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Increased airfare a conspiracy to damage Kashmir tourism: AAP

Will raise the issue with Civil Aviation & Tourism Ministries

Srinagar, June 20: Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) today said the steep hike in airfares on Srinagar-Delhi and Srinagar-Mumbai sectors was a deep-rooted conspiracy aimed to damage the tourism industry of Kashmir.

AAP leader and Member of its National Executive Council Dr Raja Muzaffar Bhat said that by making four time increase in airfares to Srinagar, the airlines are breaking the back of Kashmir tourism industry.

"One can understand increase in airfares for a month or so, but right from March the airfares are touching sky thus depriving large number of tourists from Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkatta and other cities to visit Kashmir.

He said the airlines were charging anywhere between Rs 15000 to Rs 17000 from Delhi and Srinagar. "The steep airfares have negatively impacted the tourism traders here as thousands of tourists who otherwise would have come to Kashmir prefer to go abroad like Singapore, Dubai and Malaysia," Dr Muzaffar said.

"During peak tourism season in Goa (December and January) no such rise in airfares is seen and tourists easily go there on modest airfares. But when it comes to Kashmir the rates are being increased so steeply that it becomes unaffordable for the tourists to come here," he said.

"We are going to take AAP Members of Parliament into confidence and take up this issue with Union Minister of Civil Aviation as well as with the Minister in-charge of Tourism," Dr Muzaffar said.



concern that J&K Government especially the Chief Minister has failed to address this serious issue which is making our travel agents, houseboat owners, hoteliers and other stakeholders a direct target."

Pertinently, the steep hike in airfares has raised serious concern in Kashmir's tourism industry, with stakeholders accusing the airlines of deliberately trying to make Kashmir "the costliest and least preferred destination," to cut out tourist inflow.

According to stakeholders in April the intense public outrage against the arbitrarily increase in airfares by airlines had forced them to slash prices.

"But now the air carriers operating on J&K sector have once again increased the airfares with air tickets on Srinagar-Delhi route costing between Rs 15,000 to Rs.17,000."

According to stakeholders Kashmir which does not have the train connectivity with rest of the country, a local patient or student, travelling from Delhi or Jammu or for that matter from any other place in India to Kashmir, has no alternative but to come by air. "The steep airfares make it extremely difficult for them to afford the journey," they said.

Meanwhile, the bank convened a District Level Review Committee meeting of district Pulwama under Chairmanship of Additional DDC Muneer Ahmad. All the district level officers, bank officials and representatives from RBI and NABARD participated in the meeting.

The meeting discussed the achievements under District Credit Plan 2013-14 for the quarter ending March, 2014.

The bank's Lead District Manager M Syed Shah appraised the house about the aggregate position of deposits and advances of banks in the district which stood at Rs 1624 crore and Rs 1146 crore respectively on March 31, 2014.

He said that the Credit Deposit Ratio of the district during the period was 71%. Out of total credit of Rs 1146 crore, Rs 876 crore were disbursed to Priority sector which constitutes 76.44% of total advances made by the banks in the district.

Chairman DLRC appreciated the role of banks and government officers in taking the keen interest for the development of the district.

Gold hits 1-month high of Rs 28,625 on global cues

New Delhi, Jun 20: Gold prices today surged by Rs 605 to hit one-month high of Rs 28,625 per ten gram in the national capital, recording the biggest single-day gain this year, after the precious metal posted its steepest rise in nine months in the global markets.

Silver also saw spurt by Rs 1,800 to Rs 44,900 per kg on increased off-take by industrial units and coin makers.

Sentiment bolstered after gold rose the most since September 2013 in global markets as the dollar weakened, amidst expectations that borrowing costs in the US will remain low.

The worsening crisis in Iraq also fuelled demand for bullion as an alternative investment.

Gold in global markets, which normally sets price trend on the domestic front, climbed to USD 1,322.12 an ounce in Singapore, the highest level since April 12.

In additions, depreciating rupee against the dollar which make imports of gold costlier also influenced the sentiment, they said.

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In Delhi, gold of 99.9 and 99.5 per cent purity surged by Rs 605 each to Rs 28,625 and Rs 28,425 per ten gram respectively, a level last seen on May 22. Sovereign followed suit and shot up by Rs 300 to Rs 24,900 per piece of 8 gram.

In a similar fashion, silver ready spurred by Rs 1,800 to Rs 44,900 per kg and weekly-based delivery by Rs 1,900 to Rs 44,380 per kg. Silver coins zoomed by Rs 3,000 to Rs 80,000 for buying and Rs 81,000 for selling of 100 pieces.

