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A dangerous discourse of 'locals verses outsiders' has been set by the political leaders of Kashmir. This is part of their venomous campaign of 'othering'.

These same political elites earlier blamed the political class of Indian mainland for othering the people of Kashmir. The question they would pose was: "Aren't we (Kashmiris) citizens of this country? Why are there less opportunities and avenues available to Kashmiris in mainland India?"

Sometimes Kashmiris were harassed by the locals or by the police in some pockets of the country. At that time our politicians correctly questioned the othering of Kashmiris.

Gradually this talk became the part of the political discourse in Kashmir. It was often exaggerated and out of proportion, but the points made were genuine.

Now there is reverse othering in place. It can have dangerous consequences. Our political elites are competing with each other in this discourse of othering. This is deliberate and intentional. Their objectives are two-fold. They want to further the divisive agenda in Kashmir. And they want to create insecurities locally.

There are lacunas and loopholes in the functioning of the administration everywhere – locally, nationally and globally. Power leads to arrogance everywhere. The failures and errors of judgment by the Administration compound the problems faced by the common man.

But giving this the twist of "us versus them" is a dangerous narrative – as dangerous as separatism.

Every peace loving Kashmiri has right to work in any part of India. Any 'othering' of Kashmiris is reprehensible and must be condemned by one and all. The Central and respective state governments should be held responsible for any kind of discriminatory approach towards law-abiding Kashmiris.

But political elites at times make dangerous comments. In September, Apni Party chief Altaf Bukhari said Kashmiris have been sidelined in the administration, and people from UP and Bihar rule Jammu and Kashmir. In the statement, Bukhari said, "You only see 22 people being terminated in Kashmir. But I think all the people of Jammu and Kashmir have been terminated. Where are they in the administration? There are scores of Kashmiri officers in police and civil administration. Where are the Muslim officers today? Who says 22 people have been terminated... I'm saying that 82 lakh people of Kashmir have been terminated. People from UP and Bihar will not govern us. No one from UP can come and educate us about the governance, we know what is happening in UP," Bukhari told reporters after addressing the party workers.

People's Conference Chairman Sajad Lone posted in a series of tweets: "The newly elected DDC members seem to be fed up of the Government. People seem to be fed up of the newly elected DDC members and the government is fed up with both the DDC and the people. Government of the day is comfortable with a non political set up. I think aiming at a non political non DDC setup". This too is part of the othering strategy. It needs to be checked.

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Rustam Lone is top militant handler in Pakistan



Rustam Lone



by GM MIR

Rustam Lone, a Kupwara man who had run off to Pakistan as a boy in 1997 has been hand-picked by ISI to give fresh impetus to militancy in north Kashmir. Rustam went to Pakistan for arms training to kill some militants back home who had killed his father, uncle and brother.

Sources reveal that ISI is worried that Kupwara is peaceful and has low militant activity. Rustam, who stays in Pakistan, is one of the top handlers to recruit Kashmiri youth in militant groups. Following the charge given by ISI, Rustam is seeking information from his relatives about the situation here. He is also seeking the phone numbers of his childhood friends so that he can use them to reach out to more youth to join militancy.

FAMILY DEVASTATED BY MILITANTS

In 1997, Rustam went to Pakistan to get arms training. His purpose was to kill those militants in Kashmir who had killed his family members.

During the 90s, Punjwa vil-

lage in Kupwara district of north Kashmir was known as Muzaffar Abad. The village has produced more than a hundred militants and many militant commanders. The village is influenced by JEI ideology. Peer Mumtaz, popularly known as Syed Lala, a long-time friend and confidante of Syed Ali Geelani, was from this village. He was a known Khateeb of the area and used to give sermons in mosques.

Later Syed Lala became a key man of Pakistan to enable local young men to join Hizbul Mujahideen and go to Pakistan for



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and uncle. He decided to go to Pakistan to get arms training for avenging these killings.

One day Nazir left home to go to Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir (POK) to join a terror camp there and learn how to use assault weapons. He joined a group of boys to start his journey.

Peer Mushtaq, then platoon commander of Hizbul Mujahideen who had killed his father and uncle, got to know of Nazir's plan. Some people informed Peer Mushtaq that Nazir's plan was to get an AK 47 from Pakistan and kill his (Peer Mushtaq's) family members.

Peer Mushtaq chased Nazir while he was crossing Hafrada Forest in Kupwara district, and

RUSTAM TEACHES BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AT A COLLEGE IN PAKISTAN. HE USES DIVERSE SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS TO INSTIGATE THE KASHMIRI YOUTH AND DRAW THEM INTO MILITANCY

arms training.

In the early 1990s, when militancy was at its peak, a young man from this area named Mohd Gulzar Lone joined CRPF. Those years, Pakistan propaganda ruled in Kashmir. In the villages that were in the grip of militancy, joining any security agency was regarded as a sin. The news spread like wildfire that Gulzar has joined CRPF as a constable.

In order to supposedly punish the family for Gulzar's joining CRPF, militants kidnapped his father Gh Mohammad Lone and his uncle Ghulam Ahmad Lone in January 1992. They were tortured to death and were buried in a nearby forest. Their mortal remains could not be traced.

