any eventuality. On the occasion, the PDD Officials assured complete readiness of its frontline warriors with buffer stock of electric transformers. Commissioner SMC, Managing Director KPDLC, CE KPDCL Kashmir, CE Jal

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#### District Administration fully equipped to tackle with snow clearance operations: DC Kupwara

KUPWARA, JANUARY equipped. He said that all 10: In view of prediction engineering departments of snowfall in the valley, including SDRF staff is the Deputy Commissioner Kupwara, Dr. Doifode Sagar Dattatray today said that the District Administration Kupwara has geared up all the men and machinery in the district to tackle with any situation arising in view of prediction of snowfall in coming days.

The Deputy Commissioner was talking with the ance operation, inspecmedia persons, here in his office chamber today. The DC said that ade-

quate preparations have been made by the district administration for snow clearance measures add- areas to avoid any exigening that 50 snow clearance machines are available different departments including Mechanical Engineering Department, PMGSY, PWD and BEACON which are fully

available in the ground so as to ensure restoration of public services in minimum time during the expected snowfall. The DC said that Tehsil-

dars have been specially directed to visit their concerned areas and ensure streamlining of public service delivery including monitoring of snow cleartion of Receiving Stations and Power Supply Feeders.The Deputy Commissioner appealed the peo-ple to avoid venturing out in high altitude and ALC cy during the snowfall.

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### DC inaugurates Mega Health Camp at Pulwama Health Camp witnesses massive response from patients

PULWAMA, JANUARY 10: On the directions of Commissioner (DC) Pulwama, Baseer-Ul-Haq Choudhary, the Department of Health today organized a Mega Health Camp at New Covid Hospital Prichoo, Pulwama.

The Mega Health Camp was inaugurated by Deputy Commissioner Pulwama in presence of CMO Pulwama Dr Mir Hasee na, BMO Pulwama Dr Irfana Gani, who was also the Nodal Officer of the Health Camp, BMO Rajpora/ Tral/ Pampore and other officials of Health Department Pulwama.

On the occasion, people were examined and screened by Doctors of neurology, ophthalmology, orthopedics, ENT, cardiology, urology, chest, gastroenterology, gynecologist and obstetrics, dermatology, endocrinology, child specialist, den-



tal, general medicine and general surgery

Thousands of patients swarmed the camp to consult medical specialists from across the District during which patients suffering from health issues and needed treatment were examined and provided free medicines.

This Mega Camp is unique of its kind being held in Pulwama in which thousands of Patients were examined free of cost with the help of District Administration. Speaking on the occasion, the DC said that it is necessary to organize Health camps to connect the general public with health services and to aware the public about the beneficial schemes of the health department.

He said, it should be our endeavor that the benefits of the schemes run by the government should reach the last beneficiary livsaid that people should be health conscious and get their tests done in time and get treated. 'Better health is our greatest asset', he added.

The DC praised the services of the health fraternity towards the people and also praised the services of the NGO "Doctors

He said that by organizing such events, the general public would be able to get information about the facilities available in the health department and they would be able to take advantage of them. He added that District Administration shall organise such camps in future as well in every block of the District.

Later, the DC handed over golden cards, UDID cards, and age certificates among the beneficiaries

# DDC Kupwara chairs DLTC to finalize scale of Finance for agriculture, other sectors

KUPWARA, JANUARY 10: A meeting of District Level Technical Committee (DLTC) was today held under the chairmanship of the District Development Commissioner (DDC) Kupwara, Dr. Doifode Sagar Dattatray to finalise the scale of finance for the year 2023-24 for Agriculture, Horticulture, Floriculture, Fisheries, Animal and Sheep Husbandry at DC Office, here.

On the occasion, the DDC sought a detailed feedback from the officers regarding the costs involved in dif-

ferent inputs of crops.

The DDC directed the officers to ensure maximum coverage of the farmer beneficiaries under the Govdirected the Floriculture officer to identify atleast one beneficiary in every block of Kupwara district for sponsoring them under different schemes so that maximum avenues for earning livelihood are generat-

The meeting held threadbare discussion to determine and fix the Scale of Finance for providing short term loans to the farmers in the shape of Working Capital for various field crops. A threadbare discussion was also held regarding the costs involved in various sub items such as fodder, fertilizer, pesticides, labour and manure etc for growing the crops



and maintenance of dairy animals. It was informed that the rates finalised by the Committee will be forwarded to the State Level Technical Committee. It was also informed that the rates approved in scale of finance serves as a tool for arriving at the Potential Credit Plan of the district.

The meeting was attended by Nodal Officer BCC Bank, Officers from Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Sericulture, Floriculture, AD Fisheries, besides, other officers from agri-allied departments and Banks were present in the meeting. The meeting held threadbare discussion to determine and fix the Scale of Finance for providing short

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### **HEADLINES TODAY**

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#### **REHMAAN RAHI; Shining Star of Kashmiri** Literature is no more

orn on May 6, 1925, Rahi wrote several collections of poems and translated the works of some of the celebrated poets in other languages into Kashmiri.He received the highest literary honour of the country -- Jnanpith award -- in 2007 for his collection 'Siyah Rood Jaeren Manz' (In Black Drizzle)."Oh Kashmiri language, I swear by you, you are my awareness and my sight. You are a radiant ray of my consciousness...," he has written in chaste Kashmiri.Rahi had received the Sahitya Akademi Award in 1961 for his poetry collection Nawroz-i-Saba and got the Padma Shri in 2000. He had started his career as a clerk in a government department in 1948 after which he continued his education and completed MA in Persian and English in 1950s and 60s. He was an academic at Kashmir University for most part of his life.

His demise was widely condoled by literary personalities, officials and politicians of Jammu and Kashmir. Veteran satirist and poet Zareef Ahmad Zareef said Rahi was the brightest star of prose and poetry of Kashmir. "He was a pioneer in the promotion of Kashmiri language," he said as he participated in Rahi's funeral.Office of lieutenant governor Manoj Sinha called Rahi one of the influential poets of Kashmiri. "Deeply saddened to learn of the passing away of Jnanpith awardee Prof Rehman Rahi, one of the most influential poets in Kashmiri in recent times. His passing marks the end of an era. My sincere condolences to his family, friends and well-wishers," Sinha said in a tweet. People's Democratic Party president Mehbooba Mufti called Rahi a towering literary figure. "Saddened to hear about the sad demise of towering literary personality and Gyaanpeeth Awardee Jinab Rehman Rahi sb. In his death Kashmiri Literature and society has been left with a void that can never be filled. My condolences to the family (sic)," she said "He will be remembered for his pre-eminent contribution as a poet and as a critic enriching Kashmiri language and literature in a profound manner. With his memorable and progressive poetry, he has left an indelible mark on the hearts of people. Today the literary world of Kashmir has suffered a great loss," said National Conference vice-president Omar Abdullah. CPIMleaderMYTarigamisaid, "His creative brilliance found expression in various genres of literature. His works reflect cultural and political vicissitudes of Kashmir. They'll continue to influence young bards and writers. Deep condolences."

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### The Father: An Inspiration for her Daughters



By: Mehvish Irfan Abanshah, HMT, Srinagar

'n this world, every person talks about the mother's love. Yes, it is quite true that the mother's love is unique in every way. However, it doesn't mean that there is no other love like mother's. We unconsciously overlook at the father's love. I, being a daughter of some father, have been observing for a long time how the father's love is unseen in the omnipresence of the mother's love. I have seen many things that my father and other fathers do for their children, particularly the daughters. The fathers have many qualities. One of their qualities is that they love without letting anyone know or see it. The fathers have a duty to their families. However, they do more than that.

My father sacrifices everything in front of my necessity. He works hard every day to let me or us live

is like an ointment when the whole body aches. He sings songs for us when all the birds are dumb. For



happily. He awakens in the middle of nights to build a better future for us. Whether it is hot or cold, he keeps on working. Never has he showed the signs of fatigue. In our presence, he forgets his pain and try his best to mitigate our pain. He

our education, he is always ready to help. Though he is illiterate, he leaves no stone unturned to provide us with the quality education. He sends us to the topmost coaching to get better education. He wants us to fulfil his dream of education.

possible. He is the only person who loves his daughters most. A daughter feels proud when her father is at her side. She thinks that she is the bravest of all the girls in the world. In his absence, the grand building of life falls like a pack of cards. Like a plinth, the father is the foundation of any home. His blood is the soul that runs in the family. His absence males a living body soulless.

In short, my father like other fathers is my supporting system. I need him at the every stage of my life. He is like a star in the night sky. His talk is the sweetest song that can I hear. I am the daughter of my father and it makes me feel proud. Honestly speaking, my dreams have wings due to my father. I want to help my father. I want to serve him in the best possible way. His dreams are my dreams. I want to fulfil them. I pray to God to keep all the fathers safe and happy! Last but not least, there is no one like mother. However, the fathers are above all.

### Is Moral Courage Stronger Than Physical Courage?



Jaswinder Pal Sharma

hysical courage and moral courage have their own significance. These two differ widely. To compare spiritualists like Swami Vivekananda and Mahatma Gandhi with wrestlers and racers is like comparing moral courage with physical courage. Gandhi and Vivekananda both were known for their calm demeanour, yet their deeds, utterances and speeches reflected the courage of a high order which is quite different from physical courage.

Physical courage is the courage based on physical strength which depends upon physical exercise and training while the courage of the heart and the mind is either a born one or a created one. Physical courage comes through the exercise of the body while mental courage can be cultivated through mental exercise or by remaining in touch with great spiritualists.

For the cultivation of moral courage, we have

to shun the desires of the materialistic world. By controlling our desires, we can rise in spirit. By foregoing the petty temptations of wealth, power and position, we can have the strength of spiri-



tualism and morality in ourselves. This gigantic strength should not be used for selfish ends but in the most civilised and humanitarian way.

