Fear of people's backlash forced BJP to dispatch battery of Central leaders: Patil

* DDC elections no substitute to Assembly polls: Mir

Excelsior Correspondent

BISHNAH/ KATHUA, Dec 9: Congress has asked BJP if people are happy with the performance of its Government and State leaders, why it needs the help of the battery of national leaders and other star campaigners including film celebri-

She said common people are for vote banks politics. highly annoyed with the multi-



tion rally in Bishnah.

ties to go to every nook and corner of Jammu and Kashmir to seek votes for the party in these local elections to the Panchayats and District Development Councils.

Senior AICC leader and incharge J&K affairs, Rajni Patil, who arrived here today on a day's visit, questioned this to BJP in a workers' meeting at Bishnah today afternoon. She said that fear of losing these

promises and Anti farmers and Anti poor policies and pro-

Patil said that the people now elections and finding escape routes to seek votes on it's promises and delivery on ground. The Congress Party

Sanjay

Manan

Kulbhushan Khajuria, Shahid

Kamili, Mushtaq Chaya, Mir

Khurram, Ehsaan Javid, Maajid

Tramboo, Izhan Javeed also

attended the event and held four

to five roundtable discussions

with J&K, which are likely to be

ing round table conference that

Kashmiri bakery is one of the

best in quality in world besides

apple, cherry, walnut, basmati

rice and saffron. The delegation

has completed a "fruitful" meet-

ing with the Dubai Chamber of

agreed to visit Kashmir in the

month of June 2021 to see more

India aim to increase the volume

of trade in food products mani

sions and presentations on Food

Processing equipment's & tech-

Dairy

Development and infrastructure

including development of logis-

tics and integrated cold chains,

infrastructure development for

fishing harbours, floriculture

with multi-national companies

The summit also saw discus-

Product

folds in the next five years.

Al Maya Group, UAE

Principal Secretary told dur-

Waffai, Shahjahan,

expected

Commerce.

nology,



Navin launches GI tagged Saffron from Kashmir in UAE

Excelsior Correspondent

DUBAI, Dec 9: In a function, the geographical indication (GI) tagged Saffron from Kashmir was launched in Al Maya Super Market, Dubai, UAE, by Principal Secretary Agriculture Production and Farmers Welfare Department, tycoons of UAE for exploring fields required, as range fields required for the purpose Director investment and trade agreements presence Horticulture Kashmir and other dignitaries and delegates from

A geographical indication (GI) tag is a sign used on products that have a specific geographical origin and possess qualities or a reputation that are due to that origin. Saffron from Kashmir stall will remain available in Al Maya Supper Market, which is headed by Group Director Kamal Vachani, AL Maya Dubai, UAE.

Pertinent to mention that a delegation of farmers, growers, businessmen and government officials from Jammu and Kashmir led by Navin Chaudhary, Principal Secretary, Agriculture Production and Farmers Welfare Department, J&K is participating in UAE-India Food Security Summit, 2020 with an aim to promote horticulture produce of Union Territory in the international market and tap the Gulf market.

Ajaz Ahmad Bhat, Director Horticulture Kashmir alongwith Syed Jahangir Hashmi, Additional Secretary, Horticulture, K. K. Sharma of Agriculture Department, from J&K Government are also Principal accompanying Secretary.

During the meeting with Consulate General of India, Dr. Aman Puri, he said India is on radar for import of best quality fruits and food products and formulation of trade agreements with UAE. India has large cultivated land, which is a major driver for growth and makes India Self-reliance and focus needs to be given on hydroponics farming too.

The summit brings several key stakeholders from both the countries on one platform to share their experiences, deliberations on solutions and explore ways to further increase the collaboration in the food security.

Delegates comprising prominent businessmen, investors and representatives of the public sector organizations, business entrepreneurs from J&K-Farooq Amin, Owais Altaf Bukhari, Umer Tramboo,

elections lurks in the heart's of would never divide the people BJP High Command forcing it on religion, religion or caste to despatch several Central basis for electoral benefits, but Ministers and film celebrities to BJP leaves no opportunity to campaign for party'. exploit the emotions of people

Addressing the meeting, ple failures of the BJP and it's JKPCC chief GA Mir said that arbitrary actions in Jammu and the BJP has indulged in politics Kashmir. Each and every section of divide and deceit for political interests and running away from holding early Assembly elections even more than two and half years of Governor rule.

> Post August 5, last year, the historical State has been reduced to a UT which is no better than a municipal corporation for which the people want to know the reasons behind punishing the people especially of Jammu region, who gave huge mandate to BJP and brought BJP to power in Jammu and Kashmir.

