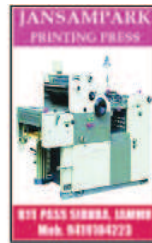


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**Mother, 4-yr-old son burnt alive after LPG cylinder catches fire and explodes**

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POONCH, NOV 24: A mother and her minor son were burnt alive after an LPG cylinder caught fire and exploded in Jammu and Kashmir's Poonch district on Thursday, officials said.

The incident occurred in Chandimarg village of the Surankote subdivision.

The deceased were identified as Hamida Begum (40) and Aqib Ahmed (4), police said.

Three other family members, including the deceased woman's husband and two children, narrowly escaped.

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**Militant Funding Case: SIA Kashmir Conducts Multiple Raids in J&K**

AGENCY

SRINAGAR, NOV 24: State Investigation Agency Kashmir on Thursday carried multiple raids across J&K in connection with militant funding case.

Official sources said that SIA conducted raids at Bandipora, Kupwara, Anantnag, Srinagar and Kishtwar.

Till this report was being filed there was no report of

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**Pak Drone-dropped Package Seized In Jammu's Samba; IED, Arms & Cash Recovered**

AGENCY

JAMMU, Nov 24: The Jammu and Kashmir police along with the special operations group recovered one suspicious package on Thursday, November 24, in the field near Chhani Manhasan in the Vijaypur area of J&K's Samba. Upon inspection, the J&K police recovered arms and ammunition along with a wad of cash from the package which was dropped by a Pakistani drone from across the border.

Notably, following reliable input, J&K police spotted a package in the field in Jammu's Samba in the early hours of Thursday. After getting the information

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**Situation in Jammu and Kashmir has improved in past 2-3 years: Muzaffar Baig**

AGENCY

SRINAGAR, NOV 24: Former Jammu and Kashmir deputy chief minister Muzaffar Hussain Baig on Thursday said the situation in the union territory has improved in the past two to three years and good work has been done on the development front as well.

Baig, who quit the Mehbooba Multi-led PDP in 2020 after nearly 20 years, also said peace in the region was in the interest of both Pakistan and India.

"I don't think there is as much instability in Jammu and Kashmir as is being projected. In the past two to

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**BJP committed to bring UCC but only after following all democratic process: Amit Shah**

AGENCY

NEW DELHI, NOV 24: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday said the BJP is committed to bring Uniform Civil Code (UCC) in the country but only after following all democratic processes and discussions on it.

Addressing an event here, he also exuded confidence in BJP's victory in the Himachal Pradesh and Gujarat assembly elections as also in the MCD (Municipal Corporation of Delhi) polls.

The home minister credited Prime Minister Narendra Modi for making the country's politics free from the "naasur" (canker) of casteism, dynasty and appeasement.

"Modi ji has made country's politics free from casteism, dynasty and appeasement and started politics of performance. Whosoever perform, will govern the country. Whosoever puts in effort, will govern the country. Those who are pro-country will



govern (it).

"Nobody would rule on the basis of place of one's birth or to the caste he or she belongs or how much appeasement somebody does," he said, adding that the country's people have accepted this policy of the Modi government.

Talking about the UCC, Shah said it has been a promise of BJP since its days of Bhartiya Jan Sangh.

"Not only BJP, the Constituent Assembly had also advised the Parliament and states that UCC should come in the country at an opportune time," he said at the

Times Now Summit on 'India: A vibrant democracy, global bright spot'.

Shah said for any secular country, laws should not be on the basis of religion.

"If a nation and states are secular, how can laws be based on religion? For every believer, there should be one law passed by the Parliament or the state assemblies," he said.

He, however, said that the commitment of the Constituent Assembly was forgotten over a period of time.

"Except the BJP, no other party is in favour of the Uniform Civil Code. They don't even speak on it. If they don't have courage, they won't oppose it. But they won't say that, ok you implement it we are with you. We are a part of a democracy. In a democracy, healthy debate is a necessity. There is a need for open and healthy debate on the issue," Shah said. He said in three BJP ruled states — Himachal Pradesh,

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**25th National e-Governance Conference 26-27th November 2022**

**UT of J&K is fully committed to achieve PM's Vision of Digital India: LG Sinha**



Ji News Service

SRINAGAR, NOV 24: The government of Jammu and Kashmir in collaboration with Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances is organizing 25th National e-Governance Conference on 26-27th November 2022 at Sri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra. The two-day conference will be attended by 1000 delegates from 28 states and 8 Union Territories and officials from Central Ministries and departments. Haryana Chief Minister Shri Manohar Lal will also attend the conference on 27th November. IT Department J&K UT and Haryana's Department of Information Technology will also sign a MoU for knowledge sharing, idea exchange, capacity building in IT sector.

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha said, the National e-Governance Conference is a momentous occasion for Jammu and

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Kashmir and further the vision of Digital India of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi.

"In a short span of two years, we have taken a giant leap to create user-centric service delivery system and paperless administrative functions through e-Office. Technology has redesigned the rules and procedures bringing accountability and transparency in the system and enabling us to provide services more effectively and efficiently," the Lt Governor said.

The Lt Governor observed that the accelerated digital transformation and adoption of emerging technologies has helped the administration become more open, transparent and develop new delivery models to ensure people can access e-Services

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**Gujarat election | Dr Jitendra holds interactive meetings with medical professionals, others**

AHMEDABAD, NOV 24: Throughout the day, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) Earth

Sciences; MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space; Dr Jitendra Singh held a series of interactive meetings with different professional groups of

the city as a part of the election campaign for the State assembly.

Among these, his meeting with the medical professionals of the city was

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**Fight against drugs a collective task: CS**

Chairs 3rd UT level NCORD meeting



Ji News Service

JAMMU, NOV 24: Chief Secretary, Dr Arun Kumar Mehta today held the 3rd UT Level NCORD meeting to take a comprehensive review of efforts being made to mitigate the menace of drugs here.

The meeting was attend-

ed by ACS, Agriculture Production; ACS, Home; Principal Secretary, School Education; Divisional Commissioners, Jammu/Kashmir; ADGP, Kashmir; Jammu; Secretary Health; MD, NHM; Excise Commissioner; State Drug Controller; Zonal Director, NCB Jammu; SSP, ANIT

and all the Deputy Commissioners and District SPs.

Outstation based officers participated in the meeting through video conferencing. Dr Mehta impressed upon the officers that the drug menace is a grave issue spoiling the precious

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**Threat to journalists Police carry out raids at multiple locations in 3 J&K districts**

AGENCY

SRINAGAR, NOV 24: Police on Thursday carried out raids at multiple locations in three districts of Jammu and Kashmir after some journalists received threats online from terror outfits.

"Searches are being carried out in multiple locations in Srinagar, Badgam and Pulwama districts in connection with 'online journalists threat' case," Srinagar police tweeted.

It said the ongoing searches were undertaken following leads received during similar searches a few days ago in the same case.

'KashmirFight', an online page used by terror outfits, had released a hitlist of journalists, accusing them of working at the behest of security and intelligence agencies. At least five local journalists have since resigned from their jobs.

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**DSEK proposes winter vacations for schools in phased manner from Dec 1**

AGENCY

SRINAGAR, NOV 24: In view of the increasing cold conditions and freezing temperatures prevailing in the valley, the Director of School Education Kashmir (DSEK) has proposed the Government to announce winter vacation for all educational institutions beginning from December 1.

Director School Education Kashmir in a letter has proposed to the Principal Secretary Government of Jammu and

Kashmir Union Territory that the health of children is our primary concern and it is proven that the children are more prone to heat loss in cold climates. Children exposed to extreme cold for too long can get frostbite or even life threatening hypothermia.

The children are also at an increased risk of exercise induced asthma and cold exposure can cause specific acute and chronic physiological responses, the letter said. It said that acute physiological responses

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**Postmaster General calls on LG Manoj Sinha**

Ji News Service

SRINAGAR, NOV 24: Col. Vinod Kumar, Postmaster General, Jammu Region, holding the charge of Chief Postmaster General J&K and Ladakh, met Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha at the Raj Bhavan here today.

The Postmaster General briefed the Lt Governor about the functioning of the Department of Posts, J&K Circle and the steps being taken to make the services effective and

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**AC approves free of cost medicines against LSD**



Ji News Service

JAMMU, NOV 24: The Administrative Council (AC) which met here under the chairmanship of the Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, approved the

proposal for provision of free of cost medicines to Lumpy Skin Disease affected Farmers of UT of J&K. Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to the Lieutenant Governor, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief

Secretary, J&K attended the meeting.

In J&K, all the 20 districts are affected with the disease, with 56,146 cattle having contracted infection till date out of which 1564 animals have died.

The affected farmers are in distress due to medical expenses which ranges from Rs. 6,000 to 10,000 and accordingly, to provide relief to the farmers, provision of free of cost veterinary medicines to LSD affected farmers has

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**Malik appears in court through videoconferencing in Rubaiya Sayeed kidnapping case**

AGENCY

JAMMU, NOV 24: Jammu Kashmir Liberation Front (JKLF) chief Yasin Malik appeared before a special court here via videoconferencing on Thursday and cross-examined a witness in the 1989 kidnapping of Rubaiya Sayeed, the daughter of then Union home minister Mufti Mohammad

Sayeed. Malik, who is lodged in Delhi's Tihar Jail in a terror financing case, was not produced in the court physically due to a Ministry of Home Affairs order restricting his movement.

Senior Public Prosecutor S K Bhat told reporters, "Today, accused Yasin Malik participated in the trial through

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**DB accept the oral and written undertakings of the Advocates and discharge the notices of contempt issued against them**

JNF NEWS AGENCY

JAMMU, NOV 24: A Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Chief Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey and Justice MA Chowdhary had accepted the oral and written undertakings of the Advocates and discharge the notices of contempt issued against them by the Court in year 2019 when Advocates are on indefinite strike.

DB while disposing of the PIL, observed that appreciate the role an Advocate plays in the society. The development of Lawyers as a class of professionals can be attributed to the

need for trained persons who can form the competent interface to facilitate the interaction between the lay persons and the judiciary. This involves providing legal advice in matters of rights, liberties or property of the client within the framework of legislative and legal rights, and representing the client in the event of a dispute before an adjudicatory body. In fact, if law is viewed as a 'public good' which is frequently technical and not self-executing, meaningful access to law requires the assistance of a Lawyer. Particularly, in most jurisdictions, the members of the legal profes-

sion are conferred the status of privileged members of the community, and occupies an exclusive domain with the privilege of pleading and acting on behalf of suitors being restricted only to enrolled advocates and attorneys. This monopolistic character of the legal profession entails certain high traditions which its members are expected to upkeep and uphold. Therefore, the Lawyer plays an indispensable role in the mechanism of administration of justice. However, the Lawyer has a particularly onerous and multi-dimensional role to fulfill. The role of the Advocate requires

a closer scrutiny. The Lawyer, as a professional, to some extent, acts on behalf of the client, and representing the client. This is particularly relevant in an adversarial system of adjudication followed by common law countries which is characterized by a neutral adjudicating authority, which, on the basis of the arguments and evidence placed before it, arrives at a conclusion. The role of an Advocate in an adversarial system, therefore, is to represent the case of the client before the adjudicating authority. As a professional, the functional role of an Advocate, in essence, is comparable to that of a legal technician. An Advocate is specially trained in the tech-

nical profession of 'law', and with his grasp over the subject matter, professional function consists largely of providing counsel for clients about how to escape or mitigate the incidence of the law's obligations, availing of the loopholes and the ambiguities of law. An Advocate is essentially an adviser to his client. The contractual arrangement creates an obligation on the part of the Advocate to offer sound legal service, and place before the Court all that can fairly and reasonably be submitted on behalf of his client. As has been frequently emphasized, an Advocate also acts in the capacity of an officer of the

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# Waste to Wealth: Dist Admin Rajouri recycles waste to save environment

**JJ NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, NOV 24:** The recycling of waste to create manure and plastic for recycling is becoming very effective way of combating the immediate threat it poses to environment as well as preventing the outbreak of diseases in Sunderbani area of Rajouri district.

The constant piling of garbage and waste was a cause of concern for Sunderbani administration who saw landfilling as only option, which is not environment friendly.

Sensing the gravity of the situation, the district administration Rajouri led by Deputy Commissioner, Vikas Kundal, immediately recognized the need for scientific waste disposal. The Deputy Commissioner Rajouri held regular brainstorming sessions with the Chairperson Municipal Council (MC), Sunderbani and other councillors to come up with a solution.

After regular sessions it was decided to treat the solid waste technologically and utilise the end product as compost for agriculture

fields. To address the issue, the Administration decided to restore the defunct Solid Waste management plant so that the waste is disposed off in environmental friendly manner.

After restoration of plant, the uphill task for the Municipal Committee was the collection of the waste, the segregation of the waste, and the transportation of the garbage to the treatment plant/Solid Waste Management Plant.

The task was overcome by deployment of waste collection buses in all wards for waste collection. Special committees of the senior citizens of the concerned wards were also constituted to look after their wards for required waste collection and segregation.

The committees ensured proper cleanliness by MC workers and motivated public to segregate waste at home and dispose off it properly during the morning in waste collection vans.

The step was welcomed by the public, and people started to flock towards the waste vans in morning to pour the segregated waste

into the waste-collection vans.

The Administration deployed ten people in the treatment plan who segregate the waste at the plant and ensure only the required waste is being poured into the plant. Importantly, only biodegradable waste is brought to the treatment facility, while the plastic waste is being sold to the local vendors for Rs 32 per kg.

The biodegradable waste brought to the facility for further treatment is then converted into manure.

"We are making money out of waste. Our treatment plant is operational, and produced 1600 kg of compost till date, of which 400 kg have been sold to agencies, farmers, and residents at Rs 12 per kg," said Executive Officer, MC Sunderbani.

President MC Sunderbani says initiative has improved the cleanliness of the city at a larger scale and we are hopeful that Subdarbani will get a better ranking this time. He is also praise for Deputy Commissioner Vikas Kundal, for extending

help in the revival of this old and defunct plant.

"Waste is wealth. We are implementing the most effective waste management model—which is both cost-effective and profitable—and the district administration is working to replicate it in other municipal committees and councils throughout the district," Vikas Kundal said. The time has come for everyone to join hands and make history in Rajouri, to make it the cleanest city, he added.

The Deputy also highlighted that specific sites are being taken to make Rajouri a clean and beautiful city; MRF facilities in most of the MCs have been completed and will be commissioned soon.

He also said that separate land for the establishment of a solid waste management plant has been identified in other MCs of district.

Kundal also said that it is an effort of the MCs that one of our MC Kalakote has received the Swachh Survakshan Award-2022 which is testimony that we are committed to ensuring better living conditions for the public.

# Power shutdown

**JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOVEMBER 24:** Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCJ Jammu has informed that the power supply to Pali, Barwal, Nagri and adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 25 from 8 am to 12 noon.

Similarly, the power supply to Trikuta Nagar and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 26 from 9 am to 6 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Rajinder Nagar Keran, LaxmiPuran, Swarn Vihar, Bharat Nagar, Ganga Nagar, Bantlab, Radio Station, BSNL, CRPF, Ayush Hospital and adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 25 from 9 am to 12 noon.

Meanwhile, Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCJ Jammu has issued curtailment schedule of Jammu Province (Rural Feeder) on daily basis. According to the curtailment schedule the areas of Jammu Province (Rural Feeders) are divided into four Groups-A, B, C and D.

As per the Schedule, the power supply to the areas of Group A including Part of Purkhoa, Mishriwala, Hari Singh Gharat, Burmal, Devipur, Naitwala, Palarwala, Panjot, Partwal, Sungal Balli, Nathal, Chak Bhalwal, Marzali, Sahri, Panjanjan, Jagti, Thandapani, Kherani, Raipur, Jagir, Sari, Bhadrod, Saroda, Rawpur, Puri, Doda, Kotha, Akalpur, Udhaywala, Sangrampur, Lale-De-Bagh, GD Goenka School, Ward No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 Khamb, Bakshi Colony, Badyal Qazian, Tibba, Mokhe, Satuchak, Bhokri, Dewangarh, Harapeer, Gujjar Basti, Jajhowal, Joda, Kalyana Village, Nikowal, Sai Border area, Mehmoopur, Shahpur, Majua, Salehar, Armai, Jabawal Kotli, Barjale, Khandwala, Daili, Raipur, Phillan, Poore Chak, Mukhra, Kaaliya, Dharap, Khandwal, Baspur, Kadiyal, Simbal, Chak Balotra, Sowankhla, Dadyal, palota, Mahal, Kalandriani, Jarah Koliari, Raji Samba, Sangwali Mandi, Hari Singh Chowk, Link Road, Rahiyar, Khanwal, Panjila, Bedi, Pendi, Pam Morh, Basi, Sultapur, Upper Kanal, Lower Kanal, Bari Brahmana Town, Bhadori, Rajinderpura, Uterbehri-II, Sandi, Lovely, Barodhi, Jakh, Gurah Morh, Railway Road, Koulpur, Khanpur, Ujh, Garh Dewal, Dhur Dgunnoo, Sadrota, Raipur, Samanjanrota, Mashka, Dinga Amb, Dayalachak, Chandwal, Kotpunn-II, Hari Chak, Industry, Rajpura, BSF-KI, Kootah, Nichla, Bagthali, Airwan, Barwal, Nanai, Janglote-II, Lakhnapur, Village, Juthana, Bhimber Gali, Dhargloun, DD, MES, Mendhar Town, Dharna, Kotan, Ari, Kalakote Town, Tatapani, Baragoa, Air Force, PHE, JK Mineral, Sterile Town, ITSC, Mogla, Metka, Hari, Chuma, Gellan, Sial-Sui, Balli Bhawan, Solki, Panar, Bheri Arthma, PHE, Dhargri, Argi, Dhawan, Kallar, Androla, Kardenu, Lookot, Chingus, Chatyari, bagla, Medya, Treru, Khawas, Doongi, Agrati, Chatyari, Keri, Challas, Shahpur, Rattal, Bagla, Sunderbani town, Thandapani, Bhambla, Makol Nalla, BSF, Marchola, Hathal, Langer, Devak, Banpuri, Malla, CRPF, Loudhra, Gamdh Top, Kothi, Ghordi, Serbella, Katwal, Birnoo, Kulwanta, Kuh, Pochal, Garho, Bhattan, Gulabgarh, Sohla, Palmar, Thakrai, Dadchan, Mandir/Bhawan, Huller/Pohi, Cherhar, Dool, Atholi, Machail, Chatroo, Kuriy, Ikhala and Kuntwara shall remain affected at 5 am to 8 am, 1 pm to 3 pm, 5 pm to 6.30 pm and 8 pm to 9.30 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to the areas of Group C including Bawa Da Talab, Shamachak part of Mishriwala, Jourian, Troti, Muthi, Pahariwala, Thanger, Kaleeth, Maira Mandriani, Thather, Pooja Colony, Nardani, Keeran, Jindrah, Palasri, Surinsar, Klara, Lalyl, Jaswan, Burj Mandir, Badyal, Paryal, Dian Chak, Chak Lal Din, Malhori Jaggi, Kupar, Chak Bjalta, Ban Bjalta, Sunderpur, Chowana Morh, Chowalla, Salamechak, Kollan Kothi, R. S. Pura town, Satryis, Sotawali, Dhoana Tibba, Burjal, Nikowal, Sarore, Rehal, Khour, Jindermella, Allah, Old Armai, Hakkal, Chatha, Sohpane, Nai Basti, Elora, Sum Top, Upper Gadigarth, Old Satwari, Kand, Abdullian New, Abdullian, Simbal, Kotli, Darsopur, Ranjit Singh Pura, Bhadpurur, Shibuchak, Khandpur, Pakhri, Barola, Gagyal Bajarti, Nanga, Pango Chak, SM Pura, Bakha Chak, Samdu, Kandrial, Bus Stand, Budwali, Supwal, Badiyan, Kangwala, Kullian, Sinki, Balode, Manuanu, Bijrani PHE, Meere, Paati, Purnamandal, Mandal, Sarore, Raika, Birpur, Katli, Luderah, Mandli, Malad Marhoun, Lahri Kudhetar, Mahanpur, Sander, Dhaggar, Jandi, Rajbagh,

