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One Year Post Illegal Annexation of IOJ&K – Analysing Pakistani and Indian State Responses

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Key Points:

- The reasons for inability to adequately highlight the illegal nature of India's aggression are many, including visible policy disorientation toward the complexities at hand and lack of strategic communications during international lobbying.
- Since India's illegal annexation of IOJ&K, federal government and opposition parties in Pakistan remained unsuccessful in pushing for a unified whole-of-nation approach against India. There is visible disinterest in the issue.
- It is noteworthy that the Government of IOJ&K did not receive a show of solidarity or any assistance from any other state in India with respect to illegal annexation of IOJ&K.
- India stood to benefit from Pakistan's internal disharmony and lack of a unified response during the whole year post abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A. At the end, it is Pakistan that needs to seriously introspect and revise its modus operandi.

After the revocation of Articles 370 and 35A in Indian-occupied Jammu & Kashmir (IOJ&K), the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) of India initiated the process of gradually saffronising the besieged valley by altering the demographics against Muslims.¹ Statements of condemnation from Pakistan especially the federal government of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) continue falling on deaf ears, despite proclaimed efforts of raising global awareness.

The reasons for this inability to adequately highlight the illegal nature of India's aggression are many, including visible policy disorientation toward the complexities

¹ Fahad Nabeel, "Abrogation of Article 370 and India's Crackdown in Kashmir: A Human Rights Perspective," *Centre for Strategic and Contemporary Research*, last modified September 15, 2019, <https://cscr.pk/explore/themes/politics-governance/abrogation-of-article-370-and-indias-crackdown-in-kashmir-a-human-rights-perspective/>.

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at hand and lack of strategic communications during international lobbying.² Additionally, the period some call the 'first wave' of COVID-19 appears to have disabled the Government of Pakistan from sufficiently focusing on the issue of IOJ&K.

Despite these shortcomings, different segments of society across Pakistan continue to condemn India's illegal annexation in their unique way.

To understand Pakistan and India's respective activities post India's illegal annexation of IOJ&K, an open source research and analysis effort was initiated to understand the orientation of ruling regimes and key national stakeholders in both countries.

² Hassan Zaheer, "Apocalypse Now Kashmir," *Centre for Strategic and Contemporary Research*, last modified October 8, 2019, <https://cscr.pk/explore/themes/politics-governance/apocalypse-now-kashmir/> and Zaki Khalid, "Indian Aggression against Jammu & Kashmir – 5 Measures to Ensure a Credible Pakistani Response," *Pakistan Insider*, last modified August 10, 2019, <https://insider.pk/opinion/indian-aggression-against-jk-five-measures-to-ensure-a-credible-pak-response/>.

Research Objective

To gauge the quantum of efforts (not popularity) undertaken by establishments in Pakistan and India for the residents of IOJ&K.

Research Methodology

Official notifications issued by governments in both countries including news from respective press/information departments were collated from gov.pk and gov.in domains during the period 5 August 2019 to 5 August 2020. Accumulated data was further sorted to record any 'Unique Activity', defined in this particular context as "any activity whether unilateral or joint undertaken during a particular month that represented a federation/ union/ provincial/ state initiative of moral, political and/or material value". The following were not counted as unique Activities:

- Political rhetoric and statements by individual leaders and government servants
- Routine briefings/statements by Pakistan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) and India's Ministry of External Affairs (MEA)
- Activities by unofficial organs such as civil society members, intelligentsia members (think tank members, academics etc)
- Standalone activities by political parties in the opposition (unless they were part of a parliamentary committee or national-level All Parties Conference)
- Routine administrative activities (unless they were specifically executed in the context of post-annexation political mileage and were observed as unusual moves).

