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J&K Govt announces...

hereby accorded to the implementation of Uniform Academic Calendar including conduct of annual examinations in March-April session for classes up to nine in all the government and government recognised private schools of the union territory of Jammu and Kashmir."

It said the new admissions across all the schools shall commence from the month of March of the calendar year.

Eid-i-Milad...

of "Eid-i-Milad-ul-Nabi" shall now be observed on 9th October 2022 (Sunday) instead of 8th October 2022 (Saturday) in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir," read an order issued by Dr. Piyush Singla, Secretary, General Administration Department.

Meanwhile, the government said that the provincial holiday on account of Urs Sheikh Noor-ud-Din Sahib shall now be observed in Kashmir Province on October 23, 2022 (Sunday) instead of October 22, 2022 (Saturday).

Five terror-associates...

associates of Tika Khan. On the disclosure of Qamardin, a pistol, two magazines and 43 rounds were recovered from Kirni, the officer said.

Two more people, Wajahat Khan and Kamal Din of Kirni, who were aiding them in carrying and transporting the consignment to Poonch, were also arrested, he added.

The SSP said Qamardin was arrested along with his associate Sajad Ahmad of Pawan-Qasba during a chance operation in Qasba village on Tuesday. A heroin-like substance, weighing more than six kg, was seized from their possession.

During routine patrolling, the police noticed two people acting suspiciously. They were overpowered after a brief chase. It later turned out that one of them was Qamardin, who was wanted in the IED recovery case, the SSP said.

He said sections of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) were added to the FIR following the recovery of the IED.

In addition, Qamardin and Sajad Ahmad were also booked under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, the SSP said.

He said the accused are involved in subversive activities and are the main handlers behind the smuggling of explosive material and narcotics into the Indian side.

Responding to a question on the target of the IED, the senior official said the "enemy nation" always tries to disturb peace in Jammu and Kashmir:

"Police and security agencies are fully alert to the threat and our alertness and synergy are not allowing them to succeed," he said.

Terror funding probe..

in connivance with proscribed terrorist organization(s) like JeM, LeT and its

offshoot TRF based in Pakistan, have been activating their Over Ground Workers (OGWs) for initiating, organizing and executing terror activities in the Union Territory. The Pakistani masterminds have been comprehensively identified. Their particulars, however, are being kept confidential so that other agents connected with them are not alerted, the officials added.

During the searches, incriminating material, mobile phones and other articles, having bearing on the investigation, have been recovered and seized.

Analysis of the data would follow and leads that would emerge would become the basis for further investigation.

It is pertinent to mention here that the searches are aimed at dismantling the terror ecosystem in the Valley by identifying OGWs supporting and abetting terrorism.

Agniveer recruitment rally...

Kathua, Jammu, Udhampur, Rajouri, Poonch, Reasi, Ramban, Doda and Kishtwar:

"An unprecedented response has been received from the aspiring youth of Jammu division. The Army has been working together relentlessly in close coordination with the civil administration to make this rally a great success," he said.

The recruitment rally began after being flagged off by Zonal Recruiting Officer, Punjab and J&K, in the presence of officials from Army, civil administration, J&K Police and health department.

He conveyed his best wishes to all the candidates attending the rally.

The civil administration has extended all possible support to facilitate smooth and streamlined conduct of this rally, Lt Col Anand said, adding the Army Recruiting Office, Jammu, has advised all candidates to carry all certificates according to the notification.

The candidates should carry the character certificates from police and sarpanch with their photos duly attested on the certificate, failing which, the candidature will get rejected, he said.

Property dealer stabbed...

hand-in-glove with the attackers. There was a conspiracy behind this attack as local police is delaying action against the attackers.

Both the victim and the accused were closely associated once upon a time. Now from the last few years, they were against each other, said a local shop-keeper.

Meanwhile, the police has so far arrested two co-accused, whose identity has not been disclosed by the police.

The main accused Dilbag Singh has went underground, which the locals term as local police support.

