

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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NOTICE
I, SEEMA KHAJOURIA D/O SH. MADAN MOHAN KHAJOURIA R/O 18, B/B GANDHI NAGAR, JAMMU HAVE LOST MY LLB DEGREE SESSION 1986 FROM UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU UNDER ROLL NO. 2801/83 UNDER REGISTRATION NO. 2284-W6-81. NOW I AM APPLYING FOR A DUPLICATE COPY OF THE SAME. OBJECTIONS IF ANY, MAY BE FILED BEFORE THE CONTROLLER EXAMINATIONS/ REGISTRAR UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU WITHIN 7 DAYS.

PUBLIC NOTICE
I, Harcharan Singh Sudan S/o Inder Singh Sudan R/o House No. 69, Ward No. 11, Near Gurudwara, R.S. Pura, Tehsil R.S Pura, District Jammu, do hereby declare that my daughter's name has been wrongly written as Sukhneet Kour in her Passport bearing No. R6627446. The Correct name is Sukhneet Kour Sudan vide affidavit No. IN- JK26592381252114W dated 16.11.2024 before Addl. Special Mobile Magistrate R.S. Pura Jammu (J&K).

NOTICE
I, Lalit Kumar, Father of Usharvi Singh, Mother's Name Vandana Thakur, resident of H.No. 85/A, Basant Nagar, Jammu - 180013, state that my name has been wrongly written as Lalit Kumar Thakur instead of Lalit Kumar in my daughter's school records, namely Usharvi Singh, Class 9th, Section B, under Roll No. 45, Admission No. 141676116024655. I am now applying for the correction of the same. If there are any objections, they may be conveyed to KV No.1, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu, within 7 days.

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To



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DDC Chairman Doda reviews preparations for Winter Festival-2024 in Bhaderwah



DDC Chairman, Dhananter Singh Kotwal chairing a meeting at Doda.

STATE TIMES NEWS
DODA: District Development Council (DDC) Chairman, Dhananter Singh Kotwal on Sunday chaired a meeting to discuss preparations for the upcoming Winter Festival-2024 at Tilligarh Tourist Complex Bhaderwah.

Deputy Commissioner Doda, Harvinder Singh, Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Doda, Sandeep Kumar Mehta, and Joint Director of Tourism, Sunaina Sharma Mehta along with other senior officers from concerned department were present in the meeting.

The meeting also witnessed participation from the Hotel Association, Tourism Association, Tour and Travel

Operators, and other key stakeholders of the tourism sector. Discussions were focused on finalizing the schedule and arrangements for the Winter Festival-2024, which will showcase the scenic beauty and cultural heritage of Bhaderwah sub division. The festival, set to be held in the last week of December 2024, will feature events at prominent locations such as Jai Valley, Guldanda, Padhri, and Bhaderwah Fort. Activities will include adventure sports, cultural performances, and local cuisine, aimed at promoting Bhaderwah as a premier winter tourism destination.

Speaking on the occasion, the DDC Chairman emphasized the importance of col-

lective efforts to make the event a grand success. The Deputy Commissioner Doda directed the concerned departments to ensure all preparations, including infrastructure, security, and hospitality, are completed well in time. The SSP Doda, highlighted the need for robust security arrangements to ensure the safety of tourists and participants during the festival.

The Joint Director of Tourism highlighted the role of such events in boosting the local economy and creating employment opportunities.

Stakeholders assured their full cooperation and shared innovative ideas to attract a larger influx of tourists this winter season.

Ramban Administration conducts JKSSB police constable exam

STATE TIMES NEWS
RAMBAN: The District Administration Ramban on Sunday conducted the OMR-based Police Constable Examination, organized by the Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board (JKSSB), at five designated examination centres in the district.

Out of the 1000 candidates enrolled, 324 appeared for the examination held at Government Model Higher Secondary School (GMHSS) Ramban, Government Degree College (GDC) Ramban, Kamal Academy Chanderkote, Government High School (GHS) Chanderkote, and Government Polytechnic College Chanderkote.

The examination was conducted seamlessly under the guidance of Deputy Commissioner Ramban, Baseer-Ul-Haq Chaudhary, and the supervision of Additional Deputy Commissioner Ramban, Varunjeet Singh

Charak. During his visit to the examination centres, the ADC highlighted the significance of this recruitment process in meeting the staffing requirements of the Jammu and Kashmir Police Department.

The examination process was closely monitored by General Observer, Additional District Development Commissioner Ramban Roshan Lal, Nodal Officer Ganesh Kumar (DSEO), Tehsildar Vijay Kumar, Tehsildar Harvir Singh, Naib Tehsildars, and Superintendents of Examination Centres to ensure a smooth and fair conduct of the exam.