Moral courage is more effective than physical courage. Mahatma Gandhi adopted the path of non-violence while dealing with the British government. He preached non-violence in our domestic and international relationship. Physical courage must be supported by moral courage otherwise the usage of physical courage is beastly and barbarous. It is most uncivilised and uncultured. All the great social reformers, religious divinities, scientists, statesmen, saints and sages cultivated the spirit of moral and mental courage. Many people have been successful in impressing humanity and this is a rich tribute to the principle of moral courage.

Those people who use physical courage, have been labelled as tyrants and despots, blood-suckers and marauders of humanity. Basically they are cowards, who try to cover their fears by suppressing those weaker than themselves.

Everyone must develop moral courage. It is more powerful than physical courage. Willpower is the keyword to moral courage. It was the will of Kennedy, which made him the president of America. It was the will of Napoleon Bonaparte, which made him an emperor. And Mahatma Gandhi with his willpower, uprooted the mighty British empire from India.

Therefore, moral courage is more appealing and forceful than physical courage. Moral courage always wins over physical courage.

Jaswinder Pal Sharma SS Master GSSS Hakuwala Sri Muktsar Sahib Punjab

# CCTV Cameras they are Primarily needed for security purposes and monitoring the terror activities



If a technological facility is available then it should be deployed inabundance especially where terrorism in UT J&k still flourish and timeand again the serpents of terror mechanism spring up their heads!-'I have seen and read about a lot of terror activities allover theglobe where CCTV cameras have been brought use and they havefacilitated the investigating agencies in tracking down criminals andterrorist activities!

-'For example in USA shootings and terror activities are not anuncommon affair but the CCTV's have acted as technological observers.'-'Similarly in England and France, the terrorists were tracked andtraced by this technological device!'-'In real time crime shows also one can see the impact of thisminiscule device!'-'Some salient points about the CCTV's:-'What is CCTV?: CCTV (closed-circuit television) is a TV system inwhich signals are not publicly distributed but are monitored, primarily for surveillance and security purposes'!-'How does CCTV work?: CCTV relies on strategic placement of cameras, and observation of the camera's input on monitors somewhere.'-'Because the cameras communicate with monitors and/or video recordersacross private coaxial cable runs or wireless communication links, they gain the designation "closed-circuit" to indicate that access totheir content is limited by design only to those able to see it'!-'The idea to write this article arose from a paragraph which wereceived in which the opening lines were, 'it's time to extend eyes and ears by locals by putting CCTVs

in bulk to defeat the residualterrorism in Rajauri!'0-'Assistant from the Government will be appreciated especially so inbuilt up areas and the same would help the security forces to monitor

the terror and criminal activities! 'Before we come down to the script in proper here are two crimes that

tow these devices are divine creation os technology?-The first:

Delhi Police solved a blind murder case within 24 hours with help of CCTV cameras. It was ith the help of footage from

were solved by the CCTV's. There are — solving Sarah Everard's disappearance — dents in our country/globally are being emerged along with freshdetails about how police caught one of their own. Detectives leadingthe search for Everard revealed that analysis of thousands of hours of CCTV footage enabled them to

piece together the 33-year-old's final



26 CCTV cameras.A team from Police Station Sadar Bazar recovered the knife used in thecommission of the offence, robbed Rs 8,280 and clothes worn by the accused at the time of the offence.

On March14, 2022, at 01.40 am, information regarding the murder of ayoung boy near Al Quresh Masjid was received at Police station SadarBazar. Immediately, the police arrived at the spot and found a deadbody. The deceased was identified as Rohaan, a resident of Kishanganj, Bihar. Strangulation marks and stab injuries were found on his body.On local enquiry it was revealed that the deceased used to work as amomos seller, and ten other persons were also residing with him in aroom. However, no eyewitness to the crime was available! But still thecrime was solved b technological eye witnesses, ie, CCTV's!'-The second one: Sat 2 Oct 2021 18.46 BST (Britain standard tme): The crucial role of CCTV in

moments as she walked home in south London – as well as helpingidentify her murderer. CCTV from a passing bus on 3 March clinched thebreakthrough, capturing Everard standing next to a white car with thehazard lights flashing, a rental vehicle that was traced to police officer Wayne Couzens. Yet the central role of CCTV in cracking thecase arrived against a backdrop of mounting concern that the UK issleepwalking towards a surveillance state with more cameras than anyother European country per capita. Analysis suggests there could bemore than five million surveillance cameras in the UK - one for every 14 people – as the popularity of home CCTV and doorbell camerasincreases against a backdrop of what critics say is a lack of regulation governing the technology.-The Rajouri case:

Today the residual terrorism is like few drops of water in a lake. Most of the inci-

by CCTVs. However, saturation of CCT-Vs inRajauri and adjoining area is less inspite of being gifted by non stop

of electricity. Strange but it is the truth!-Why are we saying so? It is because:-'Modern CCTV displays can be color, high-resolution displays and can include the ability to zoom in on an image or track something (orsomeone) among their features!

-'Talk CCTV allows an overseer to speak to people within range of the camera's associated speakers.'-'CCTV is commonly used for a variety of purposes, including:-'Maintaining perimeter security in medium- to high-secure areas andinstallations'

-'Observing behavior of incarcerated inmates and potentially dangerous patients in medical facilities.'-'Traffic monitoring!'-'Overseeing locations that would be hazardous to a human, forexample, highly radioactive or toxic industrial environments." Building and grounds security.'-'Obtaining a visual record of activities in situations where

it isnecessary to maintain proper security or access controls (for example, in a diamond cutting or sorting operation; in banks, casinos, orairports).

-'CCTV is finding increasing use in law-enforcement, for everythingfrom traffic observation (and automated ticketing) to observation of high-crime areas or neighborhoods. Such use of CCTV technology hasfueled privacy concerns in many parts of the world, particularly inthose areas in the UK and Europe where it has become a routine part of police procedure.'-'In Rajouri they are primarily needed for security purposes andmonitoring the terror activities!

'Small amount of money spent in this direction will not only ensureround the clock surveillance around their houses against terroristsbut also the burglars and other petty thieves. So its time to rise against this menace and assist security forceswith correct inputs which does not cost much money abd effort.It awin situation for all. One can start with a small single CCTVcamera(sim based) or a cluster like all houses and shops. Hope thepeople and the Government rise to the occasion in this regard!

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#### **NRLM: Mobile Cutting &** Tailoring Centre inaugurated at Shopian

SHOPIAN, JANUARY 10: In a maiden drive to encourage the Tribal women populace for enhancement of Skill development at their door steps, a Mobile Cutting & Tailoring Center by National Rural Livelihood Mission (UMEED) Shopian was today inaugurated at Chanchmarg Shopian in presence of locals and officials from different line departments. Mobile Cutting and Tailoring Center should have 25 SHG members who have a desire to get their socio-economic status transformed.On the occasion, people congratulated the SHG members of Chanchmarg as well

as the UMEED Shopian

Team for establishing

such types of Centers

which will optimistically

bring change not only in

their economic circum-

stances but there will be

a positive development

to seek different opportunities being provided by different departments.

This is a structured initiative for ground level engagement of women as well as youth empowerment, said one local civil society member. On the occasion, Irfan

Basheer, District Pro-Manager FI NRLM Shopian disseminated the prospective benefits of the UMEED programme. He said training could be linked through HIMAYAT and other skill development programmes.He stated that in case they need financial support for their livelihood establishment, the Mission provides a Revolving Fund, Community Investment Fund and also Credit Linkage. The Officers and Officials of NRLM and other line departments besides SHGs were present on the

# **Action Plan for National Road Safety** Week-2023 finalised at Anantnag

A meeting of officers was today held under the chairmanship of Additional District Commissioner (ADC) Anantnag, Mohd Ashraf Bhat to finalize the action plan for the upcoming celebration of National Road Safety Week under 'Swachhata Pakhwada-2023' theme.

At the outset, Assistant Re-Transport (ARTO) Anantnag, Dr Mohammad Zubair Lattoo briefed the meeting about the importance of Road Safety Week.

He said that during this period, various activities have been planned to be conducted across the length and breadth of the district in association with the stakeholders viz. Education department, Health, Police, Traffic, SDRF, Civil Society, Traders Federation, NGO, Insurance Companies and other stakeholders.

Speaking on the occasion,



ADC said that this National Road Safety Week event should be seen as an opportunity for aggressive campaigning to promote a culture of road safety among its users. He said that recent amendments in the Motor Vehicles Act should be

highlighted through various seminars, workshops, events and meetings.

Further with the help of banners and pamphlets awareness about traffic rules and regulations set by the government should be spread among the that are slated to take place during National Road Safety Week 2023 include advocacy of road safety, awards and certificates for road safety, good samaritans etc, and cultural programmes highlighting the road safety awareness among general public and student community. At the outset, Assistant Regional Transport Officer (ARTO) Anantnag, Dr Mohammad Zubair Lattoo briefed the meeting about the importance of Road Safety Week.

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Among other activities that are slated to take place during National Road Safety Week 2023 include advocacy of road safety, awards and certificates for road safety, good samaritans etc, and cultural programmes highlighting the road safety awareness among general public and student commu-

#### Budgam gets 2nd position in work completion under UT Capex CD & Panchayat Works in 2022-23

BUDGAM, JANUARY 10: The District Budgam has got 2nd Position in work completion at Divisional Level under UT Capex CD & Panchayat Works during the current FY 2022-23.

