Introduction

Over centuries, Pahari Speaking People (PSP) evolved a culture typical of mountain dwellers as reflected in their distinct life style, dress patterns, food habits, physical features and other social customs and traditions. Their cultural compositeness depicts their accommodative character towards the other communities sharing their habitations. Since majority of the PSP live in and around the highlands of the state, they are relatively cut off from the mainstream society and confront a definite topographical disadvantage. The Pahari community has been striving for Scheduled Tribe Status since 1975. Their struggle towards their cause sharpened in 1991 following the conferring of Scheduled tribe status upon Gujjar-Bakkarwals of the State. This created a definite consciousness among Pahari community who launched a full flagged movement in order to get the said preferential treatment, fearing the identity concerns.

Geographically, Pahari speaking community is distributed throughout the State. However, their major pockets are found among the foothills of the Pir- Panchal range with major concentrations in Poonch, Rajouri, Baramulla and Kupwara. Besides, these four major pockets, their habitations are also found in Anantnag, Kulgam, Shopian, Pulwama, Budgam, Ganderbal and Bandipora districts as well.

Language

Pahari language has been recognized in the sixth schedule of the constitution of Jammu and Kashmir. It's an offshoot of Indo-Aryan family of languages, comprising various dialects as recognised in the "Linguistic Survey of India" by George Grairson. Religiously, Pahari is being spoken by diverse group comprised of Muslims, Hindus and Sikhs. It was also observed that the community is concerned about the preservation of their culture, particularly language which they consider their status symbol and, hence, a hallmark of their identity.

Socio economic Status:

Economically, Pahari Speaking People (PSP) are poor and their economy is primarily based on subsistence agriculture and other allied activities such as cattle rearing which gives them their pastoral and migratory character. Given the lack of infrastructure and absence of commercial avenues, unemployment is rampant among the PSP of the state. Pertinently, majority of the them are still living below poverty line as per the report submitted by 'Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies' (IPCS), June 2011. A remarkable dependence of the Pahari Speaking People (PSP) on the pasture lands for the purpose of livestock rearing-a factor which also results in temporary migration of majority of these families to high land pastures (*bahikks*) especially during the summer months.

Pahari Speaking community is an the ethnic community is as embedded in a mosaic of collective traditionalism and reflected through their physical features, the topographical disadvantage cultural distinctiveness of origin, common language, dress pattern, food habit, common psychological makeup, similar physical features, traditional organization in basic institutions of marriage, family and kinship, lower positions in socio-economic scale and relative isolation from the mainstream society, tantamount to make the Pahari speaking community of the state an ethnic group.

Official efforts of the J&K Government for granting Scheduled Tribe status for Pahari's Speaking Peaple are as under:

- State Govt. recommendation regarding the Scheduled Tribe status for Pahari's vide cabinet decision No. 159 dated 8/8/1989.
- General K V Krishna Rao's (Governor of state) recommendation to Union Minister of Social Welfare
 Department vides D O No. GS/GOV(C) IG193 dated 26/12/1993.

- State Chief Minister's (Dr. Farooq Abdullah) recommendation to the Govt. of India for inclusion of Pahari's under Scheduled Tribes vide letter dated 29/5/2001.
- Principal Secretary J&K Govt. and Head Department of Social welfare J&K, S L Bhat's positive response
 to Registrar General of India, confirming the eligibility criteria of Pahari's for the Scheduled Status Vide
 letter No. PSSW/03/261 dated 23/6/2003.
- State Chief Minister's (Mr. Mufti MohdSayeed) recommendation to the Govt. of India for inclusion of Pahari's under Scheduled Tribes vide letter dated 21/10/2003.
- State Chief Minister's (Mr. Omar Abdullah's) recommendation to the Govt. of India for inclusion of Pahari's under Scheduled Tribes vide letter dated 25/2/2014.
- Constitution of the Independent Expert Committee by State Govt. under the chairmanship of Prof.(Dr.)