PTI

JK Bank opens 2 branches, convenes DLRC

GK NEWS NETWORK

Srinagar, Jun 20: Reaching out to the people living in far off areas in the state with world class banking services, J&K Bank opened two more Business Units at village Achan in Pulwama and Dehwathu in Islamabad (Anantnag).

The bank's Zonal Head Mushtaq Ahmad Mir inaugurated both the B.U.s in presence of Cluster Head Muhammad Amin, Head B.U Bashir Ahmad and Cluster Head Manzoor Ahmad Attar, Head B.U Irshad Ahmad respectively.

At the opening ceremonies of both the business units, large number of valuable customers, senior citizens, traders and local residents turned up.

Speaking on the occasion Zonal Head said, "Following the policy of expansion the bank shall open more business units in the state particularly in the rural areas. The bank is committed to provide world class banking facilities to the people in every nook and corner of the state."

The bank is also making all efforts to provide best customer services to all its customers

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irrespective of location or status, he added.

The people of the both the areas appreciated the efforts of the bank in making the economic lives of people better and comfortable.

POLICE HEADQUARTER JAMMU AND KASHMIR SRINAGAR

Sub: Recruitment for the Post of Sub Inspector in J&K Police Telecommunication - Not reporting of candidates

Ref: (i) PHQ Advertisement Notice issued under endorsement No.Estt/W-19/2011/50338-420 dated 24.10.2011 read with Estt/W-19/2011/53528-701 dated 30.11.2011 (ii) PHQ order No.2430 of 2013 dated 31.08.2013

Order No. 1617 of 2014 Dated: 18/6/2014

Whereas, among others, Shri Honish Kumar S/o Om Prakash R/o Salana Tehsil and District Kishtwar came to be provisionally selected under RBA category for the post of SI (Telecom) vide PHQ order No.2430 of 2013 dated 31.08.2013;

Whereas, above named candidate, among others, was asked through the medium of call letter/concerned Police Station to report in the office of Director Police Telecommunication (DPT) J&K within a period of 21 days along with original testimonials for completing the pre-appointment formalities and other conditions required under rules, which he did;

Whereas, IGP Technical Services J&K vide letter No. Estt/272/4163-64 dated 07.05.2014 intimated that while the process for issuance of formal appointment order in respect of the said candidate was under way, he declined to join the Police department as SI (Telecom) and offered written un-willingness supported with an affidavit stating therein that he has got employment in some other department(s) and was not now interested to serve in the Police department;

Whereas, for the reasons as mentioned above, IGP Technical Services has recommended for cancellation of the selection of the said candidate;

Therefore, for the reasons as recorded above and in light of the recommendations of the IGP Technical Services, selection in respect of Shri Honish Kumar S/o Om Prakash R/o Salana Tehsil and District Kishtwar as SI (Telecom) ordered vide PHQ order No.2430 of 2013 dated 31.08.2013 is hereby cancelled abinitio.

SD/ K. Rajendra Kumar (IPS) Director General of Police J&K

DIPK-2235

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AHARBAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Sub: Demand notice for outsourcing of Huts, Kiosks & Parking places and parks falling under the jurisdiction of Aharbal Development Authority for the year 2014-2015. This is in continuation of NIT NO: CEO/ADA/14/46-53 DATED 22/05/2014.

For and behalf of the Aharbal Development Authority sealed bids affixed the revenue stamp worth Rs. 5/- (Rupees Five) are invited from the intending persons for outsourcing of below mentioned falling under the jurisdiction of this Authority for the year 2014-2015. The sealed bids should reach to the office of the undersigned on 26/06/2014 up to 2:00 p.m. The bids shall be opened by the competent Authority on the same or any subsequent date in presence of the bidders or their representatives who may wish to be present. The bids shall be accompanied by a CDR shown against each item below pledged to Chief Executive Officer Aharbal Development Authority from any scheduled Bank. Bids not accompanied by CDR shall not be accepted at all. The minimum bid amount fixed is shown as under:-

