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DIRECT ADMISSION D-PHARMA Recognised by PCI & GoK, Valid for Drug Licences & Govt. Jobs. Eligibility : 10+2 PCM / PCB GNM Eligibility: 10+2 Arts/Commerce or Science Contact for Direct Admissions 7889842254 Few Seats Available No NEET NO BOPEE	PUBLIC NOTICE I, Ravi Datt Sharma S/O, Late Asha Ram Sharma R/O 76 Shopping Centre Bakshi Nagar Jammu am the original allottee of plot No.76 Sector No.3 in Housing Colony, Channi Himmat, Jammu and have applies for transfer of leasehold rights to freehold rights of above said plot in my favour. Objection, if any, may be conveyed to the Managing Director, J&K Housing Board, Green Belt Park, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu within a period of 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. however, no objection will be entertained after the expiry of the above said period: Name: Ravi Datt Sharma S/O, Late Asha Ram Sharma R/O 76 Shopping Centre Bakshinagar , Jammu	NOTICE I, Chain Kumar S/o Mesh Pal R/o Gurha Brahmana Bantalab, Jammu J&K 181123 state that my name & father name has wrongly been Chain Kumar Sharma instead of Chain Kumar & father name has wrongly written as Mahesh Pal Sharma instead of Mesh Pal in my driving licence bearing No. JK1119990046594. Now am applying for correction of the same. Objection if any may be conveyed to concerned authority within seven days.	NOTICE I, Naresh Kumar Khajuria S/o Dev Parkash Khajuria R/o H. No.291, Sector-5, Channi Himmat , Jammu am the original allottee/transferee of Plot No. 291, Sector-5 in Housing Colony Channi Himmat Jammu have applied for transfer of leasehold rights of above said plot in my favour. Objection, if any, may be conveyed to the Managing Director, J&K Housing Board, Green Belt Park, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu within a period of 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice. However, no objection will be entertained after the expiry of the above said period.	NOTICE I, Parveen Kumar S/o Kartar Chand R/o H. No.145, Sector-1A, Channi Himmat , Jammu am the original allottee/transferee of Plot No. 145, Sector-1A in Housing Colony Channi Himmat Jammu have applied for transfer of leasehold rights of above said plot in my favour. Objection, if any, may be conveyed to the Managing Director, J&K Housing Board, Green Belt Park, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu within a period of 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice. However, no objection will be entertained after the expiry of the above said period.	NOTICE This office has received an application from Shailender Sharma S/o Tilak Raj Sharma R/o Flat No.1 Parade Road, Jammu regarding legal heir certificate and state that only the following persons are legal heirs of Lt Smt. Pushpa Sharma W/o Tilak Raj Sharma S/o Amarnath Sharma namely as under: 1. Shailender Sharma - Son, 2. Mamta Sharma - Daughter Any person having objection in the mentioned names can file his/her objection personally or through any authorized person before Office of the Tehsildar Jammu within seven days from the publication of this notice failing which it shall be presumed that there is no objection regarding legal heir certificate.	NOTICE This office has received an application from Rinku Devi W/o Balvinder Kumar R/o 148 Krishna Nagar, Jammu regarding legal heir certificate and state that only the following persons are legal heirs of Lt Sh. Balvinder Kumar S/o Madan Lal namely as under: 1. Rinku Devi - Wife, 2. Divya Devi - Daughter, 3. Manvi Devi - Daughter Any person having objection in the mentioned names can file his/her objection personally or through any authorized person before Office of the Tehsildar Jammu within seven days from the publication of this notice failing which it shall be presumed that there is no objection regarding legal heir certificate.	NOTICE I, Anu Radha Chang W/o Hav. Sukhwinder Singh R/o Village Nalloh, Tehsil: Dhar Kalan, District Pathankot (Punjab) State that my name has been wrongly written as Anu Radha instead of Anu Radha Chang in the Service record of her Husband namely Hav. Sukhwinder Singh. Now I am applying for the correction of same. Objection if any may be conveyed to concerned authority within seven days.