The District Administration expressed its appreciation to the candidates for their active participation and extended gratitude to the team involved for their efforts in the successful conduct of the JKSSB Police Constable Exam in Ramban.

Army organises inspiring session on women empowerment



Army officials along with students during the programme.

STATE TIMES NEWS
RAJOURI: Army organized an inspiring session on Women Empowerment for girl students at Government Higher Secondary School, Seri. The engaging session aimed to inspire and uplift young minds, promoting the importance of self-belief, education, and the collective power of women.

The girl students were acquainted with some of the most influential women in history of India, Kalpana Chawla, Sunita Williams, Mithali Raj, Indira Gandhi, Mary Kom, Kiran Bedi, Arundhati Roy, Dr Tessy Thomas 'Missile women of India' to name a few, who made significant contribu-

tions in their fields and have been role model for generations to come.

The students were later called upon on stage to express their ambitions in life. The lecture was focused on giving impetus to education and financial independence which is a powerful tool in the journey of empowerment. Important aspects like the wellbeing of women, women's equality, opportunities for women for self-development and how empowered women can be the building block of the nation were brought out by the girl students through discussions. The event not only motivated the girl students to work hard in studies and focus on

education but also provided information about government schemes like Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Mahila E-Haat and various skill development programs. As the event concluded, students and teachers expressed their gratitude towards the Indian Army for organising a truly enlightening interactive session and for their continuous support towards motivating and guiding the youth for better life. The teachers commended the students for their active participation and urged them to embrace the lessons learned to create a brighter and more equitable future. A total of 43 students and 08 teachers attended the event.

Trump calls for 'immediate ceasefire' in Ukraine

AGENCY
KYIV: US President-elect Donald Trump on Sunday called for an immediate ceasefire in Ukraine, shortly after a meeting in Paris with French and Ukrainian leaders, claiming Kyiv "would like to make a deal" to end the more than 1,000-day war.

In a post on his Truth Social platform, Trump claimed that Moscow and Kyiv have both lost hundreds of thousands of soldiers in a war that "should never have started".

"There should be an immediate ceasefire and negotiations should begin. Too many lives are being needlessly wasted, too many families destroyed," he said, as he called on Russian President Vladimir Putin to act to bring the fighting to an end.

Trump's remarks came after a meeting Saturday with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and

his French counterpart, Emmanuel Macron, that Zelenskyy later described as "constructive".

Speaking to reporters later that day, Zelenskyy insisted that any peace deal "should be just" for Ukrainians, "so that Russia and Putin or any other aggressors will not have the opportunity to return".

In a separate social media update Sunday, Zelenskyy asserted that Kyiv has so far lost 43,000 soldiers since Moscow's all-out invasion on Feb 24, 2022, while a further 370,000 have been wounded.

Both Russia and Ukraine have been reluctant to publish official casualty figures, but Western officials have said that the past few months of grinding positional warfare in eastern Ukraine have meant record losses for both sides, with tens of thousands killed and wounded each month.

Iran, Israel relationship or absence of it source of concern: EAM

AGENCY
MANAMA: The relationship or absence of it between Israel and Iran has been a source of concern and some of India's diplomatic efforts are focused on that aspect, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said on Sunday. In an address at the Manama Dialogue in Bahrain, Jaishankar, without directly referring to attacks on commercial ships in the Red Sea by Houthis militants, said India has an interest in trying to mitigate the security situation.

Jaishankar, on a two-day visit to Bahrain from Saturday, touched upon various issues, including how to prevent conflicts from spreading further; the importance of key connectivity projects and the need to improve the security situation in the region.

"In recent times, for all of us, the relationship or absence of it between Israel and Iran has been particularly a source of concern, so some of our diplomatic efforts have focused on that particular aspect," he said.

There have been mounting global concerns over escalating tensions between Iran and Israel in the last few months.

In October, Iran fired around 200 missiles into Israel in response to Israel's killing of Hezbollah chief Hassan Nasrallah and other commanders of the

Lebanese militant outfit. Israel subsequently retaliated against the Iranian strikes. Talking about the importance of West Asia for New Delhi, the external affairs minister also highlighted India's sustained economic growth.

"India is today almost a USD 4 trillion economy, (and) we expect to comfortably double that this decade. Our trade is today around USD 800 billion, that too should at least double this decade," he said.

"So I again cannot overstate the stakes that we have because this region is the immediate for us the world beyond our borders that immediately awaits us," he said.

In his remarks, Jaishankar also referred to the situation in the Red Sea and said the security domain is a key area for strategic regional cooperation. "And we have had very significant security challenges in this area with a very deep and disastrous impact for trade in Asia," he said.

