

**Promotion of local languages receiving adequate attention: CM**  
Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, June 6: Chief Minister, Omar Abdullah today assured Adbee Markaz Kamraz that the Government would take up necessary measures to introduce Kashmiri, Dogri and Boddhi in the 9th and 10th classes. He said Education Department would be asked to prepare a comprehensive proposal for the State Cabinet to discuss the issue.

"I will talk to the Deputy Chief Minister in this regard", he said directing the Commissioner Secretary School Education to examine the matter and formulate a summary.

Speaking to a deputation of Adbee Markaz Kamraz led by its President, Dr. Aziz Hajini, the Chief Minister said that his Government is paying due attention to the growth and development of local languages and cultures in the State.

The Adbee Markaz Kamraz also highlighted the need of creating posts of +2 Lecturers in Kashmiri language and their placing in the schools where there is urgent need for such placements. The deputation also raised the issue of publication of books in Kashmiri languages for the students.

The meeting was attended by Minister for Rural Development, Ali Mohammad Sagar, Secretary School Education, Hirdesh Kumar, various senior Government officers, Prof. Rehman Rahi, Prof. Zaman Azurdah, Zariq Ahmad Zariq, Shahzadi Simon, Shakeel Qalander, Mushtaq Ahmad Mushtaq, Shujaat Bukhari, Mohammad Amin Bhat and Parvaiz Majid.

**Power shut down**  
Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, June 6: In order to carry out urgent and preventive maintenance (branch cutting) of 11 KV feeders in the Sub division-I Green Belt, Gandhinagar, the power supply to the Green Belt, AD, BD, DC Block and adjoining areas to be fed from RC-1 feeder, PHE, MAM College, Amar Singh Club fed from RC-6 feeder, Police, Polytechnic and Bikram Chowk being fed from RC-5 feeder will remain affected on June 8, 2013 from 6 am to 11 am.

Similarly, the power supply to sector 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Channi Himmat and Deeli besides sector 1, 3, Police Colony, Channi Himmat being fed from CH4 and CH3 feeders respectively will remain affected on June 9, 2013 from 6 am to 11 am.

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Provincial President National Conference Devender Singh Rana addressing public gathering at Balakote on Thursday.

**Contours of Govt in 2014 to be decided by people not New Delhi: Rana**  
Excelsior Correspondent

BALAKOTE (MENDHAR), June 6: Saying that 2014 elections will change the political discourse in Jammu and Kashmir, Provincial President Devender Singh Rana today exuded confidence that people will stamp out deceptive elements and give decisive mandate to National Conference to steer the State to a new era of peace and development.

"The contours of the Government will be decided by the people of Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh and not by New Delhi", he said while addressing a public meeting in village Guloota in Balakote of Mendhar constituency this afternoon.

Winding up weeklong tour of the Poonch district, along with senior party leaders, Mr Rana said those believing in power flowing from the above were undermining the political sagacity of people and disrespecting their self esteem.

The Provincial President referred to unblemished role of National Conference in public service during the past over seven

decades and said it has never compromised with the interests of people or played with their sentiments.

"People know who contributed to the miseries of people when they were braving a very difficult situation unfolded by peace inimical elements", he said and referred to the unpleasant steps taken by vested interests in New Delhi to vitiate the already surcharged atmosphere in the troubled State for deriving political mileage.

"National Conference had no option but to quit in the larger public interest and for the dignity and honour of the people of the State", he said.

Taking dig at People's Democratic Party's brazen attempts of hoodwinking public opinion, Mr Rana said that they did not care for the people and indulged in inciting the people on regional lines. "Now, they have adopted a unique strategy of raking up urban versus rural discrimination bogey in respect of development", he said while referring to the PDP campaign of ignoring Srinagar or Anantnag in respect of development. He said National Conference believes in inclusive and holistic development of all the regions and their sub-region irrespective of political considerations.

Responding to local issues, Mr Rana said that the Centre should come out with a special package

**Governor, CM greet people on Shab-i-Miraj**  
Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, June 6: Governor N. N. Vohra and Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today greeted the people on Shab-i-Miraj.

In his message of felicitations, the Governor expressed the hope that the celebration of this auspicious occasion would further strengthen the bonds of amity, harmony and brotherhood and be a harbinger of peace, progress and prosperity in the State.

In his message, Omar Abdullah said that this holy night provides us opportunity to pray and seek forgiveness and blessings from Almighty. He prayed for peace and prosperity of the State and the country.

**Soz meets Sonia, PM; seeks special exception in cadre allocation for J&K youth in Civil Services**  
Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, June 6: Congress president and MP, Prof Saif-ud Din Soz has sought help from Congress president Sonia Gandhi for granting special exception in Cadre Allocation Policy in favour of the youth from J&K for a period of five years and more for the current batch of 11 candidates selected for the IAS this year.

Prof Soz, who met Mrs Gandhi in Union Capital today informed her that this positive phenomenon of more and more youth getting attracted to a path of peace and prosperity needs to be maintained and promoted.

Explaining details to her, the PCC president said that while from 1990 to 2009 Kashmir valley produced only two RR IAS officers and two IPS officers, the record number of 13 candidates three of them women made it to UPSC Civil Services in 2012, with eight successful candidates from Kashmir valley alone.

Prof Soz told Mrs Gandhi that he also made it clear to Prime Minister, Dr Manmohan Singh that out of the authorized cadre strength of 133 for IAS only five Kashmiris made it as direct recruits from 1960 to

2009. Explaining further, he informed Congress chief that current number of insider vacancies are not being referred to DoPT and said that the proposed exceptional treatment in cadre allocation policy for J&K for a period of five years at least can reform the present imbalance in the system of administration.

He said Mrs Gandhi assured him her support to the proposal. Earlier last evening Prof Soz met Union Home Minister, Sushil Kumar Shinde and External Affairs Minister Salman Khurshid and sought their support to this proposal.

Prof Soz has also written a letter to Prime Minister, Dr Manmohan Singh in this regard

and said that while from 1990 to 2009 Kashmir valley produced only two RR IAS Officers and two IPS officers, in last three years alone more than 25 candidates have made it to UPSC Civil Services Examinations from the State.

The trend is heartening for more than one reason, the letter said, adding the way people have responded to these individual success stories, the amount of news are euphoria that these youngsters have generated and certainly a unique chapter of optimism has been added to Kashmir narrative.

It said the emergence of new role models and youth icons who have not just a professional, but an emotional engagement with the national mainstream

augurs well not only for the State, but also furthers the larger cause of the national integration. This success at national level is also looked at as breakdown of traditional stereotype and an assertion of the energies and confidence of Kashmiri youth and this way a deadly blow has been served to traditional rhetoric of mistrust and discrimination against Kashmiris, as a people, it added.

He said that special exception in cadre allocation policy be granted in favour of J&K youth for a period of five years at least, and more so for the current batch so that this positive phenomenon of more and more youth getting attracted to path of peace and prosperity can be maintained and promoted.

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241 days to less than 1 year	6.50	6.66	7.25	7.45
1 year to less than 2 years	8.75	9.45	8.75	9.45
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241 days to less than 1 year	6.50	6.66	7.50	7.71
1 year to less than 2 years	9.00	9.74	9.00	9.74
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