S. No.	Name of the Park/ Parking Places.	Qty. / No.	Minimum Prices bid (Rs. In Lacs)	CDR. Amount	Bid Document fee
1	Huts at Aharbal	03	1.50 Per No. Per Year (Outsource) for 3 years	27000.00	500.00
2	Cafeteria at Aharbal	01	2.00 Per No. Per Year (Outsource) for 3 years	12000.00	1000.00
3	Car Parking at Aharbal	01	1.00 Per No. Per Year (Outsource) for 3 years	6000.00	500.00
4	Toll post at Aharbal (2 numbers)	02	2.00 Per Year (Outsource) for 3 years	12000.00	1000.00
5	Gazebo (Pre Fabricated) Kiosks at Aharbal	01	0.15 Per Year (Outsource) for 3 years	900.00	100.00
6	Stone Kiosk at Aharbal	01	0.25 Per Year (Outsource) for 3 years	750.00	100.00
7	Timber Kiosk at Aharbal	01	0.25 Per Year (Outsource) for 3 years	750.00	100.00
8	Shop line at Aharbal 10 Rooms (2 storied)	10	0.20 Per Year (Outsource) for 3 years	12000.00	200.00

Terms and Conditions

- The successful bidder must pay 5% amount on taking charges of the park/parking place (facility) and the allottee has to maintain protocol and is debarred from entering into any kind of business.
- The complete bid document containing general conditions rate list and other details can be had from the office of the undersigned against proper GR on cash payment shown against each item above during office hours from 17/06/2014 to 24/06/2014
- Maintenance, up keep, cleanliness and the watch and ward of the facility shall be the prime responsibility of the allottee and any laxity in this behalf shall invite termination of agreement/allotment, besides admissible including penalty / fine shall be imposed by the authority.
- In case the allottee is found engaged in any misbehavior misconduct with tourists/ visitors in the area the contract shall be terminated and deposited some shall be for forfeited.
- In case the allottee is found involved in sale or canvassing for sale of imitation of Kashmir Art or suspicious goods in the area the contract shall be terminated.
- The decision of the CEO ADA shall be the final binding on all the parties when never any dispute arise.
- All the legal matters shall remain within the jurisdiction of Srinagar Court.

All other terms and conditions shall remain same as per bid document and as are in vogue in this Authority.

SD/ Accounts Officer Aharbal Development Authority

NB: 531

Health Minister wants steep tax hike on cigarettes

New Delhi, Jun 20: Terming the health and social costs of tobacco use "intolerable", Health Minister Harsh Vardhan has written to Finance Minister Arun Jaitley asking him to impose a steep uniform hike of Rs 3.5 per cigarette so as to make their cost prohibitive and discourage consumption.

He has also sought doing away with tax exemption given to bidi industry to discourage their use.

In a letter written yesterday

to Jaitley ahead of the general budget next month, Vardhan said the number of male smokers in the country has increased to 105 million from 83 million in the last decade and argued their ill-effects on health force over 15 million people into poverty every year.

"I propose... A large but feasible tax hike in the 2014 budget on cigarettes of Rs 3.5 per stick. The tax would be applied to all lengths to prevent the industry (tobacco) from shifting production and

marketing to lower length cigarettes, as has been the past practice," he said in the letter.

"The more expensive they become, the better it is for all of us. Their price should be hiked. They should become rare," Vardhan told reporters today.

If his proposals are implemented, Vardhan told Jaitley, they would lead to over three million smokers quitting and three million potential smokers not starting at all. The new tax would also bring about Rs 3800 crore in revenue. PTI

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR DIRECTORATE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION J&K, SRINAGAR

Sub: Academic Arrangement in Government Polytechnics of J&K for the Academic year 2014-15

ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE

Application on the prescribed Proforma (available on our website www.jkdte.org) are invited from the Residents of J&K, State for engagement as Lecturer/Demonstrators purely on Academic Arrangement in Govt. Polytechnics of various Districts of the State for the Academic Year 2014-15 in the Disciplines on the terms and conditions also detailed below.

ENGINEERING

S. No.	Name of Disciplines	Name of District where required
01	Civil Engineering	Srinagar, Jammu, Udhampur, Samba, Doda, Kishtwar, Kulgam, Ganderbal, Budgam, Anantnag, Leh,
02	Mechanical Engg	Srinagar, Kupwara, Budgam, Bandipora, Jammu, Kathua
03	Electrical Engg	Srinagar, Ganderbal, Kulgam, Baramulla, Kargil, Reasi, Poonch, Jammu, Kishtwar, Ramban
04	Automobile Engg	Srinagar, Jammu, Samba, Udhampur, Kupwara
05	Computer Engg	Srinagar, Anantnag, Jammu, Kargil, Leh, Reasi,
06	Electronics & Communication Engg	Srinagar, Shopian, Jammu, Ramban, Poonch
07	Instrumentation & Control Engineering	Shopian, Jammu, Kathua
08	Architecture Engg	Jammu, Baramulla