Hatim, Kamakshi selected to attend BCCI's U-19 Men's Elite Camp

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Hatim Reyaz, a stylish southpaw and Kamaksh Sharma, wicket-keeper batter of Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association(JKCA) have been selected by the Junior National Selection Committee to attend the National Cricket Academy U-19 Elite Camp from April 25, 2024 to May 22, 2024 at Nadiad, Gujarat and Salem, Tamil Nadu respectively, being organised by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).

Both are promising players of JKCA and the products of JKCA's Talent Hunt. Hatim Reyaz has scored 422 runs with 1 cen-



tury and 2 half centuries, while Kamaksh Sharma apart from showing excellence behind the wickets- sharp reflexes, anticipation and a pair of safe hands in business, has scored 279 runs with 3 half centuries.

"This is an excellent opportunity for both the players to hone their skills

further under the watchful eyes of the best coaches in the business. The Sub-Committee members hope that the players will put in their best and return to the team as a great asset at the end of the camp. With their valuable experience and coaching tips they will also benefit the other members

of the team", stated Brig Anil Gupta (Retd.), Member Administration, JKCA while congratulating the players.

Mithun Manhas, Member Cricket Operations & Development, JKCA and Sunil Sethi, Member Legal Affairs JKCA have also complimented the selected players and wished them good luck while exhorting them to put in their best during the camp.

Arun Sharma, Chairman Junior Men Selection Committee and other members of the Selection Committee have expressed their happiness on the inclusion of 2 players from the JKCA in the Elite Camp.

Akhood women bag Srinagar Softball trophy



Medal winners posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Akhood Softball Club today lifted the senior women title while men's final won by Acome Softball Club in the District Srinagar Softball championship which held under the banner of District Srinagar Softball Association at Gindun Sports Centre, Rajbagh,

here.

In the finals, Waseem Raja Khan, general secretary J&K Softball Association was chief guest while Mohamad Iqbal Beigh, Javed Ahmad Akhood, Mohamad Furqan and Sheikh Mohammad Jahangeer were guests of honour.

WINNERS

Senior Women: Akhood Softball Club
Senior Men: Acome Softball Club
Junior Girls: Young Hawks Club of Softball
Junior Boys: Friends Club
Sub- Junior Girls: Wais Softball Sporting Club
Sub - Junior Boys: Softball Academy Gindun.

DGP J&K sanctions over Rs 1.34 Cr Welfare Loan/Relief for police personnel

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Director General of Police, R.R. Swain, has approved welfare loans/relief of over Rs 1.34 crore for 100 Police personnel to address their immediate financial needs. This amount allocation has been sanctioned from the Central Police Welfare Fund as per PHQ's Order No.681 of 2024.

Among the beneficiaries, 36 Police personnel have been granted welfare loans amounting to Res 61.50 lakh to cover medical expenses for self-treatment and the treatment of their dependents. Additionally, 15 Police personnel have received Rs 1 lakh each, while 26 others have been sanctioned Rs 1.50 lakh each to support marriage expenses for themselves or their sons/daughters. Moreover, four Police personnel have been provided with welfare loans of Rs 1.5 lakh each to support the higher or professional education of their wards, while three others have received Rs 50000 each for the circumcision of their wards. Furthermore, Rs 8.50 lakh as welfare relief has been sanctioned to provide succour to 27 Police personnel.

The welfare loans provided to Police personnel are refundable and are recovered in monthly installments from their salaries without any interest, whereas welfare relief is non-refundable.

The Police Headquarters, through various welfare schemes, extends support to all ranks of the Jammu and Kashmir Police, including the wards of martyr police personnel and martyr SPOs.

They expressed hope that they would be dealt with as a significant stakeholder in the entire political discourse. They also stated that soon they will take the entire Pahari leadership on board, cutting across the party affiliations and reaching out to other communities in Pir Panjal and north Kashmir to forge unity amongst the marginalised sections and play a vital role in the national interest.

Balbir wins Silver in Veteran Badminton



Balbir Singh Jamwal receiving Silver medal.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: International veteran shuttler, Balbir Singh Jamwal has won Silver medal in men doubles Plus 70 year category in the just concluded 46th Indian Masters (veteran) National Badminton Championship which held at Panchkula in Haryana.

Balbir has to his credit many medals at the National level and participation at the international events held at Richmond (Canada), Punta Umbria (Spain), Taipei (Taiwan) and Kula Lumpur (Malaysia), a handout issued by the Badminton Association of J&K.

