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National e-Governance Conference momentous occasion for J&K: LG

open, transparent and develop new delivery models to ensure people can access e-Services conveniently. He said, Jammu & Kashmir Union Territory has recorded more than two crore e-transactions in October 2022, which is significantly higher than 10.5 lakh e-transactions during the same period in 2021.

The employees and officers of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir and the appraisal thereof by their respective Reporting / Controlling Officers. The UT of Jammu and Kashmir has been on-boarded on the Gati-Shakti platform of DoT, integration with which marks online processing of Right of Way applications. Recently Government of UT of Jammu and Kashmir has facilitated ease of accessibility of services at a single place and accordingly a portal "eUnnat" -

"e-Governance means inclusiveness, people first, strengthening trust with citizens, establishing real-time grievance redressal mechanism, bridging the digital divide, enhancing ease of doing business & ease of living and enabling the citizens to transparently provide feedback on their experience of public services. We are committed to bring benefits of digital transformation to the people and society. I am confident the two-day National e-Governance Conference shall go a long way in deliberating new e-participation tools and better collaboration with people for efficient service delivery," the Lt Governor observed.

The implementation of e-office in all Government offices has brought about greater efficiency in the overall working of the Government in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. J&K ranks first amongst UTs in the uptake of e-office and a file disposal rate of 96%. As on date, more than 300 offices have been made fully operational on e-office.



An SIA team during a raid in Kashmir on Thursday. -Excelsior/Sajad Dar

The practice of 'Darbar Move' included movement of hundreds of trucks to transport the official documents and infrastructure over a distance of over 300 kms between Jammu and Srinagar and vice versa. The 149-year-old practice entailed an annual cost of around Rs 400 crores. Rapid Assessment System of UT of Jammu and Kashmir ranks first amongst UTs in the RAS integration of services with 227 services integrated with RAS. The first digital online library of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir has been launched. J&K Employees Performance Monitoring Portal, first of its kind introduced anywhere in India by a State or UT Government, captures the monthly work performance of

threats to around a dozen journalists in Kashmir. Anonymous threats were posted on social media against over a dozen journalists last week, accusing them of working for the security agencies and threatening journalists working for three media houses.

This is the second time raids were conducted in the case. Earlier, police conducted raids at 12 locations including those of journalists and some of them were detained for questioning. The raids were carried out at 7 locations in Srinagar, Budgam and Pulwama. The premises which were raided and searched belong to journalist Showkat Mota in Srinagar, Khaksar Nadeeb Adnan in Srinagar, house of Editor and owner of Kashmir Reader newspaper Haji Hayat in Pampore and Kashmir Reader Office at Batamalo in Srinagar, Ishfaq Reshi in Budgam, Dr Asif Dar at Bemia who is based abroad and Saqib Magloo in Srinagar.

Few of them were detained by the police for questioning. Police said that those whose houses were searched earlier are being summoned on daily basis for questioning. In Kistwar, the SIA raided the house of Minhaj Bashir at village Tund. During searches, some documents and a mobile phone were recovered.

J&K's final electoral rolls to be published today, voters may go up by around 7 lakh

(CEO) in Jammu and Kashmir for last two and a half months especially when Special Summary Revision was under-going in the Union Territory and that too after a gap of three years. It was on September 11 that CEO Hirdesh Kumar, a senior IAS officer of erstwhile Jammu and Kashmir cadre, now AGMUT, was posted as Deputy Election Commissioner in New Delhi and since then his replacement hasn't been ordered. Though publication of final electoral rolls is mandatory before conduct of Assembly elections, there are no chances of polls this year as harsh winter season has already set-in and will last till March.

in 2019 due to August 5 decisions of the Central Government scrapping special status of erstwhile State and bifurcating it into two Union Territories of J&K and Ladakh while during next two years of 2020 and 2021 it was not held because of the Delimitation Commission exercise. The Delimitation Commission submitted its report on May 5 this year after which rationalization of polling booths was done and later Special Summary Revision exercise was launched in the Union Territory on July 1.

