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A Momentous Day For J&K

Entrepreneurship Is Not Merely A Means Of Livelihood For Youth But A Potent Instrument To Fulfill Their Aspirations: LG Sinha

■ HT News Network

JAMMU, MAR 14: In a major step towards economic empowerment of displaced and migrant communities, J&K Government today provided financial support to 350 youth belonging to displaced families of PoJK, West Pakistan Refugees and Kashmiri Migrant families, to start their own business venture.

The historic event was presided over by Lieutenant Governor Shri Manoj Sinha at Convention Centre.

"It is a momentous day for J&K. The financial assistance extended to displaced families of PoJK, West Pakistan Refugees and Kashmiri Migrant families today will help them to realize their dreams and



ignite entrepreneurial culture in the community," the Lt Governor said.

He said, during the Special Governance camp, various government departments, District Industry Centres, KVIB, J&K Mission Youth in collaboration with J&K Bank and Relief & Rehabilitation department conducted outreach programme and reached out to the youth aspiring to start their own business enterprise and contribute to the society.

The Lt Governor highlighted the resolve of the UT Administration, under the guidance of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, to create a progressive entrepreneurial ecosystem in the UT.

"Entrepreneurship is not merely a means of livelihood for youth but

a potent instrument to fulfill their aspirations and dreams. J&K Government is committed to provide support for skill development and entrepreneurship opportunity to empower the future of the youth," the Lt Governor said.

The Lt Governor called upon the youth, especially the girls of the displaced and migrant communities to come forward and avail the benefits of self-employment schemes of the government.

He also commended the J&K Bank for 'Sewa Se Swabhimaan', a dedicated initiative for the economic empowerment of Kashmiri Migrants and displaced families of PoJK and West Pakistan Refugees.

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Corruption, Mis-Governance, Fuelling Anti-National Agenda Are INDI Alliance's Ideology: PM Modi

■ HT News Network

NEW DELHI, MAR 14: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday accused the opposition INDIA bloc of being guided by corruption, mis-governance and fuelling anti-national agenda, asserting he stands for rooting out corruption and appeasement.

His ideology is ensuring the coun-



try's welfare through people's welfare, he said at a programme here attended by the beneficiaries of PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi scheme, under which loan is given to street vendors.

Targeting the opposition alliance which has united in the national capital to take on the BJP in the Lok Sabha polls, he said they have come together on the agenda of "abusing" him day and night. The Aam Aadmi Party and the Congress have joined hands in Delhi where all seven Lok Sabha seats are held by the BJP.

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NEWS BRIEF

ED Attaches Rs 2.45 Crore Properties In Bank Loan Fraud Case

SRINAGAR, MAR 14: The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has provisionally attached several immovable properties worth Rs 2.45 crore in connection with an alleged Rs 233 crore money laundering scam, officials said on Thursday.

ED said the immovable properties in the form of residential houses having a value amounting to Rs. 2.45 Crore, related to former J&K State Co-operative Bank Chairman Mohammad Shafi Dar and Abdul Hamid Hajam, Secretary of River Jhelum Cooperative House Building Society, a "fictitious firm", were attached.

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SIU Srinagar Produces Chargesheet In 2022 Cop Killing Case

SRINAGAR, MAR 14: The Special Investigation Unit (SIU) of Jammu and Kashmir Police on Thursday produced a charge sheet in the killing of a cop in Srinagar in 2022.

The chargesheet was produced against two militants, one of them dead in the Court of NIA Srinagar.

On May 7, 2022 Constable Ghulam Hassan Dar, working as a driver, was on way to his office when militants fired upon him near Aiwa Bridge along the Ali Jan road in Srinagar. Dar later succumbed to his injuries.

The case was investigated by SIU and they filed the chargsheet against the two accused militants Adil Ahmad Parray of Badragund Ganderbal and

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Police Solve Burglary Case, 6 Arrested In Kulgam

SRINAGAR, MAR14: Police solved a burglary case with the arrest of six persons involved in the crime and recovery of stolen property from their possession in Kulgam district of Jammu and Kashmir on Thursday.

Police registered a case and started an investigation after it received a burglary complaint.

During the investigation, six suspected persons were zeroed in who later on confessed their involvement in the commission of crime.

The accused have been identified as Reyaz Ahmad Lone a resident of

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J&K ACB Registers Disproportionate Assets Case Against Retired SE

■ HT News Network

SRINAGAR, MAR 14: Jammu and Kashmir's Anti-Corruption Bureau on Thursday registered a disproportionate assets case against a retired Superintendent Engineer.

The FIR was registered against Mohammad Ayub Wani, a resident of Nihama, Pulwama, in south Kashmir, who retired as Superintendent Engineer PMGSY (Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana) Circle Baramulla.

The ACB said the suspect is in possession of huge assets, both immovable and movable, and has purchased gold ornaments worth lakhs of rupees.

The assets were found disproportionate to his known source of income during the verification, the ACB said.

"The omissions and commissions on the part of the above-named public servant constitute offences punishable under U/S 5(1)(e) r/w 5(2) J&K PC Act, Svt. 2006. Accordingly, a case FIR No. 05/2024 is registered

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After Rain, Snowfall, Weather Likely To Remain Dry During The Next 7 Days In J&K: MeT



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After rain and snowfall, the weather improved and is

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SRINAGAR, MAR 14:

J&K DMA Issues Avalanche Warning For 8 Districts In Next 24 Hours

■ HT News Network

SRINAGAR, MAR 14: Jammu and Kashmir Disaster Management Authority (JKDMA) on Thursday

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Will Not Allow J&K To Become Punjab, Need Fight Narco-Trade Effectively In J&K: DGP

■ HT News Network

JAMMU, MAR 14: Stating that narco-trade is emerging as a major challenge, Jammu and Kashmir Director General of Police R R Swain on Thursday said that police and other security forces need to

'dig the tunnel from both ends' to effectively deal with the menace.

"Drug trade is emerging as a major challenge and it has to be addressed properly," the DGP said speaking to media persons after inaugurating the Drug De-Addiction and Mental Rehabilitation



Centre here at Channi-Himmat.

"We need to dig the tunnel from both ends," he said adding to a query that how big a challenge was narcotics trade, the DGP said, "J&K is a border state, which lies on the western side of the

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JU PLAYS PIVOTAL ROLE IN OFFERING MULTIDISCIPLINARY EDUCATION: CS

■ HT News Network

JAMMU, MAR 14: Jammu and Kashmir Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo on Thursday said that as a hub for higher education institutions in the region, the University of Jammu plays a pivotal role in offering multidisciplinary education, fostering research-oriented undergraduate training, and introducing



innovative programmes such as the "Design Your Degree" initiative.

He was speaking at the closing ceremony of a three-day workshop on Capacity Building and Leadership Development for the implementation of NEP 2020, with special emphasis on Internationalisation of Higher Education, inaugurated by the Lieutenant Governor and

Chancellor, University of Jammu, Manoj Sinha.

Dulloo highlighted the significance of capacity building in leadership development, considering India's position as the world's second-largest education system.

With a substantial portion of the youth pursuing higher education, he emphasised

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11 RDD Employees Issued Notice Over Absenteeism In Kishtwar

■ HT News Network

KISHTWAR, MAR 14: Assistant Commissioner Development, Phulail Singh Bandal has taken decisive action by issuing show cause notices to 11 Rural Development Department (RDD) employees of Block Bonjwah on Wednesday.

The notices have been served to 11 absentee employees, comprising 5 Gram Rozgar Sewaks (GRSs), 2 Management Information System (MIS) operators, 1 Community Information and

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Anticipation Builds As Political Parties Hope For Timely Assembly Polls In JK

■ HT News Network

SRINAGAR, MAR 14: With anticipation mounting, political parties in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir are hopeful that the much-awaited Assembly polls could be conducted either independently or simultaneously with the Lok Sabha elections later this year.

The last Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir took place in 2014, preceding the reorganization of the erstwhile state into two Union territories on August 5, 2019.

Chief Election Commissioner (CEC)

Rajiv Kumar has emphasized that a decision regarding separate or simultaneous elections would be made after a thorough review of security concerns and feedback.

Despite the complexities involved, Kumar maintained that there was no delay on the part of the Election Commission in facilitating Assembly polls in the UT.

The demand for expedited assembly elections has gained momentum from mainstream parties in Jammu and Kashmir.

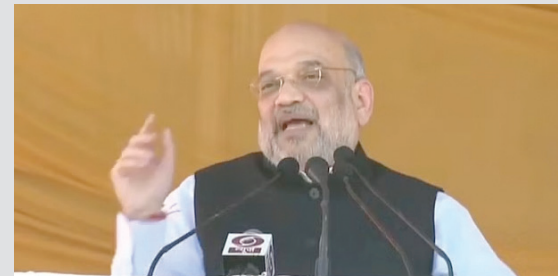
Chief Election Commissioner

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CAA Will Never Be Taken Back", Amit Shah Makes Categorical Statement

■ HT News Network

NEW DELHI, MAR 14: Days after the central government notified the Citizenship Amendment Act, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said that the law will



never be taken back and the BJP-led government will never compromise with it.

In an interview to news agency, Amit Shah said, "This is our sovereign right to ensure Indian citizenship in our country, we will never compromise on it and CAA will never be taken back."

Asked about the opposition INDIA bloc, specifically a Congress leader stating that they would repeal the law when they will come to power, the Home Minister said that even the opposition is aware it has bleak chances of coming to power.

"Even INDI alliance knows that it will not come

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اطلاع عام

ہر خاص و عام کو بذریعہ اشتہار مطلع کیا جاتا ہے کہ بجلی کمیشن ذریعہ کنٹرول نمبر 0206050013741 جو کہ عبدالرحمان گورو ولد عبدالصمد گورو کے نام پر درج ہے۔ اس کو اسپتے نام یعنی دبیر احمد صوفی ولد غلام محی الدین صوفی کے نام تبدیل کروانا مطلوب ہے۔ اس بارے میں اگر کسی کو کوئی غمراہ یا اعتراض ہو تو سات دنوں کے اندر اسلٹن ایگزیکٹو مینجیر (بی ڈی ڈی) سب ڈویژن نارہ پل کے دفتر میں پیش کریں۔ مقررہ میعاد گزرنے کے بعد کوئی بھی مداخلت یا اعتراض قابل قبول نہ ہوگا۔

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وسیم احمد صوفی

ولد غلام محی الدین صوفی

آفیس آف دی ایگزیکٹو مجسٹریٹ

درجہ اول تحصیل واگورہ

عبدال مجید خان ولد فیروز احمد خان ساکنہ چندوسہ تحصیل واگورہ ضلع بارہمولہ کے فرزند ندیم مجید خان کی تاریخ پیدائش 2014/09/10 ہے۔ اب اس سے اپنے فرزند کی پیدائشی سرٹیفکیٹ نکالنی مطلوب ہے اس سلسلے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی غمراہ یا اعتراض ہو تو وہ سات دن کے اندر اندر ایگزیکٹو مجسٹریٹ درجہ اول تحصیل واگورہ یا (بی ڈی ڈی او) آفس واگورہ میں پیش کرے۔ میاد گزرنے کے بعد کوئی غمراہ یا اعتراض قبول نہیں ہوگا

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درجہ اول تحصیل دارواگورا

آفیس آف دی ایگزیکٹو مجسٹریٹ

درجہ اول تحصیل واگورہ

نظیر احمد ٹ ولد غلام محمد ٹ ساکنہ بھہار چندوسہ تحصیل واگورہ ضلع بارہمولہ کے اولاد ٹ... قریب نظیر کی تاریخ پیدائش 20132/09/22

پیدائش 20183/10/08... جس نظیر کی تاریخ پیدائشی 2015/12/08 ہے اب اس سے اپنے اولاد ٹ کی پیدائشی سرٹیفکیٹ نکالنی مطلوب ہے اس سلسلے میں اگر کسی شخص کو کوئی غمراہ یا اعتراض ہو تو وہ سات دن کے اندر اندر ایگزیکٹو مجسٹریٹ درجہ اول تحصیل واگورہ یا (بی ڈی ڈی او) آفس واگورہ میں پیش کرے۔ میاد گزرنے کے بعد کوئی غمراہ یا اعتراض قبول نہیں ہوگا

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درجہ اول تحصیل دارواگورا

SAD DEMISE



With Profound Grief and sorrow, we inform the sad Demise of Raziya Dar W/O Ghulam Qadir Dar R/O Bilal Colony Qammarwari Srinagar, who left for heavenly abode on Wednesday i.e; 13 March 2024. May Almighty Grant Departed soul highest place in Jannah. The congregational Fatih-e-Khawani will be Held at his ancestral Graveyard at Sayed Sahab Chattabal. On Friday, i.e., 15 March 2024 at 2 :15 pm

Bereaved Family

Contact:

7006021121, 6005271830

دارالعلوم جامعۃ الاخلاص نثرال میں

حسینار بھندری کی پروفار تقریب

دستار بندی کی تقریب معروف عالم دین اوسامی کا ضلعت الاسلامی نقی نے برآمدگی صاحب نے انجام دی