As per sources, three local militants killed Gulzar's father and uncle. One among these militants was, Mir Hafizullah, who was then the commander of Alumner, a terrorist group. The second was Peer Mushtaq, the platoon commander of Hizbul Mujahideen. Mushtaq is now in POK. The third was Ashraf Meer. All three are from Punjwa.

MILITANTS KILL THIRD FAMILY MEMBER

Gh Mohammad Lone had four sons. The eldest one is Gulzar, who is in CRPF. Lone's second son Nazir Ahmad was devastated at the killing of his father

killed him. He dumped Nazir's body somewhere in the forest. Nazir's body could not be traced.

Nazir's grandfather Nazir Gh Rasool Lone was known as Lass Haput, which in Kashmiri refers to a huge black bear. Gh Rasool Lone was fondly called by this name because he was a large-hearted, brave and helpful man. The old man's two grown sons had already been killed by militants. Now militants killed his grandson too.

Gh Rasool was so distressed and heartbroken that he lost his mental balance. He started wailing all day and roamed in the nearby forest to find Nazir's body, but could not find it. The old man finally went mad and

Associates In Pakistan's Terror Ecosystem

Strange are the ways of life. Peer Mushtaq killed Rustam's father, uncle and brother. Rustam went to Pakistan to get an AK 47 to avenge the death of his family members. Yet today, Rustam and Peer Mushtaq are associates in Pakistan's terror ecosystem for Kashmir.

Rustam is now a top handler for Kashmiri youth recruited as militants. He and

Peer Mushtaq recruit Kashmiri youth through social media platforms. Rustam, who worked for some years as a college lecturer in Pakistan, is an educated man. He uses diverse social media platforms to instigate the Kashmiri youth to join militancy.

Image courtesy Twitter



died.

Since Gulzar had joined CRPF, the family got labeled as a mukhbir family. The villagers started regarding them as Indian agents.

Gh Mohammad Lone's fourth son, Rustam, was a child when tragedy upon tragedy befell his family. He was only in fourth standard when his three family

members were brutally killed by militants.

As years went by, Rustam was the only reason his other family members managed to live through their misfortune. Sources say that Rustam was regarded as one of the most brilliant boys of his class.

In 1997, one day when Rustam's mother went to his room to awak-

en him for morning tea, she found him missing. The family was in shock. They thought that the militants had returned to target their family again.

The family did not get any clue about Rustam's whereabouts. After about a month, they received a call from him. Rustam had called them from Pakistan.

Rustam told his mother that he had gone to Pakistan to get an AK-47. He said he would kill all those who had killed his father, uncle and his brother. He told his mother that he would not spare anyone who had caused such immense pain to his family.

RUSTAM RUNS OFF TO PAKISTAN

Rustam crossed over to Pakistan when he was studying in Class X. All family members were deeply fearful for Rustam. They knew that if he returned, a feud would break out between him and the militants, in which he may get killed. Rustam's mother told him to stay back in Pakistan. She said that when the situation was better back home, she would tell him to come.

Rustam did MBA from a college in Pakistan. He fell in love with a girl and married her. Rustam now teaches business management at a college there. He uses diverse social media platforms to instigate the Kashmiri youth and draw them into militancy.

Peer Mushtaq, who had killed Rustam's father, uncle and brother was also in Pakistan. He was in charge of a militant camp at Ifta Abad. Peer Mushtaq made sure that Rustam should not return to Kashmir. He knew that if Rustam comes back to Punjwa, he will target his (Peer Mushtaq's) family and kill his family members.

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CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR

Mehraj and Zargar Private Ltd Part 2

by Iqbal AHMAD

The Central University of Kashmir was established in 2009. The website of the university proudly declares its mission and a host of objectives. One of the objectives is to pay special attention to the improvement of the social and economic conditions and welfare of the people, their intellectual, academic and cultural development.

How far Central University of Kashmir has fulfilled the stated mission and objectives is debatable. But in one role, the university has performed excellently. In serving the wishes and wants of former vice chancellor Prof Mehraj-u-din and Registrar Prof M Afzal Zargar. Central University of Kashmir has served as an efficient vehicle to ensure luxuries and prosperity for the duo. If Prof Mehraj and Prof Zargar have their way, this happy arrangement will happily continue. Prof Zargar aspires to the vice chancellor of the university. Prof Mehraj is turning all levers he can to make sure Prof Zargar gets the coveted chair.

LOOT AT CENTRAL UNIVERSITY

The Anti Corruption Bureau has received a complaint from retired Urdu Professor, Prof Rashid Khan against Prof Afzal Zargar and former Vice-Chancellor Prof Mehraj-u-din Mir. The complaint alleges that both have extensively looted Central University. Insiders at the university say Prof Zargar actively collaborated with Prof Mehraj-u-din in building personal fortunes using the funds of Central University. Meanwhile, not even a single building worth the name has been constructed during their tenure.

