

'New recruits will play role in countering terrorism' PM to distribute 51,000 appointment letters today, mostly in paramilitary forces

Sanjeev Pargal JAMMU, Aug 27: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will distribute 51,000 appointment letters to youth across the country tomorrow in 'Rozgar Mela' through virtual mode including Jammu and Srinagar BSF Campus where two Union Ministers of State will be present physically to handover the orders.

The 'Rozgar Mela' will be held at 45 locations in the country. Union Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region and Cooperation BL Verma will be present at the 'Rozgar Mela' in Jammu being held at BSF Frontier Headquarters Paloura while Union Minister of State for Home Ajay Kumar Mishra will attend the function and distribute letters among the selected youth at STC BSF in Srinagar.

Union Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) Dr Jitendra Singh, Incharge Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) will coordinate the programme

Two Ministers to attend functions in Jammu, Srinagar

from New Delhi. The Prime Minister will virtually address the newly recruited youth. The Ministers and other functionaries will then physically handover appointment letters to the selected youth. A total of 51,000 youth will get the appointment letters tomorrow, the officials said.

For past quite some months, 'Rozgar Mela' is being held every month. In the previous such functions, 71,000 appointment letters were given by the Prime Minister in almost every 'Rozgar Mela'.

This time, as per the officials, a large number of youth have been recruited in the paramilitary forces.

An official statement released by the Government on the eve of 'Rozgar Mela' said Prime Minister Narendra Modi will distribute more than 51,000 appointment letters to newly inducted recruits on August 28

Urges people to come together to make summit successful Huge increase in number of tourists to Kashmir after G20 meeting: Modi

'Meri Mati, Mera Desh' in full swing in country

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Aug 27: Prime Minister Narendra Modi today again mentioned the conduct of G20 meeting held in Kashmir in the month of May saying it has been a game-changer for tourist sector in the Valley.

He made the mention of successful G20 meeting in Srinagar while addressing 104th episode of his monthly Radio Address 'Mann Ki Baat' which is aired every last Sunday of the month. "After the G20 meeting in Srinagar, a huge increase in the number of tourists to Kashmir is being seen. I urge all countrymen to come together to make G20 summit successful and bring glory to the country," the Prime Minister said.

The G20 meeting of Tourism Working Group held in Srinagar

There is enough talent, potential in Kashmir: Raj Admn committed to ensure progress of women in J&K: LG

Fayaz Bukhari

SRINAGAR, Aug 27: Impressed by the talent of the women cricketers, Lt Governor Manoj Sinha today said that in near future women in Jammu and Kashmir will lead the development of the

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Union Territory.

Speaking to reporters on the sidelines of the final of the women's Cricket Tournament here at SKICC, the LG said that Jammu and Kashmir administration is committed to ensuring that women progress in whatever field they choose. "I am confident that in the



LG Manoj Sinha at the final of Women's Cricket tournament at SKICC Srinagar on Sunday.

coming days, the development of Jammu and Kashmir will be led by women," he said. Sinha said that he is delighted to see the young women in

Kashmir getting new opportunities. "I have been closely following the tournament right from

'Pahalgam people cooperated with yatra even during turmoil'

There is sea change in ground situation in Kashmir as compared to nineties: Mahant

Avtar Bhat

JAMMU, Aug 27: Maintaining that there is a sea change in the ground situation in Kashmir since 1990 when he first led the Chhari Mubarak to holy cave, Mahant Deependra Giri Ji, the sole custodian of holy mace of Shri Amarnath Ji said that the people in Pahalgam always welcomed the Chhari Mubarak with open arms even in nineties when the situation was not conducive in Kashmir.

Talking to a selected group of media persons after performing Chhari Pujan at Gouri Shanker temple, Pahalgam today, Mahant Ji said that people of Pahalgam always cooperated with the yatra.

"Even during the unrest in 1990 there was no compromise on yatra by local people and they kept market open during the days when holy mace reached Pahalgam. In case of a strike call given during that time the business community of Pahalgam would openly refuse to close their shops and say there will be no bandh on the day the holy mace reaches the town. They would not shut the market during the arrival of Chhari Mubarak as the people of the Pahalgam are associated with the Yatra for centuries together and it has been a part of their cultural heritage," he added.

Mahant Ji said there is a discernible change in Kashmir situation. "I was overwhelmed with joy after seeing markets were

open enroute the Chhari Yatra yesterday in Pampore, Awantipora and Bijbehara and it took me back to pre 1990 period when people of all communities were waiting enroute to greet the Chhari Mubarak which used to travel on foot right from its abode Dashnami Akhara, Srinagar to holy cave.

"Really my joy knew no bounds when I saw markets open and people cheerful," he said. "It reminded me of the pre 1990 era when I used to associate with Chhari Mubarak led by the then Mahant Ji to cave shrine," he added.