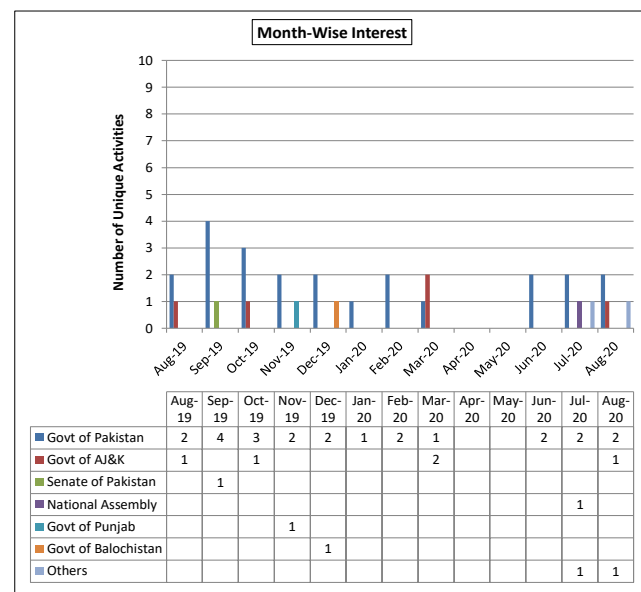
Each 'unique activity' was given a quantifiable value of '1' for the purpose of visual representation. If multiple stakeholders/entities were involved in the same unique activity, each was given a separate value of '1'. Example, if X, Y and Z did a common activity, X=1, Y=1 and Z=1.

Research Limitations

Without prejudice to the verified data used in this paper, it is well-known that Pakistan has a dismal track record when it comes to regular uploading of official documents online. Governmental digitisation in India is more advanced and constant. Keeping in view the diversity of languages present in Pakistani and Indian mainstream media groups, reliance was placed exclusively on English language updates from respective national press/information departments only. It may be the case that certain unique activities were carried out in Pakistan and India that were not

uploaded for publicity on any government website. As this paper relies exclusively on open source research, such activities are unknown and, hence, not recorded.

Pakistan



Data compiled and plotted by the author (for references, see Annexure-I)

Pakistan's efforts to challenge India's illegal annexation of IOJ&K peaked in September 2019. However, the momentum declined till November 2019 and remained constant till 5th August 2020. There was no mentionable practical activity on behalf of any state organ from April to May 2020, likely due to prioritised attention on efforts to curtail the spread of COVID-19.

Negligible activities were undertaken by lawmakers in both the National Assembly and Senate of Pakistan, confirming the political disorientation or lack of seriousness. The data also reveals that apart from the political governments in Punjab and Balochistan provinces, no other provincial or territorial leadership undertook any practical activity to support the federation.

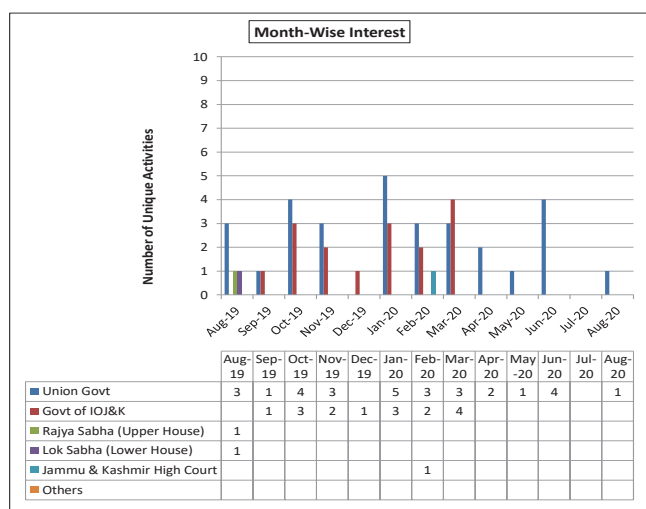
The Government of Azad Jammu & Kashmir (AJ&K) was apparently in passive mode from November 2019 till February 2020.

It is evident from this data that if we subtract the mass political rhetoric and empty statements against the illegal annexation of IOJ&K, Pakistan's overall collective resistance to India's desire for a fait accompli on Jammu & Kashmir lacks substantive value. Excepting high-level briefings by the Prime Minister of Pakistan during meetings with various state and multi-lateral institution representatives and on-off efforts by the MoFA, the rest of the federal cabinet including parliament remained generally disinterested.

While rhetoric and heated statements may yield political benefits at home and some attention at the international level, data indicates that since one year of India's illegal annexation of IOJ&K, federal government and opposition parties in Pakistan remained unsuccessful in pushing for a unified whole-of-nation approach against India. There is visible disinterest in the issue.