"So when we look at the diversion of maritime routes and the insurance costs, and the shipping costs and the container costs and the delay that it has imposed, obviously, you know, India, but not just India, we have an interest in trying to mitigate that situation," he added. In view of the volatile situation in the Red Sea, shipments were diverted to other routes that had increased the cost of transportation significantly.

The external affairs minister also briefly spoke about India's naval presence in the region. "We have actually had a naval presence in this region in the Gulf of Aden, Somalia, Northern Arabian Sea. Over the year it's been roughly about 30 ships, the peak was about 12 ships at one point of time which were deployed there," he said.

"And in the last year, we have actually responded to 24 actual incidents, escorted 250 ships, rescued 120 crew members. So we are making our contributions, we (are) working in tandem with Operation Prosperity Guardian. We have our own nationally named operation," he said.

'Operation Prosperity Guardian' is a US-led military mission that was launched late last year to jointly address security challenges in the southern Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden.

Jaishankar said India intends to increase its bilateral exercise both in the Gulf with its partners as well as in the Mediterranean.

"So in the Gulf, I think the Gulf countries have been our fairly regular partners by now and in almost every case we have seen an uptick in our shared activities," he said.

"In the Mediterranean, particularly, apart from Israel, with Greece, with Egypt, we have had significant exercises this year," he added.

Matter of great joy, pride for country: Modi on Indian priest's elevation as cardinal

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Indian priest George Jacob Koovakad being elevated as a Cardinal of the Holy Roman Catholic Church by Pope Francis is a matter of great joy and pride for India, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Sunday.

He said George Cardinal Koovakad has devoted his life to the service of humanity as an ardent follower of Jesus Christ.

"A matter of great joy and pride for India! Delighted at His Eminence George Jacob Koovakad being created a Cardinal of the Holy Roman Catholic Church by His Holiness Pope Francis," Modi said in a post on X.

"His Eminence George Cardinal Koovakad has devoted his life in service of humanity as an ardent follower of Lord Jesus Christ. My best wishes for his future endeavours," the

prime minister said.

In a grand consistory held in the Vatican on Saturday, 51-year-old Koovakad was elevated to the rank of cardinal by Pope Francis.

The ceremony, held at the famous St Peter's Basilica and attended by clergy and dignitaries from around the world, witnessed the induction of 21 new cardinals from various countries.

The ceremony began at 8.30 pm (IST) marking a procession with 21 cardinal-designated to the altar of St Peter's Basilica. Later, the Pope addressed the gathering and handed over the ceremonial cap and ring to the cardinal-designate, followed by a certificate accompanied by prayers.

Koovakad's appointment brings the total number of Indian cardinals to six, further strengthening the country's representation at the Vatican.

Govt constitutes judicial tribunal for adjudication of ban on Meghalaya insurgent group

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: The Union Home Ministry has constituted a judicial tribunal for the adjudication of a ban imposed on Meghalaya-based insurgent group Hynniewtrep National Liberation Council (HNLC).

On November 14, the central government declared HNLC a banned organisation for five years for its involvement in violent incidents and carrying out activities prejudicial to India's sovereignty and integrity.

In a notification issued on Friday, the home ministry said that exercising the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967, the central government constituted the tribunal consisting of Justice Soumitra Saikia, a judge of the Gauhati High Court, for adjudicating whether or not there is sufficient cause for declaring the HNLC with all its factions, wings and front organisations as an unlawful association.

While declaring the ban on the organisation, the home ministry had stated that the HNLC had a

declared objective of the secession of areas in Meghalaya, largely inhabited by Khasi and Jaintia tribes, and had continued intimidation and bullying of the civilian population to extort funds for their organisation.

The group is also maintaining links with other insurgent groups of the northeastern region for carrying out extortion and intimidation and indulged in 48 criminal cases, including several incidents of explosions or planting of explosives in Meghalaya, during the period from November 2019 to June 2024, it said.

During this period, 73 cadres of the outfit were also arrested by security forces.

"The HNLC along with all its factions, wings and front organisations of Meghalaya has been involved in such activities which are prejudicial to the sovereignty and integrity of India," the notification said.

The home ministry said it is of the opinion that these activities of the HNLC are detrimental to the sovereignty and integrity of India.

And if these are not immediately curbed and controlled, the HNLC may regroup and rearm itself, expand its cadres, procure sophisticated weapons, cause loss of lives of civilians and security forces and properties and thereby accelerate its anti-national activities, the ministry said.

The tribunal assesses whether the ban is warranted on the provided grounds, and the affected outfit can present its case before it.

Punjab: Elections to 5 MCs, 44 councils to be held on Dec 21

STATE TIMES NEWS
CHANDIGARH: Elections to five municipal corporations and 44 municipal councils and nagar panchayats in Punjab will be held on December 21, the State Election Commission said on Sunday.

All necessary arrangements have been made for the civic body polls, it said.

