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Administration takes over mgmt of Home for Mentally Retarded

possession of EXCELSIOR, there was no record of the people visiting the children in the home on daily basis and the approach of the office staff was very casual in this regard.

"There is no systematic record of children that have been admitted every year since the inception of the home in the year 1979", the report said, adding "there is also no proper discharge/relieving report of the children who have left the home."

"Stating that children specially the girls were appeared to be frightened and fearful, the report said, "on being specifically asked about the question of sexual abuse by anyone, some of the girls communicated through verbal and body language and



Policeman deployed at Home for Mentally Retarded Children at Channi Rama.

affirmed that they were being subjected to sexual abuse by some members of the staff and also by persons outside the home", adding "minor bruises and marks were also observed on the body of some of the inmates".

"The board of doctors constituted to establish credibility of the specific and serious allegations regarding sexual abuse of the girls of the home has given opinion that five grown up girls are habitual to intercourse", report said. Two of the sexually abused grown up girls were found having mild mental retardation while as another is moderate mentally retarded. One more girl was found having sub-normal intelligence with IQ at 88 (border line intelligence) and another in psychosis.

The girl having borderline intelligence confirmed to the enquiry team that she was being subjected to regular instances of sexual abuse not only by staff but also by persons outside the home, report said, adding "it was also found that some girls were taken out by Director S C Sharma (Co-opted Member) accompanied by some mem-

bers of the staff. However, the purpose of the visit was ambiguous and shrouded with mystery.

Terming the attitude and approach of the staff very callous with no sense of responsibility and accountability for the children, the report said, "the children were being relieved from the home without proper documentation of the same", adding "the attendance registrar for the year 2013 revealed that four children have left the home during the current year but there is no official record of whom they have been handed over to".

"The account books reveal that there is sufficient funding provided to the home to the extent that they are in a position to spend Rs 30,000 to Rs 40,000 per month in meeting the daily requirements/needs

of 32 children currently admitted in the home", the report said. However, it was found that there was least concern for nutrition value or hygienic quotient and on being enquired it was told that there was no menu/standing instructions with regard to what will be fed to the children. Moreover, it was left to the choice of the cook to prepare meals for the children as per her desire.

About the physical environment in the home, the report said, "the overall hygiene and cleanliness of the home was far below satisfactory. The dormitories (three for girls and one for boys) were virtually a breeding ground for contracting infection and related diseases".

Besides further investigation by the Police Department, the enquiry committee has recommended that District Social Welfare Officer should inspect the home on a weekly basis and submit report along with photographs and one nominee of the District Social Welfare Board should be housed permanently in order to keep check on the day to day affairs of the home.

During 1965 Indo-Pak war, there was a bunker in the area which had collapsed and the ammunition got dumped. It resurfaced during the recent rain and flashfloods, sources said.

1965 war ammunition seized

was in unusable condition, they said, adding that the local residents informed the police about the cache.

Defending the Government's move to get the Constitutional amendment bill passed and let the main bill go to the Standing Committee for vetting, he said by the time the report of the Parliamentary panel on the JAC Bill comes, the Centre will seek ratification of all states on the Constitutional amendment which will take six to eight months.

He said after getting ratification of at least 50 per cent of the states, the Government will not seek President's approval on the Constitutional amendment till the time the main JAC Bill is passed. The move to set up JAC will entail amendments to Articles 124, 217, 222 and 231 of the

Two more cops nabbed for militant links, total arrests 4

cross-examined with two already arrested police Followers. The Followers arrested yesterday have claimed that they had purchased two illegal Chinese pistols, smuggled from Pakistan, from SGC Mohammad Yusuf and SPO Mohammad Bashir after paying them a hefty amount.

Confirming that arrests of four police personnel and recovery of two illegal Chinese pistols was just a tip of iceberg, sources said: "it appeared to be a well knit racket with more police personnel especially those putting up along the LoC misusing their uniform and smuggling weapons from Pakistan".

The Chinese pistols are unauthorized weapons, which were commonly found in possession of militants. The weapons are smuggled from Pakistan.

Sources said the police personnel either had links with militants or were themselves operating as militants in the guise of 'khaki' to

RS nod to new system of Judges' appointment

Constitution and insertion of a new Article 124 A. Overcoming resistance from the judiciary, the bill to scrap the collegium system of appointing judges to the Supreme Court and High Courts was introduced in the Rajya Sabha last week.

The bill, which entails Constitutional amendment, seeks to set up a Judicial Appointments Commission (JAC) to recommend appointment and transfer of Supreme Court and High Court judges.

The JAC Bill states that the JAC will make the participants in the selection accountable and introduce "transparency" in the selection process.

With the creation of the proposed body, the Executive seeks to have a say in appointment of members to the higher judiciary.

