

Defence Ministry inks contract with HAL to procure 6 Dornier aircraft

NEW DELHI, Mar 10:

The Defence Ministry on Friday sealed a deal with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) to procure six Dornier aircraft at a cost of Rs 667 crore for the Indian Air Force.

The addition of the six aircraft will further bolster the operational capability of the IAF in remote areas, the Defence Ministry said announcing the contract.

The Dornier-228 aircraft is a highly versatile multi-purpose light transport aircraft.

It has been developed specifically to meet the manifold requirements of utility and commuter transport as well as for maritime surveillance.

The aircraft will have an upgraded fuel-efficient engine coupled with a five-bladed composite propeller, the Ministry said.

"The Ministry of Defence, on March 10, signed a contract for procurement of six Dornier-228 aircraft for the Indian Air Force from Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) at a cost of Rs 667 crore," it said.

"The aircraft was used by IAF for route transport roles and communication duties. Subsequently, it has also been used for training of transport pilots of the IAF," it said.

The aircraft is ideally suited for short-haul operations from semi-prepared and short runways of the North East and island chains of India. (PTI)

GMC organises workshop on biomedical research

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Mar 10: A two-day workshop was conducted by the Department of Community Medicine, Government Medical College (GMC) Srinagar on the qualitative methodology in biomedical research.

The workshop started on March 9 and ended today at GMC Srinagar. The event was inaugurated by Principal GMC Srinagar Prof. Masood Tanvir. The guest faculty included Dr Archisman Mohapatra Executive Director, GRID Council, New Delhi and Dr Rajmohan Panda, Additional Professor, Public Health Foundation of India, New Delhi.

The topics which were dealt with during the workshop included qualitative research approaches, tools of data collection, analysis, in-depth interviews, focus group discussion, the difference

between quantitative and qualitative research, mock exercises and the way forward.

Principal GMC Srinagar on the valedictory expressed his gratitude to the visiting faculty and emphasised adopting qualitative research wherever feasible in biomedical research.

Dr SM Salim Khan HOD Community Medicine GMC Srinagar and organising chairman of the workshop said that after conducting fifteen three-day workshops on quantitative research, the department found it imperative to sensitise doctors towards qualitative research and mixed-method approach towards the health and disease scenario in the community.

The certificates of participation and mementoes were distributed during the Valedictory function chaired by Principal GMC Srinagar.

Balvinder Singh demands CBI probe into parking slots' allotment by JMC

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 10: RTI and social activist Balvinder Singh has demanded a Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) probe into the allotment of 32 IT-based parking slots by Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) under Jammu Smart City Ltd.

Singh stated that the reply he received under RTI revealed shocking details regarding the tender process and the allotment of the parking management system for Jammu city.

He alleged that some senior officials of Jammu and Kashmir intentionally added certain conditions to avoid the participation of local parking contractors in the bidding process and accommodate contractors from outside the State.

He said that the contractor, Baba Infra Tech, in a joint venture

with SD Enterprises & Green Mobility Collaborative Pvt. Ltd. did not implement any of the conditions mentioned in the tender, such as linking payments to vehicle registration numbers, sending SMS text messages to customers, issuing prepaid parking cards/coupons, and appointing qualified staff.

He also alleged that the contract agreement drafted for revenue sharing was well-planned to deceive the state exchequer.

"The contractor was supposed to get 96% of the revenue in the first year, while JMC was to receive only 4%. The revenue sharing was to decrease for JMC in the subsequent years," he said.

Singh alleged that the inquiry ordered by the JMC Mayor was eyewitness and demanded that the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, Manoj Sinha, orders a CBI inquiry into the matter.

Durga Nagar residents meet VC JDA, RTO

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 10: A delegation of Durga Nagar Welfare Committee Sector One and Sector 2 led by Roshan Lal Raina and Sanjay Ganjoo the presidents of respective sectors highlighted the demands of the area before him.

The delegation demanded immediate allotment of land to Jal Shakti Department for construction of Over Head Tank (OHT) and Tube Well in the area so that the water scarcity problem faced by the people is settled once for all.

The Vice Chairman JDA informed the delegation that the allotment of the land has been

referred to Board and most probably the issue will be settled soon.