The injured property dealer has been shifted to hospital for treatment. Doctors attending the victim termed his condition stable. Miran Sahib Police, in the meanwhile, claim that the raids are continuing to nab the main accused, who also looted Rs 6 lakh from the injured property dealer.

Congress owes explanation to people for neglecting communities under Art 370: Wanchoo

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM) has strongly lashed out at the Congress Party for misleading the people of Jammu and Kashmir in the name of discriminatory Article 370 and asked the Congress leadership for tendering a public apology for depriving the people of the Union Territory of their fundamental rights for several decades. Reacting sharply to the baseless allegations of JKPCO president Vikar Rasool Wani and Eorking President Bhalla, Mr Chetan Wanchoo, BJYM state media in-charge J&K, said that the Congress party should rather feel guilty and its leadership should hang their heads in shame for depriving the people of their basic and fundamental rights in the garb of discriminatory Article 370.

"After the abrogation of Article 370 and Article 35-A, Jammu and Kashmir has recorded unprecedented and inclusive development across the Union Territory, while all

neglected and deprived communities have been delivered justice without any bias. Congress party is still unable to come out of its myopic cocoon as it always pursued the policy of appeasement," Wanchoo said.

The BJYM leader said that the Congress party should owe an explanation to the people of Jammu and Kashmir as to why the people of different communities, including Valmikis, West Pakistan Refugees, Gorkhas, Gujjars, Bakerwals and Paharis were kept away from their fundamental rights for several decades. "Congress party remained in government for several years but it never bothered to deliver justice to these communities in the garb of Article 370 and Article 35-A. Valmikis and West Pakistan Refugees and their three generations were subjected to worst-ever discrimination. They were even not given the voting rights as enshrined in the Constitution of India," Wanchoo said.

The BJYM leader said it was the Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led BJP government at the Centre which has brought an end to the decades-long discrimination, inflicted by the Congress party, of the people by granting them their fundamental rights. He said there had been remarkable improvement in the overall law and order situation of Jammu and Kashmir. "Stone-pelting and anti-national sloganeering have become a history now, while Jammu and Kashmir has been marching on the path of peace and tranquility for a better future. Unfortunately, Congress leadership, which has been rendered redundant by the people, is unable to digest the unprecedented developmental activities being undertaken in the Union Territory," Wanchoo said.

The BJYM leader said the Congress Party should first introspect and tender a public apology to the people of Jammu and Kashmir for all its misdeeds.

Balwant Thakur's play 'Aap Humare Hain Kaun' presented in four languages

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

PORT LOUIS: Balwant Thakur's highly acclaimed play 'Aap Hamaare Hain' is being presented in four languages viz., French, Creole, English and Hindi in Mauritius. Under a unique initiative of the Ministry of Arts and Cultural Heritage, Government of Mauritius this popular play of Balwant Thakur has been chosen to be presented in four languages with the motive to take this play to the entire population of this multi-lingual country.

The first presentation of this play is being inaugurated by the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage, Government of Mauritius at the Indira Gandhi Centre for Indian Culture, High Commission of India next Sunday.

The entire project has been initiated with the aim of intro-

ducing modern children theatre in Mauritius under the creative direction and guidance of Balwant Thakur.

Balwant Thakur is currently working as the cultural diplomat of India to Mauritius and is heading the world's biggest Indian cultural centre abroad as director based in Mauritius.

Balwant Thakur's 'Aap Hamaare Hain Kaun' was found more contemporary and appropriate for Mauritius and on a special request it has been translated in French, Creole and English.

With this development, 'Aap Hamaare Hain Kaun' will be the first Indian children's play being translated in French, Creole and English.

This new development has proven the fact once again that his works are being recognised globally.