Stressing that peaceful atmosphere is a guarantee for prosperity, he said "We all have

Sonia visits floating, Mughal gardens

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Aug 27: Former Congress president Sonia Gandhi, who is on a private visit to Kashmir, today visited the famous floating gardens in the Dal lake here.

The Congress leader took a shikara to visit the floating gardens soon after day break.

Rahul Gandhi, who is also currently in Kashmir after completing his eight-day visit to

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Srinagar gets spot in top ranking cities

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Aug 27: In one more major recognition, Srinagar district has clinched a spot among Top Ranking Cities of India under Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan -2023 (Clean Air Survey) conducted by the Central Pollution Control Board, Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and

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Dhillon appointed IIT Board of Governors chairman

SRINAGAR, Aug 27:

Retired Lieutenant General and former head of the Army's strategic 15 Corps, Lt Gen Kanwal Jeet Singh Dhillon has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Board of Governors (BoG) of Indian Institute of Technology, Mandi, Himachal Pradesh.

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Miss World to visit Kashmir

NEW DELHI/SRINAGAR, Aug 27:

In a first for an international beauty pageant winner, reigning Miss World Karolina Bielawska will visit Kashmir tomorrow on a day-long tour for an event.

According to Rouble Nagi, chairperson of a Mumbai-based organisation engaged in women empowerment, Bielawska will

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Khalistan messages on Metro Stations

NEW DELHI, Aug 27:

Ahead of the G20 Summit, pro-Khalistan messages were found in at least five Delhi Metro stations, officials said today.

A senior police officer said unidentified people wrote "Delhi Banega Khalistan" and "Khalistan Zindabad" on the walls of at least five Delhi Metro stations.

Legal action is being taken, (Contd on page 4 Col 5)

Matter to be closed before Winter Session of Parliament

9000 Audit Paras replied by J&K Govt, another 14000 to be taken up shortly

Mohinder Verma

JAMMU, Aug 27: A total of 9000 Audit Paras of the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India have been replied to/addressed by the Government of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and another 14000 will be taken up shortly as matter is required to be closed before the Winter Session of the Parliament when the concerned committee will table a report in this regard.

Official sources told EXCELSIOR that few days back Chief Secretary Dr Arun Kumar Mehta held deliberations on the settlement of pending Audit Paras with senior officers

Directions issued for uploading legacy data on PFMS

of different departments particularly Principal Secretary Finance and accordingly he reiterated the earlier direction to all the Administrative Secretaries to focus on reconciliation of pending Audit Paras.

In the meeting, Principal Secretary Finance Department apprised the Chief Secretary that 9000 Audit Paras have been replied to/addressed and another 14000 Audit Paras will be taken up during the scheduled 3rd and 4th phase.

"Emphasizing the importance of the issue, the Chief

Secretary observed that before the Winter Session of the Parliament the matter will have to be placed before the concerned Parliamentary Committee for closure", sources informed.

The Chief Secretary has already fixed October 31, 2023 deadline for the clearance of Audit Paras pertaining to the Financial Years 2019-20, 2021-22 and 2022-23 contained in the reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India.

It is pertinent to mention

here that the broad objectives of audit are to ensure legality, regularity, efficiency and effectiveness of financial management and public administration mainly through assessment as to whether the financial statements

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'Party to focus on employment, tourism' Azad promises 'Khushaal Jammu-Kashmir' if DPAP comes to power

Gopal Sharma

JAMMU, Aug 27: Promising a 'Khushaal Jammu-Kashmir', former Chief Minister and chairman, Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP), Ghulam Nabi Azad today said that he will

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mainly focus on removing unemployment and developing Tourism Industry in Jammu and Kashmir, if his party comes to power.

Addressing a massive public rally at Pulwama today, Azad said, "DPAP model of governance encompasses equal employment for educated girls



DPAP chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad addressing a public rally in Pulwama on Sunday.

as well as boys in my idea of 'Khushaal Jammu-Kashmir' which would also guarantee jobs, roads, electricity, mobile connectivity and financial stability. The skilled and unskilled workers will have plenty of opportunities by utilising the full

potential of the region," he added. "The focus will be on Tourism to tackle the problem of unemployment. The youngsters should become hoteliers, restaurateurs and other service

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SIT formed to trace AEE

SRINAGAR, Aug 27:

Police in Jammu and Kashmir's Baramulla district today constituted a Special Investigation Team (SIT) to investigate the missing case of a senior engineer of the Roads and Buildings department.

Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) Gurmeet Singh, who is posted in Baramulla, has been missing since August 25 evening.

On Sunday police said a SIT led by Deputy Superintendent of Police, Headquarters Baramulla has been formed and police has initiated a comprehensive search operation involving State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), dog squad, drone surveillance, to uncover any potential clues. Singh, a resident of

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