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This wind of change has rattled the terrorist nation Pakistan and it constantly tries to hurt the soul of India & its cultural-spiritual fabric. Aim of Pahalgam terrorist attack was to stall economic progress of UT as well but we are marching ahead with renewed strength.

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CM Omar Stresses Compassion, Affordability in Healthcare

Urges Doctors, Private Hospitals To Prioritize Patient Welfare



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SRINAGAR: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah Wednesday emphasized the critical need for compassion and affordability in healthcare, urging doctors to prioritize patient care and private hospitals to ensure treatments remain accessible to all.

Speaking at an inaugural function of Project 13-13 event, a new healthcare initiative launched by NHJ aimed at providing women's surgical care at a capped cost of ₹13,000, Abdullah remarked, "Doctors must prioritise patient care above all else," while calling on private healthcare providers to integrate affordability into

their service design, ensuring medical treatment is not out of reach for common citizens. His remarks come amid growing concerns over rising healthcare costs in the region.

The event was also attended by Advisor to the Chief Minister, Nasir Aslam Wani; Minister for Health & Medical Education, School Education, Higher Education and Social Welfare, Sakeena Itoo and MLA for Uri Assembly constituency, Sajjad Shafi. Additionally, Mahant Manjeet Singh was also present.

Speaking at the launch event, Chief Minister Abdullah described the initiative as "a meaningful step in service of the people." **●P-06**

'Peace Established, Not Negotiated'

J&K Sees Unprecedented Transformation Under Modi Govt: LG Sinha

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SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir has witnessed a "historic turnaround" in security, development, and governance over the past six years, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha said in an interview with The Week. Crediting Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah's policies, he said the region is now "writing a new chapter of peace and prosperity."

"Over the past five to six years, UT has witnessed a monumental transformation across all sectors, security, economy, infrastructure, and governance," LG Sinha said, adding that the most significant shift has been in the security landscape.

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Shah, the policy has been clear, "We won't buy peace, we will establish it." This resolute approach has yielded remarkable results. The Jammu and Kashmir Police, Indian Army, and CRPF have successfully dismantled the ecosystem of terror, ensuring that strikes and lockdowns called by Pakistan no longer

paralyze daily life," LG said. LG Sinha said that the stone-pelting incidents, once a common occurrence, have stopped. "Local recruitment into terrorist outfits, which earlier saw 100-150 youths joining annually, has plummeted to just one this year, a testament to growing public confidence in the **●P-06**

Remnants Of Terrorism Being Wiped Out In J&K: LG

GMK NEWS NETWORK

SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha Wednesday asserted that the government was making all out efforts to wipe out the remnants of terrorism from the Union Territory (UT).

"Our policy is peace, driven by the spirit of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam. We believe in establishing Peace and not buying Peace. India has always followed the path of peace. Indian State authority has been completely established in J&K. Today, the common citizens of Kashmir have understood that their future lies with India. Our youth are being guided towards building a more **●P-06**

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Intermittent **Rains Continue**

J&K Sees Normal Precipitation In 46 Days



OWAIS GUL

SRINAGAR: The intermittent rains that continued throughout the day have brought the mercury down across Jammu and Kashmir, with the weatherman predicting more rains for the next week. However, the fresh spell of rain has brought the deficit rainfall to normal levels for the ongoing season.

The intermittent rains have lowered temperatures across Jammu and Kashmir, with Srinagar, the summer capital of the region, recording a maximum temperature of 21.0°C, which is 9.1°C below normal.

Qazigund, a gateway to Kashmir, recorded 20.2°C (7.8°C below normal); Pahalgam recorded 19.7°C (5.8°C below normal); Kupwara experienced a day temperature **●P-06**

Strong Police-Public Bond Essential To Eradicate Terrorism: DGP

YOGESH

JAMMU: Emphasizing the crucial role of public cooperation in maintaining peace, Director General of Police (DGP) Nalin Prabhat on Wednesday said that a strong bond between the police and the public is essential to effectively eradicate terrorism from Jammu and Kashmir.



Talking to reporters here, DGP Prabhat, said, "A major success was achieved recently in Dudu-Basantgarh forest of Udhampur, where a top Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) commander, active for four years, was eliminated."

He said, "Information about the presence of terrorists in the area was provided by the people. Police cannot be successful without public support. The bond between the public and police in Akhnoor has been instrumental in our success."

The DGP noted that operations to neutralize terrorists are ongoing and reaffirmed the police's commitment to

internal security.

He congratulated personnel of Police Station Akhnoor, located near the Line of Control (LoC), for being adjudged the Best Police Station in Jammu and Kashmir for 2024 by the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).

To mark this exceptional achievement, the Director General of Police visited Police Station Akhnoor and personally presented the Certificate of Excellence to the police personnel. "It is a very happy day for Jammu Police," the DGP said while addressing the **●P-06**

Continuous Skill Upgradation Key To Lifelong Success: CS



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SRINAGAR: A landmark two-day conference aimed at transforming the skilling ecosystem of Jammu & Kashmir commenced Wednesday at the Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre (SKICC), Srinagar.

The participants, among others, included representatives from the Union Ministry of Education, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE); NITI Aayog; GDI and senior Administrative Secretaries of the Government of J&K besides representatives from CII, NSDC, BISAG, SIDBI, NABARD, FICCI and industrial houses such as Maruti Suzuki Limited, TATA Strive and J&K Bank. **●P-06**

Amarnath Yatra Despite Downpour, Over 13,000 Perform Darshan At Cave Shrine

UMAISAR GULL GANIE

SRINAGAR: Braving inclement weather conditions, as many as 13,000 pilgrims paid obeisance at the holy cave shrine of Amarnath on Wednesday, officials said.