Unless there is adequate provincial and legislative assistance, the Government of Pakistan will be unable to make any impactful headway.

India



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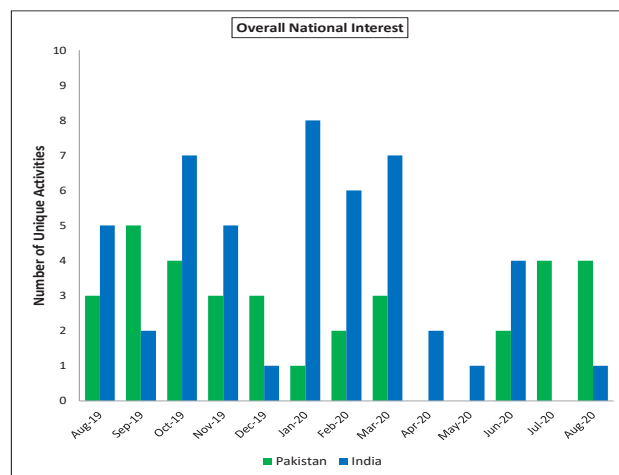
The Union Government in New Delhi was persistently introducing and enacting policies/ procedures to subsume IOJ&K in the Indian mainland.

Excluding the months of February and March 2020, the Government of IOJ&K appears to have taken a back seat in unique activities, leaving the Union Government alone to carry the burden of unique activities. It is believed that the situation due to COVID-19 prompted this turnaround from the administrative setup in IOJ&K.

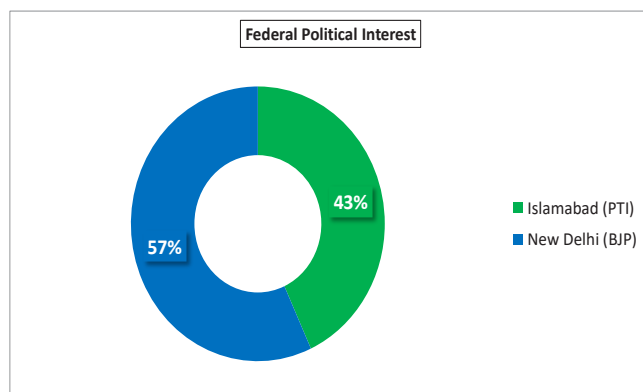
During the past one year, both houses of parliament were summoned to discuss and approve issues on IOJ&K only once i.e. August 2019. Since then, the BJP has been handling the developments single-handedly. These efforts will increase the party's political capital among the global Kashmiri Pandit diaspora and quite likely regain the confidence of the nation.

It is noteworthy that the Government of IOJ&K did not receive a show of solidarity or any assistance from any other state in India.

Comparative Analysis – Pakistan and India



As a whole, Pakistan has been unable to match India's quantum of activities pertaining to IOJ&K. Also noteworthy is the fact that Pakistan was apparently passive toward IOJ&K in April and May 2020. It is assumed that Pakistan was unable to offer any official moral, political and diplomatic support for residents of IOJ&K during these months because of domestic commitments to counter COVID-19.



The BJP government in New Delhi has, by and large, been more focused on IOJ&K than the PTI government in Islamabad.

Data indicates that the prime objective of the BJP government in India has been to increase material benefits for government servants in IOJ&K along with streamlining of the administrative and judicial apparatus for better coordination with the Centre (New Delhi). This includes unusual mass regularisation of contractual employees such as those in the education and health sectors. Secondly, there were significant investments in local municipalities and infrastructure. Both prongs received thorough executive oversight for timely progress.

The PTI government in Pakistan, by contrast, did not have the burden of material commitments for residents of IOJ&K. Despite this, Islamabad was unable to shore

up adequate support domestically (moral, political) and internationally (diplomatic). Opposition parties within Pakistan have been at loggerheads with the PTI on its perceived 'aggressive' accountability drive, creating a deep wedge that has managed to divide the nation even on the (otherwise) common cause of supporting IOJ&K. As mentioned earlier, while each national party did engage in political activism and issue rhetorical statements of support, at a 'practical level', the signalling clearly indicated general disinterest.