As per the reports, with the active collaboration of Prof Zargar, Prof Mehraj has spent lakhs of rupees on the furnishing and renovation of his residence at Buchpora, Srinagar in the name of maintaining his private office there. Some of the items installed at his residence which have been funded by the university include air conditioners, generators, inverters, stabilizers, refrigerators, vacuum cleaners, gas heaters, UPS equipments, toasters, electric kettles, five sofa sets, carpets, curtains, geysers, solar panels, treadmills, dishes, printers, Laptops, PCs, Xerox machines, lockers etc.

ACB is probing the case. No FIR has been registered yet.

WITH THE ACTIVE COLLABORATION OF PROF ZARGAR, PROF MEHRAJ HAS SPENT LAKHS OF RUPEES ON THE FURNISHING AND RENOVATION OF HIS RESIDENCE AT BUCHPORA, SRINAGAR IN THE NAME OF MAINTAINING HIS PRIVATE OFFICE THERE



FORMER VC FORMULATED ASSETS MANAGEMENT POLICY TWO WEEKS BEFORE TERM EXPIRY

Varsity Assets Worth Lakhs Used At His Residence Declared Not Traceable

Why did former vice chancellor Prof Mehraj-u-din introduce the Assets Management Policy just two weeks before the expiry of his term, and that too without anybody's approval. Was it introduced with the malafide intention to rob the university and siphon off the assets issued to him as vice chancellor?

Sources reveal that Prof Mehraj fraudulently declared some of the items issued to him as vice chancellor as being "Not Traceable".

All these items have now been written off by the university or have been settled at a very nominal written down value. For example, as per the NOC managed by Prof Mehraj in connivance with the Registrar, items like an I-Pad (Rs 49,500), Desktop (Rs 54,292), Printer (Rs 65,625) and Apple laptop (Rs 85,150) have been retained by Prof Mehraj either free of cost or at a very nominal price. This way, Prof Mehraj has conveniently pocketed assets worth several lakhs.

One may recall that this is taxpayers' money. The funds were allotted to the university for the education of students from this remote region. They have been used instead to enrich the former vice chancellor and his coterie.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, OUTSOURCING SERVICES, SUPPLY ORDERS GIVEN TO RELATIVES OF PROF AFZAL ZARGAR

Sources reveal that most of the construction contracts, outsourcing services and supply orders have been executed through the relatives of the Registrar, particularly his brother and brother-in-law. PWD, NBCC and other central government agencies which had been engaged for these tasks earlier were directed to leave. Presumably they did not fall in line with the Registrar's vision for the university.

Crores of rupees have been paid to the contrac-

In conversation with KASHMIR CENTRAL regarding the embezzlement of university funds, Prof Mehraj said, "Who has made the complaints against me? Tell them to come in front. If the case has reached ACB (Anti Corruption Bureau), let them handle the case and come with evidence. If I have taken one crore, it is the ACB that is going to probe it".



MANY UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS WERE TAKEN ON EXORBITANT RENT FROM TALIB HUSSAIN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, THE LARGEST CONSTRUCTION COMPANY IN J&K. SERVICES OF THE SAME COMPANY WERE ENGAGED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HOUSE OF DR ASIFA, THE SISTER OF PROF ZARGAR AT OMER COLONY, LALBAZAR, SRINAGAR

tors in the name of escalation cost and taken back from them in cash and kind. Private buildings were hired for offices, hostels and guest houses at exorbitant rents. The landlords of the buildings hired by the university and other parties/suppliers were made to pay huge sums in the name of CSR which was not accounted was later siphoned off. Even the newly-recruited employees were compelled to pay in the name of CSR in addition to other direct payments. A Finance Officer who raised objections to the fraudulent and corrupt practices and financial irregularities of the VC and Registrar was removed. Employees who questioned these irregularities were humiliated, harassed or suspended.

JAGIRS OF PROF ZARGAR

Sources reveal that courtesy the fortunes he made at Central University, Prof Afzal Zargar has purchased a huge plot of land at Ganderbal and flats at

Delhi. He has constructed large houses at Bathindi in Jammu. The contractors and suppliers of the university have supplied all the material and equipment for these sites.

Many university buildings were taken on exorbitant rent from Talib Hussain construction company, the largest construction company in J&K. Services of the same company were engaged for the construction of the house of Dr Asifa, the sister of Prof Zargar at Omer Colony, Lalbazar, Srinagar

Sources reveal that the engineering staff, employees and security guards of the university are deployed at these construction sites. University insiders say that during the last seven years spent by Dr Zargar as the Registrar of Central University, not even a single building has been constructed on the university campus.

According to reliable sources, many close relatives of Prof Zargar are working at Central University.



When KASHMIR CENTRAL asked Prof. Afzal Zargar about the complaints of corruption and nepotism against him, he said, "All these allegations are fabricated. There is no case and said I am not answerable to you for anything. Let the investigating agency do their work. It's all fabricated and false."