ترانہ، 10 مارچ 2024

جامعۃ الاخلاص ترائل کی جانب سے آج یعنی ۱۰ مارچ ۲۰۲۴ بروز اتوار کو دستار بندی کی ایک پرفار تقریب منعقد ہوئی جس میں دارالعلوم جامعۃ الاخلاص میں تشکیل خطفہ قرآن کے مناسبت سے ۱۵ ہونہار اسکاٹن علیا دی دستار بندی کی گئی، جن کے نام یوں ہیں: ۱) حافظ خائب چادید ولد چادید احمد ساکنہ آڈری پل ترائل دوسری جماعت کا طالب علم۔ ۲) حافظ ساجد علی خان ولد علی محمد خان ساکنہ آڈری پل ترائل، دوسری جماعت کا طالب علم۔ ۳) حافظ شفاق بشیر ولد بشیر احمد گور ساکنہ زرداری بارہ، دوسری جماعت کا طالب علم ۴) حافظ شفاق سیف، ولد سیف کوچر ساکنہ زرداری بارہ پانچامڑوئیں جماعت۔ ۵) حافظ عبدالعظیم کھٹن ولد مشتاق احمد کھٹن ساکنہ: دورنگا، آٹھویں جماعت۔ ۶) حافظ معین اشراف، ولد محمد اشراف ساکنہ: آبدارال عاتونین جماعت کا طالب ہے۔ خیال رہے حافظ صاحب اشراف نے صرف ۱۵ گھنٹے قلم مدت میں تشکیل خطفہ قرآن پاک کیا ہے۔ جو کہ اسلامی تاریخ اور دارالعلوم جامعۃ الاخلاص کی تاریخ میں سب سے بڑے عرف میں درج کیا جائے گا۔ مذکورہ طالب علموں نے دارالعلوم جامعۃ الاخلاص سے شیعہ تحفظ القرآن میں خطفہ کی تکمیل کی ہے۔ دستار بندی کی یہ پرفار تقریب سچ مٹا رہے ہیں جیسے سجدہ راؤ دورنگا پانچین میں شروع ہوئی۔ معروف عالم دین اوسامی کا راجج اللہ ربہ حضرت اقدس مفتی نذر احمد قادری صاحب نے خطفہ قرآن کی دستار بندی کے فرائض انجام دیے اور ان کی حوصلہ افزائی فرمائی۔ اس موقع پر حضرت مولانا مفتی نذر احمد قادری صاحب نے اہل ان فز دیان پیش کیا۔ اس موقع پر مداحی گیلں کی بھی انتظام کیا گیا۔ دستار بندی کی اس روایتی اور مقدس تقریب میں لوگوں کی ایک کثیر تعداد نے شرکت کر کے اس نورانی مجلس میں اپنے ایمان و ایمان کو مزید گہرا کرنا اور قرآن مجید کی تعلیمات پر عمل کرنے کی عہد شکنی کیلئے خیال رہے۔ یہ تمام آفاقی کام پانک اور نعمت قبول رسول ﷺ سے ہوا۔ حافظ شفاق سیف نے کام پاک کی جلالت کی جگہ رکھیں اسلام نے نعمت قبول رسول ﷺ پیش کیا۔ اس کے بعد جامعۃ الاخلاص کے چہرہ نما رطلے، شہین آواز میں ترانہ اخلاص پیش کیا۔

یاد رہے جامعۃ الاخلاص ترائل سے ابھی تک قلم مدت میں 20 کے قریب طلباء نے خطفہ قرآن مکمل کر کے فراغت حاصل کی۔

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR BIRTHS & DEATHS BLOCK PAHALGAM Subject: Issuance of Registration Orders in respect of delayed Birth/ Death certificate.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This office is in receipt of representation from: GHULAM RASOOL WANI R/O, LIDROO PAHALGAM Tehsil PAHALGAM District ANANTNAG for issuance of Birth Certificate in favour of daughter namely MUSRAT JAN D/O GHULAM RASOOL WANI R/O LIDROO D.O.B as per documents is 06 /01/2010& event shown to be occurred at home In this connection if anyone have any objection in the registration of birth certificate shall present his/her claim to this office BDO office PAHALGAM within 07 days, after that no objection shall be entertained.

REGISTRATION BIRTH & DEATH
(BLOCK DEVELOPMENT OFFICE PAHALGAM)

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for information of general public that the (Electric bill) power connection is registered on my fathers name ABDUL KHALIQ LONE R/O MAQDOM MOHALLAH SOZEITH ..Now this Connection bearing Consumer ID NO 0206050001578 wants to be registered on my name NAZIR AHMAD LONE S/O LATE ABDUL KHALIQ LONE R/O MAQDAM MOHALLAH SOZEITH .If anybody have any objection in this regard He/She may file his/her objection in the office of ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PDD NARBAL DIVISION IV BUDGAM within seven days from the date of publication of this notice after that no objection will be entertained.

NAME..NAZIR AHMAD LONE
S/O ...LATE ABDUL KHALIQ LONE
R/O .. MAQDAM MOHALLAH SOZEITH
DISTT. BADGAM

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR BIRTHS & DEATHS BLOCK WAGOORA Subject: Issuance of Registration Orders in respect of delayed Birth/ Death certificate.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This office is in receipt of representation from:SUMEE JEHN W/O PARVEZ AHMAD WANI R/O, DOLIPORA KREERI Tehsil KREERI District Baramulla for issuance of Birth Certificate in favour of my daughters namely MAIRA PARVEZ D/O PARVEZ AHMAD WANI R/O DOLIPORA KREERI D.O.B as per documents is 03/08/2019 & event shown to be occurred at (SDH) kreeri In this connection if anyone have any objection in the registration of birth certificate shall present his/her claim to this office or Tehsildar Kreeri/Wagoora /BDO office Wagoora within 07 days, after that no objection shall be entertained.

REGISTRATION BIRTH & DEATH
(BLOCK DEVELOPMENT OFFICE WAGOORA)

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR BIRTHS & DEATHS BLOCK PAHALGAM Subject: Issuance of Registration Orders in respect of delayed Birth/ Death certificate.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This office is in receipt of representation from: MOHAMMAD RAFIQ GOJER CHOHAN S/O MIRYA GOJER CHOHAN R/O, LEHANDAGAM Tehsil PAHALGAM District ANANTNAG for issuance of Birth Certificate in favour of my daughter namely ULFAT JAN D/O MOHAMMAD RAFIQ GOJER CHOHAN R/O LEHANDAGAM D.O.B as per documents is 01 /03/2011& event shown to be occurred at home. In this connection if anyone have any objection in the registration of birth certificate shall present his/her claim to this office /BDO office PAHALGAM within 07 days, after that no objection shall be entertained

REGISTRATION BIRTH & DEATH
(BLOCK DEVELOPMENT OFFICE PAHALGAM)

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR BIRTHS & DEATHS BLOCK PALGAM Subject: Issuance of Registration Orders in respect of delayed Birth/ Death certificate.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This office is in receipt of representation from: MOHAMMAD RAFIQ GOJER CHOHAN S/O MIRYA GOJER CHOHAN R/O, LEHANDAGAM Tehsil PAHALGAM District ANANTNAG for issuance of Birth Certificate in favour of my daughter namely ULFAT JAN D/O MOHAMMAD RAFIQ GOJER CHOHAN R/O LEHANDAGAM D.O.B as per documents is 01 /03/2011& event shown to be occurred at home In this connection if anyone have any objection in the registration of birth certificate shall present his/her claim to this office /BDO office PAHALGAM within 07 days, after that no objection shall be entertained

REGISTRATION BIRTH & DEATH
(BLOCK DEVELOPMENT OFFICE PAHALGAM)

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR BIRTHS & DEATHS BLOCK WAGOORA Subject: Issuance of Registration Orders in respect of delayed Birth/ Death certificate.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This office is in receipt of representation from: HAS-EENA BEGUM W/O ABDUL RASHID HAJAM R/O, KACHWA MUQAM Tehsil wagoora District Baramulla for issuance of Birth Certificate in favour of my son namely OWAIS RASHID HAJAM D/O ABDUL RASHID HAJAM R/O KACHWA MUQAM D.O.B as per documents is 06 /01/2010& event shown to be occurred at home In this connection if anyone have any objection in the registration of birth certificate shall present his/her claim to this office or Tehsildar Kreeri/Wagoora /BDO office Wagoora within 07 days, after that no objection shall be entertained

REGISTRATION BIRTH & DEATH
(BLOCK DEVELOPMENT WAGOORA)

Government of Jammu & Kashmir (UT) OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER R&B DIVISION PULWAMA.

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TENDER NOTICE

E-NIT No: Fresh 269 /EEP/RNB/of 2023-24/15236-46

Dated: 14 /03/2024

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, J&K UT term e-tenders (In Single Cover system) are invited on **%age Basis** from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K State Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Government for the following work :-

S. No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. Lacs.)	Cost of T/D (Rs.)	Earnest Money (In %age.)	Time of Completion in working Days	Class of Contract	Major Head of Accounts	Administrative Accord Approval No:	Call No:
1.	Temporary/Restoration of scouring of bidge Pier left one of Hajibal foot bridge.	25.25	1100/	2% of Adv. cost	30 working Days	BEE Aay	Capex budget 2023-24	33-Se/PS of 2023-24 dt. 21-09-2023 and Se's no Se/PS/5217 dated 01.12.2023	gn call

The Bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, bill of quantities (B.O.Q),

Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of date given below:-

1.	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	14 - 03- 2024
2.	Bid downloading Start Date	14-03 -2024 from 10:00 A.M
3.	Bid submission Start Date	14- 03-2024 from 10:00 A.M
4.	Bid Submission End Date	19 - 03-2024 upto 0 4:00 P.M
5.	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	20 - 03 -2024 at 11.00 A.M in the Office of the Executive Engineer R&B Div.Pulwama
6.	Submission of Performance Security(PS)	Within three (03) days of receipt of LOA. (The First lowest successful bidder has to provide 5% of allotted cost as Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG and EMD of 2% shall be released after receipt of 5% Performance security.

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in the shape of Treasury Challan /Receipt as per Annexure -C (Debited to M.H.0059 PWD) and EMD in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to the Executive Engineer R&B Div. Pulwama (The Date of Treasury Challan and EMD should be between the date of start of bid and Bid Submission End date.
- The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Div. Pulwama
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of bids.
- EMD in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG in favour of the Executive Engineer R&B Div. Pulwama**
- The Contractors are advised to visit the site and to be aware of the conditions for launching at site of work before quoting the rates.
- The contractor shall also be responsible for any theft/ damage to any of the component at site and the cost of damage/ theft if any shall be deducted from the work done or CDR of the Contractor till completion of work and handing over.
- The 1st lowest bidder has to produce an amount equal to 5% of contract as Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Pulwama within three (03) days after the date of receipt of letter of acceptance and shall be released after successful completion of DLP. The Bank Guarantee should be valid for 45 days beyond DLP.

Government of Jammu & Kashmir Office Of The Executive Engineer (R&B) Electric Division Kashmir, Engineering Complex Srinagar Rajbagh. NOTICE INVITING TENDER

E-NIT No. 86/R&B/Electric Division Kashmir of 2023-24 issued under Endorsement No: ERB/4544-52 DATED: 14-03-2024.

For and on behalf of the LT. Governor, J&K (U/T) e-tenders (in Double cover system) are invited on percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K UT Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State/ UT/ Central Government Departments for the following works:-

SL No.	Name of Work	Estimate d. Cost (In Rs.)	Tender/ Doc. (In Rs.)	2% Earnest Money (In Rs.)	Time of Completi on (Calenda r Days)	Class of Contract	Major Head of Account	Re-marks
01	Construction of CRC College building B.W.O Providing Electrification facility to ground floor, L.T Cabling and servo stabilizer to composite regional centre Bemina Srinagar.	33.603 Lacs	Rs. 1100/=	66,673/=	Side by Side Civil Works	“AAY” Class Electrical	Administrative Approval accorded by office in-charge composite Regional Centre for Skill Development and Empowerment of persons with Disabilities vide no. CRC-Spr/PWD J&K/23/4071 Dt-06-11-2023.	

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	14-03-2024
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	14-03-2024from 06:00 PM
3	Bid submission Start Date	14-03-2024from 06:00 PM
4	Bid Submission End Date	20-03-2024 upto 02.00 PM
5	Date & time of opening of Technical Bids (Online)	21-03-2024 at 04.00 PM in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Electric Division Kashmir, Engineering Complex Srinagar Rajbagh.
6	Date & time of opening of Financial Bids (Online)	To be notified after technical bid evaluation is completed.

Position of AAA= Accorded

Position of T/= Accorded

Position of funds= Available/ Committed.

- The bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, drawings, bill of quantities(BOQ), set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen (downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below:-
- Note:- The Bidders are advised to read all conditions laid down in the E-NIT carefully before uploading soft s copy.
- Any short fall found in the softcopy will tender the Bid rejected.
- As per Circular issued by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir Civil Secretariat Finance department vide No. OM No. A/24(2017)-651 dtd.07-06-2018which reads as under:-
- Furnishing of Hard Copies of bids immediately after submission of e-tenders is dispensed with. The same should be obtained only from the Bidder who's declared 1st Lowest (L-1) after opening of financial bids.
- I. The Cost of tender document should be collected by introducing Treasury Challan (Receipt).
- 1.1. The successful Bidder has to produce Performance Security Deposit @5% of contract value in the shape of CDR/ FDR within 02 days after opening of Bids which shall be released after successful completion of work with DLP. The EMD @ 2% of successful bidder will be released only after the submission of 5% performance secondary deposit.
- 1.2. The bidder who so ever participate the e-tenders floated by this office will submit Additional Performance security in shape of CDR/FDR at the time of issuance of Allotment Order in case the bidder has submitted below Percentage Bid against the Advertised Cost for the work as per below mentioned percentage Breakup in order to avoid unbalancing of e-tender and shall be released after 75% completion of work:-
- | S. No. | % age of Unbalanced bid Viz-a-viz advertised cost on account of Low Rate. | Additional Performance security to be Deposited |
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| 1. | Upto and including 15% | NIL |
| 2. | Greater than 15% upto & including 20% | 5% of Advertised Cost |
| 3. | Greater than 20% upto & including 25% | 10% of Advertised Cost |
| 4. | Greater than 25% upto & including 30% | 15% of Advertised Cost |
| 5. | Greater than 30% below | 20% of Advertised Cost |
- 2.The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web Site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of the Executive Engineer R&B Electric Division Kashmir, Srinagar (Tender receiving authority).
- 3.The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of120 days from the date of opening of bids.
- 4.The earnest money (EMD) shall be released in favour of unsuccessful bidders only after submission of Treasury Challan.
- 5.The earnest money may be forfeited if:-
- a.Any bidder/ tendered with draws his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.

