

Twitter fires majority of employees in India as part of cost-cutting measure

NEW DELHI, Nov 4:

Twitter has fired the majority of its over 200 employees in India as part of mass layoffs across the globe ordered by its new owner Elon Musk who is looking to make his USD 44 billion acquisition work.

Sources said the layoffs are across engineering, sales and marketing, and communications teams.

However, there is no clarity yet on the severance package to be paid to employees laid off in India.

The entire marketing and communications department in India has been sacked, the sources said.

World's richest businessman Musk began his innings at Twitter last week by firing the CEO Parag Agrawal as well as the CFO and some other top executives.

This was followed by an exodus of top management. Musk has now started a massive exercise to downsize the company's global workforce.

"Layoff has started. Some of my colleagues have received email notification regarding this," a Twitter India employee said on condition of anonymity.

132-year-old tunnel discovered under Mumbai's JJ Hospital

MUMBAI, Nov 4:

A 132-year-old tunnel-like structure has been found on the premises of the Government-run JJ Hospital in Mumbai, officials said on Friday.

The 200-metre-long structure was found under a building which originally housed the Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit Hospital for Women and Children. It was later converted into a nursing college. The tunnel came to light during an inspection of the building following a complaint of water leakage, officials said.

The foundation stone of the British-era heritage building was laid by Lord Reay, then Governor of Bombay, on January 27, 1890, said Dr Arun Rathod, Medical Superintendent of the hospital.

Hospital Dean Dr Pallavi Saple told reporters that they have appraised the Mumbai collector and Maharashtra Archaeology Department about the discovery as the building is a heritage structure.

Dr Rathod, who inspected the structure from inside, told reporters that it is 4.5 feet high and has several brick pillars. The entrance is sealed with a stone wall, he said. They entered after opening what looked like a sealed ventilation duct, three ft-by-three ft in size. There are many such sealed openings on the front and the rear side of the structure, he said.

NDPI castigates BJP over false promises

JAMMU, Nov 4: National Democratic Party India (NDPI) president, Rajesh Gupta today castigated BJP over false promises of development, employment, progress and prosperity in the region.

He also took a dig at Farooq Abdullah's statement in which he said that Omar Abdullah will not contest election till J&K statehood restoration. "People of J&K have already experienced the taste of inefficient Omar administration and if we get back the statehood even then we don't need such a defunct man as Chief Minister again in J&K," he alleged.

Gupta said the voters were swayed by pro-Jammu rhetoric and several glamorous slogans given by the saffron leadership to woo the masses. The gullibility of the Dogras was exploited to the full to attain the high seats of power but did nothing for the Jammuities, he said.

"Not only that, the people of the region continued to vote heavily in favour of BJP under the hope that BJP leadership would fulfill its promises sooner than later. The situation as of now has invariably grown from bad to worse under Central BJP dispensation with the Jammu region having been deprived of even its nominal share in the recent past," said Gupta.

This was stated by him while addressing the Party workers at Jammu, wherein leaders including Umesh Manhas, Kuljeet Singh, Tilakraj, Rajiv Luthra and others were present.

layoffs have affected a "significant chunk" of the India team.

The full details of the job cuts were not immediately available.

Twitter India did not respond to email queries.

The US-based social media platform, in an internal email to employees earlier, had said, "In an effort to place Twitter on a healthy path, we will go through the difficult process of reducing our global workforce on Friday."

It said that "everyone will receive an individual email".

The company will temporarily close all offices for safety of employees as well as Twitter systems and customer data.

"If you are in an office or on your way to an office, please return home," Twitter had said.

While Twitter had several run-ins with the Government over freedom of speech, the company in the email barred employees from discussing confidential company information on social media, with the press or elsewhere.

The company is reportedly laying off 3,738 people out of its total headcount of 7,500 across the globe.

(PTI)



Ransoo people protesting against proposed change in Shivkhori ropeway project. —Excelsior/Ramesh Mengi

People protest against proposed change in Shivkhori ropeway alignment

Excelsior Correspondent

REASI, Nov 4: Up in arms against change of alignment in the proposed ropeway project for Shivkhori, people of Ransoo and adjoining areas today observed a complete shutdown and took out a protest march.