BSF/Marheen, Paharpur, Mukandpur, BSF/ Sherpur, BSF-I, PHE/ Ghagwal, Janglote (civil), Nagri Khakyal, Bakhta, Jakhbar Old, Keeran Gandyal, Sahar-Logate, Kangri, Syal, Seri, Kalal, Bababain, DD, Siot, Bakhar, Lamberi, Dandesar, Nowshera town, Jaba, Dabbar, Kheri, Dharat, Gagraote, AIR, PHE, Nonial, Kanara, Brieri, Bhainpura, Manpur, Charyalla, Chowk, Hundal, Kalsain, Langer, Dhanaka, Bhawani, Jhanger, Qla Darhal, Anrooth, Rajpur, Kamilla, Bhatta, Rajal, Bagnoti, Dandesar, Garani, Dhallian, Narian, Laroka, Kampla, Lam Pukhmeri, Draba, Fazelabad, Buziaz, Chandrimari, Surankote Town, Potha, Sangal, MES, Air Force, Loran, Piere, Sagnote, Bhatta Durian, Nar Harri, Kangra, Gultha, Mohalla, Jethali, Prensagar, Bistoli, Shungri, Chansar, Dadaik, Thather, Sarore, Changa, Dosa, Gundana, Kashighar, Bhella, Chirala, Jakyas Chanyas, Rajpura, Kahara, Jagalwar, Soti Dhara, Malwana, Bhagwah and Sazan shall remain affected at 8 am to 11 am, 3 pm to 5 pm, 6.30 pm to 8 pm and 9.30 pm to 11 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to the areas of Group D including GREIF, Part of Gumpur, Sua No-1 Batera, Chak Malal, Jogwan, Baital, Chowki Choura, Khour, Gigril, Rajpura, Gharota, Shoa, Sobka, Sukha Garal, Ranjan Ghour, Darsal, Sada, Bassoo, Pali, Katal Baital, Darsal, Sada, Bassoo, Pali, Akalpur, Udhaywala, Sangrampur, Lale-Da-Bagh, GD Goenka School, Gallore, Karpoop, Malhori Jaggi, Tootan Ki Khui, Khana Shargar, Chak, Gondia, Kharian, Dhabhar, RS Pura Town, Falora, Sarayi, Gulabgarh, Kalyan, Sutchetgar, Goda Bansa, Devighar, Deoli, Pandori, Makhanpur, Suhagpur, Changa, Parladpur, Gunduchak, Khalwal, Makwal Camp, Gujjar Basti, BSF, Indra Nagar, Bhour, Chour, Korotona, BSF, Simbal B, Kotli, Tandi, New Nandpur, Khour, Chak Shera, Kathar, Pindi Camp, Purni Pindi, Pump Set, Trandian, Randma, Ramsod Deer, Katti, Diyani, PHE, Raipur, Manore, Mawa, Jalapur, Sumb, Dabri, Kothi Morh, Kanahi, Smallpur, Raya, Gaur, Joggur, Birpur Village, Tarapur, Bhandar, Gudwal, Karalian, JNVI, Bhandar, Kootah, Chakra, Gair, Bobjya, Kotpunn-II, Sherpur, Sanoora, Ghagwal, Saida, Ludan Chak, Jakhbar, Logate, Barnoti, Hatli-I, Jarai, Thani, Mankote, Sakhi Maidan, Uchhad, Chatral, Salwah, Kalaban, Bandedchechain, Gursai, Nakanajri, Kaskote, Lasaani, Hari Marhote, Chandak, Hati Budha, MES, Mandri, Sathra, Paikoo, Swajian, Bedar, Gagrion, Poench Town, Shahpur Radio Station, MES, Jullas, Changan, KG, Gulpur, Ajote, Dewgar, Mackan Da Bagh, Upper KG, MES Kalika, Bashi, Mal Road, Poonch House, Parah, Khoun, Thail and Bhaderwah Town shall remain affected at 8 am to 11 am, 3 pm to 5 pm, 6.30 pm to 8 pm and 9.30 pm to 11 pm.

However the timings of the Groups A&B and Groups C&D shall be interchanged on alternate days.

Meanwhile, the power supply to Industrial Area under Feeder-3 shall remain affected on November 25 from 8 am to 12 noon.

Similarly, the power supply to Industrial Area under Feeder-2 shall remain affected on November 27 from 8 am to 12 noon.

Likewise, the power supply to Industrial Area under Feeder-4 and Rakh shall remain affected on November 29 from 8 am to 12 noon.

# Babu Rampaul asks NC cadre to launch sustained mass campaign

## NC committed to fight for restoration of statehood



**JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 23:** Former Minister and President, Jammu Kashmir National Conference, Central Zone, Babu Rampaul while discussing the current political situation with his team of office bearers emphasized on launching sustained campaign to reach common masses ahead of forthcoming Assembly elections.

He held a threadbare discussion with the party functionaries and drew a roadmap for a mass contact programme. He asked them to fully gear up for Assembly elections which can be announced anytime next year.

Rampaul emphasized on

the need to highlight the failures of current dispensation as people were facing severe hardships due to governance paralysis.

He said that growing unemployment was a matter of great concern as the present regime has miserably failed to create job opportunities for the youth.

Babu Rampaul also said that before 5th August 2019 Jammu used to be called as City of temples when people were getting all basic facilities like drinking water, power and clean roads. But, sadly, after August 5th 2019 Jammu city was painted as Smart City with people now facing tremendous problems with

regard to drinking water supply, electricity as even roads connecting streets are in broken conditions. Instead different taxes are being imposed upon the public on the pretext of providing amenities, but there is none to listen for redressal of public grievances. Therefore, the public is appealed to apply the sagacity of mind before using their vote in the coming assembly elections.

He maintained that the fight for restoration of statehood to J&K shall be the foremost agenda of the party.

People of J&K have suffered a lot during the past three years since abolition of

statehood. He said that NC is fighting and will continue its fight till restoration of statehood to Jammu and Kashmir.

Now, they want to get rid of bureaucratic rule and waiting for the popularly elected government," Babu Rampaul further said. He maintained that bureaucratic rule is no substitute for the popularly elected government.

He urged the party cadre not to waste their time and strengthen their base to defeat the nefarious designs of communal forces in the forthcoming assembly elections.

He also lauded the leadership of Dr Farooq Abdullah and Jenab Omar Abdullah in sailing the party in the turbulent times. Later, during the meeting Satpal Sharma appointed as Zonal joint secretary.

Those who attended the meeting included Dr Vikas Sharma, Adv. Rajinder Chanyal, Sham Lal Mehra, Sandesh Shan, BD Sharma, B.D Dalotra, Yashpal, Sardar Nirmal Singh, Arvind Singh Jangwal, Adv. Aslam Choudhary, Satpal Shahotra, T.R Maandri, Surjeet Singh Sasan, Ashok Tyagi, Dr Sushil, and MK Rana.

# Roll back additional formalities for pensioners, hike in power tariff to ease people's problems: Ajaz Jan

**JJ NEWS SERVICE UDHAMPUR, NOV 23:** Provincial President Youth National Conference Jammu and former MLA Poonch Ajaz Jan expressed great disappointment against the unwieldy formalities introduced by the J&K government, making the life of pensioners a virtual hell.

In a statement issued here today, the former MLA castigated the ruling Government at the centre stating that the hollow policies of government have only resulted in increasing the sufferings of the people manifold. He resented the order issued by the government adding needless formalities in the verification of pension holders due to which this hapless section have to move from post to pillar to get the perks which are part of their genuine right.

He said instead of enhancing their income government making their life

more trouble by adding such unwanted formalities.

The former MLA also condemned the government for raising power tariff at this juncture when people are facing brunt of the highest ever inflation. He said the administration has shown no interest towards addressing problems of people living in rural areas as facing shortage of basic amenities has become part and parcel of their lives.

The senior NC leader said that instead of providing basic amenities to the people of Jammu and Kashmir the present regime has miserably failed to stand on the aspirations of the state. He demanded that government should immediately roll back its decision of additional formalities for verification of pensioners and hike in power tariff to ease the people's problems.

Jan asserted that the Jammu and

Kashmir is passing through a difficult phase and need of the time is to strengthen the hands of Dr. Farooq Abdullah and Omar Abdullah to steer it to peace, progress and development. He said that the National Conference was the real secular and democratic political party which represented the urges and aspirations of the people of erstwhile state.

He said the people having vested interests did not want the National Conference to raise the socio-political issues of the people in the highest corridors of power.

"Dr. Farooq Abdullah is the only leader in J&K who is fighting for the rights of the people. People have understood the motive of BJP to grab power on false narratives and do nothing for the common man as is proved by the Centre's indifferent attitude towards people's miseries," he said.

# Sham Sharma, Devender Rana, Rekha Mahajan listen to public grievances

**JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** J&K BJP Vice-President & former Minister Sham Lal Sharma, former-MLA Devender Singh Rana and BJP Secretary Rekha Mahajan, listened to the grievances of a large number of people belonging to different areas of Jammu & Kashmir at party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

Individuals and Deputations of people from various areas of Jammu & Kashmir had reached Trikuta Nagar office to meet these leaders with their grievances. They narrated their woes and sought kind intervention of the party leaders to get their problems solved.

A deputation raised the issue of Jammu



Doordarshan on satellite link was immediately taken up with the Union Information & broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur. Other issues were related to the departments like PHE, PDD etc.

Sham Lal Sharma, Devender Rana and Rekha Mahajan gave patient hearings to the problems of the people, which were taken

up with the concerned officials of the departments stressing for early resolution so that the people are not made to suffer.

Sham Lal Sharma said that people in large number visit the BJP office with a strong belief that BJP dedicatedly serves the nation, society and common people with a clear heart and soul, which has led to the ever

increasing love and faith of people for the party.

Devender Rana said that people present their problems before the senior party leaders and the BJP leaders address their problems by taking immediate steps.

Rekha Mahajan coordinated and recorded all the grievances presented by the visiting people and deputations.



## Div Com Jammu reviews implementation of PMAY-Urban scheme in districts

**Directs DCs to take strict action against low performing EOs, complete targets within set timelines**



**JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar on Thursday chaired a meeting of Deputy Commissioners and officers of Housing and Urban Development department to review the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) in the districts of the division.

The meeting was attended by Deputy Commissioner Samba, Anuradha Gupta; MD J&K Housing Board, Dr Shabir Hussain; Director Urban Local Bodies, Puneet Sharma; Joint Commissioner JMC, Chief Manager J&K Bank. The Deputy Commissioners of Jammu division along with other Enforcement officers, consultants and concerned officers attended the meeting through video conferencing.

Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban (PMAY-U), a flagship Housing scheme for Poor launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) is being implemented in UT of Jammu and Kashmir by the Housing and Urban Development Department. The Mission aims to address the urban housing shortage among the Economically Weaker Section (EWS) / Low Income Group (LIG) and Middle-Income group (MIG) including the slum dwellers by providing a pucca house to all eligible urban households.

MD J&K Housing Board gave a detailed powerpoint presentation and informed the meeting about the current status and the phase wise progress of PMAY

Urban Mission in the districts of Jammu division. He informed that a total of 18590 beneficiaries have been identified, out of which 17896 houses have been completed in the division, while work on around 7000 houses was in progress and at different stages of construction.

The Div Com, who is also the Chairman of Divisional level Committee, took strong note of slow progress in some districts and directed the DCs to closely monitor the implementation of the scheme in their respective districts and hold regular review meetings. He also instructed them to give targets to EOs for completion of the remaining houses to ensure completion within the fixed timeline. The Div Com also directed DCs to take strict actions against the low performing EOs.

Further, it was informed that the H&UDD, in view of the hardships being faced by the beneficiaries in arranging money for starting construction of Dwelling Units, approved grant of initial assistance of 25% of the total assistance as mobilization advance after Geo-tagging at ND-Started Level and an amount of Rs. 2 lac interest free loan. The interest-free loan is an additional benefit, over and above the financial assistance of Rs 1.66 lakh which is already being provided to the beneficiaries under the PMAY-U for construction of their dwelling units.

While reviewing the loan cases, the Div Com instructed the Deputy

Commissioners to monitor and review the sub-scheme with concerned ULBs and Cluster Heads/ Bank Branch heads for monitoring of disbursement of loan to beneficiaries. He also stressed on easing the bank formalities so that beneficiaries do not face inconvenience while applying for the scheme.

The Div Com stressed upon the concerned officers to expedite the process, resolve all the minor bottlenecks so that the mission-housing for all could be achieved in the districts of division well in time. He directed the concerned officers to work with full dedication and utmost zeal for completion of the mission.

He directed the officers to look into the matters hampering timely payments of installments to the beneficiaries. The Div Com asked MD Housing Board and Director ULB to conduct visits in the districts, review the implementation on the ground and take innovative measures to achieve the desired targets in a time-bound manner.

### Dulhasti Power Station organizes awareness rally under communal harmony week

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**JAMMU, NOV 25:** Dulhasti Power Station organized an awareness rally under the communal harmony week by the courtesy of Kendriya Vidyalaya, Kishtwar on 24.11.2022. Communal Harmony Week will be organized from 19th November till 25th November 2022. This event serves to bring together different castes, religions and sects of our country and strengthens the feeling of our national unity among all of us. On 24.11.2022, children and teachers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Kishtwar made everyone aware through posters, paintings and banners etc. in the awareness rally and raised slogans related to communal unity.

Meanwhile, the Divisional Commissioner also reviewed availability and progress on establishment of solid waste management plants in the districts. He directed the concerned DCs to resolve land issues, if any and handover the identified land to Urban Local Bodies for smooth execution of work on establishment of Solid Waste Management Plants.

The Deputy Commissioners were directed to regularly review the Door to Door collections in their respective districts and also monitor the progress of work on SITs.

Earlier, in another meeting the Div Com reviewed the issues of Association for welfare of senior citizens and J&K Ex Services League regarding Kargil Bihar and Rajinder Bihar colonies.

The representatives of the league projected issues regarding allotted land. It was informed that the land demarcation is pending at these locations.

Responding to the issues, the Div Com asked Deputy Commissioner Jammu and Samba to constitute a committee comprising ACR and officers of JDA and look into the matter and resolve the land issues.

The Div Com listened to the issues of Association for welfare of senior citizens and asked DG Social Welfare to hold a meeting with the association and resolve the issues.

## JAC met Dr. Nirmal Singh, seek withdrawal of JK Universities Bill 2022



**JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 23:** Joint Action Committee against the JK Public University Bill - 2022 comprised of Jammu University Teachers' Association (JUTA), Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology - Teaching Association (SKUAST-TAJ), SSTA SKUAST-Kashmir, Non-Teaching Associations of Jammu University and SKUAST-Jammu met Ex-Deputy Chief Minister, J&K Dr. Nirmal Singh at his residence today in the form of

Joint Action Committee and submitted a memorandum demanding withdrawal of JK public universities bill - 2022.

President SKUAST-TAJ Dr. Vikas Sharma informed Dr Singh that the provision 49 of the bill reads that all the teachers will be considered as Public Servants, which is contrary to the existing rules and many Supreme Court Judgments wherein it has been clearly stated that the teachers of universities are not public servants, the example is not far to seek as Jammu

University's active teacher not only contested elections but also remained Deputy Chief Minister of our erstwhile state.

Dr Manoj Bhatt Vice President JUTA briefed Dr Singh that such bill will be a blow to University governing bodies and a great interference in the academic / research domains of the universities and expressed that the bill will affect the overall growth, progress / functioning of apex academic institutions. The JACUB extended strong resentment for the proposed bill and

demand immediate withdrawal of the bill. After giving a patient hearing to the delegation Dr. Nirmal Singh, who himself served University of Jammu as a Professor of History and moreover, worked for the teaching community in the capacity of Secretary Jammu University Teachers' Association (JUTA), said that Universities are the sanctuaries of innovative ideas, which need special space to grow / nurture and the present bill will prove to be a death blow to the very idea of Universities. The leader ensured the JAC members that he will try his best that this anti-varity bill does not see the light of the day.

The deputation comprised of Dr. Rakesh Chib President JUNTEA, Sr. KD Singh President NTEA-J whereas other office bearers of non teaching associations namely Sh Varun Dubey, Sh. Dheeraj Rajwal, Sh. Arjun Jasrotia, Sh. Pankaj Gupta, Sh. Ram Singh, Sh. Kewal Kumar were also present.

## Mirpur massacre one more blunder of Nehru: Jasrotia

**JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** 25th November a black day in the history of mankind reminds us of MIRPUR massacre an ill fated day that reminds us of injustice and infringement, brutality & bloodshed. 1947 the year of our independence also witnessed partition of India & Pakistan. 35 thousand Hindu & Sikh refugees in Mirpur of today's J&K were slaughtered and women were raped. The conspirators were armed Pakistan Tribals which were having the treaty of JEN & JAR in which Pakistan army & tribals that they will take the women of Mirpur & Pakistan army will take Mirpur this inhuman accord of Pakistan, Pakistan army threatened the people of Mirpur that they have to hoist green flag on their roof tops to show their consent to let Pakistan Army to make their pickets in MIRPUR. The

people of MIRPUR completely refused & didn't agree to succumb to Pakistan for strategic reasons of importance. The residents of MIRPUR had pledged to not let Pakistani invaders take over MIRPUR to their last breath but that dark period had by then claimed thousands of killings. The dance of death continued & by afternoon 18000 people were slaughtered in most barbaric way of the human history by Pak army & tribals.

On the north side of Mirpur were Gurudwara Damdama Sahib & Sanatan Dharma Temple. There lied a large lake & deep well in between them. In one incidence, its being said that an Arya Samaj school hostel had some 100 girl students then. The hostel superintendent asked the girls to tie their dupattas on their head & jump into the wells and pray to god before dying that may they

take re-birth as men and not women in the next life. On this day Pakistan army caught around five thousand Hindu girls. Many of these were raped, exploited and later sold in Pakistan, Afghanistan & Arab countries.

Indian army was stopped just 20 miles from Mirpur by Nehru & were not allowed to enter into MIRPUR which led to all these killing. Politics was played on the dead bodies & dignity of innocents & our then prime minister kept on playing politics though the Maharaja Hari Singh had already signed the treaty of accession with India but Nehru let all this happen because he was never prepared to take Mirpur as he was guided by sheikh Abdullah who had no mercy for these non Kashmiri speaking people & he was not prepared to add any non Kashmiri speaking areas & today POJK is result of that...

