

Form, implement action plan to promote Urdu: Scholars

NEW DELHI, Sept 8: Scholars, intellectuals, authors and other experts of Urdu from across the world have pressed for an action plan towards the preservation and promotion of the language in India.

"It is extremely important to strengthen primary and secondary education in Urdu. Academics, madaras and the media are, in fact, gaining promotion through the language and not vice-versa", noted scholar Syed Mohammad Ashraf said here.

Ashraf was addressing the recently concluded three-day first international Urdu conference organised by the National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL), an autonomous regulatory body under Ministry of Human Resource Development.

At the conference, intellectuals from different countries including India voiced their concern about lack of proper attention to Urdu language, which they repeatedly hailed as a synonym to secularism.

"A lot more needs to be done for Urdu," said Tehsin Firaqui, former Chairman of the Urdu Department in Punjab University, Lahore, Pakistan.

"Even though initiatives are being taken in terms of linking the language with technology, efforts should be made to link it with employment which would play a very important role in its promotion," he said.

Scholars also said that in present age of globalisation, avenues are open for the language and the need of the hour was a strong plan of action and its implementation.

"Language can bridge all barriers and Urdu can be a medium to connect to other people speaking the language across the

world", professor at Jawaharlal Nehru University, Khwaja Ekramuddin, said.

"Urdu came into existence out of love among people who wanted to communicate. It is a language of India and every individual must promote it, irrespective of his or her religion or region as Urdu is not limited to a particular section of the society," noted poet Waseem Bareilvi said.

The scholars also sought restoration of Arabic and Persian as "optional" subjects in the Civil Services exams, besides ensuring that students who are willing to study the language in their schools are not deprived of it.

"There are as many as 14 universities in which Arabic and Persian are taught under post-graduate degrees and hundreds of colleges and madaras more. Moreover, Persian has been the official language of the country for hundreds of years under the Mughals. Removing them from the UPSC is an injustice to those hundreds of students," Professor Aslam Azaad said.

Human Resource Development Minister M Pallam Raju who presided over the inaugural function said, "We have given instructions that wherever there is a strength of 10-12 students in one language in the Kendriya Vidyalayas, a teacher for that language should be made available. Therefore, we are creating an opportunity".

"It is a matter of choice so far as private schools are concerned," he added.

External Affairs Minister Salman Khurshid, who inaugurated the conference said there was a need to explore the possibility of promoting Urdu in a way that people think it would help them in life and that they choose to study the language out of their own willingness.(PTI)

Punjab Govt faces grim fiscal scenario, salary delayed

CHANDIGARH, Sept 8:

Punjab today faces a grim fiscal scenario with a cash-strapped SAD-BJP coalition government delaying payment of salaries to its employees, VAT refunds to industries and clearing its fuel expense bills.

The situation appears to be bad with the opposition party Congress demanding imposition of financial emergency in the state that had voted the coalition for the second term last year.

The state government on its part attributed the state's "weak" fiscal situation to low revenue growth due to slowdown in economy.

The state government staff claimed their salaries had been delayed beyond a month while government-aided school teachers have also claimed non-payment of their salaries for the last six months.

"We have not been paid salary for the past six months despite the state education department having given its approval for payment. The finance department has stopped the release of payment which is worked out at Rs 60-70 crore," Government Aided School Teachers & Other Employees Union (Punjab), President, Gurcharan Singh Chahal claimed.

"It has been very tough for 4,200 teachers, principals and

other non-teaching employees who have been without salary for such a long time," he stated while announcing that a state-wide agitation against Punjab Education Minister Sikander Singh Maluka would be launched on October 9.

Punjab Finance Minister Parminder Singh Dhindsa ascribed the current fiscal health to low revenue growth in the first quarter of this fiscal, saying the situation would improve in the following quarters.

"Our fiscal situation is not as bad as is being projected...Yes, there is a slow growth in revenue but our revenue growth is at 10 per cent and better than Haryana's tax revenue growth of 5 per cent," Dhindsa said.

