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ICAI for their contribution to the nation's growth. Institute of Chartered Accountants of India has indeed come a long way since its inception in 1949 and has made immense contribution in policies, governance and business, said the Lt Governor.

"Accountancy is not just a matter of balance sheet but it is also about laying a strong foundation for socio-economic development of the country," he observed.

As a strong partner in nation building, ICAI has continuously supported various government institutions, regulatory bodies in the implementation of important policies related to inclusive development so that India can move faster and the economy becomes stronger, said the Lt Governor.

"Under leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India has emerged as the 5th largest economic power in the world and new thinking has arisen in the private and public sectors. This has given new vigour and confidence to people to take the socio-economic sectors on a new path of progress," he said.

Due to sound economic policies, world's biggest organizations and companies have expressed confidence in India's potential. I am happy that ICAI is actively participating in this journey and setting best global standards, the Lt Governor added.

Our resolve to build Atma-Nirbhar Bharat is gaining a new momentum. The reforms to bring the rural economy at par with the cities have realized the power and potential of the villages, he added.

The Lt Governor also highlighted the important role of Chartered Accountants in social transforming and for the welfare of the last person on the ladder of development.

"Today, the role of Chartered Accountants is not limited to maintaining credibility of financial market, discipline, confidence of investors and shareholders but they are also ensuring expenditure on development programmes, every penny of the government exchequer should reach the needy people," said the Lt Governor.

CA Aniket Sunil Talati, President ICAI expressed gratitude to the Lt Governor led UT Administration for addressing their demand of the allotment of land for ICAI's centre of excellence in Jammu Kashmir.

CA Ranjeet Kumar Agarwal, Vice President, ICAI; CA (Dr) Raj Kumar Adukia, Chairman, CMEPS; CA. Purushottamlal Khandelwal, Vice Chairman, CMEPS; CA (Dr) Jai Kumar, Secretary, ICAI; CA (Dr) Debashis Mitra, Immediate Past President, ICAI; members of ICAI in public service from across the country were present.

## Fresh tremors rock...

six days. A 5.4 magnitude earthquake hit the district on June 13, causing cracks in dozens of buildings, including houses.

On Saturday, the NCS reported a 3.9 magnitude earthquake in Ladakh at 10.38 pm and a 4.5 magnitude earthquake in Leh at 9.44 pm.

The tremor was recorded 215 km north east of Leh at a depth of 10 km, it said.

## Emergency dark period...

supporters of democracy were tortured so much during that time, that even today thinking about it, makes us shudder," he said.

Noting that many books have been written on these atrocities and punishments meted out by the police and administration, Modi said he had also written a book named "Sangharsh Mein Gujarat" at that time.

"A few days ago, I came across another book written on the Emergency "Torture of Political Prisoners in India". This book, published during the Emergency, describes how, at that time, the government was treating the guardians of democracy most cruelly," he said, adding that there are many case studies in this book.

"I wish that, today, when we are celebrating the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, we must also take a glance at such crimes which endanger the freedom of the country. This will make it easier for today's young generation to understand the meaning and significance of democracy," the prime minister said.

Emergency was imposed in 1975 by the then Congress government led by prime minister Indira Gandhi.

Modi also said that he was holding his 'Mann ki Baat' radio broadcast on June 18 instead of the last Sunday of the month as he will be travelling to the United States next week.

He said during his visit, he will get an opportunity to participate in the International Yoga Day programme at the United Nations headquarters in New York.

"I appeal to all of you to adopt Yoga in your life and make it part of your daily routine," he said.

In his broadcast, the prime minister also remembered Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and said along with his bravery, there is a lot to learn from his governance and management skills.

"In particular, the work done by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj regarding water management and navy, they raise the glory of Indian history even today. The sea forts built by him stand proudly in the middle of the sea even after so many centuries. The beginning of this month itself marks the completion of 350 years of the coronation of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj," he said.

Noting that this occasion is being celebrated as a big festival, Modi said grand programmes related to it were organised in Raigad Fort in Maharashtra.

"I remember, many years ago in 2014, I had the good fortune to go to Raigad and pay obeisance to that holy land. It is the duty of all of us to know about the management skills of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj on this occasion, and learn from him. This will instill in us a sense of pride in our heritage, and will also inspire us to perform our duties in the future," he said.

Giving the analogy of how a tiny squirrel from the Ramayana came forward to help build the Ram Setu, Modi said when the intention is noble and there is honesty in the effort, no goal remains insurmountable.

