

NATIONAL PRESS DAY

National Press Day is symbolic of a free and responsible press in India. This was the day on which the Press Council of India started functioning as a moral watchdog to ensure that not only did the press maintain the high standards expected from this powerful medium but also that it was not fettered by the influence or threats of any extraneous factors. Though there are several Press or Media Councils world over, the Press Council of India is a unique entity in as much as this is the only body to exercise an authority even over the instruments of the State in its duty to safeguard the independence of the press. The Press Council of India celebrated National Press Day on theme "The Media's Role in Nation Building" at SCOPE convention centre in New Delhi today. The Union Minister of Information & Broadcasting, Youth Affairs and Sports, Anurag Singh Thakur was the chief guest at the event and released the "Norms of Journalistic Conduct, 2022". Celebrating Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav marking 75th year of India's independence, the dignitaries deliberated on the topic 'the Role of Media in Nation Building' to appreciate, analyse and ascertain the plausible ways that may pave the way towards preserving the standards of Indian media which is celebrated as the fourth pillar of the Democracy. Delivering inaugural address, the Union Minister of Information & Broadcasting, Youth Affairs and Sports, Anurag Singh Thakur complimented Swapan Dasgupta for his erudite views, expressed eloquently, on the theme of today's deliberations - "The Media's Role in Nation Building". The Union Minister stated "This is a solemn occasion to pay our humble tribute to stalwarts who made the Press a powerful voice and a worthy Fourth Pillar of our democracy." He further added "The intimate involvement of towering leaders of our struggle for independence with the Press propelled them to ensure Freedom of the Press was enshrined through constitutional provisions. The birth of the Press Council of India came much later, but the impulse was the same, to ensure democracy is safeguarded and strengthened. The Union Minister further said, "Regrettably, within a decade of the Press Council of India coming into existence as a Lighthouse for Press Freedom, it was abolished during the Emergency along with the suspension of Fundamental Rights. It is a matter of pride for me that the council was revived through a fresh Act of Parliament steered by none other than L K Advani as Minister for Information & Broadcasting. As a nation we have not looked back since then, though there have been setbacks by way of unacceptable restrictions like those imposed by 66A of the IT Act. It was justifiably struck down by the Supreme Court. Over the last 75 years, as democracy has flourished in our great nation, so has media." Thakur expressed happiness that Prime Minister Narendra Modi led Government has made the information landscape more robust by streamlining governance norms through simplified and transparent processes & wants to see media play a greater and more constructive role in building a New India as our nation's stature rises globally. The Union Minister said, "As with all things that expand with speed, the expansion of media in India merits a cautionary note. Much of the media governance structure is self-regulatory. But self-regulatory does not mean licence to err and err intentionally. That would erode media credibility. Bias and prejudice must be abjured. It is for media to reflect and self-introspect on how to immunise itself from the virus of Infodemic which continues to inflict malicious disinformation on societies across geographies. A related twin-concern is that of paid news and fake news. Similarly, clickbait journalism, made fashionable by social media, contributes nothing to media credibility; it contributes even less to nation-building. Media must not allow the space for responsible, fair and balanced journalism be occupied by others."

To live is to find out for yourself what is true, and you can do this only when there is freedom, when there is continuous revolution inwardly, within yourself.