Asked about transferring government properties to PUDA under Optimum Utilisation of Vacant Government Land Scheme for raising resources, he said the money generated from it would be spent on capital expenditure only.

"We will spend the money raised from it on capital expenditure only. We have funds for payment of salaries and wages", he said.

Employees under the banner of Punjab Civil Secretariat Staff Association claimed they are not getting salaries on time. The salaries are being disbursed in the first week of the following month.(PTI)

PM will be available to CBI if a formal request is made: Nath

NEW DELHI, Sept 8:

Prime Minister Manmohan Singh will make himself available to CBI in the Coalgate investigation if a formal request is made, Union Minister Kamal Nath said today.

"Why not? CBI under law can question anybody and the PM is within the law. So if CBI wants to question him, the PM is a part of the law," he told Karan Thapar in CNN-IBN's Devil's Advocate programme.

He was asked if the Prime Minister will make himself available if there is a formal request.

Nath said the PM has nothing to hide on the issue even though he held the Coal Ministry portfolio for a short period.

"If there is something to be asked from him, he has nothing

to hide," he said, adding his "credentials will remain untouched".

He also dismissed the suggestion that the Coalgate episode would prove to be the 'Watergate' for the Prime Minister, saying the issue would rather prove to be the Watergate for the opposition which has brought many charges against him.

Strongly defending the Prime Minister on the issue of the missing coal files, he said there is no "malafide" in the files going missing.

Blaming the press for creating a hype to suggest that the government is stonewalling the investigation, he said that only when it is confirmed that the files cannot be found, then it can be said they are missing.

"Fifteen days back some were found, some more were found later on and more will be found. There is no malafide in the files missing. If there is a malafide, there will be an FIR," he said.

Nath recalled the recent statement made by the PM that appropriate actions will be taken if the files are not found.

Replying to a question, he said the government would amend the RTI Act to keep political parties out of its purview and the Bill for it has been sent to the Parliamentary Standing Committee.(PTI)

KRIYA/ 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 28TH AUGUST, 2013.

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 & DAUGHTER IN LAWS 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 JASROTHIA & SMT NEELAM PRABHA SH SURINDER PAL SINGH JASROTHIA & SMT NIRMAL PRABHA

GRAND SONS & DAUGHTERS ARUN, TARUN, AKHILESHWAR, JITESHWAR, KESHAV, MRIDUL, NIYATI, PRAGATI

PHONE NOS : 9419100575, 9419108429, 9906004700, 01924252406



SH RATTAN SINGH PAWAR

CHOUBARSI

"Bahut Udas Hai Hum Apke Jane Se Ho Sake To Lout Aoo Kisi Bahane Se Aap Lakhh Dur Hain Magar Ek Bar To Dekho Tot Gaye Hai Hum Kitne Aapke Jane Sey"

Four years have passed but your presence is still felt around us everywhere in any, every moment of our life.

Choubarisi of our beloved mother Smt Pritam Kour shall be performed on 10-09-2013 at our residence 262 Gall Dal Wali Kanak Mandi, Jammu.

Deeply Remembered By: Sh Jagdish Chander Arora - Husband Sh Romesh Arora - Brother

Son & Daughter-in-law Sh Pardeep Arora & Smt Pinky Arora Sh Vinod Arora & Smt Anju Arora

Daughter & Son-in-law Sh Rakesh Arora & Smt Meenakshi Arora

Daughter & Son-in-law Smt Kamlesh Chadha W/o Chander Mohan Chadha

Sudesh Vij W/o Sh Jagmohan Vij - Daughter & Son-in-law And All Relatives

Mob. 94191-32634



Smt Pritam Kour

REMEMBRANCE

DOGRA RATTAN SHAHEED MAJ. AKASH SINGH

Your valour courage & supreme sacrifice for the nation will enlighten our lives for years to come

you were the epitome of love & humanity Remembering you on your Martyr Day on 09-09-2013.