India perhaps is the only country where judges appoint judges. The Bill seeks to set up a panel headed by the Chief Justice of India (CJI) to appoint and transfer senior judges.

The other members of the proposed Commission would be two senior-most judges of the Supreme Court, the Law Minister, two eminent persons as members and Secretary (Justice) in the Law Ministry as Convener.

The proposed bill would enable equal participation of judiciary and executive, make the system of appointments more accountable, and thereby increase the confidence of the public in the institutions," reads the Statement of Objects and Reasons of the Bill.

The Law Ministry has been pushing the proposal, but some sections in the Government as well as judiciary had reservations over its certain provisions.

The practice of judges appointing judges started after 1993, replacing the system of Government picking judges for higher judiciary comprising the Supreme Court and High Courts.

The move to set aside the 1993 Supreme Court judgement, which led to the collegium system, will require Constitutional amendment.

The last effort to replace the collegium system in 2003 did not succeed. The then NDA Government had introduced a Constitution Amendment Bill but the Lok Sabha was dissolved when the bill was before a Standing Committee.

Amid Government's plan to overturn the collegium system, successive CJs, including the present incumbent P Sathasivam, have strongly defended the present practice saying appointments to the higher judiciary are made after "intense deliberations".

The Supreme Court collegium consists of five top judges of the apex court, headed by the CJI. (PTI)

5 jewelers surrender Rs 24 cr undisclosed income

raids, which were planned on the basis of credible information about the evasion of tax by these jewelers, were carried out by 98 officers mostly of the Investigation Wing from Gurgaon, Panipat, Ludhiana, Chandigarh and Jammu. The raids were closely supervised by the Joint Director Investigation, Jalandhar, Manish Sareen. These raids were planned on the basis of concrete information gathered by the Investigating Wing's officers

posted in Jammu under the immediate control of Deputy Director Rajeev Gabgotra.

Responding to a question about the general observation that raids and surveys are only conducted in Jammu region with little focus on Kashmir valley, sources said, "the Investigation Wing doesn't have any hitch in conducting such raids in Valley provided it gets credible information about large scale evasion of tax".

Mian Qayoom elected Bar president

Mohammad Ashraf Bhat defeated Abdul Majid Jehangir for the post of general secretary. Bhat secured 404 votes, Jehangir only 171.

For the post of Joint Secretary, Anwar-ul-Islam defeated Ajiaz Ahmad Dar.

Army not allowed to patrol up to LAC

The issue was raised in the Lok Sabha today by BJP leader Yashwant Sinha who said media reports have quoted the Committee as having concluded that 640 sq km of Indian territory has been occupied by China.

He wanted Defence Minister A K Antony to immediately clarify the situation in Parliament. Government agreed, saying Antony will be requested to make a statement by 1 pm tomorrow or as early as possible.

"The Parliament is unaware of this... The Defence Minister should be called immediately to the House and he should clarify on the issue. There should be a debate in the House," Sinha said.

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kamal Nath said the Government understands the seriousness of the matter but cannot make a statement immediately. "I will request the defence minister to make a statement tomorrow," he said.

However, this did not satisfy the opposition benches and mem-

Rs 6000 cr revised Rehab package to be reviewed

ple. These all issues will be taken by the members of the Committee during the meeting tomorrow, sources added.

Some of the members of the Apex Committee have also taken the strong exception to the

Cong, NC lock horns over LAHDC Kargil formation

played a pivotal role at that stage to secure the majority against Akhoun and voted against him. Thereafter, Asgar Ali Karbalaie was elected as Chairman-cum-Chief Executive Councillor of Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council, Kargil with the support of 16 Councillors. The move was highly resented by National Conference leadership and its delegation headed by the then Leader of Opposition, Abdul Rahim Rather had also met the then Governor while terming the move as 'undemocratic'.

The council, it is pertinent to mention, has 26 elected members. Besides, the constitution provides for nomination of four members. "The Government may nominate not more than four persons amongst the principal religious minorities and women in the district to be member of the council", reads sub-Section 2 of Section 4 of Chapter II of constitution of Autonomous Hill Development Council. Sticking to these norms, the State Government today has nominated two women and two Buddhists to the LAHDC, Kargil.

Both National Conference and Congress are locked in a tight contest for the formation of the LAHDC, Kargil. While sitting Chief Executive Councillor Kachoo Ahmad Ali Khan is the NC - alliance candidate for the

post of Chairman, Congress has proposed the name of former CEC, Asgar Ali Karbalaie. Kachoo has won as Independent candidate with support of NC from Yourbaltok seat with impressive margins while Karbalaie won on Congress mandate from Pashkum.

Of 26 elected seats in LAHDC Kargil, election was held for 24 seats on August 22 as two Independent candidates had already been elected unopposed.