He said that it's good that elections to the DDCs of Panchayat Raj system is being held, all of a sudden but these bodies can't be substitute for the Assembly, even though powerless in the existing status, until full statehood with all rights.

Mir asked BJP as to how of the society especially the long people of Jammu and Youth and farmers are feeling Kashmir shall be kept deprived cheated by the BJP for its false of their elected Government and when the full statehood with all rights shall be restored to the people. It's the right of the people and they shall not wait too understand the diversionary tac- long for securing their rights to tics of BJP especially during statehood and an elected Government.

AICC secretary Sudhir Sharma, former minister and vice president Raman Bhalla, chief spokesperson Ravinder general secretary Manmohan Singh, State secretaries Shashi Sharma, Pawan Raina and DDC candidate Manohar Lal Moton were prominent those attended. Similar rally was held for party candidate Veena Devi

Govt to implement e-HRM system for IAS, KAS officers

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU. Dec 9: Government has decided to implement electronic Human Resourse Management System (Manav Sampda) for officers Indian Administrative Service (IAS) and Jammu and Kashmir Administrative Service (KAS) including Junior Scale KAS officers.

"In order to enable the registration of officers on the portal, the data of the officers to be customized with the application requirements businessmen/investors required, as various mandatory opportunities of business, are not available with the

Department and the information already available also requires updation," a circular issued by the Government Through circular, the

Government enjoined upon all the members of the IAS and KAS of J&K, including Junior KAS officers, to submit their information regarding name, parentage, DOB, Aadhaar number, Nationality, current posting department and district, date of joining, current class, scanned signature, etc on email Id-servicesection226 @gmail.com within period of 15 days positively.

Justice Magrey interacts with Judicial Officers

SRINAGAR, Dec 9: Jammu and Kashmir High Judge, Court also Administrative Judge district Anantnag, Justice Mohammad Magray today held trade agreements. The UAE and a meeting with the Principal District and Sessions Judge and other Judicial Officers of district Anantnag through virtual mode.

Judge Administrative impressed upon the Judicial Officers to ensure punctuality, promptness and maintain public confidence and sanctity of the courts.

He directed the Judicial Officers that they should not leave headquarters without the permission

Administrative Judge and in Dhanna son of Khazana under case of genuine reason they should approach the authority

for proper permission. The Judicial Officers of the district were impressed upon to ensure disposal of long pendsatisfaction and confidence.

Magrey sought adherence to Bishnah for enquiry. proper maintaining of sanctity, respect, honour and dignity of while attending their duties.

Abdullah and Omar Abdullah on their posters?

Cong, NC candidates avoiding party leaders'

pictures on posters: Dr Jitendra

Addressing a series of public meetings during the District Development Council election

proud of the fact that the party

not taking the name of Rahul



ing at peripheral Panchayat Goran-Sumb during DDC election campaign in Samba and Kathua districts. on Wednesday.

Samba and Kathua districts, Dr. election can be gauged from the Jitendra Singh said, each workfact that Congress and National er of Bharatiya Janata Party is

Excelsior Correspondent

Union Minister Dr. Jitendra

Singh said here today that des-

peration of the opposition in the

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Conference (NC) candidates, particularly in the Jammu region, are avoiding their party leaders' pictures on the posters and are trying to woo the voter through a whispering campaign that they are also Modi follow-

Dr Jitendra Singh asked, why the Congress candidates are reluctant to put up the photographs of Rahul Gandhi and Sonia Gandhi on their campaign posters and why the National Conference candidates are not putting up pictures of

Sheikh Abdullah, Farooq Moti Lal Nehru, he asked, and added that this in itself is a confession of their imminent defeat. Lambasting those who criti-

cise BJP candidates for men-Prime Minister Narendra Modi's schemes and welfare programmes in local body election campaign, Dr. Jitendra Singh said, the benefit of these welfare schemes has reached even to the last village and last Panchayat, and every citizen is acknowledging the vision and concern of Prime Minister Modi. He said, the free gas cylinders distributed under Jjjwala Yojana have reached even to the family members of the Congress candidates and under Prime Minister Avas Yojana (PMAY) new houses have been constructed even for

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those families who had voted for National Conference for last six decades but received these benefits only in the last six Taking a dig at those who

say that no development work

Gandhi and Sonia Gandhi, and has been done. Dr. Jitendra Singh said, nearby Keedianthe National Conference candidates are not even once men-Ghandiyal bridge constructed at tioning the name of Sheikh a cost of Rs.150 crore is being Abdullah or Omar Abdullah. freely used by the Congress, Amidst thundering applause National Conference and other from enthusiastic audience, Dr. opposition leaders as well and if they are unable to see the Jitendra Singh said, on his way to the venue of the rally he bridge, then why don't they found the poster of a Congress drive through the Khads and Kucha roads as they were doing candidate with photograph of Late Rajiv Gandhi, but the said before the construction of this poster had discreetly avoided bridge? He said, those who including photographs of Sonia have to vote for us can see the Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi. change and the development Will the next step for Congress and those who say that nothing candidates be to put up photo- has happened are only deceivgraphs of Jawaharlal Nehru and ing themselves.