 Pirzada M. Amin to study the Socio-Economic characteristics of Pahari people of J&KVide Government

 Order No. 66-sw of 2013, Dated: 9/03/2013. The expert committee was framed with a mandate to study

 the "Socio Economic Status and Common Ethnic Characteristics of Pahari People of Jammu & Kashmir

 State" considering their sustained demands for being listed as the Scheduled Tribes.

J&K State Advisory Board for the Development of Pahari Speaking People:

The Jammu and Kashmir State Advisory Board for the Development of Pahari Speaking People came into existence in the year 1989 in light of cabinet decision No:227 dated 20-10-1989 vide Govt. Order No: 1439-GAD of 1989 dated 26-10-1989 with his Excellency the Governor/Hon'ble Chief Minister of the State as Chairman of the Board as the case may be and the Vice Chairman having MOS status is being nominated by his Excellency the Governor/Hon'ble Chief Minister as the case may be from amongst the members of the Pahari Speaking Community. Besides official members Advisory Board also consists of non-official members which are nominated by the Government representing the respective areas of different districts of the State. The Board was first constituted in the year 1997 vide Govt. Order No: 444-GAD of 1997 dated 27-3-1997 and the latest in the month August, 2015 vide Govt. Order No: 1090-GAD of 2015 dated 12.08.2015. A full-fledged office of the Hon'ble Vice Chairman of the Board has been established who is assisted by Secretary of KAS cadre and related staff to carry out day to day work.

Terms of reference:

- To identify specific schemes which would benefit Pahari Speaking Community under various developmental sectors, their prioritization and earmarking /projection of funds in the Annual /Five Year Plans.
- More emphasis on educational up-liftment of Pahari Speaking students by way of establishment of Pahari Boys/Girls hostels and grant of Pre/post matric scholarship.

Major objectives:

The major objective of the Advisory Board is raising the educational standard of the students of Pahari Speaking Community. For achieving this objective two schemes:

- (a) . Management of Boys/Girls hostels;
- (b) . Grant of Pre-Matric / Post-Matric scholarship are under implementation in the Advisory Board.

Major Schemes:

- i. Grant of Scholarship (ist- 12^{th} class) to Pahari Speaking students.
- ii. Grant of Post-scholarship to Pahari Speaking students
- iii. Management of Boys /Girls Pahari Hostels.
- iv. Construction of new hostels for Pahari students.
- v. Implementation of Pahari Sub Plan on the pattern of Tribal Sub Plan.
- vi. Promotion of Pahari Language, Literature and culture.

Management of Boys and Girls Pahari Hostels:

Presently Six boys Pahari hostels are functioning at Anantnag, Baramulla, Poonch, Jammu, Rajouri and Kupwara with intake capacity of 550 inmates. Three Girls Pahari Hostel at Rajouri, Poonch and Kupowara are also functioning with 150 inmates in the State Providing free boarding/lodging, books /stationery, uniform/clothing, sports material, health checkup and other facilities as per the following details:-

Table: District wise detail of Pahari Boys/ Girls Hostels:

#	Name of the Hostel	District	Year of establishment	Intake Capacity	Building
1	Boys Pahari Hostel Rajouri	Rajouri	1997	150	Own
2	Boys Pahari Hostel Poonch	Poonch	1997	150	Own
3	Boys Pahari Hostel Jammu	Jammu	April, s2009	100	Rented
4	Boys Pahari Hostel Kupwara	Kupwara	April, 2010	50	Own
5	Boys Pahari Hostel Anantnag	Anantnag	May, 2010	50	Rented
6	Boys Pahari Hostel Baramulla	Baramulla	June, 2010	50	Own
7	Girls Pahari Hostel Kupwara	Kupwara	August, 2013	100	Rented
8	Girls Pahari Hostel Rajouri	Rajouri	Dec, 2013	100	Rented
9	Girls Pahari Hostel Poonch	Poonch	Sept, 2013	100	MC Poonch Building