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**Executive Engineer,
(R&B) Electric Division Kashmir
Engineering Complex Srinagar Rajbagh**

**DATED:- 14-03-2024.
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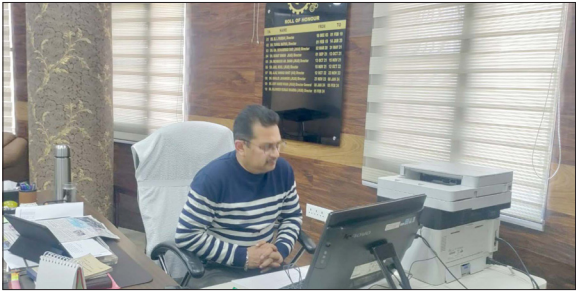
Director JKEDI e-inaugurates three EDPs under SANKALP at Ramban

Urges aspirants to take entrepreneurship as career

■ HT News Network

JAMMU, MARCH 14: Director, Jammu and Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI), Rajinder Kumar Sharma today e-inaugurated three Entrepreneurship Development Programs (EDPs) under Skills Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP) for aspiring entrepreneurs of Ramban.

The five day EDPs are being conducted at Industrial Training Institute (ITI), Banihal, Ramban and Government Higher Secondary School, Batote in which 120 aspirants were enrolled.



The trainees include entrepreneurs who have started their business ventures as well as aspiring entrepreneurs who intend to become self-reliant under different government-sponsored schemes.

While interacting with the trainees, Director JKEDI, Rajinder Kumar Sharma urged them to choose entrepreneurship and self

employment avenues to reduce dependency on government jobs. He directed the JKEDI district officers to facilitate training programs for prospective entrepreneurs in a professional manner and make it interactive so that the aspirants are motivated to take up entrepreneurship as their career option. He also urged the course team to

brief the participants about the different facets of J&K Startup Policy 2024-27 so that they are able to avail its benefits in future.

On the occasion, Henna Latief, who runs and owns a food processing unit "Bahi Foods" at Banihal shared her experience as an entrepreneur. She remarked that she has been able to establish her dream business unit which is providing employment to many people despite several challenges.

Another entrepreneur, Lalita Devi from Batote who runs a mushroom cultivation unit said that she is happy to be part of SANKALP training program and hopes that it will help her to realise her dream of

Voluntary Medicare Society and JK Bank Partner for Speech and Hearing Wellness in Kupwara

■ DR.AB QAYOOM

Kupwara, Mar, 14: In a concerted effort to expand healthcare accessibility, the Voluntary Medicare Society has collaborated with JK Bank to host a Speech and Hearing Assessment Intervention Camp at KVK-Kupwara. This joint initiative brings together specialized medical professionals to offer comprehensive assessments and interventions for individuals with speech and hearing disorders. Held at KVK-Kupwara, the camp provides a platform for patients to receive expert care and support tailored to their needs. The partnership between Voluntary Medicare Society and JK



Bank exemplifies their shared commitment to community welfare and healthcare empowerment. Through this collaboration, they aim to address crucial healthcare gaps and enhance the quality of life for individuals facing

speech and hearing challenges. This camp symbolizes the efficacy of collaborative efforts in driving positive change and advancing healthcare services within our community. Together, we endeavor to foster inclusivity and

support for individuals with speech and hearing impairments, promoting their holistic well-being and integration into society. Dr. Kasir Mohi uddin Malik, head and senior scientist, expressed gratitude for the dedication of the staff and highlighted the societal impact of such initiatives. He extended thanks to VC SKUAST-K Pro, Nazir Ah Ganie, and Director Extension, Prof Dil Mohammad Makhdoom, for their guidance and support in extending assistance not only in agricultural and horticultural activities but also in societal welfare endeavors. Today's program is a testament to the collective efforts directed by SKUAST-K Officials towards the betterment of society.

H&H Directorate Jammu hosts Awareness Programme; Gives away certificates to Pass-out trainees

■ HT News Network

JAMMU, MARCH 14: Director Handicrafts and Handloom Jammu Suraj Parkash Rukwal today gave away certificates to pass out trainees at an awareness programme organized in the office of Assistant Director Handicrafts Janipur.

The event, organised under the guidance of Vikramjit Singh, Commissioner Secretary to Government Industries & Commerce Department, also included an insightful inspection of the Showroom Complex, which serves as a sale outlet and houses exquisite products made by the craftsmen of Jammu division.

During the event, Director Handloom & Handicrafts encouraged artisans and interacted with them about the problems and issues that they are facing. He further inspired passed trainees and encouraged them to make cooperative societies in order to become self-reliant and self-employed.

He also shed light on various departmental schemes, where the youth can approach for development of skills and organize themselves into cooperatives to avail benefit of various Centrally/UT sponsored schemes like Weavers Mudra Scheme, National Handloom Development Programme, Credit Card Scheme for Artisans & weavers, Financial Support Scheme for Cooperatives besides availing soft loans and subsidies for entrepreneurship development aiming to raise awareness and provide support to artisans.

The event concluded with a gesture of hospitality, as tea and refreshments were served to all attendees, fostering a sense of community spirit

AB-PMJAY revolutionises Healthcare in Ramban district Over 6200 patients avial free treatment worth Rs. 3.22 crore

■ HT News Network

RAMBAN, MARCH 14: Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojna (AB-PMJAY), has emerged as a beacon of hope for the residents of Ramban district, offering a lifeline of quality healthcare services and cashless & free medical treatment.

In a region where access to healthcare can often be a challenge, AB-PMJAY has become a cornerstone of the healthcare landscape, providing much-needed relief to individuals and families facing medical emergencies and financial constraints.

With its emphasis on inclusivity and accessibility, AB-PMJAY has transformed the healthcare experience in Ramban, ensuring that no one is left behind when it comes to receiving essential medical care. Under the astute guid-



ance of Deputy Commissioner Baseer-UI-Haq Chaudhary, the Health Department in Ramban has been effectively implementing the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojna (AB-PMJAY), as over 6205 indoor patients have received cashless free medical treatment, with an expenditure exceeding Rs. 3.22 crores across four empanelled hospitals in the district.

At the District Hospital Ramban, a commendable effort has been made where

3933 patients with different medical complications have been provided free treatment under AB-PMJAY, amounting to an expenditure of Rs. 218.52 lakh. This initiative underscores the commitment of the Government to provide quality healthcare services to the residents of district Ramban and UT of Jammu and Kashmir as well, irrespective of their financial constraints.

Moreover, significant strides have been made in other healthcare facilities

within the district. At Community Health Centre (CHC) Banihal, 1078 patients have received free treatment under AB-PMJAY, with an expenditure of Rs. 58 lakh. Similarly, CHC Batote has catered to 870 patients with an expenditure of Rs. 41 lakh, while CHC Gool has provided free treatment to 324 patients with an expenditure of Rs. 4.5 lakh. These statistics highlight the widespread reach of the AB-PMJAY programme in the district, ensuring that healthcare services are accessible to all sections of society.

According to the Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Kamal Jee Zadoo, the district has achieved significant milestones in terms of enrollment and coverage under AB-PMJAY. All families, comprising a target of 65171, have been successfully registered under the scheme.

World Kidney Day: DH Ramban sensitises participants about Renal Health

■ HT News Network

RAMBAN, MARCH 14: District Hospital Ramban commemorated World Kidney Day with an awareness program about kidney health. Under the guidance of Deputy Commissioner, Baseer-UI-Haq Chaudhary and spearhead of Medical Superintendent Dr. Virender Trisal, the event witnessed a confluence of medical expertise and community engagement, marking a significant stride in prioritizing kidney health in the district. The highlight of the event was insightful awareness lectures delivered to both the general public and patients by specialist doctors, imparting invaluable knowledge on preventive measures and early detection of kidney-related ailments. Renowned senior doctors, including Orthopaedic Surgeon, Dr. Mohammad Rafi, Pediatrician, Dr. Narendra Singh, Surgeon, Dr. Muzamil, Dental Surgeon, Dr. Bushan Kumar, and Physician, Dr. Mohammad Sayeed graced the occasion, enriching the discourse with their profound insights and experiences. Through informative sessions and interactive discussions, held at the OPD Complex, attendees were empowered with the necessary tools to safeguard their kidney health and embrace a lifestyle conducive to overall well-being. The MS, DH expressed his gratitude to all participants for their unwavering support and active participation in making the World Kidney Day celebration a resounding success. He emphasized the importance of collaborative efforts in fostering a culture of proactive healthcare and urged everyone to prioritize regular check-ups and adopt healthy lifestyle practices.

DGRC fines 2 Jammu Hospitals for denial of treatment under AB-PMJAY

■ HT News Network

JAMMU, MARCH 14: District Grievance Redressal Committee for Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana, under the chairmanship of District Magistrate Sachin Kumar Vaishya, has slapped fine on two hospitals for denial of treatment under the PMJAY.

The two hospitals, Bee General Hospital Canal Road Jammu and Government Super Specialty Hospital Jammu have been found guilty of denying treatment under the flagship health insurance scheme of the Government. As per the recommendations of the Committee to the State Health Agency, the two hospitals together are slated to be fined a minimum amount of Rs 1,22,711 as per guidelines. While the Bee Enn General Hospital has been found guilty of denying a neuro-surgery, the SSH had refused an essential component in one cardiac surgery, namely Drug Coated Balloon.

Other grievances related to the scheme were also discussed and taken up for resolution in the meeting.

The meeting was attended by committee members including Chief Medical Officer Dr. Harbaksh Singh, Assistant Commissioner Development Dr. Vikas Sharma, District Grievances Nodal Officer Alok Chatta and others concerned.

World Kidney Day observed at GHS Bijarni-Doda

■ HT News Network

DODA, MARCH 14: Acting upon the directions of the Director Health Services Jammu Dr. Rakesh Magotra and under the guidance of CMO Doda Dr. Om Kumar & BMO Ghat Dr. Abdul Gafoor, an awareness programme to celebrate the "World Kidney Day" was held at GHS Bijarni under AAM-Sub Centre Bijarni District Doda.

The day is celebrated every year on the 2nd Thursday of March all over the world to create awareness about kidney diseases. Mr. Faizan A. Tramboor from the health department on this occasion delivered a lecture about the importance of kidneys and reducing the frequency, impact of kidney diseases and its associated health problems. The health team also encouraged the participants and general public to take care of their kidneys right from childhood to ensure a healthy life ahead.

Presence of Indian Long Eared Hedgehog reported in Nowshera

■ HT News Network

RAJOURI, MARCH 14: The first ever authentic record of the Indian Long-eared Hedgehog reported from the Nowshera area of the Rajouri-Poonch Wildlife Division. The team headed by Amit Sharma Wildlife Warden Rajouri-Poonch captured the animal from Nowshera belt and the identity was confirmed by Dr. Shyamkant S. Talmale, Scientist C, Zoological Survey of India. The series of other procedures like DNA analysis and morphometric studies have to be carried



out by Dr. Vineeta Sharma, Assistant Professor Central University, for which the samples have been taken.

The Indian long-eared hedgehog (Hemiechinus collaris) is a small species of mammal native to northern India and Pakistan. The Indian long-eared hedgehog

is a relatively small hedgehog. It is a nocturnal animal that is often found inhabiting burrows. Similar to most hedgehogs, it has spines on its back, embedded into a muscle sheath. The sheath forms a bag-like structure that the animal can hide inside for protection. It can also erect its spines to further protect from predators.

The Indian long-eared hedgehog has a well-developed set of senses because of its large ears, eyes and whiskers near its snout. These senses, especially smell, help them find food and/or a possible partner.

Students Meet Dr. Jatinder Singh At Delhi During Bharat Darshan Tour

■ Amir Iqbal Khan

Bhadarwah, March 14: Students from district Doda who are currently on Bharat Darshan tour-2024 met today Union Minister Dr. Jatinder Singh at the Institute of Civil Service Office Delhi on Thursday. According to a press statement, under Civic Action Program, 33 Battalion CRPF based at Sarna Bhadarwah organised Bharat Darshan tour-2024 for the underprivileged students of district Doda. Dr. Jatinder Singh interacted with students and arranged lunch for them also at PMO's Civil Service Office Institute, Delhi. The statement added that the students are escorted by two teachers from school education



department namely Dr. Sanjeev Kumar koul-Teacher & Associate NCC Officer (PM Shri GHSS Bhalra, Bhaderwah) and Umesh Kumar-Teacher (Govt. HS Pranoo). It may be recalled that the tour has been organised to expose the students from underprivileged sections of the society to the external world and also acquaint them with the Socio-Historical perspective of the country. One attachment •

IASOWA J&K visits LBS Roop Nagar for handholding of special children

■ HT News Network

JAMMU, MARCH 14: IASOWA Officers Wives Association (IASOWA) J&K, President, Dr. Monika Wali today with other members of the Association visited the Louis Braille School (LBS) for Visually Impaired Girls under National Blind Foundation and Residential School for Visually Impaired under Mission Vatsalya here at Roop Nagar to distribute assistance among students as part of their community service.

Those who were present includes Commissioner Secretary, Hospitality & Protocol, Dr. Rashmi Singh; Association members Ruchi Gupta, Rajini Sinha, Anujangid, Geetanjali Singla, Jayshree Kundal, and Divya Yadav.

On the occasion the President, IASOWA J&K in her remarks made out that today's world has advanced a lot and brought in lot of betterments for our children with



special needs. She mentioned that be it Sports, Art, Entrepreneurship, Administration, Business or running other affairs of life such persons had made a mark.

She further advised the students to adopt yoga and other healthy lifestyle activities including the Nutritious diet for overall development of their bodies. She encouraged the students enrolled in these twin schools to chase their dreams without any

break. She advised them that sky is the limit for realising their ambitions as the world has made much progress to let them lay back and stumble.

Dr. Monika took this occasion to impress upon these students that the talent depicted here through their different performances like singing are no less than that of other talented children out there. She praised them for such a good performance

made impromptu on stage. She advised them to further fine-tune their skills and be the best in their fields of interest. She gave them the example of national icons like Ravindra Jain to follow who made world to acknowledge his talent despite being disabled for life. While delving on the mandate of the association, she introduced that the association is prioritising the works for upliftment of the poorer sections of the society. She also noted that the association would take forward social works like poverty alleviation, women empowerment, environmental awareness, community services, popularization of yoga with a renewed vigour and energy.