# Demanding of money by University official

**Anticorruption Court reject the closure report of of VOJ, directs further investigation**

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**JAMMU, NOV 24:** Special Judge Anticorruption Jammu Tahir Khurshid Raina today rejected the closure report of Vigilance Organization Jammu (now ACB) in FIR No. 04/2007 P/S VOJ, for offences u/s 5(2) PC Act 2006 BK r/w Sec 161 RPC.

Special Judge Anticorruption Jammu Tahir Khurshid Raina while rejecting the closure report, directed SSP, Vigilance Organization, Jammu, (now ACB - Jammu) to go for further investigation into the case and submit the report within two months.

While rejecting the closure report, Court observed that On 12-05-2008, the Vigilance Organization, Jammu (VOJ) presented a closure report in terms of Sec. 17(3) CrPc in case FIR No. 04/2007 Police Station, VOJ titled State Vs Dr. Falendra K. Sudan. As per the said report prepared by SSP VOJ, Jammu, the case was "NOT PROVED" against the accused. This court, while concurring with the findings of the Voj, accepted the closure report and ordered the case to be closed as "NOT PROVED", as recorded in the order of this court dated 17-05-2008. Feeling aggrieved of this order, the complainant in the case challenged the same before the High Court at Jammu. The Hon'ble High Court vide its order dated 15-02-2022, passed in CRMC No. 391 of 2016 (O&M) titled Dr. Rajni Sharma Vs State of J&K & Ors.,

set aside the order with the following observations that "For the foregoing discussion, it is clear that the order impugned passed by the learned Special Judge Anti Corruption, Jammu is not sustainable in law, as such, the same is set aside. The Special Judge is directed to accord consideration to the closure report filed by the Vigilance Organization in FIR No. 04 of 2007 afresh after affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner".

Court further observed that pursuant to the said direction of the High Court, the complainant was put on notice to appear before this court in the case at hand. Finally, she appeared before the court on 03-07-2022 and her statement with regard to the closure report was recorded and in her statement so recorded she has once again reiterated her stand and revealed at length all those facts whereby she was demanded Rs. 20,000/- by her supervisor, the accused herein, for meeting the expenses of the visit of the external expert for conducting her viva and also to present gift to him as stated by the accused to her as a part of the tradition in the Jammu University to be followed. However, there was no such rule or written order of the university in this regard. That as she belonged to financially low profile family, it was difficult for her to arrange the entire amount instantly. Therefore, she requested the accused to take Rs. 5000/-

as the first installment and rest of Rs. 15,000/- to be paid well before the viva. That she agreed to the same. That she brought this matter in the notice of the Vigilance Organization, Jammu, which gave her a diary containing audio recorder for recording this whole deal wherein the accused agreed to take first installment of Rs. 5000/- . She did the same and got the whole conversation recorded between him and her regarding the said mode of payment. Thereafter, as per the deal she carried the said money to the office chamber of the accused and kept the same on the office table. However, as her visit was pre-planned by the VOJ, so trap team of VOJ was very much there to catch hold of the accused red handed. By the time, team went inside Chamber of the accused, he fell on the feet of the complainant, started weeping and tendered an apology. Then they both were separately taken to the Vigilance Office where she also handed over CD of the recorded voice to the VO. That thereafter her signatures were taken on 2-3 blank papers. In the meanwhile the university authorities also constituted the committee in context of conducting an enquiry in this regard. She presented the said report. However, on asking as to why she did not present said documents to the IO, she stated that for 1-2 times she went to the VOJ where she was told that it was a long drawn process and she would be called when

required. Later on the accused, along with his friend Prof. Jasbir Singh harassed her a lot in her pursuit of Ph.D and finally they managed the closure of this case by the VOJ. That she is not satisfied with the investigation done in the case. Special Judge Anticorruption Jammu Tahir Khurshid Raina observed that a very crucial piece of evidence, which is the part of the charge sheet is CD, based on the alleged recorded voice of the accused. It is alleged by the complainant that it contains pre-trap conversation between her and the accused, wherein he is demanding the said money for bearing expenses of the visit of expert for conducting viva of the complainant. Fact remains that when this recording was made by the very instrument provided by the VOJ itself to the complainant, then why the IO ignored the same and did not get its veracity tested by the PSL. It was an important piece of evidence which stands ignored by the IO in formulating his opinion in the case. On my hearing, the said alleged recorded conversation between the accused and the complainant, prima facie gives an impression of arranging money by the complainant on the direction of the accused for meeting the expenses of the outside expert. Even he has said in the alleged recording that in case it was not affordable by her, he would not have fixed the date of viva. Does it not mean demand of the amount at his part? And

demanding IO is looking for amount of the same by the accused on the spot where trap team entered into the office-Chamber of the accused. What a shallow understanding of the concept of "demand and acceptance" shown by the IO of the case in the closure report on the basis of which he closed the case as "NOT PROVED" against the accused. Court further observed that it is however very surprising that on one hand the IO has concluded the case "NOT PROVED" against the accused and on the other hand has stated that it stands established in the investigation that such a practice is going on in the University whereby students are being told to arrange money as per their capacity for "Looking after the outsider examiner". It is observed in the report as such "...the present case is a glaring example of such a precedent where Dr. Falendra K. Sudan (Accused herein), Reader, department of Economics, University of Jammu had asked the complainant to arrange Rs. 5000/- for the said purpose..." Such a contrary conclusions drawn by the author of the closure report are prima-facie unwarranted and unsustainable in the backdrop of the facts and circumstances of the case. If any illegal practice was going on in the Jammu University over the years as observed in the closure report itself, then how come the accused was allowed to go scot-free who has prima-facie made a

demand of payment of Rs. 20,000/- to the complainant for bearing the expenses of the visit of the expert, which otherwise University has to bear it at its own. If no student till then came forward boldly to speak against this illegal practice of Guides in the department, that does not mean that on account of said illegal and unethical practice it attained a legal status which should have influenced the SSP vigilance to conclude the case as "NOT PROVED" against the accused. Court further observed that what is the message given by the VOJ to a bonafide student who raised the voice against this illegal and unethical act committed by her supervisor in the department, compelled her to manage money for bearing expenses of the expert to conduct her viva for award of a Doctorate degree. Very unfortunate at the part of Jammu University where such illegal practice was going on, unnoticed of the University administration. It looks this practice was sustaining with the tacit approval of the University administration which is quite horrendous and unacceptable. In-fact a bold message was required to be given by the VOJ exposing this illegality going on in the University, which unfortunately got opaqued by the VOJ at the relevant times for the reasons best known to them. But passing of the time will not condone the alleged illegality committed.

Court further observed that fact remains that the court has not to act as the post office of the VOJ to treat their every word as a gospel truth. Though there is a symbolic band on the eyes of goddess of justice, but judge presiding over the court is not blind. People have reposed their full faith in the courts as neutral institutions of administration of justice and courts have to live up to this faith to their fullest. However, this court has to uphold its sanctity, majesty, faith, uprightness et al, purely and squarely by resorting to the due process of law and justice, unaffected and un-influenced of any personal whim and wish of the judge.

Court further observed that I do not find my self in agreement with the conclusion drawn by the SSP, VOJ in the instant closure report and as per earlier, the demand or acceptance of the money by the accused should have been appreciated by the IO as put in the foregoing paras. For that to acknowledge in its true perspective, the best piece of evidence to corroborate this fact was the CD which was given to VOJ by the complainant. Had it been considered and subjected to scientific test, probably the conclusion drawn might have been different. With these observations, Court rejected the closure report and returned to the SSP, Vigilance Organization, Jammu, (now ACB - Jammu) with a direction to go for further investigation into the case and submit the report within two months. JNF

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**Mother, 4-year-old..**

in the blast and subsequent fire, they said. At least one dozen livestock also died in the incident, they said.

Deputy SP Surankote, Tanveer Jeelani said a major rescue operation has been launched and so far two people and twelve domesticated animals have died in the incident. (Agencies)

**BJP committed..**

Uttarakhand and Gujarat – a panel under the chairmanship of retired Supreme Court judge and High Court chief justices has been formed, where all groups and people of different faiths are putting forth their views.

"We will take any action on the basis of advice coming after this exercise... The BJP is committed to bring UCC but only after the conclusion of all democratic discussions," he said.

An abrogation of Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir, Shah said many security pundits used to say that don't touch 370, it will burn your hand.

Now, Article 370 is gone and Kashmir is prosperous and it has also helped in getting terrorism controlled in the country, he said.

"It was propagated for years that Jammu and Kashmir was a part of India because of Article 370. Now there is neither Article 370 nor 35A, yet Jammu and Kashmir is with India," Shah said.

A new democratic generation is coming up in Jammu and Kashmir where over 30,000 panches and sarpanches are percolating the democracy to grass-roots, he said.

The home minister also said Rs 56,000 crore of investment had come into Jammu and Kashmir and a record 80 lakh tourists, the highest since independence, visited the Union Territory since 2019.

"As far as terrorism is concerned, since 1990s when it started, there are lowest incidents of terrorism now. Stone pelting has completely stopped. It is zero. It is a very big development," he said.

Shah said the roots of terrorism and those harbouring it in Jammu and Kashmir are very deep but the government is committed to eradicate it completely.

"I assure you that in J-K, we won't let terrorism spread its roots and we are committed to ensure the entire J-K is terrorism free," the home minister added. Earlier, in his inaugural speech during the summit, the home minister said it was time that India's democratic values were let known to the world.

He said the country was moving at a fast pace towards achieving the target of a USD 5 trillion economy by 2025.

"In 2014, the country had four unicorn start-ups and the number has now spiralled to over 100," Shah highlighted.

When asked about allegations of agencies like the Central Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement Directorate being misused ahead of elections, the home minister said that the federal bodies were working freely and anyone having grievances can move courts.

On the question of purported video of jailed AAP minister Satyendra Jain in which he is seen receiving special treatment at Tihar Prisons, Shah suggested that it should be posted to the Arvind Kejriwal-led Aam Aadmi Party to respond whether or not the video was genuine.

"If the video is genuine, the accountability lies on his party and you are asking questions from me. I had also gone to jail and resigned as minister. Such shamelessness to cling to the post of a minister even after lodged in jail is unprecedented," he said.

When asked about provisions allowing the Centre to remove a minister in such a scenario, he said even the Constitution makers had perhaps not seen such things coming, and hence, there was no such provision.

On the Shradha Walker case, the home minister said Delhi Police and prosecution will ensure whoever killed the 27-year-old woman will get the strictest punishment in minimal possible time.

**UT of J&K ...**

conveniently. He said, Jammu & Kashmir Union Territory has recorded more than 2 Crore E-Transactions in October 2022, which is significantly higher than 10.5 Lakh E-Transactions during the same period in 2021.

"e-Governance means inclusiveness, people first, strengthening trust with citizens, establishing real-time grievance redressal mechanism, bridging the digital divide, enhancing ease of doing business & ease of living and enabling the citizens to transparently provide feedback on their experience of public services. We are committed to bring benefits of digital transformation to the people and society. I am confident the two-day National e-Governance conference shall go a long way in deliberating new e-participation tools and better collaboration with people for efficient service delivery," the Lt Governor observed.

In the last two years, several e-governance initiatives have been launched to reach out to citizens and bring greater efficiency and transparency in the functioning of the J&K government. The Government has recently launched the 'Digital Jammu and Kashmir' programme to provide all government services in digital mode through an integrated services delivery portal. The vision is to make governance more effective, efficient and citizen-centric by harnessing the power of IT for inclusive development. The NeSDA (National e-Governance Delivery Assessment Report) of DARG, Gov for the year 2021 has ranked Jammu and Kashmir first amongst UTs in e-governance, Jammu and Kashmir has been ranked first amongst UTs both in State portal and in the online services with highest compliance on NeSDA parameters.

The implementation of e-office in all government offices has brought about greater efficiency in the overall working of the government in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. J&K ranks first amongst UTs in the uptake of e-office with around 330 offices on e-office and a file disposal rate of 96%. As on date, more than 300 offices have been made fully operational on e-office. The practice of 'Darbar Move' included movement of hundreds of trucks to transport the official documents and infrastructure over a distance of over 300 kms between Jammu and Srinagar and vice versa. The 149-year-old practice entailed an annual cost of around Rs 400 crores. Rapid Assessment System of UT of Jammu and Kashmir ranks first amongst UTs in the RAS integration of services with 227 services integrated with RAS. The first digital online library of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir has been launched. J&K Employees Performance Monitoring Portal, first of its kind introduced anywhere in India by a State or UT Government, captures the monthly work performance of the employees and officers of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir and the appraisal thereof by their respective Reporting / Controlling Officers. The UT of Jammu and Kashmir has been on-boarded on the Gati-Shakti platform of DoT, integration with which marks online processing of Right of Way applications. Recently Government of UT of Jammu and Kashmir has facilitated ease of accessibility of services at a single place and accordingly a portal "eUmat" - Unified integrated Accessible, Transparent, which is dynamic in nature.

The Conference will be inaugurated by Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of Science and Technology, Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office. The Valadictory Session, presided over by the Lt Governor on 27th November will witness launch of J&K Vision Document and launch of J&K Cyber Security policy.

**Postmaster General..**

efficient. He further apprised the Lt Governor about the services being provided under the India Post Payments Bank and the release of special postal covers by the Department of Posts dedicated to the traditional crafts, personalities, unique flora & fauna.

The Lt Governor stressed upon the need to take all requisite measures to improve the postal services in J&K, with special focus on far flung and remote areas, to benefit the people at large.

**DSEK proposes..**

including shivering can reduce heat loss and increase heat production. In view of increased cold weather conditions and sub zero temperature in

Kashmir division which adversely affects schooling, in such circumstances it is proposed that winter vacations for the upcoming winter may announce, the letter further said.

It has proposed that up to 5th standard the winter vacation may announce from December 1, 2022 to February 28th 2023, upto 8th standard from December 5 and upto 10th standard from December 10, 2022 to February 28, 2023 respectively.

Kashmir valley continues to experience cold conditions with the minimum temperatures recorded below freezing point all across on Thursday disrupting normal activities. (AGENCIES)

**AC approves....**

been made to ease the financial burden of the farmers for treating the disease.

**Gujarat election..**

the largest and longest as it was attended by nearly 1000 prominent doctors from different specialities and the meeting lasted for nearly three hours. Prior to that, the Minister held separate meetings with a group of lawyers, a group of traders as well as a group of educationists, among others.

Talking to the media on the sidelines, Dr Jitendra Singh said, during the last Gujarat election in 2017 also, he had undertaken a similar exercise with groups of Diamond merchants and Textile industry representatives in Surat who had certain clarifications to seek about the GST which had been recently implemented. However, he said, there is no such issue this time and it is virtually BJP versus NDA in Gujarat and those who had put up some opposition against BJP in 2017 have also now joined BJP and are campaigning for Modi's policy and the double engine government.

Expressing confidence that this time it is going to be a record victory for BJP in Gujarat election breaking all previous records, Dr Jitendra Singh said, all the other political parties have gone into hiding and it is only BJP that is holding the ground.

Addressing the doctors, Dr Jitendra Singh said, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's initiatives like Ayushman Bharat and medical devices reforms are being cited even in other countries of the world today. He said, India has emerged as the most cost-effective healthcare destination in the world and in the years to come medical tourism is also going to contribute substantially to India's economy.

**Threat to journalists..**

Showkat Mota's residence in Srinagar; Khaksar Nadeeb Adnan's home in Srinagar; Haji Hayat's home in Pampore; Haji Hayat's office in Srinagar; Ishaq Reshi's home in Bagdogra; Asif Dar's (based abroad) home and Saqib Magoor place in Srinagar were among the premises searched, added the police.

Earlier on November 19, in the wake of a threat to Kashmir-based journalists by a proscribed terror outfit, Srinagar Police conducted simultaneous searches at various locations across Kashmir.

The police team comprised of four to five members launched simultaneous searches at twelve locations across the valley including the houses of fugitives like Sajjad Gul, Mukhtar Baba, active terrorists of the proscribed terror outfit LeT (TRF) and other suspects in Srinagar, Anantnag and Kulgam districts.

According to police, a First Information Report (FIR) under relevant sections of law was registered in Shergarhi police station against terror handovers, active terrorists and terrorist associates of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and its offshoot of The Resistance Front (TRF) for online publication and dissemination of direct threat letters to journalists and reporters of Kashmir.

"The premises which were raided and searched belong to Mohd Rafi at Nigeen, Khalid Gul at Anantnag, Rashid Maqbool at Lal Bazar, Momin Gulzar at Eidgah, Basit Dar at Kulgam, Sajjad Kralyari at Rainawari, Gowhar Geelani at Soura, Qazi Shibli at Anantnag, Sajjad Sheikh @Sajjad Gul at HMT Srinagar, Mukhtar Babat at Nowgam, Waseem Khalid at Rawalpora and Adil Pandit at Khanyar Srinagar," the police said. (Agencies)

**Fight against..**

lives of our youth falling its victims. He asked them that the problem deserves a wholesome approach from each appendage of the government. He maintained that the government is sympathetic towards victims and very harsh towards the peddlers.

The Chief Secretary directed all the Deputy Commissioners to popularize the helpline number 1416 among public so that they are able to report about this menace. He asked the police to have close coordination with the Rural Development and Social Welfare Departments to have insights and leads about those running this illegal trade. He made out that the PRI's had done a commendable job during the recently concluded 'Nasha Mukht Abhiyan' carried out in the UT.

Dr Mehta asked the Police administration to monitor the surroundings around educational institutions for movement of drug peddlers in their vicinity. He also advised for having close eye on the pharmacists. He asked them to create ample awareness among masses to identify the victims and peddlers so that the former is given treatment and latter convicted under the law. He asked them to intensify their campaign and do not take rest until this menace is eradicated from the UT.

The Chief Secretary also took note of the holding of district level NCORD meetings. He urged on all the DCs to convene such meetings regularly in their territorial jurisdictions without any fail and upload the minutes simultaneously on the national NCORD portal. He assured the Police administration that the augmentation of PSL is in process and the time taken for requisite analysis of contraband material would get shortened considerably. He asked them to destroy the seized material publicly so that people feel confident of reporting such activities coming to their knowledge or observation.

The meeting was informed that till October, 2022a total of 596 cases in Jammu Zone and 785 cases in Kashmir Zone have been registered under the NDPS Act arresting 815 and 1270 persons respectively. It was also revealed that in the same period about 291 kgs of Cannabis, 200 kgs of Heroin/Brown Sugar, 16715 Tablets/Capsules/Syrup and 52 FIRs had been registered against persons cultivating illicit crops over their agricultural lands under the said Act.

**Malik appears..**

videoconferencing... And did not oppose cross-examining the witness." "I made a submission before the court as a CBI representative that production warrant should not be issued as he participated in the trial. Court accepted that and no production warrant was issued," he said.

The court asked the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) to produce the rest of the witnesses on the next date of hearing on December 23.

Rubaiya did not appear for the hearing, as her exemption application had earlier been approved by the court.