"Today, India too, with a noble intention, is facing a huge challenge. The challenge is TB or tuberculosis. India has resolved to create a TB-free India by 2025. The goal is certainly a lofty one. There was a time when after coming to know about TB, family members used to turn away, but today TB patients are being helped by making them family members," he said.

He pointed out that in order to eliminate tuberculosis from the root, 'Ni-kshay Mitras' have taken the lead.

It is due to this participation that today more than 10 lakh TB patients in the country have been adopted, he said, adding that this is a noble deed on the part of close to 85,000 Ni-kshay Mitras.

Modi also went on to name some Ni-kshay Mitras, and lauded their efforts.

He also said that it is in the nature of Indians to be always ready to welcome new ideas.

"We love our things and also imbibe new things. An example of this is - Japan's technique Miyawaki; if the soil at some place has not been fertile, then the Miyawaki technique is a very good way to make that area green again," Modi said.

Miyawaki forests spread rapidly and become biodiversity spots in two to three decades, he said.

Modi pointed out that this is now spreading very fast in different parts of India too. He cited examples of many people adopting this technique successfully.

In his remarks, Modi also noted that nowadays there is a lot of discussion about Jammu and Kashmir, sometimes due to rising tourism and at times due to the "spectacular events of G-20".

Concluding the broadcast, Modi urged the people to take care of their health during this rainy season.

Have a balanced diet and stay healthy, he told the people adding that they should certainly do Yoga.

"Now summer vacations are about to end in many schools. I would also tell the children not to keep their homework pending for the last day. Finish your work and be at ease," the prime minister added.

## PM praises young...

Prime Minister gave example of some enthusiastic entrepreneurs of Baramulla who have shown exemplary contribution in the field. He said that Ishrat Nabi, a graduate, is among the one who started her own Dairy Farm thereby producing and selling around 150 liters of milk on a daily basis. Similarly, Wasim Inayat from Sopore and Abid Hussain have also started their own dairy farms and produce more than 300 liters of milk daily.

Terming it a milestone for Baramulla, the Prime Minister said that due to the efforts of such enthusiastic entrepreneurs, around 5.5 lac liters of milk is being produced daily in Baramulla district.

He further said that the entire district is becoming the face of a white revolution as there has been a setup of 500 dairy units across the district.

The Prime Minister also said that the establishment of new Dairy Industries of Baramulla is a testimony of the fact that every part of our country is full of possibilities. He reiterated that the collective will of the people of any region can help to achieve any target.

Meanwhile, in another feat, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha during the programme Awaam ki Awaaz also praised Mufara Majid, an undergraduate student from Sopore for building a boat in her in-house workshop that operates on solar and steam energy.

Lieutenant Governor assured full support to District administration Baramulla for promoting skills among budding youth.

## Amarnath pilgrims to...

period of 62 days has been viewed as a favourable development by Krishen Lal Gupta, an executive member of the Chamber of Commerce and Industries Jammu (CCIJ). Krishen, who runs the Krishna Palace Hotel and several other businesses in the Rajinder Bazar area of Jammu city, said, "We believe that the extended duration of the Amarnath yatra will benefit the hotel and business industry. The two-month pilgrimage is a welcome step."

He, however, emphasised the importance of ensuring foolproof security and providing the best possible facilities for the pilgrims.

Guaranteeing a safe and comfortable experience is crucial to avoid any untoward incidents that could adversely affect both the pilgrims and the hotel and business industry in Jammu and Kashmir, he said.

"We are fully prepared to honour the 30 per cent discount announced by our association for advance bookings of pilgrims," Krishen said.

Jammu boasts over 100 hotels and lodges that offer a wide range of amenities to cater to the needs of Amarnath Yatra pilgrims. Jammu Mayor Rajinder Sharma highlighted that the tourism department has devised packages to enhance the pilgrim tourism experience by including visits to various temples and historical sites in Jammu city. "To facilitate their visit to temples and historical places in Jammu, the tourism department along with the State Road Transport Corporation (SRTC), has crafted packages for the pilgrims. These initiatives aim to support the hotel, travel, transport, and trade sectors," Sharma said.