CRORES OF RUPEES HAVE BEEN PAID TO THE CONTRACTORS IN THE NAME OF ESCALATION COST AND TAKEN BACK FROM THEM IN CASH AND KIND. PRIVATE BUILDINGS WERE HIRED FOR OFFICES, HOSTELS AND GUEST HOUSES AT EXORBITANT RENTS

In league with Prof Zargar, former vice chancellor Prof Mehraj filled various teaching and non-teaching positions even during the Covid pandemic with his chosen people, courtesy a sham recruitment practice. Despite being a central university, the institution was kept out of bounds for meritorious external candidates, making a mockery of merit.

For the protection of the jagirs of both and to keep a lid on the scams at the university, Dr Mehraj is actively pursuing that Prof Zargar is appointed as the new vice chancellor.

IN CONTRAVENTION OF RULES, PROF MEHRAJ APPOINTED PROF ZARGAR AS REGISTRAR FOR NEXT 5 YEARS MONTH BEFORE DEMITTING OFFICE

In order to cover up his misdeeds, Prof Mehraj appointed his henchman Prof Zargar as the Registrar for next five years just one month before he was to leave the office. Sources reveal that this was done against the norms specified by Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) and University Grants Commission (UGC), including order No F.No.V.11014/11/04-CDN of MHRD. Government norms do not allow the outgoing VCs to make any appointment/promotions three month prior to the expiry of their term.

ACB AND CBI INVESTIGATING THE CASE

The Anti Corruption Bureau, J&K and Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) are probing the charges of fraudulent appointments and financial irregularities by former vice chancellor Prof Mehraj-u-din and Registrar Prof M Afzal Zargar in purchases and construction at the University. Sources reveal that UGC has asked the Ministry of Human Resource Development to conduct an enquiry and initiate action against the wrongdoers at the Central University.

ACB has seized most of the records of the university. Twice ACB carried out raids at the residences of the university officials.

A higher police official wishing anonymity told KASHMIR CENTRAL, "we have registered a case against Prof. Afzal Zargar regarding malpractices that they have committed while hiring the buildings for the Central University and again withdrawing excessive amount from the government ex-chequer and presented bogus and fraud bills. There is another F.I.R against them in ACB for using sub-standard material for the construction of a university building. The ACB is also probing about the assets of Prof. Zargar because the ACB believes that he has accumulated more assets which are disproportionate from his known sources of Income".

SOURCES REVEAL THAT COURTESY THE FORTUNES HE MADE AT CENTRAL UNIVERSITY, PROF AFZAL ZARGAR HAS PURCHASED A HUGE PLOT OF LAND AT GANDERBAL AND FLATS AT DELHI. HE HAS CONSTRUCTED LARGE HOUSES AT BATHINDI IN JAMMU AND SADERBAL IN SRINAGAR

FIRS AGAINST PROF AFZAL ZARGAR

Corruption, Nepotism - the Buzz Words At CU

The Anti Corruption Bureau raided CU Registrar Prof Zargar's residence on July 29, 2021. Two FIRs bearing No 16/2021 and 18/2021 stand registered in his name for his involvement in corruption at Central University.

FIR 18/2021 is regarding embezzlement in hiring private buildings for offices and hostels at Srinagar without following codal procedures, paying rent when buildings were not in use, paying excess rent and getting it back for personal gain. On these charges, the residence of the Registrar was raided along with the residences of some other officers of the university.

ACB case against Engineers of CU Kashmir

In July 2021, Anti Corruption Bureau registered a case against some officers of CUK for malpractices in the execution of works at Central University of Kashmir, Ganderbal.

CUK issued an e-tender in June 2017 for the construction of Academic Block at its campus in Tulmulla, Ganderbal. The tender was for Rs 4,40,41,780. ACB found that the specifications for the construction of the Academic Block had been changed without any information issued to the contrary by the university.

The change compromised work quality at the Academic Block and resulted in loss of Rs 71.61 lakh to CUK.

The FIR was registered against Reyaz Ahmad Jeelani, then Executive Engineer (now retired), Syed Ahmad Gurkhoo, then JE, CUK, Ganderbal, Suhail Bashir, then JE CUK Ganderbal, proprietor of beneficiary firm M/S Granco Industries Limited Rajbagh, Srinagar and others. ACB conducted searches at the CUK campus and also at the residences of the accused officials, and seized incriminating documents.

Sources reveal that Prof Mehraj has so far managed to halt ACB's efforts to reach him due to his political clout and local influence.



Slogan For AAM KASHMIRIS

No Education Till Liberation

They Remain Stunted And Enslaved To Destructive Ideology

KHAAS KASHMIRIS - Children Of Separatists Study Abroad, Pursue Prosperous Life



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ALL THROUGH OUR CHILDHOOD YEARS, WE LIVED WITH SHUTDOWNS. OUR FOREVER ANGRY SEPARATISTS NEVER HAD A ROADMAP FOR KASHMIR. WAS THERE ANY SPACE FOR RECONCILIATION? WAS THERE ANY MIDDLE GROUND IN THEIR CONSTANT FIGHT AGAINST THE STATE? NO

by Bisma NAZIR

No Education Till Liberation was the slogan of separatist leaders. Importantly, this applied only to the common Kashmiris – not to their own children. The children of the separatist leaders did not suffer the blow of resistance like we did. They were the khaas Kashmiris. We were the aam Kashmiris. The khaas Kashmiris did not follow the footsteps of their forever angry, forever uncompromising fathers. For us common Kashmiris, the career path advocated by the separatists was stones and guns. Meanwhile, a study of the career path taken by children of separatist leaders reveals that they are either studying in the leading educational institutes or are well settled in peaceful parts of the world. They are comfortably pursuing professional and management studies. Those who are older are professionally engaged, have purchased properties abroad and are leading affluent lives.