Funds Released /Expenditure under Capex Budget 2015-16

S.No	Name of the Establishment	Funds Released	Expenditure 2015- 16
1	Boys Pahari Hostel Rajouri		
	DIET Expenses	11.25	11.24989
	Material and supplies		
	i) Uniform/clothing	2.25	2.25000
	ii) Books/Stationery	1.60	1.59612
	iii) Other Charges	3.70	3.69900
	iv) Medicine	0.15	0.15000
	V) Bedding	2.00	1.99752
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.15	0.15000
	Sub Total Material Supplies	9.85	9.84264
2	Boys Pahari Hostel Poonch		
	DIET Expenses	11.25	11.25000
	Material and supplies		
	i) Uniform/clothing	2.25	2.25000
	ii) Books/Stationery	1.50	1.50000
	iii) Other Charges	3.70	3.70000
	iv) Medicine	0.15	0.15000
	V) Bedding	2.00	2.00000
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.15	0.15000
	Sub Total Material Supplies	9.75	9.75000
3	Boys Pahari Hostel Jammu		
	DIET Expenses	7.50	7.49614
	Material and supplies	7.00	7.17011
	i) Uniform/clothing	1.50	1.50000
	ii) Books/Stationery	1.00	1.00000
	iii) Other Charges	2.43	2.43000
	iv) Medicine	0.10	0.10000
	V) Bedding	2.00	1.99689
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.15	0.14941
	Sub Total Material Supplies	7.18	7.17630

4	Boys Pahari Hostel Anantnag		
	DIET Expenses	3.75	3.74998
	Material and supplies		
	i) Uniform/clothing	0.75	0.71325
	ii) Books/Stationery	0.50	0.49999
	iii) Other Charges	2.25	2.24069
	iv) Medicine	0.25	0.21338
	V) Bedding	0.00	0.00000
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.00	0.00000
	Sub Total Material Supplies	3.75	3.66731
5	Boys Pahari Hostel Baramulla		
	DIET Expenses	3.75	3.75000
	Material and supplies	5.76	0.7000
	i) Uniform/clothing	0.75	0.75000
	ii) Books/Stationery	0.50	0.50000
	iii) Other Charges	1.25	1.20000
	iv) Medicine	0.10	0.10000
	V) Bedding	0.00	0.00000
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.00	0.00000
	Sub Total Material Supplies	2.60	2.55000
6	Boys Pahari Hostel Kupwara		
	DIET Expenses	3.75	3.75000
	Material and supplies		
	i) Uniform/clothing	0.75	0.75000
	ii) Books/Stationery	0.50	0.50000
	iii) Other Charges	1.30	1.30000
	iv) Medicine	0.07	0.07000
	V) Bedding	0.00	0.00000
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.00	0.00000
	Sub Total Material Supplies	2.62	2.62000

S.No	Name of the Establishment	Funds Released	Expenditure 2015-16
Tota	al Boys Pahari Hostels		
	DIET Expenses	41.25	41.24601
	Material and supplies		
	i) Uniform/clothing	8.25	8.21325
	ii) Books/Stationery	5.60	5.59611
	iii) Other Charges	14.63	14.56969
	iv) Medicine	0.82	0.78338
	V) Bedding	6.00	5.99441
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.45	0.44941
	Sub Total Material Supplies	35.75	35.60625

S.No	Name of the Establishment	Total Funds Released	Expenditure 2015-16
7	Girls Pahari Hostel Rajouri		
	DIET Expenses	4.50	4.49793
	Material and supplies		
	i) Uniform/clothing	0.75	0.75000
	ii) Books/Stationery	0.50	0.29975
	iii) Other Charges	1.30	0.99982
	iv) Medicine	0.10	0.04999
	V) Bedding	0.00	0.00000
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.10	0.00000
	Sub Total Material Supplies	2.75	2.09956
8	Girls Pahari Hostel Poonch		
0	DIET Expenses	4.50	4.49837
	Material and supplies	4.50	4.47037
	i) Uniform/clothing	0.75	0.75000
	ii) Books/Stationery	0.75	0.89990
	iii) Other Charges	5.45	5.44900
	iv) Medicine	0.20	0.20000
	V) Bedding	0.00	0.00000
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.20	0.20000
	Sub Total Material Supplies	7.50	7.49890
9	Girls Pahari Hostel Kupwara		
	DIET Expenses	4.75	4.75000
	Material and supplies		
	i) Uniform/clothing	0.75	0.75000
	ii) Books/Stationery	0.50	0.50000
	iii) Other Charges	1.30	1.30000
	iv) Medicine	0.10	0.10000
	V) Bedding	0.00	0.00000
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.10	0.10000
	Sub Total Material Supplies	2.75	2.75

