

OFFICE OF THE
DISTRICT UNDER-TRIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (UTRC)
BARAMULLA

Subject: Minutes of the 1st Meeting of the Undertrial Review Committee (UTRC) Baramulla.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The Undertrial Review Committee (UTRC), Baramulla convened its 1st quarterly meeting on 5th February 2026, in accordance with the directions of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) and the Jammu & Kashmir Legal Services Authority (JKLSA), as per the guidelines issued in this regard. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Jawad Ahmad, Worthy Principal District & Sessions Judge Baramulla as chairman of the committee and was attended by i) Mr. Javid Ahmad Parry, Secretary District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Baramulla ii) Mr. Arshad Ahmad Khan, Assistant Commissioner Revenue, representing District Magistrate Baramulla iii) Ms. Neha Jain, ASP Baramulla on behalf of SSP Baramulla iv) Mr. Iftiqar Talib, SSP Sopore v) Mr. Barkat Ahmad, Superintendent District Jail Baramulla vi) Mr. Tanveer Ahmad, Incharge Subsidiary Jail Baramulla vii) Mr. Parvaiz Ahmad, Incharge Subsidiary Jail Sopore.

The meeting was also attended by Dr. Majid, Principal GMC Baramulla, Dr. Parvaiz Ahmad, Medical Superintendent Baramulla and Mr. Zahoor Ahmad, Chief LADC, Baramulla.

The Committee reviewed the cases of Undertrial Prisoners lodged in different jails of the district in accordance with the guidelines of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued by NALSA. The cases of undertrials falling under the specified categories were examined threadbare.

Categories 1 to 3:

No cases were reported under Category 1 to Category 3.

Category 4: (UTPs accused of Compoundable Offences)

Four cases were reported under this category. The particulars are as under:

S.No	Name of the inmate	D.O.A	FIR No., u/s	Trial court	Age	Occupation
1	Mohd. Yaqoob Malik S/o Gh. Hassan R/o Palpora Pattan	17.11.2025	138 NI Act	Sessions Court Baramulla	29	Driver
2	Zubair Ah. Ganie S/o Ab. Rashid R/o RohamaRafiabad	25.11.2025	138 NI Act	Munsiff/ JMIC Dangiwachha	32	Shopkeeper
3	Anwar Sadat Akhoon S/o Ali Mohd. R/o Khawajabagh Bla	29.12.2025	138 NI Act	Special Mobile Magistrate Baramulla	36	Shopkeeper
4	Fayaz Ah Rather S/o Gh. Mohd. R/o Sheeri Baramulla	21.01.2026	138 NI Act	Sessions Court Baramulla	52	Labourer

a) UTP, Mohd. Yaqoob Malik:

The Superintendent, District Jail Baramulla informed the Committee that the said UTP has already been released on bail by the learned Trial Court two days prior to the meeting. In view thereof, no recommendation is required.

b) UTP Zubair Ahmad Ganie:

The Committee noted that the UTP has remained in custody since 25.11.2025. After deliberations, the Committee recommends that the learned Trial Court may consider releasing the said UTP on bail, subject to furnishing of sufficient sureties and such other reasonable conditions as deemed appropriate.

c) UTP Anwar Sadat Akhoon:

The Superintendent, District Jail Baramulla informed the Committee that the said UTP has already been released. Accordingly, no recommendation is warranted.

d) UTP Fayaz Ahmad Rather:

It was informed that the UTP has been arrested in connection with execution proceedings arising out of a case under Section 138 of the NI Act and allegedly for obstructing auction proceedings. After considering the facts, the Committee recommends that the learned Trial Court may consider his release subject to deposit of the decretal amount before the Court.

Category 5 to 10:

No cases were reported under category 5 to 10.

Category 11:

One case of UTP Maqsood Ahmad Allaie S/o Mohd. Sultan R/o Chakloo Baramulla was reviewed. He is facing trial before the learned Special UAPA Court Sopore in FIR No. 12/2024 under Sections 10 and 13 of ULA(P) Act.