The Commissioner Secretary, H&P, Dr. Rashmi Singh remarked that by coming close to you here today has connected us more with your ambitions and aspirations. She further articulated that it has kindled a drive in us to play our roles more passionately for furthering your cause.

EDITORIAL

Amplifying Significance and Good Deeds for the Muslims

In the sacred month of Ramadan, Fridays carry an unparalleled significance for Muslims worldwide. Beyond being the sixth day of the week, Fridays in Ramadan symbolize a convergence of spirituality, community, and the pursuit of righteousness. As the holiest month in the Islamic calendar, Ramadan is a time of fasting, prayer, and reflection. However, the arrival of Friday elevates these acts of worship to new heights.

For Muslims, Fridays hold special significance as they mark the day of Jumu'ah, the congregational prayer where believers gather in mosques to listen to sermons and offer prayers. During Ramadan, the blessings of this day are magnified manifold, presenting a unique opportunity for spiritual growth and connection with the divine.

Moreover, Fridays in Ramadan serve as a reminder of the collective responsibility within the Muslim Ummah to engage in acts of charity, kindness, and goodwill. With the significance and rewards of good deeds doubled during this sacred month, Muslims are encouraged to extend their generosity towards those in need, fostering a sense of solidarity and compassion within communities worldwide.

From feeding the hungry to supporting charitable causes, Fridays in Ramadan inspire Muslims to exemplify the teachings of Islam through their actions. As believers come together to break their fasts and engage in communal prayers, the spirit of unity and devotion permeates through the Muslim Ummah, strengthening bonds and fostering a sense of belonging.

In essence, Fridays in Ramadan serve as a beacon of hope, unity, and spiritual rejuvenation for Muslims around the globe. As believers seize the opportunity to amplify their good deeds and deepen their connection with Allah, they embody the true essence of Ramadan and the values it represents.

Salim Salik: The Literary Vanguard of Kashmir



■ Dr Basharat Khan

Imagine an individual deeply immersed in the beauty of Urdu literature, passionately dedicated to preserving the rich heritage of literature in Kashmir through his compilations and social media blog, Kashmir Treasure. He is Mohammad Salim Khan, known by the nom de plume Salim Salik. With a Master's degree and M.Phil. in Urdu from Kashmir University, along with NET certification, he brings both academic strength and real-world experience to his craft.

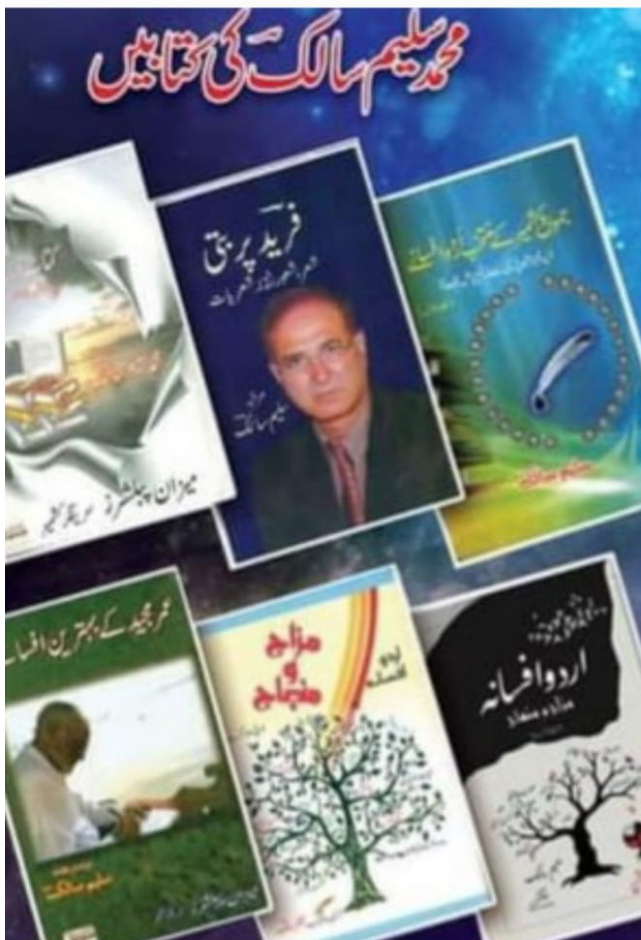
Currently, he has the Editor of the Urdu Section of Sheeraza Journal published by the Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture and Languages, where he has shaped over a hundred issues, leaving a lasting impact on Kashmir's literary scene. But he is not just an editor; he is also a founding member of the Fiction Writers Guild and has meticulously crafted over two hundred columns spotlighting various literary personalities, all under the auspices of the JK Fiction Writers Guild.

In his academic journey, he pursued an M.Phil in Urdu, titled Urdu Ke Zarb ul Misal Ash'ar, Aik Tahqiqi Jaiza" focusing on Urdu poetry under the guidance of Dr. Fareed Parbati. His publications range from insightful columns to engaging compilations, showcasing his diverse talents as an author and editor.

Among Salim Salik's notable publications are "Fareed Parbati: Shair, Shoor aur Shairyat", a scholarly discourse delving into the realms of poetry, and "Urdu Afsana: Mizaaj wa Minhaj," which explores the art of storytelling. Moreover, his columns in "Kitab Dareech" and "Sareer Khama" are a compilation of literary columns that were first published in newspapers and subsequently compiled into book form. It includes discussions on various literary genres and anecdotes related to numerous writers and poets, enriching the literary sensibilities of readers.

Furthermore, he has compiled "Umer Majeed Kay Behtareen Afsanay" and "Jammu Kashmir Kay Muntakhib Urdu Afsanay," showcasing exemplary short stories from the region.

The book "Urdu Afsana Mazaj aur Manhaj," compiled by Salim Salik offers an immersive exploration into the intricate world of Urdu short stories. It meticulously examines their historical roots, thematic preferences,



literary and societal significance, as well as their unique stylistic features and critical interpretations. Covering a span of 51 years, the book not only reflects on the current state of Urdu short stories but also speculates on their future trajectory, engaging readers in profound discussions on various significant themes and issues. Throughout its pages, one encounters enlightening contributions from esteemed storytellers, critics, poets, professors, and administrators, each adding depth and perspective to the ongoing discourse surrounding the tradition and evolution of short story writing in Urdu literature. Noteworthy are the discussions of the foundational models, thematic presentations, and artistic contexts of Urdu short stories, which include insightful analyses of influential figures such as Sajad Haider Yaldrum, Saadat Hasan Manto, Hayatullah Ansari, Krishan Chand, Niyaz Fatehpuri, Ahmad Nadeem Qasimi, Mumtaz Sherin, Qurat-ul-Ain Hyder, and the impactful "Angarey" movement.

"This book serves as an encyclopedic compendium of themes, art, and trends within Urdu short stories, spanning over a century of literary evolution. It proves invaluable not only for enthusiasts of the genre, authors, and literary critics but also for researchers exploring the intricacies of short story writing. Salim Salik's discerning selection and meticulous organization of content are worthy of praise, as he has diligently compiled and presented such valuable material in book form."

Beyond print, Salim Salik extends his love for literature to the digital world. He produces motivational videos, shares folktales, and conducts interviews, enriching the online literary sphere. His initiative, the Kashmir Treasure Online Library, and youtube channel is dedicated to uncovering the rich history of Kashmir, spanning various domains including literature, fine art, culture, languages like Urdu and Kashmiri, literary analysis, arts and crafts, heritage preservation, mysticism, exploration of historical sites and monuments, cuisine exploration, rituals, archival research, archaeology, and engaging interviews. makes literature accessible to all.

With the digital canvas of Kashmir Treasure as his palette, Salim Salik weaves a tapestry of storytelling imbued with the essence of Kashmir's soul. Through the lens of his camera, he breathes life into age-old folk tales, each narrated with the cadence of a seasoned bard. From the timeless saga of cultural and dialectical anecdotes, Salim Salik's narratives unfold like vibrant threads in the fabric of tradition, connecting past to present with effortless grace.

With meticulous care, he unravels the intricate web of idioms that adorn the Kashmiri and Urdu languages, each imbued with its own wisdom and wit. Through his eloquent commentary, Salim Salik unveils the hidden meanings behind these linguistic gems, offering us glimpses into the ethos of Kashmiri culture and the richness of

its linguistic heritage.

Yet, Salim Salik's vision extends beyond mere preservation. In his hands, Kashmir Treasure becomes a beacon of inspiration and empowerment, illuminating the path towards personal growth and resilience. Through his motivational content, Salim Salik infuses age-old wisdom with a contemporary flair, offering solace and guidance to souls weary from the burdens of modern life.

According to Salim Salik, culture is not a relic of the past but a living, breathing entity, ever-evolving yet rooted in timeless traditions. With each video reel, he bridges the chasm between generations, fostering a sense of continuity and connection among Kashmir's young and old. Through his advocacy for cultural revival, Salim Salik ignites a spark of pride and belonging within his community, empowering them to reclaim their heritage with renewed vigor.

But, perhaps Salim Salik's greatest gift lies in his ability to transcend boundaries, both physical and cultural. Through the universal themes of his storytelling, he invites viewers from all walks of life to partake in the beauty and wonder of Kashmiri and Urdu culture. In his hands, language becomes a bridge rather than a barrier, facilitating dialogue and understanding across diverse perspectives.

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The Need Of Peaceful Coexistence

Tension over Ladakh calls for diplomacy; confrontation will be detrimental for the region



■ Mool Raj

In recent years, Ladakh has emerged as a flashpoint for territorial control among India, China and Pakistan. Nestled in the Himalayas, the region has witnessed heightened tensions and military standoffs, casting a shadow over peace and stability. Amid this backdrop, India's External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has reiterated the pressing need for constructive engagement among all

stakeholders. He is not off the mark: The landmass has the potential of triggering a war among three nuclear weapon States, not to mention the possible involvement of other superpowers with interest in the region. Dr Jaishankar's remarks underscore a fundamental reality: The ongoing tension in Ladakh serves neither India nor China. Instead, it perpetuates a cycle of mistrust and escalatory actions that undermine the prospects of peaceful coexistence and regional prosperity. The Galwan Valley military standoff in 2020 highlighted the fragility of status quo and the urgent need for effective mechanisms to manage and de-escalate crises. Central to Dr Jaishankar's statement is the recognition that the resolution of tension in Ladakh requires a multifaceted approach that goes beyond conventional military posturing. While maintaining a robust defence posture is essential to safeguarding national interests, sustainable peace



hinges on dialogue, diplomacy and mutual respect for territorial integrity. To put things in perspective, the Ladakh dispute has roots in history, with the main cause being an ill-defined, 2,100-mile-long border. Rivers, lakes and snow-caps along the frontier mean the line can shift, bringing soldiers face to face at many points, this sparking a confrontation.

The LAC is the de facto border between India and China, but vaguely defined. In this scenario, it is difficult to resolve the deadlock and ascertain the territorial boundary. India's stance on Ladakh aligns with its broader foreign policy objectives, characterised by a commitment to upholding the principles of sovereignty, territorial integrity and peaceful resolution of disputes. By emphasising the importance of dialogue and diplomacy, India seeks to create an environment conducive to constructive engagement with all stakeholders. The External Affairs Minister's

remarks also highlight the critical role of Pakistan in the regional dynamics. Pakistan's support for cross-border terrorism and its destabilising activities pose significant challenges to regional peace and security. Addressing the issue of terrorism is not only a prerequisite for normalising relations between India and Pakistan but also a vital step towards fostering stability in the South Asian region. As a responsible member of the international community, India advocates for concerted efforts to eradicate terrorism. By advocating constructive engagement and mutual respect, India seeks to pave the way for a stable and prosperous future for the region. Everyone involved should heed rational voices; the last thing anyone wants to hear is the sound of a nuclear explosion.

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RAMADAN IS A TIME FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL



■ **Mool Raj**

As the crescent moon marks the beginning of Ramadan, the holiest month in the Islamic calendar, it is time for all of us to, more than ever, embrace reflection, devotion, and tolerance.

Ramadan is not merely about abstaining from food and drink from dawn till dusk; it is a time to deepen one's spirituality, practice self-discipline, and cultivate empathy for the less fortunate.

Ramadan is a celebration that

unites people from all walks of life. It is a time when the rich and the poor, the young and the old, come together to share in the blessings of this sacred month. It is a time when the spirit of generosity is at its peak.

This Ramadan, let us remember the teachings of tolerance and acceptance that are at the core of Islam. Let us try to remember the strength of diversity of our society and in getting closer to God, remember to respect others' beliefs and practices. Let us show patience and understanding

towards those who may not share our views or traditions.

It has been a challenging 2024 for India, and as such, this is the month where every Indian can think deeply about their particular set of duties and make a conscious effort to make changes for the better. This is more salient for those who have been tasked with serving the nation and its people.

As we fast from sunrise to sunset, let us also fast from negative thoughts and actions. Let us use this month to cleanse our hearts and minds of hatred,

anger, and prejudice. Let us strive to be kinder, more compassionate, and more forgiving towards others.

Ramadan is a time for spiritual renewal and personal growth. Let us strive to be better individuals and contribute to a more peaceful and harmonious society.

May this Ramadan bring peace, prosperity, and happiness to all of Indian. Ramadan Mubarak!

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Pain of Time



■ **Vijay Garg**

A deserted closed door and thousands of desires behind it, who want this door to open every day. But what about the desires running in the mind? They are born every day and also die every day. Such a longing can also be for a closed door, leaving behind which the families who have gone thousands of kilometers away to pursue their dreams are separated from their roots.