Led by the DDC Pouni-A, Kewal Kumar and others, the protesting people also blocked the road and staged a sit-in seeking no change in the original survey for the ropeway.

People from village Ransoo, Sagar, Kotla, Dehote, Alyaa, Kalha, Bamblaya (Sanger), Kalha, Lower Kotla and Kotla took part in the protest and also forwarded a memorandum to Divisional Commissioner Jammu pressing their demand.

In the original survey, which

was conducted two years ago, ropeway was to be made from Kotla to Shiv Khori Ransoo. However, a new survey was made recently for the ropeway from new Bus stand to helipad Shiv Khori.

Protest people claimed that the local would suffer due to the ropeway as per new survey because most of the villagers were working as labourer and employed as Pithu, Palki, Ponywala and running local market there.

Demanding that the ropeway project be executed as per the old survey, the protesting people appealed Government to look into the issue and take a positive decision.

A number of Sarpanches, Panches and prominent people of the area took part in the protest.

21 vehicles involved in illegal mining seized

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 5: Kanachack, Domana, Chinore, Phallian Mandal, Jourian, Pouni Chak and Chatha Police seized 21 vehicles involved in illegal mining.

As per police sources, teams from Police Station Kanachack led by SHO Inspector Rahul Mahajan, Police Station Domana led by SHO Inspector Tilak Raj, Police Post Chinore led by PSI Rajesh Kumar, Police Post Phallian Mandal led by PSI Ajesh Singh Jamwal, Police Post

Jourian led by PSI Karnail Singh, Police Post Pouni Chak led by PSI Nitish Khajuria and Police Post Chatha led by PSI Saddam Hussain raided different areas in their respective jurisdictions and seized 21 vehicles involved in illegal mining.

DMO Jammu was also intimated about the same.

The mining was being done in violation of order of High Court of J&K.

In order to strictly implement the drive against illegal mining and to tighten noose against the violators of the law, Jammu Police has initiated strict action.

Youth dies in accident

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 4: A 22-year-old youth was killed in accident near police check post in Baghe-Bahu area here today, police sources said.

He was seriously injured after an unknown vehicle hit him. He was rushed to Government Medical College and Hospital (GMCH) where doctors declared him as brought dead.

The body of the deceased has been shifted to mortuary of GMCH for identification.

A case FIR Number 109/2022 under sections 279 and 304-A IPC has been registered at Police Station Baghe-Bahu and investigation started.

Man found hanging

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 4: A man was found hanging in his rented accommodation in Sharika Vihar area of Roop Nagar, police sources said.

The deceased was identified as Davinder Singh, son of Ravi Singh of Pargwal, at present Sharika Vihar Roop Nagar District Jammu.

The body of the deceased has been shifted to mortuary of Government Medical College and Hospital for autopsy.

Chinore Police has taken cognizance in this regard.

Congregations

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 4: The annual congregation of Pahadoo and Kangal biradaries will be held on November 6 instead of November 8, at Maa Sajawati Darbar, near Bus Stand, Nowshera/Rajouri.

Raipuriya Jammal Biradari will hold its annual congregation on November 6 at Bua Sajawati Devsthan, Domana in Jammu.

All India Bhola Khatri Biradari is going to organize its annual congregation at Bala Sundari Mata Temple/Sajoti Mata Shlan, Nagri Parole, Kathua on 6th of November. The function will start with Pooja and Havan at 11 AM followed by Bhandara from 2 to 4 PM.

The annual congregation of Mnahas Biradari will be held on November 7 instead of November 8, at Kuldev Bawa Pargoji Devsthan, Pargwal. The function will start at 10 AM with Havan followed by Bhandara from 1 PM onwards.

Magotra Biradari is going to organize its annual congregation on November 7 at Chowadi near Sainik

Colony. The programme will start at 10 AM with Pumahoti followed by Bhandara at 11 AM.