An official informed that the pilgrims who paid obeisance at the holy cave shrine included 8,877 males, 3,798 females, 145 children, 70 sadhus, and 8 sadhvis. In addition, 314 security forces personnel also performed darshan today.

The cumulative number of yatris who have performed darshan in the two weeks since the commencement of the Yatra has reached 2,47,213, officials said, adding that the Yatra continues to proceed smoothly with

a steady influx of devotees from different parts of the country.

Despite occasional weather challenges, the administration has ensured that all necessary arrangements are in place for the comfort and safety of the pilgrims.

Meanwhile, a fresh batch of 6,064 Amarnath Yatra pilgrims left from the Yatri Niwas,

Bhagwati Nagar base camp in Jammu early Wednesday morning, officials said. The pilgrims, escorted by security forces, departed in a fleet of 234 vehicles, comprising both Light Motor Vehicles (LMVs) and Heavy Motor Vehicles (HMs), under a multi-tier security arrangement.

According to officials, 3,593 pilgrims

proceeded via the Pahalgam route, while 2,471 pilgrims took the Baltal route. So far, the pilgrimage has continued peacefully with robust participation despite intermittent downpours along the route.

Administration clarifies false reports

Contrary to some false reports circulating on social media regarding the suspension **●P-06**

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CNMS to Honour Global Authors for Literary Works on PM Narendra Modi

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NEW DELHI: The Centre for Narendra Modi Studies (CNMS) has announced that it will honor authors from around the world who have written books on Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi. This special felicitation will take place at Modi Mahotsav, a grand conclave scheduled for 16th and 17th September 2025 in New Delhi, celebrating the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's 75th birthday.

Prof. Jasim Mohammad, Chairman of CNMS, highlighted the importance of this initiative, stating, "Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi represents a vision for a strong and developed India. Many authors have documented his journey, policies, and leadership. We wish to recognize their efforts and contributions." He further said that books play a key role in shaping history, and those written on PM Modi will serve as important references for future generations.

The Centre is reaching out to authors, researchers, and scholars from different backgrounds who have studied various aspects of Modi's governance, politi-



cal philosophy, and global impact. The conclave will give them a platform to share their insights and engage with experts, diplomats, and policymakers. "These books help the world understand Narendra Modi's leadership and vision, and we want to celebrate the hard work of these writers," Prof. Jasim Mohammad added.

CNMS has made it easy for authors to be part of this recognition. Through their official notification, CNMS has extended invitations to all authors who have written books on Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in any languages to send their Content and synopsis for consideration.

"We welcome authors from India and abroad, as Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's leadership has

inspired people globally," the Chairman stated.

The Centre has circulated this information to the educational institutions including Universities, along with a Google Form link that authors and publishers are required to submit on or before 20th August, 2025.

Prof. Jasim Mohammad, Chairman of CNMS, further announced, "In recognition of exceptional literary contributions, the Centre will also present cash awards to the authors of the best books selected by our expert committee. These awards are a token of appreciation for the rigorous research, insight, and dedication that these writers have demonstrated in documenting the life, leadership, and legacy of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji."

Budgam admin accords warm farewell to outgoing CPO Irfan Ahmad Giri

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BUDGAM: District Administration Budgam Wednesday organized a farewell function for the outgoing Chief Planning Officer, Irfan Ahmad Giri on his transfer from district Budgam.

Deputy Commissioner (DC) Budgam, Dr. Bilal Mohi-Ud-Din Bhat; ADC Budgam, ACR, all SDMs, senior district officers, all Tehsildars and other officials of various departments were also present.

Speaking on the occasion, DC said, "Outgoing CPO served the district with great zeal and sincerity, excelling not only in his departmental responsibilities but also in the additional assignments entrusted to him by the district administration, especially during the parliamentary elections of 2024 and JK assembly elections of 2024.

He added that all the assignments given to officer were completed sincerely and well in time.

DC further said, the workmanship & dedication of the officer will be missed in the district.

District administration is wishing him the best on his transfer for his future assignments, DC added.

21st Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting Held at KVK Ganderbal

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GANDERBAL: The 21st Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting of Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Ganderbal, was convened Wednesday with high enthusiasm and broad stakeholder participation. The event was notably marked by the inauguration of a series of agricultural and allied infrastructure units by Prof. Dr. Nazir Ahmed Ganie, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Kashmir (SKUAST-K), Shalimar.

The programme began with a detailed overview by Dr. Suja Nabi Qurashi, Senior Scientist (Horticulture), outlining the day's agenda and key developments at the Kendra. This was followed by a warm welcome address by Dr.



Shaheen Farooq.

Dr. Ajaz Ahmed Malik, Senior Scientist and Head, KVK Ganderbal, presented the Action Taken Report (ATR), Annual Progress Report (APR), and the Annual Action Plan for the forthcoming year.

These units have been set up to strengthen the practical training ecosystem of KVK Ganderbal, offering region-specific innovations and technology demonstrations aimed at empowering local farmers and entrepreneurs.

Prof. Raihana Habib Kanth, Director Extension, SKUAST-K, addressed the gathering and emphasized the critical role of such platforms in promoting farmer awareness, skill development, and adaptive research. She reiterated the University's commitment to uplift the farming community of Kashmir through sustainable, science-driven solutions.