Bhat said two witnesses were scheduled to record their statements in the court. While one of them, a retired doctor, was present in the court, the other was in Saudi Arabia and could not join the trial, he said.

Another witness' exemption application was approved by the court as he was reported to be undergoing dialysis, he said.

The retired doctor's statement was recorded in the court in the presence of Yasin Malik, he said.

Bhat said that Malik seeking his physical appearance in the court was a ploy to delay the trial. "Due to security reasons, it is not feasible to produce him here," he said.

During the last hearing on July 15, Rubaiya had identified five accused, including Malik. Rubaiya was abducted from near Lal Dey Hospital on December 8, 1989. She was freed five days later after the then VP Singh Government, supported by the BJP, released five terrorists in exchange.

Now living in Tamil Nadu, Rubaiya is listed as a prosecution witness by the CBI, which took over the case in early 1990.

Malik, 56, is lodged in Tihar Jail after he was sentenced by a special National Investigation Agency (NIA) court in May. He was arrested in early 2019 in connection with the 2017 terror financing case registered by the NIA.

Malik had observed a 10-day hunger strike from July 22 after the Centre did

not respond to his plea to physically appear in the Jammu court hearing in the abduction case. (Agencies)

**DB accept..**

Court. The role of Advocates as officers of the Court is to assist the Court in the administration of justice. Lawyers collect materials relating to a case and thereby assist the Court in arriving at a correct judgment. Furthermore, being a responsible officer of the Court and an important adjunct of the administration of justice, the Lawyer also owes a duty to the court as well as the opposite side. The Bar and the Bench constitutes the two wheels of the carriage of justice. The success of the judicial process often depends on the services of the legal profession. The function of both the Bar and the Bench in an adversarial system of dispute resolution are clearly made out, and the need for a dynamic relationship of co-operation between the two is acute. Advocates, as members of the Bar and officers of the Court, have the responsibility of 'keeping the stream of justice pure and un sullied' so also to enable it to administer justice fairly and to the satisfaction of all concerned. This involves two aspects - firstly, to uphold the dignity of the judicial office and maintain a respectful attitude towards the Court, and secondly, to ensure that under no circumstance, any illegal or improper means is used to mislead the Court. The primary duty of the Lawyer is to inform the Court as to the law and facts of the case and to aid the Court to do justice by arriving at correct conclusion. Since, the Court act on the basis of what is presented by the Advocates, the Advocates are under the obligation to be absolutely fair to the Court. All statements should be accurate, and the Advocate is under a sacrosanct obligation to ensure that he does not, through any act or omission lead to the possibility of misrepresentation, or mislead the Court or obfuscate the case in any manner. Good and strong advocacy by the Counsel is thus necessary for the good administration of justice. What is imperative to be borne in mind is that the legal profession cannot be considered like any other profession, or trade or business. It is a noble profession, which is intended to serve the cause of justice'. The difference between the legal profession and other professions lies in the fact that what lawyers do affects not only an individual but the administration of justice which is the foundation of the civilized society. As observed, the Advocate owes a duty to his client in the capacity of a professional, and towards the Court in the capacity of an officer and the friend of the Court. However, this may and often does lead to a conflict. In cases of conflict, as far as possible, the Advocate tries to balance his competing obligations. However, where the conflict is irreconcilable, as an officer of the Court concerned in the administration of justice, he has an overriding duty to the court, to the standards of his profession, and to the public. The role of Advocates in the administration of justice, and the tension between the role of the Advocate as a professional vis-a-vis as an officer of the Court can be understood best in light of the role of an advocate in the society.

'Justice' is the cornerstone in a democratic society characterized by the rule of law. In an adversarial system, the advocate could be described, to some extent, as a minister of justice. The public impact of the legal profession can be gauged by the observation by the Supreme Court in 'All India Judges Association v. Union of India', wherein it was expressed that the administration of justice and the part to be played by the Advocates in the system must be looked into from the point of view of litigant public and the right to life and liberty guaranteed under Article 21 and right to grant legal aid as contemplated under Article 39A of the Constitution. The aspect of the Advocate as a public servant is closely tied to the fact key role he plays in the developmental and dispute-processing activities and, above all, in the building up of a just society and constitutional order. Being the custodian of the monopolistic power statutorily granted by the nation, the Lawyer is obligated to rise to the expectations of him in being a member of the society worthy of confidence of the community in him as a vehicle of social justice.

DB further observed that it can be said that the Lawyer is indeed the channel through which the general public can access the law, and avail of the protection of the law, in the shrine of justice.

In the light of the above detailed analysis and discussion made hereinabove, DB observed that the Advocates against whom the contempt proceedings are initiated shall ensure adherence to their unique role in administration of justice as detailed out in several judicial pronouncement, taken note of in this order and the undertakings with reference to maintaining dignity, honour and respect of the Court at all times and not causing any obstruction shall also form the basis for discharging of the rule.

DB further observed that additionally, the basis for dropping the proceedings has reference to submissions made by the senior Bar members and President of the Bar Association and learned Advocate General.

DB do not think it necessary to pursue this matter any further and accepted the oral and written undertakings of the Respondents, i.e., Advocates and discharge the notices of contempt issued against them. Accordingly, the Writ Petition bearing WP (C) PIL. No. 46/2019 shall stand closed. JNF

**Militant Funding..**

any arrest or recovery so far from these ongoing raids. (Agencies)

**Pak Drone-dropped..**

about the suspicious package, security forces rushed to the spot including the bombs squad team of J&K police. According to the officials, the suspected package when recovered was sealed.

The J&K police recovered one steel Improvised Explosive Device (IED), two pistols, 4 magazines, several batteries and a watch from the package. They also recovered cash of around Rs 5 lakh from the package dropped in Samba.

Speaking about the recovery of the package, Additional SP Samba, Surinder Chaudhary said, "Police team from Vijaypur Police Station recovered one suspicious sealed packet today in the field near Chhani Manhasan in Samba, following reliable inputs. The spot is undisturbed and intact.

According to the preliminary information, this is a case of a drone dropping from Pakistan's side attempting to smuggle in weapons and cash to the Indian side for carrying out terror-related activities in Jammu and Kashmir. As per the officials, there was a movement of a drone that was spotted in the area of Vijayapur which is opposite to Sialkot-Pakistan border.

Notably, senior police officials including SSP Samba reached the spot and monitored the operations. Also, searches are being conducted nearby as security forces suspect more drone droppings in the area concerned.

It is pertinent to mention that this drone dropping comes following a suspected drone detected by the Air Traffic Control (ATC) radars near Jammu airport in Jammu and Kashmir on November 20. Notably, the security forces were put on high alert after the suspected drone detection near the Jammu airport. (Agencies)

**Situation in Jammu..**

three years, stability has improved significantly... The situation has been such that there has been a reduction in bloodshed," Baig told reporters here.

On assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir, he claimed that towns and cities are neglected because elections have taken place only at the village level where 70 per cent of the population lives.

Good work has been done at the village level, but in cities and towns, development works have not taken place, Baig said, adding that this can happen when assembly elections are held and an elected government is in place and prepares a budget.

"Right now no one has that right except for the LG (lieutenant governor)," he said. In 2019, the Centre had abrogated the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir's special status and divided it into union territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh, with lieutenant governor as their administrators. Elections to the assembly in Jammu and Kashmir are pending.

"However, I feel it will take some time before elections are held as a lot of planning is to be done. They would want the assembly to have the same powers as the DDCs (district development councils) and for that there are laws to be passed which will take time," Baig said.



# SPICMACAY and GLDM GDC, Hiranagar completes 7 workshop demonstration series

**J1 NEWS SERVICE**  
**JAMMU, NOV 24:** Workshop Demonstration Series with 11 different institutions organized by GLDM GDC, Hiranagar in collaboration with SPICMACAY completed 7 workshops here today at Kendriya Vidyalaya, Hiranagar which received repeated applause and overwhelming response from the participants.



The expert of the workshop was Amjad Ali Khan who is an eminent Hindustani Vocalist from Delhi has left no stone unturned to give students to spread a true essence of music along with his associate on Tabla Rashid Niyazi. In the Workshop demonstration series of the upcoming venues for the workshop are Govt. Degree College,

Kathua, Govt. Degree College for Women, Kathua, Holy Family Convent School, Nagri, Govt. Higher Secondary School, Nagri will have the opportunity to witness performance and training from the eminent Hindustani Vocalist.

Rajan Mahajan Chairman, Sh. Sohan Lal Vice-chairman and Mr. Shiv Kumar Shah Principal Sai International School Hiranagar and Mr. Sanjeev Kumar, Principal Kendriya Vidyalaya Hiranagar expressed

a deep sense of delight upon the arrival of the team comprising of Amjad Ali Khan, Rashid Niyazi, and organising team which comprised of Dr. Bharat Bhushan, Dr. Mukesh Kumar, Dr. Arun Kumar and Mr. Vikram Jamwal. The artists were appreciated for providing national exposure in music to the students of these institutions. Dr. Bharat Bhushan organising Secretary of the programme briefed the gathering regarding the efforts undertaken by SPICMACAY in preservation

and dissemination of the rich cultural heritage of India in the fields of Music, dance, yoga and meditation. Dr. Pragna Khanna in her address expressed gratitude to the experts and the SPICMACAY in collaborating with the college in organizing such a wonderful workshop. A total of 250 students of the Sai International school and almost 200 students of KV School Hiranagar participated in the workshop. Amjad Ali Khan enthralled the gathering with his

melodious and mesmerizing voice. All the participants showed great enthusiasm for the workshop. The proceedings of the programme were handled by Dr. Arun Kumar Head, Department of Sociology and formal vote of thanks by Dr. Bharat Bhushan the organizing team of the workshop also included Dr. Mukesh Kumar, Assistant Professor-Music, and Prof. Vikram Singh, HOD, Department of Physical Education & Sports.

## OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER JAL SHAKTI MECH. G.W.D DIVISION JAMMU

**Sub:** Deep drilling, development and stabilization of tube well upto 250 meters below ground level by Direct Rotary Method of Drilling on EPC Mode At Peer Kho in Jammu East Constituency of District Jammu under UT Capex Budget..

**Ref:** - This office e-NIT No. GWD/143 of 2022-23 Dated:- 10.11.2022.

### EXTENSION NOTICE-I

1. Due to no response, the above mentioned subject e-NIT on the website <http://jktenders.gov.in> is extended upto 28.11.2022 till 6 PM.
2. Similarly the opening of technical bid online is extended upto 30.11.2022 or any other working day convenient to tender opening authority.

All other terms and conditions shall remain un-changed as uploaded/ advertised earlier.

No. GWD/5509-11  
 Dated: 21.11.2022  
 DIP/J-12092/22

SD/  
 EXECUTIVE ENGINEER  
 JAL SHAKTI (M) G. W. D DIVISION  
 JAMMU

## OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) DIVISION SAMBA

M/s JRG Construction,  
 R/o R S Pura, Jammu.

NO: 9513-19  
 DATED: 21-11-2022

### FINAL NOTICE

**Sub:-** Construction / Up-gradation of road from Shah Balode to Utterbehani via Sarna, Chilla Danga and Lovely from km 11<sup>th</sup> to km 20<sup>th</sup> Under CRF.

**Ref:-** Asstt. Executive Engineer PWD(R&B) Sub-Division Vijaypur vide No. 515-516 /SD/VP dt. 12-11-2022.

Dear Sir,

As reported by Asstt. Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Sub-Division Vijaypur that after repeated reminders and requests, the progress of work is very slow and virtually negligible. Whereas in response to conditional order for renewal of public nuisance (under section 133 Crpc) issued by District Magistrate Samba vide No. DMS/JC/2022/1118 dt. 12-08-2022, you appeared before District Magistrate Samba on 26-08-2022 and gave in writing to District Magistrate Samba vide your letter No. JRGC/700/2022-23 dt. 25-08-2022 that 4.0 km length of road shall be Black Topped by the end of Nov-2022 but you have failed to honour your own commitment made before District Magistrate Samba by deploying just meager labour / Machinery and have befooled the public as well as District Administration Samba. This clearly indicates your non-seriousness and non commitment towards completion of project.

Now you are given last and final opportunity to start / accelerate the pace of work and Black Top 4.0km stretch of road by Nov-2022 as per your written commitment failing which your case shall be recommended for termination of contract with forfeiting of CDR/ Deposit which may please be noted.

SD/  
 EXECUTIVE ENGINEER  
 PWD (R&B) DIVISION  
 SAMBA.

DIP/J-12067/22

## OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) DIVISION SAMBA

### ABBREVIATED SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER e-NIT No. 88 of 2022-23 Dated: 21-11-2022

For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir e-tenders are invited on from approved and eligible Contractors registered with Union Territory of J&K, CPWD, Railways, MES and other State/Central Governments for each of the following works

| S. No | Name of Work  | Advertisement Cost (Rs. in lacs) | Cost of document (in Rs.) | Earnest Money (in shape of CDR/FR) (in Rs.) | Time Allowed for completion | Time and date of opening of tender | Class of Contractor |
|-------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1     | Const. of Health Sub-centre Building with residential Quarters (Double Storey) at Sadwal ( Const. of compound wall) | 9.38                             | 600/-                     | 2 % of adv. Cost                            | 01 month                    | 30-11-2022 (1400 Hours)            | A, B, C & D         |
| 2     | Const. of protection wall by way of crates on road of Morcha Dhaki to Kheri Mandi Samba.                            | 2.13                             | 600/-                     | 2 % of adv. Cost                            | 01 month                    | 30-11-2022 (1400 Hours)            | A, B, C & D         |

Position of AAA: Accorded  
 Position of T.S: Sanctioned  
 Major Head: S. No. 1 under BAPD, S. No. 2 under Non Plan

- 1/ Date of Publishing = 21/11/2022
- 2/ Pre bid meeting = 23/11/2022 at 1300 Hrs
- 3/ Date of downloading = 1000 hours on 22/11/2022 to 29/11/2022 upto 1800 hours
- 4/ Date of submission / Uploading = 1000 hours on 22/11/2022 to 29/11/2022 upto 1800 hours
- 5/ Date of opening of bids = 30/11/2022 at 1400 hours.

The tender is available at website <http://jktenders.gov.in> all other terms & conditions can be seen on the above website.

DIP/J-12108/22

SD/  
 EXECUTIVE ENGINEER  
 PWD (R&B) DIVISION  
 SAMBA



## Department of Wildlife Protection J&K Government Office of the Wildlife Warden Jambu Zoo

Jammu  
 Manda Hills, Near Hotel Ashok Jammu.  
 Email: [wlujambuzoo@gmail.com](mailto:wlujambuzoo@gmail.com)

### Corrigendum

With respect to the e-NIT No. 44/WLWJZ of 2022-23 i.e. Construction of kraal of already existing hog deer enclosure at Jambu Zoo, the cost of tender document is Rs 600 instead of Rs 1000.

No. WLWJZ/1274  
 Dated: 21/11/2022  
 DIP/J-12110/22

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 Additional Wildlife Warden,  
 Jambu Zoo, Jammu.



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## JAL SHAKTI DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, MECHANICAL IRRIGATION DIVISION, JAMMU

Phone: 0191-2577745, Email: [ifcj.xenmidjmu@gmail.com](mailto:ifcj.xenmidjmu@gmail.com)

### ABSTRACT OF NOTICE INVITING E-TENDERS e-NIT No. MID/J/e-NIT/2022-23/96 Dated: 21-11-2022

Executive Engineer, Mechanical Irrigation Division, Canal Road, Jammu, on behalf of Lt. Governor of J&K UT, invites tenders by e-tendering mode from registered and reputed Firms having workshops for Repairs to 4 cusec x 30 m head pump of pumping unit no. 1 along with allied works at LIS Didwara. The bidding process shall be completed online in two covers viz. Cover 'I' - Tender fee and Earnest Money Deposit, fulfillment of prequalification criteria, technical specifications and acceptance of terms and conditions of the tender and Cover 'II' - Financial Bid in the prescribed BOQ.

| S. No. | Name of Work  | Qty.                              | Earnest Money          | Cost of tender document | Period of completion | Validity of Rates                          | Name of Division                       |
|--------|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| 1      | Repairs to 4 cusec x 30 m head pump of pumping unit no. 1 along with allied works at LIS Didwara. | Complete job as per Scope of Work | 2% of the quoted value | Rs 200.00               | 10 Days              | 180 Days from date of opening of price bid | Mechanical Irrigation Division, Jammu. |

1. The tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from the website <http://www.jktenders.gov.in>: 21-11-2022 (06:00PM).
2. Submission of online bids: 29-11-2022 (10:00AM) to 05-12-2022 (02:00 P.M).
3. Opening of Cover I online bids: 06-12-2022 (2:00 PM)

DIP/J-12089/22

SD/  
 EXECUTIVE ENGINEER  
 MECHANICAL IRRIGATION DIVISION  
 JAMMU



## THOUGHT OF THE DAY

“Don't Dream to be something but Rather dream to do Something great” - PM Narendra Modi

## JINDRAH IMAGES

## DON'T FORGET SUNAK IS BRITISH, NOT INDIAN

Rishi Sunak became the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom after over 100 Conservative MPs backed him for the post, following which, his rival Penny Mordaunt, who was hanging in there, hoping to push for a vote by the members of the Conservative party, failed to get any substantial support from the MPs. The vote, if it had gone to the Conservative rank and file, would most likely have resulted in Sunak's loss at the hands of Mordaunt—a repeat of what happened when Sunak had a face-off with Liz Truss. In the earlier contest as well, Sunak, who was doing extremely well among his urban backers, faltered when it came to gaining the support of rural white middle-aged Conservative voters, giving rise to speculation that the antipathy towards him had to do with his skin colour. In fact, an audio clip that has gone viral on social media, has a Tory voter admitting as much on a radio programme, that the problem with Sunak is his skin colour. But then the lightly coloured Liz Truss, who defeated Sunak in the final round, proved to be a disaster and sent the UK spiralling down a path of chaos, and the rest, as they say, is history. At the same time, Sunak's elevation shows that the Conservatives—or at least the top layer—have come a long way to realise that it's not race but competence that matters, and that Rishi Sunak, who saved the UK economy from imploding during Covid, could well be the best man to be at the helm of affairs at a time when the UK is looking at a bleak future. In fact, that a person with roots in an erstwhile British colony can reach the highest seat of government in the UK, is testament to the great shift that has taken place in Britain, which has to be lauded. However, at the same time, a section of the British media cannot stop complaining about the legitimacy of Rishi Sunak's “non election”—one reporter on live TV even described it as a coronation—forgetting that in a Parliamentary system of democracy, it is the people's representatives who choose the Prime Minister, not the rank and file. Some of the others are openly complaining that Sunak is too rich to be Prime Minister, again forgetting that he himself comes from a humble background and his wife's family's wealth is hard earned. We are talking self-made people here, not colonial exploiters who have built their riches and empire on the back of starving people. Amid this, what should matter to us Indians is if Sunak will be good for India; whether it will be possible to strike a trade deal with the UK during his Prime Ministership; if his will be a case of more loyal than the king when it comes to India, like the way Suella Braverman has been, eulogising the British empire as a God's gift to the colonised. He has his task cut out for him, which is to revive Britain, and India is certainly not on his priority list, unless doing business with India helps that revival process, which explains the need for a trade deal. In fact the UK needs the deal more than India does. Most importantly, it is hoped that he will recognise the elephant in the room, the Ukraine war, which is pushing western economies into a recession, including the UK's. The world cannot afford to have the war escalate or even continue. As for the debate in India, about when a Muslim will become Indian Prime Minister, lest we forget, Sunak was elevated to the Prime Minister's chair because of his competence, not because of his skin colour or his religious minority status. Sunak's ascension is not a case of affirmative action. India being a free and fair democracy will not have any problem if a Muslim becomes Prime Minister one day in a legitimate manner. In the meanwhile, Indians should observe Sunak, but from a distance. While New Delhi can always hope that the UK under Sunak will go an extra mile to maintain good relations with India, it should never forget that Sunak is British, not Indian. So the expectations need to be tempered.