The Chief LADC informed the Committee that in the 4th UTRC Meeting held on 24.10.2025, the said UTP was recommended for release. A bail application has since been filed and is presently pending before the learned Trial Court.

The Committee requests the learned Special UAPA Court Sopore to expedite the disposal of the bail application in accordance with law.

Category 12 and 13:

No cases were reported under category 12 and 13.

Category 14:(UTPs of Unsound Mind – Chapter XXV CrPC)

Two cases were reported:

S.No	Name of the inmate	D.O.A	FIR No., u/s	Police Station	Trial court	Age
1	Mohd Maqbool Hajam S/o Gh Mohd R/o Adoor Baramulla	17.05.2013	23/2003 U/S 302 RPC	Sheeri	1 st Additional Sessions Judge Baramulla	58
2	Touseef Ahmad Bhat S/o Ab. Rashid R/o Hajam Mohalla Wadoora Baramulla	15-02- 2024	02/2024 302 IPC	Bomai	Additioanl Sessions Judge Sopore	29

a) UTP Mohd. Maqbool Hajam:

The Chief LADC apprised that the UTP was earlier granted bail subject to furnishing of personal bond of Rs. 1 lakh with two sureties in the like amount. However, no sureties were forthcoming. Subsequently, UTRC recommended consideration of release on personal bond with security over immovable property.

A medical report was later received indicating mental health concerns, and the learned Trial Court has postponed proceedings and directed treatment.

In view of the medical condition and postponement of trial, the Committee recommends that the learned Trial Court may consider handing over custody of the UTP to a responsible relative. In the absence of such relative, appropriate steps may be considered for his placement under institutional or NGO care, strictly in accordance with law.

b) UTP Towseef Ahmad Bhat:

The case of UTP Towseef Ahmad Bhat was deliberated upon by the Committee. It was noted that in the UTRC meeting held in October, 2024, a recommendation had been made to the learned Trial Court for constitution of a Special Medical Board to assess the degree and extent of the UTP's mental illness and his fitness to stand trial. The said recommendation was reiterated in the 4th UTRC meeting held on 24th October, 2025.

The learned Chief LADC informed the Committee that the matter is being handled by the LADC Office, Baramulla, and that pursuant to the Committee's recommendation, a Special Medical Board was constituted. The Board has since submitted its report before the learned Trial Court, which is yet to pass orders thereon.

In these circumstances, the Committee recommends that the learned Trial Court may consider the medical report and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law.

Category 15:

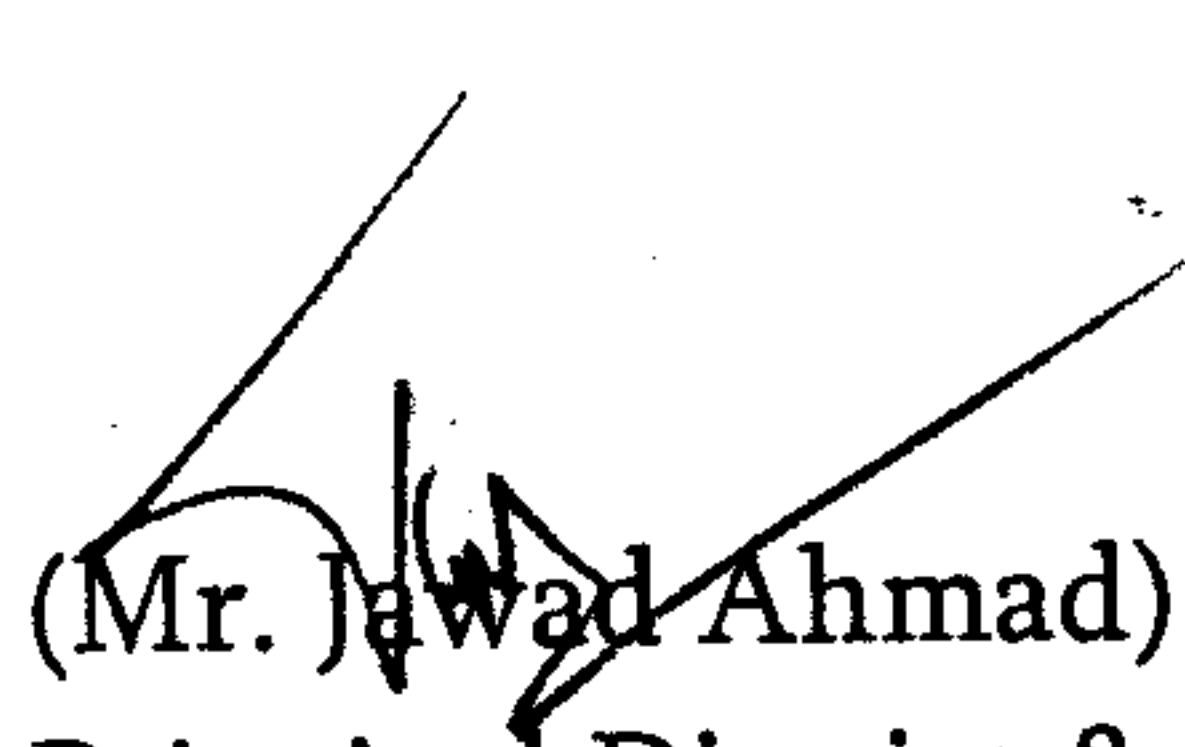
No cases were reported under category No. 15.

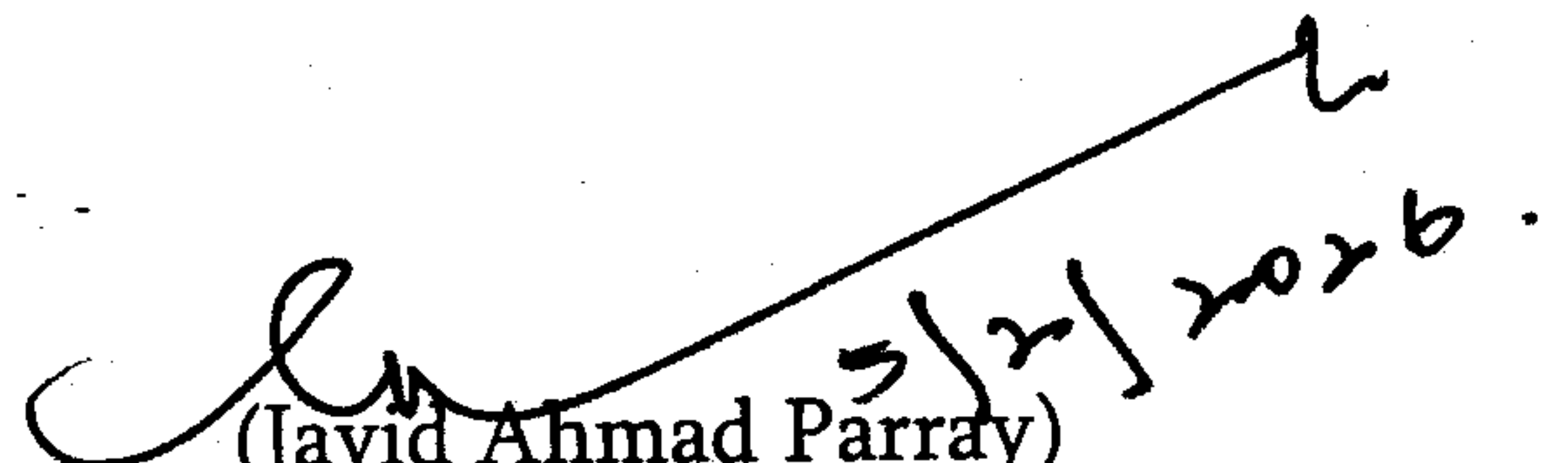
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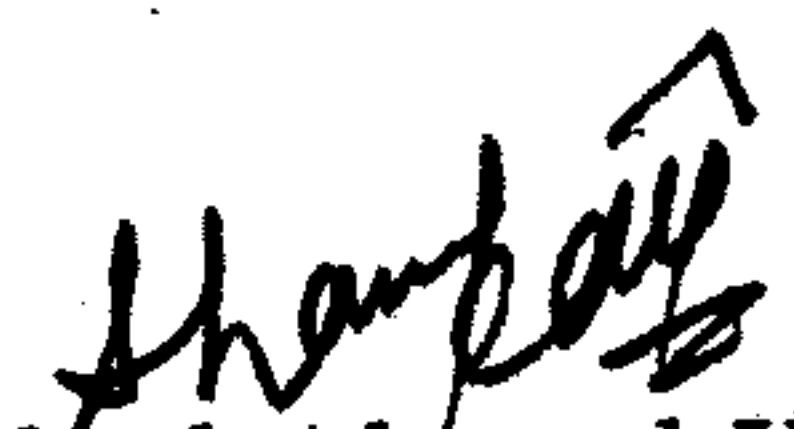
Under this category one case was reported pertaining to under trail prisoner aged 70 years and above. The details of the said case tabulated below:

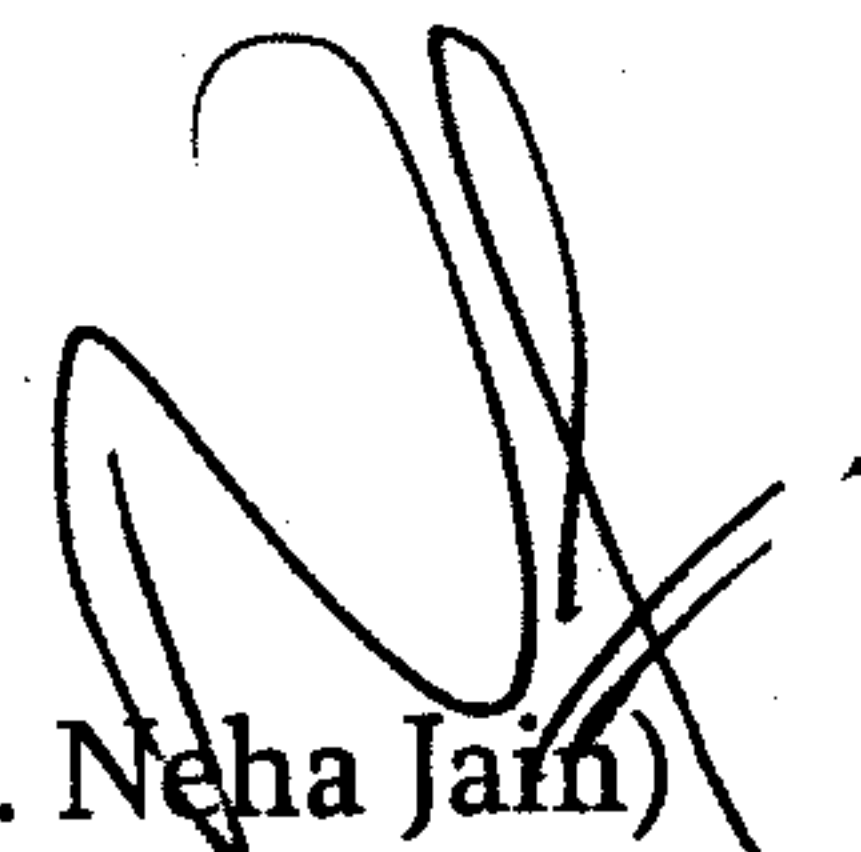
S.No	Name of the inmate	D.O.A	FIR No., u/s	Police Station	Trial court	Age
1	Mushtaq Ah. Sheikh S/o Mohd. Sultan R/o Uri Baramulla	03-05-2017	19/2017 U/S 302, 307,323,34 RPC	Uri	Ld. Pr. Sessions Court Baramulla	71