Left behind are the elderly people living in one or two rooms of that house, holding on to their hope, who just gaze at their loved ones. They sit waiting to know when their loved ones will arrive and when the big locked locks will be opened. This situation can be seen nowadays in many houses in Punjab and some other parts of the country, where in comparison to cities, in villages, big houses are occupied by domestic helpers or their families or just the elderly who are looking after their next generations.

Have become the caretakers of the house. In the village, someone's wedding or other auspicious events, which are organized in a planned manner, involve one or two members of the family. Generations are seen together, but in times of unplanned sorrow in life, only the generation of elders is seen to share the sorrow.



The situation is such that to wait for the generation coming from abroad, the dead body also has to wait in the mortuary among the ice cubes. Many times it becomes difficult to understand that just to get more facilities and to live among them and to earn more money, people not only tear themselves from their land but also leave behind those people who helped them.

Don't know how many hardships he faced and what kind of times he saw to make his life better. But then this complex picture also emerges that the dream of 'moving forward' in the minds of children as well as the elderly is also defined in the same way and in such a way that some 'very important people' are left on the margins.

Let's go. These days, the land of Guru-

Pirs is being decorated not with the open laughter of the youth, but with the moist eyes of the elders. The elders sitting on the platform of the village are seen engrossed in some discussion and asking each other the same question as to what is missing. The youth of Punjab, who feed the country, have to go abroad to feed themselves.

Elders share their experiences. On this basis, it is said that when we were small, we used to play together in the fields and barns, without realizing when we grew up. After some time, when he grew up, he felt proud as an educated youth by joining the army, becoming a teacher and working in a bank. Even if they were not educated at a very high level, they considered it their duty to feed the country through farming. But the childhood of today's youth is spent

in technology.

Trapped and away from his roots, he wants to settle in a foreign country and not in his village and country. The source of this dilemma is the environment that has been prevailing for some time now which does not give a certificate to the future of the youth to be bright. On the other hand, the question of the grown up children to the elders is whether we too will have to take to the streets for every reasonable right when we are young! Will we be guaranteed employment after education?

Will the dream of a clean environment be achieved? The elders do not have answers to these questions. It seems that Governments have also given up on this issue. The slogan of Golden Punjab is heard

in slogans and promises, but the ground reality is that the youth are moving abroad to make their dreams come true.

The question is, what is the place of those elders in those dreams, who sacrificed their lives to make their children able to dream? If the palace of relationships rests on the foundation of emotions, then where is the limit of the ambitions of the youth in which there is space for emotions and relationships too?

In such a situation, people who think like this also. We must be wishing that some angel would come, who would be the support of the failing youth and weak old age, such that it cannot be said when the light will go out from the dimming eyes of our loved ones. There is no need to wait for this. Society and governments should think about this issue in time.

It should not happen that facing such a situation, a state becomes known only for the population of the elderly and the youth start appearing absent. Somewhere this new culture is emerging that considering joint families as hindrances in their 'development', the young generation is trying to remain within the confines of their nuclear family.

If it is moving, then somewhere it is leaving its land and going out. However, every day we are told that India is a country of youth and it is because of them that the country is taking every step forward. To a large extent, this is true, but if the presence of young generation is seen as the strength of the country, then there is a need to make their life better and satisfactory, so that they do not find themselves in a position to go somewhere else.

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Under 'One Nation, One Election', Fresh Polls In Case Of Hung Parliament, Assembly

■ HT News Network

New Delhi: The High-Level Committee on 'One Nation One Election' led by former President Ram Nath Kovind in its report recommended that in the events of a hung Assembly or hung Parliament, or a no-confidence motion constitutes the new House, fresh elections may be held for the remainder of the five-year term.

Where fresh elections are held for the House of the People, the tenure of the House of the People will be only for the unexpired term of the immediately preceding full term of the House of the People and the expiration of this period shall operate as a dissolution of the House, the committee recommended.

The High Committee panel also recommended that elections to the Municipalities and the Panchayats be synchronised with the House of the People. Simultaneous polls to Lok Sabha, assemblies can



be held in the first step, followed by local body polls within 100 days in the second step. This will require ratification by not less than one-half of the States.

Upon all-inclusive deliberations, the Committee concludes that its recommendations will significantly enhance the transparency, inclusivity, ease and confidence of the voters.

Overwhelming support for holding simultaneous elections will spur the development process

and social cohesion, deepen the foundations of our democratic rubric, and realise the aspirations of India, that is Bharat, the committee said. Former president Kvid-led Committee earlier today called on President Droupadi Murmu at Rashtrapati Bhavan and submitted its report on the 'One Nation One Election'. The 18,626 pages long report is an outcome of extensive consultations with stakeholders, experts and research work over 191 days, since its constitution on

September 2, 2023.

Other members of the Committee are Amit Shah, Union Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Cooperation, Ghulam Nabi Azad, former Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha, NK Singh, former Chairman, of the 15th Finance Commission, Subhash C Kashyap, former Secretary General, Lok Sabha, Harish Salve, Senior Advocate, and Sanjay Kothari, former Chief Vigilance Commissioner. Arjun Ram Meghwal, Minister of State (Independent Charge) Ministry of Law and Justice was a Special Invitee and Dr Niten Chandra was the Secretary of the high level panel.

The Committee held extensive consultations to understand the views of different stakeholders. Forty-seven political parties submitted their views and suggestions, out of which 32 supported simultaneous elections. Many political parties had extensive discussions with the High level committee on this matter.

Electoral Bonds Data From SBI Uploaded On Election Commission Website

■ HT News Network

New Delhi: In a big move towards transparency in political funding, the Election Commission of India has uploaded the data of the electoral bonds given to it by the State Bank of India. The details have been uploaded on Thursday, a day before the deadline set by the Supreme Court.

The data pertains to purchases of bonds of three denominations - 1 lakh, 10 lakh and 1 crore - dating back to April 12, 2019, and reveals purchases by companies as well as individuals.

The EC's website has two lists. The first is of companies that purchased electoral bonds, along with the denomination and dates. The other has names of the political parties as well as the denominations of the bonds and the dates on which they were encashed.



There is, however, no way of correlating the lists and finding out which company or individual had donated to which party. Announcing that it has released the data, the poll body said in a statement, "The Election Commission of India has today uploaded the data on electoral bonds on its website as received from SBI on 'as is where is basis'".

"It may be recalled that in the said matter, ECI has consistently and categorically weighed in favour of disclosure and transparency, a position reflected in the proceedings of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and

noted in the order also," it said. The data can be accessed here. During a hearing on Monday, a Supreme Court bench led by Chief Justice DY Chandrachud had come down heavily on the SBI for "wilful disobedience of its order" on the data being handed over to the poll body by March 6.

The court had ordered the SBI to submit the data to the Election Commission by Tuesday, warning it of contempt proceedings if it failed to do so. The court had also directed the chairman and managing director of the bank to file an affidavit after the order had been complied with.

SBI, which is India's largest bank, had submitted the data on Tuesday and submitted the affidavit to the court the day after that. The affidavit stated that 22,217 electoral bonds were issued between April 2019 and February 15.

Himanta Sarma's Big Solar Infra, Green Energy Push In Assam

■ HT News Network

Guwahati: Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Thursday announced plans to bolster the state's solar power infrastructure. Mr Sarma said solar energy is a key sector in India's quest to become a global powerhouse in green energy. "Prime Minister Narendra Modi has stressed on solar power. Under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijlee Yojna, the Central government will provide subsidy to everyone who applies for solar panels," Chief Minister Sarma said.

The Assam Chief Minister said that for every 1 KW of solar panel installation, the Central government will provide a subsidy of 30,000, supplemented by an additional 15,000 subsidy from the Assam government, while the applicant contributes 5,000. Scaling up, for 2 KW and 3 KW installations, the subsidies rise correspondingly, making solar power accessible and affordable for citizens across income brackets, he added. Currently,



Assam requires 2,200 MW of power to meet household electricity needs, a challenge that solar energy initiatives aim to address. The groundwork for Assam's solar revolution was laid in 2017 with the formulation of a solar policy, setting ambitious targets for energy generation within a timeframe. This policy gave birth to the region's first floating solar power plant in Thanagarh village in Morigaon district, boasting a capacity of 10.50 JW. The Assam government plans to replicate such initiatives across multiple wetlands, capitalising on Assam's natural resources to enhance electricity generation capacity.

Suspended Congress MP Preet Kaur, Wife Of Amarinder Singh, Joins BJP

■ HT News Network

Chandigarh: Continuing to strengthen its ranks weeks before the Lok Sabha polls, the BJP has inducted Preet Kaur, suspended Congress MP and wife of former Punjab chief minister Amarinder Singh, into the party. Ms Kaur is the MP from Patiala and is likely to contest from the seat on a BJP ticket this time.

After stepping down as the chief minister in 2021, Mr Singh had formed the Punjab Lok Congress and then merged it with the BJP the following year. Ms Kaur was suspended from the Congress in February last year for "anti-party activities" that were helping the BJP.

Joining the BJP on Thursday in the presence of National General



Secretaries Vinod Tawde and Tarun Chugh and the party's Punjab chief Sunil Jakhar, who was also in the Congress earlier, Ms Kaur praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his contribution to the country's development. "I am happy that I am joining the BJP today. In the past 25 years, I

have worked in the Lok Sabha and the Assembly. The time has come when everyone should come together and take the work of PM Modi and his policies forward," she said. Mr Tawde said the inclusion of leaders like Preet Kaur will make the party stronger in Punjab. Preet Kaur ji is a parliamentarian who has proved her

potential by working on many committees. When such people come to BJP, especially in Punjab where public opinion is being formed against the state government, it makes us strong. BJP is emerging in the mind of the common Punjabi. The development of Punjab, as desired by PM Modi, will become stronger with Preet Kaur ji," he was quoted as saying by news agency ANI.

When Ms Kaur was asked why she had quit the Congress, she said, "I don't want to go into the past. I had a good innings with the Congress party and I hope I have a better innings with the BJP." The Patiala seat has been won by Ms Kaur four times, including in 2019, and had also been held by Amarinder Singh in the past.

"Seat-Sharing On Hold For Prakash Ambedkar's Party": Sharad Pawar

■ HT News Network

Mumbai: NCP (Sharad-chandra Pawar) President Sharad Pawar on Wednesday said seat-sharing among Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) constituents for the Lok Sabha polls is stuck as leaders are waiting for the political outfit led by BR Ambedkar's grandson Prakash Ambedkar to join the opposition bloc in Maharashtra. Mr Pawar maintained alliance leaders have suggested giving four to five Lok Sabha seats to the Prakash Ambedkar-led



Vanchit Bahujan Aghadi (VBA), which, he said, has given a list of 16 constituencies where it claims to have a good presence. He expressed confidence about finalising allocation of seats among MVA allies, which currently includes the Congress, the Shiv Sena

(UBT) and the NCP (Sharad-chandra Pawar), in the next two to three days. The MVA is part of the national-level opposition bloc INDIA. Although the Ambedkar-led party did not win a single seat in the 2019 general elections, it garnered a healthy 14 per cent vote share and damaged prospects of candidates of the Congress and the then-undivided NCP in several constituencies, according to political analysts. In Nanded, former chief minister of Maharashtra and then Congress candidate Ashok Chavan lost.

"Rahul Gandhi Should Publicly Explain His Opposition To CAA": Amit Shah

■ HT News Network

New Delhi: Union Home Minister Amit Shah has dismissed former Congress president Rahul Gandhi and his party's criticism of the Citizenship Amendment Act, rules of which were notified this week.

In the interview with ANI, the Union Minister challenged the Congress leader to appear on a public platform and put forth the case of his party on the issue.

"I request you to interview Rahul Gandhi about the issue in detail and explain his reason for opposing the CAA to the general public. In politics, it's your responsibility to justify your decisions. If the CAA is a decision by my government, I have to explain my party's position, the government's decision and why it is in favour of the nation. Similarly, Rahul Gandhi should explain his opposition to the legislation." Earlier Senior Congress leader and Rajya Sabha MP Jairam Ramesh had questioned the timing of the promulgation of the rules of the Citizenship Amendment Act. The Congress alleged that this was a controversial law because citizenship is never based on religion, it goes against the Constitution.

In reply the Home Minister said that the opposition was only indulging in politics of lies as the CAA had been a part of the BJP's manifesto for the 2019 Lok Sabha elections and was introduced in Parliament in 2019 itself.

"All opposition parties including Rahul Gandhi, Mamata or Kejriwal are indulging in 'jhooth ki rajneeti' (politics of lies) so the question of timing does not arise. BJP has made it clear in its 2019 manifesto that it will bring CAA and provide



Indian citizenship to refugees (from Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan). BJP has a clear agenda and under that promise, the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill was passed in both houses of Parliament in 2019. It got delayed due to Covid. BJP had cleared its agenda well before the party got its mandate in the polls" the Home Minister said.

"Rules are now a formality. There is no question of timing, political gain or loss. Now, the Opposition wants to consolidate their vote bank by doing appeasement politics. I want to request them that they have been exposed. CAA is the law for the entire country and I have reiterated nearly 41 times in four years that it will become a reality," he added. The Home Minister said that there is "no question of political gain as the main aim of the BJP is to provide rights and justice to persecuted minorities coming from Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh."

"The opposition had even raised questions on surgical strike and the abrogation of Article 370 and linked it with political gain. So should we not take stern steps against terrorism? We have been saying since 1950 that we will withdraw Article 370" the Home Minister said.

Belarus Calls For UNSC Reforms, Backs India For Security Council

■ HT News Network

New Delhi: Joining the chorus for reforms in the United Nations Security Council (UNSC), Belarusian Foreign Minister Sergei Aleinik, who is currently on a visit to India, said Minsk would support India's call for a permanent seat in the world body.

Addressing a media briefing in the national capital on Wednesday, the Belarusian Foreign Minister stressed the urgency for reforms in the UNSC, adding, "We (Belarus) also discussed this issue and are convinced that UNSC reforms should be facilitated. It is a long-lasting issue which is being discussed within the UN, taking into account the very fragile situation in the world today."