## Export slump could hamper economic growth

Among the measures needed to help the exporters right now is removing infrastructure bottlenecks at railheads, ports and airports. Documentation also needs to be cut down as India is known for having one of the most cumbersome export processes. Such changes will cut costs significantly in the long run. This is imperative as slowing exports can pose a real threat to the country's hopes of achieving a high growth trajectory.

SUSHMA RAMACHANDRAN

EVEN as there is euphoria over the prospect of India ending up as one of the fastest-growing economies in the world this year, it looks as if one key indicator may spoil the party. And that is exports. Expectations are that growth during the 2022-23 financial year will end up at around 6.5 per cent, probably the same level at which inflation will reach by the end of the year. Exports, on the other hand, have contracted by about 16.7 per cent in October, reversing the trend of a consistent rise over the previous 20 months. The previous fiscal was even marked by a record surge of merchandise exports to \$418 billion. But the good times are clearly over as exports began slowing in September, followed by the sharp fall in the succeeding month.

The dip in outward-bound trade is not unexpected, given the global recessionary trends, just as demand had recorded a sharp rise in the post-pandemic period, it is now slowing down as economies worldwide are faced with one of the biggest crises in recent times. Inflationary trends are touching 40-year highs in developed countries like the US and the U.K. prompting central banks to aggressively raise interest rates. This has created the spectre of recession even as the Ukraine war has sparked off energy shortages throughout Europe.

The economic crisis has even resulted in a political meltdown in countries like the UK, with Liz Truss having to step down from Prime Ministership after the briefest ever stint. Her handover to Rishi Sunak was solely due to the fallout of her fiscal policies that led to a dramatic rolling of the markets.

In this backdrop, it is no wonder that the surging demand after the pandemic has cooled considerably in the country's major export destinations. What is even more disturbing is that this is not a situation that is likely to alter anytime soon. This is largely because the Ukraine war is continuing without any respite, while China is persisting with its restrictive zero-Covid policy. The ramifications of these developments are that the world is facing economic turmoil of dimensions not seen since the financial meltdown of 2008. India, on the other hand, has



been viewed as an outlier from these developments. While inflationary pressures are bearing down like in the rest of the world, these are not at unprecedented levels. And the central bank is now confident that inflation will recede to about 6.5 per cent by the end of the current fiscal, signalling that aggressive rate hikes may be given a pause. Global supply chain disruptions have also affected the manufacturing sector, like elsewhere, but domestic demand has ensured that the sales of key products such as automobiles have surged yet again. Energy is the one issue that could create problems, especially on the inflation front, but international oil markets are now in a softening mode. Fears of global recession have pushed prices of the benchmark Brent crude down to around \$87 per barrel.

Exports thus remain the only critical weakness of the economy right now. The faltering trends mean that the current account deficit will widen further in the coming days. So far, projections made by banks and rating agencies range between 3.3 per cent and 3.9 per cent of the GDP for 2022-23. In contrast, it was 1.2 per cent of the GDP at \$38.7 billion in the previous fiscal. But the Reserve Bank of India is still confident that it will remain within 3 per cent in the current fiscal. At that level, it would be considered com-

fortable as a 2.5-3 per cent deficit is sustainable for this country.

To achieve this comfort level, much will depend on the pace of exports. The decline of 16.7 per cent in merchandise exports during October followed a 10.2 per cent rise in the previous month. It was reflective of a sharp fall in global demand with the impact being felt across most non-oil categories including handicrafts, textiles, iron ore, chemicals, engineering goods, gems and jewellery. Exports of textiles, a key export commodity, fell by as much as 41 per cent during the month while apparel exports dipped by 21 per cent, according to industry estimates. Similarly, oil exports, which had surged by 43 per cent in the previous month, recorded an 11 per cent contraction in October. This can be attributed partly to lower world oil prices and partly to slowing demand. Import growth also weakened slightly from 8.7 per cent to 5.7 per cent during the month. Oil imports spurred, however, by 29.1 per cent in line with rising world prices. The sudden change in fortunes on the trade front in October cannot be viewed as an isolated development, given the deteriorating geopolitical scenario. Japanese brokerage Nomura has already projected, on the basis of the export slowdown, that global headwinds will impact Indian economy. It

expects the situation to alter considerably in the coming year with domestic growth also having peaked this year. It has thus downgraded its growth estimate for fiscal 2023 to 4.7 per cent from the earlier 7.2 per cent on the grounds that India's investment cycles are linked to export cycles. Policy-makers need to look at the way forward on the trade front, given the hostile external environment. There could have been a silver lining for exporters as the depreciating rupee should have provided a competitive edge in normal times. This advantage has been blunted, however, by the fact that other currencies have also been falling against a strengthening dollar. Even so, services exports are expected to reap the benefit of the falling rupee in the current fiscal.

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Sushma Ramachandran Senior Financial Journalist

## India must shift focus to Southeast Asia

ANITA INDER SINGH

ON December 1, India will replace Indonesia as President of G20, which comprises industrialised and developing countries and deals with global economic issues. The present worldwide economic hardship, Ukraine war and the political polarisation between the West and Russia are causing international instability; and India must be prepared to tackle many challenges as it balances itself on the political tightrope.

India should pay more attention to its broader Indo-Pacific environment. Most Indo-Pacific countries are the world's fastest-growing economies. Their progress will shape the global economic environment and India should strengthen its economic relationships with them. It can only achieve this if it tackles the knots that complicate the inevitable ties between economics and security.

At the moment, India awkwardly combines strategic insecurity, strong trading ties and a burgeoning trade deficit with Asia's main territorial spoiler and leading economic power, China. As G20 President, India can expect to be challenged by China as leader of the Global South. At the recent G20 meeting in Bali, President Xi Jinping lost no time in staking China's claim to international economic leadership by asserting that China's

The hurdles that block the enhancement of India's regional status are often erected by New Delhi. India must frame and implement policies that will lead to more progress, help it to connect its geopolitical and geo-economic aims and gain leverage in the Indo-Pacific, which is its own wider neighbourhood. It will then be a strong G20 President.

modernisation would bring more opportunities to the world, particularly the Asia-Pacific region.

India's Act East policy, outlined in 2014, has reflected its wish to shape the geopolitics of the Indo-Pacific. It has joined the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue, a loose arrangement including Australia, Japan and the US, and increased trade with ASEAN. Strategy and economics are linked. India must deliberate over the facts that countries in the Indo-Pacific account for more than 60% of the global GDP and that some 50% of global trade passes through the region, highlighting its strategic and geo-economic importance. Additionally, Sino-US rivalry over the global order cuts across the security and economic interests of islands and littoral states in the Indo-Pacific.

But China is the largest trading partner of many countries and a major, though not foremost, investor in the Indo-Pacific. Japan and the EU have invested more in Southeast Asian states which want to diversify their economies, despite the US-China contest. Nevertheless, China accounts for 15% of global trade, and India 2%. In 2021, China-ASEAN trade touched

\$878 billion; trade between ASEAN and India amounted to some \$78 billion. And China's Export-Import Bank, which is responsible for facilitating the country's foreign trade, has rolled out credit support to the tune of \$27.7 billion for imports from countries that are members of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP). In 2019, India decided to stay out of the RCEP largely because it feared that the group would be dominated by China.

For two reasons, India must strengthen trade and investment ties with Southeast Asia if it wants to enhance its overall status in the Indo-Pacific. First, most countries in the region—and China—are economically ahead of India and they have relatively little trade with India, compared to China, the EU and US. Second, they know that the US, which has the world's strongest economy, is the main economic and geopolitical counter to China's clout in the Indo-Pacific. Their interests coincide with those of the US on the preservation of its role as the regional norm-setter—even if they wish to avoid becoming embroiled in Sino-American confrontation. That is

why they have welcomed Washington's new Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF), which offers them America's competitive know-how in areas, including digital economy, supply chain resilience and green infrastructure.

As a Quad member that has refused to join the trade pillar of the IPEF—three years after it decided against joining the RCEP—India reveals that its strategic aims and international economic relations do not complement each other. India is supporting the IPEF on supply chains, tax, anti-corruption and clean energy. But it can hardly integrate itself into regional and global supply chains without being a part of the Indo-Pacific trade pillar. In fact, India has yet to turn to its advantage the interplay between economic power and foreign policy aims.

This is a contrast to China and the US. China knows that its military rise is bound to its progress and its integration into the global economy. That is why it is anxious that its economic ties with western countries should remain unaffected by their sanctions on Russia because of its invasion of Ukraine.

At another level, Washington's latest

National Security Strategy affirms that in an interconnected world, it is necessary for the US to invest in its innovation and industrial strengths, and to build its domestic resilience if it is to succeed abroad.

India's opt-out from Asian trading agreements only clears the path for China to dominate Asia economically. Since the border clashes of 2020, the surge in Sino-India trade and the increase in India's trade deficit with China could be exploited by Beijing for related political and economic reasons—just as its comprehensive strategic partner, Russia, which shares its dislike of Quad as an instrument of US imperialism, is using energy ties as a sword of Damocles over the EU.

On another plane, India's business environment discourages investment. Generally, not many US firms that have left China are greatly attracted to India. Because of lower costs and fewer regulatory restrictions, Vietnam is the favoured alternative to China, followed by Indonesia. New Delhi needs to welcome more Asian and western investment to compete with China.

New Delhi's decision to avoid the RCEP and the IPEF could result in

India missing the chance to make its presence felt in the region. By stalling, or by ignoring the durable connection between geopolitics and geo-economics and staying out of the Indo-Pacific's two significant trade agreements, India risks becoming economically isolated and a marginal contributor to security in the Indo-Pacific. That, too, at a time when China intends to use the G20 (and East Asia) meetings to advertise the common development and security of the region through its Global Development and Security Initiatives, the RCEP and its version of multilateralism—all of which imply gaining more regional support at America's expense.

The hurdles that block the enhancement of India's regional status are often erected by New Delhi. India must frame and implement policies that will lead to more progress, help it to connect its geopolitical and geo-economic aims and gain leverage in the Indo-Pacific, which is its own wider neighbourhood. It will then be a strong G20 President.

Anita Inder Singh Founding Professor of the Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution



## How Shraddha Kapoor's Association With Major Brands Is Proving To Be A Profitable Gamechanger

*Shraddha Kapoor has been the face of numerous brands like Power Gummies, MyGlam, Shunya, etc. Here's checking how these brands are benefiting from their association with the actress.*

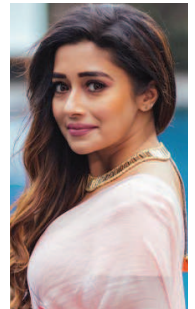
Whenever a celeb becomes the face of a brand, there is always a certain aspect of their personality that they try to search for in that brand. Being the brand ambassador means that the celeb's face will be pasted all over the country on billboards and advertisements alongside that brand. Therefore, celebs are usually quite conscious about what they endorse or give their name to. The younger breed of B-Town actors and actresses are extra careful considering that they all are well aware of the negative impacts that a wrong brand association can get them. One such actress is

Shraddha Kapoor, who has very carefully picked and chosen brands that she gives her name to. The fact that Shraddha Kapoor enjoys a crazy fan base across the world got well justified when her Instagram followers crossed the milestone of 76 million recently. As the actress is a global icon with her fans always looking forward to her, it has certainly proved to be a profitable game for big brands like Power Gummies, Natureidge Beverages, Shunya, and The Good Glamm Group who experienced an exponential boost in their sales ever since the star joined them as a brand ambassador. Shraddha Kapoor's crazy fan following is well-witnessed all across the world with her fans always finding one or the other way to express their love for her. She indeed drives a huge chunk of followers who look forward to her as an icon and they all try to follow her way of living. This went on to get more just-

ified when her association with India's biggest gummy brand Power Gummies resulted in an unprecedented increase in their sales. The association of Shraddha Kapoor and Power Gummies was announced in 2021 and since then the brand has managed to attract maximum awareness among the people for their brand. While sharing their experiences with Shraddha Kapoor, Divij Bajaj, Founder and CEO of Power Gummies - Aesthetic Nutrition Pvt Ltd, says, "Power Gummies has seen the brand mass awareness score, loyalty score and revenue growth in folds, as we announced the strategic partnership with the charismatic and millennial icon Shraddha Kapoor as the brand ambassador and face for Gorgeous Hair & Nails Vitamin Gummies. The brand aimed to bring out how these gummies are scientifically backed and clinically proven, fitting into everyone's busy effortlessly without any fear and complexities of existing pill solutions.

## 'Bigg Boss 16': 5 Times Tina Datta Put Across Her Strong Opinions In The 'BB' House

'Bigg Boss 16' has been topping the TRP charts and getting more popular day by day. The ratings have shot over the period, making it one of the most famous seasons by far. Tina Datta who rose to fame with 'Uttaran' made a graceful entry this season. Since then, Tina Datta has been topping the headlines. Be it her fashion, style, wit, humour, one-liners or bold stands in the house; she's in the news for all.



While gaping at the episodes and viewing them critically, we have noticed the side of Datta putting across strong opinions. Out of all the times, we are listing a few below: When The House Went Smoking In Public A few weeks ago, Bigg Boss punished the entire house for smoking outside the assigned room and raised his anger about smoking in public. Tina showed her rage and went all out to point out Sajid Khan for being the pioneer of smoking outside the smoking room. Her concern was a bad influence on the viewers.

Stood For Her Own Captaincy Tina has been very vocal about her own captaincy. She made an alliance with Sajid Khan and the team only to get a chance next time for becoming a captain. Tina has been clear that she wants to become the captain, not for the privileges but for being a captain. She has been upfront about this. Sumbul's Obsession For Shalin Last weekend, Salman Khan slammed Sumbul Toqueer Khan and called her obsessive towards Shalin. Tina agreed to this and in fact, she was the first one to spot this and voiced it in the house. We must say, Datta is on face!! Declined Shalin's Insensitive Advice After Rani's Demise.

## Kamal Haasan Rushed To A Hospital After Complaining Of A Fever

*Kamal Haasan was admitted recently to a hospital after he complained of having a fever, which was reportedly refusing to go down. Here's the hospital's report.*



Ulaganayagan Kamal Haasan was admitted to the hospital on November 23. According to reports, he was hospitalised for the symptoms of fever, cough and cold. The doctors advised him complete rest for the next couple of days. The actor will be discharged in a day or two.

On the work front, Kamal Haasan was last seen in the massive blockbuster 'Vikram', which turned out to be one of the biggest hits of the year, not just in theatres but even when it was released on OTT. The film has become one of the biggest hits of Kamal Haasan's career, and there are more sequels of the movie that are reportedly in the pipeline. Here's wishing for a speedy recovery for Kamal Haasan.

## IFFI TO SCREEN 'TERA KYA HOGA LOVELY' WITH RANDEEP HOODA, ILEANA D'CRUZ ON NOVEMBER 25

Actor Randeep Hooda's new film 'Tera Kya Hoga Lovely', which stars Ileana D'Cruz as the female lead, is set to have its premiere screening at the 53rd edition of the ongoing International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa, on November 25. The film has been helmed by Balwinder Singh Janjuja, who has also worked with Randeep on the Netflix series 'Cat'. Written by Balwinder himself in association

with Rupinder Chahal, Anil Rodhan and Kunal Mandekar, 'Tera Kya Hoga Lovely' is a social comedy set against the backdrop of Haryana and casts a light on India's obsession with fair skin. Speaking about the gala premiere at IFFI 2022, Randeep said, "I am pleased to have 'Tera Kya Hoga Lovely' screened at IFFI and it is for the first time audiences will get to experience this special film. It deals with an important subject but in a very

light-hearted way. Ileana and I are working together for the first time and hoping we are able to match the audience's expectations. The film marks the first time association between Randeep and Ileana as actors, and shows what the dusky-skinned girl, who suffers from social prejudice, does to address the problem of society's obsession with fair skin. Ileana D'Cruz said, "I believe movies that can make you laugh



while also leaving a strong message are rare and such is our film, 'Tera Kya Hoga Lovely'. The entire team at Sony Pictures International Productions along with our director Balwinder Singh Janjuja is excited for audiences to experience the film for the very first time. We are grate-

ful to IFFI for giving this film a gala premiere and an opportunity for us to be there." Produced by Sony Pictures International Productions in association with Movie Tunnel Productions, 'Tera Kya Hoga Lovely' will soon release in theatres.

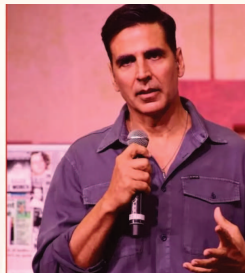
## Akshay Kumar On Richa Chadha's 'Galwan Says Hi' Remark: Nothing Ever Should Make Us Ungrateful Towards Our Armed Forces

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with many criticising her for "mocking the sacrifice" of Indian soldiers. Commenting on Chadha's post of "Galwan says hi", Kumar said the contribution of India's armed forces should not be overlooked. "Hurts to see this. Nothing ever should



make us ungrateful towards our armed forces. Woh hain toh aaj hum hain", the 55-year-old star wrote. Earlier in the day, Chadha had issued an apology on social media and said she didn't intend to hurt the sentiments of the Indian Army.

"Even though it can never be my intention in the least, if the 3 words which are being dragged into a controversy have offended or hurt anyone, I apologise and also say that it would sadden me if even unintentionally my words have triggered this feeling in my brothers in the Fauj (army) of which my own Nanaji has been an illustrious part," Chadha had said in the statement posted on her official Twitter handle.

She also detailed her family's contribution towards the country's armed forces, saying her maternal grandfather, a Lieutenant Colonel in the Indian Army, took a bullet in his leg during the India-China War of 1962, and her maternal uncle served as a paratrooper. India and China are locked in a lingering border standoff in eastern Ladakh for over 29 months. The bilateral relationship came under severe strain following the clash in Galwan Valley in eastern Ladakh in June 2020.

## TV Celebs Open Up On Whether Actors Should Have Alternate Professions

Acting is a very unpredictable profession. While you might succeed exponentially one day, the very next day you might see the abyss of failures. Amidst this contrasting lifestyle, should actors have an alternate profession as a backup? Should actors have an option to fall back on when they see dark days in their acting careers?

**Here's what some of the popular TV actors have to say about this dichotomy:**  
**Nyrraa M Banerji**  
To have an alternate career or not is a personal choice. In the TV industry, work may not be constant for everyone. Financial stability is surely important. As of now I'm totally focused on acting and acting is like oxygen to me.  
**Mrunal Jain**

Yes, one should have an alternate career. It's always good to multitask. The entertainment industry is disorganised with films flopping and TV shows going off the air abruptly. The stability is uncertain. An empty mind is the devil's mind. One should constantly work and follow one's heart.