Out of these 24 seats, Congress won 10 seats and National Conference 8. Six Independent candidates emerged victorious, three of whom had been supported by National Conference and one by the Congress.

Out of two Independent candidates elected unopposed earlier, one of them was supported by NC. The final tally of NC stood at 12 (eight candidates who won on party mandate and four Independents, who captured the seats with the party support, three of them by elections and one unopposed) while the tally of Congress stood at 11 (10 of its own plus one Independent supported by the party). Three neutral Independents were elected to the Council (two by election while another had already been declared winner as uncontested).

Zubin Mehta arriving today

Haqeeqat-e-Kashmir, in protest to Mehta's Ehsaas-e-Kashmir, in Sher-e-Kashmir Park near city Centre Lal Chowk.

The letter sent by the district administration has asked questions about timing of the event, sequence of the event, time duration of the event, guest list and transportation arrangements made for the guests and the audience. But, a member of the CCS, Khuram Perwaiz said that he had not received any communication from the district administration so far.

The spokesman said that after the CCS replies to the queries of the district administration, the final decision about the permission to the rival concert will be taken jointly by them and the security agencies.

However, sources said that the Government will not give permission for holding of the rival concert due to security and political concerns.

Ahead of Mehta's arrival in Srinagar tomorrow, security in Srinagar has been put on high alert. Police and para-military Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) were deployed across sensitive places in Srinagar city and check points were erected to conduct surprise security checks of the vehicle entering Srinagar.

At City Centre Lal Chowk, Police and CRPF conducted surprise cordon and search operation

REMEMBRANCE

Three year have passed since you left for heavenly abode leaving us in deep sorrow and tears. Tears are the pain that rolls in the eyes memories are the treasure that never dies. Though you are not physically present but your presence is always felt in every moment of our lives. We pray to almighty to bestow eternal peace to your noble soul.

DEEPLY MISSED AND REMEMBERED BY FAMILY

CONDOLANCE

A condolence meeting was held by the members of Durga Brahman Pratinidhi Sabha, Parade Jammu to condole the sad demise of Sh D C Prashant. We pray to the Almighty to grant peace to the departed soul and give courage to the family members to bear this irreparable loss.

By : Sh V P Sharma, Sh Vinod Mohan Magotra, Sh Satya Paul Sharma, Sh N C Sharma, Sh M L Sharma, Sh Som Nath Sharma, Sh P C Sharma Advocate, Sh Chandar Mohan Sharma Advocate, Dr Som Nath, Sh Surinder Sharma, Sh Jagan Nath Sharma, Sh Shiv Ram Sharma, Sh Jagan Nath Sharma, Sh Chandar Shekhar Sharma, Sh Kuldeep Modi, Sh Nilin Dharmat, Pt. Shree Kermi and Sh Satya Nand Sharma.

Sh. D.C. Prashant

REMEMBRANCE

If tears could build a stairway & heartaches make a lane We would walk up to heaven to bring you back again. Though you are not physically present "But your presence is always felt in every moment of our lives. We pray to Almighty to bestow eternal peace to your noble soul"

MISS YOU Saajan & His Mama, Papa Anju & Ashok



Aakash Deep

TENTH DAY / UTHALA

WITH PROFOUND GRIEF AND SORROW WE INFORM THE SAD DEMISE OF OUR BELOVED SH RATTAN SINGH PAWAR SON OF LATE SH BASANT SINGH R/O H. NO : 11/11, NEAR SDH, AKHNOOR, WHO LEFT FOR HEAVENLY ABODE ON 29TH AUGUST, 2013.

TENTH DAY WILL BE PERFORMED ON 7TH SEPTEMBER, 2013 (SATURDAY) AT 11:00 AM MAHAJAN HALL AKHNOOR.

KRIYA WILL BE PERFORMED ON TUESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 2013 AT 1:00 PM AT OUR RESIDENCE.

RASAM PAGRI/ UTHALA WILL BE PERFORMED ON WEDNESDAY, 11 SEPTEMBER 2013 AT 4:00 PM AT MAHAJAN HALL AKHNOOR.

GRIEF STRICKEN : SMT SATYA DEVI - WIFE SONS & DAUGHTERS-IN-LAW SH RAMESHWAR SINGH PAWAR & SMT KIRAN PAWAR SH RAMPAL SINGH PAWAR & SMT NEERU PAWAR SH PARSHOTAM SINGH PAWAR & SMT MEENAKSHI PAWAR DAUGHTERS & SON IN LAWS SH HARMESH SINGH JASROTTA & SMT NEELAM PRABHA SH SURINDER PAL SINGH JASROTTA & SMT NIRMAL PRABHA GRAND SONS & DAUGHTERS ARUN, TARUN, AKHILSHWAR, JITESHWAR, KESHAV, MRIDUL, NIYATI, PRAGATI PHONE NOS : 9419100575, 9419108429, 990604700, 01924252405



SH RATTAN SINGH PAWAR

CONDOLANCE

We express our deep sorrow on the sad and untimely demise of Sh. Rattan Singh Pawar father of Sh. Parshotam Singh Pawar, Director The Citizens' Cooperative Bank Ltd. Jammu.