-Jiddu Krishnamurti

EDITORIAL

Remembering valorous saga of Maangarh Dham

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The Nation is taking giant leaps multi-dimensionally, striding to realise the fullest potential of proud citizens. The Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is an apt moment to introspect ourselves and bring out the masses' consciousness for scaling new heights for the Nation. India's freedom struggle has numerous sagas to reflect the awakened consciousness of freedom fighters that widen the scope of activities of all stakeholders in the nationalistic movement. The unsung heroes have sacrificed their lives for the prestigious realm of the motherland. The recently celebrated 2nd 'Janjatiya Gaurav Divas' on November 15, i.e., birth anniversary of Birsa Munda recollects the valour & heroic deeds of tribal freedom fighters. Today November 17, reminds us about sacrifice of courageous tribal martyrs under the leadership of Govind Guru, fighting bravely against British rulers. Govind Guru, born in a nomadic family in the Dungarpur-Banswara region of Rajasthan, imbibed the teaching of Swami Dayanand Saraswati and rose to mobilise the Bhil tribes through their socio-religious upliftment. An accurate propagator of Indian Tradition & ideals, At 25 years old in 1883, he founded the 'Samp Sabha' to promote Unity & harmony among the tribals. These socioeconomic measures were simultaneous to the British raj's organised loot from India and their increasing insensitivity to the concerns of locals & indigenous people. From 1903 onwards, Maangarh Hills became a famous place for the annual congregation in the form of a fair for Bhils & other tribes of the region. The demand for self-rule in India gathered enormous currency in the 1st decade of the twentieth century. Divide & Rule Policy, the resultant Bengal partition & wealth draining mechanism, had busted the moral foundation of the British

regime. Govind Guru had also laid down demand to reduce the revenue collection rate from tribals in the famine-affected circumstances and to stop their encroachment on religious freedom & cultural aspect of India. As part of the freedom struggle, the Bhil community and other tribals engaged in a long standoff with the British. In 1913, on the full moon day of 17th November, Maangarh hill witnessed a mass gathering of more than 1.5 lakh Bhils to pay their allegiance to the guru, to fulfill their spiritual desire & to look for a way out to end British hegemony. The illegitimate revenue collection was a clear-cut exhibition of their oppressive attitude & injustice measures. The 'Bhureta Nhi Mam Re' (I will not accept tyrannical rule of white people, i.e. British) song has become a mouthpiece for tribal people. Thus, Govind Guru's call for taking on injustice laid the foundation for Civil Disobedience Movement against British rule. Sensing the congregation of such a large scale, the British deputed seven companies to surround the entire Maangarh hill and tried to suppress the tribal agitative measures with a fear of bullets & cannons. The awakened consciousness of the masses, augmented by spirituality, seems nowhere close to accepting the British adherence to evacuate the hill area. Their confidence and spirit for protecting the motherland overpowered the bullet's fear. The insensitive British ordered the mass shooting, and in this inhuman act, more than 1500 tribal freedom fighters laid down their lives this day. British moral legitimacy continuously kept eroding through the Jallianwala Bagh massacre after six years of Maangarh hill incident and other inhuman approaches & measures to break the social & economic fabric of India. The sacrifices of these unsung heroes of the freedom struggle have upscale the morals of nationalistic fra-

ternity. It has provided a lens to view independence as a legitimate & rightful necessity. This spirit has groomed everyone in toto for dutifully playing their active role in owning a free India. After 75 years of Independence, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has given a clarion call for Amrit Kaal's Panch Pran with the Goal of Developed India, removing traces of a colonial mindset, taking pride in our roots, Unity, and inculcating a sense of duty. The indelible role of tribals' from freedom struggle to nation-building, is an inspirational story. Tribal culture, harmony & sustainability with nature, environment-friendly lifestyle and zeal to protect nature are worth emulating, and lesson for the elite class and developed countries discussing ways & mean to reduce carbon footprints. The recently held 'Maangarh Dham Ki Gaurav Gatha' event on November 1 at Maangarh hill witnessed presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Chief Ministers of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh & Gujarat, and, more importantly, the descendants of tribal freedom fighters who have assembled in 1913 on the same hill. Now, Maangarh Dham will be developed with the cooperation of State government of Rajasthan, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, as a national memorial showcasing tribal legacy and their rich cultural heritage. Its development as a National tribal destination will become a significant milestone in recognising the tribal contribution in Nation Building. Additionally, the Government is already setting up tribal museums in ten states i.e., Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, MP, Chattisgarh, Jharkhand, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Goa & Kerala, to recognise the contribution of tribal people to society and increase awareness about their sacrifices in the freedom struggle. In India's growth trajectory, leaving