**Amal Sehrawat**  
I always wanted to be an actor and I'm an actor by choice. If I'm focused on acting, doing a daily soap is a lot of commitment. An alternate profession is a good idea. If your physical presence is not needed much, it's all about goals and time management and financial stability are surely a need.

**Manish Nagdeev**  
An alternate career is a must. The entertainment industry is an unpredictable and disorganised sector.



There's a lot of competition. There's always a substitute available. Financial stability is important. So, if you have a fall-back option, you can multitask and also be choosy about the kind of work which you take up.  
**Jay Zaveri**

An actor's job is one of the toughest jobs because one needs to be very patient and has to have the mental stability to do this job because sometimes an actor can become famous overnight and sometimes it takes years to achieve success. It's vital for

an actor to have an alternate profession. The only reason that an actor should have an alternate profession is if he is not able to sustain financial stability in his life. Everyone needs

*Actors speak up about whether or not they should have an alternate profession to fall back on in times of desperate need or in days when they're not getting good acting gigs.*

money and if you are not famous and successful there is a shortage of money and to cover up that and handle the day-to-day lifestyle you need money. So, in today's world, you need an alternate profession not only in acting but in any profession. You need to have multiple sources of income.

**Angad Hasija**  
It's not only about acting but if you are in any profession, you

should have a plan B. I feel for an actor it's really important to have an alternate plan because after doing a show if you have a gap, you can be busy with your alternate thing. In

the television industry, we all have the habit of being busy and when we get breaks, we travel around but that can lead to boredom after some time. Also, if you have an alternate work, you can choose your shows and characters accordingly but if you don't have any other options you have to take up the show or work no matter what. It's important to have an alternate profession as it gives you confidence.



# The Worst Habits Shortening Your Life Include Procrastinating, People Pleasing and HPV

## Brown or white egg: Which is healthier?

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It's pretty well known that bad habits like smoking and excessive drinking will shorten your lifespan, but other unhealthy behaviors can also contribute to a premature death that you may not even realize. Dr. Tomi Mitchell, a Board-Certified Family Physician with Holistic Wellness Strategies tells Eat This, Not That! Health, "Other habits that can shorten our life expectancy include eating processed foods high in sugar and fat, sitting for long periods, and not getting enough exercise. While some of these habits may seem harmless, they can all contribute to a decrease in our overall health and wellness. The good news is that many of these habits are under our control. By making small changes to our lifestyle, we can dramatically improve our health and increase our life expectancy. Dr. Mitchell reveals which bad habits to stop immediately and why. Read on—and to ensure your health and the health of others, don't miss these Sure Signs You've Already Had COVID.

Take a Holistic Preventive Look at Your Life

Dr. Mitchell reminds us, Many



things in our everyday lives can shorten our lifespan without us even realizing it. Smoking, for example, is one of the leading causes of cancer-related deaths worldwide. According to the American Cancer Society, smokers are 25 times more likely to develop lung cancer than nonsmokers. However, let's talk about habits from another perspective. Taking a holistic, preventative approach to life and health is important for longevity. So, grab a pen and paper, and take an honest look at your life and the impact of your personal choices. The list below is by no means complete, as countless habits can shorten your life."

**Procrastination**  
"It's no secret that procrastination can have some pretty negative consequences," says Dr. Mitchell. "From poor grades to lost opportunities, putting off tasks can have a severe impact on our lives. However, did you know that procrastination can also be a matter of life and death? Studies have shown that cancer patients who delayed seeking treatment were more likely to die than those who didn't. Procrastination can be a hard habit to break, but it's important to remember that your

health is at stake. If you or someone you know has cancer, don't risk making the situation worse by putting off treatment. It could be the difference between life and death."

**Being a People Pleaser**  
Dr. Mitchell shares, "While many factors can contribute to cancer, one often overlooked factor is being a people pleaser. People pleasers are more likely to succumb to peer pressure, which can lead them to develop cancer-causing habits, such as smoking or drinking alcohol. In addition, people-pleasers tend to put their own needs last, leading to unhealthy lifestyle choices. For example, they may skip meals or choose processed foods over healthy fruits and vegetables. All of these factors can increase the risk of cancer. So if you're a people pleaser, it's essential to be aware of the risks and take steps to protect yourself."

**Being Embarrassed To-Do #2 In Public Bathrooms**  
Dr. Mitchell asks, "Do you know that many people fear using the bathroom? This fear can cause individuals to hold onto this waste? Like literally, many of us are full of poop.....Holding onto fecal material can create bad habits that new studies show that might not directly increase risk factors for colon cancer. However, holding onto fecal material might contribute to constipation. There is a connection if you couple that with a low fiber diet, which we know is a risk factor for colon cancer. So, it's essential to have a diet rich in fruits and vegetables and other high fiber foods, as a high fiber diet can decrease your cancer risk."

**Having a Bad Attitude**  
"Just as cancerous cells can grow and multiply in the body, so can negative thoughts and feelings," Dr. Mitchell states.

"And just like cancer, negative thoughts and feelings can have a detrimental effect on our physical health. Studies have shown that people who have a positive attitude are less likely to develop cancer."

Cancer patients who maintain a positive outlook are more likely to respond well to treatment. There are several possible explanations for this link.

First, positive thinking may help boost the immune system, making the body better able to fight off cancer cells.

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Eggs are the go-to meal option – whether for breakfast, lunch, or dinner – for many people. Why not? After all, they are not only super easy to prepare but are also power-packed with numerous health benefits. But between the most commonly available variety of eggs – brown and egg – which is better for you? Shedding light on this frequently asked query, chef Kapur took to Instagram to share, "Egg colour is determined by the colour of the feathers of a hen. A brown-feathered hen will give brown eggs while a white-feathered hen will hatch white eggs."

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## This Is Exactly How Much Exercise You Need to Counteract Sitting All Day, According to a Study of 44,000 People

An analysis of nine studies comes up with a definitive (and surprisingly doable) number

Every couple of years the media delivers dire news: some apparently harmless aspect of everyday life is in fact conspiring to kill you. Several years ago the culprit was sitting. "Sitting is the new smoking," blared headline after headline atop articles that warned of new scientific findings that showed sitting at your desk all day caused metabolic changes that could put you in an early grave.

But as often happens with health scares, as the years ticked by the message softened. Inactivity is indeed terrible for you, but the effects could likely be counteracted by consciously adding more activity into your day.

What's the antidote to so much sitting?

But how much moving around do you need to undo the damage your chair-based lifestyle is doing to your body? Do you need to invest in a treadmill desk and spend hours using it? Are CrossFit levels of fitness required? Or does standing up every once in a while to grab a snack do the trick?

These are simple questions but



deeply important ones for desk jockeys who don't want to be slowly killed by their chairs. Which is why scientists have been hard at work on the question since the original panic erupted, offering a variety of different takes on how much exercise you should aim for if your job keeps you planted on your butt most of the day. Their efforts are much appreciated, but could we have a single, actionable recommendation please?

Recently one arrived. Enough data had piled up over the years for scientists to conduct a meta

analysis of nine studies looking at the fitness tracker data of 40,000 participants across four countries. These efforts, published in The British Journal of Sports Medicine, now offer anxious entrepreneurs a clear answer – 30 to 40 minutes of moderate activity a day is enough to counteract the negative health effects of sitting all day.

"In active individuals doing about 30-40 minutes of moderate to vigorous intensity physical activity, the association between high sedentary time and risk of death is not significantly different from those with low amounts of sedentary time," the researchers wrote. Which means even if your job has you sitting eight or ten hours at a stretch, if you get your heart rate up for a half hour a day, you stand no greater chance of dying than those not glued to their chairs. Any kind of physical activity counts.

Even better news is what counts as moderate activity. Running or cycling are great, but even chasing your kids around, dancing in your living room, or replanting your rose bushes counts as long as it

## Flexibility Exercises to Stretch Nearly Every Muscle In Your Body

When crafting a fitness routine, cardio activities and strength training are often put at the top of the to-do list. And rightfully so: To stay on top of your health, you'll want to engage in at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity and do two days of resistance training each week, as recommended by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

But that doesn't mean they should be the only component of your regimen. In fact, flexibility exercises – moves that improve the range of motion of the muscles and connected tissues at a joint – are just as important. Yet, they're often neglected. Says Jess Fallick, a NASM-certified personal trainer and SLT master instructor.

Here, experts break down why flexibility training shouldn't be overlooked and share tips on how to incorporate it into your routine. Plus, you'll find 11 flexibility exercises you can start adding to your daily movement practice ASAP.

Mastering stretches may seem like NBD, but having flexibility is a key component to injury prevention, says Lindsay Monal,

R.Y.T., a yoga teacher at YogaRenew Teacher Training. "If you're not flexible, you're more prone to injury," she says. "If someone goes to pick something heavy up and they're not bending their knees or not flexible in their spine, they [might] throw out their back."

Engaging in regular strength and cardio work, which centers on contracting (read: shortening) muscles, while skipping flexibility exercises (which lengthen the muscles) can also up your risk of injury, adds Fallick. "Your muscles will end up imbalanced," she explains. "It can cause other joints and muscles to overcompensate for the ones that are too tight or too short and never have the opportunity to lengthen, which ultimately leads to strains, discomfort, and injury."

Not to mention, keeping your range of motion up to snuff can improve your everyday life. "Having flexibility in your body is going to make you be able to move more freely throughout your life," says Monal. "You're able to reach down and pick up your kids or grab the groceries...You're not gonna feel uncomfortable sitting at your kid's baseball game." You'll also



be able to bend down and tie your shoes, throw a ball to your pup, and grab a box of cereal off the top pantry shelf without feeling uncomfortable, adds Fallick.

What Causes Inflexibility?

If you're short on flexibility, a lack of physical activity is likely to blame, according to the experts. "Society is set up in a way where you're sitting down most of the time – you're sitting at a desk, sitting in your car," says Monal. "And that can really negatively impact your flexibility."

The cliché "use it or lose it" most definitely applies; if you're not regularly moving your muscles and tissues through their full range of motion at a joint, you'll become less flexible over time,

says Monal.

Aging can also curb your flexibility, adds Fallick. "As your body gets older, you end up losing a lot of water and hydration in your tissues and spine, which increases stiffness in your joints and creates a loss of elasticity throughout the muscle and surrounding tissue," she explains.

Luckily, flexibility is a component of fitness you can train and improve. Even if you've never been able to touch your toes or typically struggle with certain poses in yoga classes, you can give your flexibility a boost with the right stretches and targeted movements, says Monal.

The Best Flexibility Exercises for Your Entire Body

Ready to take your flexibility to the next level? Pick a few of the flexibility exercises below, which are recommended and demonstrated by Monal, that target your desired muscle groups and practice them as frequently as you can, she suggests. As a general rule of thumb, aim to perform your go-to flexibility exercises at least once a day, says Monal. "The more you do them, the more your body will be able to progress," she adds.

FTR, you should put as much care and effort into your flexibility exercise routine as you would with your strength and cardio workouts. Before diving into the stretches, warm up your muscles and improve blood flow to them by taking a hot shower or moving through a few active stretches (think: lunges, shoulder rolls, spinal twists), according to the experts.

When you tackle the flexibility exercises themselves, remember to hold the stretch steady (read: don't bounce, or quickly move in and out of the stretch) for 15 to 30 seconds, relax for a breath, then repeat the stretch two to four more times, suggests Fallick. If you experience any sharp, shooting pain or numbness, or you're

not able to comfortably breathe, take it as a sign that you've gone too far into the stretch and ease up a bit, adds Monal.

Translation: Don't force your body into any position, even if you think it's what you're supposed to be doing, as doing so tends to lead to injuries, says Monal. "Get rid of this idea that there's a perfect, successful-looking pose," she says. "You don't necessarily need to touch your toes – it's great if you can and you should work toward that, but if you can't do that, you shouldn't feel shame or guilt."

1. Triangle Pose (Trikonasana)  
After spending eight-plus hours sitting in front of your computer screen, turn to this flexibility exercise to open up and stretch nearly every muscle in your body, says Monal. "This posture helps to strengthen the legs, core, and ankles while stretching the obliques, shoulders, hamstrings, ankles, and feet," she notes.

2. Pyramid Pose (Parivartanasana)  
If you're dealing with tight AF hamstrings, this flexibility exercise is for you. "It's a great posture to increase flexibility in the hamstrings, calves, hips, and

spine, but [it] can be tough if you're newer to stretching," says Monal.

3. Wide-Leg Forward Fold  
This flexibility exercise helps stretch your entire lower body, including the ankles, calves, hamstrings, groin, and hip, as well as the spine, says Monal. But if you want to open up your upper body too, clasp your hands together behind your back to loosen up your chest and shoulders, she adds.

Hold for 3 breaths.

4. Cat & Cow (Marjaryasana & Bitilasana)

"Practiced together, Cat and Cow poses are a great way to connect with your breath while stretching the whole spine, chest, and shoulders," says Monal. "This is a great warm-up before any type of physical activity, or even just after a long day of sitting, that will increase the flexibility of your spine and decrease tension in the upper and lower back."

5. Crescent Lunge  
This flexibility exercise targets the hip flexors, quadriceps, and ankles, and by clapping your hands behind your back throughout the lunge, you'll also open up your chest, says Monal.



## Team Jammu honours health warriors for conducting record 1.5 lakh booster doses



**JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** Continuing its mission of serving people and encouraging health warriors, Team Jammu today honoured Medicos including pharmacists and Asha workers for conducting record 1.5 lakh booster doses at a small sub-center UHP, Shakti Nagar.

Activists of Team Jammu, led by Chairman Zorawar Singh Jamwal, personally visited these medicos and felicitated them by presenting Certificates of

Appreciation highlighting their immense contribution to the society.

Speaking on the occasion, Team Jammu chief, Zorawar Singh Jamwal said that it was because of these medicos that India could control the death rate of COVID patients notwithstanding huge spread of the virus. He also appreciated the services of volunteers of Team Jammu specially, President Nat Manch, Tarun Sharma and others members for their coordination

in helping people and medicos to achieve the target of 1.5 lakh booster doses.

While interacting with medicos, in-charge, UHP, Shakti Nagar, Dr Perkin Raina informed that though this sub center had a target of 13 to 16,000 booster doses, but here, besides local population, people from peripheral localities and even from village areas visited this sub-center to get booster dose. It became success only because of local support especially the youth

who played a selfless role of volunteers. "Our team even visited to houses of elderly, handicap, accident victims who could not reach sub-center and administered booster doses at their door steps," she added.

Among other Medicos who were presented Certificates of Appreciation included Dr. Perkin Raina (Medical Officer), Dr. Vijay Kumar (Medical Officer), Bhushan Lal Bhat (Sr. Pharmacist), Ramesh Chib (Sr. Pharmacist), Rajni Gupta (EMPHW), Sugandha Bakshi (EMPHW), Preeti Mamolia (EMPHW), Reeta Kumari (BHW) and Rashmi Sharma (Asha Worker).

Surinder Sharma, Ashok Kumar, Sanjay Verma, Vijay Sharma, Ashok Gupta, Bijju Sharma, Darshan Kumar, Rishav Chalotra and Ravi Kumar were among others present on the occasion.

## Johal distributes relief material among 300 families at Indo-Pak Border village

**JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** Vishal Khatri Sabha today organized Bhandara at Uterveni to mark Amavasya. Vishal Khatri Sabha J&K President Devender Seth along with other members of Sabha served langar among devotees. Seth on the occasion prayed for the betterment of society and developing all regions of J&K equitably. Earlier Bhandara was attended by devotees in large numbers. Common people and locals including shopkeepers of the areas irrespective of their cast, creed, region or religion attended Bhandara and had community meal (Langar).

After payers and rituals, Seth prayed for peace in J&K and said that such events bring people closer to each other.

He said Sabha is committed to strengthen their



resolve and continue to serve community regularly. He also said that more such events must be organised to strengthen social bonding in our state.

Seth further said historically rich Jammu has many temples, palaces, water bodies and buildings that if developed can become places of attractions for visitors from all over the country.

He added that work on many such projects of importance will pave way for state to welcome tourists in a big way.

Seth observed that such places of historic importance add to the grandeur of Jammu and also connect people of all faiths.

This, she said is a great sign of brotherhood and spiritualism that can be showcased around the globe. Praying for happy and healthy life for people of J&K and also for peace to be dawned here, Seth said that the routine Aarti and chanting of hymns here reverberate in the air there by sending positive vibes.

2021-2022 were given away the prizes during the Prize Distribution. Anmol Chhibber, Hitaen Bhat, Sutikshan Pratap, Ranveer Jamwal, Pragna Sharma, Tanishq Pandita, Uzair Javed Makhdoomi, Makshi Bhat and Aakriti Slatia were awarded for their special achievements in different sports and art activities. A beautiful dance by the tiny tots along with their fathers was staged in such a manner that everyone sitting in the auditorium was spell bound.

The Chief Guest in his address applauded the children for their beautiful presentation either in the form of dance or act. He said that each and every child is unique with some attributes or the other. It is we, who have to hone their talent by motivating them.

The whole show, costume designs, make up, designing of the function, was directed by Theatre Director Mr. Pratyush Toor from Delhi. The dances were choreographed by Sam, Jeet and Mohit.

Note of thanks was proposed by Vice Principal Mrs. Rajni Malhotra. The program concluded with the National Anthem.

## NDPI demands restoration of J&K's statehood, early conduct of assembly polls

**JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** Lashing out at the Central government over unemployment, the National Democratic Party (NDPI) demanded the restoration of Jammu and Kashmir's livelihood and early assembly polls. The NDPI on Thursday demanded the restoration of Jammu and Kashmir's statehood and early holding of assembly polls. NDPI J&K UT president Rajesh Gupta accused the Narendra Modi government of handling matters related to Jammu and Kashmir in an autocratic manner. Addressing to workers meeting, also targeted the central govern-



ment over the issues of price rise and unemployment. "Before coming to power, Modi made huge promises to hoodwink people, but he couldn't fulfill even one of them," Gupta charged.

NDPI leader said the price of LPG has gone up by 15% percent, petrol by 40% percent, diesel by 75% percent, mustard oil by 12% percent, wheat flour by 81 per-

cent, and milk by 71 percent under the Narendra Modi government. Modi had promised to provide two crore jobs every year, but only 7.5 lakh jobs were given in the eight years, he claimed. The government made huge claims about startups but in reality more than 20,000 youths have been retrenched by them, Gupta claimed. In Jammu and Kashmir, the administration has collectively punished candidates who had qualified for various jobs over corruption and malpractices on its part, he alleged. "The Modi government has resolved to render every deserving candidate jobless. PM Modi has

resolved to take from the poor and give it to his rich friends and that's exactly what he has been doing for the past eight years," Rajesh Gupta alleged.

"Jammu and Kashmir have a huge capacity for power production. Despite harnessing thousands of megawatts of power, it's kept in dark. The people of Jammu and Kashmir rightfully deserve a part of that power which is produced here," he said. Others who attended the meeting were Umesh Manhas, S. Kuljeet Singh, Advocate Jyotsna Ved, Rajiv Luthra, Sandeep Anand and others.

