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'SSB to conduct deferred CBT soon'

47 dismissals show terrorists, family members were provided jobs: LG

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Sanjeev Pargal

JAMMU, Mar 15: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha today said he stood by his statement that terrorists and their family members were provided jobs by the previous Governments in Jammu and Kashmir and authenticated it by saying that 47 such people have been dismissed from the services.

Talking to reporters after inaugurating the Chancellor's Trophy at the Jammu University here, Sinha said his statement was based on truth.

He was asked about People's Democratic Party (PDP) president Mehbooba Mufti's statement on the subject.

"I will not like to comment on some allegations. This is a reality that 47

people were dismissed from Government services for anti-national activities. What I have said is based on reality," the Lieutenant Governor said.



LG Manoj Sinha addressing a function at Jammu University on Wednesday. — Excelsior/Rakesh

It may be mentioned here that the Government has regularly been sacking the Government officers/officials who are involved in the terror activities or are linked to the terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir.

Sinha announced that the Services Selection Board (JKSSB) will con-

duct the deferred computer-based written tests for anti-national activities. He reiterated that transparent and merit-based selection is the top most priority of his administration.

"The examination (to fill vacancies in various Government departments) has been deferred for the time being and will be conducted soon when the JKSSB will be completely satisfied (with the situation)," the Lieutenant Governor said, responding to a question about the deferment of CBT, scheduled to be held from March 16 to April 5, by the Government recruitment agency amid protests by

people were dismissed from Government services for anti-national activities. He reiterated that transparent and merit-based selection is the top most priority of his administration.

Justice Kotiswar Singh was addressing gathering of Judges, senior journalists, Advocates, Bar Association office bearers, educationists and prominent politicians among others at Press Club of Jammu after presenting annual RK Chhibber Memorial Awards in Journalism.

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'India's respect across the world increasing'

Nobody wants violence, it has been thrust upon us by inimical forces: CJ

■ 3 J&K journalists get Chhibber Memorial Awards

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 15: Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh High Court Justice N Kotiswar Singh said today that nobody wants violence but it has been thrust upon us in Jammu and Kashmir by the inimical forces and that he can guess feelings of the people here who have gone through the trauma.

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Chief Justice of J&K and Ladakh High Court Justice N Kotiswar Singh speaking at a function in Press Club of Jammu on Wednesday. See more pics on page Nos 3 & 6.

Judges including Justice Vinod Chatterjee Koul, Justice Rahul Bharti, Justice Wasim Sadiq Nargal, Advocate General DC Raina, Deputy Solicitor

General Vishal Sharma, Bar Association chief Vikram Sharma, Trust chairperson Sushil Chhibber and Maneesh Chhibber, Press Club president Sanjeev Pargal, Dinesh Manhotra, Secretary General and Zorawar Singh Jamwal, vice president, MK Bhardwaj, senior Advocate, Dr Nirmal Singh, former Deputy CM, Devender Rana, Ajay S a d h o t r a , Naresh Gupta, Dr Sushil S h a r m a , Cardiologist, former Chief Secretary BR Sharma and former Press Club presidents

Ashwani Kumar and Manu Shrivatas among others. "I have come here from Manipur. But I can understand your feelings..." (Contd on page 6 Col 3)

98 JKAS officers get Sr Scale
Excelsior Correspondent
 JAMMU, Mar 15: The Government today accorded sanction to the release of Senior Scale (Non-Functional) Level 11 (Rs 67,700 - 2,08,700) in favour of 98 Junior Scale officers of Jammu and Kashmir Administrative Service (JKAS), with effect from 01-01-2023. The JKAS officers, in (Contd on page 6 Col 5)

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NIA conducts searches in J&K

Excelsior Correspondent
 SRINAGAR, Mar 15: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) today said that it has identified a dozen suspects having links with Pakistan-based (Contd on page 6 Col 5)

J&K gets 20 more DNB seats

Excelsior Correspondent
 JAMMU, Mar 15: As a step towards DNB (Diplomate of National Board) strengthening in Jammu and Kashmir, 20 more seats have been sanctioned (Contd on page 6 Col 5)

Police arrests LeT militant

Excelsior Correspondent
 SRINAGAR, Mar 15: Security forces today arrested a (Contd on page 6 Col 3)

Border situation under control: ADG BSF

Excelsior Correspondent
 SRINAGAR, Mar 15: Additional Director General (DG) Border Security Forces (BSF) Western Command, P V Rama Sastry, today said that the (Contd on page 6 Col 1)

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PSC confirms promotions of 25 PM Package AEs

Avtar Bhat

JAMMU, Mar 15: In a historic decision taken for the first time, the Jammu Kashmir Government has regularised the services of 25 Assistant Engineers (Mechanical) in Public Works (R&B) Department appointed under Prime Minister's Special Employment Package in pay scale of Rs 8000-275-12950 (pre-revised).

The regularization orders were issued by Principal Secretary to Government Public Works Department, (PWD), Shailendra Kumar here today after recommendations of J&K Public Service Commission (PSC) of J&K UT/ Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC).

The decision has been widely welcomed as this is for the first time that regularization of the Engineers has taken place at a quick speed in J&K. Earlier, it has been a practice that most of the Engineers though holding the posts of Chief Engineers and Superintending Engineers in various Engineering wings of the J&K Government were not regularised on the posts held by them till their retirement and they were only getting Charge Allowance.

Sources said there are even cases of many retired Senior Engineers working in different Engineering wings who retired as Assistant Executive Engineers (AEs), Executive Engineers or on higher posts have not been regularised on the same posts held by them and they were get-

ting their pension on the basis of subordinate posts as their promotions were not confirmed by PSC. Some of them even died hoping against hope of getting confirmed to higher posts on which they retired but their desire was not fulfilled in their life time, sources said.