Delivering a compelling keynote, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Nazir Ahmed Ganie lauded the

KVK Ganderbal team for their exemplary work, proudly declaring it the number one KVK in Kashmir Valley. He further emphasized its immense potential to ascend to the top position among all KVKs in India and highlighted the role of KVKs as dynamic institutions bridging the gap between scientific research and field application. He also engaged with progressive farmers present at the event, soliciting their feedback to better tailor future interventions and emphasized the importance of educating our youth about agricultural innovation and the value addition of agricultural products by applying scientific methods. Also stressed the need to guide our youth on how to adopt innovative agricultural practices and enhance the agricultural products through proper scientific approaches.

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GIST OF NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

e-NIT No:

MDSK/TS/2025-26/19

Date

14.07.2025

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, Union Territory of J&K e-tenders are invited on percentage (%)basis from Registered/Reputed firms for the below mentioned work:

Name of the Work	Cost of Tender Doc. (In Rs.)	Est. Cost	EMD (in Rs)	Position of AA	Position of TS
1	2	3	4	5	6
Design, Manufacture, Supply, Testing & Commissioning of Hydraulic Recovery Vehicle with towing system to move disabled/wrongly parked vehicles for Municipal Council Anantnag	1000.00	23.50 Lakhs	47000.00	Accorded by the Director Urban Local Bodies, Kashmir vide no:-DULB/M&HED Kashmir vide Accts/7598334/253 of 2025 dated:-22.05.2025.	Accorded by the Chief Engineer, M&HED Kashmir vide No: MHED/k/TS/26 dated:29.05.2025

The bidding document consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/ downloaded from the Govt. website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below:-

01	Publish date	14.07.2025	(18:00hrs)
02	Period of downloading of bidding document	14.07.2025	(18:30hrs)
03	Bid submission start date	14.07.2025	(18:55hrs)
04	Bid submission end date	28.07.2025	(18:55hrs)
06	Date and time of opening of bids (online)	29.07.2025	(14:00hrs)

No: MDSK/ TS- / 1318-21
Dated:- 14.07.2025.

DIPK-3774-25
DT: 16/07/2025

Sd/
Executive Engineer,
Machinery Division, Srinagar

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (R&B) DIVISION TANGMARG.

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER (CIVIL WORKS)

NIT No: 18 /R&B of 2025-26

Dated: 15-07-2025

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, UT J&K, e-tenders (In single cover system) are invited on Percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K Govt., CPWD, Railways sand other State/Central Governments for the following works:-

S. No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Cost of T/ Doc. (In Rupees)	Earnest money (In Rupees)	Time of Completion (in Days)	M.H of Account	Class of Contractor	Project Authority
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Retrofitting/ Restoration of Primary Health Centre at Gulmarg (Balance Work).	39.94	1100/-	79880/-	50	Capex	A/B	Director of Health Services Kashmir

Position Of AAA: Accorded
Position of T.S: Accorded
Position of funds: Assured

1. The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q),Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be viewed/ downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below--

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	15-07-2025
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	15-07-2025
3	Bid submission Start Date	15-07-2025
4	Bid Submission End Date	25-07-2025 4:00 PM
5	Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	26-07-2025 11:00 AM

3. Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of Treasury Challan (Dated between bid submission start date and bid submission end date) with NIT No. , Serial No. and name of work to be deposited in M.H. 0059 in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender inviting authority)

4. All the bidders must upload Earnest money /Bid security equal to 2% of advertised cost in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority) (The Date of earnest money/Bid security should be between the Bid Submission start date and Bid submission End date, otherwise bids shall be rejected).

5. The Successful bidder will have to provide performance security @ 5% of contract value in the form of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Tangmarg (tender receiving authority) as per rule-171 (I) of GFR 2017. The earnest money/ Bid Security @2% shall be released to the successful bidder only on receipt of Performance Security @ 5% of Contract value which shall be released after successful completion of DLP/ maintenance period.

38. All other terms conditions are as per PWD Form 25(Double agreement Form), NIT, GFR 2017 & JK PWD Engineering Manual 2020.

39. As per the Circular No. 01 (Adm) FD of 2025 Dated: 08-07-2025 issued by Finance Department of UT J&K "Every participating supplier/ contractor to mandatorily disclose the bank account number which is linked with their GSTIN at the time of bid submission. No payments shall be released by the Government Department/Agency to any other bank account except the one linked with the GST registered number of the successful bidder".

No: R&B / Divn./ Tang/2297-2307
Dated : 15 -07-2025

DIPK-3776-25
DT: 16/07/2025

Sd/
Technical Officer

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
R&B Division Tangmarg.

TRAFFIC POLICE HEADQUARTERS, J&K, JAMMU/SRINAGAR

1. From 15-07-2025, 1600 hrs. to 16-07-2025, 1600 hrs., there was slow movement observed on NH-44 due to breakdown of 02 HMVs, single lane traffic at Nashri-Dalwas and between Marog & Kishtwari Pather.

2. Commuters belonging to Reasi, Katra, Udhampur, Patnitop, Doda and Ramban town are requested to keep their photo ID card to prove their identification after cut off timing from Jammu/ Udhampur so that their movement can be facilitated smoothly.

3. Passengers/LMV's operators are advised to undertake journey on Jammu-Srinagar NHW during day time due to apprehension of shooting stones between Ramban and Banihal.

4. Goods carrier (HMV/LMV) Operators carrying fresh perishable/live stock are advised to load their vehicle as per advisory issued by Traffic Police Headquarters time to time as there is single lane traffic and poor condition of road at Nashri-Dalwas and between Marog & Kishtwari Pather on Jammu Srinagar NHW.