"We also expressed ourselves during the 78th Session of the General Assembly and in our official statement during the 78 Session of the General Assembly, we made it very clear that we would support the accession of India to the Security Council," he added. Speaking on his meeting with his Indian counterpart S Jaishankar, Aleinik said, "We share views towards creating a more just, fair, and multipolar world order. We also hold the same views on the principles of international relations. So the core principles are equality of states and, the balance of interests of each and every country." "We also touched upon our cooperation in the SCO, as well as BRICS, and expressed our appreciation for the support that India extended to our application for full-fledged membership in the SCO," Belarusian FM added on his sit-down with External Affairs Minister Jaishankar. He said India was the first country to ratify the memorandum on Belarus' accession to the SCO, adding that he also discussed Belarus' membership of the BRICS during his talks with the EAM.

The two leaders also discussed regional and global issues, affirming to work towards further enhancing bilateral cooperation between India and Belarus to a 'strategic partnership' level, he added.

"We touched upon BRICS because Belarus also applied for full-fledged membership of the grouping. We look forward to positive consideration by the growing number of member states of BRICS since the last summit in Johannesburg," Aleinik said.

Centre To Issue Helpline To Assist Applicants For Citizenship Under CAA

■ HT News Network

New Delhi: The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) said on Wednesday that helpline numbers will be launched soon to assist applicants for Indian citizenship under the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 (CAA-2019). According to MHA, the applicants will be able to get information related

to CAA-2019 by calling free of cost. Helpline number to assist applicants for Indian citizenship under CAA-2019 will be launched soon. Applicants will be able to get information related to CAA-2019 by calling free of cost from anywhere in India. The service will be available from 8 am to 8 pm," MHA posted on X. The MHA on Monday notified CAA Rules, 2024

removing legal barriers to rehabilitation and citizenship to such persons, and will give a dignified life to refugees who have suffered for decades.

Earlier, the MHA provided a web portal on which eligible non-Muslim migrants from Bangladesh, Pakistan and Afghanistan fleeing religious persecution can now seek Indian citizenship.

Lok Sabha Election-2024: DC Kulgam chairs meeting of AROs, Nodal Officers

■ **Farooq Rather**

KULGAM, MARCH 14: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kulgam Athar Aamir Khan, who is also District Election Officer (DEO) today, convened a meeting of AROs and Nodal Officers responsible for overseeing the forthcoming Lok Sabha General Elections 2024, at the meeting hall of the Mini Secretariat, here

The meeting focused on ensuring the readiness and efficiency of all officers involved in the electoral process.

The DC addressed critical aspects of the upcoming elections and instructed the Nodal Officers to remain well-equipped for their roles and responsibilities.

Discussions encompassed various operational, logistical and administrative matters pertinent to the smooth conduct of the electoral process.

Nodal Officers were given a comprehensive briefing regarding their roles and



responsibilities in overseeing the electoral process within their respective

jurisdictions.

Emphasis was laid on enhancing operational efficiency and coordination among different stakeholders involved in the electoral process, including law enforcement agencies, administrative authorities and electoral staff.

Nodal Officers were reminded of the importance of strict adherence to electoral laws, regulations and ethical standards to uphold the integrity and fairness of the electoral process.

Strategies for conducting voter awareness campaigns and initiatives to encourage maximum voter participation were discussed to ensure inclusive and democratic elections.

The DC underscored the importance of their proactive engagement and commitment to ensuring a transparent, impartial, and efficient electoral process.

The meeting was attended by the Additional District Development Commissioner, AROs, Dy DEO and all the Nodal Officers appointed for various election

DC Budgam reviews Arrangements for holy month of Ramadan-ul-Mubarak

■ **HT News Network**

BUDGAM, MARCH 14: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Budgam, Akshay Labroo today convened a meeting of officers to review the arrangements for the ongoing holy month of Ramadan-ul-Mubarak.

Stressing on the uninterrupted power and water supply across the district, the DC asked Executive Engineers of PDD and PHE to sensitize their field staff to ensure that there is best possible water and electricity supply to the consumers during the Ramadan especially at the Sehri and Iftar times.

At the outset, the DC directed the concerned for the constitution of special market checking squads to keep check on profiteering, hoarding and overcharging by shopkeepers.

Emphasizing on the



sanitation and lighting of towns and municipality areas, the DC directed Executive officers of Municipal Committees to launch special cleanliness drives in the district with focus on roads, lanes, drains and regular lifting of wastage from markets and also installation of lights in their respective towns. Further, DC directed concerned to ensure plying of public transport during evening times as well in all

towns for the commuters.

The meeting among others was attended by ADC Budgam, Mehraj Din Shah; CPO Irfan Ahmad, all SDMs, CMO, Animal & Sheep Husbandry Officer, Ex. Engineers of PHE & PDD, ARTO, and other concerned. At the outset, the DC directed the concerned for the constitution of special market checking squads to keep check on profiteering, hoarding and overcharging by shopkeepers.

Distt Admin intensifies Market checking at Kupwara, other towns

■ **HT News Network**

KUPWARA, MARCH 14: On the directions of Deputy Commissioner Kupwara, a market checking team headed by Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Kupwara, Muhammad Rouf Rehman Thursday conducted an intensified market checking in various parts of the Kupwara town.

The drive was conducted to ensure all essential commodities are sold at Government approved rates as per the quality standards with sufficient availability of consumables.

The market checking team comprising Tehsildar Kupwara, officers from Police, FCS & CA, Municipal Council Kupwara, Legal metrology, and Food safety departments conducted intensive market checking in different markets of Kup-



wara town and inspected Busstand market, Bye-Pass road, Hajaj market, Iqbal market, Jamia Masjid market, Dar Gali and Old Chowk Kupwara and other markets.

During the drive, the market checking team inspected business units including Bakery, confectionery, grocery, vegetable, fruits, meat and chicken shops. They also checked hygienic conditions and the Date of Manufacture, Use-by Date etc.

During the course of market checking all the traders in general, Meat, Chicken, vegetable and fruit sellers in particular were warned to maintain the quality of the products besides all the shopkeepers were also warned to ensure no hoarding, overcharging is made by the shopkeepers.

On the occasion Rs. 2500 were imposed as fine upon erring traders and also a good quantity of rotten vegetables and fruits were destroyed on the spot.

Vocational Apparel Program

Free uniforms provided to Students at GHSS Kohag- Kathua

■ **HT News Network**

KATHUA, MARCH 14: In a significant initiative to support vocational education, free uniforms were provided to students enrolled in the Apparel, Madeups, and Home Furnishing program at Government Higher Secondary School (HSS) Kohag today.

The School Principal Mohinder Gupta gave away the Uniforms to the eligible students in presence of their counterparts, staff and parents.

Principal Gupta emphasized the importance of vocational education in



empowering students with practical skills and preparing them for future employment or higher education.

Free uniforms will provide much-needed support to underprivileged students and encourage them to pursue their vocational

aspirations he added. Specialist Mentor teacher hailed the government's support to make vocational education accessible and attractive to all students

The distribution of free uniforms to vocational students is a significant

step towards promoting skill development and reducing disparities in educational opportunities. By providing practical support to students from disadvantaged backgrounds, this initiative aims to foster their growth and empower them to contribute meaningfully to the workforce. The event also highlighted the government's commitment to strengthening vocational education and training (VET) in India. VET plays a crucial role in equipping students with industry-relevant skills, enhancing their employability, and contributing to economic development.

Police organises awareness programme in Kulgam regarding the newly amended criminal laws

■ **Farooq Rather**

Kulgam March 14: Police in Kulgam on the directions of SSP Kulgam Shri Sahil Sarangal-IPS organized an awareness programme regarding the newly amended Criminal Laws at Government Degree College DH Pora. The awareness programme was attended by students & general public who were made aware regarding the three new Criminal Law Acts viz Bharatiya Nayaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagrik Surksha Sanhita, Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam. SDPO DH Pora Shri Daljeet Singh along with SHO Police Station DH Pora and SHO Police Station Manzgam vividly evaluated the laws and gave a comprehensive lecture of the old laws and new laws. The highlight of the programme was that the participants were involved in interactive discussions enhancing the practical knowledge of the law. General public and students lauded the efforts of Kulgam Police for organising such informative awareness programmes. Similarly in Budgam, following an information regarding illicit timber in Forest area of Village Hamchipora.

Distt Admin B'pora rebuts news item 'Locals outraged as Contractor blocks Key Pedestrian Road in Bandipora'

■ **HT News Network**

BANDIPORA, MARCH 14: The District Administration Bandipora has issued clarification regarding a news item titled "Locals outraged as Contractor blocks Key Pedestrian Road in Bandipora" published in a local newspaper on 13th March, 2024.

In a statement issued here, the District Administration Bandipora has clarified that the pedestrian road mentioned in the news item has been temporarily closed in view of ongoing construction work of Multi-Storied car parking and in the interest of safety and well-being of the pedestrians and general public at large, as the executing agency has reported apprehension of any untoward accident due to the ongoing construction activities involving heavy construction material.

Moreover, Municipal Council, Bandipora has reported that no municipal asset/space is used, as such; no user charges can be levied.

It is further clarified that there are multiple adjacent pedestrian/ motorable link roads connecting the DC office road with the main market Bandipora, read the statement.

In this backdrop, District Administration, Bandipora has sought kind cooperation from the general public and requested to use other alternative pedestrian/ motorable roads until the time advisory from the executing agency is reviewed.

Police organises awareness programme in Awantipora regarding newly amended criminal laws

■ **HT News Network**

Awantipora March 14: Police in Awantipora organised awareness programme regarding the newly amended Criminal Laws at Govt. Polytechnic College Awantipora.

The awareness programme was attended by students, respectables of Awantipora area & faculty members of the said college who were made aware regarding the newly three Criminal Laws viz Bharatiya Naya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagrik Surksha, Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam.

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Police observes Thana Diwas in Ganderbal

■ **HT News Network**

Ganderbal March 14: Continuing unwavering efforts to bridge the gap between police & public, police in Ganderbal observed Thana Diwas at PS Ganderbal, PS Kangan & PS Kheerbawani. The meetings were chaired by SSP Ganderbal Shri Sandeep Gupta-IPS at PS Ganderbal & PS Kangan accompanied by DySP Hqr's Ganderbal Shri Gh Hassan-JKPS and SDPO Kangan Shri Muzaffar Jan-JKPS. Moreover at PS Kheerbawani, the event was chaired by Addl. SP Ganderbal Shri Malik Aijaz-JKPS. Besides, other senior Police officers were also present on the said occasion. During the events, SSP Ganderbal listened to various grievances of public and he assured them that their genuine grievances pertaining to Police will be resolved on priority & that of Civil Administration will be taken up with the concerned departments for their early redressal. While speaking on the occasion, the chairing officers stated that policing at the grassroot level in the district would be revamped to enhance proficiencies of the cops and to develop confidence among the people. Furthermore, the Chairing officers said that Thana Diwas is an initiative to bridge the gap between Police and Public, to hear & redress the grievances of common masses & further added that Community policing is mandatory to boost public confidence which would help in fighting against crime and social evils. Referring to the criminal activities in the area, it was stressed upon the officers to brace up with a missionary spirit to fight against drug abuse and eradicate other social evils from the society and to take pledge to serve the society with missionary spirit and maintain the dignity of force.

Community Mobilization Programme held at GMS Jasrota to promote enrollment

■ **HT News Network**

KATHUA, MARCH 14: To strengthen community involvement and promote enrollment in government schools, a Community Mobilization Programme was organized today at Government Middle School (GMS) Jasrota.

Gurnam Singh, Headmaster of GMS Jasrota, emphasized the importance of enrolling students in government schools to get quality education. Khajuria urged villagers to take advantage of the free uniforms, books, mid-day meals, scholarships, and highly qualified staff provided by government schools.

Sarpanch Sudershan Khajuria said that the government is committed to provide accessible and quality education to all.



"Government schools offer an ideal platform for our children to excel academically and become responsible citizens," he

added

The guest speakers stressed the significance of community involvement in

ensuring the success of government schools. They urged parents to actively engage with the school authorities and provide support to their children's education.

Documentary showcasing the facilities and achievements of GMS Jasrota was released at the programme to further promote the institution and its commitment to student development.

The Community Mobilization Programme at GMS Jasrota is a testament to the government's efforts to strengthen the education system and provide equal opportunities for all students. By engaging with local communities and highlighting the benefits of government schooling, this programme aims to increase enrollment and promote the overall development of the younger generation.

DDC Ganderbal chairs DCC & DLRC meeting

111% annual credit plan disbursement achieved for 3rd quarter

■ HT News Network

GANDERBAL, MARCH 14: The District Development Commissioner (DDC) Ganderbal, Shyambir today chaired District Level Review Committee (DLRC) and District Consultative Committee (DCC) of the district for taking review of the performance related to 3rd quarter ending December 2023 of FY 2023-24.

Lead District Manager Ganderbal, Shabir A. Dar informed that the banks operating in the district have disbursed an amount of Rs 554.83 Crore in priority sector against the annual target of Rs 654.44 crore @ 85%

achievement and Rs 420.93 Crores in non-priority sector against the annual target of Rs 224.62 Crore @ 187% achievement.

It was informed that a total credit disbursement of Rs 975.76 crore has been made against the yearly target of Rs 879.06 crore registering an achievement of 111% of the annual credit plan for 3rd quarter ending December 2023 of FY 2023-24.

Lead District Manager informed that J&K Bank alone has disbursed Rs.512.20 crore under priority sector and Rs 326.62 crore under Non priority sector showing an achievement of 86% contribution towards total credit dispensation in the district.



The DDC emphasized the need for improving the credit flow in Agriculture and allied sectors under the HADP plan.

District Credit Plan for FY 2024-25 envisaging a Credit outlay of Rs. 766.29 Crore under Priority Sector was also approved in the meeting. The performance with respect to social security schemes under Jansuraksha was also discussed and the chair emphasized the need for roping in the people under social security schemes with joint coordination of all concerned agencies.