#	Name of the Establishment	Total Funds Released	Expenditure 2015-16
	Total Girls Pahari Hostels		
	DIET Expenses	13.75	13.74630
	Material and supplies		
	i) Uniform/clothing	2.25	2.25000
	ii) Books/Stationery	1.90	1.69965
	iii) Other Charges	8.05	7.74882
	iv) Medicine	0.40	0.34999
	V) Bedding	0.00	0.00000
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.40	0.30000
	Sub Total Material Supplies	13.00	12.34846

#	Name of the Establishment	Total Funds Released	Expenditure 2015-16
	G. Total Boys/		
	Girls Pahari Hostels		
	DIET Expenses	55.00	54.99231
	Material and supplies		
	i) Uniform/clothing	10.50	10.46325
	ii) Books/Stationery	7.50	7.29576
	iii) Other Charges	22.68	22.31851
	iv) Medicine	1.22	1.13337
	V) Bedding	6.00	5.99441
	Vi) Games & Sports	0.85	0.74941
	Sub Total Material Supplies	48.75	47.95471

Post Matric Scholarship Scheme the existing Rates:

Name of the Courses	Fee within the State	Fee outsi	de the state
Technical/Professional Courses including MBBS, BDS, BUMS, Degree Engineering courses, PG courses in Medical & Engineering, BSc Agriculture, BVSC, BSc IT, M. Phill, PhD Courses, Non-Professional (and all other Government Recognized courses) including UG & PG level courses.	Actual Fee or a maximum of Rs. 30,000 whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	amount of Rs.	or a maximum 30,000 whichever ess & ce allowances
Diploma Engineering courses, All Medical courses in which admission is given on 12 th basis & B.Ed. Courses	Rs. 20,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	claimed whice	or the actual fee chever is less & ce allowances
All the courses in which admission is given on 10 th basis.	Rs. 12,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	claimed which	or the actual fee chever is less & ce allowances
Donation/Payment Seats	Rs. 30,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	claimed which	or the actual fee chever is less & ce allowances
	*Computer courses		
"O" Level Hardware/Software one year duration Diploma courses.	Rs. 18,000/- or the actual fee claimed whichever is less & Maintenance allowances	ı	N.A
CHM "A" Level & A Level (1Year)	Rs. 20,000/- allowances	& Maintenance	N.A
"B" Level courses (3 years)	Rs. 30,000/- allowances	& Maintenance	N.A

Note: Parents/Guardians income under these scholarship schemes should not exceed Rs. 2.50 lacs per annum

DETAIL OF APPLICATION FORMS RECEIVED, DISTRICTWISE DIVISION WISE, INSTITUTION WISE NUMBER OF APPLICATION FORMS RECEIVED, AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP SANCTIONED

Table.1 Scheme-Wise Grant of Scholarship: 2015-16

Name of the Office/ District	No. of Students	Amount (Rs. in Lacs)
Grant of Scholarship (1 st - 12 th) 2015-16	137114	1261.24
Grant of Scholarship (Above 12 th) 2015- 16	6334	358.76
Total	143448	1620.00

Table.2 Division-wise Grant of Scholarship (Above 12th) 2015-16

Division	No. of Students	Amount (Rs.)
Kashmir	637	33.945
Kashmir (liability)	335	27.475
Total	972	61.42
Jammu (Liability)	664	36.324
Jammu	4698	232.615
2 nd Installment	285	28.400
Total	5362	297.339
G. Total	6334	358.76