Sources said, however, the LG administration took a prompt and quick decision and got the posts regularised through PSC / DPC in a record period of time, the process which earlier used to take years together.

Sources said not to talk of regularization the promotion of PM package employees was earlier put in backburner on the ground that the posts they were (Contd on page 6 Col 1)

Demand for Assembly polls, restoration of Statehood

Farooq-led all party delegation to meet ECI, oppn camp leaders at Delhi today

Nishikant Khajuria

JAMMU, Mar 15: Pressing for Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir, an all party delegation from the Union Territory, except BJP and its 'friendly' parties, is going to meet national leaders of opposition parties and Election Commission of India at New Delhi tomorrow.

Headed by National Conference president Dr Farooq Abdullah, the all party delegation is scheduled to meet national leaders of the opposition camp at Constitution Club of India, Rafi Marg, New Delhi and apprise them of the political situation in Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory, which is under

Central rule for the last more than four years.

Besides Assembly election in the Union Territory, sources said that the delegation will also seek assistance of the opposition parties in getting Statehood for Jammu and Kashmir restored.

This will be immediately followed by a meeting with Election Commission of India at New Delhi where a detailed memorandum will be submitted for early Assembly elections in J&K, sources added.

Besides National Conference, representatives of People's Democratic Party, Congress, Aam Aadmi Party, J&K National Panthers Party, CPI, CPI(M), Awami National Conference and others will be

part of the all party delegation.

However, neither BJP, nor the parties friendly to it, such as Apni Party, People's Conference and Democratic Progressive Azad Party, have been included in the delegation.

Congress chief spokesperson Ravinder Sharma, JKNPP leader Harsh Dev Singh, NC provincial president Ratan Lal Gupta, Awami National Conference (ANC) chief Muzaffar Shah, PDP leader Amrik Singh Reen, CPI(M) leader Master Hari Singh, Mission Statehood President Sunil Dimple and others are likely to be part of the delegation.

It may be recalled that the (Contd on page 6 Col 5)

Azad questions Govt for hiring blacklisted company for exams

Fayaz Bukhari

SRINAGAR, Mar 15: Former Chief Minister and Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP) president, Ghulam Nabi Azad today questioned the Government for hiring a blacklisted agency for the conduct of exams in Jammu and Kashmir.

Speaking to reporters on the

* Pic on page 6
 Video on
 www.excelsiornews.com

sidelines of a function at Zaloor area in Sopore, Azad alleged that all the recruitment agencies in Jammu and Kashmir choose to conduct exams through the companies which otherwise have already been rejected and

blacklisted by many States. "The trend to hire such companies has resulted in the postponement of exams many times in the last 5 years, something that hasn't happened in the last 75 years," he said.

"At a time when thousands of youth are facing trouble in getting jobs, it is beyond one's understanding as to why the authorities are hiring these blacklisted companies and end up putting the careers of youth on stake" Azad said, adding ironically why such blacklisted (APTECH) agencies are being allowed in J&K only.

"The Government should properly investigate such agencies for the sake of the careers of youth", he said.

Earlier addressing a (Contd on page 6 Col 3)

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Enrolling for this great cause will offer the opportunity to not only study and graduate with a degree/s in Yog (BA, MA, BAMS and BYNS) but also in Philosophy, Ved Shastra, Sanskrit Grammar and Sanskrit Literature (BA and MA). With the aim of training future leaders with the visions of our ancient sages, this drive will be ensuring infusion of sage-like personality traits, character and leadership qualities among the young men and women who would be pledging to be Sannyasi. These youth with training in the ideologies of great Indian saints and sages are expected to play a crucial role in making India (Bharatvarsh) a World Guru. Patanjali will take care of the needs of these Sannyasi brothers and sisters for the rest of their lives, who pledge to devote themselves towards establishing Yog Dharm, Ved Dharm and Sanatan Dharm.

Patanjali has done what had never been done in the past thousands of years and aims to achieve more milestones in the next 5-10 years. It has resolved to run a movement to serve Yog, Ayurved, Swadeshi and Sanatan Dharm to save the country from Macaulay's conspiratorial education system and loot of medical mafia and ensure economic, ideological, and cultural freedom as well as the freedom of education and medicine. Even in history, religion has succeeded in doing what could not be done through political and economic powers. Therefore, those youths are welcome who wish to devote their lives to the cause of Rashtira Dharm and Sanatan Dharm for realizing the dreams of great men like Veer Savarkar, Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, Maharishi Dayanand, Swami Vivekanand and Golwalkar Guruji, who wanted to create an integral Hindu nation and supremely glorious India.

It is our belief which the world has also witnessed that the seemingly ordinary yet immensely valiant people, irrespective of caste and community, have been behind all great revolutions. Therefore, valiant and patriotic youth from all over India (Bharatvarsh) is urged to join the Sannys Mahotsava at Patanjali on New Year Ram Navami and cultivate personality, character and leadership qualities, like great sages to create a new history of character building, nation building and create a yogic era by adopting Sannyas and getting educated at Patanjali University and Sannys Ashram under the holy tutelage of Yog Rishi Swami Ramdevji and Pujya Acharya Shri Balkrishnaji.

Parents of any caste and region, willing to bring glory to their clan by educating their talented progeny under the tutelage of revered Swami ji and Pujya Acharya ji, as well as raising their children as true descendants of sages and dedicate them to the nation and Sanatan Dharm may send their children to Patanjali. And, youth whose parents are unwilling to listen to the calling due to their excessive attachment or ignorance, may also come to Patanjali Yogpeeth even without the consent of their parents. Most of the sannyasi including revered Swamiji, Pujya Acharyaji, or even Maharshi Dayanand had to opt for this route to Sannyas.

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