Smt. Deepthi Samyal-Wife Khushi & Tejasvi-Daughter & Son

Smt. Vidya Devi & Sh. Shankar Singh-Mother & Father Family Members & Country Loving People



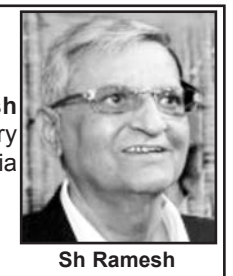
MAJ. AKASH SINGH (Shaurya Chakara)

CONDOLANCE

Died on 6 Sept 6-2013 at Delhi.

Our Respected Sh Ramesh Sindwani Ji of M/s Choudhary Agencies, First Distributor of Nokia Mobile Phones of J&K.

DEEPLY MISSED & REMEMBERED BY: All Members of Cellular Association



Sh Ramesh Sindwani Ji

CONDOLANCE

With grief and sorrow, we express our heart-felt condolence on the sad untimely demise of our beloved Sh Harmesh Sharma (Mehta) Dy SP Retired of Jawahar Rajouri.

We pray to God to grant peace to the departed soul and courage to bereaved family to bear the irreparable loss.

Deeply Missed and Remembered By:- Office of Town Planning Jammu

Sh Bhushan Kumar Asstt. Town Planner

Sh Surjeet Singh Sh Kamal Kishore Planning Asstt. Sh Joginder Kumar Head Draftsman



Sh Harmesh Sharma Mehta (DySP Retd.)

CONDOLANCE

Devasthan Prabandhak Committee tehsil Bijbehara expresses shock and regret at the sad demise of Smt. Jaikishori Bhat W/o Late Sh. Soom Nath Bhat R/o Bijbehara and mother of Sh. Ramesh Kumar Bhat member executive committee D.P.C. Teh. Bijbehara.

The members paid rich tributes to Smt. Jaikishori Bhat. Her great qualities of head and heart were recounted. She will always be remembered for her humble nature.

The members prayed to Almighty to grant eternal peace to the departed soul and courage to the members of the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss.

Publicity Secretary D.P.C. Teh. Bijbehara



Smt. Jaikishori Bhat

REMEMBRANCE

Time does heal but sweet memories will always bring a tear some days

The pain is stronger Even after the initial grief subsides, the loss is still deeply felt through every passing days.

Profoundly Missed and Remembered By: Daughters & Sons-in-law

Smt Rani Anand & Sh M L Anand (Retd. AEE PDD) Smt Manju Chawla & Sh Adarsh Chawla (DGM BSNL)

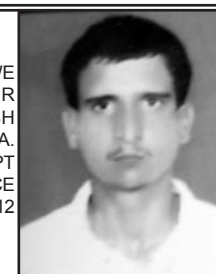


Smt Krishna Kohli

10TH DAY

WITH PROFOUND GRIEF AND SORROW WE INFORM THE SAD DEMISE OF OUR BELOVED AKHILESH SINGH S/O SH PARVEEN SINGH KATAL R/O BILORI SAMBA. 10TH DAY WILL BE PERFORMED ON 9 SEPT 2013 AT 12 TO 2 PM AT OUR RESIDENCE BILORI SAMBA. KARAM 12 SEPT 2013 AT 12 TO 2 PM.

GRIEF STRICKEN PARVEEN SINGH KATAL - FATHER SENIOR LEADER PDF FOUNDER MEMBER ARCHNA KATAL - MOTHER NARINDER SINGH - BROTHER JOTI KATAL - SISTER BALWAN SINGH - COUSIN



AKHILESH SINGH

CHOUBARSI

Choubarisi of our beloved mother Smt Bimla Sanson W/o Late Sh Shiv Kumar Sanson is going to take place on 10-09-2013 at our residence W No 8, H No 51, Near Pandu Mandir, Udhampur.

GRIEF STRICKEN: Sons & Daughter in law Anuradha Sanson & Ajay Sanson Sheetal Sanson & Gautam Sanson Daughter & Son in law Madhu Sharma & Subhash Sharma Grand Sons & Grand Daughters Suvidha, Sukriti, Haardik, Atharva, Nipun and Shefal

Vasu Dev And Sons, BPCL Dealers, Subhash Chowk, Udhampur



Smt Bimla Sanson

BARKHI

IF TEARS COULD MAKE A STAIR'S WAY AND MEMORIES A LANE I DID WALK RIGHT UP TO HEAVEN AND BRING YOU HOME AGAIN.

