

## J&K lensmen detained

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**Srinagar:** The Kashmir Valley observed a partial bandh on Friday on a call given Hurriyat hardliner Syed Ali Shah Geelani in protest against the "detention of minors".

Geelani's call was based on an "incorrect interpretation" of a report by a Delhi-based human rights organization on November 16 that had said cases of 51 Kashmiri minors were being tried in normal courts instead of juvenile justice courts. IGP Kashmir S M Sahay said the situation was normal but some people, who later turned out to be photo-journalists, were detained. There were allegations that the lens-men were manhandled by the police. The Asian Centre for Human Rights released a statement saying, "The ACHR condemns the alleged beating of journalists, who were covering the protests, by the CRP personnel."