THE HQ OF KASHMIR'S SEPARATIST MOVEMENT WASN'T SRINAGAR, ANANTNAG, SHOPIAN OR PULWAMA. THE HQ OF KASHMIR'S SEPARATIST MOVEMENT WAS AND IS THE ISI CONTROL ROOM IN RAWALPINDI

This for the khaas children of Kashmir.

THE SHUTDOWNS WE LIVED WITH

The word lockdown is new, and the world is suffering it courtesy Covid. All through our childhood years, we lived with lockdown's first cousin – the shutdown. Our forever angry separatists never had a roadmap for Kashmir. Was there any space for reconciliation? Was there any middle ground in their constant fight against the state? No.

Truth is that there was never any possibility of a middle ground, because the headquarters of Kashmir's separatist movement wasn't Srinagar, Anantnag, Shopian or Pulwama. The headquarters of Kashmir's separatist movement was and is the

ISI control room in Rawalpindi.

This is the reason the separatists sent their children out of Kashmir.

We the aam janta of Kashmir grew up watching our schools and colleges frequently closed due to the constant shutdowns.

DIVERSIONS FOR AAM KASHMIRIS INTRODUCED AT SCHOOL LEVEL

The youth of any society prosper in a peaceful atmosphere where they have the freedom to pursue their goals. This was not to be our destiny.

The children of the khaas Kashmiris always had clear goals and ambitions. We aam Kashmiris lived with diversion of our goals and ambitions. The tragedy of Kashmir is that a section of the population continues to suffer the

diversions even now. These diversions are induced into the young minds from their early years. In primary schools, the young minds should be directed towards targets and signposts of achievement and excellence in diverse fields.

In Kashmir, the diversions are introduced at school level at the orders of the separatist camps or Jamaat-e-Islami. Most of the educational institutions are regulated and monitored by these two groups. For years, the Hurriyat leaders kept telling Kashmiris not to send their children in the schools run by the Army. Their charge was that the Army schools were weaning the next generation away from their religion and culture. But the children of the khaas Kashmiris secured an education in peaceful, prosperous areas. They are leading blooming lives.

FLOURISHING CAREERS OF THE CHILDREN OF SEPARATISTS

Nayeem Geelani, the elder son of Syed Ali Shah Geelani is a surgeon. His wife is a medical practitioner. Their son is a crew member of private airline in India.

Naseem Geelani, the younger son of Syed Ali Geelani is a Senior Assistant Professor in SKUAST, Kashmir.

Geelani's daughter **Farhat Jabeen** is a teacher in Jeddah

Geelani's granddaughter **Ruwa Shah** is a celebrity journalist living in Turkey.

Abid Sehrai, son of Ashraf Sehrai, former chairman of Geelani's Hurriyat faction is a computer engineer. His other two sons were working in Saudi Arabia.

Rabia Farooq, sister of Mirwaiz Umer Farooq is a doctor settled in London.

Mohammad bin Qasim, son of Dukhtaran Millat chief Asiya Andrabi graduated in Information Technology from the Islamic University of Malaysia. He is pursuing higher studies in Australia. Asiya's sister **Maryam Andrabi** lives in London with her family. Asiya had applied for visa for her second son.

The children of Hurriyat leader Bilal Lone were studying in London and Australia.

Jugnu, the son of Hurriyat leader Gh Mohammad Sumzi was a student of management studies in New Delhi.

Rooma Maqbool, son of Farida Behenji, chairperson of Jammu and Kashmir Mass Movement, is a doctor in South Africa.

Sarwar Yaqub, son of former spokesperson of Geelani faction Hurriyat, Ayaz Akbar, was a management student in Pune.

Umar Dar and Adil Dar, the sons of Abdul Aziz Dar, another leader of Geelani faction, were studying in Pakistan.

Sama Shabir, the daughter of separatist leader Shabir Ahmad Shah is studying in London. Shah's wife Dr Bilquees is a doctor by profession. She always tells people not to send their daughters outside the state without a Mehram. But her own daughter Sama Shabir is in UK without any Mehram.

THIS IS THE HYPOCRISY OF KASHMIR'S SEPARATIST LEADERS. WE THE AAM KASHMIRIS ARE CONVENIENT FODDER FOR THE CONFLICT. THEIR OWN CHILDREN, THE KHAAS KASHMIRIS, ALWAYS ENJOY THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS.