As per an official communiqué, the Assistant Commissioner Development (ACD) Budgam informed that the Department of Rural Development Budgam took up CD & PYT works taking into consideration the community benefit at large. The work completion rate and expendi ture has been achieved upto 74% till ending Dec, 2022. A series of review meetings to gauge performance were conducted between BDOs and Engineering Wing to expedite and pace up work completion, added the ACD. She further added, this is an accomplishment of the department wherein 96 works were taken up and 65 were completed with an expenditure of Rs. 269.34 lacs as on 31-12-2022 consisting of 29 passenger sheds, 38 roads, 5 parks and 27 lanes drains/R/walls.

#### INAUGURAL AND VALEDICTORY OF DIFFERENT TRAINING PROGRAMMES AT SKUAST-KASHMIR

DR.AB QAYOOM



Srinagar, Jan, 10: Directorate of Extension, SKUAST-K

organized a programme on the occasion of inau gural of 03 Skill Development Programmes for Rural Youth (STRY), Certificate Courses on Integrated Nutrient Management and Diploma in Agri Extension Services for Input Dealers (DAE-SI) and valedictory of 30 different training programmes under STRY. The programme was orga nized at Nund Reshi Auditorium, SKUAST-Kashmir Jenab Junaid Azim Mattu, Hon'ble Mayor, Srinagar was Chief Guest on the occasion and Prof. Nazir A. Ganai, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-K presided over the function. The programme was also attended by Director Strategic Planning & Monitoring, Prof. Haroon Naik; Registrar, Prof. T.H. Masoodi; Controller Examination, Prof. K.N. Qaiser; Dean Horticulture. Prof. S.A.Wani; Dean Students Welfare, Prof. M.A.A Siddiqui; all Heads of KVKs of Kashmir Division alongwith their Training Coordinators and scientists of Directorate of Extension. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Nazir A. Ganie while apprising the trainees and the participants of this event highlighted the need and importance of these skill trainings in creating employment generation opportunities for the youth Hon'ble Vice Chancellor while referring to the recently approved policy for the holistic development of Agriculture in the UT discussed about the various capac ity building and skill development initiatives which will further pave the way for augmenting the skills of the youth of the region. He also congratulated the Director Extension and his staff for organizing such trainings and awareness programmes for rural youth Jenab Junaid Azim Mattu, Hon'ble Mayor, Srinagar in his address called upon the University to evolve appropriate models by which the scientific research and the academic intellect can be collectively pooled for to reach out to the ultimate end users while upleading the efforts of the SKUAST-Kashmir. He talked of the human eco-system which can be strengthened through the provision of appropriate skills relevant to the pres ent generation. He also called upon to focus more upon developing linkages with industry so that the producer can get adequate marketing opportunities of their produce.Earlier Director Extension, Prof. Dil Mohammad Makhdoomi started with a detailed overview of the different skill training programmes organized and about the certificate course on Integrated Nutrient Management and DAESI being conducted in collaboration with MANAGE, Hyderabad. He informed that this year so far the trainings were organized by KVKs of Anantnag, Kulgam, Pulwama, Ganderbal, Budgam, Srinagar, Shopian, Kupwara, Bandipora and Dry land Agriculture Research Station (DARS), Rangreth On this occasion, Jenab Junaid Azim Mattu,

#### Action Plan to train youth identified under B2V-4 reviewed at Kulgam

Farooq Rather

KULGAM, JANUARY 10: A meeting to review the modalities and preparations to impart training in different skill development courses to unemployed youth identified during Back to Village phase-04 in the district was today held here under the chairmanship of the Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Kulgam, Vigar Ahmed Giri.

At the outset, the meeting was informed that 13 short-term courses with intake of 300 aspirants in the initial phase will be started within days.

The ADC stressed on imparting skilled training to the unemployed youth of the district to help them to get trained in various trades for becoming self-reliant and self-employed.

He directed that line departments shall work in coordination to implement the district skill plan in letter and spirit. He also emphasized on identification of

potential and suitable trades for the training of the youth for their proper hand The ADC said that skilled training shall

provide ample opportunities to the unemployed in both manufacturing and service sectors and help in addressing the unemployment problem.

He also instructed officers to ensure proper course motivation and orientation to be imparted so that youth will become



self-sufficient in technical knowhow. Among others, the meeting was attended by Principal Polytechnic College Kulgam, Principal ITI, Chief Horticulture Officer, Chief Agriculture Officer and Director

RSETI Kulgam besides other officers. Kashmir Handicrafts to get two more GI registrations. He directed that line departments shall work in coordination to implement the district skill plan in letter and spirit.

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#### J&K Bank engages 24 SHG members as **Business Correspondents in Jammu**

JAMMU, JANUARY 10: As part of its commitment towards women empowerment, J&K Bank today onboarded 24 women Self Help Group (SHG) members in Jammu as **Business** Correspondents. These SHG members were identified by JKRLM from the Jammu Division.

The Bank's Divisional Head (Jammu) Sunit Kumar handed over Micro ATMs and biometric authentication devices to these freshly engaged **Business Correspondents** at the Bank's Zonal Office Jammu in presence of DGM Rajesh Dubey, AGM Minakshi Gupta State Project Manager (J&K NRLM) and other senior officers of the Bank. Speaking on the occa-

sion, General Manager Sunit Kumar said. "By onboarding 24 SHG members as our Business Correspondents, we have strengthened



division to serve people particularly women and older sections of society residing in rural areas." "I am pleased to see these active young ladies joining our prime alternate banking channel - BC Network and happily taking on the responsibility of providing the basic banking services to the people at their doorstep". he added.Notably, from account opening, cash deposit and balance enquiry to card-based and Aadhar enabled cash withdrawal and transfer of funds; the Bank's Business Correspondents provide a variety of services to the people including submission of e-KYC compliance and enrolment under various social security schemes like PMJJBY, PMSBY and APY. "I am pleased to see these active young ladies joining our prime alternate banking channel - BC Network and happily taking on the responsibility of providing the basic banking services to the people at their doorstep". he added.Notably, from account opening, cash deposit and balance enquiry to card-based and Aadhar enabled cash withdrawal and transfer of funds.

### JKTPO participated in Indus Food 2023 at Hyderabad

mu and Kashmir Trade Promotion Organization (JKTPO) participated in Indus Food -2023 which was held at Hitex International Exhibition Centre, Hyderabad a flagship B2B event organized by Trade Promotion Council of India

Indus Food is the South Asia's largest integrated food and beverage trade fair. It provides retailers and buyers opportunities to network and conduct business with new and existing exhibiting suppliers. Indus food is the most comprehensive F&B marketplace in the South Asia region, showcasing F&B products, F&B processing, and packaging technology.

On the directions of Principal Secretary, Industries & Commerce, Prashant Goyal JKTPO set up J&K Pavilion & sponsored and facilitated 11 agro and food processing based registered local entrepreneurs to showcase their product and services in the exhibition to enhance their visibility during the exhibition as well as to build business connects. Major exhibitors from J&K who participated in the event where

Saffron, Kashmir Roots private limited, M/s M Maqbool (Nadur), Sarveshwar Foods, Nimbark Organics ,Valley Exof the biggest attractions at Indus Food, 2023 and witnessed tremendous footfall, fascinating the domestic/international

and established entrepreneurs of J&K in terms of improved product visibility, retail sales, opportunity for synergetic col-



otic private limited, Saffron Mart, Wazwan of Kashmir& Corporate Supplies. Some of the unique products exhibited included Saffron, Honey, Kehwa, Nadru, Spices, Basmati rice, Mushrooms, Dried vegetables, processed food products, organic and local frozen food products, etc.

Stalls in the "J&K Pavilion" showcasing the Agro & Food processing products was one

Buyers through their offering of a unique range of products. The Brand J&K has found excellent acceptability among the visitors boosted by the authenticity and uniqueness of products. The J&K exhibitors displayed and promoted the uniqueness and strength of J&K among the National and International visitors.

The event has provided an excellent platform to the budding

best practices of business. The exhibitors from J&K also participated in B2B meetings which were held with national and international buyers and huge response in terms of business leads was generated

which when converted into

meets conducted with nation-

al and international visitors/

buyers, market and competitor

knowledge and insights into

business for them in future. Buoyed by the huge crowd thronging their stalls, all the exhibitors from J&K Pavilion, expressed gratitude for the opportunity provided by JKT-PO under aegis of Industries & Commerce Department and urged to organize more such engagements going forward.

As quoted by some of the exhibitors "Participating in this event has ensured National and International market connect and exposure to us and this would help us to further grow business and enhance global competitiveness" and "It gave us the opportunity to interact directly with the international buyers which results in generating leads and understand their requirements"

Anoo Malhotra, Managing Director, JKTPO observed that participation in such sector specific and National events opens new markets for sellers to promote and sell their products. The prime objective of JKTPO is to promote, organize, manage and participate in the trade fairs and exhibitions in India and abroad on regular basis to promote brand J&K and

### **ACD** inspects dev works in Dali Udhyanpur block

DODA, JANUARY 10: Assistant Commissioner Development Doda Phulail Singh today conducted an extensive tour of Panchavats of block Dali Udhyanpur and took a firsthand appraisal of the ongoing works being executed under various heads/schemes.

During the visit, the ACD inspected the ongoing MGNREGA works under execution in Bharath A and B Panchavats. under construction Panchayat Ghar of Pyt Bharath A, PMAY houses, Capex works, besides took first hand stock of the newly started NMMS implementation in the block at the work site.

The ACD directed the BDO to ensure the time bound completion of all the capex works and under construction Panchavat ghars.