ACB books Revenue officials, others for illegal mutation of land

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Dec 9: Anti Corruption Bureau (ACB) has booked Revenue officials and others for illegal mutation of

On the basis of a complaint that Manohar Lal, then Patwari Bishnah has committed forgery and prepared fictitious Form Number 5 for resumption of land from his (complainant's) father, under Agrarian Reforms Act. 1976 in favour of ex-landlord. Chaman Lal son of Munshi Ram of Bishnah, verification was conducted by ACB.

The complainant further alleged that the forged form was presented in the Tehsil Office after eight years and entry was made in the register due to litigation cropped between him and ex-landlord.

The ACB verification concted revealed that land bearing Khasra Number 7 (2 Kanal and 4 Marla), 14 (2 Kanal and 5 Marla), 116 (1 Kanal and 13 Marla) and 199 (5 Kanal and 3 Marla) total measuring 11 Kanal and 5 Marla was vested upon Section 8 of J&K Agrarian Reforms Act, 1976 vide mutation number 804 dated 27-02-

Later, the ex-landlord Chaman Lal applied for resumping matters beyond 10 years in tion of land under Section 7 of the courts at the earliest possithe Agrarian Reforms Act and ble time so that the litigants are filed an appeal before the then relieved from the courts with ADC Jammu who vide order dated 12-06-1999 cancelled the While impressing upon all mutation number 804 and the During the meeting, the the Judicial Officers, Justice case was remanded to Tehsildar

> The verification further revealed that in reference to the courts. He directed the Form Number 5 under the provijudicial employees working in sions of Section 7 of the the courts to be disciplined Agrarian Reforms Act, 1976, mutation number 1168 dated 18-

10-2000 was attested by the Collector (ACR Jammu) in at the cost of around Rs 80 lakh favour of ex-owner to the extent and more funds were later utilized of land measuring 5 Kanals and Thereafter, the order of ACR

Jammu was challenged by Land Records with powers of Commissioner dated 12-05-2001 in reference of a compromise deed, which was executed between Dhanna and Chaman Lal, whereby land measuring 4 Kanals and 5 by ex-landlord and land measur-Dhanna.

During verification, it came said. to fore that the ex-landlord, his son Rajinder Sharma and Rekha Sharma wife of Rajinder Sharma in league with revenue officials posted on different occasions namely Manohar Lal, then Patwari (now expired), Bashir Ahmed then Naib Tehsildar Bishnah (now expired) and Dev Raj, then Patwari, now Girdawar NIA) Anantnag Khalil Ahmad presently posted at DC Office Choudhary has denied bail to a Samba and Tarsem Lal. then Naib Tehsildar Bishnah managed to alienate the land resumed under Section 7 of the Agrarian Reforms Act, 1976 official positions, issued the pering the record. Consequently, a case FIR

Number 22/2020 was registered beneficiaries namely Chaman of the case is going on.

Infringement of fundamental, human rights in vogue in Kashmir: Farooq

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Dec 9: The Jammu and Kashmir National Conference President and Member of Parliament from Srinagar Dr. Farooq Abdullah today said the unilateral and unconstitutional abrogation of J&K's special status has coincided with a steep rise in the infringement of fundamental

and human rights in J&K. The honour of the people has been compromised and downgraded on every account since the spiteful measures of August 5 were undertaken by the ruling BJP at center by giving a ditch to all established constitutional norms and parliamentary propriety, Party President said in his message on the international human rights day.

The months that followed the August 5 2019 measures saw a steep rise in the human rights violations of people in face of disallowing people to pray, blocking communication channels, snatching exclusive jobs rights of local youth.

"BJP climbed the political

ladder nationally by employing a narrative that Articles 370 and 35-A were impeding the job prospects of the youth. Far from providing jobs to the youth, the incumbent ruling dispensation at center which is in direct control of J&K's affairs showed door to thousands of employed youth. 17 months have passed since, the much touted promise of ruling BJP on the creation of Job extravaganza is vet to see light of the day," he said.

The Government grinding of fundamental rights of the people of J&k didn't stop there; the right to freedom of religion has also been in jeopardy since. "I wasn't allowed to take part in congregational prayers at Hazratbal following Eid-e-Milad observance," he said.

