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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



**Shaurya Parshuram**  
Class:- U.K.G 'B'  
D.O.B:- 05th Sep.  
JKPS Panjtirthi

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



**Satyam Attri**  
Class:- 4th 'B'  
D.O.B:- 05-09-2016  
JKPS Panjtirthi

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



**Krisha Bhagat**  
Class:- 5th 'B'  
D.O.B:- 05-09-2015  
JKPS Panjtirthi

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



**Manika Sharma**  
Class:- 7th 'B'  
D.O.B:- 05-09-2013  
JKPS Panjtirthi

**NOTICE**

This office has received an application with vide No. JK-REV/LHC/2025/3509 dated 22.08.2025 from one Smt. ANANTA PANDIT W/o Late Sh. Sunil Koul, R/o H.No. 2/2248, Sector No. 2, Near Shriya Bhakt Mission Hospital, Durga Nagar, Roop Nagar, Jammu regarding the issuance of Legal Heir Certificate and states that the following person(s) is/are the only legal heir(s) of Late SUNITI KULI S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar Koul who died on 22.06.2025 at GMCH Jammu and his/her/their name(s) is/are as under:

S. No.	Name(s)	Age	Relationship with Deceased	Married/Unmarried
1.	Ananta Pandit	40 yrs	Wife	Widow
2.	Manthan Koul	15 yrs	Son	Un-married
3.	Prana Koul	72 yrs	Mother	Married

Any person having any Objection in the above mentioned name(s) can file his/her objection personally or through any authorized person before this office of the Tehsildar Jammu North within seven (07) Days from the publication of this Notice, failing which it shall be presumed that there is no objection regarding the issuance of such "Legal Heir Certificate".

**NOTICE**

I, Surinder Kumar S/o Sh. Ram Avtar R/o Narwal Bala, Jammu (Attorney Holder) of my shop No.167, Yard No.1, Size 12x15 at Transport Nagar, Narwal, Jammu have applied for transfer of leasehold rights of above said shop in my wife namely Soni Gupta W/o Surinder Kumar R/o Narwal Bala, Jammu 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, Shilo Devi W/o Badri Nath R/o Ward. NO. 2, Khour Camp, Matoo, Tehsil Khour, Distt: Jammu state that my DOB has wrongly been written as 01-07-1945 instead of 10.10.1947 in Army record/ PPO bearing No.-215197300279. Now I am applying for correction of the same. Objection if any may be conveyed to RO, Dogra Faizabad/concerned authorities within 7 days.

**NOTICE**

I, Arun Kumar S/o Gharu Ram R/o Lower Muthi near Kalika Mandir Ward No.67 Jammu have lost R.C of my Vehicle (Electric Auto) bearing registration No. JK02DN-2047. Now I am applying for duplicate of the same. Objection if any may be conveyed to RTO, Jammu within 7 days.

**NOTICE**

I, Bahari Lal S/o Chatru Ram R/o Chatha Mill Hakkal Ward No.7, Chatha Jagir, Jammu J&K 181101 state that my name has wrongly been written as Behari Lal instead of Bahari Lal in my Aadhar Card bearing No.832981099320 & Pan Card bearing No. AJCPL7185N. Now I am applying for correction of the same. Objection if any may be conveyed to concerned authority within 7 days.

**NOTICE**

I, Rakesh Kumar (old name) S/O Sh. Girdhari Lal, M/O Taro Devi R/O H.No 43 Sec.5, Channi Himmat, Jammu Pin-180015 has changed my name from Rakesh Kumar (old name) to Rakesh Kumar Bali (new name). I do here by assure from this date the name/surname Rakesh Kumar Bali new name.

**NOTICE**

We are applying to the office of GM, DIC, Jammu for De-Registration of our unit M/s J.K. Super Wire situated at SIDCO Industrial Complex, Bari Brahmmana, Samba, Jammu and transfer of the lease hold rights of 01 Kanal of the land of same in favour of M/s Shree Sita Ram Enterprises. Objections if any may kindly approach/submit to the office of the General Manger, District Industries Centre, Exhibition Ground, Jammu within 07 days from the publication of this notice.