The war of competing narratives and trending hashtags regarding Jammu and Kashmir will continue for the coming year also. However, as open source data indicates, India stood to benefit from Pakistan's internal disharmony and lack of a unified response during the whole year post abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A. At the end, it is Pakistan that needs to seriously introspect and revise its modus operandi.

Annexure-I

Data References for Pakistan

Month/ Year	Activity	Executed By	Source
August 2019	Observation of India's Independence Day as 'Black Day'	Government of Pakistan/ National Security Committee in Prime Minister's Office	Radio Pakistan
August 2019	Observation of "Youm-e-Dua wa Yak'Jeh-ti-e-Kashmir" across AJ&K	Government of AJ&K/ Prime Minister	Radio Pakistan
August 2019	Letters to President of the United Nations Security Council and Secretary General of the United Nations about India's illegal annexation and unilateral actions in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Foreign Minister	MoFA
September 2019	Observation of 'Kashmir Hour' every Friday	Government of Pakistan/ Federal cabinet	Radio Pakistan
September 2019	Award of 1600 scholarships to students from IOJ&K under Prime Minister's Directive (4th Revised) as part of Federal Public Sector Development Programme 2019-20	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister's Office, Federal Ministry of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives	Planning Commission
September 2019	Adoption of a resolution to express solidarity with people of IOJ&K through the National Parliamentarian Conference on Kashmir	Senate of Pakistan	Senate of Pakistan
September 2019	Ministerial Meeting of the Organisation of Islamic Countries (OIC) Contact Group on Jammu & Kashmir in New York to adopt a Joint Communiqué reaffirming the OIC position and resolutions on Jammu & Kashmir	Government of Pakistan/ Foreign Minister	MoFA
September 2019	Letter to President of the United Nations Security Council and Secretary General of the United Nations about India's illegal annexation and unilateral actions in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Foreign Minister	MoFA
September 2019	Discussion with Vice President of Indonesia about India's human rights violations in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister	Prime Minister's Office
October 2019	Observation of 'Kashmir Black Day'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government of Pakistan • Government of AJ&K 	Radio Pakistan

October 2019	Discussion with Vice President of Cuba about India's human rights violations in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister	Prime Minister's Office
October 2019	Letter to President of the United Nations Security Council and Secretary General of the United Nations about India's illegal annexation and unilateral actions in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Foreign Minister	MoFA
November 2019	Discussion with President of the Malaysian Consultative Council of Islamic Organisation (MAPIM) and delegation of parliamentarians from ASEAN countries on India's illegal annexation of IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ President	The President
November 2019	Million signatures campaign petition for presentation to the United Nations Human Rights Commission	Government of Punjab/ Chief Minister	Higher Education Department – Government of the Punjab
November 2019	Discussion with Malaysian Prime Minister's Special Envoy about India's human rights violations in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister	Prime Minister's Office
December 2019	Letter to President of the United Nations Security Council and Secretary General of the United Nations about India's illegal annexation and unilateral actions in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Foreign Minister	MoFA
December 2019	Discussion with Special Adviser on Foreign Affairs to Prime Minister of Japan about India's human rights violations in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister	Prime Minister's Office
December 2019	Solidarity meeting with President of AJ&K	Government of Balochistan/ Chief Minister	Government of Balochistan
January 2020	Discussion with delegation from the UAE led by Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces about India's human rights violations in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister	Prime Minister's Office
February 2020	Observation of Kashmir Solidarity Day	Government of Pakistan	Radio Pakistan
February 2020	Discussion with a cross-party delegation of UK parliamentarians reiterating Pakistan's support for the Kashmiri people	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister	Radio Pakistan
March 2020	Discussion with OIC Secretary General's Special Envoy for Jammu and Kashmir and his delegation about India's human rights violations in IOJ&K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government of Pakistan • Government of AJ&K 	MoFA
March 2020	Discussion with Canadian International Council (CIC), Toronto about India's human rights violations in IOJ&K	Government of AJ&K/ President	Government of AJ&K