BARKHI OF LATE MR RAHUL SHARMA S/O SH NARESH KUMAR SHARMA (JIE) WILL BE PERFORMED ON 9-9-2013 (MONDAY) AT OUR RESIDENCE W.NO. 17, MANKA TALLAB KATHUA AT 9:00 AM.

DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY: FATHER & MOTHER SH NARESH KUMAR SHARMA & SMT VINODI SHARMA TAYA JI & TAJI

SH ASHOK KR. SHARMA & SMT SUNITA SHARMA SH B B SHARMA & SMT KIRAN SHARMA-CHACHA JI & CHACHI JI SH YOGESHWAR SHARMA & SMT ARSHI NAD-CHACHA JI & CHACHI JI

MOB: 9906178535



LATE MR RAHUL SHARMA

BARKHI

Noble Souls Never Die One year has passed, per-

Aessa Lagta Hai, jaise Kal Ki Ho Baat, Kala Din Tha Woh Jab Chhuta Tha Ap Ka Saath, Akele Pade Hain Hum Sabi Chahey Din Ho Ya Raat, Gijaarte Hain Apna Waqt Kar Ke Ap Ki He Batain Yaad, Khashboo Naein Theye Jaise Phool Mujaane Ke Baad, Jane Kahan Chale Jate Hain Log Ise Jahan Se Jane Ke Baad,

BARKHI of our beloved Late Smt. Santosh Gupta W/o Sh. Bansil Lal Gupta will be performed on 10-09-2013 (Tuesday) at 12 Noon at our residence 50-A (near old) Channi Nagar, Jammu.

DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY: Sh. Bansil Lal Gupta-Husband

Son & Daughter-in-law Sh. Vipin Gupta & Smt. Tripta Gupta

Sh. Ajay K Gupta & Smt. Renu Gupta

Grand Children: Abhishek, Taniya, Anika, Anikata

Mob: 9858241869, 9419187231, 9906223667



LATE SMT. SANTOSH GUPTA

Obituary

This is to inform you about the sad demise of our dearer father Hriday Nath Zadoo (Tatha Ji) S/o Late Sh Zind Ram Zadoo (original resident of 47/2, Gurd-Ahalmar Nat Sarak, Srinagar, Km/House No. 2, Lower Lakml Nagar Sarwal, Jammu), on Friday the 6th of September 2013 at New Delhi.

The mourning will be held at Plot No. 247, Shalimar Garden Extension-I Sahibabad, Ghaziabad UP from 6-9-13 to 15-9-13.

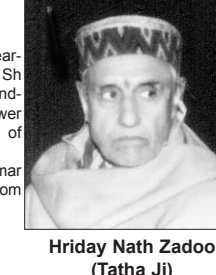
Grief Stricken Sons & Daughters-in-law Sh Pran Nath Zadoo & Santosh Zadoo (Retd. AEE)

Sh Vijay Kumar Zadoo & Sarita Zadoo (AG's Office)

Daughters & Sons-in-law Mrs Dulari Raina & Sh Jagar Nath Raina Mrs Nancy Raina & Sh Makhan Lal Raina

Grand Children, Great Grand Children and Samast Ganjoo Parivar

Mob. 09871629103, 09419129711, 09810504686, 09891690977



Hriday Nath Zadoo (Tatha Ji)

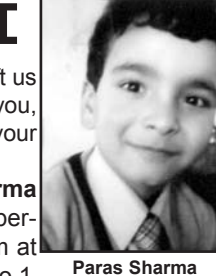
BARKHI

One year have passed since you left us in deep sorrow and tears. We miss you, love you, remember you and feel your presence in every moment of life.

Barkhi of our beloved Paras Sharma S/o Sh Prem Sharma will be performed on 10-09-2013 at 12.00 pm at our residence H.No. 24, Lane No.1, Green Avenue Ext. Trikuta Nagar.