The delegation later met the RTO demanding matador service from Bus Stand to Durga Nagar. The delegation also met the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Jammu and sought his intervention in granting route transfer permission as people are facing problem due to lack of matador facility. The ADC issued instructions to RTO Jammu to take early action in the matter.

The other members of the deputation included C L Zutshi, Avtar Krishan, M K Raina, Roshan Lal Koul, Bharat Bushan Gosani and Bushan Lal Koul.

Samba police launches drive against eve teasers, arrests 4

Excelsior Correspondent

SAMBA, Mar 10: Upon the reports of people aired at various police-public meets, Samba police, under the guidance of SSP Samba, Benam Tosh, has launched special drive against eve-teasers and loiterers and arrested four anti-social elements so far who were found involved in eve-teasing and loitering.

The arrested eve teasers have been identified as Kanav Padha, son of Rajinder Kumar of Diani Samba, Sandeep Raina, son of Ashok Kumar of Diani Samba, Anil Kumar, son of Sat Pal of Rajpura and Gopal Sharma, son of Ganesh Dass of Rajpura. FIR has been registered at Police Station (PS) Samba and investigation started.

ed the accused red-handed and registered case under relevant sections of law.

Police said further interrogation of arrested eve-teasers and loiterers is going on. Arrests were made by police teams led by DySP Probationary, Mamta Sharma, PSI, Sohail Munir and PSI, Divya Bharti.

SSP Samba, Benam Tosh has already issued directions to all SDPOs, SHOs and I/C PPs of district Samba to organize special nakas outside the schools and colleges from where complaints regarding movements of eve-teasers and loiterers are coming up and to apprehend all those involved in such anti-social activities.

Congregation

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 10: The congregation of Jasrotia Biradari will be held on March 12 at Jasrotia Fort in district Kathua.

Bhog of Akhand Path will be organized on March 11 while Bhandara will be held on March 12 from 10 AM onwards.

Modi raises with Australian counterpart issue of attacks on temples

NEW DELHI, Mar 10:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday raised with his Australian counterpart Anthony Albanese the issue of recent attacks on temples in Australia even as the two leaders focused on concluding an ambitious trade pact by this year and bolster security cooperation in the Indo-Pacific during their first summit talks.

The two sides inked four agreements providing for cooperation in areas of sports, innovation, audio-visual production and solar power following the talks between Modi and Albanese.

The discussions were focused on boosting cooperation in clean energy, trade and investment, defence and security, critical minerals, migration and mobility, supply chains, education, culture and sports.

In his media statement, Modi said it is a matter of regret that reports of attacks on temples have come regularly from Australia over the past few weeks and that it is natural that such news worries everyone in India.

"It is a matter of regret that reports of attacks on temples have come regularly from Australia over the past few weeks. It is natural that such news worries everyone in India, disturbs our mind," Modi said in the presence of Albanese.

"I conveyed these feelings and concerns to Prime Minister Albanese and he has assured me that the safety of the Indian community is of special priority for him. Our teams will be in regular contact on this matter, and will cooperate as much as possible," he said.

In his comments, Albanese said Modi and he agreed on concluding the India-Australia Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) as soon as possible.

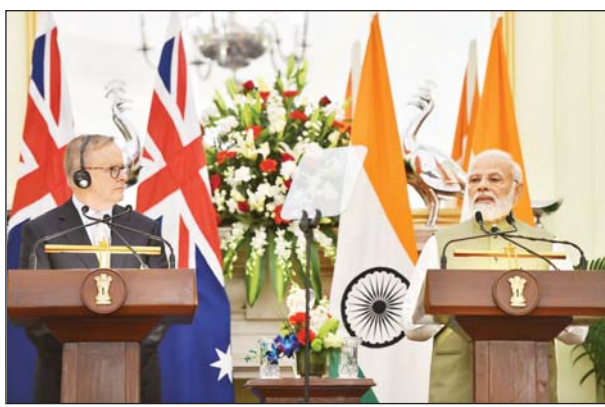
"I am hopeful that we will be able to finalise it this year," the Australian prime minister, who is on a three-day visit to India, said.

Last year, India and Australia celebrated the 100th anniversary of the signing of the CECA.