5. Fruit growers/ Load carrier (HMV/LMV) Operators carrying fresh perishable from Valley towards Jammu are advised to load and park their vehicle timely (every morning before 9.00 am at designated place between NAVYUG Tunnel and Levdoora) so that their movement can be facilitated smoothly.

6. HMVs Operators/Owners are requested to desist from overloading and carry sufficient fuel during journey on Jammu-Srinagar NHW. It is further requested that vehicle owners must double check the fitness of their vehicles and carry sufficient fuel before undertaking journey on Jammu-Srinagar NHW.

7. HMVs with only 06 and 10 tyres shall be allowed to ply through Dhar road.

8. Commuters are advised to avoid unnecessary haltagne between Ramban and Banihal especially near landslide/shooting stone area.

TRAFFIC PLAN & ADVISORY FOR 17-07-2025:-

Subject to fair weather and better road conditions SANJY Convoy/ LMVs Passenger/Private Cars shall be allowed from both sides on Jammu-Srinagar NHW (NH-44) viz from Jammu towards Srinagar and vice-versa. However, HMVs shall be allowed on alternate days. TCU Jammu/Srinagar shall liaise with TCU Ramban before releasing this traffic.

SHRI AMAR NATH JI YATRA 2025

CUT OFF TIMINGS FOR LMVs/PASSENGER/PRIVATE CARS: -

To be released from:-

- Nagrota (Jammu) towards Srinagar: from 0600 hrs. to 1200 hrs.
- Jakheni (Udhampur) towards Srinagar: from 0700 hrs to 1300 hrs &
- Qazigund towards Jammu: from 1130 hrs to 1400 hrs.

TCU Jammu and TCU Srinagar will inform all concerned about the traffic advisory and cut off timings. No vehicle shall be allowed to move before and after cut off timings.

HMVs/Load Carriers:-

Subject to fair weather and better road conditions, HMVs shall be allowed from NAVYUG Tunnel (Qazigund side) towards Jammu after assessing the road and traffic situation on NH-44 and no HMV shall be allowed after 1900 hrs. TCU Srinagar shall liaise with TCU Ramban before releasing the HMVs.

Moreover, in view of ongoing Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2025, to provide hassle free movement of trucks carrying fresh/perishable goods on NH-44. UT administration has decided, all tankers of Petrol, Diesel, LPG bulk gas, all trucks carrying empty LPG Cylinders; all empty vehicles of FCI; any other vehicle loaded/empty upto 10-tyres shall use only Mughal Road while returning to Jammu, as per advisory issued by DIVCOM Kashmir vide No. Divcom/Dev/120/2025/7055-75 dated 01-07-2025

Kishtwar- Sinthan- Anantnag NH-244:-

Subject to fair weather and good road condition, after getting green signal from NHIDCL, LMVs/HPSVs shall be allowed from both sides viz from Anantnag towards Kishtwar and vice- versa on Kishtwar-Sinthan-Anantnag road. These vehicles shall be allowed from PP Parana towards Anantnag from 0800 hrs to 1600 hrs and from PP Daksum towards Kishtwar from 0900 hrs. to 1500 hrs. No HMV other than designated HPSVs shall be allowed as per order issued by SDM Chhatroo vide No. SDM/C/2025-26/146-53 dated 16-05-2025 and SDM Kokernag vide No. SDM/ KMG/665-71 dated 16-05-2025.

SSG ROAD

Subject to fair weather and good road condition, (after getting green signal from the BRO) traffic movement shall be allowed on regulated manner on Srinagar-Sonamarg-Gumari road. LMVs followed by HMVs shall be allowed from Minarag towards Srinagar at 0500 hrs. to 1000 hrs. Similarly, LMVs followed by HMVs shall be allowed from Sonamarg towards Kargil at 1130 hrs to 1730 hrs. No vehicle shall be allowed after cut off timing.

Sfs Convoy, plying from Srinagar to Kargil and vice versa shall plan their movement in such a manner so that Yatra convoys (both UP and DOWN) don't get disturbed.

Mughal Road:-

Subject to fair weather and good road condition, after getting green signal from Road Maintenance agencies (GREF). LMVs Passenger/Private Cars shall be allowed from both sides on Mughal road viz from Jammu towards Srinagar and vice-versa via Poonch. However, HMVs (upto ten tyres only) shall be allowed from Shopian towards Poonch. These vehicles shall be allowed from Behramgala (Baffilaz) and Herpora (Shopian) at 0700 hrs. upto 1800 hrs. as per advisory issued by DIVCOM Kashmir vide No. Divcom/Dev/120/2025/7055-75 dated 01-07-2025.

ADVISORY :-

People are advised to undertake journey only after confirming status of the road from Traffic control units as under:-

- Jammu (0191-2459048, 0191- 2740550, 9419147732, 103)
- Srinagar (0194-2450022, 2485396, 18001807091, 103)
- Ramban (9419993745, 1800-180-7043)
- Udhampur (8491928625)
- PCR Kishtwar (9906154100)
- PCR Kargil (9541902330, 9541902331)

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Gambling With The Future

The Road To Success Has Never Been Easy

HILAL BUKHARI

In a world obsessed with instant results, the very essence of life, hard work, seems to be fading from our collective consciousness. From the ancient wisdom passed down by our forefathers to the modern tales of successful individuals, one lesson has remained constant: there is no substitute for hard work. Yet today, shortcuts have become the norm, and sadly, they often lead not to success, but to ruin.