The ACD while taking the review meeting of officials of Dali Udhyanpur block



directed to remain available in the field and to ensure effective monitoring of all the ongoing works. The ACD also conducted the inspection of the approach road towards Medical sub centre

#### DH Kishtwar presents gifts to Peer Educators to mark Adolescent Health Day -2023

KISHTWAR, JANUARY 10: Adolescent Health Day-2023 was today celebrated here in the District Hospital Kishtwar by Rashtriya Kishore Swasthya Karykarm (RKSK) councillors in a simple but impressive manner.During the programme, councillors imparted awareness to the peer educators about the RKSK scheme and various aspects of adolescent health.

The councillors introduced peer educators about community-based interventions to realize their full potential by making informed and responsible decisions related to their health and well-being and by accessing the services and support they need to do so.

A total of 80 educators are engaged under the RKSK programme in the District. The key principle of this programme is adolescent participation and leadership, Equity and inclusion, Gender Equity and strategic partnerships with other sectors and stakeholders. The RKSK

defines an adolescent a person with 10-19 years of age in urban and rural areas including boys and girls married or unmarried. The scheme targets to reduce the prevalence of malnutrition among adolescent girls and boys besides reducing the prevalence of iron deficiency by providing Weekly Iron Folic Acid supplement under WIFS programme.

An interactive session was held during the programme wherein a number of health related doubts were cleared by councillors. The councillors introduced peer educators about community-based interventions to realize their full potential by making informed and responsible decisions related to their health and well-being and by accessing the services and support they need to do so.

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#### District Admin seals 5 Clinics/ **Labs in Doda town**

DODA, JANUARY 10: In a major crackdown against the unauthorized private clinics & laboratories, Chief Medical Officer Doda, Dr M Y Mir, on the directions of District Administration sealed 05 private clinics during surprise checking in Doda Town.

During the day-long inspection, the team headed by CMO Doda checked around 57 private clinics in the Doda town, of which 05 were sealed for not having the valid registration documents of the competent authority as provided under the Nursing Homes and Clinical Establishment (Registration and Licensing) Act 2010.

Meanwhile, the CMO has asked all the private clinics, Laboratories, Nursing Homes and other related establishments to apply online for provisional registration under Clinical Registration Act, if not obtained yet, to avoid legal action under rules..

#### **Deputy Commissioner reviews** status of Aadhaar Enrollment in Rajouri district

RAJOURI, JANUARY 10: Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal, underscored the importance of effective implementation and a maximum enrollment of the Aadhaar in the district.

The Deputy Commissioner was chairing a meeting to review the status of Aadhaar enrollment and the progress achieved so far. He sought a detailed report on all aspects of Aadhaar enrollment including enrollment of the 0 to 5 years age group. The meeting was apprised that out of 82857 persons, 38957 persons have been enrolled under Aadhaar. It was decided that special Aadhaar enrollment camps would also be organised on Village Health and nutrition day and on the day of vaccination to enroll the 0 to 3 years ICDS beneficiaries. Similarly, the School Education Department shall also ensure the hundred percent Aadhaar enrollment of pre-nursery year children in schools.

Taking note of the Aadhaar enrollment of the 5-18 years age group, it was informed that 93.33 percent progress has been recorded in this regard, while the DC asked to achieve a hundred percent target.

It was further informed that 711048 persons have been Aadhar enrolled in 18 yr and above age group.

The Deputy Commissioner reiterated the commitment of the district administration to ensure enrollment of all citizens to enable them to avail benefits of different schemes. He directed the officers to actively monitor the process for efficiency, accuracy, and saturation.

The officers discussed the potential roadblocks in the process of Aadhaar enrollment and submitted that special camps have already been organized in the past in the district with a special focus on the government and private schools. The officers shall also ensure that the camps are organised to cover the left out beneficiaries. Officers who attended the meeting were PO ICDS Shoket Mehmood Malik; CMO, Dr Abdul Hamid Zargar; DAO, Dr Farooq Mir; DIO, Narinder Kumar; AD Planning, Mohd Rafi and other concerned officers.

#### **Change of Land Use: DLC** approves Icase in Rajouri

RAJOURI, JANUARY 10: A meeting of the District Level Committee on change of land use today met under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal to discuss and approve the applications received online from the applicants from across

The committee discussed 05 cases of change of conversion of agricultural land for non agricultural purposes and of which 1 case was approved.

The DC directed concerned departments to ensure timely issuance of NOCs to the applicants after proper verification of documents and rules under land conversion Regulations, 2022. Necessary directions were issued to the concerned departments to ensure timely issuance of NOCs after proper verification of docu-

Officers who attended the meeting included DFO Rajouri, Arshdeep Singh; ADC Rajouri, Sachin Dev Singh; ACR, Imran Rashid Kataria; CEO RDA, Vivek Puri; SE PWD (R&B), Kamal Kishore; DO PCB, Anupam Koul;

#### **Shops, other business Establishments served notices** for violation of rules

KISHTWAR, JANUARY 10: As a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebration, Assistant Labour Commissioner (ALC) Amit Kumar along with his team, today conducted surprise inspections of the shops and other business establishments in Kishtwar Town and adjoin-

A total number of 25 shops and establishments were inspected and those found violating the provisions of Jammu and Kashmir Shops and Establishment Act 1966 were served with written notice to appear before ALC Kishtwar in the Office.

The notices were served mainly for violation of the different sections of the Shops & Establishment Act 1966, likewise opening the shops despite being a closed day, for non-registration of shops under the said Act, and for not displaying the registration Form C in the

During the visit, the ALC Kishtwar also briefed the necessity of registration under the act and further inspected the wage and payment registers under Payment of Wages Act and Minimum Wages Act.

He informed the shopkeepers to ensure the timely payment of wages to their workers and also ensure the implementation of newly notified Wage Rate by the UT of Jammu and Kashmir.

Further, Inspection under Child Labour Act was also done in certain establishments and shops but no child labour was found in these establishments.

Later, the ALC met the President & Representatives of Shopkeepers Associations and encouraged them to circulate the message that all Shopkeepers should ensure the registration and renewal under Shops and

#### **DIPR Cultural Unit artists** perform at Craft Bazar

JAMMU, JANUARY 10: A Cultural program was to-day organised by the Cultural Unit of Department of Information and Public Relations, Jammu here at the exhibition cum sale of exquisite Indian handicrafts (Jammu Craft Bazaar) being held in Gandhi Nagar. The exhibition started on 8th of January and will continue till 17th of January 2023. It was organised by Rural Artisans Welfare Society and sponsored by Development COMMISSIONER for Handicraft, Minister of Textile, Government of India. A Cultural program was today organised by the Cultural Unit of Department of Information and Public Relations, Jammu here at the exhibition cum sale of exquisite Indian handicrafts (Jammu Craft Bazaar) being held in Gandhi Nagar.

# Div Com Jammu visits MA Stadium to inspect Republic Day arrangements

Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar on Tuesday visited Mulana Azad (M A) Stadium to inspect and finalize the arrangements for Republic Day 2023 cele-

Among others DIG, Shakti Pathak; Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Avny Lavasa; SSP Security Jammu, besides senior officers of Army, Traffic, Jal Shakti, JPDCL, PWD, JMC, Health Services, Information, Education, Cultural Academy, Youth Services and Sports, Hospitality and Protocol, JKRTC and other concerned departments were also

At the outset, the Div Com took a round of the stadium and inspected the overall arrangements being made at the venue for smooth conduct of the Republic Day

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He took detailed stock of security ar rangements, traffic management, seating arrangements, decoration, Power & water supply, sanitation, Medicare etc. The concerned officers were instructed to follow the devised plans while accomplishing their assigned tasks



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While inspecting the ongoing works at main Pavillion the Div Com directed Hospitality and Protocol Department for making arrangements of water proof tentage, heating arrangements besides expedite the pace of all ongoing works for timely completion.

Traffic department was directed to frame a traffic management plan, finalise parking spaces and notify the diversions on time for the convenience of the general public.

The JMC was directed to ensure cleanliness in and around the venue and functioning of street lights, while PWD was asked to expedite the renovation works

at the venue and complete the same at

The JPDCL was instructed to ensure installation of lights at specific points besides making arrangements of Genset at

The Div Com also directed JPDCL, Jal Shakti, JMC, PWD to deploy an adequate number of employees at the venue and also establish joint control for finalising the arrangements. The Div Com discussed in detail all the arrangements being put in place by the concerned departments for smooth conduct of the National event. He stressed on close synergy among the concerned departments while making arrangements.

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### **CBC organises Drawing Competition** in Doda under AKAM

DODA, JANUARY 10: As part of ongoing public awareness campaign initiated in various districts by Central Bureau of Communication (CBC), Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, Field office Doda organized a special interactive programme here at Ekta Mahila Mandal Educational Trust, Near sports Stadium Dessa road.

The programme has been organised under the chairmanship of Zahida Begum, Chairman Ekta Mahila Mandal Educational Trust. Tahir Jameel and Athar Bilal trustees of Ekat Mahila Mandal trust were also present in the programme.

To mobilize the masses, a pre publicity event, a drawing competition was organized today in which about 30 students from different educational institutions of Doda participate and Muqaddas stood

Sunil Kumar I/C CBC Field Office Rajouri, in his welcome speech, gave a brief description and detailed information regarding Swaraj and Azadi quest including AKAM to the audience. He said the Field offices of Central Bureau of Communication, through its Field Offices, reach out to the far flung, isolated and media shadow areas to spread awareness regarding Centrally spon-



sored Schemes of Government of India through various means of Information, Educational and communication (IEC) activities in coordination with different implementing agencies of state and district administration.

