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**J&K youth will write new story of development, this decade important in UT's history: Modi**

without any discrimination," he remarked and said the pace at which work is being done on development-related projects will transform entire economy of Jammu and Kashmir.

He also informed that efforts are on to strengthen the Health and Education infrastructure in Jammu and Kashmir with the opening of two new AIIMS, seven new Medical Colleges, two State Cancer Institutes and 15 Nursing Colleges.

He said efforts are underway to improve connectivity to Kashmir by trains.

"The youth of Jammu and Kashmir were coming forward in large numbers for the development of their UT and their people. It is our youth who will write a new story of development in Jammu and Kashmir," Modi said.

He said 30,000 people have been recruited for various Government jobs since 2019 and nearly 20,000 of these posts have been filled in the last one-and-a-half years only.

The Prime Minister said the entire team of the Jammu and Kashmir administration, especially Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha and his team, must be credited for this commendable work.

"The mantra of 'Yogyata Se Rozgar' (employment with competence), which the team has followed, is instilling new confidence in the youth of J&K," Modi said.

Referring to several steps taken by the Central Government to promote employment and self-employment, he said employment fairs being organised in different parts of the country from October 22 will see more than 10 lakh appointment letters being awarded by the Central Government in the next few months.

As various states like Jammu and Kashmir are also associated with this campaign, this number is going to increase even more, he added.

"To increase employment in Jammu and Kashmir, we have also expanded the business environment here. Our new industrial policy and business reforms action plan has paved the way for ease of doing business. This has given a

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The DGP, however, said that readymade IEDs is a new strategy of the militants aimed at inflicting maximum damage to security forces and less to militants.

"This is a new strategy by militants. Such consignments were seized in Jammu that were air-dropped through drones. Unfortunately, some IED explosions were reported in Udhampur in which a few people lost their lives," he said.

Singh said that the credit for dip in stone pelting and street protests goes to the people and the youth who choose to stay away from violence.

"The youth preferred to shape their careers in various fields. Stone pelting has come to an end in the past three years and local

**NHRC takes serious note of failure in granting justice to martyrs' kin**

far due to discriminatory approach that amounts to denial and deprivation of the legitimate right of family of the complainant. The complainant, Rajinder Premi, son of the martyr has prayed for early implementation of the SHRC judgment dated 12.2.2012 in letter and spirit, translating into action of the decisions of a high level meetings held on 19.12.2012, 22.1.2014, 14.1.2017, 12.10.2017 and 4.10.2018, immediate issuance of record notes/minutes of the meeting held on 14.1.2017 and 12.10.2017, early orders of construction of a community/cultural center at the native place of martyr in Soaf Shali, Anantnag and commemoration for literary and cultural work of the martyr by the Culture Department, J&K Art, Culture and Languages.

The Commission expressed its displeasure the way the UT Government was responding in the instant case for the reason that the State Government has failed to produce it on record its willingness to implement the decision of the DB of J&K SHRC dated 22.2.2012 unmindful of the fact that the matter is pending since 2012 and almost nine years have lapsed. The Commission also observed that the decision of the DB has not been challenged so far by the J&K Government and thus has attained finality by now.

The Commission also issued directives to the Chief Secretary, UT of J&K to submit the final supplementary report on steps taken in furtherance of implementation of DB decision dated 22.2.2012 within four weeks."

The Commission further observed that in the instant case, instead of complying its directions qua implementation, in toto, the recommendations of the erstwhile SHRC made in favour of the family of the complainant, the State is raising issues concerning authority/powers / functioning of the Commission and that too not in good spirit. The Commission deprecated the conduct of the UT authorities in the instant case. It is not the case that the State Government is not inclined to implement the recommendation of the DB of erstwhile SHRC but the issue is that how long the State would take to implement the same as Justice delayed is justice denied.

The Commission further observed that vide this report, a request has also been made by the State to defer the matter till the pendency /outcome of the writ petition filed by the UT of Jammu and Kashmir before High Court of J&K at Srinagar.

The Commission has considered the request and is of view that it has already been made clear in earlier proceedings that the High Court of J&K has not stayed the proceedings of this Commission which makes it abundantly clear that with regard to the implementation of the erstwhile J&K SHRC recommendation, there is no legal impediment.

The Commission while passing strictures against the UT Government observed several directions have been given by the

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registered at RS Pura Police Station vide No. 196/2022 under Sections 13, 16 and 18 of Unlawful Activities Prevention Act.

There have been repeated attempts by Pakistan to drop weapons through drones along the International Border in Jammu and Punjab sectors. A series of such attempts have been successfully thwarted by the Border Security Force (BSF).

However, some consignments which were picked up by the Over Ground Workers (OGWs) of the militants, were later recovered by the police and OGWs arrested.

Police said Balvinder Singh was coordinating with accused in

**EC to announce Gujarat poll schedule this week**

Commission had given a clear hint that votes for Gujarat would also be counted on December 8.

In 2017, the polls in the two States were announced on different dates but the counting took place together on December 18.

Floods in Gujarat had led the EC to hold polls in the States after

himself recruitment too has dropped to almost zero," he said.

The Police chief said that the target killings are being carried out to disrupt the peaceful atmosphere prevailing in the Valley and to damage the age-old fabric of communal harmony.