REASI, Mar 10: A 100 years old man was knocked to death by a speeding Dumper at Grah Morh in Reasi, here today.

The deceased was identified as Bali Ram, son of Lakhu Ram and father of prominent Dogri singer Chaman Lahiri, resident of Mahore, presently putting up at Kattal Grah Morh. He was crossing the road when a speeding Dumper hit him on Reasi-Jyotipuram road.

The victim was rushed to District Hospital Rajouri where doctors declared him as brought dead. According to family members of the deceased, Bali Ram was 100 years old.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Prime Minister of Australia Anthony Albanese during their joint press statement at a meeting at the Hyderabad House in New Delhi on Friday. (UNI)

Australia finalised the Economic Cooperation Trade Agreement (ECTA) and it came into force in December last. The two sides are now working on the CECA.

Modi said the bilateral security cooperation is an important pillar of India-Australia comprehensive strategic partnership.

"Today we discussed maritime security in the Indo-Pacific region, and enhancing mutual defence and security cooperation," he said.

It is understood that concerns over China's increasing military assertiveness in the Indo-Pacific figured in the discussions.

"In the field of defence, we have made remarkable agreements in the last few years, including logistics support for each other's militaries. There is

also regular and useful exchange of information between our security agencies, and we discussed further strengthening this," Modi said.

The prime minister also noted that mutual cooperation to develop reliable and strong global supply chains also figured in the discussions.

In his remarks, Albanese described his country's relationship with India as "multi-faceted" and said he was looking forward to hosting Modi in Australia for the Quad leaders' summit in May and then returning to India in September for the G20 summit.

"Prime Minister Modi and I discussed the strength of our economic relationship demonstrated by the entry into force of the landmark India Australia economic cooperation and trade agreement," he said. (PTI)

Nalwa asks Morcha activists to strengthen party

Excelsior Correspondent

KATHUA, Mar 10: BJP Minority Morcha held one day Working Committee meeting of district Kathua today.

BJP Minority Morcha president, Ranjodh Singh Nalwa addressed the meeting.

BJP district president Kathua, Gopal Mahajan, Balvinder Singh Morcha vice president and Prabhari Kathua, Morcha vice president, Damjanjeet Singh, Morcha general secretary, Santokh Singh, Morcha spokesperson, Asad Malik and Morcha district president, Kathua, Shingara Singh also addressed the meeting.

The main purpose of the meeting was to brief BJP Minority Morcha activists about the policies and programs especially in wake of the upcoming Parliamentary elections and other party activities, said Ranjodh Singh Nalwa.

On this occasion, the office bearers and workers were asked to remain active in their respective districts, constituencies, booths and work dedicatedly at the grass roots level for welfare and benefit of common masses.

Speaking to the delegates, Ranjodh Singh Nalwa said that the people have understood the

policies and schemes for development and progress launched by BJP led Government at Centre. He further observed that the discipline of BJP and its approach for transforming the country into "New India" is enthusiastically received by the public. He also stressed on all party workers to strengthen the party by working for the resolution of the problems of the general masses.

Gopal Mahajan said that the Working Committee meeting intend to take the message from the top hierarchy of the party to the ground level. He said that this meeting prepares us to strengthen the organizational structure of the party.

He said holding of such meetings is particularly important in view of the upcoming elections in Jammu & Kashmir.

Shingara Singh in his presidential address shared the details of the Morcha programmes conducted in the district. He assured the senior leaders that they will extend the reach of the party into the members of minorities residing in district Kathua.

Several members from the minority community also joined the BJP Minority Morcha on the occasion.

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TENDER CANCELLATION NOTICE

Name of work:- Providing and fixing of M.S railing on 3.00 mtr. Span RCC culvert on Bansa Muttal road Km 3rd RD 200-300. (Under ARD for the year 2022-23) (3rd time)
Ref :- This office Fresh e-NIT No. 105 of 2022-23 Dated 03-03-2023
Due to no response received from the bidders (3rd time), the tender invited for the above cited work vide this office e-NIT No. referred above is hereby cancelled and fresh tender is being invited.