**NOTICE**

We are applying to the office of GM, DIC, Jammu for De-Registration of our unit M/s J.K. Super Enamelled Wire situated at SIDCO Industrial Complex, Bari Brahmmana, Samba, Jammu and transfer of the lease hold rights of 03 Kanals of the land of same in favour of M/s Shree Sita Ram Enterprises. Objections if any may kindly approach/submit to the office of the General Manger, District Industries Centre, Exhibition Ground, Jammu within 07 days from the publication of this notice.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The plot no 75, BB, measuring 5400 sq ft, 1 Kanal, at housing colony Gandhi Nagar Jammu, owned by S. Lakshmi Singh. The ownership rights of the said plot is under the process of transfer to S. Jagjeet Singh Sudan and Daljeet Singh sons of Late S.Lakshmi Singh on the basis of gift deed executed. Any person having objection to the transfer shall furnish the same in writing to the office of Managing Director, J&K Housing Board Jammu within 15 days. However no objection shall be entertained after the expiry of this period.

Jagjeet Singh Sudan  
Daljeet Singh  
Sons of Late S. Lakshmi Singh,  
R/o 75 BB, Gandhi Nagar,  
Jammu

**NOTICE**

Whereas, a joint application has been received from Sh/Smt. Jagdish Kumar S/o Kellu Ram R/o W.No.4, Udhampur, Jammu (transferor) and Sh/Smt. Mohd Toseef S/o Wajihyat Hussain R/o Darhal Chowkian. Darhal. Rajouri (Transferee) for transfer of All J&K Taxi/Maxi/Mini permit No.349/MC/CC/ STA/JK/2021 along with vehicle No JK14C-5317 (Maxi Cab) under the provisions of Section 82(1) of Motor Vehicle Act, 1988. Now therefore, it is notified that objections if any to the above transfer of permit / vehicle should reach this office of the Transport Commissioner, J&K, Jammu within (07) days from the date of publication of this notice.

**NOTICE**

Whereas a joint application has been received from Sh/Smt. Varundeep Singh S/o Jagroop Singh R/o Nandini Mansar More Samba J&K (Transferor) and Sh. Bodh Raj S/o Kartar Chand R/o Arazzi Samba, J&K (Transferee) for transfer of Stage Carriage Bus route permit NO.188/SC/STA/JK/JMU along with vehicle No. JK02BF-3526 (Bus) under the provisions of Section 82(1) of Motor Vehicle Act, 1988. Now therefore, it is notified that objections if any to the above transfer of permit/vehicle should reach this office of the Transport Commissioner J&K Jammu within seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice. The case shall thereafter be processed under Rule 96 of the Motor Vehicle Rule, 1991.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

This is to inform all through this Notice that M/s Delycia Bread Factory, situated at Industrial Estate Akhnor, Jammu a registered unit with District Industries Centre, Jammu is applying for merger/transfer of leasehold rights of 930 sq ft. of land to the already permanently registered unit viz: M/s Nirmal Fruit Products, Industrial Estate Akhnor and subsequent de-registration of M/s Delycia Bread Factory situated at Industrial Estate Akhnor in the Office of the General Manager, District Industries Centre, Exhibition Ground, Jammu. Any person (Individual or collective), Bank, Govt Body, Semi Govt. body having any type of objection can report to the office of General Manager of District Industries Centre, Jammu within 7 days from the publication of this Notice.

M/s Delycia Bread Factory Industrial Estate Akhnor

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

I, Sandeep Kaur W/O Sh. Harbinder Singh Bali R/o H.No.189, Lane No.12, Sec 1, GTB Nagar, Channi Rama, Jammu intend to sell of Plot No.401, Sector No.1 in Housing Colony Channi Himmat, Jammu to Smt. Ashli Sharma W/o Sh. Kumar Sharma R/o H. No.401 A. Lohanan Digiana, Jammu. The following original papers issued by J&K Housing stands misplaced/not traceable.

1. Allotment Letter. I have applied for NOC for Conveyance Deed for transfer of lease hold rights of above said plot. 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.

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**STATE TIMES**

## HC invalidates trio of preventive detentions, stresses rule of law

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: In a strong affirmation of constitutional safeguards, the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh has quashed three separate detention orders passed under the Public Safety Act (PSA), underscoring that personal liberty cannot be curtailed on the basis of casual, stale, or mechanically prepared grounds.

Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi allowed the petition of Intiyaz Ahmad Ganie of Chee, Anantnag, who had been detained under order No.13/DMA/PSA/DET/2024 dated April 20, 2024.

While examining the detention records, the court found that authorities had confused Ganie with another individual of a similar name and passed the detention on mistaken identity. The judgment held that such a lapse reflected complete non-application of mind, collapsing the very foundation of the order. The detenu was

directed to be released forthwith. In another case, the same bench set aside detention order No.34/DMP/PSA/24 dated September 9, 2024 against Shovkat Ahmad Dar of Dogripora, Pulwama, who had been arrested in FIR No. 46/2021.

The court observed that reviving a three-year-old FIR from 2021 to justify preventive detention in 2024 was legally untenable, as it failed to establish the "live and proximate link" required under preventive detention jurisprudence. Relying on Supreme Court rulings, Justice Kazmi held that stale material cannot be the basis of PSA detention and ordered Dar's immediate release.

Meanwhile, a Division Bench comprising Chief Justice Arun Palli and Justice Rajnesh Oswal dismissed the UT government's appeal in Mohammad Ismail Thoker's case from Shopian. Thoker had been detained under

No. 174/DMS/PSA/2023 dated September 27, 2023, which the writ court had earlier quashed on two counts-failure to communicate rejection of his representation, and non-supply of the detention dossier.

Upholding the Single Judge's ruling, the Division Bench ruled that denial of full documents and failure to convey decisions fatally undermined the detention. The appeal was dismissed, and the detainee's release confirmed.

Through these rulings, the High Court reiterated that PSA, being a law of preventive detention, is extraordinary in nature and must be exercised with utmost caution. The judgments stressed that detention cannot rest on mistaken identity or mechanical reproduction of dossiers. Stale incidents cannot form the basis of preventive detention. All material relied upon must be furnished to detainees to enable them to defend themselves.

## HC admits appeal in Rs 50 lakh Franchise Termination Dispute between Jammu Firm and Noida Company

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: In a significant commercial law development, the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh has admitted a civil first appeal filed by RKR Partnership Firm, Jammu against Detailing Devils India Pvt. Ltd., Noida, in connection with the termination of a franchise agreement.

A division bench comprising Justice Rajnesh Oswal and Justice Rahul Bharti on September 1, 2025, directed issuance of notice to the respondent company, called for the records from the trial court, and listed the matter for further hearing on October 17, 2025. The dispute arises out of a Franchise Agreement dated July 25, 2020, under which RKR Partnership Firm was granted rights to operate a detailing outlet in Jammu. The firm claims to have invested over Rs 20 lakh, including Rs 8.66 lakh franchise fee, Rs 7 lakh for specialised equipment, and Rs 5 lakh for showroom renovation,

besides shifting to a new premises at Malik Market with ₹1 lakh monthly rent. Despite these investments, the Noida-based company, Detailing Devils India Pvt. Ltd., issued a termination notice on August 29, 2023, alleging violations of the agreement. RKR has termed the action "malafide" and contrary to the contractual terms.

Following the termination, RKR filed a civil suit before the Additional District Judge (Commercial Court), Jammu, seeking Rs 50 lakh in damages for illegal termination. Declaration that the termination notice was "null and void", Mandatory injunction to allow continuation of the franchise, and a prohibitory injunction restraining the company from re-allotting the franchise in Jammu.

The suit was also accompanied by an application for urgent interim relief, including a stay on termination. However, on July 31, 2025, the Commercial Court rejected the plaintiff under Order 7,

Rule 11 CPC, ruling that the suit was not maintainable due to non-compliance with Section 12A of the Commercial Courts Act, which mandates pre-institution mediation unless urgent interim relief is sought.

Challenging this order, RKR, represented by Advocates Inder Jeet Gupta and Yatin Mahajan, argued that the plaint was accompanied by an application for urgent interim relief, and hence the bar under Section 12A did not apply.

The appeal further cites recent Supreme Court judgments including Yamini Manohar v. T.K.D. Keerthi and M/s Dhanbad Fuels Pvt. Ltd. v. Union of India, to assert that dismissal of a commercial suit is unwarranted where interim relief is sought.

The appellant has also stressed that all franchise operations and investments were based in Jammu, thereby conferring territorial jurisdiction on Jammu courts.