June 2020	Discussion with Sri Lankan President about India's human rights violations in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister	Prime Minister's Office
June 2020	Reduction in allocated funds for 1600 scholarship students from IOJ&K under Prime Minister's Directive (4th Revised). Amount spent during FY 2019-20 was Rs 635.96 million out of total Rs 2054.89 million whereas total amount for 2020-21 is only Rs 142 million	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister's Office, Federal Ministry of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives	National Assembly of Pakistan
July 2020	Condemnation of Indian state oppression in IOJ&K	National Assembly	National Assembly of Pakistan
July 2020	Declaration of 5th August as " <i>Youm-e-Istehsal</i> " (English) and " <i>Ghasbana Qabza</i> " (Urdu), referring to India's military siege of IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister's Office	Press Information Department
July 2020	Meeting with Chairman Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) to discuss better utilisation of social media platforms to highlight plight of Kashmiris	Parliamentary Special Committee on Kashmir/ Chairman	Pakistan Telecommunication Authority
July 2020	Discussion with Bangladesh Prime Minister about India's human rights violations in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Prime Minister	Prime Minister's Office
August 2020	Human Rights Film Festival for human rights awareness in Pakistan including a panel discussion on the human rights situation in IOJ&K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government of Pakistan/ Federal Minister for Human Rights • European Union 	Ministry of Human Rights
August 2020	Letter to President of the United Nations Security Council about India's illegal annexation and unilateral actions in IOJ&K	Government of Pakistan/ Foreign Minister	MoFA
August 2020	Condemnation of Indian state terrorism in IOJ&K at the All Parties Conference of Parliamentary Parties in Azad Jammu and Kashmir	Government of AJ&K/ Prime Minister	Radio Pakistan

Annexure-II

Data References for India

Month/ Year	Activity	Executed By	Source
August 2019	<p>Movement of two bills and two resolutions on IOJ&K approved, as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Constitution (Application to Jammu & Kashmir) Order, 2019 {Ref. Article 370(1) of Constitution of India} – issued by President of India to supersede the 1954 order related to Article 370. 2. Resolution for Repeal of Article 370 of the Constitution of India {Ref. Article 370 (3)}. 3. Jammu & Kashmir (Reorganisation) Bill, 2019 {Ref. Article 3 of Constitution of India}. 4. Jammu & Kashmir Reservation (2nd Amendment) Bill, 2019 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Union Government/ Home Minister 2. Rajya Sabha (Upper House of the Parliament) 	Press Information Bureau
August 2019	Resolution and bill to scrap the special status to IOJ&K under Article 370 of the Indian Constitution approved with 370 members in favour	Lok Sabha (Lower House of the Parliament)	Live Mint
August 2019	The Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019 received assent and was thereby approved	Union Government/ President of India	National eVidhan Application
August 2019	Authorisation for Central Provident Fund Commissioner for effective implementation of the Employees' Provident Funds & Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 in the 'Union Territories' of IOJ&K and Ladakh	Union Government/ Ministry of Labour & Employment	Employees' Provident Fund Organisation, India
September 2019	Inauguration of 15 power projects and foundation for 20 others worth 10,000 crore Indian rupees	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Union Government/ Power Minister 2. Government of IO-J&K/ Governor 	All India Radio

October 2019	1. Indian Administrative Service officer Girish Chandra Murmu (Expenditure Secretary) appointed new Lieutenant Governor of IOJ&K 2. Indian Administrative Service officer Radha Krishna Mathur (former Defence Secretary) appointed new Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh	Union Government	DD News
October 2019	Regularisation of 46 contractual Lecturers in the disciplines of Botany, Computer Science, Chemistry, Physics, IT and Zoology	Government of IOJ&K/ School Education Department	School Education Department - Government of IOJ&K
October 2019	Approval for payment of all 7th Central Pay Commission allowances to 450,000 government employees in 'Union Territories' of IOJ&K and Ladakh	Union Government/ Home Minister	Press Information Bureau
October 2019	Release of an additional instalment of Dearness Allowance to State Government employees and pensioners from 1st July 2019 representing an increase of 5% over the existing rate of 12% of the basic pay/pension. Decision benefited 450,000 government employees and 160,000 pensioners in IOJ&K	Government of IOJ&K/ Governor	All India Radio
October 2019	Approval for inclusion of those Displaced Persons (DP) families out 5,300 DP families of J&K-1947 who initially opted to move outside IOJ&K but later on returned and settled in IOJ&K, in the Rehabilitation Package approved by the Cabinet on 30 November 2016 for Displaced Families (AJ&K) and Chhamb under PM's Development Package 2015 for IOJ&K. The approval enabled DP families to become eligible to get one-time financial assistance of 550,000 Indian rupees under the existing scheme, and in turn, be able to get some sustained income which the existing scheme is aimed at	Union Government/ Prime Minister's Cabinet	PM India
October 2019	Conduct of Block Development Council elections in which 217 independent candidates and 81 BJP candidates secured victory	Government of IOJ&K	DD News