Table.3 Division-wise Grant of Scholarship (1st - 12th) 2015-16

Name of the Office/ District	No. of Students	Funds Released for last year liabilities (Rs. in Lacs)
Division Jammu	76843	765.16
Kashmir Division	60271	496.08
G. Total	137114	1261.24

TABLE-4: DIVISION WISE, INSTITUTION WISE NUMBER OF APPLICATION FORMS RECEIVED, AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP SANCTIONED:

2015-16

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Division	No. of Students	Amount (Rs.)		
Kashmir	637	33.945		
Jammu	4698	232.615		
Total	5335	266.560		
2 nd Installment	285	28.400		
Total	5335	294.960		
Funds Released in August 2015 for	last year Liabilities (Rs.)			
Jammu	664	36.324		
Kashmir	335	27.475		
Total	999	63.799		
G. Total	6334	358.759		

TABLE-5: DIVISION WISE, INSTITUTION WISE NUMBER OF APPLICATION FORMS RECEIVED, AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP SANCTIONED AND FORMS REJECTED: 2015-16

Div.	S.No	Name of the Institution	No. of Students	Rate	Amount (Rs.)
	1	GDC Uri	179	4500	805500.00
		Form Rejected GDC Uri	1	0	0
	2	GovtPoliBandipura	3	4500	13500.00
	3	Islamic University	10	10000	100000.00
	,	Form Rejected GDC Tangdhar	1	0	0
	4	GDC Tangdhar	215	4500	967500.00
	5	GDC Kokarnag	2	4500	9000.00
ے	6	GDC Pulwama	2	4500	9000.00
Kashmir	7	Govt. Amar Singh College	8	4500	36000.00
<u> </u>	8	Bemina GDC	21	4500	94500.00
	9	Govt College Srinagar	1	4500	4500.00
	10	IGNOU	40	4500	180000.00
	11	Maulana Azad University	5	4500	22500.00
	12	Kashmir University	86	10000	860000.00
	13	GDC College for Women	9	4500	40500.00
	14	GDC Women Ang	1	4500	4500.00
	15	GDC Shopian	55	4500	247500.00
	TOTAL KASHMIR DIVISION				Rs.3394500.00

TABLE-6: DIVISION WISE, INSTITUTION WISE NUMBER OF APPLICATION FORMS RECEIVED, AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP SANCTIONED AND FORMS REJECTED: 2015-16

Div.	S.No	Name of the Institution	No. of Students	Rate	Amount (Rs.)
	16	BGSB University	119	10000	1190000.00
		BGSB University	64	4500	288000.00
	17	Budhal GDC	133	4500	598500.00
	18	Govt. Science College Jammu	24	4500	108000.00
	19	Women College Jammu	12	4500	54000.00
	20	Jammu University	99	10000	990000.00
	21	Kalakote GDC	87	4500	391500.00
	22	Govt PG MAM College	1	10000	10000.00
		Govt PG MAM College	32	4500	144000.00
	23	Mendhar GDC	506	4500	2277000.00
	24	Nowshera GDC Forms Rejected	6	0	0
	<u></u>	Nowshera GDC	285	4500	1282500.00
	25	Poonch GDC Forms Rejected	6	0	0
	23	Poonch GDC	526	4500	2367000.00
	26	Rajouri PG Clloege DDE	94	4500	423000.00
Jammu	27	Rajouri PG College	1041	4500	4684500.00
an	21	Rajouri PG College	9	10000	90000.00
,	28	Sunder Bani GDC	274	4500	1233000.00
	29	Surankote GDC	229	4500	1030500.00
	30	Thanamandi GDC	263	4500	1183500.00
	31	Pvt. Colleges within/ outside State	32	4500	144000.00
		Pvt. Colleges within/ outside State	232	5000	1160000.00
		Pvt. Colleges within/ outside State	106	10000	1060000.00
		PoonchUni Campus	13	10000	130000.00
	32	PoonchUni Campus	13	5000	65000.00
		PoonchUni Campus	1	4500	4500.00
	33	HEM Rajouri	270	4500	1215000.00
		HEM Rajouri	40	5000	200000.00
	34	SVC College Rajouri	52	4500	234000.00
	35	Rajouri Tariq Collge	72	5000	360000.00
	36	Rajouri Boys Pahari Hotel	2	4500	9000.00
	Rajouri Boys Pahari Hotel		67	5000	335000.00
		TOTAL JAMMU DIVISION	4710		Rs. 23261500.00