"The Election Commission can take a call in March on when to go for Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir. Though conduct of polls is domain of the Election Commission, it has to take into account security situation in the UT like J&K before taking a decision on the polls. The Commission can visit the UT or send its team and take reports from the Union Home Ministry and the J&K Government on whether security scenario was conducive for holding the Assembly elections or not, the sources said.

While splitting Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories through the Reorganization Act, the Union Home Ministry had increased Assembly seats of Jammu and Kashmir by seven taking total seats to 114-24 of which are reserved for PoJK while election will be held for 90 seats. Erstwhile State of Jammu and Kashmir had 111 seats including 24 reserved for PoJK while elections were held for 87 seats. With creation of Ladakh as Union Territory, four seats of the region were reduced and the Assembly was left with 83 seats. However, with increase of seven seats, J&K UT will have an Assembly of 90 seats. Two women MLAs will be nominated to the House, which was the position earlier also.

Summary Revision couldn't be undertaken in Jammu and Kashmir

WEATHER JAMMU: Mainly dry TEMPERATURE Max: 25.7 Degree C Min: 9.1 Degree C RELATIVE HUMIDITY RH-I (Morning): 87.0 per cent RH-II (Evening): 69.0 per cent Sunset on Friday: 05.28 p.m. Sunrise on Saturday: 07.10 a.m. SRINAGAR: Mainly dry TEMPERATURE Max: 14.7 Degree C Min: -0.8 Degree C RELATIVE HUMIDITY RH-I (Morning): 92.0 per cent RH-II (Evening): 67.0 per cent LEH: TEMPERATURE Max: 6.2 Degree C Min: -9.0 Degree C

Newspaper office, Editor's house raided

Police said that today's raids were conducted on the basis of vital leads obtained from earlier searches of November 19. Police said that during today's search, all the legal formalities and SOPs were followed professionally and incriminating materials including mobiles, computers, laptops, pendrives, simcards, jihadi literature, banking documents, dummy gun, US and Russian currency notes were recovered and seized. At least six journalists working with local media houses in Srinagar resigned after the threats. Police said The Resistance Front (TRF), which is an offshoot of Lashkar-e-Toiba, is behind the threats. Police also blamed journalist Mukhtar Baba as the mastermind behind putting out the list of journalists accusing them of being informers for security forces. They also accused Sajjad Gul who is originally from Srinagar and the main operatives of the TRF for issuing threats. In Kishtwar, the SIA raided the house of Minhaj Bashir at village Tund. During searches, some documents and a mobile phone were recovered.

AC approves free of cost medicines against LSD

to Lumpy Skin Disease affected farmers of UT of J&K. Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to the Lieutenant Governor and Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary, J&K attended the meeting. In J&K, all the 20 districts are affected with the disease, with 56,146 cattle having contracted infection till date out of which 1564 animals have died. The affected farmers are in distress due to medical expenses which ranges from Rs. 6,000 to Rs. 10,000 and accordingly, to provide relief to the farmers, provision of free of cost veterinary medicines to LSD affected farmers has been made to ease the financial burden of the farmers for treating the disease.



Arms, ammunition and cash recovered by Samba police on Thursday. -Excelsior/Nischant

Drone dropped arms, cash seized

across the border in Samba district and averted what could have been a major terror attack by the militants later had the consignment landed in their hands. Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Samba Abhishek Mahajan told the Excelsior that local people saw the consignment, somewhere between Ramgarh and Vijaypur, about five-six kilometres away from the International



SSP Samba Abhishek Mahajan speaking to media persons. -Excelsior/Nischant

Border, at around 6.15 am and they informed the police. He said the Bomb Disposal Squad recovered two un assembled IEDs with detonators, two Chinese pistols, 4 magazines with 60 rounds and Rs 5 lakh in Rs 500 denomination. The consignment was covered in a wooden box with a steel base, the SSP said. "It is a case of cross-border drone-dropping. We are investigat-

Advocates have responsibility of keeping stream of justice pure, unsullied: DB

Advocates against whom notices were issued assure that their conduct will remain always in tune with the terms of the Advocates Act, 1961 as also of the Jammu and Kashmir Advocates (Regulation of Practice in the High Court and Subordinate Courts) Rules, 2003", adding "the advocates further submit that they will fulfil their obligation towards the courts as also towards their clients as per the mandate of the judgments of the Supreme Court made from time to time".