DIP/J-16519

Dated:- 10-03-2023

Sd/
(Er. Ashwani Kumar)
Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division,
Katra

JAL SHAKTI DEPARTMENT, JAMMU OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER JAL SHAKTI (PHE) CITY DIVISION NO-1, JAMMU

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NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

E-NIT No. JS/PHECD-I/686 of 2022-23

For and on behalf of The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Jammu, of J&K Union Territory, E-Tender (Item Rate Based-Annual Maintenance) is invited by the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1, Jammu, from approved and eligible contractor of appropriate class registered with UT of Jammu and Kashmir/ other UT's or State Govt./CPWD/MES/Railways, registered firms/contractors under two cover system, Cover 1 comprising of technical bid and cover 2 comprising of financial bid for the following work:-

S. No.	Name of work	Cost of Tender (In Rs)	Cost of Tender document fees (In Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit	Class of Contractor	Time of Completion
1	Day to Day emergent nature of repairs, maintenance and restoration works of Dhounthly Section	Rs. 10.00 Lacs	500.00	Rs.20000/-	A to D	Up to 31/03/2024
2	Day to Day emergent nature of repairs, maintenance and restoration works of Prade Section	Rs. 10.00 Lacs	500.00	Rs.20000/-	A to D	Up to 31/03/2024
3	Day to Day emergent nature of repairs, maintenance and restoration works of VIP Section	Rs. 9.00 Lacs	500.00	Rs.18000/-	A to D	Up to 31/03/2024
4	Day to Day emergent nature of repairs, maintenance and restoration works of Tibba Section	Rs. 8.00 Lacs	500.00	Rs.16000/-	A to D	Up to 31/03/2024
5	Day to Day emergent nature of repairs, maintenance and restoration works of Mohinder Nagar Section	Rs. 8.00 Lacs	500.00	Rs.16000/-	A to D	Up to 31/03/2024
6	Day to Day emergent nature of repairs, maintenance and restoration works of Bohri Section	Rs. 8.00 Lacs	500.00	Rs.16000/-	A to D	Up to 31/03/2024
7	Day to Day emergent nature of repairs, maintenance and restoration works of Gole Section	Rs. 8.00 Lacs	500.00	Rs.16000/-	A to D	Up to 31/03/2024
8	Day to Day emergent nature of repairs, maintenance and restoration works of Tawi Section (Filtration Plant) Dhounthly	Rs. 17.00 Lacs	1000.00	Rs.34000/-	A to D	Up to 31/03/2024

Position of funds : Provision as per Annual Repair Statement 2023-24

- Date of publishing:- 09/03/2023 (1800Hrs)
- Bid documents can be seen and downloaded from the website: www.jktenders.gov.in from 09/03/2023 (1800 Hrs) onwards.
- The bids shall be uploaded on the website: www.jktenders.gov.in from 09/03/2023 (1800 Hrs) to 29/03/2023 upto (1200Hrs).
- The complete bidding process shall be online.
- The technical bids received shall be opened online on 29/03/2023upto (1200Hrs), or any other convenient later date in the office of The Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1, Jammu.
- Furnishing of hard copies of bids immediately after submission of e-tenders has been dispensed with as per Govt. order no. OM No. A/24 (2017)-651 Dated 07-06-2018. The same shall be obtained only from the bidder, who is declared as L1 after opening of financial bids.
- A copy of CDR/FDR duly pledged to the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1 Jammu, against the earnest money deposit, should be uploaded by the bidders. However before allotting the work, the original CDR shall be obtained from the bidder declared as lowest bidder and shall be kept in record till the allotment process is finalized. The earnest money shall be released on receipt of the performance security or retained after accepting the balance amount in the shape of CDR/FDR to meet the requirement of the amount of the Performance security.
- The Lowest Bidder shall be intimated through e-mail on his registered e-mail ID to deposit the performance Security equivalent to the three percent of the allotted amount or any other relevant documents required by division in reference to the contract.
- Cost of bidding/tender fees receipt in the shape of e-challan/ single window challan of JMC shall have to be paid online, through the JMC link http://www.jmcjammu.org/online-payment.html and no cash shall be entertained at any cost. Further, bidders are requested to mention name of the work upon the particular Challan/e-receipt. Under unavoidable circumstances if the work is retendered. The contractor need not to deposit the Tender document Cost for rebidding for the same work.
- Any such Challan deposited on back dates or any irrelevant date shall not be accepted.
- The Successful bidder shall be liable to deposit the performance security as envisioned in the Govt. of UT Jammu and Kashmir, Circular No: A/Misc(2018)-III-895/J, Dt:-22-12-2020 read with order no. FD-Codes/233/2021-02-27 Dated10-02-2022.
- The financial bids of the qualifying bidders shall be opened online in the office of the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1, Jammu on same date of opening of technical bid or any other convenient date.
- The bid for the work shall remain open for acceptance for a period of 90 days from the date of opening of bids.
- The opening authority reserves with him the right to accept/reject/cancel, any or all tenders without assigning any reasons thereof.
- The successful bidder shall be responsible for providing all safety measures at site during execution of work.
- The quoted rates should be inclusive of all taxes. The department will deduct income tax/labour Cess/GST/or any other tax as applicable during payment at prevalent rates.
- The Contractor shall approach the Department for getting the "Nishandehi" of the work within seven days from the date of allotment
- If the contractor fails to start the work within 07 days of its allotment, work shall be treated as cancelled without serving any notice to the contractor/firm and the work shall be offered to 2nd lowest bidder at the rate offered by 1st lowest bidder.
- The delay in completion of the works shall attract penalty aggregating to 10% of the contract value and shall be reckoned per month, with recommended percentage of Engineer-in-Charge.
- In case the billed amount increases the allotted amount due to increase in the advertised quantity or addition of non-advertised items during execution, the same shall be paid on the allotted rates after revising the cost of the work/Scheme and getting AAA accorded and technically sanctioned from the competent authority.