DEEPLY MISSED BY: His Family

Ph.No. 9419390684



Paras Sharma

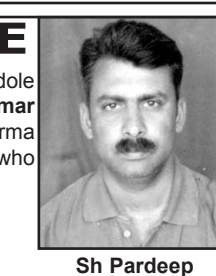
CONDOLANCE

With profound grief and sorrow we condole the untimely demise of Sh Pardeep Kumar S/o Lt. Sh Mohan Lal of Vishwakarma Engg. Co. main road Gangyal, Jammu who expired on 3-9-2013.

GRIEF STRICKEN Naveen Cards, Moh. Paharian

Amit Furnitures, Gangyal Unique Traders, Gangyal

Nuv Packers, Gangyal



Sh Pardeep Kumar

OBITUARY/SHRADDANJALI

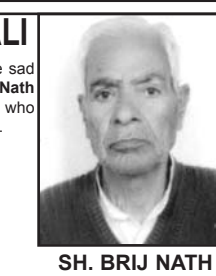
With profound grief and great sorrow we mourn the sad demise of our dearest and most revered Sh. Brij Nath Razdan (Ganhar) R/o 814-Subash Nagar, Jammu who attained his Nirvana on 06-09-2013 at his residence. We are in mourning at 814-Subash Nagar Jammu.

GRIEF STRICKEN IN LAWS

Smt. Nirmala and S.N. Hali Smt. Soni Koul and C.L. Koul

Smt. Vijay and Kanya Lal Bhatt Smt. Tosha and S.K. Bhatt

Smt. Seema and R.L. Bhatt Ph. No: 9596871486



SH. BRIJ NATH RAZDAN

REMEMBRANCE

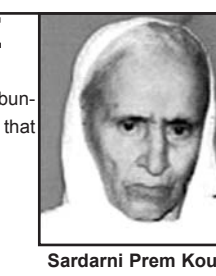
Dear Ma,

On this day we yet again remember your abundant love, warmth and blessings and pray that your soul rests in peace.

DEEPLY MISSED BY: Sassan Family

W.No. 14 Sawan Chak Kathua

M: 9419208161



Sardarni Prem Kour

REMEMBRANCE

IST DEATH ANNIVERSARY

One year has passed since you left us for the heavenly abode but your memories shall never die. You are always in the core of our hearts.

Deeply Remembered By: Sdn. Kuldeep Kour- Wife

And All Family Members



Late S. Sham Singh

MOURNING FROM INLAWS SIDE

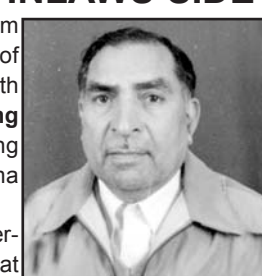
With profound grief it is to inform that on the sad demise of Sh. Dwarika Nath Pandita on 4th September 2013, the mourning from In-Laws side is being observed at 100, Manorma Vihar, Patta Bohri, Jammu.

TENTH DAY KRIYA will be performed on 13th September 2013 at Muthi Ghat Near Directorate of School Education Muthi, Jammu at 8.00 a.m.

GRIEF STRICKEN Sumbly Parivar

2/56 Pamposh Colony Janipur, Jammu

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SH. D.N. PANDITA Retd Dy. Director CAD (Agriculture)

REMEMBRANCE

19 years has been passed since you left for heavenly abode. Your memories & your noble way of life would always remain a guiding spirit for all of us.

Noble souls never die, they remain with us for inspiration.

A Pooja will be performed in his memory at Sh. Mahavir Jain Shwetamber Mandir Fattu Chogan, Jammu on 9th Sept. 2013 at 7.00 A.M.

DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY: Sons & Daughters-in-law

Vinod Jain - Parveen Jain Anoop Jain - Anju Jain

Vikas Jain -Grand Son

M/s Vikas Motors, Chowadi, Jammu

M/3 Jain Motor Stores, Parade, Jammu