"The faith and confidence of the people on courts shall be the sole survival depending on the approach of the lawyers. There may be incidents which have taken ugly situation not only like the present one but all over the country, but mostly the matters got settled amicably in the larger interest of maintaining the relation between Bar and Bench", the DB said, adding "we have also noticed that all the members of the Bar and the President of the Bar Association have expressed their full cooperation and support in ensuring justice to those who approach the court of law with full confidence".

mechanism and adjudicate quickly", the DB stressed, adding "it is possible to avoid litigation if each and every one of the advocates advise the clients to avoid litigation, if possible. If we create a scenario in which litigation should be treated as a last resort, then surely the level of litigation will come down considerably".

"In the event of a situation in which the client is not able to avoid the litigation, we should encourage settling the disputes through alternate dispute resolution mechanisms, which are not only quicker in disposing of the disputes but also bring down the pendency in the courts as well as the cost of litigation", the DB further said, adding "it is the advocates and counsels who are the first point of contact in the process of litigation. If the Bar and its members advise the clients to opt for alternative dispute resolution mechanisms, then surely, in the days to come, this will become popular".

"The undertakings with reference to maintaining dignity, honour and respect of the court at all times and not causing any obstruction shall also form the basis for discharging of the role", the DB said, adding "additionally, the basis for dropping the proceedings has reference to submissions made by the senior Bar members and President of the Bar Association and Advocate General".

"Our efforts to sanction perpetrators of 26/11 attacks blocked for political reasons": India

Govt places 91 JKPS officers in Time Scale

The Pay Matrix (revised) with effect from July 1, 2022. These officers include: Rameez Rashid, Abid Rashid Mir, Mohd Saleem Bhat, Shivender Singh Jammal, Rameez Raja, Nikhil Rasgotra, Amit Kumar Sharma, Mubashir Rasool, Ravinder Singh, Sunny Gupta, Tariq Mahmood, Devinder Singh Bhandal, Owaish Hashid, Sarfaraz Bashir Ganai, Gh Mustafa Bhat, Shahzada Kabir Mattoo, Ashish Gupta, Ab Raqeeb Malik, Shwetambri Sharma, Hamid Ali Bandy, Abdul Majid Magray, Mir Burhan Ul Haq Kanth, Sajad Sarwer, Mudasser Ahmed Trambo, Vaseem Mehmoood, Suresh Kumar Sharma, Nissar Ahmad Darzi, Varun Jandial, Raja Mohd Batt, Owais Ahmad Wani, Mohammad Yesser Parrey, Sahil Sharma, Preeti Verma, Showkat Ahmad Bhat, Mohsina Sebtain, Ajaz Ahmad, Ashaq Hussain Dar, Swati Sharma, Abdul Ghafoor, Mehraj Ud Din Raina, Sachit Mahajan, Sourabh Prashar, Junaid Wali, Mohd Ameen Bhat, Javaid Iqbal Tabassam, Bhupinder Kumar,

Tussif Ahmed, Tahir Amin Sheikh, Raiz Ahmed, Sajad Ahmad Malik, Asgar Ali Malik, Imtiaj Ahmed, Pankaj Soodan, Parul Bhardwaj, Jaswant Singh, Albeena Malik, Afrat Hussain, Faraz Hussain Shah, Irshad Ahmad Ahanger, Junaid Hakeem, Shaid Nahiem Ahmed, Aftab Hussain Shah, Aishaq Hussain Malik, Satish Bhardwaj, Hilal Ahmad Hilal, Shamsher Singh, Amara Naseem, Shahjan Choudhary, Dheraj Singh Katoch, Shazia Akhter, Sheikh Mudasar Ahmad Farooqi, Koshken Koul, Nikhil Gongga, Mansoor Ahmad, Zafar Mahdi, Altaf Ahmad Khan, Ahmad Shaafi Zargar, Tanweer Ahmad Jeelani, Mohd Nawaz Khan, Imran Malik, Mudassar Hussain, Pardeep Singh Sen, Sheezan Bhat, Ajaz Ahmed, Neeraj Kumar, Lov Karan, Rohit Chadgal, Jigmet Lhundup, Manzoor Ahmad, Khalid Ashraf and Manoj Kumar.

the very foundation of any legal system, the DB said, "the legal fraternity plays the role of a very vital instrument in the process of access to justice to the people at large and when the very instrument abstains from the court proceedings, then it is the common people and the litigants who suffer".