TABLE-7: DIVISION WISE SECOND INSTALLMENT TO 285 STUDENTS

Division	Name of the Institution	No. of Students	Rate	Amount (Rs.)
Jammu	2nd Ins BGSBU Rajouri	183	10000	1830000.00
Jammu/Kashmir	2nd ins JU KU Central Islamic	100	10000	1000000.00
Jammu/Kashmir	2nd ins JU KU Central Islamic	2	5000	10000.00
	TOTAL	285		2840000.00

S. No	Name of the Colleges/University	No. of Students	Funds Released Aug. 2015 for last year liabilities (Rs. in Lacs)
	Jammu Division		
]	Through District Social Welfare Officer, Jammu		
	i.Jammu University	110	10.568
	ii.Central University	03	0.29
	iii.Woman College Prade Jammu	04	0.18
	iv.DDE Jammu University	09	0.511
	v.Law School Jammu University	01	0.20
	vi.Indra Gandhi Dental College Jammu	02	0.50
2	GDC Nowshera	246	11.07
3	GDC Thanamandi	196	8.82
4	GDC Budhal	93	4.185
	Total	664	36.324

Table: 9. Institution-Wise Post Matric Scholarship (including Funds lapsed) 2015-16

	Kashmir Division				
S. No	Name of the Colleges/University	No. of Students	Funds Released Aug. 2015 for last year liabilities (Rs. in Lacs)		
04	GDC Shopian	42	1.89		
05	GDC Women Srinagar	07	0.315		
06	Amar Singh College Srinagar	08	0.360		
07	Govt. Degree College, Kulgam	19	0.855		
08	College for Women, Srinagar	05	0.225		
09	Govt. Degree College, Shopian	03	0.135		
10	Govt. Degree College ,Uri	126	5.670		
11	Govt . Degree College, Tangmarg	05	0.225		
12	Govt. Model Women Degree CollegeKupwara	12	0.540		
13	Govt. Degree College, Anantnag (Boys)	06	0.270		
14	Govt. Degree College. Bijbehara	01	0.045		
15	Govt. Degree College. Uttersoo	03	0.135		
16	Govt. Degree College. Nawakadal	01	0.045		
17	Govt. Degree College. Kupwara	01	0.045		
18	Govt. Degree College. Ganderbal	03	0.135		
19	Govt. Degree College. Pulwama	01	0.045		
20	Govt. Polytechnic College Bandipora	03	0.150		
21	Govt. Polytechnic College Ganderbal	01	0.050		
22	Govt. Polytechnic College Gojibagh	01	0.050		
23	Govt. Polytechnic College Kargil	02	0.100		
24	Kashmir University	85	16.19		
	Total	335	27.475		

Table.10 District Wise Grant of Scholarship (1st - 12th) 2015-16

S. No	Name of the Office/ District	No. of Students	Funds Released Aug. 2015 for last year liabilities (Rs. in Lacs)
Jammu Di	vision		
1	CEO, Poonch	31225	281.01
2.	CEO Rajouri	45618	484.15
	Total	76843	765.16
Kashmir [Division		
1	CEO Anantnag	5440	47.22
2	CEO Kulgam	139	1.51
3	CEO Pulwama	387	2.82
4	CEO Shopian	1352	12.91
5	CEO Budgam	1007	8.82
6	CEO Srinagar	300	2.59
7	CEO Ganderbal	3307	28.06
8	CEO Baramulla	23612	197.00
9	CEO Kupwara	24727	195.15
	Total	60271	496.08

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