behind a tribal legacy will always turn out as a glass half-full. Now with the initiatives taken by the Modi government, the tribals are marching with matched shoulders in the mainstream development agenda of the Government. The Nation feels elated to have Droupadi Murmu, the 1st tribal leader, as Republic's President. The Union Council of Ministers is also jewelled with eight tribal ministers. The pro-poor welfare measure, people-centric policies and governance approach to achieving full saturation by extending benefits to intended beneficiaries have facilitated their ease of living. The building of Eklaya Modal residential School, dedicated scholarship scheme for students, Adivasi University, focused emphasis on curbing sickle cell anemia, Mission Indra Danush, development through Tribal research institute, removing bamboo from the definition of a tree, Ayushman Bharat, PM Aawas Yojna among other are helping to bloom the potential of tribal masses. Strengthening SC & ST (Prevention of Atrocity) Act through amendments has made effective deterrence to atrocities against them. The idea of Social Justice is getting new meaning under visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Today we pay our homage to the Martyrs of Maangarh by remembering the supreme sacrifice of unsung freedom fighters. Let's align our values with the morals of freedom fighters to reveal altogether different perspectives to building a New India, a global leader emerging as a pragmatic trouble-shooter on contemporary international challenges. Let's scratch our past, carry forward the indomitable legacy and learn from cultural values to earn a shining future. It's time to mindfully churn and act concerned about building a developed India.

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Advertisement No. 10174 JSCL of 2022; Dated: 15-11-2022

The Advertisement published vide No DPL/J-3697/P/22 for the post of General Manager eBus Operations has been withdrawn. Fresh applications are invited for the appointment of the General Manager (Public Transport Operations) on a contractual basis in Jammu Smart City Limited (JSCL) to be stationed in Jammu City. The engagement of services will be purely on a contractual basis initially for a period of one year with a provision for extension up to the project period with extension of one year each time. Details including remuneration, type of engagement and other terms and conditions are given below:

S. No.	Name of Post	No. of Post	Source/ Mode of Recruitment	Salary	Qualification	Experience
1	General Manager (Public Transport Operations)	1	Contractual or Deputation	The consolidated monthly remuneration (inclusive of all allowances, perquisites and taxes) shall be in between ₹1.5-1.65 Lacs/ Month *	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduate (B.Tech/ B.E.) in Automobile/Civil/ Mechanical/ Electrical/Computer Science from a recognized National or International University. Post-Graduate (ME / MTECH/ PGDM/ MBA/ PGPM) in Urban Transport / Transportation Planning/ Logistics/ Transport Engineering/ Transport Management/ Transport Operations from a recognized National or International University 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Having experience of minimum 12 years in required field. Experience in Public Transport Operations for a minimum of 50 buses in any model GCC or NCC or any other. Demonstrate working knowledge of transit operations and the ability to effectively manage a large and complex operations system multi-site project management, budgeting practices, strategic planning and employee development and supervision. Sound possess knowledge of IT-based monitoring systems for urban mobility. Extensive knowledge of laws and regulations related to operations of transit buses. Sound knowledge of safety management principles and practices. High degree of familiarity with contract and sub-contract documents, terms, and conditions. A working knowledge of MS Office and software/module related to TMS (Transport Management System) would be an add advantage Area of work in the above area of work shall have added advantage for choice of the candidate.

*Salary Commensurate with profile; based on a candidate's specific Qualifications, Training, Experience, Skills, etc.

- The last date for receipt of application is 30-11-2022 at 5:00 PM.
- The Complete application form can be downloaded from website <https://www.jammusmartcity.in/index.aspx>
- Application in envelope supercised with the post applied for; along with all the self-attested certificates, documents, CV and the Biodata in the below mentioned format should be sent to the Office of Chief Executive Officer, Jammu Smart City Limited, Bahu Plaza, North Block, 4th Floor, Jammu, J&K – 180012 ; by hand or through post or by sending email at ceo@jammusmartcity.in and copy to dgm.admin@jammusmartcity.in ; by or before the last date of receipt of application.