DYSS Refresher course for Zone Satwari gets underway



PETs of Zone Satwari participating in Refresher course.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Organised by Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS), refresher course for the Physical Education Teachers (PETs) of Zone Satwari started today at Youth Hostel complex, here today. The course was declared open by Director Ayush, Dr Chander Ketu in the presence of Yoga Guru, Karan and Deputy Director DYSS Planning, Jatinder Mishra and other senior officers.

The participants were briefed about the life changing benefits of Yoga. He advised the officials to guide the youngsters in the schools about necessity of exercise to stay fit and healthy in life.

DB directs UT identifying number of transgenders in UTs

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: In a Public Interest Litigation with regard to provide constitutional rights and for the welfare of transgender community of the J&K and Ladakh, a Division Bench (DB) of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Chief Justice N Kotishwar Singh and Justice MA Chowdhary granted two weeks time to identifying the number of transgenders.

It is worthwhile to mention here that earlier Division Bench directed both the UT's i.e., UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh are directed to undertake further exercise to determine the number of transgenders in the respective territories.

The petitioner would be also at liberty to furnish the number of transgen-

ders in both the UT's with necessary documents if she so desires.

DB further directed in this regard, the Administration of both the UT's may issue advertisements by widely publishing in electronic as well as in print media seeking information about the transgenders which will not only help in determining the number of transgenders who are in the Union Territory, and, but wherever necessary, they can be provided assistances by the concerned District Legal Service Authorities.

DB also directed J&K State Legal Service Authority, and Ladakh State Legal Service Authority, to provide necessary assistance to any person who may claim to be a transgender and their particulars are also

recorded by the Administrations.

This order has been passed in a PIL which has been taken up pursuant to certain direction issued by the Supreme Court in National Legal Services Authority vs. Union of India and others.

The UT of Ladakh has submitted its response enumerating various measures undertaken by the Administration to deal with the issues pertaining to transgenders, however, in the said response, it has been mentioned that the total number of transgenders is 6, 4 in Ladakh and 2 in Kargil, which figure has been seriously contested by Ms. Iqbal Khalid contended that numbers are large and that these have not been properly identified.

Similarly, UT of J&K have filed the response in

which it has been mentioned that there are 550 transgenders out of which 450 are in Kashmir Division and 100 in Jammu Division. This figure is also contended by the petitioner that thousands of transgenders have remained uncounted in both the J&K and Ladakh and as such it has been impressed upon that the proper ascertainment of the total number of transgenders living in these UT's would be necessary.

DB is also of the view that proper ascertainment of the number of transgenders district wise would be desirable so that the concerned authorities as well as District Legal Service Authorities could reach out to them to render the necessary assistance as contemplated in the direction of the Supreme Court.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Humming Buds - The Preschool of Model Academy joyously celebrated Graduation Day on 23rd March to mark the culmination of the three years of hard work, and to recognize the first educational milestone in the pre-schoolers' lives.

The event was graced by esteemed guests, including Chief Guest Dr. Ranjeet Kour, Principal of KIDZEE and Model Litera ZEE School, Vijaypur, and Guest of Honour Dr. Renu Gupta, Chairperson of MIER. Dr. Adit Gupta, Director, Rupa Gupta, Jt. Director, Pramod Kumar Srivastava, Principal, J.K Dhiman, Vice-Principal, and Academic Managers from various wings of school were also present to witness the program.

The celebration commenced with the traditional lamp lighting ceremony by all dignitaries, followed by the invocation of Goddess Saraswati through the Saraswati Vandana. Principal Pramod Srivastava gave an eloquent welcome address and

appreciated parent's early involvement with their child's education. He congratulated the graduating students on completing three enriching years in the Pre-Primary wing of Humming Buds.

A video presentation was played that featured highlights and fond memories throughout the graduates' time at the pre-school. Parents, students, and teachers all joined to reminisce on these precious moments that were shared at the school. The cultural programme that followed showcased the student's wonderful development in the fields of music, dance, drama and language skills. The high-

light of the event was a heart-touching performance by the tiny tots, presenting a short play on the adverse effects of excessive use of social media. The play conveyed a poignant message urging parents to spend quality time with their children instead of being consumed by social media.