NON-ENGINEERING

01	Textile Design/Technology	Jammu, Srinagar
02	Medical Lab Technology	Jammu, Srinagar
03	Travel Tourism & Hotel Management	Bandipora, Jammu
04	Office Management & Computer Application	Srinagar, Jammu, Doda
05	Wood Technology	Srinagar
06	Leather Technology	Srinagar
07	Food Technology	Srinagar
08	Garment Technology	Srinagar

HUMANITIES & APPLIED SCIENCE

01	Applied Physics	All Districts
02	Applied Chemistry	All Districts
03	English & Communication Skills	All Districts
04	Mathematics	All Districts

Eligibility-LECTURER (A)

Lecturer (Engineering) Bachelor's Degree in Engineering with 55% marks in appropriate branch of Engineering/Technology/Discipline or equivalent from a recognized University.

a) Bachelor's Degree or its equivalent with not less than 55% marks in appropriate branch/discipline or equivalent from the recognized Institution/University.

b) Bachelor's Degree in Arts/Science/Commerce with 1st class diploma in relevant discipline from recognized institution/University.

c) Diploma Holder 1st Class in appropriate Branch/ Discipline from recognized Institution Preference shall be given to then candidates from category (a), in case no candidate from this category is available then preference shall be given to the candidates from category (b), in case no candidate is available from this category also then candidates from category (c) shall be taken.

Lecturer (Humanities & Applied Science) Post graduate degree in relevant subject

DEMONSTRATOR (B)

Demonstrator Degree or its equivalent with not less than 50% marks or 3 years Diploma with not less than 65% marks in appropriate branch of Engineering from a recognized University/Board

NOTE

The Qualifications obtained through Distance Mode of Learning shall be governed by the Guidelines of AICTE, New Delhi and DEC, (Distance Education Council) Government of India (GOI)

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- The academic arrangement shall be for a period of one academic year only i.e 01-08-2014 to 31-07-2015. The arrangement shall terminate automatically after 31-07-2015 or till the posts are filled up on permanent basis whichever is earlier during the academic year 2014-15.
- The candidates engaged as such shall be paid monthly remuneration of Rs 7000/- per month for Degree holders and Rs. 6500/- per month for Diploma holders.
- The selection of the candidates shall be made by the Director Technical Education amongst the eligible candidates having applied for such arrangement after compilation of the subject wise merit list by the committee to be constituted by the Department for the purpose.
- Mere submission of application or eligibility shall not entitle any candidates for this engagement in the arrangement and the arrangement shall be made only as per the requirement/ number of posts available in the respective institution/branch
- The candidates having higher qualification and teaching experience shall be given preference.
- Incomplete application and not with supported documents shall be rejected without any notice to the candidates.
- The application addressed to Director Technical Education shall be deposited with Principal, K.G. Polytechnic Srinagar, for Kashmir Division and Principal Government Boys Polytechnic, Jammu for Jammu Division Polytechnics.
- The application for Leh & Kargil shall be deposited with Principal Govt. Polytechnic Leh & Kargil.
- Application shall specifically mention the District and name of the institution for which applying.
- The candidates shall have to furnish an undertaking on Non Judicial stamp paper of Rs 20/- duly attested by Judicial Magistrate that he/she has accepted the terms and conditions and shall have no preferential claim for his/her continuation/re-engagement or permanent absorption in the Department.
- The candidates shall have to maintain proper discipline and punctuality and shall have to work to the entire satisfaction of the students as well as the Principal concerned. Lack of officer like qualities or indiscipline of any kind will entitle disengagement.
- The merit of the candidates shall be framed as per the following criteria.

Total Points= 100

01	Basic merit of the prescribed Qualification	70 Points
02	Higher Qualification	15 Points
03	Teaching Experience (Polytechnic Level & Above)	
	1) Teaching Experience less than 1 year	Nil
	2) Teaching Experience for 1-2 year	05 Points
	3) Teaching Experience for 2-3 year	10 Points
	4) Teaching Experience 3 years & Above	15 Points

LAST DATE

The last date for submission of the application forms dully completed/supported with requisite documents shall be 01-07-2014 up to 4.00PM and no application shall be received after the said date in any case.

SD/ Director Technical Education

DIPK: 2304

Application for academic arrangement in J&K (for the academic session 2014-15)

- District for which applied:.....
- Name of the institution applied for:.....
- Name (in Block letters):.....
- Parentage:.....
- Address (with contact No):.....
- Discipline:.....
- Qualification:.....

Details of qualification

S. NO.	Examination passed	Year of passing	Board/ University	Total Marks Obtained	Max Marks	%age of Marks	Exp. In year (Name of organization)	Period
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Certified that all the above information is correct to be best of my Knowledge

Signatures of the Applicant