## Elected representatives responsible for backwardness of Baderwah: Vikram Rathore

**JI NEWS SERVICE BHADERWAH, NOV 24:** Apni Party Provincial President Legal Cell, Jammu, Vikram Rathore today elected representatives in the past have remained responsible for the backwardness of Baderwah. Therefore, he demanded overall development and employment for the local youth in ongoing projects in Baderwah and Doda district. Addressing a meeting in a remote village of Baderwah, Rathore said that "It is unfortunate that for decades the political par-

ties which ruled J&K and many of their MLAs were elected from Baderwah failed to develop the remote villages."

He said that the approach roads are not provided to all the villages, no clean drinking water facility nor any health related upgradation of the health centres.

"The poor health infrastructure in the rural belt of Baderwah has compelled people to travel to Jammu or Srinagar and outside J&K for better treatment.

The construction of structures and declaring them as

hospitals will not address the issues unless we have adequate specialized staff and doctors with modern equipment," he said.

He said that PHCs, SDH and DH have become referral hospitals and the patients have to suffer in absence of any kind of monitoring on the doctors. He also highlighted the issue of poor road links to the remote villages.

"The promise of development has not been fulfilled with the traditional political parties. Hence, they

have expressed their faith in the politics and agenda of the Apni Party," he said.

He said that dozens of people join the Apni Party everyday from all the regions and every section of the society as they see a ray of hope in the leadership of Syed Mohammed Altaf Bukhari sahab.

He said that the Apni Party is committed for the equal development, and employment in all the regions of J&K. He also discussed various other issues being faced by the people in Baderwah.

## Cambridge International School celebrates Annual Day

**JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** A rainbow of colours scattered on the stage as Cambridge International School, Purkhoo Camp, Domana, Jammu proudly celebrated its 2nd Annual Day, MAGNUM OPUS on 24th of November, 2022 in a glorious way at Gen. Zorawar Singh Auditorium of Jammu University having festive look with colorful dresses by the students right from Nursery to 10th standard.



The welcome address was given by Managing Director of school, Er. Renu Bangroor and the anchoring was beautifully and systematically carried out by Ms. Niyati Mahajan, Ms. Nirupama Jamwal and Ms. Suneedhi Sharma. The Programme started with a breathtaking dance Shiv Tandava by beautifully dressed students to invoke Lord Shiva.

The School report was presented by the Principal of the school, Sh. Birendra Prasad followed by Mash-up performed by School Choir. This was setting the mood of the audience. A musical Theatre Production - Alibaba & 40 Thieves was showcased by the students. The audience was spell

bound to see such a mesmerizing performance by the children. Kindergarten children presented a beautiful JIVE dance and the Hip Hop dance, the audience tapped their feet on the dance. Yoga improves strength, balance and flexibility. With this message CIS students showcased their talent in Yoga. The audience was spell bound to see the Spanish dance presented by the children.

Hindi play, Veer Abhimanyu was performed so beautifully by the students that the whole audience was lost in to the era of Mahabharata, while the play was beautifully staged. The valor of Abhimanyu was highlighted through this play. The academicppers of the previous session

meeting that a drive to identify drug addicts has been taken up by the Health Department, besides a regular inspection of Drug De-addiction Centres is being done and all the inmates are being tested for HIV and Hepatitis-B.

The DC also called upon ADCs and SDMs to ensure that regular awareness drives be conducted in schools and colleges where officers of civil and police administration educate young students about the ill effects of drug abuse and motivate them to choose a healthy lifestyle.

## DC Kathua reviews measures taken to curb drug menace at NCORD meeting

**JI NEWS SERVICE KATHUA, NOVEMBER 24:** Deputy Commissioner Kathua, Rahul Pandey today chaired a meeting of the District Level Committee under the Narco Coordination Centre (NCORD) to discuss measures to curb the drug abuse and narcotic trade in the district.

At the outset, the Committee apprised the meeting about the action taken by all stakeholders to keep a check on drug abuse.

While taking feedback from officers on the Action Taken on decisions taken in the last DLC on NCORD, the DC asked the stakeholder departments to take in a coordinated manner. He enjoined upon the officers to ensure zero tolerance against the perpetrators of drug trade and take measures for treatment and rehabilitation of the drug users.

The DC directed the Agriculture department to work in tandem with the Forest Department to

undertake destruction drives in areas where wild growth and illegal cultivation of cannabis and poppy were reported.

The DC called upon the Commandant, BSF to follow a two-way mechanism of information sharing with civil and police administration to keep vigil on narcotic smuggling activity in the border belt. He said a high vigil is required in areas along the International border as the area has witnessed attempts to push narcotic drugs from across the border.

Reviewing the Drug de-addiction and rehabilitation scenario of the district, the DC directed CMO, Assistant Controller Drugs, CEO, District Social Welfare Officer, ACD Kathua, Chief Agriculture Officer along with BSF authorities to keep a strict vigil over illicit drug supply and sales and take effective countermeasures to weed out drug menace.

The meeting also reviewed the status of

installation of CCTV surveillance systems in pharmacy shops to keep a check on the unauthorised sale of drugs, the DC directed Assistant Controller Drugs to enforce the mandatory installation of CCTV in all such establishments dealing with the over the counter sale of medicines within specified timelines.

It was revealed in the meeting that the licenses of ten pharmacy shops have been suspended, while 24 samples from different shops have been lifted for inspection recently.

The CMO apprised the

## Shiv Sena demanded for Zakir arrest and boycott of FIFA World Cup



**JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** Expressing strong protest over the presence of Zakir Naik, accused of spreading mutual hatred and terrorist activities, in the FIFA World Cup, the Shiv Sena Jammu and Kashmir unit has appealed to the Modi government for immediately

arrest and appeal to the people of the country to boycott the FIFA World Cup.

Party state chief Manish Sahni, while addressing the media at the party' centre office in Jammu today, said that Zakir Naik, accused of spreading hatred against non-Muslims, forced con-

versions, money laundering, provocative speeches and terrorist activities, was present in the FIFA World Cup in Qatar.

Sahni said that the Modi government should use its international stature to arrest Zakir and bring him to India.

Sahni said that under the

guise of sports, no country should be allowed to promote fundamentalist thinking. He said that such information is being received that during the FIFA World Cup in Qatar, under the guise of religious sermons, Zakir can be spewed against other religions. Even before this many times Zakir has spewed venom against other religions through his religious teachings. Sahni also appealed to the people of the country to boycott the FIFA World Cup on this occasion. Gen. secretary Vikas Bakshi, G I Singh, president Kamghar wing Raj Singh Manju Ram, Shashipal were present.

## Quami Ekta Meet held

**JI NEWS SERVICE DODA, NOV 24:** In continuing with its endeavor to promote peace and tranquility and to evolve an environment of brotherhood and harmony amongst the Awam population a Quami Ekta Meet was organised by Indian Army at Gahan.

The event was graced by an approximate gathering of 30 prominent personalities from the nearby villages. During the course of interaction initiatives being undertaken for development of the region and problems being faced by the local populace were discussed and solutions were sought.



## Source Segregation Campaign to make Jammu clean : Mayor JMC



**J NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 23:** When it comes to waste segregation, the biggest challenge - after setting up civic infrastructure and manpower - is to bring change in people's attitude towards responsible waste disposal. In this

regard Jammu Municipal Corporation will launch a drive to segregate waste at source said Rajinder Sharma, Mayor JMC.

In order to make Jammu clean the garbage segregation campaign will be initiated in wards of JMC. The

concept aims to inculcate the habit of segregation among residents and education campaigns regarding it have already gone on the ground to popularise the concept.

"The initiative for waste segregation at source will be

initially started from 100 houses said Mayor while addressing the media persons today at Conference hall of JMC.

Also a massive campaign will be taken to educate the general public about the ill effects of single-use plastic items and the need for waste management added Mayor.

He added that Children can be considered the changemakers, in fact, when it comes to waste segregation. We have plans of taking the concept to schools so they will in turn inspire their parents to follow through. There's better response when children are involved.

Deputy Mayor Baldev Singh Billawaria and Chairman Swabh Bharat Committee, Hardeep Singh Mankotia were also present on the occasion.

## NHM delegation calls on Sham Lal, Mankotia; submits memo

**J NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** Vice

President of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Sham Lal and Balwant Singh Mankotia have asserted that they are highly optimistic of arriving at a favourable solution to the just and genuine demands of NHM employees.

They expressed this after receiving a memorandum of demands along with supporting documents from the NHM (National Health Mission) Employees delegation here today.

It is pertinent to mention here that both the aforesaid BJP leaders are the members of the Empowered Committee constituted to look into the matters of all contractual and consolidated employees of J&K UT including the aforesaid issues.

It was in this regard that a delegation of National Health Mission (NHM) employees led by Rohit Seth, President, All J&K NHM Employees Association and comprising Dr. Rameshwar Singh, Dr. Ashish Khajuria, Surinder Khajuria District President Jammu, Rajesh Prakash District President Samba,



Vineet Seth, Narinder Singh, Ritesh Singh, Aarti Bhat, and Savita Verma met the BJP leaders Sham Lal and Balwant Singh Mankotia and submitted a memorandum to them demanding resolution of the issues of NHM daily wages once for all.

This memorandum submitted at the Party office enumerates demands of Regularization of NHM Employees working in various health institutions of Union Territory, Implementation of the Doctrine of Equal Pay for Equal work till regularization is achieved or salaries at par on the analogy of their counterparts in the Health

Department.

During the meeting of the delegation members with the senior BJP leaders held in a very cordial atmosphere there was a detailed discussion on all the issues of the NHM employees which were well taken by the BJP leaders while holding serious point to point deliberations on each and every issue.

The Designated Committee members assured the deputiation that they will take personal interest and initiative in the matter especially considering the points enumerated in the charter of demands presented by the All J&K NHM Employees

Association deputiation and would make their level best efforts to seek a just and fair solution favourable to all of them.

The asserted that they will soon take up these issues with the concerned authorities at every level.

Meanwhile, Sham Lal and Balwant Mankotia asked the NHM leaders to remain in continuous touch with the Empowered Committee regarding their issues.

They opined that with all the supporting documents provided by the delegation to the Committee, they are very optimistic of a favourable solution to just and genuine demands of NHM employees.

## AAP, other political parties no match to BJP: Ravinder, Priya

**Sr AAP leader Pooja Grover along with supporters join BJP**



**J NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** AAP and other political parties are no match to BJP because these outfits are by and large working as private limited companies with decision making power restricted only to their never changing presidents.

This was stated by BJP J&K Chief Ravinder Raina and former minister and BJP National Executive Member Priya Sethi while welcoming senior AAP leader and party's Jammu- Poonch Incharge Pooja Grover after she joined BJP in a glittering function held here on Thursday.

MP (Lok Sabha) Jugal

Kishore Sharma, former Dy. CM Kavinder Gupta, former Minister Dr. Devinder Kumar Manval, former MLA Devender Singh Rana, Rekha Mahajan, Office Secretary Tilak Raj Gupta, Prabhari Jammu West Rajeev Charak and other senior party dignitaries were present on the occasion.

Ravinder Raina said that there is no exaggeration in the fact that no party matches the qualities possessed by BJP because it is the only nationalist party in the country in which the nation stands first and everything comes after this priority. He asked the newly joined

members to work for strengthening the party at grass roots level because in J&K, overtly and covertly, all the political parties have joined hands to oppose BJP thus making it imperative to persistently disseminate information among the masses about the progressive and pragmatic policies of public welfare and national interest brought in by the BJP and its future plans to steer the UT out of morass created by the successive regimes run by the dynastic parties in the past.

Priya Sethi, while according a warm welcome to Pooja Grover and her supporters in the party fold,

asserted that it is only BJP which has given due rights to women folk and substantially empowered this segment of society which was discriminated against by all other parties in the last over 70 years.

Citing the number of centrally sponsored schemes meant exclusively for the women folks like Ujwala Yojana, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, and many more, she said that no other party can boast the way the BJP under the stewardship of PM Narendra Modi can list the efficient schemes and policies crafted only for women of the country to ensure their empowerment and bring them at par with the men, that too in the patriarchal society, in which men have the absolute authority. This, she said, is the biggest achievement of the BJP Government and therefore makes BJP a party with a difference.

Pooja Grover, addressing the gathering, expressed happiness over joining the largest political party in the world and assured that she along with her supporters will leave no stone unturned to further strengthen BJP at all levels.

## Yogesh Sawhney meets Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge in New Delhi

**J NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** Former

Minister J&K Yogesh Sawhney met with Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge at his residence in New Delhi on Wednesday to discuss important ongoing political issues of Jammu and Kashmir. Sawhney congratulated Kharge on his recent appointment as All India Congress President and welcomed his leadership. He discussed matters pertaining to the welfare of the people of Jammu and Kashmir and apprised the President of the local issues and needs.

Sawhney later explained that 'Kharge Ji's initiative to know and understand local issues will help the party build a better mechanism and strengthen the organisation in Jammu and Kashmir' and he had sought to highlight major issues of J&K in front of the national leadership.

After meeting with the Congress President, Sawhney also met with senior Congress leader Sh. Randeep Singh Surjewala



and AICC Coordinator attached to the office of the Congress President, MP Rajya Sabha Sh. Syed Nasir Hussain and discussed important party affairs of J&K. The leaders, who have had a long association since their respective Youth Congress days, also discussed the strategy to strengthen and uplift the party in Jammu Kashmir.

Sawhney raised both political and people-centric issues during his visit, attention and work on which will lead to betterment of the party and the people alike.

and two on the party's relationship with the people.

Mallikarjun Kharge, who had assumed charge as the Congress President in October, had stated his intention of strengthening the party and reaching out to party members. Former Minister Yogesh Sawhney reiterated the statement and said that 'Kharge Ji as the President is aware and interested in uplifting the party across India and in J&K, for which we are eager to lend our full support'.

He said that the meeting with the Congress President was fruitful as he was able to share inputs from Jammu and Kashmir directly to the top leadership so that areas of improvement can be recognised and a comprehensive plan of action can be devised to tackle the local problems unique to J&K. Sawhney also said that he was grateful to Mallikarjun Kharge Ji for the time and support and stated that the meeting proved fruitful as he was able to discuss many important issues and received inputs from the national leaders.

He also expressed his gratitude to the Congress President for his time and interest in hearing the burning concerns regarding political development in particularly Jammu & Kashmir.

## BJP Govt will leave no stone unturned for J&K's equitable development: Kavinder

**Kick starts development work of drains in Ward No: 51**



**J NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** Kavinder Gupta, former Deputy Chief Minister and senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader has asserted that the BJP Govt at the Centre will leave no stone unturned for equitable development of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory.

He said that this is evident from the fact that it is paying focussed attention on equitable development besides welfare and prosperity of the people of this traumatized region.

He expressed this while addressing a gathering during a programme organized

here today to kick-start development works of drains at Channi Himmat Sector-2 falling in Ward No: 51.

The former Deputy Chief Minister kick-started the aforesaid development work estimated to be completed at a cost of Rs. 10 lakh in the presence of Vinay Gupta BJP District President Jammu, Raj Kumar Corporator and Chairman Health and sanitation, Narinder Koki and Jagdish Kumar besides a large number of residents living in the area. In his address, Kavinder Gupta reiterated Bharatiya Janata Party's

commitment to equitable development of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory.

He said that the Union Govt is paying focussed attention to Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory and is determined to carry out developmental activities in every nook and corner of this sensitive region.

The senior BJP leader said that Modi led Govt at the Centre has prioritized the overall development of all the areas without any rural-urban or other discrimination. He said that cleanliness is the basic necessity to maintain optimum health of the people living in their

area and proper sanitation is inevitable to augment the efforts towards cleanliness. He said that the Government will leave no stone unturned in ensuring the proper sanitation infrastructure like drains, etc along all the lanes and roads. He said that the development drains taken up today was a long pending demand of the people of this area and after the completion of this project the people will get benefitted and would enjoy the resultant ease of living in a clean environment.

Meanwhile, the former Deputy Chief Minister took the opportunity to interact with the people of the area and took stock of their problems and issues on the occasion.

After giving them a patient hearing, he assured to get their grievances addressed at the earliest by taking up the same with the concerned authorities. He appealed to the people to further strengthen the hands of PM Narendra Modi for equitable development of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory.

## Vikalp SMVDU Celebrates Children's Day

**J NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 24:** Vikalp SMVDU,

aiming towards the students' welfare, has been working to provide education to all the children coming from villages, namely Sira, Dheerti, Sool, Kakryal, and Jhajar. This time Vikalp celebrated its 13th children's day last week, where Prof. R.K.Sinha, Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU was invited as the chief guest of the event and other faculty member were there as guests of honour. The celebration commenced with a brief introduction about children's day.

The guests were greeted with a warm welcome and a poem titled 'Mai Bhi Vikalp Jaungi' was recited by the students of Vikalp showing their devotion towards Vikalp. This year's theme 'Vikalp Mania' filled everyone with splendour, rush and excitement. The performances were well synchronized with the theme starting with toddlers dancing on the tunes of 'Ek Zindagi Meri' expressing their emotions about their dreams and passion. For some fun banter, the next performance was a



group song titled 'Hanikarak Bapu' sung with great innocence.

A prize distribution ceremony awarding all those who performed well was conducted after the celebration. Prof. R.K.Sinha delivered an inspiring speech to the young builders of our nation. He encouraged everyone to work hard and talked about the change we all can bring together as a community to treat every person irrespective of their background, section

or class.

To bring an end to this wonderful evening, a special vote of thanks by Shri Sumantha Sarathi Sharma, Faculty Coordinator of Vikalp. He appreciated all the volunteers and the children of Vikalp for their efforts to make this event a success. Vikalp expressed gratitude to all stakeholders, involved in making this celebration a successful and memorable event.



### 3-Day workshop on 'Emotional Wellbeing, Stress Management' commences at J&KIMPARD



**JJ NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, NOV 24:** A three-day workshop on 'Emotional Wellbeing and Stress Management', conducted by Art of Living Foundation commences at J&K Institute of Management, Public Administration & Rural Development (J&K IMPARD) here.

The workshop was inaugurated by Commissioner State Taxes Department, Dr.Rashmi Singh.

The workshop is being held as part of the initiatives taken by State Taxes Department for its employees through a specially designed training modules as a move toward prioritising mental wellness at work.

The Sub inspectors recruited under PM Package have been selected for the first such training under this workshop.

Speaking during inaugural session of the workshop, Dr.Rashmi Singh said that the workshop will motivate participants to make full use of this opportunity to learn stress management, behavioural modification skills, personal and organisational values, empathy, teamwork, smart goal concept, and other related values.

She urged the participants to fully utilise this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity by focusing on reorientation skills, attitudinal adjustments, mental fortitude, and other key abilities for all phases of life in today's environment which require inner re-engineering to contribute one's best for good governance.

Director Trainings, IMPARD, Dr. Jahan Ara Jabben while speaking on the occasion, emphasised on the topic

of self-governance paving way for good governance slogan given by the government.

Program Director, Youth Affairs at The Art of Living, Avinash Tikku, during the workshop conducted demonstration session of breath control technique and meditation for the senior officers of the State Taxes Department and gave an introduction for other sessions to follow.