Following this, was sharing of experiences where the young children shared their memorable experiences and moments from their three-year journey at Humming Buds in fluent English, impressing everyone with their mastery over the language. A captivating play titled "Growth of a Seedling" was also

presented, emphasizing the importance of nurturing and harmony in human relationships.

The cultural diversity of Jammu and Kashmir was beautifully showcased through folk dances such as Dogri, Kashmiri, and Punjabi, enthraling everyone present.

Next, the highlight of the event unfolded as the young graduates confidently walked the stage, adorned in their graduation robes, to receive their well-deserved certificates. Top of Form Bottom of Form Each student was felicitated with personalized epithets highlighting their unique

J&K Pahari Cultural & Welfare Forum extend support to BJP in LS polls

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Former legislator and senior Pahari leader Murtaza Khan and DDC Chairperson from Baramulla, Safina Baig of J&K Pahari Cultural & Welfare Forum, decided to extend their support to the BJP candidates in the upcoming Parliamentary elections. Flanked by a number of Pahari leaders, while Addressing a press conference today, they reiterated their thankfulness and gratitude towards the Government of India for the historical act of granting ST status to the community.

Turning it as a huge step to create harmony amongst the various communities notified as ST, they also expressed satisfaction over the LG administration's decision to create a separate block for the newly inducted and the existing ST communities on the reservation.

The leaders also reiterated their commitment to extend wholehearted support to the BJP candidates in the upcoming parliamentary elections. However, expressing concern over the rumours of the BJP not fielding its candidates in the south and north constituencies of Kashmir but instead supporting some groups, they appealed to the BJP leadership to take the Pahari leadership on board before taking any such decision. They said that some leaders who have a history of creating and widening a divide between Gujjars and Paharis in

PIL regarding shift all Rohingyas from J&K

DB directs DSGI to file action of Union Govt intends to take about these Rohingyas in UT of J&K

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: In a Public Interest Litigation filed by Adv Hunar Gupta, seeking direction to State of J&K for appointing and issue necessary directions to a Former Retired Judge to hold an inquiry to identify all the illegal immigrants from Myanmar and Bangladesh migrated in State of J&K.

A Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Chief Justice N Kotishwar Singh and Justice MA Chowdhary directed DSGI Vishal Sharma, will intimate this Court as to the latest position with the matter pursuant to Rohingyas pending before the Supreme Court and also the action which the Union Government intends to take about these Rohingyas in the Union Territory of Jammu.

In the PIL It has been further seeking direction to State to shift all the illegal immigrants from Myanmar and Bangladesh from State of J&K to any other place as no Refugee Camp has ever been declared either by State of J&K or by United Nation in State of J&K also seeking direction for withdrawal of all benefits given to the illegal immigrants of Bangladeshi and Myanmar from the state exchequer and from the scheme and benefits meant for residents of State of J&K and for the last few years there is abrupt increase in number of illegal immigrants from Bangladesh and Myanmar.

As per the government version 13400 Myanmar and Bangladeshi illegal immigrants are living in various areas of State of J&K.

However, the actual figures

are much more than the official figures. It is submitted that in 1982 the Myanmar Government declare them as non-national which led to their migration to neighbouring Bangladesh, Thailand and even Pakistan, however they were not welcomed in these countries as well. This led to their influx into India through porous boarder with Bangladesh. Almost 1700 Rohangia families comprising approximately 8500 souls (official figures are 1286 and 5000) live in various settlement colonies of Jammu and Kashmir. The land mafia of state of J&K in order to encroach upon the state land natural resources of the state especially forest areas as well as water bodies, these illegal immigrants from Bangladesh and Myanmar are first settled in forest

areas and near water bodies. It is submitted that many of the illegal immigrants from Bangladesh and Myanmar have acquired ration card, voter card, Adhaar cards as well as permanent resident certificates illegally, they are suspected to be involved in various anti-national activities such as drug trafficking, Hawala transactions etc. at the behest of enemies of the Nation. Due to illegal immigrants from Bangladesh and Myanmar there will be increase in pro-separatists as well as anti-Indian activities in State of J&K especially in the communally sensitive Jammu Region which has so far displayed maturity and tolerance. Immediate and necessary directions are required to the respondents for the shifting of these immigrants to their native places.