Play 'Aap Hamare Hain Kaun' shakes parents, educa-

tionists/guardians of society out of reverie of materialism, consumerism and unbridled desires. This play compels elders to look around and clear the mess they have created due to their own amorous ambitions and rat race. Parents see in their children an extension of their unfulfilled dreams and force them to become stereotypes and kill the bountiful charm in them. In a pursuit to make them top professionals, doctors, engineers and civil servants, they are subjected to every kind of cruelty. The children become mechanical and hardly get time to discover their real self. Prevalent educational system adds further insult to the injury and their creativity gets stulted and children grow up devoid of values. Play deals with contemporary problems that younger generation is up against from their own loved ones and surroundings.

Model Academy students visit Govt Nursing College Gangyal

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JAMMU: More than 67 students from Govt. Nursing College, Gangyal visited Inclusive School-Model Academy as a part of their practical programme.

The purpose of the visit was to make the trainees aware about the needs of students with disabilities, various teaching pedagogies, curriculum adaptations, and modifications. Dr. Rohnika Sharma, HoD UG Department not only extended a warm welcome to the students and their accompanying faculty members but also deliberated on the need and significance of inclusive education and discussed various practices that are being implemented at inclusive school. Dr. Behzad Maqbool, Associate Professor; Kuldeep Singh and C.R. Jangra, Assistant Professors MIER College also accompanied the students.

AHD Jammu launches extensive awareness campaign to control Lumpy Skin Disease

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A team of Animal Husbandry Department, headed by the Director Animal Husbandry Department Jammu, Dr. Shubhra Sharma, toured far-flung areas of District Reasi and Udhampur and launched an extensive awareness campaign and a series of measures to prevent the spread of Lumpy Skin disease in dairy animals.

The team led by the Director visited epicenters like Bashty, Sudhmahadev, Mantalai, Basantgarh, Dudu of Udhampur district, KothBalian, Sirah Kotla, Kakryal Dharti, Sool, Butan, Bangal, Gadhial, Agarjitto of Reasi District and interacted with dairy owners and PRIJs. She enquired about the status of vaccination, stock of medicines and other logistics at every centre.

Speaking on the occasion, the Director educated the farmers regarding various preventive steps to be taken for controlling the spread of this

disease. She further informed the public that all necessary steps have been taken by the department to prevent the further spread of the viral disease. She instructed Officers and paravet to remain stationed at their respective headquarters and provide all necessary assistance to livestock owners.

While addressing the farmers, Deputy Director Central informed that Rapid Response teams have been set up in the region for providing timely treatment to the ailing animals. He further said that the vaccination programme is going on war footing.

During the campaign Director along with CAHO Udhampur, CAHO Reasi, officers and staff of the department also paid visits to various dairy owners of district Udhampur and Reasi as part of door to door campaign started by the Animal Husbandry Department for control of Lumpy Skin disease and inspected the animals.

Change of Land Use: DLC approves 5 cases

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

RAJOURI: The District Level Committee on change of land use met here under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal to discuss and approve the applications received online from the applicants from across the district.

Officers present in the meeting included ACR, Imran Rashid Kataria; GM DIC, Ashwini Sharma; SE Hydraulics, JP Singh; DO PCB, Anupam Koul; CAO, Sohan Singh; ExEn PWD Rajouri, Maqbool Hussain and other concerned officers. After a three-hour discussion, the Committee approved 5 cases seeking change of conversion of agricultural land for non agricultural purposes.

Mayor, Councillors, Commissioner JMC visit Brigadier Ranjeet Singh Park

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: With a view to Celebrate the accession day on 26th of October 2022 Mayor Chander Mohan Gupta alongwith Dr. Akshay Sharma Councillor Ward 8, Dinesh Gupta Councillor Ward 18, Rahul Yadav Commissioner JMC, Hitesh Gupta Joint Commissioner (E&R)/ Adtl. CEO Smart City Jammu, Rajesh Kumar Joint Commissioner (Works) JMC, Parvinder Kour Secretary JMC, Arun Gupta Executive Engineer

works Div-I, R.K Sharma Retd. General Indian Army conducted an extensive tour at Rajinder Singh Park/Rotary behind Civil Secretariat Jammu and took stock of the immediate works required at this site.