"A major aim of such acts is to provoke people across India to target Kashmiris working in many Indian states. I am grateful to Indian citizens for behaving maturely and not falling into the trap laid by the agencies supporting militancy," he said.

Singh said that police are organizing the marathon 2022 in which people of all ages participated including physically abled children and elderly. "More events are on cards especially the football event under civic action program of the police," he added.

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The first time to showcase their innovations and research projects, and students and researchers from all over the country displayed more than 75 best projects, he added.

He cited details of some of them, saying they touched on the themes of healthcare, agriculture, robotics, semiconductors, 5G communications.

Several IITs are also working together on a multi-lingual project that makes learning local languages easier, he said, stressing that it will help the National Education Policy in achieving its goals.

Greeting people on Chhath festival, the prime minister noted that it is deeply connected with nature and worships the setting and rising sun.

He then noted as to how India is harnessing solar energy, the "blessing of Sun God".

The whole world is looking at its future in environment-friendly solar energy, he said.

Modi added, "Today, India is combining its traditional experiences with modern science. That is why it has become one of the largest countries in generating electricity from solar energy. How solar energy is changing the lives of the poor and middle class of our country is also a subject of study."

Highlighting the 'PM Kusum Yojna', he spoke in detail about how people have availed of it to install solar plants to not only cut down on their power bills but also to make money and generate employment in some cases.

He also spoke to residents of India's first solar village Modhera in Gujarat, and said most houses there have started generating electricity from solar power.

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The LG said that the action-oriented deliverables of Back to Village-IV with the realistic assessment of the ground realities are aimed at connecting youth with self-employment and skill development programs, strength-

**SC to hear 232 pleas on CAA today**

CJI Lalit, who is scheduled to demit office on November 8, had said that the pleas challenging the CAA will be referred to a three-judge bench.

The 2019 amended law, which seeks to grant Indian citizenship to non-Muslim migrants belonging to Hindu, Sikh, Buddhist, Christian, Jain and Parsi communities from Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan who have come to the country till 2014, has come in for stinging criticism by opposition parties, leaders and other entities over the exclusion of Muslims.

The lead plea on the issue was filed by the Indian Union Muslim League (IUML).

In January 2020, the apex court made it clear it will not stay the operation of the Citizenship (Amendment) Act without hearing the Centre.

Seeking a response from the Central Government in four weeks to a batch of pleas challenging the CAA, the top court had also restrained high courts in the country from proceedings with pending petitions on the issue.

The IULML has claimed the Act violates the fundamental Right to Equality and intends to grant citizenship to a section of illegal immigrants by making an exclusion based on religion.

Several other petitions have been filed challenging the constitutional validity of the amended law, including by Congress leader Jairam Ramesh, RJD leader

Manoj Jha, Trinamool Congress MP Mahua Moitra, and AIMIM leader Asaduddin Owaisi.

Muslim body Jamiat Ulama-Hind, All Assam Students Union (AASU), Peace Party, CPI, NGO 'Rihai Manch', advocate M L Sharma, and law students have also approached the apex court challenging the Act.

Besides the pleas on CAA, the apex court, according to the list of businesses uploaded on its website, is also scheduled to hear a PIL filed by advocate Ashwini Upadhyay.

It seeks directions to the Centre and the States to publish draft legislations prominently on Government websites and in the public domain at least 60 days before they are introduced in Parliament and State assemblies.

The CJ-led bench would also hear another PIL seeking to establish special anti-corruption courts in every district to decide cases related to various economic offences like money laundering and tax evasion within one year.

The top court would also consider a PIL for a direction to the Centre to declare the Law Commission as a "statutory body" and appoint the chairperson and members to the panel.

A PIL seeking a direction to the Election Commission to remove party symbols from ballots and electronic voting machines (EVMs) and instead put age, educational qualification and photograph of candidates are listed for hearing on October 31. (PTI)

**OBITUARY**

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of **Sh. Brij Nath Pandita** S/o Late Sh. Halder Pandita originally R/o Fatehpura, Anantnag, Kashmir at present Block 20, Lane 4 (Community Hall) Flat No. 6, Jagti Township who left for heavenly abode on 29th Oct. Saturday 2022.

**GRIEF STRICKEN**  
Smt. Shanta Pandita (Wife)  
**Son & Daughter-in-law**  
Sh. Sanjay Pandita & Seema Pandita  
**Daughter & Son-in-law**  
Asha Koul & Sh. Sameer Ji Koul  
Veena Koul & Sh. R.K. Koul  
Smt. Shama Koul - **Sister**  
Smt. Chandrani Pandita, Smt. Piyari Pandita, Smt. Kishni Pandita - **Bhabhis**  
**Grand Children** : Swyam, Kaya, Gun Gun



Sh. Brij Nath Pandita

**SHRADHANJALI**

**VAIKUNTHS MANZ AISINAI JAIY**

It is unbelievable that you are not with us. We feel your presence everyday, every moment with silent tears. May Almighty God grant eternal peace to your noble soul. This day is a blackday for us.

**DEEPLY MISSED AND REMEMBERED BY:-**  
Tej Koul - **Father** | Your destitute parents  
Phoola Koul - **Mother**



Miss Rajni Koul (73-99)