## Police's security wing...

the Yatra, the officials said. Seven companies of the CRPF are being deployed in and around the base camp, as well as other sensitive areas in Jammu. These 700 security personnel will be responsible for patrolling and ensuring route security, they said. The Bhagwati Nagar Yatri Niwas has undergone repairs, renovations, and facelifts to ensure its readiness before June 20. The complex now features closed-circuit fire hydrant systems in all buildings, along with air-conditioned community kitchen halls for the first time, the officials informed.

Divisional Commissioner Ramesh Kumar along with top police and administration officials visited the base camp Kumar said the renovation of the complex is in its final stages.

## Azad chairs office...

been overlooked and ignored by all successive regimes," he said.

He said it was his government when the Government Medical College was sanctioned. He even approved other developmental projects like roads and Schools.

Azad said that if he is back to power in coming elections, he will usher the district in a new dawn of socioeconomic development.

"I will finish this gap and ensure the township is restored back to its pristine glory. I am not happy to see it in this situation where you are greeted on roads with potholes, narrow roads, chaos and mismanagement," he said.

Azad, however, stressed that it is the duty of his party leaders, workers to reach out to the people with party agenda and ensure more and more people are joining us and becoming the part of change.

Among others present on the occasion were Taj Mohiuddin Treasurer, Distt President Shoaib Nabi Lone, Haji Musadiq Provincial Vice President, Shafiq Shabnam Provincial Gen Secretary, Umar Kakroo Working President, Bharat Kumar MC Chairman, Basharat Hussain Najar MC Chairman Bandipora, State Secretary Tasleema Akthar, Khurshid Ahmed Sofi, Zahoor Ahmed Bhatt, Mudasar Tantry, Uvais Akhoun, Dr Amood, Mir Tariq Gen Secretary and others.

## Former minister Basharat...

of the alleged anti-party activities. In an interview with a private news channel on Saturday, Bukhari, a minister in

PDP-BJP government from 2015 to 2018, had questioned the long absence of party president Sajad Gani Lone.

## Div Com visits...

all services functional well before the commencement of the yatra. Addressing the officers of concerned departments, the Div Com instructed Director Health Services Kashmir to keep all medical aid handy to tackle any emergency issues of pilgrims.

Similarly, he directed the concerned officers for regular supply of electricity which will further ensure delivery of other services.

He cautioned officers for any lapse that may cause inconvenience to yatries while performing their religious duties.

He also stressed on proper disposal of solid waste to avoid environmental pollution in the area. Officers of Shri Amarnath Shrine Board, Flood & Irrigation, KPDCI, Sanitation, Police, Health, were present on the occasion.

## Rains, strong winds...

clear roads of the fallen trees. Broadband users also complained of disruption in the services.

Though there was no immediate report of any casualty, a communication tower was damaged in Bishnah area on the outskirts of Jammu, while boundary walls and gates were damaged in different parts of the city, the officials said.

Video of a two-wheeler entangled in overhead electric cables outside a saloon in Greater Kailash area on the outskirts of the city after the strong winds has gone viral on the social media.

Sana, the owner of the scooter, said she had parked the two-wheeler outside the salon and it got entangled in the fallen electric cables and got airborne due to the strong winds when the cables got pulled up.

The two-wheeler suffered minor damage as a crane was used to bring it down safely with the help of several volunteers.

The residents also criticised the Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) for failure of the drainage system in the city as the rain water flooded the roads in different areas of the city. On Sunday, Jammu recorded a maximum of 38.1 degrees Celsius and a minimum temperature of 27.7 degrees Celsius. The weather office has predicted hot and humid weather for the next six days across Jammu and Kashmir.

## 'Awaam Ki Awaaz'...

The Lt Governor also made a special mention of Para-Archery, Sheetal Devi. She is a true champion and an inspiration to others. Her achievement at the Para Archery World Ranking Tournament has given new dreams and aspirations to the youth and strength to J&K UT, he said.

The Lt Governor lauded the significant contribution of Panchayats of Jammu Kashmir in conservation, rejuvenation and protection of water bodies in the UT.

"Mission Amrit Sarovar has witnessed enthusiastic response in all the Panchayats of Jammu Kashmir and it is also a vindication of our steadfast commitment to revive the water bodies. It is a symbol of resurgent J&K and strength of Jan-Bhagidari," said the Lt Governor.

He impressed upon all the Panchayats to engage in a healthy competition to build the most beautiful Amrit Sarovar. Three outstanding Panchayats should be selected and honored on Independence Day through online voting on MyGov J&K, he added.