Mayor issued on spot directions to the concerned Engineering wing as well as sanitation staff that the whole area to be got cleaned by way of bush cutting, minor repair of plaster, White Washing on the bottom of the trees and the venue should be made neat

and clean.

It was also decided that the surrounding of the rotary to be painted and the surrounding grill to be painted in bright color by PWD Department. These activities to be done to celebrate this accession day this year.

In the long term, a separate meeting shall be called with stake-holders and the permanent features i.e. façade lighting of the statue highlighting the statue area by erecting the fountain surrounding the statue and

over all face-lifting of the area to be done in phased manner.

Besides this, Chander Mohan Gupta Mayor JMC also inaugurated a Coffee Shop under the name & style M/s Brothers Café at Shakti Nagar area of Ward 29 under start up scheme.

Surinder Chowdhary Councillor of Ward 29, Neena Gupta Councillor of Ward 50, Kamla Gupta, Harish Kumar, Atul Bakshi, Karan Sharma and other prominent inhabitants of Shakti Nagar area as well

as Suresh Gupta and Ashwani Gupta Prop. of M/s Brothers Café were present during the inauguration function.

Speaking on the occasion, Mayor told that more & more youths are coming forward to start up their own business for making "Atam Nirbar Bharat" and this way they are also providing jobs to other unemployed persons instead of running towards Govt. jobs which is a welcome step and should be appreciated and encouraged by the society.



11 arrested, 11 vehicles seized for illegal extraction & transportation of minerals

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

BUDGAM: Acting tough against elements involved in illegal extraction and transportation of minerals, Police in Budgam arrested 11 persons and seized 11 vehicles involved in commission of crime.

As per details, Police Station Beerwah received information about illegal extraction and transportation of minerals from Government land at Bonhana. Accordingly, a party from Police Station Beerwah raided specific location and seized 11 tippers (JK05B-3056, JK04-7055, JK02S-9043, JK02AV-9170, JK04A-6187, JK05B-4809, JK04B-0218, JK05A-5664, JK05B-2374, JK08F-6325 & JK04A-2260). The accused drivers were also arrested, who were identified as Shahnawaz Ali Hajam, resident of Labartal; Mohd Imran Shah, resident of Hajibagh Budgam; Suhail Ahmad Baba, resident of Hajibagh Budgam; Firdous Ahmad Rather, resident of Benina Khumani Chowk; Nazim Hussain, resident of Pallar Budgam; Nisar Abbas, resident of Shalina Budgam; Gazanfar Ali Rather, resident of Hasnain Colony Ichgam; Shabir Ahmad Wani, resident of Zurigund Budgam; Shafayat Hussain Dar, resident of Reshipora Budgam; Farooq Ahmad Rah, resident of Nundresh Colony Benina and Javid Ahmad Ganie, resident of Heeder Budgam. Accordingly, FIR No. 146/2022 under relevant sections of law was registered at Police Station Beerwah and investigation started.



Theft case solved; 4 arrested, stolen items recovered

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SAMBA: Police on Friday worked out a theft case by arresting 4 accused and recovered stolen



items within 24 hours.

As per details, a complaint was lodged at Police Station Vijaypur by a complainant namely Narinder Singh, son of Kuldeep Singh, resident of Chak Salarain, at present Ward-10, Vijaypur regarding theft of scraped part of his Tipper by some accused. The aforesaid tipper, after accident was parked by owner in his plot and damaged iron scrap was kept in tipper. Acting over complaint, FIR No. 155/2022 under section 379 of IPC was registered at Police

Station Vijaypur and investigation started. During investigation, a team of Police Station Vijaypur led by SHO Vijaypur Insp Rajeev Kumar assisted by PSI Vikrant Kotwal under supervision of SDPO Vijaypur Priyanka Kumari after putting in strenuous efforts, succeeded in arrest of 4 suspects namely Sawan Majotra, son of Tejinder Majotra, resident of Ward-4 Vijaypur; Rahul Majhotra, son of Daljeet Kumar, resident of Ward-6 Vijaypur; Romi Massi, son of Bashir Massi, resident of Ward-12 Vijaypur and Sandeep Kumar, son of Surinder Kumar, resident of Ward-1, Thalori, Vijaypur. On their disclosure, stolen items were also recovered by Police.