Addressing the media here, State Election Commissioner Raj Kamal Chaudhuri said polling for five municipal corporations and 44 municipal councils and Nagar panchayats will be held from 7 am to 4 pm.

"The model code of conduct will come into force from today," he said.

The five municipal corporations going to polls are Anrutar; Jalandhar; Ludhiana, Patiala and Phagwara.

The process of filing nominations will start from December 9 and the last date will be December 12. The scrutiny of nomination papers will be done on December 13 and the last date for the withdrawal of nominations will be December 14, Chaudhuri said.

He said, 37.32 lakh voters, including 17.75 lakh females and 204 others, are eligible to cast their votes in these elections. The state election commissioner said electronic voting machines (EVMs) would be used for the voting. A sufficient number of EVMs have been arranged for use in the elections, he added.

Votes will be counted on the same day at the polling station itself, after the completion of polling of votes, he further said.

Chaudhuri said polling would be held

for 381 wards of the Municipal Corporations and 598 wards of the Municipal Councils/Nagar Panchayats.

Adequate security arrangements have been made by police, he said, asserting that a comprehensive security plan has been prepared.

There are a total of 1,609 polling locations having 3,809 polling booths.

Of them, 344 polling locations have been identified as hypersensitive, and 665 as sensitive. A total of 21,500 personnel of the police department and Home Guard Jawans would be deployed, he said.

The commissioners of police and senior superintendents of police have been authorised to enhance the security deployment at polling locations.

He said instructions regarding the pro-

hibition on carrying arms and ammunition have been issued.

The district magistrates being competent authority under the Arms Act will assess the necessity or requirement of the deposit of arms.

The expenditure limits notified for a candidate contesting for the municipal elections are Rs 4 lakh, Rs 3.60 lakh for municipal council class I, Rs 2.30 lakh for municipal council class II and Rs 2 lakh for municipal council class III.

The expenditure limit notified for a candidate contesting for the Nagar panchayat is Rs 1.40 lakh.

Around 23,000 election personnel would be deputed on election duty.

As many as 25 IAS and PCS officers would be appointed as general observers for the polls, he said.

Developed India no longer dream, it is goal: VP Dhankhar

STATE TIMES NEWS
CHANDIGARH: Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar on Sunday said that "Viksit Bharat" is no longer a dream, but a target that has to be achieved with the collective efforts of the citizens, keeping the message of the Bhagavad Gita in mind. He also warned people about forces that want to hurt India.

"We have chosen the path of Viksit Bharat in 2047. Viksit Bharat is no longer a dream, but a target before us. To achieve it, we will have to keep the message of the Gita in mind... Like Arjuna was focused on his target, we will have to have the same vision, the same determination, the same concentration," Dhankhar said.

Addressing an event in Haryana's Kurukshetra during the ongoing International Gita festival, the vice president said he has no doubt in his mind that the target of a developed India will be

achieved with the collective efforts of the people of the country by 2047 or even before that.

He talked about the rapid progress India has made in the last few years and expressed hope that the country, which is currently the world's fifth-largest economy, would soon leave Germany and Japan behind.

The vice president cautioned people, saying there are some forces in the country and abroad, which on the basis of money power and by using mechanisms, want to hurt India, its economy and make its institutions dysfunctional. "Their sinister design, pernicious object is to taint, tarnish and diminish our constitutional institutions, to run down our growth trajectory. Such forces cannot be ignored now.

"Our culture says that there are occasions when such forces have to be crushed, they have to be crushed... And we understand all this from the

Gita," he said. "I want to give a message from this land that the nation is supreme for us. There is nothing to be measured in this love for the nation, it will be pure, it will be 100 per cent. We will always keep the nation first," he said.

"We have to remember, we are Indians, Indianness is our identity and we are citizens of such a great country that there is no other country like this in the world, so will we allow our Mother India to be hurt?" Dhankhar asked the gathering.

Referring to the Centre's free ration scheme, Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) that covers 80 crore poor people, the vice president, without naming anyone, said it is "perverse" thinking that this means the government has accepted that 80 crore people in the country are poor. "Some people are a recipe for chaos, they can only be critics, they cannot think

in a positive way. My message to them is that they should understand the essence of the Gita, the message of the Gita," he said.

The PMGKAY was launched in April 2020 to help the poor amid the COVID-19 pandemic for three months but extended later. Under the scheme, poor families get five kg of foodgrains each month for free.

The vice president talked about the technological advancement the country has made in various fields and said India's digital penetration is a matter of envy for the rest of the world.

"World leaders tell me that we want to learn from India in digital penetration, technological application," he said.

Haryana Governor Bandaru Dattatreya, Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini and Gita Manishi Swami Gyananand, were present on the occasion, among others.