October 2019	IOJ&K observed the National Unity Day (Rashtriya Ekta Diwas) by organising the following activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 126,305 students of Jammu & Kashmir took the pledge on national unity day • 96,205 took the part in “Run for Unity” • 20,000 students participated in “Essay Writing Competition” • 10,000 students took the part in “Prabhat Pheri” 	Union Government	Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat
November 2019	New maps of India depicting ‘Union Territories’ of IOJ&K and Ladakh issued	Union Government/ Survey General of India	Press Information Bureau
November 2019	Additional 50,000,000 Indian rupees for village level works identified under ‘Back to Village’ programme and 5,000,000 Indian rupees for upgrading Sheerwani Hall	Government of IOJ&K/ Governor	DD News
November 2019	Allowance of Litigation Incharges for courts/ tribunals within ‘Union Territories’ of IOJ&K and Ladakh to conduct Central/ Union Government litigations in the ‘territories’	Union Government/ President of India	Ministry of Law and Justice
November 2019	Issuance of Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Removal of Difficulties) Second Order, 2019 declaring that Leh district consists of the following areas: “Gilgit, Gilgit Wazarat, Chilas, Tribal territory and ‘Leh and Ladakh’ except present territory of Kargil”	Union Government/ President of India	Survey of India
November 2019	Special recruitment rally for the post of Constable (General Duty) in Border Security Force and Central Industrial Security Force for eligible youth from 22 districts of ‘Union Territories’ of IOJ&K and Ladakh	Government of IOJ&K/ Office of the Deputy Commissioner Poonch	Office of Deputy Commissioner Poonch
December 2019	Walk-in interview for the hiring of Pharmacists under Pradhan Mantri Bharatiya Jan Aushadhi Kendra (PMBJAK) at Primary Health Centres in Nud and Purmandal	Government of IOJ&K/ District Health Society Samba	District Health Society Samba

January 2020	Inauguration of the first Capacity Building Programme on General Financial Rules-2017, e-Procurement and Government e-Marketplace (GeM) at Convention Centre, Jammu for 385 officials of the Government of IOJ&K	1. Union Government 2. Government of IO-J&K	Press Information Bureau
January 2020	Inauguration of the protection work of 300 metres at Gurki Dakki, Jia Porta, Akhnoor along the bank of river Chenab and indoor sports hall near Baptist Higher Secondary School, Akhnoor	1. Union Government 2. Government of IO-J&K	Press Information Bureau
January 2020	Two-day workshop-cum-exhibition on Bamboo with the aim of creating opportunities for the sustainable development in IOJ&K	1. Union Government 2. Government of IO-J&K	Press Information Bureau
January 2020	Under the Market Intervention Schemes (MIS) launched by the Government of India in September 2019, for the first time, 15769.38 MTs of apples valued at 700 million Indian rupees were procured directly from the growers in Kashmir valley through National Agriculture Marketing Federation of India (NAFED)	Union Government	Press Information Bureau
January 2020	A 15-member foreign envoys' delegation arrived on a two-day visit to IOJ&K and met over 100 people including senior Valley-based politicians, top newspaper editors and grassroots representatives. US and Norwegian Ambassadors were part of the entourage	Union Government/ Ministry of External Affairs	The Hindu
February 2020	Issuance of order for 'Change of framework of execution of civil work of Urban Local Bodies in the 'Union Territories' of IOJ&K (exception Srinagar Municipal Corporation and Jammu Municipal Corporation)'	Government of IOJ&K	Housing and Urban Development Department – Government of IOJ&K
February 2020	Issuance of an order for adaptation of Central Acts in the 'Union Territory' of IOJ&K under Section 96 of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019	Union Government/ Prime Minister's Cabinet	Press Information Bureau
February 2020	Visit of a second group of foreign Heads of Mission to the 'Union Territory' of IOJ&K	Union Government/ Ministry of External Affairs	Ministry of External Affairs
February 2020	Invitation for tenders to conceptualise/organise "Jammu Mahotsav 2020" (tourism festival)	Government of IOJ&K/ Directorate of Tourism, Occupied Jammu	Directorate of Tourism – Government of IOJ&K