Two detained under PSA in Samba, Doda

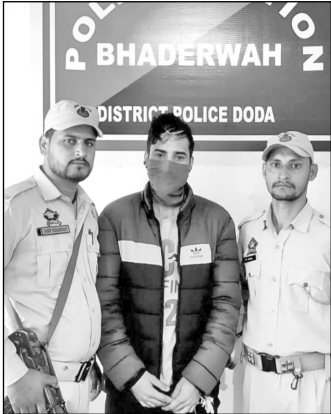
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JAMMU: An alleged hardcore criminal was booked under Public Safety Act (PSA) in Samba district on Friday, police said. "Vasu Dev alias Shunu, a resident of Ramgarh, who was a habitual criminal and his criminal activities are posing a great threat to peace and tranquility in area," a police spokesman said.

He further added that seven cases were registered against accused at different Police Stations in Samba district over past couple of years. "Keeping in view his repeated involvement in criminal activities, dossier was prepared by SSP Samba and forwarded to District Magistrate Samba who formally issued order of his detention under PSA," said spokesperson, adding that detention warrant was executed by Police Station Ramgarh and accused was lodged at District Jail Jammu.

Meanwhile, an alleged drug peddler was booked on Friday and detained under PSA in Doda district, police said. Adil Fareed, a resident of Runta village of Bhadarwah, was detained under PSA on the orders of District Magistrate, Doda, Vishesh Paul Mahajan for his alleged involvement drug-peddling and bovine smuggling, the spokesperson added.

SSP Doda Abdul Qayoom further said that Fareed is a habitual offender and several FIRs were registered for his involvement in cases of bovine smuggling and drug peddling at local police stations. "His criminal activities were proving as a serious threat to locals especially youth and also prejudicial to the public order," the SSP said. So far this year, police has registered 36 FIRs against 40 people for drug-peddling besides detaining two notorious drug peddlers under PSA. Similarly, 31 FIRs have been registered against 86 bovine smugglers, three of whom have been booked under PSA, police added.



Youth dies under mysterious circumstances

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

BISHNAH: A youth died under mysterious circumstances in Bishnah area on Friday.

As per details, locals on seeing a youth lying in fields at Dayoli informed police which rushed to the spot and shifted him to hospital, where doctors declared him as brought dead. The deceased was identified as Ishan Bali, son of Ramesh Bali, resident of Samilpur. It was also learnt that he died of consuming some poisonous substance. Police is investigating the matter.

Youth found hanging

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

REASI: A youth was found hanging in his house at Reasi on Friday.

As per details, one Rakesh Singh, son of Gyan Singh, resident of Jyotipuram, was found hanging at NHPC quarters and was shifted to hospital where doctors declared him as brought dead. Police is investigating the matter.

Girl among four injured in bear attack

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

POONCH: Four people, including a 12-year-old girl, got injured when they were attacked by a wild bear in a remote village of Poonch district on Friday, officials said. The victims were working in their fields when a bear ventured from a nearby forest into Chella-Dhangri village in Mandi area and attacked them, officials said. They further told that bear was chased by villagers and later four injured Saira (12), Anjum Bashir (18), Abdul Majid (32) and Shaheena (30) were shifted to hospital where their condition was stated to be stable.

Army personnel martyred in accidental firing

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: An Army trooper was martyred when his service rifle went off accidentally in Baramulla district, officials said on Friday. The service rifle of personnel identified as Chander Mohan (28) went off accidentally outside a camp at Chatoosa in Sopore of north Kashmir district late Thursday evening, they added.