"Putting restrictions on mainstream political leaders has sadly become the order of the day. Mehbooba Mufti has been locked up inside her home once again. Such blatant violations of freedom to move, assemble and speak is a badge that the incumbent Government wears proud-

2 decades on, building of local health centre lying unused

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Dec 9: The locals of Wanganpora area of Eidgah in Srinagar today demanded operationalizing a Health Centre building lying unutilized for the last 2 decades for the betterment of the residents of the area without any further

They said that the construction of the building was initiated more than 20 years ago and was completed just a few years ago and despite being complete, the building has not been made functional for the purpose it was con-

It is to be mentioned here that the building has been constructed for the repairs of the building post floods in 2014.

"Despite spending amount, the building has not been Dhanna before the Director made functional and has not been handed over the Health Agrarian Department for the betterment of Reforms, who vide his order the people living in the area," Irfan Ahmad Bhat, a local said.

The locals said that while there is a building available, a health centre is functioning one kilometre away in a rented build-Marlas was agreed and resumed ing. "They are wasting their resources; they have a building, ing 7 Kanals was accepted by but they have left it unattended-it could serve a great purpose," he

The residents said that in the absence of a health centre nearby they have to go to SKIMS even for minor ailments which could have been attended to at the health centre. "Moreover, the women in case of any emergency during the night have to face immense difficulties in reaching the hospital," said Jan Muhammad Mir, another resi-

Notably, the locals said that when the approached the Health Department for making the building functional, they were asked to the contact Administration for the handover process. They were told that the Health Department can initiate further process only after the building is handed over to them. After that, the locals-under the

banner of local Masjid Committee-have now brought the issue into the notice of the District Administration and have requested it to initiate the process of handing over the building to the Health Department so that I could be made functional and the locals are benefitted from it. However, they have so far got no response from the higher-ups in this regard.

The locals said that in the letter written to the administration they have stated a detailed account and have asked the concerned to take up the matter on priority basis so problems faced by the locals are resolved.

Bail denied to accused booked under ULA Prevention Act

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU. Dec 9: Special Judge (Designated Court under person booked under Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act. accused namely The

Waseem Ahmed Wani, son of Mohammad Akram Wani of illegally as the revenue offi- Zainpora was arrested by cers/officials, by abuse of their Shopian Police on the ground that he was involved in heinous Fard-e-Intikhabs of the land ille- offence against the sovereignty gally and dishonestly by con- and integrity of the country. cealing the facts as well as tem- Moreover, he was threat to the social fabric and law and order in the area. After hearing the counsel for

in police station ACB Jammu the accused and Public against Dev Raj, Tarsem Lal and Prosecutor, the court observed, "there are reasonable grounds to Lal, his son Rajinder Sharma believe that the allegations and daughter-in-law Rekha against the accused are prima-Sharma and further investigation facie credible and plausible", adding "the investigating agency

is in the process of collecting further evidence to scan and analyze the involvement of the accused in the commission of crime imputed to him".

"Fundamental right to indi-

vidual liberty is certainly valuable but when it is pitted against the life and liberty of the people at large it becomes insignificant", court said, adding "parameters to be adopted in the matter of considering the pleas of bail would be different in these cases and a strict approach in the latter category of cases is justified".

"On over all analysis of the matter in its totality, I am of the considered opinion that at this stage there appear a reasonable ground for believing that accusation alleged against the applicant/accused is prima-facie true", the court said and accordingly dismissed the bail applica-

Two absconders held after 7 years **Excelsior Correspondent** JAMMU, Dec 9: Two per-

dozens of unemployed youths on the pretext of securing jobs years, by Crime Branch Jammu.

"Kailashpati and Mukesh, both sons of Hukum Chand and residents of Maslaie Dhandal village of Kishtwar, were nabbed in a meticulously planned operation by a special team which had developed specific inputs regarding their whereabouts, said a Crime Branch official.

He said a case was registered in the Jammu Crime Branch against the duo in 2013 for allegedly luring unemployed youths from remote hilly viliobs for them abroad and then duping them of Rs 21.50 lakh.

"The investigation of the case was closed as proved after allegations of cheating and crimsons, facing charges of duping inal conspiracy were established against the two notorious criminals and other co-accused during for them abroad, were arrested the probe conducted by the here after a long hunt of seven Jammu Crime Branch," the official said.

He said accordingly, a charge-sheet was filed against the duo in a Jammu court but as the accused persons were at large and evading their arrests, the court had declared them as absconders under Section 512 CrPC. "The accused were constantly evading arrest by frequently changing locations both inside and out of the Union Territory of J&K, ever since the FIR was lodged against them,"

the spokesperson said. The official said the accused lages on the pretext of arranging are being produced before the court for judicial custody.



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