The Lt Governor congratulated the people of Jammu Kashmir for successful conduct of G20 meeting last month. We have received overwhelming response, especially, from youth regarding promotion of tourism, he added.

He made a special mention of Budgam's Arifa Ara, Javed Ahmed from Anantnag and Kishitwar's Abhishek Sharma for their valuable suggestions regarding raising public awareness about environment-friendly products and promotion of plastic substitutes like jute bags, corn starch bags in market; strengthening of facilities for persons with disabilities at prominent tourist locations and promotion of adventure tourism and water sports.

He also shared the inputs received from Anantnag's Shahid Hussain Rather, Mushtaq Ahmad Wani from Budgam, and Abrar Mir from Doda pertaining to reforms in the Fisheries Sector and its impact on tourism, promotion of eco-tourism and generic medicines.

Speaking on the preparations made for Shri Amarnath ji Yatra starting from 1st July, the Lt Governor called for active participation of every citizen.

"This pilgrimage is also a symbol of the welfare of humanity, upliftment of all sections of the society and exchange of new ideas. Local economy and employment opportunities are also linked to this Yatra," he observed.

Since ages, the entire society, followers of all sects, come together to welcome the devotees from different parts of the country. Active participation of all the citizens will definitely make this year's Yatra and festivity of culture and spirituality successful, added the Lt Governor.

He also called upon the educational institutions, organizations, prominent personalities and all the stakeholders for making every section of society aware about the benefits of Yoga and encourage them to adopt Yoga as an internal part of their lives.

"On this Yoga day, let us celebrate the sense of oneness with society and the world. Yoga helps to keep mind and body healthy, stress-free and inspires us to live a balanced and happy life," said the Lt Governor.

## Separatism in Kashmir...

He has been mainstream and whenever he is allowed to come out, I think it should be done as quickly as possible, then we will see which way he goes," the former special director of Intelligence Bureau added.

Asked if the Kashmir issue has been resolved with the abrogation of Article 370, the former spy said,

"There was never a big issue and there will always be an issue. The sooner we have an elected government, the better, because it provides a buffer for Delhi." "Dialogue, talking is the way out. If not to the separatists, talk to the mainstream, have elections and restore the statehood," he added.

"To a question if the situation in Pakistan had any effect in Kashmir, Dulat replied in negative, but said "radicalisation" among the youth was a worrying factor.

"I don't think there is any impact here. Pakistan is in such a mess that even those who were once pro-Pakistan are now saying what is there in Pakistan? I don't think Pakistan is a factor. What worries me is that radicalism seems to be growing. That's not a good thing because Kashmir has always been open, liberal, Sufi, Shaivite. So that should be a matter of concern," he said.

Dulat said terrorism has not gone away from Jammu and Kashmir as every now and then incidents take place.

## 4 drug peddlers arrested; contraband recovered

### STATE TIMES NEWS

**SRINAGAR:** Continuing its efforts to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, Police have arrested 4 drug peddlers in Ganderbal & Baramulla and recovered contraband substances from their possession.

As per details, a party of Police Station Ganderbal led by SHO Ganderbal during patrolling at Dudarhuma arrested a notorious drug peddler identified as Shabir Ahmad Shah son of Gh Rasool Shah resident of Dudarhuma Ganderbal. During search, psychotropic substance (Codeine Phosphate) was recovered from his possession. He was shifted to police station where he remains in custody.

It is pertinent to mention here that the said drug peddler was also involved in NDPS Case FIR No.196 of 2018.

In Baramulla, a party of Police Post Palhallan at a checkpoint established at Hyderabad Pattan, arrested a drug peddler identified as Mohd Aqib Dar son of Mohd Yousuf Dar resident of Khambiyar Palhallan. During search, 25 syringes of Codeine Phosphate were recovered from his possession.

Meanwhile, a party of Police Station Baramulla at a checkpoint established at Khanpora Baramulla, arrested a drug peddler identified as Muzamil Majeed Bhat @Hashim son of Abdul Majeed Bhat resident of Mir Sahib Baramulla. During search, 140 grams of Charas was recovered from his possession.

Moreover, a party of Police Station Kunzer following a specific information regarding presence of narcotic substance at the residence of Rizwan ul Zaman Wani son of Ali Mohammad Wani resident of Tarhama Kunzer, conducted raid of the said house and during search, 7 Kgs of Poppy Straw was recovered. The said drug peddler has been arrested.

All the arrested drug peddlers have been shifted to respective police stations where they remain in custody.