It is a matter of deep concern that many young people today seek success not through effort and dedication, but through luck-based ventures, particularly online gambling and betting. These platforms promise quick money and flashy rewards, but behind their glitter lies a dark, devastating truth.

A recent incident from Bandipora serves as a grim reminder. A man reportedly lost over one crore rupees in online betting games. His story went viral on social media, not because it was unique, but because it is alarmingly common. Similar tales have emerged from different parts of the country, where young people, many of them unemployed or underemployed, have gambled away their savings, borrowed money, and even committed crimes to fund their addiction to such games.

What does this tell us about our youth? More importantly, what does it reflect about the direction our society is heading toward? When people begin to believe more in luck than labour, when gambling replaces grit, and when dreams of overnight riches take precedence over years of disciplined effort, a society inevitably begins to decay from within.

The tragedy doesn't end with individual losses. At a broader level, this shift away from hard work signals a national crisis. No country has ever achieved greatness without a hard-



working population. Be it scientists, soldiers, farmers, or teachers, nations thrive on the shoulders of those who put in sincere effort day in and day out. When the youth of a country start believing that gambling is more profitable than studying or skill-building, the future of that country is in jeopardy.

What makes this situation even worse is the role of some of our so-called celebrities and influencers who openly promote these online betting platforms. Their flashy promotions and glamorous lifestyles lure impres-

sionable minds into thinking that these platforms are a legitimate and smart way to earn money. Even if such games are legal, are they morally right? Should legality be our only measure of what is acceptable in society?

We must understand that legality does not equate to morality. Just because something is not outlawed does not mean it is right or beneficial for society. Exposing unemployed, frustrated, and emotionally vulnerable youth to such platforms is akin to leading a thirsty man to a mirage. The result is not success, it is heartbreak,

loss, and despair.

What is needed is a collective awakening. Parents, teachers, leaders, and policymakers must reinforce the value of hard work, patience, and skill development. Our media and influencers must act responsibly and stop glamorizing harmful behaviors. The government too must take serious note of the psychological and financial damage these platforms are causing and take measures to restrict their accessibility, especially for the younger generation.

The road to success has never been

easy. It requires effort, resilience, and most importantly, belief in one's ability to grow gradually. As the old saying goes, "Shortcuts may cut you short." Let us remind our youth that shortcuts may lead to quick gains, but hard work builds lasting success.

If we want to see our nation prosper, we must return to the roots of honest labor. That is not just the essence of success, it is the essence of life itself.

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Who Owns the Land?

Decoding The Disputed Tenancy Columns In Revenue Records

MOHD AMIN MIR

In the heart of rural Jammu & Kashmir, where every kanal of land is a lifeline, the subtle handwriting in the tenancy column of a Jamabandi or a Girdawari can determine who tills the soil, who claims the crop, and ultimately, who controls the land. These tenancy entries—meant to reflect lawful possession and usage—have, over decades, evolved into points of contention, confusion, and at times, covert manipulation.

Despite multiple rounds of land reforms, modernization drives, and now the sweeping digitization of land records under portals like WALHARUS, the integrity of this crucial column remains compromised. In hundreds of survey numbers across the region, the tenancy status in the Jamabandi differs from that in the Girdawari. These mismatches not only muddle ground realities but also distort court proceedings, mutation entries, and inheritance claims.

This article delves deep into the importance and legal standing of the tenancy columns, exposes why discrepancies persist, and proposes a rigorous path toward correction.

Understanding the Columns: A Primer on Revenue Records

What is the Tenancy Column in a Jamabandi?

The Jamabandi—a record-of-rights prepared every four years—contains a detailed description of every parcel of land within a village. It includes:

- Name of the owner(s)
- Khewat/Khatoni numbers
- Survey (Khasra) numbers
- Type of land
- Area and revenue

Tenancy column: indicating names of tenants (if any), whether occupancy tenants, non-occupancy tenants, or sharecroppers

This tenancy column is vital because it legally recognizes actual cultivation by a non-owner and can form the basis for tenancy rights, land-to-tiller claims, and even ownership transitions under past reforms. **What is Girdawari and Its Tenancy Record?**

Girdawari is a seasonal crop inspection report, recorded by the Patwari thrice a year (Rabi, Kharif, and Zaid seasons). It notes:

- Who is cultivating the land
- What crops are being sown

- Nature of possession—owner, tenant, lessee, or unauthorized occupant
- The Girdawari's tenancy column is more immediate and dynamic, reflecting seasonal reality, unlike the Jamabandi, which is a static, consolidated record.
- The Importance of Tenancy Columns: More Than Just Names

The tenancy column is not merely administrative—it has social, economic, and legal consequences:

Inheritance and Mutation Rights: Courts and revenue officers rely on Jamabandi tenancy records to establish rightful heirs, assess possession, and adjudicate land disputes.

Protection under Agrarian Reforms Act: Cultivators recorded as tenants in Girdawari before 1971 gained ownership rights under the J&K Agrarian Reforms Act, 1976. Hence, tenancy entries formed the foundation for land redistribution.

Eviction and Compensation Disputes: Disputed tenancy status complicates eviction proceedings. Tenants recorded in the Jamabandi or Girdawari may claim protection against unlawful eviction or demand compensation.

Lease Agreements and Loans: Many banks verify tenancy or cultivation records before issuing agricultural loans. Mismatches jeopardize farmers' financial eligibility.

Digital Land Record Validation: Under land digitization efforts, contradictory entries in Jamabandi and Girdawari are leading to confusion in the WALHARUS and revenue court databases.