DIP/J-16503

Dated : 10/3/2023

Sd/
Executive Engineer
Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1,
Jammu

Government of Jammu and Kashmir (UT)
Department of Tribal Affairs
Office of the Warden, Government Gujjar Bakerwal (Boys) Hostel, Samba
Admission Notice
Session 2023-24

Some Hostel vacancies are going to be caused in the Govt. Gujjar Bakerwal (Boys) Samba. As such applications on prescribed format (Annexure-A to this Notice) for the written Entrance Test for admission in Class-6th in the Hostel are hereby invited from the BPL students of the Gujjar Bakerwal (ST) Community of Samba District only for the year 2023-24. The date of submission of applications for Entrance Test Class-6th will be 10th March to 31 March, 2023 and the Written Test will be held on 2nd April, 2023. Timing 11 A.M. at Gujjar Bakerwal (Boys) Hostel, Samba.

The application Forms for the Entrance Test after completion in all respects will be submitted in the Office of the Warden, Government Gujjar Bakerwal (Boys) Hostel, Samba during the stipulated time.

(Rashid Alam)
Warden
Gujjar Bakerwal (Boys) Hostel, Samba

DIP/J-16529
DATED: 10-03-2023

ENTRANCE TEST FOR ADMISSION IN CLASS-6TH
Entrance Date 2nd April 2023 (Sunday)

Government of Jammu and Kashmir (UT)
Department of Tribal Affairs
Office of the Warden, Government Gujjar Bakerwal (Boys) Hostel, Samba.

(For Samba District Only)

FORM FOR ENTRANCE TEST FOR ADMISSION CLASS-6TH IN GUJJAR BAKERWAL (BOYS) HOSTEL, SAMBA For the Session - 2023-24

Name of the Candidate (in BLOCK LETTERS): _____

S/o : _____ Aadhaar No. _____

Date of birth: _____ Phone No: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____

Permanent Vill: _____ P.O. _____ Teh. _____ Dist: _____

Present Vill: _____ P.O. _____ Teh. _____ Dist: _____

Gotar Sub-caste of GB: _____ Class in which reading _____ Year of study _____

Name of School last attended: _____

Name of the Parent/Guardian: _____ Telephone No: _____ E-mail: _____

Place: _____ Date: _____ Signature of student/candidate _____

Documents/Certificates to be attached:

- Scheduled Tribe Certificate.
- Domicile Certificate.
- AAI/B.P.L. Certificate.
- Un-employment certificate of Parents
- Nomads Motto.