Vikram Uppal, In charge, CBC, Field Office, Doda also interacted with the audience and presented vote of thanks to the students, trustees & teachers from Various Educational Institutions of Doda. He requested them all to pay a visit and spread the message regarding the next day programme i.e. on 11.01.2023 at the same venue, 11 am onwards, so that everybody could participate and be part of the celebration "75 years of Indian Independence" Azaki Ka Amrit Mahot-

### DC Doda reviews functioning of RCCMS among other online Revenue Services, digitization of records

DODA, JANUARY 10: Deputy Commissioner Doda, Vishesh Paul Mahajan, today reviewed the Revenue related matters, including the virtual (online) Revenue Court Cases Management System (RCCMS) here at a meeting of the departmental functionaries.

ADC Doda, ADC Bhaderwah, ACR, all SDMs and Tehsildars of the district participated in the meeting. The Deputy Commissioner took a de-

tailed review regarding online services delivery mechanism and disposal of revenue court cases on RCCMS portal. Reviewing digitization of Revenue Re-

cords, the dealing officials apprised the DC that all the Revenue Record of this District has already been digitized by Ramtech as confirmed from all the concerned Tehsildars and the same has also been conveyed to the higher authori-

On digitization of Massavies, the directions were issued to all the Tehsildars to gear up the progress of digitization of cadastral Maps (massavies) and ensure that the said digitization be done within

The directions were also issued to all the Tehsildars regarding disposal of online Application of Fard within the PSGA timeline and to ensure that no application should go beyond the PSGA timeline in future.

DC directed all the Tehsildars to clear the pendency from their online portals within days and also check/monitor all the online portals on a daily basis, so that none of the applications be got beyond the PSGA timeline. DC instructed all the Tehsildars not to entertain any offline application for issuance of any certificates in future.

The DC was informed that 56 Change of Land Use applications were received online on CLU portal, out of which 26 have been approved, 26 rejected and 04 have been reverted back to the applicants and as on date no CLU application is pending on the portal.

Regarding status of Revenue Court Cases in RCCMS and Remand Cases, the directions were issued to all the subordinate Revenue Officers for disposal of Court cases on a regular basis to reduce pendency on the RCCMS portal.

### Multi-storey Bus Stand all set to come up in Ramban Town DC inspects construction site, temporary shifting of shops

RAMBAN, JANUARY 10: Deputy Commissioner, Ramban, Mussarat Islam along with President MC, Ramban, Sunita Sumbria today inspected the construction site for the Multi-storey Bus Stand Ramban.

The MC Councillors, CPO, Dr. Kasturi Lal; CEO MC, Ramban, Sudarshan Kumar; ARTO, Saminder Singh, Shopkeepers, Vendors, members of the transport union, and others were also present. Reviewing the measures taken by the concerned Departments for temporary shifting of the Bus stand to suitable location to start the construction of the Rs 23 crore Multi-



level Bus Stand Project, the DC directed CEO MC, ARTO and another stakeholder to relocate vendors to suitable places besides take care of the interests of shopkeepers, transporters and other stakeholders during the temporary shifting. The Bus Stand has been proposed to shift to Cafeteria

Morh and Kowbagh. The DC assured the executing agency of hassle-free working conditions to complete the mega project of public interest in a stipulated time frame.Earlier, the President MC, Councillors, Transporters, Shopkeepers, and others discussed different measures for

Bus Stand to start work on a mega project. The Multi-Storey Bus Stand at Ramban would boost the commercial activities in Ramban, besides properly regulating Buses and other passenger vehicles for the convenience of commuters, they observed. The Deputy Commissioner also listened to the issues of the people and directed the concerned officers to resolve all the genuine public issues on a priority basis. He also appreciated the CEO MC for restoring the street lights in the town and asked him to install lights at the Vegetable Mandi in Maitra .

discussed at Ramnagar 10: To discuss the arrangements for the smooth celebration of Republic Day 2023, SDM Ramnagar Shishir Gupta convened a meeting of officers of

R-Day arrangements

different departments in the Tehsildar office Ramnagar here the other day. Detailed discussions were held on various arrangements which included barricading, security, arrangements, drinking water, power supply, sanitation, first aid, PAS, deployment of fire tenders etc.

It was decided in the meeting that the main function would be celebrated in the premises of Government Model Higher Secondary School,

decided that contingents from police, NCC and different government as well as private educational institutions would participate in the march past, while a colourful cultural programme would also be the part of national function. The SDM directed the department of Education, Jal Shakti, R&B, Information, Health, Police, PDD, Municipal, Forest etc. to complete their respective assignments well before the National Event.

Different Committees like Rehearsal, Reception Committee, committee were also constituted for the successful celebration of Republic

### DDC Ramban finalizes Scale of Finance plan - 2023-24 for KCC Crops, allied activities

RAMBAN, JANUARY 10: District Development Commissioner., Ramban Mussarat Islam today chaired the meeting of the District Level Technical Committee (DLTC) to finalize the Scale of Finance for the year 2023-24 of the Agriculture, Horticulture Crops, Livestock, and other allied sector produces in the district.

Chief Planning Officer, Dr. Kasturi Lal; Chief Agricul-ture Officer, Ashwani Kumar; DSHO, Dr. Vikas Gupta; CAHO, Dr. Kawal Singh; AD Fisheries, Fayaz Ahmed; DDM, NABARD, Aarushi Sharma; Lead Bank Manager, Abdul Rashid Sofi; Cluster head JK Bank, Parvez Iqbal and other officers from department and banks were present in the meeting.

During the meeting, the vital issues regarding the finalization of the Scale of Finance of different Agriculture and Horticulture Crops were finalized by the Committee for Kisan Credit Card (KCC) holders of the dis-

The meeting held a threadbare discussion on the Existing and Proposed Scale of Finance (SOF) for various KCC Crops & Allied Activities. The DLTC finalized the Scale of Finance for Agriculture and Horticulture Crops including Cereals, Vegetables, Pulses, Rapeseed, Mustard, Potato, Fodder, Spices, Plantation of Sericulture, Floriculture, Goat, Sheep, Poultry, Fisheries etc.

On the occasion, the economic potential of different varieties



of products was discussed in detail for boosting the income of unemployed youth and farm-

Meanwhile, the DDC stressed upon the officers of line depart-

ments and bankers to ensure the utmost accuracy in the formulation of the scale of finance component-wise so that the farmers are facilitated properly. He laid emphasis on providing assistance to Apiculture, Mushroom, vegetable, fruits, dairy farming, and sheep breeding to enhance the additional farm income of the farmers.

Later, the DDC also released the Potential Linked Credit Plan for 2023-24 of district Ramban in presence of senior officers and bankers prepared by NABARD containing the total credit potential of the district for a particular year. It is based on infrastructure availability and developmental plans of the district.

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will bring significant change in the lives of around 13 lakh farming families of J&K including 2.62 lakh small and marginal farming families, the Lt Governor noted. No other region in the country has made such a revolutionary intervention in the Agriculture and allied sector. All arrangements, from seed to market have been made through implementation framework of the plan, he added.

Hon'ble Prime Minister has ensured that there would be no shortage of funds for farmers of J&K, the Lt Governor further added.

The Lt Governor also made valuable suggestions to improve productivity and tackling challenges as well as opportunities of the agriculture & allied sectors.

A strong agricultural marketing ecosystem will increase the farm income and reduce the value loss. We are working on covering the entire value chain including inputs, harvesting, processing, packing, storage, besides meeting the need of quality planting material etc. and developing infrastructure & other facilities while taking climatic conditions into consideration, the Lt Governor said.

We have also made provisions to arrange and grow 80% of fodder requirements locally within J&K, he added.

Speaking on the services extended by the government, the Lt Governor said that around 31 lakh land passbooks have been generated and more than 400 public services have been made fully online with a provision of Public Services Guarantee Act.

On the issue of proper functioning of Ranbir Canal, the Lt Governor said that a permanent solution via a policy for uninterrupted and proper functioning of Ranbir Canal will be ensured. He also clarified that there is no such rule for compulsory buying of cattle from outside the region to avail the subsidy. 'And if there is any, I declare it Null & Void', he added.

Sh Bharat Bhushan, Chairman DDC Jammu, extended his gratitude to the Central Government under Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi for ensuring peace at Border areas which has led to development works like the Mega Fruit plant nursery at Chakroi.

Sh Atal Dulloo, Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture Production Department, congratulated the Horticulture department for completing the project of Mega Fruit Plant Nursery within a stipulated time frame.

This mega fruit plant nursery established with state-ofthe-art equipment like Automatic weather monitoring system, will facilitate easy supply of quality fruit saplings.

Prof. JP Sharma, VC SKUAST Jammu, stressed the need to convert low density orchards into high density orchards and increase farmer's income through horticul-

The Mega Fruit Plant Nursery houses 50 different Blocks for growing mother plants of different fruits including Citrus fruits. Spanning over more than 800 Kanal area the Mega Fruit plant nursery will grow and provide saplings of Guava, mango, litchi, other citrus fruits and also

of the Dragon fruit.

It is the biggest fruit nursery in North India. In the coming time, 10 lakh saplings of fruit plants will be distributed to farmers. Micro irrigation system was also established in the mega fruit nursery for irrigation in addition to other advanced facilities and modern equipment. Tissue culture lab and other labs will also be estab-

lished in the coming time, it was informed. Several publications including Mega Fruit Plant Nursery Chakroi Magazine, Cultivation of Litchi and Strawberry and Strategic management of Stone Fruit were also released on the occasion.

The Lt Governor also planted a sapling in the premises of the nursery to mark the occasion.

Sh Ramesh Kumar, Divisional Commissioner Jammu; Ms Avny Lavasa, Deputy Commissioner Jammu; Sh Ram Savak, Director Horticulture Jammu; PRI members; HODs; members of Kisan Advisory Board; Agriculture scientists, faculty and scholars of SKUAST Jammu and farmers in large number were present in the inauguration event.

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meeting the DGP complimented the zonal, range and district level officers for their work supervision to achieve the set targets and goals fixed for the year 2022.