Mismatch Between Jamabandi and Girdawari: A Hidden Epidemic

Field surveys and anecdotal evidence reveal a disturbing trend—tenancy entries in Jamabandis do not match those in Girdawaris in a substantial number of villages. For instance:

In Survey No. 112 in a village in Anantnag, Jamabandi shows no tenancy, yet Girdawari shows Ali Mohammad S/o Noor Mohammad as tenant since 2009.

In Qazigund, a Jamabandi entry mentions a tenant from the 1980s who has long passed away, but the Girdawari continues to reflect his name with no seasonal updates.

Systemic Causes of the Mismatch

Outdated Jamabandis: Many villages haven't had their Jamabandi updated in over a decade, despite legal requirements for quinquennial revisions.



Irregular or Fake Girdawaris: Patwaris sometimes fail to conduct spot inspections, instead entering names based on oral claims or local influence.

Failure to Incorporate Mutations: Even when tenancy is legally altered through a decree or mutation, updates in both Jamabandi and Girdawari are rarely synchronized.

Discretionary Girdawari Manipulation: Influence, money, or family disputes often lead to tampered Girdawaris that override rightful tenants recorded in Jamabandis.

Lack of Synchronization During Digitization: The digital records created under WALHARUS sometimes updated one set of data (often Jamabandi) without reconciling contradictions with Girdawari.

Legal Validity: Which Record Prevails?

Courts across J&K have taken varying positions:

In several cases, courts have treated Jamabandi as superior, considering it part of the certified record-of-rights, prepared through statutory oversight.

However, in other judgments, especially where Girdawari entries are contemporaneous, consistent, and unchallenged, courts have favored Girdawari as reflecting actual possession.

For instance, the J&K High Court in Ghulam Rasool vs State (2011) accepted Girdawari as reliable evidence of tenancy where Jamabandi was outdated.

Thus, courts often weigh continuity, authenticity, and recency when evaluating which record holds legal weight.

Consequences of Inaccurate Tenancy Records

- **Disruption of Fair Litigation:** Tenants omitted from records risk losing possession through manipulation or without due process.
- **Agricultural Distress:** Erroneous entries result in denial of crop compensation or exclusion from government subsidies.
- **Inheritance Conflicts:** Family disputes over tenancy cannot be resolved without trustworthy, updated records.
- **Corruption and Land Grabs:** Falsifying Girdawari or ignoring tenancy in Jamabandi has become a tool for illegal land acquisition.

The Road to Reform: Correcting the Columns

To restore trust in revenue records, the following seven-point reform roadmap is proposed:

Mass Verification Drives Before WALHARUS Uploads: Conduct field-based Girdawaris in presence of landowners, tenants, Lambardars, and Chowkidars. Reconcile both Girdawari and Jamabandi before digitization.

Re-Notifying Tenancy Mutations: Direct Tehsils to revisit and verify past tenancy mutations. Field staff must confirm whether

er those tenants still hold possession.

Automatic Flagging in Software: Build AI-powered systems into WALHARUS to flag mismatches between Jamabandi and Girdawari for human review.

Village-Level Public Display of Draft Records: Post draft records in Panchayat offices and allow a 15-day window for public objections and corrections.

Legal Awareness Campaigns in Rural Areas: Educate tenants on their legal rights, especially where their names are silently removed or distorted in records.

Aadhaar Integration and Geotagging: Modern Girdawaris should include biometric identity of cultivators. Use GPS-linked apps to tag land plots and record real-time crop data.

Commendation and Optimism: A New Era of Credibility

In the midst of this complex challenge, it is worth acknowledging the visionary leadership and hands-on efforts of the Financial Commissioner Revenue and the Commissioner Secretary Revenue of Jammu & Kashmir. Their guidance has been pivotal in steering digitization, training revenue staff, and pushing for structural transparency.

There is renewed hope that under their continued direction, tenancy records—once riddled with errors—will evolve into authentic, accountable, and future-ready instruments of justice.

Beyond Columns, Toward Justice

Land is not just a commodity in Jammu & Kashmir—it is identity, legacy, and livelihood. The tenancy columns in Jamabandi and Girdawari are supposed to reflect this reality with honesty and consistency. But the gap between ink on paper and foot on soil has widened alarmingly.

It is time for the government, revenue officials, and judiciary to treat these records not as dormant archives but as living legal instruments that affect lives and livelihoods. Discrepancies are not mere clerical lapses—they are potential land grabs in disguise.

As Jammu & Kashmir enters a new era of transparency and digital governance, let the truth of the tiller not be lost in mismatched columns. The land deserves integrity—and so do its cultivators.

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CM Omar Stresses

He noted that while healthcare systems face complex challenges, efforts such as this contribute to easing the burden on ordinary citizens.

“This project stands for the welfare of all,” the Chief Minister said. “Its foundation rests on principles of universal service to humanity, a spirit long championed by many traditions, including the Sikh faith. It’s heartening to see the community step forward once again in times of need, without distinction or expectation, in the service of people.”

Commending the affordability framework of the program, he added, “To make all types of surgeries for women available at a capped cost of 13,000 is a commendable effort, especially for families who otherwise find treatment costs overwhelming.”

The Chief Minister also underscored the importance of compassion in healthcare delivery. “Doctors must prioritise patient care above all else,” he remarked. “Similarly, private hospitals must do their part in ensuring that treatment is not out of reach for the common citizen. Affordability should not be an afterthought, it must be part of the design.”