The annual congregation of Manath Mahajan Biradari will be held on November 8 at Darbar of Datti Maa, Changran, Kathua. The function will start at 6 AM with Pooja of Kuldevi Mata Satayati Ji and conclude with Bhandara at 10 AM.

Patiyar Brahman Biradari is going to hold its bi-annual congregation on November 9 at Devsthan of Kuldevta Baba Purav Sidh Dev ji Maharaj at Turgala, Chowki Choura, Akhnoor. The function will start with Havan and Pooja in the morning followed by community fest.

The annual Congregation of Badkulia Biradari will be held at Datti Temple Bipur on 13th of November. The Yagna will be performed at 10 AM and Bhandara for devotees will be organized from 12 Noon onwards.

The annual Congregation of Bandonia Mahajan Biradari will be held on Nov 6 at Holy Shrine of Baba Birfa Nath Sallan at Dayalchak.

Four arrested with contraband substances

Excelsior Correspondent

RAMBAN, Nov 4: Sangaldeen and Banihal Police arrested four persons and recovered contraband substances from their possession.

As per police sources, a team from Police Post Sangaldeen during checking intercepted a vehicle bearing Registration Number JK19A-1149.

During checking, police team recovered 5.20 grams heroin from the possession of the driver and arrested him.

The arrested person was identified as Mohd Mushtaq Shaan, son of Gh Mohd Shaan of Parthmulla Gool District Ramban.

Meanwhile, a team from Police Station Banihal during checking at T Chowk intercepted a tractor trolley.

During checking, police

team recovered 22 kilograms of poppy straw from the vehicle and arrested three persons, who were identified as Inderjit Singh, son of Malagar Singh of Baghor Manki Ludhiana Punjab, Binder Singh, son of Prem Singh of Khamanon Fatehgarh Sahib Punjab and Gorkha Singh, son of Darshan Singh of Tikriwala Tehsil Khamanon district Fatehgarh Punjab.

Cases under relevant sections have been registered at Police Stations Gool and Banihal and investigation started.

The arrest and recoveries were made by Incharge Police Post Sangaldeen ASI Aakash Magotra and SHO Banihal Inspector Mohd Afzal Wani under the supervision of SDPO Banihal Nisar Ahmed Khoja, SDPO Gool Nihar Ranjan and SP Ramban Mohita Sharma.

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1. INVITATION:-

For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor of the UT of Jammu and Kashmir, the Executive Engineer (Distribution), JPDCL, ED-I, Parade, Jammu, hereinafter referred as 'Employer', invites online e-bids from reputed Companies or Class 'A' registered contractors for "Fixing of Rate Contract for Creation of 25, 63, 100, 250, 400, And 630 KVA Sub Station on 9 Mtr PCC Poles. Under the jurisdiction of JPDCL Electric Division-I, Parade, Jammu for the financial year 2022-23 on partial Turn Key basis"

- Bidders are advised to study the Bidding Document carefully. Submission of e-Bid against this SBD shall be deemed to have been done after careful/conscious study and examination of the procedures, terms and conditions of the Standard Bidding Document with full understanding of its implications.
- The tender document is available at website <http://jktenders.gov.in>. Interested Bidders may view, download the e-Bid document, seek clarification and submit their e-Bid online up to the date and time mentioned in the table below:

A	Tender Document Sale/Download Start Date	03.11.2022; 10:00 AM
B	Tender Document Sale/Download End Date	12.11.2022; 02:00 PM
C	e-Bid submission (start) date & time	03.11.2022; 10:00 PM
D	e-Bid submission (end) date & time	12.11.2022; 02:00 PM
E	Submission of Hard Copy of Tender Fee	12.11.2022; up to 04:00 PM
F	Commercial and Technical Bid opening date & time	14.11.2022; 10:00 AM
G	Online financial e-Bid opening date & time (Only of the technically qualified Bidders)	Will be communicated to the Technically Qualified Bidders.
H	Venue of opening of techno-commercial Bids	Soft Copy Electronically & Hard copy in the Office of the Executive Engineer Electric Division-I JPDCL Parade Jammu.
I	Tender Value	
J	Cost of e-Bid document	Rs. 1000.00 (One thousand only) (Non-Refundable)
K	Amount of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs 10000.00