He said that in some areas exceptional work has been done in the year 2022 adding that for some areas we need to gear up with more energy and commitment to achieve better results in the current year.

The DGP complimented officers for achieving better re-

The DGP complimented officers for achieving better results in challaning NDPS cases adding that hard work has to continue to book all those involved in the trade. He impressed upon officers to improve the quality of investigation and prosecution to increase the convictions in all the crime cases particularly UAPA and special crime cases.

The DGP stressed for regular supervisory crime meetings at the Zonal and Range levels in order to take NDPS/UAPA and heinous crime cases to logical conclusion. He directed the officers to augment measures for improv-

ing capability of personnel in dealing with special cases and said, "disposal of crime cases professionally plays a great role in image building, adding that a lot more work on disposal of cases needs to be done."

He directed that previous pendency cases should be cleared on priority adding that people are expecting positive changes and said that the Pairvi officers in districts should focus on other cases as well besides NDPS/UAPA

Special DG CID, R.R Swain, Special DG Crime, A. K. Choudhary, ADGsP, Dr SD Singh Jamwal, M. K. Sinha, Sunil Kumar, Danesh Rana, IGsP Vikramjeet Singh, B S Tuti, DIG Administration PHQ Sarah Rizvi, SSP Jammu Chandan Kholi, SSP Crime Jammu Rajeshwar Singh, AIsG of PHQ, SP Ramban Mohita Sharma and other gazetted officers attended the meeting at PHQ while as ADGP Kashmir Vijay Kumar, range DIsG of Jammu and Kashmir, and district SSsP attended the meeting through video conferencing.

### **MUDER CASE**

were called for questioning.

The special investigating team zeroed in on one Altaf Ahmed Ganie the brother-in-law of the deceased who confessed about his involvement in the murder of the lady, police said and added he also disclosed that since his sister-in-law was alone at home and he took the advantage of her loneliness and tried to exploit her sexually. However the deceased strongly resisted this and then raised a hue and cry.

The accused firstly tried to pacify her but when she continuously called for help, the frustrated accused strangled her to death and fled the spot.

During the course of investigation, Police said, it also came to fore that at around 1700 hrs, 11-year-old daughter of the deceased came back to her home and after seeing her mother apparently dead, she called for help. Thereafter some of the neighbours including the accused came and took the lady to hospital where doctors declared her brought dead.

The accused, Altaf, 44 years old is a driver by profession who is unmarried and is living separately in the same house and accompanied the people when the dead body was being taken to the hospital so that no one would suspect his involvement in the murder.

A case under relevant sections of law already stands registered in Police Station Pampore and the accused has been arrested. Investigation of the case is going on, police added.

#### KU

the sources added.

The advertised posts (all Tenure Positions) include Registrar Main Campus, Librarian Allama Iqbal Library, Director Directorate of Physical Education and Sports, Director Information Technology and Support System, Director North Campus Baramulla and Director Institute of Technology, Zakura.

The appointment to the post of Registrar shall be tenure basis for a period of three years and to other tenure posts for a period of five years, as per the Brief Advertisement Notice No.1 of 2023 Dated 10/01/2023.

The Advertisement Notice mentions that the age of applicants should preferably be not more than 57 years for the post of Registrar and Librarian, while it will be 55 years for other posts.

The date for submission of online form/hard copy starts from January 16.

KNO reported several times in the last seven months that the University authorities were allegedly promoting favouritism on important administrative positions by not putting these positions to proper advertisement. The three year tenure of In-Charge Registrar Dr Nisar had ended last year in January 2022 and was awaiting proper advertisement since then. Academicians of the University had alleged that the Registrar was continuing without any formal orders on continuation.

The post of Director IT is being held for the last more than six years by one Scientist allegedly owing to his proximity with the administration. The In-Charge Director has not been rotated for six years in total violation of the University's own three year rotation policy for all HOD's and Directors.

The Scientist has faced serious allegations related to his Ph.D Degree and grant of huge sum of money in lakhs as medical reimbursement to his late mother's treatment allegedly in violation of reimbursement rules.

Sources said an inquiry is underway to ascertain the complaints made against the accused Scientist.

The academicians of KU have welcomed the Advertise-

ment Notice and demanded that the process of recruitment should be fast-tracked.

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should immediately remove incumbent officials holding the advertised posts so that there is no favouritism in the recruitment process. "If any of these officials happens to be an applicant for

"If any of these officials happens to be an applicant for any of the posts, then the whole process will be doubtful from the beginning," they said, adding that if these officials do not intend to apply, then they should furnish an undertaking before the VC that they will not apply for any of the positions—(KNO)

#### ACCIDENT

hospital, from where one of them was referred to a Srinagar for further treatment.Confirming the incident, a police official told HTNEWS-NETWORK they are collecting more details regarding the incident. Meanwhile CMO kupwara Dr Bashir Ahmad has also confirmed to HTNEWS-NETWORK about the accident and subsequent death of 2 persons and injuries to two others

#### **AZAD**

contenders for Larnoo seat which is reserved for the schedule tribes. Peerzada Muhammad Sayeed has influence in the seat as several areas of the erstwhile Kokernag assembly segment are part of the newly carved out ST seat.

Soon after Azad severed his association with the Congress and announced to launch a new political party, his loyalist and former MLA Choudhary Muhammad Akram was the first person to distance from him.

On August 26, Akram along with five other former law-makers resigned from the Congress in support of Azad. On December 22, Azad-led party faced a severe setback when its three top leaders- former deputy CM Tara Chand, former minister Manohar Lal Sharma and Balwan Singh- were expelled on charges of indulging in anti-party activities.

Last week, 17 of its leaders including for Tara Chand, former minister Peerzada Muhammad Sayeed, Balwan Singh returned to Congress ahead of J&K leg Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra.

Amid continuous exodus of leaders, senior Congress leader Jairam Ramesh today called it as "Disappearing Azad Party".

#### **DC SRINAGAR**

11000 in Phase-II (Target 1.5 Lac lot A + 1.5 Lac lot B) in Srinagar City by the project implementation Agency (PIA) RECPDCL. The contract has been awarded by RECPDCL(PIA) to M/S Techno Electric and M/S Anvil Cables respectively for Phase-I and Phase II Lot A. With a total consumer base of about 2.3 lacs in Srinagar city the target is to be completed this year by end of October. He shared with the meeting positive feedback given by consumers across the city, who benefited by installation of smart meters across the city.

On the Occasion, the Deputy Commissioner directed the concerned Revenue Officers to create awareness among the people regarding utility and advantages of smart metering in ensuring reliable supply of electricity. He asked all the Officers to work in close coordination to tackle any hurdle in the process of installation of smart meters amicably. He also said that strict action shall be taken against anybody hampering the process.

The DC stressed on launching a mass IEC campaign for sensitisation regarding installation of Smart meters, besides utilizing social media and other channels to familiarize and inform general people about the advantages of installation of smart meters.

#### GI

GI-tagged products symbolizing the empowerment of the artisans.

These initiatives are aimed to help recognize and promote age-old crafts and methods that are otherwise in danger of being lost due to urbanization and industrialization, Director H&H said.

It is worth mentioning here that machine made products have implied a challenge to the entire Handicraft and Handloom sectors, however the GI certification will go a long way in preserving the crafts as well as facilitating buyers in making the purchase of genuine handmade products.

So far 7 major crafts from Kashmir namely Kani Shawl, Pashmina, Sozni, Paper-Machie, Walnut Wood Carving, Khatamband, and Hand Knotted Carpets have already been GI certified. Besides, the process of GI registration of five more crafts viz., Kashmir Namda, Wagguv, Shikara, Gabba and Kashmir Willow Bat is already under process and the dossier for GI certification of all these crafts has been submitted with the GI authorities in Chennai last month.

### INDIAN ARMY CELEBRATES WORLD HINDI DAY AT SALDHAR & GOOL

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(Reasi), Gool (Ramban):To raise awareness and spread importance of Hindi language, Indian Army celebrated World Hindi Day at Saldhar and Gool on 10th January 2023 commemorating the anniversary of first World Hindi Conference held in 1975. To celebrate the occasion, Indian Army conducted Essay writing and Speech / Poem Reciting Competition at Saldhar of Reasi district for local children. During the event children brought out importance of Hindi language as an important tool of expression of positive thoughts and communication of ideas, which unites and brings people together.

Total of 39 Children participated in the event. The event was concluded with felicitation of children by distribution of prizes and giving vote of thanks by Indian Army. The promulgation of National language and active participation from the young minds is a step towards inculcating spirit of Unity in Diversity and strengthening bond between AWAM and Army.

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# Traffic Police City Jammu bids warm farewell to outgoing SSP Traffic on his transfer

JAMMU, 10 Jan 2023:Traffic Police City Jammu organized a warm farewell function at Conference Hall DPL Jammu for the outgoing SSP Traffic Dr Koshal Sharma, upon his transfer.

Outgoing SSP Traffic, Dr Koshal Sharma addressed the traffic police Officers/Officials for their gratitude and praising for their support and constant dedication towards the traffic management duties with integrity and sincerity.Dr Koshal Sharma commended their combined efforts for keeping things in well-coordinated way in city Jammu and encouraged the officers/ officials to work with same zeal and zest in future too.

Sh Raj Pal Singh ASP Traffic, Sh Neeraj Paddyar DySP Traffic north/Rural, Sh Bikram Kumar DySP Traffic south Jammu and all DTI's DTI Sohail Ahmad, DTI Opinder Singh, DTI Vikas Kant, DTI Rakesh Kumar, DTI Rakesh Sambyal, DTI Charanjeet Singh, DTI Imtiyaz Ahmad, DTI Atul Singh, DTI Sunil Singh, DTI Thakur Dutt, DTI Satvir Singh, DTI Kuljit Singh and I/c DTI Ravi Kumar and other concerned were present at the event.