On the other hand, the

respondent company, represented by its Director Rajat Ahojja and counsel before the trial court, had argued that Delhi alone had jurisdiction under the franchise agreement and that the suit was liable to be dismissed.

By admitting the appeal and issuing notice, the High Court has kept alive the challenge to the Commercial Court's ruling. The bench has sought the trial court record and fixed the case for October 17, 2025, for further proceedings.

The case highlights the increasing significance of Section 12A of the Commercial Courts Act in franchise and commercial disputes. The outcome is likely to influence how courts in Jammu & Kashmir interpret the balance between mandatory pre-litigation mediation and urgent interim relief.

For franchise operators in the region, the ruling could set an important precedent in protecting investments against abrupt termination by parent companies.

## CAT quashes rejection, orders retrospective promotion of Labour Officer

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), Jammu Bench, has directed the Labour and Employment Department to implement its earlier directions granting retrospective promotion and regularization to an officer, while quashing the departmental orders that had rejected her claim.

The judgment came in an execution petition (M.A. No. 1282/2025 in O.A. No. 760/2024) filed by Seema Kharyal, who alleged non-compliance of the Tribunal's order dated February 24, 2025.

In its earlier ruling, the Tribunal had set aside the rejection order of December 19, 2016 and declared that the applicant was entitled to be promoted as Labour Officer with effect from February 18,

2005, further promoted as Assistant Labour Commissioner from October 16, 2010, and regularized as Labour Officer from July 10, 2023, on the same analogy as her counterparts. The department was also directed to release all consequential benefits and complete the exercise within two months. As the department failed to comply, the applicant sought execution. The Bench comprising Member (A) Ram Mohan Johri and Member (J) Rajinder Singh Dogra allowed the plea and directed the authorities to implement the promotion and grant posting as Labour Inspector, until final disposal of the writ petition pending before the High Court.

## Bhalla visits flood-hit areas of Jammu, demands relief, compensation

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Raman Bhalla, Working President of the Jammu and Kashmir Pradesh Congress Committee (JKPCC) and former Cabinet Minister, conducted an extensive visit to flood-affected areas in Jammu today. Expressing serious concern over the administration's delayed response, he called for immediate relief, compensation, and accountability in addressing the ongoing crisis.

Accompanied by party leaders Amrit Bali, Pawan Bhagat, Gurcharan Singh Happy, and Bitta, Bhalla visited Bhour Kothey, Bhour Camp, and adjoining areas including the Floriculture Garden and the local cremation ground. He noted with concern that even after ten days, debris and mud continue to block



JKPCC working president Raman Bhalla interacting with residents.

internal lanes and homes, severely affecting residents' ability to return to normal life.

"There is a visible lack of manpower and machinery. The administration must mobilize resources urgently, even if it means divert-

ing equipment from national highways or seeking help from allied departments," Bhalla stated.

He highlighted the risk posed by rising water levels in local nullahs and expressed grief over residents being forced to travel

long distances to perform cremations, as the local cremation grounds remain submerged or damaged. "It is unacceptable that basic dignity is being denied to grieving families," he added.

Bhalla demanded immediate

restoration of road connectivity, deployment of medical teams, and sanitation drives in low-lying areas to prevent the outbreak of waterborne diseases. He also emphasized the need for direct distribution of food, clothing,

and other essential items to affected families.

Targeting the BJP-led government, Bhalla criticised the "smart city" claims, saying, "The floods have exposed the collapse of infrastructure. If this is smart city development, then what is failure?"

He further demanded financial compensation for both affected families and farmers, whose agricultural lands have suffered severe damage. Bhalla also expressed disappointment over the central government's failure to declare the region a national disaster zone, saying such a move would unlock greater relief and institutional support.

"The people of Jammu need more than words—they need action, support, and accountability," Bhalla concluded.

## DB quashes compulsory retirement of Senior Judge, terms exercise as legally flawed

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: In a significant ruling reinforcing judicial service protections, the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh on Thursday set aside the compulsory retirement order of District and Sessions Judge (Selection Grade) Muzaffar Iqbal Qureshi, holding that the exercise undertaken by the authorities was belated, contrary to law, and violative of constitutional safeguards. The Division Bench comprising Justice Rajnesh Oswal and Justice Wasim Sadiq Nargal delivered the judgment, reserved on June 5, 2025, while pronouncing that the Government Order No. 08-LD(A) of 2014 dated January 1, 2014, which prematurely retired Qureshi at the age of 59 years and 10 months-was unsustainable.