Besides reviewing the performance of Banks and Govt. departments under various Schemes including

SANKALP, KCC, PMEGP, PM Kisan, the DDC directed the line agencies to sponsor quality cases and the Banks for speedy disposal of Govt. Sponsored cases.

The meeting was attended by Additional District Development Commissioner, Mushtaq Ahmad Simnani; AGM, RBI, Anoop Sharma; DDM, NABARD, Junaid Ahmad and District Coordinators of all the Banks, Govt. departments and other development agencies. District Credit Plan for FY 2024-25 envisaging a Credit outlay of Rs. 766.29 Crore under Priority Sector was also approved in the meeting. The performance with respect to social security schemes.

DDC Bandipora reviews progress under District CAPEX 2023-24

■ DR.AB QAYOUM



BANDIPORA, MARCH 14: The District Development Commissioner, (DDC) Bandipora, Shakeel ul Rehman on Thursday chaired a meeting of officers to review the progress of works under District Capex 2023-24 and to discuss strategy for upcoming Capex 2024-25.

During the meeting, a comprehensive department-wise evaluation was conducted to check the status of all projects under the district Capex budget.

The DDC was informed that under the regular component of District Capex, 16 schemes have been included with the approved allocation of Rs. 6247.28 lacs and under CSS component 11 schemes have been included with the total approved allocation of Rs. 54248.86 lacs.

It was revealed in the meeting that under District Capex Budget 2023-24, an expenditure of 74.99 percent has been made out of total available funds, and 60.36 percent expenditure has been made against outlay.

The meeting was informed that 88.91 percent expenditure has been made in minor irrigation works, 80.21 percent in R&B, 80.08 in PHE, 83.07 percent in Aspirational Block Development Scheme and 90.20 percent expenditure has been made in NFB.

The DDC stressed the concerned officers of various departments to monitor all works related to their departments.

He urged officers to provide regular updates and promptly address any issues to prevent delays and directed the concerned to complete all ongoing works within stipulated time.

Regarding the Capex 2024-25, the DDC stressed the concerned to ensure comprehensive planning by focusing on major works.

He directed the officers to ensure that there is no issue regarding the availability of land, title of land, or any other issue before formulating the DPRs and estimates.

The DDC also emphasized giving due consideration to demands projected by PRIs and general public besides inputs based on public Darbar and Viksit Bharat Campaign.

The meeting was attended by ADDC Mohd Ashraf, SE R&B, ACD, CPO, District Officers of Various Departments, BDOs and other concerned.

DEO Shopian chairs Nodal Officers meeting

Seeks fool proof plan execution for conducting LS Elections smoothly

■ HT News Network

SHOPIAN, MARCH 14: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Shopian, who is also District Election Officer (DEO) today, chaired a meeting of Nodal Officers responsible for overseeing the forthcoming Lok Sabha General Elections 2024, here at Mini Secretariat Shopian.

The meeting focused on ensuring the readiness of all the officers involved in the electoral process in the district.

Speaking on the occasion, DC instructed the Nodal Officers to remain well-equipped with election processes, acquire domain knowledge and know their roles and responsibilities so that execution is done effectively for the smooth conduct of elections.

Discussions encompassed various operational, logistical and administrative matters for the smooth conduct of the electoral process.

Nodal Officers were given a comprehensive briefing regarding their



roles and responsibilities in overseeing the electoral process within their respective jurisdictions.

DC laid emphasis on enhancing operational efficiency and coordination among different stakeholders involved in the electoral process, including law enforcement agencies, administrative authorities and electoral staff. Nodal Officers were reminded of the importance of strict adherence to electoral laws, regulations and ethical standards to uphold the integrity and fairness of the electoral process.

Strategies for conducting voter

awareness campaigns, EVM training, Assured Minimum Facilities including Ramp Facilities, Postal Ballot and initiatives to encourage maximum voter participation were discussed to ensure inclusive and democratic elections.

The meeting was attended by SSP, Shopian, Tanushree; Additional District Development Commissioner, Dr. Nasir Ahmed Lone; Additional Deputy Commissioner, Dr. Zakir Husain Faaz; ACR, SDM, ACD, Dy. DEO, ACP, ASP, and all the Nodal Officers appointed for various election assignments in the district.

Lok Sabha Elections-2024: DC Bandipora reviews poll preparedness

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KISHTWAR, MARCH 13: BANDIPORA, MARCH 14: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Shakeel ul Rehman, who is also District Election Officer, reviewed the poll preparedness for upcoming General Elections to Lok Sabha 2024 in a meeting held at Mini Secretariat, Bandipora.

The DEO reviewed various preparations made by election nodal officers regarding upcoming lok sabha elections.

He reviewed status from the concerned officers regarding, ERONET, Suvidha app, cVIGIL, vulnerability mapping, election training and other matters.



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The concerned officials of NIC informed the DEO that Punching of employees data is complete and data is ready for randomization.

The DEO asked the officers concerned to act upon election related matters without delay and stressed

on intensifying SVEEP activities to attract voters.

The meeting was attended by ADDCM Ashraf Bhat; Nodal Officer MCC/ADC, Umar Shafi Pandit; Dy. DEO Mohammad, Rafeeq Bhat; ERO/ACR Shabir Ahmad Wani, ACD Peer Mumtaz Ahmad, CPO Mohd Maqbool, Election

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Lok Sabha Elections-2024: DC Bandipora visits Sumbal, takes stock of poll preparedness

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BANDIPORA, MARCH 14: In view of upcoming lok sabha elections 2024, the Deputy Commissioner Bandipora Shakeel ul Rehman visited Sumbal sub division to take stock of poll preparedness.

During the visit, the DC took spot inspection of various locations. The DC visited yatra transit camp and other adjacent locations to check accommodation facilities available there. He asked the SDM and other concerned to make all facilities available related to the election well in advance. He also directed the concerned to assure minimum basic facilities in all the polling stations.

He was accompanied by SDM Sumbal and other concerned officers.

DC Kupwara chairs DGRC meeting, reviews grievances, implementation of AB- PMJAY

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KUPWARA, MARCH 14: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kupwara, Ayushi Sudan today chaired a meeting of the District Grievances Redressal Committee (DGRC) to review the status of grievances and implementation of the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY).

The committee members were apprised of their roles and responsibilities in ensuring the swift resolution of grievances related to the AB-PMJAY during the meeting.

The DC emphasized the significance of efficiency and directed the members to actively monitor the grievances database, ensuring that all issues are addressed within the prescribed timeline.

She directed the concerned to concentrate on anti-fraud under PMJAY so that the fraud levels are minimized and also minimize the rejection of cases.

The meeting was attended by CMO Kupwara, Dr. Ramzan, Medical Superintendents; DH Handwara, SDH Kupwara, and other concerned officials.

Distt Admin B'la organises Voters Awareness program under SVEEP at Ladu-Ladoora

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BARAMULLA, MARCH 14: With an aim to raise awareness about various voting-related activities as part of SVEEP (Systematic Voter Education Electoral Participation) initiative, the District Administration Baramulla today organised Voters Awareness program under SVEEP at Ladoo, Ladoora, Rafiabab. The event was presided over by the Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Sopore, Shabir Ahmad Raina and was attended by the Nodal Officer SVEEP, Baramulla, Balbir Singh Raina, AEROS, BLOs, principals and teachers of schools of the constituency, local residents and students from various schools and officials from various other departments. The event featured a range of engaging sporting activities, including snow cricket, snow art, skits and more, which attracted enthusiastic youth and students who wholeheartedly participated and set the stage for a grandeur celebration of the democratic process. Speaking during the event, the ADC underscored that the goal of organizing these events is to promote electoral literacy and spread awareness of the election process, thereby empowering the electorates especially first-time voters to actively participate in the upcoming Lok Sabha 2024 elections. ADC further emphasized the importance of every eligible voter in our democratic system and urged everyone present, especially new voters, to participate wholeheartedly in the General Elections and elect their representatives who can understand and address their aspirations. The event also saw active participation from Booth Level Officers (BLOs), who diligently educated attendees about the electoral process, emphasizing their right to vote and the vital role they play as integral members of our thriving democracy.

DC Budgam dedicates newly constructed primary School to students at Rakh Arath Bemina

Says Distt Admin committed to complete pending infrastructure projects in time

■ HT News Network

BUDGAM, MARCH 14: The Deputy Commissioner (DC), Budgam, Akshay Labroo today dedicated the Primary School Building to locals at Rakh Arth Bemina.

Speaking on the occasion, the DC said that under the directions of Hon'ble LG Administration, the District Administration Budgam is committed to complete all pending infrastructure projects in the district.

He said that this school building is the 7th such infrastructure building completed in the last six months. He said other completed projects including PHCs, Health & Wellness Centres completed and



dedicated to the general public in the last six months. He complimented the concerned executing agency and team of officers who were looking after the project, for completing the long pending school

building in a short span of time and dedicating it to the local students at Rakh Arth Bemina. The DC instructed the CEO to ensure shifting of the school from a rented building to new school building at

the earliest and ensure smooth functioning of the school with all basic and assured facilities in place for students at the new building. The DC further said that the focus is also on to modernize and equip the infrastructure buildings with latest gadgets and machinery in the district.

He said that during the last visit last month concerned were given clear directions to ensure completion of all pending works including sanitary works for wash-room facility very shortly without fail.

DC said that the school shall normally function from this session to ensure smooth imparting of education to local students of Rakh Arth. During the visit, the DC also met various public deputations who raised their demands with the DC.

DDC Reasi reviews implementation of Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojna (PMAAGY)

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REASI, MARCH 14: District Development Commissioner Reasi Vishesh Mahajan reviewed the implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojna (PMAAGY) at meeting held here today.

The scheme, introduced by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, aims to transform villages with a significant tribal population into model villages (Adarsh Gram) through integrated socio-economic development and a convergence approach.

Under the revamped scheme, known as the Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojna (PMAAGY), the Ministry of Tribal Affairs intends to implement a transformative plan 2024-25. The primary objective of this initiative is to achieve the holistic development of selected villages by addressing their specific needs, potential, and aspirations.

During the meeting, extensive discussions were held on the progress of works under the PMAAGY scheme and other initiatives for



the tribal community.

Key issues addressed included the construction and repair of school buildings, provision of electricity in tribal areas, road repairs, new road constructions, repair and modify electric polls, the installation of desktops in schools

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cers to utilize funds effectively, ensuring maximum benefit to the tribal communities. The DDC Mahajan directed concerned officers to revisit there areas for various developmental works marks a significant step towards the betterment of the tribal communities in the region.

ADDC Sukhdev Singh Samyal, PO Poshan Mohd Anwar Bandy, SE PWD Romesh Kumar, CPO Narinder Kumar, ACD Pardeep

Kumar, CEO, DFO and other concerned district officers were present. Under the revamped scheme, known as the Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojna (PMAAGY), the Ministry of Tribal Affairs intends to implement a transformative plan 2024-25. The primary objective of this initiative is to achieve the holistic development of selected villages by addressing their specific needs, potential, and aspirations.

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PM-Vishwakarma; GPC Ramban concludes training of Beauty & Wellness Training Batch

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RAMBAN, MARCH 14: Government Polytechnic, Chanderkote, Ramban, successfully concluded the training program of 2nd batch of the PM-Vishwakarma Scheme and 1st batch of Assistant Barber Training Batch.

This revolutionary initiative, aimed at empowering skilled artisans and fostering self-reliance in the apparel trade, under the guidance of Deputy Commissioner, Baseer-Ul-Haq Chaudhary.

Under the patronage of the Skill Development Department, the training programme was conducted at the PM Vishwakarma Centre, Govt. Polytechnic, Chanderkote. This initiative aimed to nurture entrepreneurship among candidates hailing from various parts of the district, thereby contributing to the overall development of Ramban.



The assessed batch comprised 17 enthusiastic male and female candidates, demonstrating a diverse range of talents and skills.

Principal of Government Polytechnic Ramban, Er. Vivek Mahajan, encouraged the candidates and provided insightful guidance on the scheme.

During the assessment, candidates underwent both theoretical and practical evaluations, showcasing their proficiency and expertise in the field. The assessments were conducted under the meticulous supervision of the institution's Principal and HOD (E&C), Er. Pawan Kumar.

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GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR BIRTHS & DEATHS BLOCK WAGOORA

Subject: Issuance of Registration Orders in respect of delayed Birth/ Death certificate.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This office is in receipt of representation from MEENA BEGUM W/O GHULAM MOHI UD DIN BHAT R/O, WAGOORA Tehsil wagoora District Baramulla for issuance of Birth Certificate in favour of my son namely KAISER AHMAD BHAT S/O GHULAM MOHI UD DIN BHAT R/O WAGOORA D.O.B as per documents is 22 /03/2009 & event shown to be occurred at home In this connection if anyone have any objection in the registration of birth certificate shall present his/her claim to this office or Tehsildar Kreeri/ Wagoora /BDO office Wagoora within 07 days, after that no objection shall be entertained

REGISTRATION BIRTH & DEATH
(BLOCK DEVELOPMENT WAGOORA)

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Mohammad Yaqoob Wagay, F/O Sheezma Yaqoob, studying in R.P School Lawaypora, Srinagar, intend to correct my daughter's particulars in school record from: Sheezma Yaqoob D/O: Mohammad Yaqoob Wagay to Shiffa Sheereen D/o Mohammad Yaqoob Wagay. Objections if any, may contact R.P School Lawaypora, Srinagar within a period of seven days. After That No objection will be entertained thereafter.

MOHAMMAD YAQOOB WAGAY
F/O SHIFFA SHEEREEN

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DC reviews physical, financial progress under Capex Budget 2023-24 in District Udhampur

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UDHAMPUR, MARCH 14: Deputy Commissioner Udhampur Saloni Rai today chaired a meeting in the Mini Conference Hall DC Office Complex Udhampur to assess the physical and financial progress achieved under the District Capex Budget 2023-24, along with the progress of Village Development plans, ABDP, APDP, and SOS initiatives being implemented across various departments in the district.