In the end all the participants showed vote of thanks and best wishes for his upcoming assignments/posting and a momento was presented to the officer for his grateful attitude towards staff

# Division of FLA, SKUAST K Completed MSME Skill Programmes on Commercial Floriculture

DR.AB QAYOOM



Srinagar, Jan, 10: Division of Floriculture and Landscaping concluded Ministry of MSME Government of India sponsored training programmes on "Commercial Floriculture" involving youth belonging to districts of Kupwara, Bandipora, Budgam and Srinagar. Participants received hands on skill on start ups in turf business, value addition and propagation of high value ornamental crops besides use of uncultivable land for aromatic crop production. Valedictory function on 10-01-2023 was presided over by Professor Nazir Ah Ganaie Vice Chancellor of SKUAST -K who interacted with unemployed youth and encouraged them to take up entrepreneurship opportunities in Commercial Floriculture for sustainability. The valedictory function was attended by Professor Haroon Ah Naik (Director Planning & Monitoring cum Nodal officer of the MSME Programmes), Professor M A A Siddique (DSW), Professor S A Wani Dean FoH, Professor Nelofer, Professor Imtiyaz Tahir Nazki (Head Division of FLA) besides other scientists of the Division. Participants included International Gujjar Mahasabha members who appreciated the efforts of the Division and coordinators for conduct of such skill development programmes. The trainings were coordinated by Dr Qazi Altaf Hussain (Associate Professor) and Dr N H Masoodi( Assistant Professor) where in lectures comprising of various topics were delivered. The deliberations in the trainings were lively and thematic and practical demonstrations of topics were delivered by resource persons of various faculties of SKUAST K.

#### **Power shutdown**

JAMMU, JANUARY 10: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JP-DCL Jammu has informed that the power supply to Keya, Keitha, Kulwanta, Majouri, Gandtop and Basantgarh shall

remain affected on January 11 from 9 am to 4 pm. Similarly, the power supply to Salehar, Old Sarore, Pandoriyan, Kullian, Badyal, Kadyal, Chaatha, SKUAST, Indra Nagar and adjoining areas shall remain affected on January 11 from 9 am to 2 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Ratnuchak and adjoining areas shall remain affected on January 11 from 10 am to 2 pm.

# DDMA Shopian distributes DM equipments/ tools among frontline workers

SHOPIAN, JANUARY 10: The District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) Shopian today issued various rescue equipment and tools among frontline functionaries of different departments.

The officials stated that these equipment shall equip workers to tackle emergencies including Snow rescue more effectively.

On the occasion, large wood cutters, Snow Chains, Rubber shows, Safety shoes/Gloves/Helmets, Axes, Spades, Search lights, Blankets etc. were distributed at the function held at Mini Secretariat Shopian.

The tools were provided to Front line workers of departments like KPDCL, Health, Municipal Council, Revenue etc.

# Authorities impose fine on organizers for 'littering' the park in Budgam

Budgam, Jan 10, KNT: Administration in Central Kashmir's Budgam district has imposed a fine of Rs 50,000 against District President Food Employees Association for allegedly littering the public park in the district.

The district administration has even threatened to declare the election of the newly elected body of the Food Employees Association null and void, if it fails to pay the fine. An order issued by the office of Deputy Commissioner Budgam informs that Food Supplies Employees Association

ation had sought permission to conduct an event at Be-

hisht-e-Zehra (SA) Park adjacent to DC Office Budgam to meet out the prolonged issues of the department.

The order reads that the organizers have not maintained sanitation of the park and raw material, eatables etc, were found around the venue which shows the irresponsible be-

havior and non-seriousness of the organizers of the event. Taking cognizance of the evelopment, the district administration has imposed a penalty of Rs 50,000 on the organizers and has asked them to deposit the fine in the District Red Cross Account within two days failing which, the election of the newly elected body will be declared null and visid

District President Food Supplies Association Ajaz Khan told the news agency Kashmir News Trust that they have already written a letter to Deputy Commissioner Budgam requesting him to consider the order. "The organizers have already admitted the folly and have requested the authorities to charge a fine in four digits only from them," he said.

Pertinently, most roads and streets in Budgam lack bins and in places where there are bins, they are not easy to spot or are overflowing with garbage. [KNT].

### Achan Dumping Sit – nuisance for patients, attendants at SKIMS

Srinagar, Jan 10, KNT: Department of Housekeeping and Sanitation at SKIMS Soura is mulling writing to Srinagar Municipal Corporation asking it to redress the genuine matter with regard to the foul smell emanating from the "Achan Dumping Site", which continues to be a great source of inconvenience to patients and attendants at the hospital. "The patients admitted in SKIMS are facing tremendous problems, especially during the night due to the foul smell of "Achan Dumping Site", this is what the information seeker MM Shuja, who is a social activist wanted to know the official stand from the hospital authorities through an application filed by him under Right to Information Act. The hospital as per the news agency Kashmir News Trust has confirmed that it is a genuine problem and needs to be addressed.

"It is based on facts, and as such, it is to inform that the whole vicinity adjacent to the Dumping site of Srinagar Municipal Corporation (Achan) including SKIMS Hospital, its residential quarters, and other areas are facing tremendous problems, especially during the hot season and therefore the matter may please be taken up with the higher authorities of Srinagar Municipal Corporation Srinagar for redressal of this genuine grievance. [KNT]

### **Ration curtailment:**People stage protest in Maisuma

Srinagar, Jan 10, KNT: The ration curtailment issue continues to trigger protests in Kashmir capital Srinagar.

A large number of men and women Tuesday staged a protest in the Maisuma area of Srinagar city urging the government to roll back its order and provide ration to the people under the old scheme.

"Earlier we used to get 11 kgs of ration but that is not the case now. We are entitled to only 4 kg ration which is not sufficient for a family," the women protesters told the news agency Kashmily to the group would be taken agriculture.

The protesters appealed to the government to take serious note of the situation and roll back its earlier order.

"Rice is a staple food of people in Kashmir. Instead of stopping the additional ration, people should be given ration in abundance," the protesters said and appealed to the LG administration to take a decision on humanitarian grounds.

Pertinently, all the major political parties of Jammu and Kashmir including the Apni Party, National Conference, PDP, and Peoples Conference have been impressing the government to continue supplying ration to the people under the earlier scheme. [KNT]

#### JKAACL Paid tributes to Prof. Rehman Rahi at K.L.Saigal Hall, Jammu.

Jammu, January, 10, 2023:Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture and Languages, organised a condolence meeting to pay tributes to the Jnanpith Awardee Kashmiri poet and academician, Prof. Rehman Rahi who passed away on Monday after brief illness.

To mourn his demise a condolence meeting was held at K.L.Saigal Hall, J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages, Jammu. The meeting was presided over by Prof. Mohd. Zaman Azurda, famous Academician and former head Department of Kashmiri, University of Kashmir. Sh. Bharat Singh, JKAS, Secretary, JKAACL shared the dais with him.

Expressing deep sorrow over the demise of Prof. Rehman Rahi, the Secretary JKAACL conveyed his heartfelt sympathies and condolences to the members of the bereaved family and prayed for eternal peace to the departed soul. In his speech Secretary, JKAACL said that real tribute to Prof. Rehman Rahi will be by preserving his literary contributions for the future generations and JKAACL will be organising programmes on his literary contributions. In his concluding remarks Bharat Singh said that we have lost a great literary personality which can never be ful-

Prof. Zaman Azurda in his presidential address said that Prof rahi was a great academician, famous critic and a poet par excellence. His loss is irreparable.

The other dignitaries who expressed their gratitude included Shabir Mujahid, Former Director, Doordarshan, Ghulam Rasool Gadda, Ayash Arif, renowned artist, producer and Director, Asir Kishtwari, Former Director General accounts, Maqbool Ferozi, Pyare Hatash, Prof Rattan Talahi, Vijay Wali, Khalid Hussain and others.

### Secretary Sports Council meets All India Football Federation in Delhi

J&K Sports Council, Nuzhat Gull, today called on President All India Football Federation, Kalyan Chaubey and Secretary General, Dr. Shaji Prabhakaran in New Delhi to discuss the roadmap for accelerated football activities in the Union Territory of J&K.

Secretary, while elaborating people's love and passion for football in J&K, said that overwhelming public presence at TRC Football Stadium to watch Real Kashmir FC play indicates their deep urge for vigorous promotion of this world famous sports in the UT. There is huge need of boosting the frequency and quality of football events here, she added. She said that main purpose of this meeting is to work out strategies for restoring the pristine glory of this potential game in J&K which has enjoyed a numero-uno status for a long time.

She added that since AIFF in its 'Vision 2047', plans to develop football across the country and take Indian Football forward, J&K Football too aspires to reach its zenith. She hoped that AIFF will lend all possi-



new event.