THEATRE OF THE ABSURD

Pakistan collaborators Hurriyat made recommendations to Pak Embassy for sending local youth there for 'education'. Youth returned with deadly anti-state ideology, assault weapons

CALLOUS, BLIND POLICY OF INDIAN STATE

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

In recent years, many Kashmiri youngsters had been allowed to go to Pakistan for pursuing medical education on Hurriyat quota.

This is indeed a rare and unique policy for any nation – that the budding youth of a conflict region are allowed by the state to study in an enemy country. Astoundingly, these youth were given travel visas for Pakistan by the Indian state for education there.

What is the impact of education in an enemy state upon a Kashmiri youth? Has the state carried out any analysis of this policy? Have the consequences of allowing the youth to study in an enemy country been examined? Has anyone been held accountable for this faulty policy?

Ground experience has been that the youngsters who went to Pakistan to study medicine got even



PHOTO: REUTERS

WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF EDUCATION IN AN ENEMY STATE UPON THE KASHMIRI YOUTH? HAS THE STATE CARRIED OUT ANY ANALYSIS OF THIS POLICY? HAVE THE CONSEQUENCES OF ALLOWING THE YOUTH TO STUDY IN AN ENEMY COUNTRY BEEN EXAMINED? HAS ANYONE BEEN HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THIS FAULTY POLICY?

more indoctrinated against India. A young doctor who had studied medicine in Pakistan on the Hurriyat quota is known for his sharp anti-India stance and writes resistance poetry. He is now working at a government hospital in Srinagar.

Disaffection against the government is a democratic right. Is expression of disaffection against the state also a democratic right? I frequently observe

that the state has not responded harshly to the antagonistic expressions of this so-called resistance poet or other resistance writers. The state has not been tough against them.

Is the magnanimity of the Indian state regarded as its weakness? Is it fit that the democratic space given by the Indian state is abused in the garb of freedom of expression?

HURRIYAT AND PAKISTAN'S LIFE PLAN For Aam Kashmiri Youth

Diverted from innocent dreams of being doctors, lawyers, engineers, actors, sportsmen or other professionals

Aam Kashmiri children were deprived of basic education because of the hate manufactured by the Hurriyat, the Jamaat i Islami and other politico-religious organizations like them.

These aam Kashmiri children continue to be diverted from their innocent dreams of being doctors, lawyers, engineers, actors, sportsmen or other professionals.

These aam Kashmiri youth continue to die for the so-called Kashmir cause or remain enslaved to this faulty, self-destructive ide-

ology.

The khaas Kashmiri – the children of these so-called leaders – grow up with complete educational security and achieve good positions in society.

The Indian state has never understood that these same children later return to Kashmir to become leaders themselves and instigate more youth to rise against the state. Why? Because a manufactured conflict always needs fodder. The children of the poor Kashmiri are befooled to be easy fodder for the conflict.

There are hundreds of Kashmiri children whose fathers were militants. On the recommendation of the Hurriyat or other powers that be, these children were allowed by the Indian state to go to Pakistan to do MBBS or other academic courses.

From 2017 till date, many local children were given legal travelling documents by the Indian state for studying in Pakistan. They went to Pakistan supposedly for academics, but infiltrated back to Kashmir with huge cache of arms and ammunition.

WHY DID THE SO-CALLED RESPONSIBLE AND EFFICIENT OFFICERS OF THE INDIAN STATE SUPPORT AND ASSIST THE PAKISTANISATION OF KASHMIR? WHAT MADE A BUREAUCRAT WHO IS CONSTITUTIONALLY BOUND TO SERVE THE INTERESTS OF THE INDIAN STATE RECOMMEND THAT SO-AND-SO YOUTH SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO STUDY IN AN ENEMY STATE?



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A MANUFACTURED CONFLICT ALWAYS NEEDS FODDER. THE CHILDREN OF THE POOR KASHMIRI ARE BEFOOLED TO BE EASY FODDER FOR THE CONFLICT. THEY ARE EASILY DIVERTED FROM ACADEMICS AT AN EARLY AGE AND PREPARED FOR THE ROLE OF STONE PELTERS, OVER GROUND WORKERS AND MILITANTS

Let us examine the scenario that we are faced with here. Pakistan is providing scholarships to those Kashmiri students who are recommended by the Hurriyat leaders. No prizes for guessing why Pakistan is doing this. Hurriyat was widely known as Pakistan's stooge in Kashmir. Pakistan fully milked the opportunity handed to it on a silver platter by India – sending our youth to the enemy

state to supposedly study there.

The bigger question is this – why did the so-called responsible and efficient officers of the Indian state openly support and assist the Pakistanisation of Kashmir? What made a bureaucrat who is constitutionally bound to serve the interests of the Indian state recommend that so-and-so youth should be allowed to study in an enemy state?

From the recommendation of this officer, the wheels of enabling the travel of these youth were set into motion. In turn, Kashmir has been saddled with more and more young and educated men who are antagonistic to the Indian state, and are pursuing their agenda in all the ways possible. A highly unfortunate turn of events indeed. Who shall be held accountable for this lapse?