DIP/J-3883-P/22

Dated:- 16/11/2022

Applications for the Post of General Manager (Public Transport Operations)

BIODATA

01. Post Applied for in JSCL					
02. Full Name with Title (e.g- Mr./Mrs./Ms./Dr.)					
03. Parentage:					
04. Date of Birth(DD/MM/YYYY):					
05. Gender					
06. Permanent Address					
07. Corresponding Address					
08. Mobile No.					
09. E-mail ID					
10. Nationality					
11. Domicile Certificate No.					
12. Education: (Starting with the position list in reverse order for every qualification)					
S.No.	Qualification	Specialization	College/University	Year of Passing	
13. Experience: (Starting with the position list in reverse order every employment held since graduation)					
S.No.	Employer (Name, Address and Contact Details)	Period (from to) in DD/MM/YYYY Format	Experience in Years/months	Assignment and role	Designation
14. Skills acquired:					
S.No.	Skill acquired	Institute/College/University	Level of Expertise		

Declaration:

Parentage

R/o solemnly affirms and declares as under:

- That I have not been charged/convicted from any court.
- That I have not been dismissed/removed/compulsorily retired by way of punishment from any public undertaking or department of Government.
- That I have not been declared as insolvent by any court.
- That no department inquiry, vigilance case or criminal case is pending against me.
- That I am not on bail in any case from the court.
- That I, undersigned certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this application correctly describes me, my qualifications, and my experience. I understand that any willful mis-statement describes herein may lead to my disqualification or dismissal if engaged.

(Signature of the candidate)

Name: _____
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GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL FORESTRY
(DIRECTION OFFICE)
M&E SECTION



ABBREVIATED SHORT TERM AUCTION NOTICE

For and on behalf of Lt. Governor, Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, it is hereby notified for the information of public in general and timber dealers/extraction contractors especially dealing with **Bamboo Trade** in particular that the **sale of Mature Bamboo Clumps (Culms)** of different species on the basis of "as it is where it is", existing in below mentioned locations of Social Forestry Division of **Kathua** shall be held through an **open auction** at Office Complex of Regional Director, Department of Social Forestry, opp. Nitco Lane, Talab Tillo, Jammu on the dates/ time mentioned below as per the short term Auction Notice No:- DIR/DSF/M&E/1897-1906 Dated: 14/11/2022.

The details of the stock to be put to auction are as given below:-

S. No.	Name of Unit / Location	Species			Total (A+B)	Earnest Money in the Shape of CDR	Date of Auction	Time						
		Total No of Clump s	Up to 20 feet Height (I)	Above 20 feet Height (II)										
1	V.W. Lot Balpur	25	342	95	437	15	163	100	263	700	Rs. 1100/-	06/12/2022	12:30 Noon	
2	V.W. Lot Bareil	43	806	97	903	32	272	400	672	1575	Rs. 3800/-	06/12/2022	12:30 Noon	
3	V.W. Lot Galak	28	354	150	504	10	128	50	178	682	Rs. 4000/-	06/12/2022	12:30 Noon	
	Total	96	1502	342	1844	57	563	550	1113	2957				
4	V.W. Lot Rehalta -I	138	2516	382	2898	16	211	125	336	3234				
5	V.W. Lot Rehalta - II	277	3372	506	3878	18	202	50	252	4130				
6	V.W. Lot Raipur-I & II	76	940	124	1064	109	666	860	1526	2590				
	Total	491	6828	1012	7840	143	1079	1035	2114	9954				
7	V.W. Lot Khurku	350	3900	1000	4900	25	280	70	350	5250				
8	V.W. Lot Nagrota	103	202	1095	1297	0	0	0	0	1297				
9	V.W. Lot Kharmit	228	3192	0	3192									