He acknowledged the ongoing contributions of government hospitals, which continue to provide essential services across Jammu and Kashmir despite operational and infrastructural challenges. “Our public institutions remain pillars of healthcare delivery, and I hope more such initiatives, whether from public or private sectors, are taken up in the spirit of public service.”

Dr. Jasbir Kaur, who conceptualised Project 13-13, expressed gratitude for the support extended to the program and reaffirmed its focus on community care. “This initiative is about ensuring dignity and access in women’s healthcare. It’s our way of giving back,” she said.

The event marks the beginning of Project 13-13’s implementation at National Hospital Jammu. Though limited in scope to a single institution, the initiative has been widely appreciated for its targeted approach and its potential to inspire similar models of accessible healthcare elsewhere.

J&K Sees Unprecedented

administration. Top terrorist commanders have been neutralized, and while Pakistan continues to push foreign terrorists into Indian territory, security forces remain vigilant," he said.

"Pakistan's state policy of terrorism is not changed," LG Sinha said. "But our forces are stronger, more prepared, and have sent a clear message: every act of terror will be met with overwhelming force."

Discussing Operation Sindoor, LG Sinha stated that PM Modi’s doctrine is unambiguous, terror and tourism, or terror and trade, cannot coexist. "When we say Operation Sindoor is ongoing, it means our Army is alert and has demonstrated its strength," he said. The operation sent a resounding message to Pakistan after it attempted to target Indian military installations.

"The world saw what happened. We obliterated terror hotspots and brought Pakistan to its knees. The message was clear: Whatever you possess, it is now ours," Sinha asserted. He also highlighted India’s growing reliance on indigenous defense equipment, which has played a crucial role in bolstering security.

One of the most heart-wrenching yet hopeful aspects of J&K’s transformation has been the administration’s efforts to rehabilitate families affected by terrorism. During his visit to Baramulla, LG Sinha met with victims’ families, many of whom had suffered for decades without adequate support.

"The situation was quite sad," he recalled. "Some hadn’t received financial aid, others lacked dependent certificates, making them ineligible for jobs. In some cases, FIRs were not even filed. Houses had been seized, lives destroyed."

With the help of concerned citizens, the administration ensured that all eligible individuals received justice. In Baramulla alone, 40 people were given government jobs. Financial assistance is being processed for those left out, and legal aid is being provided to families unable to file FIRs. Additionally, those seeking self-employment are being supported to become entrepreneurs. "This is a whole-of-government, humanitarian approach," Sinha said. "We are committed to ensuring justice, dignity, and a brighter future for these families."

PM Modi’s vision for J&K has translated into unprecedented economic growth. LG Sinha revealed that the region’s economy has nearly doubled in six years, fueled by massive infrastructure development, tourism, and private investment.

"Earlier, it took eight hours to travel from Jammu to Srinagar. Now, it takes just 4.5 hours," Sinha said. adding that over 1.5 lakh crore worth of highway and tunnel projects are underway, drastically improving connectivity. Under PMGSY, villages with a population of over 250 (as per the 2001 census) have been connected, and now, an additional 4,000 crore has been allocated to include villages listed in the 2011 census.

"Premier institutions like IIT, IIM, NIIFT, two AIIMS, and seven new medical colleges have been established, transforming education and healthcare. Power generation has surged from 3,450 MW to an additional 3,100 MW in just five years,"

he said.

LG Sinha said that tourism has been a major success story, with 2.38 crore tourists visiting J&K last year alone, a record high. This boom has created jobs and spurred economic activity. Private sector investments have jumped from 14,000 crore to nearly 30,000 crore, with 10,000-12,000 crore worth of projects already in production.

When asked about the roadmap for statehood, LG Sinha pointed to the visible changes on the ground. "The new Kashmir is marked by peace, no shutdown calendars, academic normalcy, cinema halls reopening, and Muharram processions being held successfully after decades," he said.

Festivals are now celebrated by all communities, youth are finding employment, and the economy is thriving. "The people of J&K have embraced this change. They want development, not disruption," Sinha emphasized.

Remnants Of

prosperous future for J&K and their growing involvement is instrumental in this transformative journey," LG Sinha said while addressing a seminar on "J&K's March Towards Peace" as part of lecture series organized by Gandhi Smriti, at New Delhi. On the occasion, the Lieutenant Governor also inaugurated a newly developed ‘Gandhi Smriti Art Gallery’.

In his keynote address, the Lieutenant Governor highlighted the profound and deep bond between Mahatma Gandhi and Jammu Kashmir.

“Pujya Bapu’s philosophy is a source of inspiration for UT and our education system is inculcating the values of truth, non-violence and compassion among youth. Gandhiji saw a ray of hope in Jammu and Kashmir. Gandhiji wanted to see peace and progress in Jammu and Kashmir. Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is fulfilling the dream of Mahatma Gandhi. Since 2019, he has been building a fear-free, terror-free J&K, which would make its place among the developed states and UTs as a symbol of peace,” the Lieutenant Governor said.

The Lieutenant Governor reiterated the resolve of the Government of India, Police and the security forces to completely wipe out the entire terror ecosystem and establish a lasting peace in Jammu Kashmir.

The local terrorist recruitment is at an all-time low. The decisive action against terrorism and their facilitators and thorough investigations against those trying to radicalize the youth has ensured that peace prevails.

A month-long peace march is organised in the Kashmir valley every year to commemorate Pujya Bapu’s birth anniversary. Gandhi Jayanti, Teachers Day, Har Ghar Tiranga, Independence-day celebrations and numerous other national integration programmes across the UT reflect that J&K is reclaiming its legacy as a land of peace. Youth are now conscious of the fact that J&K of Bapu’s dreams is J&K of unity and peace.