February 2020	Designation of the Courts of the Chief Judicial Magistrates of the 'Union Territory' of IOJ&K as Special Courts with reference to sub-section (1) of section 280A of the Income Tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961) and section 84 of the Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act, 2015 (22 of 2015)	1. Union Government/ Ministry of Finance 2. Jammu & Kashmir High Court	Ministry of Finance
March 2020	With reference to problems caused by COVID-19: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of advance ration for April and May to all ration card holders. • One month's ration for Mid-Day Meals would also be distributed in advance amongst the parents of eligible children • Release of one month's wages in respect of all daily wager • Distribution of ration packets for slum dwellers, other urban poor and destitute • Release of 400,000,000 Indian rupees to districts as emergency measures apart from those issued to municipal bodies and other departments • Designation of select hospitals in Occupied Srinagar and Occupied Jammu as COVID-19 hospitals • Sealing of IOJ&K borders with Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Ladakh 	Government of IOJ&K	All India Radio
March 2020	Issuance of Jammu and Kashmir Forest Produce Transit Rules, 2020	Government of IOJ&K/ Governor	Forest, Environment and Ecology Department – Government of IOJ&K
March 2020	Provision of dry rice to 492,755 children in IOJ&K, amounting to 56 per cent of all children enrolled at elementary level (240,485 children in Occupied Jammu and 252,270 children in Occupied Kashmir)	Government of IOJ&K	All India Radio

March 2020	Engagement of Advocates for conducting Union Government litigations before the Jammu & Kashmir High Court (IOJ&K) in Occupied Srinagar and for conducting litigations of Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force before the Armed Forces Tribunal, Occupied Srinagar Regional Bench for a period of three years	Union Government/ President	Ministry of Law and Justice
March 2020	Approval of Long-Term Care facilities to civilian employees of the Union Government serving in States of the North-Eastern Region, 'Union Territories' of IOJ&K and Ladakh and in Union Territories of Andaman & Nicobar Island and Lakshadweep Group of islands	Union Government/ Ministry of Communications	Department of Justice
March 2020	Organisation of first ever 'Khelo India Winter Games' at Gulmarg in IOJ&K	1. Union Government 2. Government of IOJ&K	DD News
April 2020	Issuance of an order to make domiciles of IOJ&K eligible for all government posts in the 'Union Territory'	Union Government/ Home Ministry	Press Information Bureau
April 2020	Appointment of Judges in Common High Court for 'Union Territories' of IOJ&K and Ladakh	Union Government/ President of India	Department of Justice
May 2020	Ex-post facto approval for the 'Jammu & Kashmir (Adaptation of State Laws) Second Order, 2020' issued under section 96 of 'Jammu & Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019'. This order further modified the applicability of domicile conditions to all level of jobs in the 'Union Territory' of IOJ&K under the 'Jammu & Kashmir Civil Services (Decentralisation and Recruitment) Act (Act No. XVI of 2010)'	Union Government/ Prime Minister's Cabinet	PM India
June 2020	Inauguration of the 18th Bench of Central Administrative Tribunal for the 'Union Territories' of IOJ&K and Ladakh	Union Government	Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions
June 2020	Appointment of a Judge of the Common High Court in IOJ&K	Union Government/ President of India	Department of Justice
June 2020	e-Inauguration of six strategic bridges in IOJ&K	Union Government/ Defence Minister	Press Information Bureau

August 2020	Appointment of Manoj Sinha as new Lieutenant Governor of IOJ&K	Union Government/ President of India	The Hindu Business Line
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