Qureshi, who joined as a Munsiff (Judicial Magistrate First Class) in 1983 and rose to become District Judge in 2001, challenged the government order along with the High Court's recommendation order dated June 11, 2013. He argued that the move violated Rule 24 of the J&K Higher Judicial Service Rules, 2009 and Regulation 226 of the Civil Service Regulations, 1956, both of which mandate that the assessment of a judicial officer's "continued utility" must be completed before he or she attains 58 years of age.

The petitioner also pointed out that his Annual Confidential Reports (ACRs) for 2008 and 2009 were rated "outstanding," and he was placed in the Selection Grade in 2010 on merit. However, the subsequent reliance on an

"average" grading of 2010-extended to cover 2011 and 2012 when ACRs were not recorded-was legally untenable.

Senior Advocate Z.A. Qureshi, appearing for the petitioner, maintained that the High Court acted in breach of the Supreme Court's judgment in All India Judges Association vs. Union of India (1993), which directed that such assessments must be timely and before 58 years of age. He stressed that penalizing the petitioner for non-recording of ACRs, despite submission of work-done statements, was unjust.

On the other hand, Counsel Atir Javid Kawoosa defended the High Court's decision, citing Full Court Resolutions and guidelines which permitted reliance on prior years' ACRs

where newer reports were unavailable. He also referenced the Supreme Court's dismissal of a similar challenge in the case of another prematurely retired judge, Justice Shakti Kumar Gupta.

The Division Bench noted that the petitioner's date of birth was February 5, 1954, meaning the evaluation of his service beyond 58 years ought to have been concluded by February 2012. Instead, the Administrative Committee and the Full Court deferred decisions, ultimately recommending compulsory retirement only in June 2013—a delay of nearly 16 months.

The judges held that such delayed action defeated the very intent of the rules, which are designed to weed out non-performing officers well in advance, not months before

superannuation. They also recorded that Qureshi had no allegations of corruption or doubtful integrity, and thus, there was no ground to justify a last-minute premature retirement.

"The action of the respondents in retiring the petitioner just two months before his attaining the age of superannuation on the ground of loss of continued utility in service can't sustain the test of law," the Bench observed.

Allowing the writ petition, the Court quashed both the government order and the High Court's communication recommending compulsory retirement. It ruled that Qureshi shall be "deemed to have retired on attaining the age of 60 years," thereby restoring his full service tenure and consequential benefits.

## Court frames charges against Ex-Drilling Engineer in Rs 33 lakh GPF Scam

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The Special Judge Anti-Corruption, Jammu, Hag Nawaz Zargar, has ordered framing of charges against Aijaz Mir, former Drilling Engineer and Drawing & Disbursing Officer (DDO) in the Geology and Mining Department, in connection with the alleged embezzlement of Rs 33 lakh from employees' Provident Fund (GPF), State Life Insurance (SLI) proceeds and 7th Pay Commission arrears.

The court passed the order in FIR No. 04/2021, registered by Crime Branch Jammu, holding that prima facie evidence exists against the accused under Sections

409, 420, 120-B IPC read with Section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act. The matter has been listed for formal framing of charges on September 9, 2025.

The case was initiated after Shiban Lal Bhat, Drill Operator-II, complained that he sanctioned Rs 17 lakh GPF withdrawal in March 2020 was never credited to his account. Investigation revealed that funds meant for several employees and retirees were instead credited to the DDO's official account. The probe established a total fraud of Rs 33,03,447, involving GPF withdrawals, SLI maturity claims, and 7th Pay arrears of multiple

officials.

It was further found that Mir, in conspiracy with cashier Rohit Nanda (since deceased), diverted the funds, issued self-cheques, and either disbursed the money selectively or retained it. Bank officials confirmed that cheques were cleared only after Mir's telephonic approval, while the Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) matched his signatures on disputed cheques.

The court after hearing APP MA Almansoor for the UT whereas Advocate Hafiz for the accused, observed that the embezzlement stands prima facie established, warranting trial against Mir.