Additional Commissioner, State Taxes, (Administration & Enforcement) Kashmir, Shakeel Maqbool; Deputy Commissioner Central Enforcement State Taxes, Parvez Ahmad Raina; Assistant Commissioner State Taxes Technical, Waseem Raja and other senior officers of the State Taxes Department were also present on the occasion.

### KVK Gbl organizes Training/ Awareness programmes for farmers of District

**JJ NEWS SERVICE GANDERBAL, NOV 24:** The Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Ganderbal today organized two training cum awareness programmes regarding Training & Pruning and Orchard Sanitation at Shuhama, here.

The programme was presided over by Dr. Ishaq Abidi, Senior Scientist & Head, KVK Ganderbal and was attended by Scientific and Supporting staff of KVK Ganderbal, progressive orchardists of District Ganderbal and RHWE students.

More than fifty participants registered for the programmes.

Dr. Ishaq Abidi, Senior Scientist & Head, KV Kanderbal described the importance of proper training and pruning in improving fruit quality and making the trees more manageable. He also described the various training and pruning systems that can be adopted by the farmers to make the plants more productive and increase their longevity.

Dr. Abidi further emphasized on the importance of Orchard Sanitation for management of various diseases in fruit trees. He discussed the efficacy of various sanitation strategies in reducing the incidence and severity of pathogen infestation, as the diseased foliage and fruit is the main source of inoculum.

Dr. Abidi advised the farmers to maintain regular contact with Team



KVK for addressing their queries.

Dr. Shafat Ahmad Bandy, Scientist Horticulture gave a detailed power point presentation on 'Training and Pruning'. He thoroughly described importance of proper training and pruning for better production from orchards.

Dr. Bandy showed the various methods of training and pruning and stressed on shunning the conventional methods being used by farmers since decades.

Dr. Farooq Ahmad Ahangar, described the importance of 'Orchard Sanitation' for management of various

diseases. He highlighted the importance of maintaining proper orchard sanitation for better returns from the orchards.

The participants were given hands on training regarding proper training and pruning techniques followed by field visit to KVK Farm.

An Interaction Session of participants and experts was also organized, where-in participants discussed various queries regarding spray and time of pruning. The trainees expressed their gratitude for conducting the programme and wished for more awareness programmes in future.

### DLMC discusses Formation, Promotion of FPOs

**DC calls for creating mass awareness about flagship scheme**

**JJ NEWS SERVICE DODA, NOV 24:** Deputy Commissioner (DC) Doda, Vishesh Paul Mahajan today chaired the meeting of District Level Monitoring Committee (DLMC) to discuss the Formation and Promotion of Farmers Promotion Organisations (FPOs) in the district.

The DC asked the concerned departments to spread mass awareness among the farmers about the economic benefits of the FPO scheme.

He underlined the need for developing a database of area wise variety of fruits, vegetables and crops for inclusive and holistic planning.

At the outset, brief discussion was held on the existing FPOs and the scope of their activities.

It was informed that 'Bhaderkashi fruits producers Company' in Bhaderwah Block and 'Assar vegetables produce company limited' in Assar Block are the two



existing FPOs in the District. The Committee approved two new FPOs for Vegetables and Honey trade at Marmat and another for Walnut at Bhalesha. The meeting discussed prospective business plan of existing FPOs with CBBOs, progress of FPOs and future course of action of newly approved FPOs.

DDM NABARD, who is also the Member Secretary

of DLMC, informed the chair about support and monitoring of the FPOs by NABARD.

He also highlighted the salient features of the scheme, besides area of services and activities to be undertaken by the FPOs.

The DC reiterated that formation and promotion of FPOs was the first step towards enhancing cost effective production and net

increase in the income of the farmers.

He urged the stakeholder departments to work with an all-inclusive and holistic approach for enhancing the income of farmers.

The meeting was attended by ADC, ACR, Chief Planning Officer, DDM NABARD, CAO, CHO, DAHO, LDM, representatives of CBBOs and other members of the Committee.

### DC B'pora chairs district-level Aadhaar Monitoring Committee meeting

**JJ NEWS SERVICE BANDIPORA, NOV 24:**

The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Dr. Owais Ahmed on Thursday convened a meeting of district level adhaar monitoring committee at mini secretariat, here. The meeting was informed that in the age group of 0-5, District Bandipora generated Aadhaar for 19627 against an estimated population of 25700, covering 85.74% of the target population. The meeting discussed threshold Aadhaar saturation in all age groups and mandatory biometric update of children besides requirement of additional enrolment and update centres.

The meeting also deliberated on the modalities like proper space, deployment of operators and it was given out that state of the art Aadhaar Seva Kendra shall be set up at a centrally located space which shall provide all Aadhaar related services at one place in a dedicated and professional manner. It was given out in the meet-



ing that additional enrolled as it is mandatory to avail benefits of various government schemes. The DC directed the concerned to monitor the centres and facilities available on regular basis and also directed the concerned to increase the Aadhaar enrolment saturation in 0 to 5 year age group. The meeting was attended by

Commissioner Bandipora Waseem Raja, Owais Kamain State Coordinator UIDAI, DySP Bandipora, DSWO Bandipora, Lead District Manager, Bandipora, and other concerned officers. Additional Director General, UIDAI, Sanjeev Mahajan also attended the meeting through Virtual Mode.

### DDC chairman Doda launches work of WSS at Bhaderwah Village



**JJ NEWS SERVICE DODA, NOV 24:** Chairman DDC Doda, Dhanaanter Singh Kotwal today kick started the construction

work of water supply scheme "Thuba."

Vice Chairperson Sangeeta Bhagat, ADC Bhaderwah, Dilmir

Choudhary, Executive Engineer PHE, Sarpanches of Mistrata, Thuba and Manthla at Thuba, Bhaderwah were also present.

The DDC chairman directed the implementing authorities to ensure and maintain the quality of work.

### HCL Founder Dr Ajai Chowdhury and VC IUST Prof Shakil Romshoo formally launch JKDAF

**JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 23:** JKDAF (jkda.org) or Jammu & Kashmir Digital Advocacy Forum, an advocacy forum in the digital sector was formally inaugurated jointly by Dr Ajai Chowdhury, Founder HCL and Prof Shakil A Romshoo, Vice Chancellor, Islamic University of Science & Technology, Kashmir. Speaking on the occasion, the dignitaries highlighted the significance of such forums and how it can play a pivotal bridge

between academia, startups and the facilitating ecosystem consisting of government, industry and the investor community.

Addressing the gathering, Dr Ajai Chowdhury, Founder HCL, said, "Building the right ecosystem for India's Digital Economy requires a link between educational institutions and industries.

Start-ups, research, and educational institutions should work together to make India the world's next product capital." Adding to

it, Prof Shakil Romshoo, VC IUST said, "The country has an abundance of skilled labour. An ecosystem of start-up-led innovations and a synergy between educational institutions and industries are all that is required to propel the country's economic development. JKDAF could help bridge the gap and contribute to the development of the ecosystem."

Earlier, welcoming the dignitaries, Dr Manu Zarabi, Patron JKDAF

### DC Gbl inspects work progress on Transit Accommodations in district



**JJ NEWS SERVICE GANDERBAL, NOV 24:**

The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Ganderbal, Shyambir today inspected the progress on Transit Accommodation for Kashmiri Pandits coming up at Baba Deryadin and Wandhama, Ganderbal.

During his visit to the Transit Accommodations sites, the DC assessed the progress on works being executed there.

SE, R&B briefed the DC about progress of work on the projects and discussed the layout plan for Transit Accommodations.

During his visit to Transit Accommodation Baba Deryadin, it was informed that the project comprising 12 apartments with 192 flats having total area of 47 Kanals has been approved for an amount of Rs. 23.45 crore. Similarly, the Transit Accommodation Wandhama comprising 12 blocks with 192 flats having total area of 32 kanals has been approved for an amount of Rs 23 crore.

Regarding the expenditure on Baba Deryadin project as on date, the DC was informed that work done cost is Rs 14.50 crore.

Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti was directed to identify a spot for construction of a filtration plant and Tehsildar Ganderbal was asked to demarcate the land for the same.

While visiting the Transit Accommodation Wandhama, the DC was informed that work done cost is Rs 20 crore as on date besides 64 units (flats) shall be completed ending December, 2022.

On the occasion, the DC gave specific instructions to the concerned departments to submit DPR of additional works like compound walling, security pickets and security residence, community shopping hall, internal pathways, parking, drainage work, lighting etc. necessary for making the sites secure and long lasting.

The DC gave out spot directions for early submitting DPR of these works and exhorted upon the executing agencies to expedite the progress of work by way of engaging more men and machinery so that both the projects get completed within the stipulated time frame without compromising the quality of work.

Additional Deputy Commissioner Ganderbal, Mehraj-ud-Din Shah, SE, R&B, Executive Engineers of R&B, Jal Shakti and PDD, DySP, Tehsildar Ganderbal, Tehsildar Lar and other concerned accompanied the DC during the visit.



# DC Jammu felicitates 20 C-DYTE trainees selected in SSC GD/JKP Women Battalion

**JJ NEWS SERVICE**  
JAMMU, NOV 24: Deputy Commissioner Jammu Avny Lavasa today felicitated 20 C-DYTE (Centre for District Youth Training and Empowerment) trainees selected in various Central Armed Police Forces, (CAPFs), Constable (GD) examination 2021, the result of which was declared by the Staff Selection Commission recently.

Out of the 20 selected trainees including 17 boys and 03 girls, Eight (08) have been considered for allocation to Border Security Force, Five (05) to Central Industrial Security Force, Four (04) each to Indo-Tibetan Border Police and Assam Rifles and One (1) to Sashastra Seema Bal, while Two (02) girl trainees have been selected as Constable in recently announced result of Jammu & Kashmir Police Women Battalion.



The DC Jammu, who is also the Chairman of CDYTE, applauded the efforts put in by the instructors and staff for imparting quality training to the boys & girls and also wished best luck to other 203 boys who are going to appear in Agniveer written test, the dates of which are yet to be announced by ARO.

Speaking at the felicitation function, Deputy Commissioner said that C-DYTE, the initiative of District Administration Jammu in collaboration with BAPD & Mission Youth Jammu and Kashmir, functioning successfully in fifteen blocks of the district namely Arnia, Suchetgarh, Marh, Akhnoor, Khar, kharabali, Samwan, Pargwal, Akhnoor, Phallian Mandal, Mathwar, Chowki Choura, Bishnah, Bhalwal and Nagrota, are working to enhance the academic ability and physical endurance of the enrolled youth.

A total of 70 trainees of each centre have been inducted after medical examination. They were trained for 3 months with payment of diet charges and other facilities, she added. So far, more than 1912 boys and girls of three batches have been trained since the inception of C-DYTE in September, 2021. Currently, the 4th batch with a combined strength of 550 would complete the course by November, 2022, while applications for 5th batch, which will begin from 12th of December 2022 till March 2023, will be issued shortly.

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Sandeep Seinotra, Chief Planning Officer, Yoginder Katoch; Incharge C-DYTE, Dr. Surinder Kumar, instructors of C-DYTE along with selected trainees and other concerned officers were present at the felicitation program.

# DDC Chairperson inaugurates KGBV building at Magarkote

Conducts public outreach programme at Buzla Khari

**JJ NEWS SERVICE**  
RAMBAN, NOV 24: Chairperson, District Development Council, Ramban, Dr. Shamshad Shan today inaugurated the newly constructed building of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) Magarkote in block Ukhal.



Speaking on the occasion, the Chairperson said that the school building has been constructed by the Division-III, Samagra Shiksha with an expenditure of Rs. 1.24 crore to provide residential schooling to girl students belonging to far-flung areas of Ukhal, Khari & Ramsow, who have to travel long distance in hilly terrains on daily basis to reach schools. This will definitely reduce the dropout rate among girl students, she added.

The Chairperson was accompanied by the DDC Councillor, Gulshan Parveen; Assistant Commissioner Revenue, Giasul Haq; Chief Education Officer, Devanand, and other officers of line departments.

Dr. Shamshad Shan also conducted a public outreach programme at Buzla in Block Khari which witnessed an overwhelming participation of locals including PRIs who apprised the DDC Chairperson and District Administration about various issues and grievances and sought their intervention for early redressal.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Shan assured the PRIs that all their genuine issues would be taken into consideration in a time-bound manner adding that regular feedback would be taken from concerned departments regarding the redressal of all the issues pertaining to their departments. Besides, the demands which could not be redressed at the district level would be taken up with the higher authorities for redressal, she added.

All the issues of Buzla and other far-flung areas have already been highlighted with the UT government and the road project for Buzla would be s by the Government at a priority basis.

She also directed the food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs to stock advance rations for the winter season besides ensuring the supply of LPG and Kerosene Oil in snow-bound areas of the district.

She also asked the Health Department to depute paramedical workers on an urgent basis to provide healthcare facilities to people.

Responding to the issues highlighted by the locals, the Chairperson directed the Jal Shakti department to execute all water supply schemes sanctioned under the Jal Jeevan Mission in the prescribed time to meet the requirement of the potable water supply of the area.

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# DPRs for all weather tunnels at Khardung La, Fotu La, Namika La and Key-La under preparation



**JJ NEWS SERVICE**  
LEH, NOV 24: The Ladakh administration is contemplating building tunnels across major passes of Ladakh to improve internal connectivity. Sh. Ajeet Kumar Sahu, Commissioner/Secretary, PWD, Ladakh told that consultants have been hired to prepare DPRs of tunnels across Khardung La, Fotu La, Namika La, and Key-La passes. He was reviewing the status of the survey and feasibility study conducted by m/s RITES with have been assigned to prepare DPRs of these tunnels.

It is pertinent to mention

that an all-weather tunnel enhances connectivity between valleys for facilitating the movement of the military, civilians, and tourists in the region. The construction of these tunnels will lead to faster, safer, and smoother movement of internal traffic resulting in the all-around economic development of Ladakh.

The proposed 5.5 km long Khardung-La tunnel is expected to shorten the travel time by an hour from Leh to Nubra valley.

This will also help increase the safety of travellers due to bypassing of landslide/avalanche-prone areas. Besides, it would also protect the Khardung glacier, which is a major source of water for Leh town, from receding due to the increase in heat emitted by automotive vehicular movement.

The consultant agency for the project shared that the proposed bypass tunnels at the Fotu La and Namika La passes will reduce the travel distance from Kargil to Leh by around an hour besides providing safety in traffic movement due to the accumulation of snow and icing on road during winters.

The expected increase of traffic on this road in winter after the opening of the

Zojila tunnel also necessitates the construction of these tunnels as it serves as a strategic route for logistic supply to Ladakh. These tunnels are expected to boost local business activities, employment opportunities, and tourism in the region.

M/s RITES informed that preliminary survey and testing on all locations have been done and certain options have been worked out on the tunnel alignments. Those are being examined technically as well as through a cost-benefit analysis. Some pending testing would be done in the next working season to clearly assess the geological formation of these passes. Sh. Sahu asked to send the initial report before 31st December this year so that required approvals are obtained in advance.

The meeting was attended by the Director ULB, Dr. Zahida Bano; Chief Engineer Project Vijayak, BRC, Brigadier Vinay Bahi; Chief Engineer, PWD (R&B) /PMGSY, Tashi Chombel, and officials of the consultant agency RITES.

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## NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

E-NIT No. JS/PHECD-1/310 of 2022-23 (5th Time)  
(FRESH OF E-NIT No. JS/PHECD-1/269 of 2022-23)

For and on behalf of The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Jammu, of J&K Union Territory, E-Tenders (Item Rate Based) are invited by the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1, Jammu, from approved and reputed/registered firms under two cover system, Cover 1 comprising of technical bid and cover 2 comprising of financial bid for the following works:-

| S. No. | Name of work  | Cost of Tender (In Rs) | Cost of Tender documen Fees (In Rs.) | Bid securing Declaration as per Performa annexed with NIT | Class of Contractor | Time of Completion |
|--------|---|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1      | Providing water facilities to rotary at Bhatgwati Nagar (Under Grant-In-Aid) 5th Time   | Rs. 19155/-            | 200/-                                | Performa Attached with NIT                                | A to D              | 30 Days            |
| 2      | Water Connections to Rotaries (Under Grant-In-Aid)<br>1. Providing of water connection to Roatry at Maheshpura Jammu.<br>2. Providing of water connection to Rotary near Flying over Super Speciality Hospital Gate. 5th Time   | Rs. 1.07 Lacs          | 200/-                                | Performa Attached with NIT                                | A to D              | 30 Days            |
| 3      | Water Connections to Rotaries (Under Grant-In-Aid)<br>1. Providing of water connection to fountain at Vivekananda Chowk near Samadhiyan.<br>2. Providing of water connection to Rotaries/ Fountain in Prade section i.e Kaleeth Nagar Park, Indira Chowk, Secretariate Chowk opposite Ranbireswar Chowk.<br>3. Providing of water connection to fountain at JP Chowk Gumat Jammu.<br>4. Providing of water connection to Fountain at Gujjar nagar near Bridge Jammu.<br>5. Providing of water facilities at Rotaries falling under Dhounthuy Section i.e. CPO Chowk Panjirthi, Mian Dedo Chowk Ambphalla, Brig. Rajinder Singh Rotary and Police Post Nakka at Panjirthi. | Rs. 1.59 Lacs          | 200/-                                | Performa Attached with NIT                                | A to D              | 30 Days            |

Position of funds: Authorized by JMC (Non Plan 8448-102 Grant in aid)

Position of AAA: Accorded

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- Date of publishing from 22-11-2022 (1000Hrs)
- Bid documents can be seen and downloaded from the website www.jktenders.gov.in from 22-11-2022 (1000Hrs) onwards.
- The bids shall be uploaded on the website www.jktenders.gov.in from 22-11-2022 (1000Hrs) to 29-11-2022 upto (1200Hrs).
- The complete bidding process shall be online.
- The technical bids received shall be opened online on 29-11-2022 after (1200Hrs), or any other convenient later date in the office of The Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1, Jammu.
- Furnishing of hard copies of bids immediately after submission of e-tenders has been dispensed with as per Govt. order No. OM No. A/24 (2017)-651 Dated 07-06-2018. The same shall be obtained only from the bidder who is declared as L1 after opening of financial bids.
- The Lowest Bidder shall be intimated through e-mail on his registered mail id to deposit the performance Security or any other relevant documents required by division in reference to the contract.
- Cost of bidding/tender fees receipt in the shape of e-challan/ single window challan of JMC shall have to be paid online, through the JMC link http://www.jmcjammu.org/online-payment.html and no cash shall be entertained at any cost. Further, bidders are requested to mention name of the work upon the particular Challan/e-receipt. Under unavoidable circumstances if the work is retendered, The contractor need not to deposit the Tender document Cost for rebidding for the same work.
- Any such Challan deposited on back dates or any irrelevant date shall not be accepted.
- The Successful bidder shall be liable to deposit the performance security as envisioned in the Govt. of UT Jammu and Kashmir, Circular No./A/Misc(2018)-III-895/J, Dt:-22-12-2020 read with order no. FD-Codes/233/2021-02-27 Dated 10-02-2022.

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