"We need to adopt three pronged strategy to reduce the high level of litigation—avoid litigation; adopt alternate dispute resolution mechanism. Hence, the Bar as well as the Judiciary should promote this mechanism", the DB further said, adding "in the event of not being able to avoid litigation and, if it is not possible to adopt alternative dispute resolution mechanism, the only other way to reduce the pendency is to adjudicate quickly. This, in our opinion, is only in the hands of the Advocates and the Judiciary".

Shah meets protesting Gujjar-Bakerwals, assures no dilution in their existing quota

Scheduled Tribes in J&K. Pertinent to mention that some leaders of Gujjar-Bakerwal community under the aegis of Gujjar Bakewal Joint Action Committee, are taking out a protest march from Kupwara to Kathua since November 4 against the proposed Scheduled Tribe status to the Paharis. Union Home Minister Amit Shah, during a rally in Rajouri last month, had promised ST status to the Paharis, bringing cheers among the community but infuriating Gujjars.

The Commission for Socially and Educationally Backward Classes, led by Justice (Retd) GD Sharma has recommended reservation to Pahari, Paddari and Koli as well as Gadda Brahman and the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes recently gave a go-ahead to include these groups in ST list of J&K.

According to the sources, the meeting with representatives of the Joint Action Committee, held at official residence of Amit Shah at New Delhi this evening, was also attended by Union Home Secretary A K Bhalla, Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha), Er Ghulam Ali Khatana, senior BJP leader Sunil Sharma, prominent Tribal researcher Javaid Rahi and some Gujjar leaders.

"The order in this regard also mentioned that these placements are subject to the outcome of writ petition(s) pending, if any, before any competent Court of law."

CINEMA

APSARA AUDI 1: BHEDIYA - 9.45 AM - 12.45 PM, 03.45 PM, 6.45 PM, 9.30 PM
APSARA AUDI 2: DRISHYAM 2 - 10.00 AM, 12.30 PM, 3.30 PM, 06.30 PM, 09.15 PM
RAHI THEATRE: GOODFATHER - 10.00 AM, 12.30 PM, 3.30 PM, 06.30 PM
PVR KC AUDI 1: 1. DRISHYAM 2 (HINDI) - 9.30 AM, 2. (2D) BHEDIYA (HINDI) - 12.40 PM, 3. DRISHYAM 2 (HINDI) - 4.00 PM, 4. (2D) BHEDIYA (HINDI) - 7.10 PM, 5. DRISHYAM 2 (HINDI) - 10.30 PM
PVR KC AUDI 2: (3D) BHEDIYA (HINDI) - 9.55 AM, 2. DRISHYAM 2 (HINDI) - 1.15 PM, 3. (3D) BHEDIYA (HINDI) - 4.25 PM, 4. DRISHYAM 2 (HINDI) - 7.45 PM, 5. (3D) BHEDIYA (HINDI) - 10.55 PM.
WAVE CINEMA AUDI 1: BHEDIYA - 3D - (U/A) - 09.30 AM, 12.40 PM, 3.50 PM, 7.00 PM, 10.15 PM.
WAVE CINEMA AUDI 2: DRISHYAM2 (U/A) - 10.00 AM, 12.55 PM, 3.45 PM, 6.45 PM, 9.45 PM.
WAVE CINEMA AUDI 3: BHEDIYA (U/A) - 10.30 AM, DRISHYAM 2 (U/A) - 1.30 PM, BHEDIYA (U/A) - 4.30 PM, UUNCHAI (U/A) - 7.30 PM, DRISHYAM 2 (U/A) - 10.45 PM.

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