- The Bidders need to submit the proof/cost of e-Bid document as stated in the above table through Demand Draft from any Nationalized/Scheduled bank pledged to Executive Engineer Electric Division-I JPDCL Parade Jammu, payable at Jammu. The original demand draft shall be submitted in a separate envelope to the Office of the Executive Engineer Electric Division-I JPDCL Parade Jammu and should reach at least one day before opening of commercial and technical e-Bid. The scanned copy of the Demand Draft must be uploaded along with the e-Bids.
- Bidders must quote for all the particulars of the item in the Technical Bid and in the price schedule/BOQ of financial bid. The bids of Bidders who will not quote for all the particulars for any item in technical and financial bids shall be liable to be rejected at the discretion of the Employer keeping in view the interest of the JPDCL.

Sd/-
 Executive Engineer
 JPDCL, Electric Division-I
 Parade Jammu

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 Dated: 4-11-2022

शुभ समाचार

6 नवंबर रविवार श्री राम शरणम (पानीपत) शाखा जम्मू के उद्घाटन दिवस के शुभ अवसर पर विशेष सत्संग शाम 4 बजे से 5 बजे तक। उस दिन सुबह कोई सत्संग नहीं होगा। सभी साधकों से अनुरोध है कि वे अवश्य पधारें एवं अपने मित्रों एवं सगे संबंधियों को भी लेकर आएँ। राम राम जी।

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF BUDDHIST/TIBETAN CULTURE & ART

Ministry of Culture invites applications in the prescribed format under the said Scheme for the year 2022-23 from voluntary organizations registered under the Societies Registration Act (XXI of 1860) or similar Acts. The Organization against which previous grant/ Utilization Certificate under this scheme is pending will not be considered for fresh grant. The application in the prescribed format complete in all respect, duly spiral bound and continuously page numbered, alongwith check-list duly recommended by the State Government should reach the Section Officer, BTI Section, Ministry of Culture, 'D' Block, 2nd Floor, Puratataw Bhawan, INA, New Delhi-110023 by 31-12-2022.

- The organization shall also submit the requisite documents such as (i) Bond (ii) Resolution (iii) Bank Authorization letter and (iv) Agency registration form alongwith the application form. The details of the scheme and application form may be downloaded from Ministry of Culture website www.indiaculture.nic.in.
- The organization should register their Society on the Website on Niti Ayog i.e. "http://niti.gov.in/content/ngo-darpan" for obtaining Unique ID, if not registered earlier. The organization should also link their bank account number with PAN Card. The Unique ID of Niti Aayog and PFMS user ID is mandatory.

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ANNOUNCES
much awaited e-auction of Kiosks
at Rail Head Complex, Jammu
 (Opposite Nirvachan Bhawan)

Online e-bids are invited for allotment of **12 No. Kiosks** at Rail Head Complex (Opposite Nirvachan Bhawan) Jammu with refundable Earnest Money Deposit of Rs. 50,000/- w.e.f **1st. Nov. 2022 to 22nd. Nov. 2022** along with the application fee of Rs. 1000/- (non-refundable). The detailed application form, property details along with all terms and conditions are available on **e-brochure**, which can be accessed by clicking on auction tiger option of e-services tab of the JDA website www.jda.jk.gov.in Or by scanning the QR code

Number of Kiosks	Size	Min. Res. Price (Applicable Taxes including GST to be paid extra by the Successful Bidder)	Earnest Money (Refundable)	Application Fee (Non-refundable)	Monthly Rent
12 Nos.	12' X 10'	Rs.17.86 Lacs	Rs. 50,000/-	Rs. 1000/-	Rs. 12.50/ per sft per month (applicable taxes extra to be paid by allottee) with an upward revision of 15% after every three years.

Sd/-
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 JDA, Jammu

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