We pray the Almighty God to bestow peace upon the departed soul and give courage to the bereaved family.

Dinesh Gupta, Chairman On behalf of Board of Directors The Citizens' Cooperative Bank Ltd. Jammu.

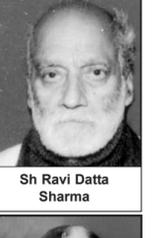


SH RATTAN SINGH PAWAR

REMEMBRANCE

Noble Souls Never Die Three months have passed since you left for heavenly abode having us in deep sorrow. Fragrance of your sweet memories is as fresh as ever. You will always be a pillar of strength and inspiration for all of us.

Deeply Missed & Remembered By : Smt Swam Kanta Sharma -Wife Sons & Daughters-in-law Rajesh Sharma & Smt Anju Sharma Chandar Shekhar Sharma & Smt Suman Sharma Suresh Sharma & Smt Rinki Sharma Sharma Family 338/A Shastri Nagar, Jammu M.No. 9906244566, 9419137782, 9419210878



Sh Ravi Datta Sharma

2ND DEATH ANNIVERSARY

IN THE LOVING MEMORY OF SHAMA JI

Memories are Treasures that no one can steal. Separations are wounds that no one can heal.

DEEPLY MISSED AND FONDLY REMEMBERED

H.N. Pandit - Husband and Family members

H.No. 42/8, Amit Nagar, Muthi, Jammu

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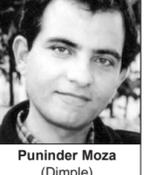


Shama Ji

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

We cannot send a birthday card, your hands we cannot touch, but the God will take our greetings, to the one we loved so much.

Deeply Remembered By: Moza's Lower Roop Nagar 0191-2596567



Puninder Moza (Dimple)

REMEMBRANCE

Its 11th yrs since you have passed but you are missed each passing day and feel your presence every moment around us along with your sweet & kind memories. We all miss you always.

DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY NARANG FAMILY



Late Sh. B.B. Narang

BARKHI

Fond memories of laughter and joy A tear that wets the eye A soul so pure and divine! Some times your wonder was ever fresh and alive

Will always stay in the heart as light divine! Barkhi of our beloved Late Smt. Sneh Lata W/o Sh. Gandharb Singh Manhas shall be performed on 6th of September, 2013 (Friday) at Hari Ghat Mandir, near R.R. L. Canal Road, Jammu.

Puja at 10.30 am Shej - 12.00 Noon.

DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY Sh. Gandharb Singh Manhas - Husband Ranjana & Sanjeev Andotra - Daughter & Son-in-law Ruchi & Sunesh Gupta - Daughter & Son-in-law Archana Manhas - Daughter All Relatives & Friends Mob.No.: 9419125299, 9419263001 Ph.No.: 0191-2555468

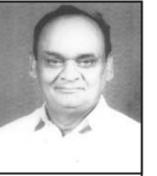


Late Smt. Sneh Lata

BARKHI

Hero and crusader of down trodden SHRI BELI RAM KUNDAL (ADVOCATE) FOUNDER AND Patron of ALL J&K Scheduled Castes Welfare Association/NGO who left for heavenly abode in Sept. 2013, shall be remembered for ever for his unflinching support to the cause of humanity. He served as outstanding Revenue Officer, then advocate and social guide serving the cause of all, especially the down trodden without discrimination of caste, creed & religion. We pray to Almighty God to rest his noble soul in peace in heaven and his spirit keep guiding us with everlasting righteousness path. We vow to carry forward his ideology to serve the humanity with Co-operation of Castes, Secular and democratic forces in State and outside.

ALL J&K SCHEDULED CASTES WELFARE ASSOCIATION AND CONNECTED DISTRICT COMMITTEES. R.L. BHARTI, PRESIDENT O M RAJ BHALL G. SECY.



SHRI BELI RAM KUNDAL (ADVOCATE)

BARKHI

Barkhi of our beloved Late Smt. Saroj Mahajan W/o Sh. Ravi Mahajan R/o 63/4 Trikuta Nagar, Jammu, will be performed at our residence on 6-

09-2013 at 11.30 a.m.

DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY Sh. Ravi Mahajan - Husband Sahil & Anam - Son & Daughter-in-law Daughter & Son-in-law Surbhi & Nishant Johar Ryan - Grand Son All Family & Relatives Mob.: 9419181763, 9419118226



Late Smt. Saroj Mahajan

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