Additional District Development Commissioner Ghan Sham Singh, PO Poshan Subash Dogra, Assistant Commissioner Development Dr. Ranjeet Singh Kotwal, Chief Planning Officer Mohd Iqbal, and other departmental officers attended the meeting.



After a comprehensive sector-wise review, the DC urged officers to ensure 100% expenditure within the set timeline by expediting the pace of ongoing projects slated for completion within the current fiscal year. Emphasizing the need for close coordination among departments, the DC underscored the importance of achieving development objectives collectively.

During the meeting, officers provided updates on the physical and financial status of ongoing developmental endeavors. The DC stressed the urgency of completing pending tasks swiftly, emphasizing the necessity of attaining 100% expenditure targets.

Officers were directed to accelerate expenditure bookings and ramp up the

tempo of developmental undertakings.

Optimizing full fund utilization, officers were urged to mobilize resources efficiently, ensuring timely project execution. Additionally, officers were instructed to promptly record maximum expenditure for ongoing projects. Additional District Development Commissioner Ghan Sham Singh, PO Poshan Subash Dogra, Assistant Commissioner Development Dr. Ranjeet Singh Kotwal, Chief Planning Officer Mohd Iqbal, and other departmental officers attended the meeting. After a comprehensive sector-wise review, the DC urged officers to ensure 100% expenditure within the set timeline by expediting the pace of ongoing projects slated for completion within the current fiscal year.

DDC Reasi inspects facilities at polling stations in Katra ahead of Lok Sabha Elections

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REASI, MARCH 14: District Development Commissioner Reasi, Vishesh Mahajan, conducted a comprehensive inspection visit to Katra, focusing on the functionality of police check posts and provision of Basic Minimum Facilities in Polling Stations. Additionally, DDC Mahajan visited the National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) building and inspected four polling stations housed in the Tourist Reception Centre (TRC), emphasizing the need for essential facilities to facilitate the electoral process. During the visit, DDC Mahajan meticulously examined the operational status of all police check posts within the district, ensuring their efficiency and effectiveness in maintaining law and order during elections. DDC Vishesh Mahajan directed the Sub-Divisional Magistrate Katra Piyush Dhotra to expedite the provision of necessary facilities at the NMDC and TRC building. He emphasized the urgency of completing these enhancements within a short timeframe to ensure the smooth conduct of electoral activities.

Rural Water Supply Training Program concludes at Samba

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SAMBA, MARCH 14: the 4-day residential training program aimed at enhancing the skills of Level-3 functionaries of Samba district regarding the operation and maintenance of Rural Water Supply Schemes. The program concluded with insightful remarks from Abhishek Sharma, District Development Commissioner Samba, who chairs the District Jal Jeevan Mission. The training, graced by the

presence of esteemed dignitaries including Ashwani Khajuria, Special Secretary, Jal Shakti Department, Bodh Raj Bhagat SE Hydraulic Circle Jammu, Manesh K Bhat Consultant, JJM, (Retd. Chief Engineer) and other officials from the Jal Shakti Department, focused on various crucial aspects of maintaining rural water supply schemes.

A key highlight of the program was the emphasis on shifting from an 'engineering-led approach' to a 'community-led, community-owned, and commu-



nity-driven approach' for sustainable operation and maintenance. Participants, comprising members from Paani Samitis at the village

level, Anganwari workers, ex-Panch/sarpanch, VLW/Pyt secretaries, prominent citizens, and officials from the Jal Shakti (PHE) Depart-

ment, gained valuable insights into the O&M Policy for rural water supply schemes.

Furthermore, the program culminated with the recognition and award presentation to the best-performing staff of the Jal Shakti (PHE) Department and participants who exhibited exceptional performance during the training sessions.

This training program signifies our collective commitment to ensuring the efficient and sustainable management of rural

water resources, ultimately contributing to the well-being and development of communities in the Samba region. A key highlight of the program was the emphasis on shifting from an 'engineering-led approach' to a 'community-led, community-owned, and community-driven approach' for sustainable operation and maintenance. Participants, comprising members from Paani Samitis at the village level, Anganwari workers, ex-Panch/sarpanch, VLW/Pyt secretaries.

Enforcement of Tobacco Control Measures reviewed In Jammu District

HT News Network

JAMMU, MARCH 14: Additional Deputy Commissioner Ansuya Jamwal today chaired the District Level Coordination Committee meeting on National Tobacco Control Programme implementation in the district. Key stakeholders participated in the discussion, shedding light on critical aspects of tobacco control.

Dr. Mridula Singh delivered a detailed presentation outlining the objectives of the programme, with a focus on raising awareness about tobacco's harmful effects and ensuring compliance with relevant legislation such as the Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA). Highlighting the menace of second-hand smoke, it was emphasised that

passive smoking poses a significant threat to public health.

The meeting underscored the importance of enforcing COTPA provisions, including the prohibition of smoking in public places, display of designated "No Smoking" signage, and restrictions on tobacco sales near educational institutions. Surrogate advertising emerged as a challenge, prompting a call for vigilant monitoring and enforcement.

Additional Deputy Commissioner Ansuya Jamwal stressed the need for interdepartmental coordination to effectively implement tobacco control measures. She emphasised the role of various stakeholders, including government departments, educational institutions, and civil society, in fostering awareness and compliance.

ACB Apprehends Junior Engineer for Bribery

DR.AB QAYOOM

Handwara, Mar, 14: In a significant development in the fight against corruption, the Anti Corruption Bureau (ACB) has arrested Arshid Hussan Marazi, a Junior Engineer (JE) from the Rural Development Department Block Qaziabad in Handwara. Marazi was apprehended for accepting a bribe amounting to Rs 5,000. The arrest follows a complaint received by the ACB, alleging Marazi's solicitation of a bribe to expedite the preparation of bills related to work executed under MGNREGA. The complainant reported instances of undue delays in bill processing, attributing them to Marazi's demand for illicit payments. In response to the complaint, the ACB swiftly launched an investigation under the provisions of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1988. Subsequent-

ly, a trap operation was orchestrated, leading to Marazi's apprehension. During the operation, Marazi was caught red-handed while demanding and accepting the bribe of Rs 5,000 from the complainant. Following his apprehension, Marazi was taken into custody by the ACB team. The bribe money was recovered from his possession in the presence of independent witnesses, bolstering the case against him. This arrest underscores the ACB's unwavering commitment to rooting out corruption from public offices and holding accountable those who engage in malfeasance. It serves as a stern warning to individuals who seek to abuse their positions for personal gain. The ACB urges citizens to continue reporting instances of corruption, reaffirming its resolve to maintain transparency and integrity in public service. (HT)



Pant leads star-studded list of IPL returnees

Rishabh Pant

In December 2022, when Pant suffered severe injuries in a horrific car accident, there were doubts about whether he would be able to play cricket again. Fourteen months later, his return as captain of Delhi Capitals is cause for celebration, and not just for Capitals. But we'll have to see how Pant copes with the demands of batting, captaincy, and possibly wicketkeeping, in an arduous IPL season after such a long time out of the game. He's had three knee ligament constructions, skin grafts on his back and thighs, several stitches, therapy, and months of rehabilitation at the National Cricket Academy in Bengaluru to get here. Pant's return will add firepower to the Capitals batting line-up, especially in the middle and death overs, phases in which they were the slowest scorers last season, when they finished second from bottom. And if he has a promising IPL, a place in India's T20 World Cup squad is not out of the question either.

Jasprit Bumrah

Having missed IPL 2023 because of a back stress injury, Bumrah heads into the

new season in peak bowling form: he took 19 wickets in four Tests against England at an average of 16.89. He hasn't played a T20 since India's tour of Ireland in August 2023, though, and his last white-ball game was the ODI World Cup final on November 19. Bumrah was given a break for the fourth Test of the series against England to manage his workload, which could need monitoring while at Mumbai Indians too, with India going straight into the T20 World Cup a week after the IPL final.

Shreyas Iyer

Iyer had to skip the last IPL with a back injury and has had surgery since, and he goes into this season as captain of Kolkata Knight Riders on the back of a rocky couple of months.

He had a stellar ODI World Cup in October and November, but not long after, Iyer lost his spot in India's T20I and Test teams, and then his BCCI central contract after not playing in the Ranji Trophy despite not being on international duty. Reports of more back trouble surfaced but he eventually bounced back with a fluent 95 for Mumbai in the Ranji final.

Iyer needs a strong IPL season to re-

establish himself.

Pat Cummins

Cummins opted out of IPL 2023, sacrificing his INR 7.25 crore (US\$874,000 approx.) pay cheque with KKR in the process, so that he could focus on international cricket in a busy year. He ended up leading Australia to the World Test Championship title, retained the Ashes in England, and then won the ODI World Cup in India.

His stocks skyrocketed and, after being released by KKR, Cummins became the first player to be sold at an IPL auction for more than INR 20 crore. Sunrisers Hyderabad have since made him their captain for the 2024 season, too.

Cummins, however, has not had great success in the IPL over the years.

In his most recent season, 2022, he took seven wickets in five matches for KKR with an economy rate of 10.69. He has never captained a team - country, state or franchise - in T20 cricket before and faces the challenge of uniting a diverse dressing room and reviving Sunrisers' fortunes. Under different captains - David Warner, Kane Williamson and Aiden Markram - SRH finished last in 2021, eighth in 2022, and

last again in 2023.

Mitchell Starc

After missing the last eight seasons, Starc returns to the IPL as its most expensive player ever: he was bought by KKR for INR 24.75 crore (US\$2.98 million approximately) after fierce bidding from Mumbai Indians, Capitals and Gujarat Titans.

But Starc comes into the IPL without a lot of recent white-ball experience. His last ODI was the 2023 World Cup final in November, and before he played two T20Is against New Zealand this February, his previous T20Is were during the 2022 T20 World Cup. Starc has played only two IPL seasons previously, for Royal Challengers Bangalore in 2014 and 2015, and while he had entered the auction in 2018 - he was bought by KKR then too - he withdrew ahead of the season. While Starc's international pedigree is what got him the record bid, he now has to deliver. He will begin the season against Cummins when KKR play Sunrisers at Eden Gardens on March 23.

Kane Williamson

Williamson's first season for Titans lasted barely an hour on the field. In the 2023 season opener against Chennai Super

Kings, he leapt at the boundary to attempt a catch, landed awkwardly, busted his anterior cruciate ligament, and only returned to international cricket during the ODI World Cup in October after recovering from knee surgery.

Titans need an experienced hand in the team, as Shubman Gill prepares for his first season as IPL captain following Hardik Pandya's trade to Mumbai Indians, and Williamson will be crucial.

Jonny Bairstow

Bairstow was unavailable for Punjab Kings in IPL 2023 as he recovered from surgery after fracturing his leg in September 2022. He comes into this season having spent two months in India for a five-Test series, which culminated in his 100th appearance in whites for England in Dharamsala.

He was explosive for Kings in the 2022 season, scoring 253 runs at a strike rate of 144.57, though he averaged only 23. It remains to be seen whether Bairstow features among the team's four first-choice overseas players at the start of this season, as they attempt to qualify for the playoffs for the first time since 2014.

Sixteen counties in the running for eight women's teams

CHRISTCHURCH: Sixteen of the 18 first-class counties have bid for one of eight professional women's teams in a revamped England and Wales domestic competition starting next season.

Worcestershire and Derbyshire are the only two clubs among those invited to tender who have confirmed that they did not bid for a Tier 1 team under the new structure.

Essex and Glamorgan made formal announcements on Wednesday while Surrey, Lancashire, Sussex, Hampshire, Nottinghamshire, Warwickshire and Gloucestershire all confirmed this week that they had lodged tenders with the ECB.

Middlesex confirmed a bid on Monday, which had received "the full support of Marylebone Cricket Club". MCC, which owns Middlesex's home ground, Lord's, and was also invited to bid for a team, have not submitted a proposal of their own.

Kent and Northamptonshire announced their bids last week along with Durham, Yorkshire, Leicestershire and Somerset. It is understood counties will be notified imminently of interview slots for the next stage of the process, with those interviews to take place by the end of March.

In February, the ECB invited all 18 first-class counties plus MCC to tender for one of the Tier 1 clubs in a move away from the current regional structure which began in 2020. Currently, teams contesting the 20-over Charlotte Edwards Cup and 50-over Rachael Heyhoe Flint Trophy fall under central ECB control and largely encompass more than one county. By aligning teams more closely with existing counties - and their men's teams - the ECB is seeking to address an identity crisis that has afflicted some of the regional teams



with ownership, responsibility and governance shifting to the clubs.

First-class counties not awarded Tier 1 status, plus all National Counties, will be invited to take part in a process to determine the make-up of Tier 2 and 3 competitions, comprising 10-14 teams and 16-20 teams respectively.

Despite there being no plans for promotion or relegation from 2025-28, Derbyshire have taken a longer-term view, electing to "pursue the establishment of a sustainable Tier 2 women's structure, one which will hopefully grow into Tier 1 status" in future. Derbyshire have hosted training for existing regional women's team at least one England Women's international fixture every year for the past seven seasons. In 2020, Derby hosted all five T20Is against West Indies which comprised the England Women's international season amid the initial wave of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Explaining the club's position, Derbyshire chief executive Ryan Duckett said: "Derbyshire makes up 9% of the population of the Midlands, yet 26% of women's cricket that was

played across the region in the last year involved a team from the county. There are also three players in the current senior England squad who have come through the Derbyshire pathway, which has been led by the Derbyshire Cricket Foundation, and we will continue to support further success in this area.

"Our ambitions for ground development include enhanced training facilities underpinning a robust pathway structure, as well as increasing seating capacity to meet demand and ensure the club retains its status as a host venue for international women's cricket... After honest assessment, we felt that in the short term, as a standalone county, it may have been essential to compromise what is currently being delivered as a collective across the region and therefore believe this decision is in the best interest of the game." Worcestershire CEO Ashley Giles told the club's podcast: "At this point it would just be more of a funding and a resource issue for us. Even in ground facilities, changing facilities, practice wickets, it would be really challenging for us."

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