Regarding the incidents, cases under relevant sections of law

have been registered at respective police stations and investigations have been initiated.

## Absconder evading arrest nabbed

### STATE TIMES NEWS

**POONCH:** An absconder wanted in a case registered in Police Station Mendhar has been arrested on Sunday. Absconder namely Mohd Shakoor son of Mohd Sadeeq resident of Banola, Mendhar has been nabbed.

The accused was wanted in case FIR No. 165/2007 under section 212,216 RPC and was absconding whereas a general warrant of arrest under section 512 CrPC was issued against him by Munsiff court Mendhar. The accused has been produced in the court of law for further course of action.

## Two minors drown while crossing Sewa river, 1 rescued

### STATE TIMES NEWS

**BANI :** In a tragic incident two minors identified as a boy namely Saqib (12) son of Tariq Ahmed and girl Nazia (15) daughter of Showkat Ahmed fell down in the Sewa river while crossing it over an improvised wooden bridge, late in the evening on Saturday.

The girl Sazia was rescued immediately but the boy Saqib is still untraceable. SDM Bani Satish Sharma alongwith Revenue rescue team and police team reached the spot and launched a rescue operation. The members of State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) also launched their rescue operation but the boy was not traceable till last today.



## CS releases rankings of blocks under ABDP Keller, DK Marg, Manzgam, Kashtigarh blocks among top 10 performers

### STATE TIMES NEWS

**SRINAGAR:** In a significant exercise, the remote blocks of Keller (Shopian), DK Marg (Kulgam), Manzgam (Kulgam) and Kashtigarh (Doda) had found place among the first ten Aspirational Blocks in the 2nd edition of rankings released by Chief Secretary, Dr Arun Kumar Mehta here on Sunday under Aspirational Block Development Programme (ABDP) of the UT.

Earlier the Chief Secretary has also released first ever Panchayat rankings along with third edition of District Good Governance Index for the UT thereby providing the whole framework to assess the developmental standards right from Panchayat up to District level.

Dr Mehta complimented all the concerned officers whose contributions had got fructified into better rankings of their areas. He said that these rankings also

point out those areas where more focus needs to be laid. He enjoined upon the officers posted in these areas to gear up with renewed energy and come up as achievers next time.

He highlighted that these rankings tell outcomes of our endeavours till now and the way forward from here. He exuded hope that in the years ahead with such a planning process at our back, most of our problems would find resolution smoothly.

He called it a tool towards ensuring good governance in the UT. He also advised for making a permanent dashboard to monitor and update these rankings monthly. He also directed the Housing & Urban Development Department for carrying out Town rankings in the days ahead on similar lines.

Among the Aspirational Blocks which were assessed 2nd time after previous year, the Harwan and Khonmoh blocks of Srinagar District

are at 1st and 2nd spot with Keller (Shopian) at 3rd position, DK Marg (Kulgam) at 4th, Chittergul (Anantnag) at 5th, Pragval and Samwan blocks of Jammu securing 6th and 7th spots, Aripal (Pulwama) 8th, Manzgam (Kulgam) 9th and Kashtigarh (Doda) 10th.

In all 44 Aspirational Blocks were selected from 285 Blocks of UT of J&K, based on their backwardness on the basis of 21 indicators covering four major aspects of human development i.e., Poverty (3 indicators), Health & Nutrition (6 indicators), Education (7 indicators) & Basic Infrastructure (5 indicators). Each of these blocks were provided Rs One Crore financial assistance for making achievement in the given parameters.

Like Aspirational Panchayat Development Programme, the ABDP is a unique initiative of JK government taken last year on

the analogy of Aspirational District Development Programme. For monitoring purposes the ABDP Dashboard was developed for monitoring the progress of these 44 Aspirational Blocks on 61 Data Points based on 49 Key performance Indicators. The bottom 10 blocks in the list includes Moungrri (Udhampur) at the bottom of the list. Others above it in order comprises Chasana (Reasi), Mankote (Poonch), DuduBasantgarh (Udhampur), JJBBagli (Reasi), Warwan (Kishtwar), Duggain (Kathua), Gundi Dharam (Ramban), Mahore (Reasi), Tulail (Bandipora) and Marwah (Kishtwar) at 34th place among these 44 backward blocks of the UT.

These rankings were released by the Chief Secretary in presence of all the Administrative Secretaries, District Development Commissioners, HoDs of Planning, Finance and other concerned departments.