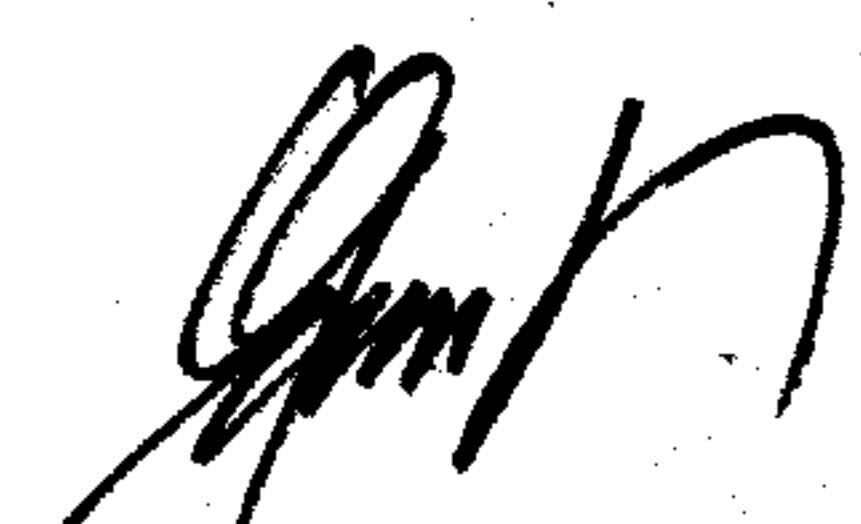
The case of the aforesaid undertrial prisoner was discussed threadbare by the committee. The committee was informed that the said UTP has already been recommended for release in the previous conducted UTRC. Accordingly, the committee reiterates the earlier recommendation for his release."

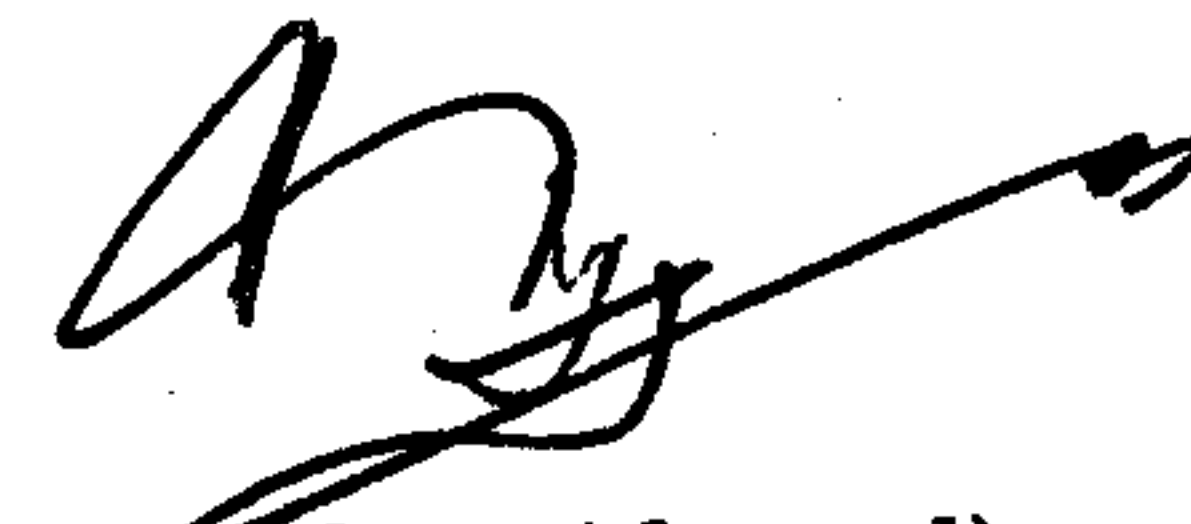

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