Kalyan Chaubey, President AIFF,

giving details of the meeting, said that there is no dearth of sports tal-

ent in J&K and we are committed to

work with the stakeholders in the

region to bridge gap between the

dream and realization. We would

work earnestly towards ensuring

that the game and its infrastructure

in the region grow to a stage where

competitions could be conducted at

all the levels, he added."Discussions

were also held on hosting National

team camps, and capacity building

ble help in this direction. Nuzhat Gull informed that almost every district has a football stadium and more than fifty-plus stadia have a high mast lighting system and this year hundreds of matches were played across the union territory in the late hours. Citing an instance of the Industrial Cup held in the apple town of Sopore in North Kashmir, she said that a tourney like that turned into an alternate source of entertainment and since sports have a lot of community impact, we saw the number swelling with each

cially for women footballers.

cause. He said that AIFF is also conof this partnership in the month of March this year.

tary Sports Council, Nuzhat Gull.

of human resources in terms of referees, and coaches for both youth and grassroots level players espe-

Dr. Prabhakaran said, "since the Government of India has already taken a lot of sporting initiatives in J&K, AIFF will also chip in for the templating a possible MoU with the J&K administration to help build capacity in the local system and take the game forward in the UT. He hinted at a possible announcement

Connecting the links between Football and J&K, the tweet posted on the handle of President AIFF read, 'The electrifying event of FIFA World Cup 2022 Qatar, had threads of pashmina shawls as souvenirs by the Indian artisans. He had also posted a picture of him receiving one such souvenir from the Secre-It was informed on the occasion that efforts are being made to host the senior or youth national team jersey national camp for 2-3 weeks in J&K

### 'Yadav makes batting easier for India team-mates'

Yadav's incendiary shotmaking makes batting easier for his India team-mates, captain Hardik Pandya said after the team's T20 series victory against Sri Lanka in Rajkot.

Yadav, the top-ranked T20 batsman, smashed a 45-ball hundred in Saturday's decider against Sri Lanka and his unbeaten 112 powered India to an insurmountable

Yadav became the only player to score three T20 hundreds batting at No. 3 or lower, helping India stretch their unbeaten home streak to 12 series. "It makes my life very easy," Pandya said after India secured a 2-1 series victory. "The way he changes the game, the way he plays some shots, it actually breaks the morale of the bowler, which helps other batsmen as well.

Yadav's fearless shotmaking was in full display as he clobbered nine sixes, along with seven fours, in flattening Sri Lanka. Pandya put it down to the 32-year-old's uncluttered approach to batting.

"The kind of form he's in and the kind of clarity he has, you don't really need to go and speak to him," Pandya said. "He's always been very clear about his plan, and that's the reason he's successful in this format. He does not doubt his ability. Former Sri Lanka spearhead Lasith Malin-

ga was among those who doffed their hat at Yadav, fondly called 'SKY'.

"This is pure entertainment. A T20 batting masterclass from SKY. Loved watching ev-



ery minute of it even though it was against SL. Worlds best by far!" tweeted Malinga who played with Yadav for Mumbai Indiansin the Indian Premier League. Yadav became the only player to score three T20 hundreds batting at No. 3 or lower, helping India stretch their unbeaten home streak to 12 series. "It makes my life very easy, Pandya said after India secured a 2-1 series victory. "The way he changes the game, the way he plays some shots, it actually breaks the morale of the bowler, which helps other batsmen as well."Yadav's fearless shotmaking was in full display as he clobbered nine sixes, along with seven fours, in flattening Sri Lanka. Pandya put it down to the 32-year-old's uncluttered approach to batting."The kind of form he's in and the kind of clarity he has, you don't really need to go and speak to him," Pandya said.

#### **Bumrah ruled out of Sri Lanka ODI series**

Guwahati, (UNI) Team India pacer Jasprit Bumrah has been ruled out of the upcoming 3-match ODI series against Sri Lanka.Bumrah, who was set to join the team in Guwahati ahead of the ODI series, will need some more time to build bowling resilience. This decision has been taken as a precautionary measure

The All-India Senior Selection Committee has not named any replacement for Bumrah.

Amidst this, Skipper Rohit Sharma, vice-captain KL Rahul, Virat Kohli and Shreyas Iyer have joined the squad in Guwahati. They all were not part of the T20I

India will play their first ODI against Sri Lanka on

India's updated squad for Sri Lanka ODIs: Rohit Sharma (Captain), Shubman Gill, Virat Kohli, Suryakumar Yadav, Shreyas Iyer, KL Rahul (wk), Ishan Kishan (wk), Hardik Pandya (VC), Washington Sundar, Yuzvendra Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav, Axar Patel, Mohd. Shami, Mohd. Siraj, Umran Malik, Arshdeep Singh.

#### **Excited & nervous for FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World** Cup 2023': Abhishek

Rourkela, (UNI) A relatively new addition to the Indian Men's Hockey Team, young forward Abhishek is all set to make an impression at the FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 Bhubaneswar-Rourkela, starting from January 13.

The 23-year-old, who made his debut in the previous season of the FIH Hockey Pro League, said, "Playing for India at a home World Cup is a dream come true

"There is a lot of excitement, but at the same time, I am a bit nervous too. This will not only be my first World Cup, but also my first experience playing in front of a huge crowd. People of Odisha are very passionate about hockey, and it will be a great experience for me to play in front of them," he added.

Abhishek's hockey journey began in Sonepat, Haryana at the age of 11 when he saw his friends playing the sport in his school. The son of an Army man honed his skills under his school teacherand coach Shamsher Singh. "After starting from my school, I got selected in the National Hockey Academy, Delhi and after playing for Harvana in the national championships between 2013-2015. I earned my call-up for the Junior Camp." he stated. Abhishek was part of the Indian team that won the 2016 U-18 Asian Cup in Bangladesh. He scored the winning goal in the team's 5-4 win against the hosts in the Final. However, the forward couldn't progress further and was dropped from the junior national camp.

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### PSG leave out big three **but beat Chateauroux**

PARIS: Paris St Germain (PSG) rested their biggest stars but still won 3-1 at third-tier Chateauroux in the round of 64 of the Coupe de France on Friday night. With Lionel Messi, Kylian Mbappe and Neymar not even on the visiting bench,

PSG took the lead after 13 minutes with a

right-foot shot from Hugo Ekitike. The home team hit back with a 37th-minute goal by Natanael Ntolla and created several other chances before fading in the closing stages. Carlos Soler put the visitors back in the lead in the 78th minute, knocking in the rebound after home goal-

scored the third goal in added time. In the one mild upset of the night, second-division Pau eliminated Ligue 1 strugglers Montpellier.Mons Bassouamina gave the hosts the lead from close range after 25 minutes.

keeper Paul Delecroix had saved Ekitike's

header. Another Spaniard, Juan Bernat,

Montpellier dominated possession and levelled with a Valere Germain header in the 70th minute, but Pau struck on the counterattack as Mayron George scored



an 81st-minute winner following a defensive mix-up.In a meeting between the two bottom teams of Ligue 1, neither side managed to score but last-placed Angers eliminated Strasbourg 5-4 on penalties. Mons Bassouamina gave the hosts the lead from close range after 25 minutes.Montpellier dominated possession and levelled with a Valere Germain header in the 70th minute, but Pau struck on the counterattack as Mayron George scored an 81st-minute winner following a defensive mix-up.

#### Rohit Sharma's comeback to form is of vital importance to Team India: Irfan Pathan

Kolkata, (UNI) India starts their road to World Cup glory with a series of vital importance against Sri Lank at home.

The series will provide the team management with some crucial information about how the squad will line up for the ICC Men's ODI World Cup later this year and will provide clarity on who will play the major roles in the team.

Irfan Pathan, in an exclusive interaction with Star Sports, spoke on the importance of the ODI series, who the openers should be and the injury scares for some of the key players in the team. Speaking exclusively on Star Sports show 'Follow the Blues', former India cricketer Pathan spoke on what India's focus should be on the ODI series



'It is important to win the series, whatever series we play. The bilateral series or if you play the home or away series, it is important to win your confidence as well. But the aim would be the 2023 World Cup which is happening in India this October. So keeping the World Cup in mind, we need to focus on the team combination and select the 11 players according-

field only those players these 20 matches who will be playing the 2023 World Cup so that everyone gets enough time to prepare themselves and this preparation for the World Cup starts with the India vs Sri Lanka series."Pathan spoke on who the openers should be for Team India in ODI's, he said "I really think right now you should keep at least three openers in place, and for me Rohit and Ishan comes first and then obviously Shubman Gill. Shubman Gill is definitely a class act, the two T20 matches did not go well but he has the ability in him and he has performed well at one day cricket. So, it's important to have him at number three, but I will start with Rohit and Ishan

### France landed in Odisha with an eye on Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 Trophy

Bhubaneswar, (UNI) The France Men's Hockey Team were a sur-prise package in the last edition of the Men's Hockey World Cup in 2018 and will look to do better in the FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 Bhubaneswar-Rourkela as they reach Bhubaneswar to take part in the tournament.

They are placed in Pool A alongside Australia, Argentina and South Africa and will play the

in their first match of the tournament on January 13 in Bhubaneswar.

Head Coach Frederic Soyez is optimistic about their chances in the FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 Bhubaneswar-Rourkela. "We are not looking for the title at the moment. Our team is focused

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on the first match of the tourna ment right now and then we will see where we end up. We prepared for this tournament with

an aim to do better than the last year and I think we have the quality to perform well against the top teams," commented Soyez. France have several stars in their

team and one of the players is Timothee Clement, who also won the Player of the Tournament award nior World Cup. However

the Head Coach stated that they intend to play as a team rather than focusing on a few players. "Clement is one of the players in our team and has some really good

and they are looking forward to prove their worth in the FIH Odiqualities but at the same time, we sha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 want to do well as a team. Our Bhubaneswar-Rourkela," team have a lot of good players



mented Soyez. Meanwhile, France's Captain Victor Charlet spoke about his team's

the tournament and also cleared his intentions of going for the trophy.He said, "Definitely our target is to win the Men's Hockey World Cup and we are looking forward to play aggressive hockey. We have a lot of quality in our side and are capable of defeating any big team in the tournament with fast and aggressive hockey. As a team, we want to win the trophy and create history."He said, "Definitely our target is to win the Men's Hockey World Cup and we are looking forward to play aggressive hockey. We have a lot of quality in our side and are capable of defeating any big team in the tournament with fast and aggressive hockey. As a

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