What Taliban Dishes Out To The DAUGHTERS OF AFGHANISTAN



Taliban bans women from sports activities

Asian News International

Kabul, January 6: A number of sports club owners in Kabul said that the Taliban has banned athletic sports for women.

“They (Islamic Emirate) don’t allow athletic sports (for women), although the women’s section was separated in the past and it is separated now too. The coach is also a woman, not a man. But let (women) be allowed to do their exercises,” said Hafizullah Abasi, head of a sports club, reported Tolo News.

“Since the Taliban came to power, I was not allowed to exercise. I referred to many sports clubs for training. But, unfortunately, they said that the women’s section is closed,” said Tahira Sultani, a coach of Taekwondo and mountain-

eering sports.

She has earned awards at the national level as well as abroad in the past eight years.

“I had a lot of desire and ambition over the past six years. I wanted to raise the flag of Afghanistan in the world in the best way,” said Arizo Ahmadi, a member of the national Jujutsu team, reported Tolo News.

Meanwhile, the Islamic Emirate said it would allow women’s sports based on Islamic values and Afghan culture.

“We will pursue the policy of the Islamic Emirate in all aspects. Whatever is allowed in our culture and tradition, we will allow it,” said Dad Mohammad Nawa, spokesman for Physical Education and National Olympic Committee.—(ANI)

The Daughters of KASHMIR, INDIA



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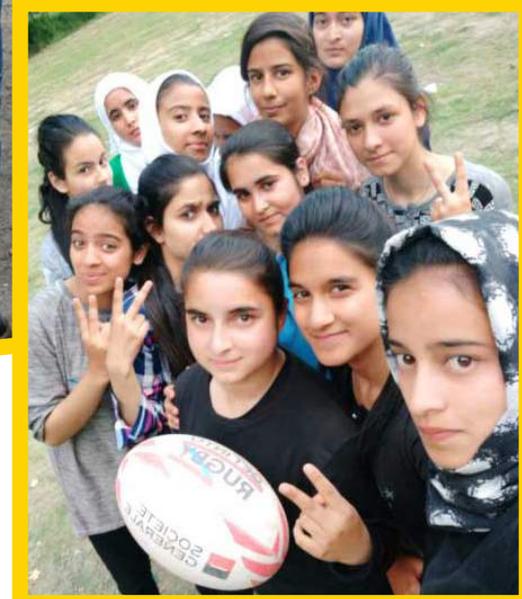


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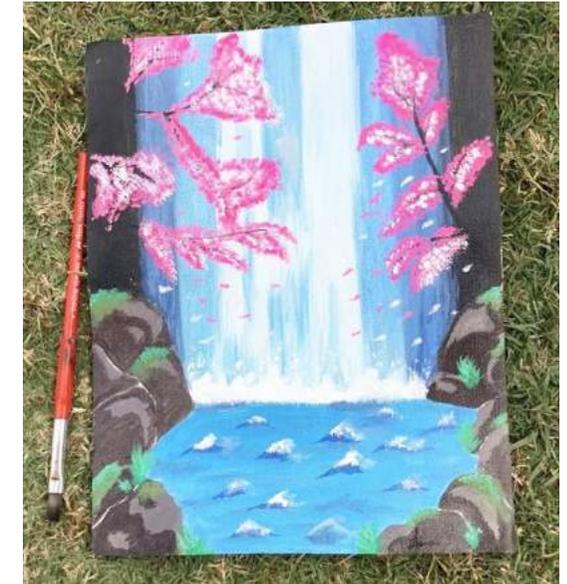
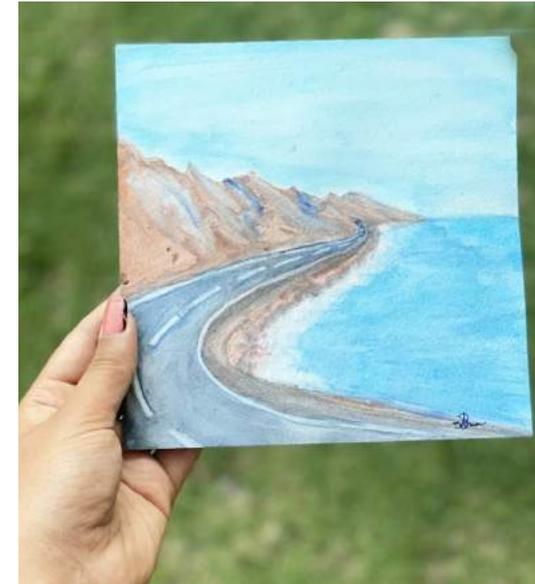
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Colours Of Joy

by Mareaya FAYAZ



Her strokes on the murals she creates on walls are bold, colourful and beautiful. This mural artist of Srinagar is Aimen Showkat, who is also a budding calligrapher. She recently completed Class 12 from Kothi Bagh Higher Secondary School. Aimen continues to pursue academics, but her passion is art.

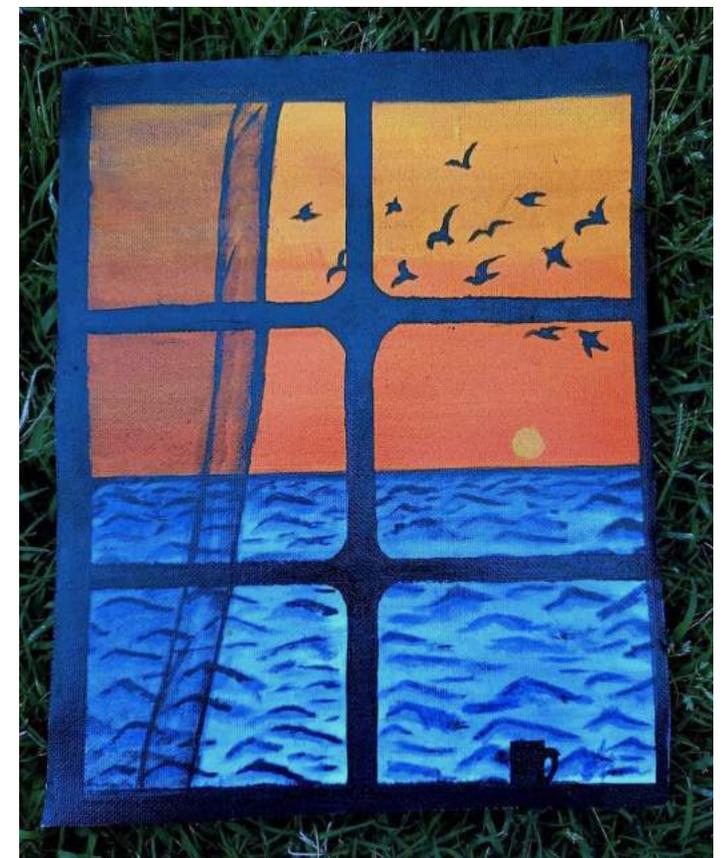
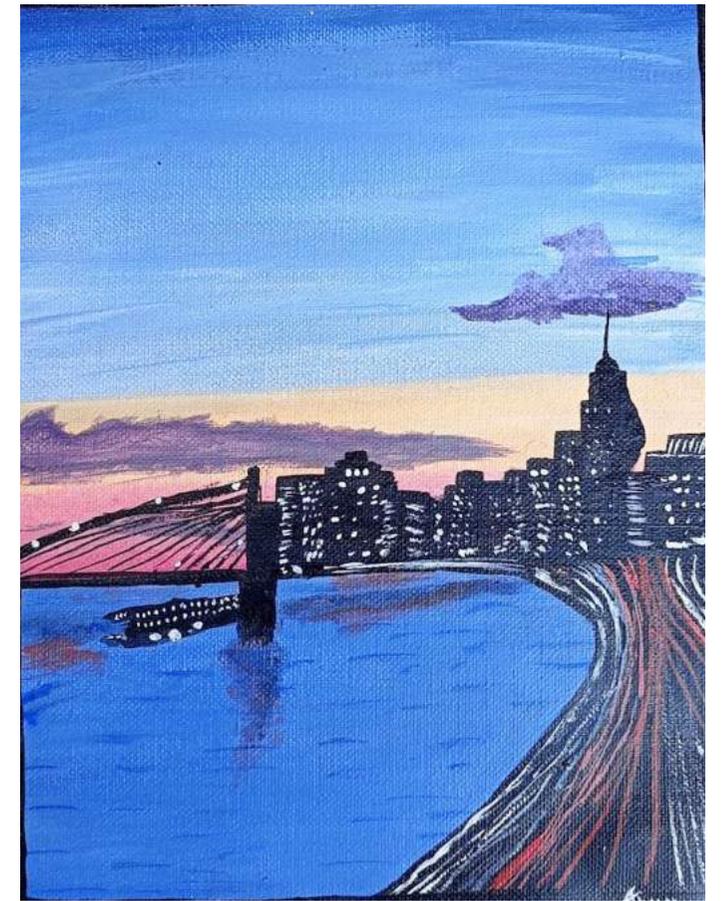
Aimen started as a calligraphy artist. Her family is engaged in artifacts and handicrafts of Kashmir heritage. Aimen has been fond of painting since childhood. She has been introduced to mural art by Sahil Manzoor, a popular mural artist of Srinagar. Sahil had bagged a project in the city titled Wall of Kindness. Aimen helped Sahil in completing the project.

Aimen is the daughter of Showkat Ahmad Beigh, a businessman. She says she is fortunate that her family and relatives have always been supportive of her art. "I am happy that I have got total support also from the community and our society. People love my paintings and I am getting more orders day by day," says the teenager.

Aimen says calligraphy is deeply embedded in her. At times she feels it arises from her soul. "Art brings me inner peace and happiness. Even though I get busy with studies, it is art where I find true happiness," she says. "I can stay engaged with art 24X7," she smiles.

Aimen says all youngsters must pursue some kind of hobby or leisure activity and groom their talent. "Extra-curricular activities are as important as academics and our professional pursuits," she believes.





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A woman in the outskirts of Srinagar preparing smoked fish -faer'ie, which is mostly available in Kashmir during winters.

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