This wind of change has rattled the terrorist nation Pakistan and it constantly tries to hurt the soul of India and its cultural-spiritual fabric. Aim of Pahalgam terrorist attack was to stall economic progress of UT as well but we are marching ahead with renewed strength.

Terrorism is in the DNA of Pakistan and they continue to spread it. The entire global society must unite against this terrorist country Pakistan. We are determined to completely wipe out terrorism and remnants of the terror ecosystem. We will not spare anyone who speaks the language of terror outfits. Strict action will be taken against such elements. Those behind the Pahalgam terror attack have been identified. NIA is investigating and soon the perpetrators will meet the same fate as other top terror commanders,” the Lieutenant Governor said.

The Lieutenant Governor, in his address, also highlighted the transformation across the sectors in J&K UT under the leadership of Hon’ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

He said the era of Post Abrogation of Article 370 represents a defining moment in the history of Jammu and Kashmir. “The Union Territory has marked significant milestones, over the past few years, creating new paradigms for inclusive development. Our economy has doubled in the last 5 years,” the Lieutenant Governor further said.

J&K Sees Normal

of 27.9°C (9.0°C below normal); Koker-nag recorded 20.7°C (6.9°C below normal); and Gulmarg registered 15.0°C (6.2°C below normal).

Similarly, in Jammu division, the mercury has settled below normal, with Jammu city recording a maximum temperature of 30.6°C, which is 3.4°C below normal.

Banihal recorded 23.5°C (5.4°C below normal); Batote 22.0°C (4.6°C below normal); Katra 25.8°C (4.9°C below normal); and Bhaderwah 25.6°C (4.8°C below normal).

Meanwhile, the weatherman has predicted more rain over the next week, stating that amid cloudy weather conditions, there is a possibility of intermittent spells of light to moderate rain and thundershowers at many places, with intense showers at a few locations, including heavy to very heavy rain in

isolated areas of J&K tomorrow.

Director of the Meteorological Department (MeT), Dr Mukhtar Ahmad, said that light to moderate rain and thundershowers are expected at scattered to fairly widespread places from July 18 to 20.

He added that from July 21 to 23, generally cloudy weather is forecast with intermittent spells of light to moderate rain and thundershowers at many places, with intense showers at a few locations, including heavy to very heavy rain at isolated places in J&K.

Moreover, the MeT has issued yellow and orange alerts for the region until 22 July.

According to the MeT, a yellow alert has been issued for the Kashmir region until July 22, while in Jammu, an orange alert has been issued until July 19, followed by a yellow alert for July 20. The orange alert will again be in place on July 21 and 22 for Jammu division.

Additionally, data prepared by the MeT indicates that the region has received normal precipitation from June 1 to July 16.

The data shows that J&K recorded 157 mm of rainfall against the normal of 159.4 mm during this period.

A total of nine stations, including Srinagar, recorded normal precipitation, while Udhampur, Reasi, and Samba experienced excess rainfall during this period.

However, five stations—including Anantnag, Budgam, Doda, Ganderbal, and Kulgam—recorded deficit rainfall over the past 46 days, varying from 20 to 59 per cent.

Kishtwar and Shopian are the two stations where a significant deficiency was recorded, ranging between 60 and 99 per cent.

Rajouri, however, was the only station to record large excess rainfall during the ongoing season.

Meanwhile, the MeT has issued an advisory indicating that there is a possibility of intense showers at a few places, with heavy to very heavy rain at isolated locations in J&K during July 16-17 and July 21-23, warning of flash floods at vulnerable sites, along with landslides, mudslides, and shooting stones—(KNO)

Strong Police-Public

gathering. “Instead of giving this award in a closed room, I decided to come here and personally hand it over. This recognition is the result of your relentless hard work and dedication.”

The DGP was accompanied by IGP Jammu Zone B.S. Tuti, IGP CRPF Gopala K. Rao., IGP JSK Range Shiv Kumar Sharma, DC Jammu Sachin Vaishya, IAS; and SSP Jammu Joginder Singh, JKPS. The event was also graced by Hon’ble MLA Akhnoor, Mohan Lal Bhagat, along with senior officers from the Army, BSF, CRPF, intelligence agencies, civil administration, and zonal police officers.

Akhnoor Police Station is a historic and protected site. It was among the 76 top-performing police stations shortlisted out of 17,932 across India based on stringent performance criteria set by the MHA’s Police Modernisation Division, with support from the TransRural research agency.

This national-level recognition is part of a flagship initiative launched in 2015 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the DGP/IGP Conference in Kutch, Gujarat.

Lauding the efforts of the Akhnoor police team, DGP Prabhat praised the former SHO Inspector Tariq Ahmed, SDPO Mohan Sharma, JKPS, and SP Rural Brijesh Sharma, for their leadership in 2024. He also extended his best wishes to the present SHO Inspector Sanjeev Chib and SDPO Varinder Gupta, encouraging them to uphold the legacy of excellence.

DGP Prabhat also commended the station’s effective community policing and its remarkable performance in tackling drug peddling, bovine smuggling, gangster activity, and other crimes—(KNO)

Continuous Skill

The conference is also being attended by the Director IIT Jammu, Director IIM Jammu, Vice Chancellors of some prominent Universities along with representatives from Federation of Chambers of Industries Kashmir (FCIK).

The conference seeks to foster a robust, demand-driven skilling framework by encouraging interactive sessions, consultations and collaborative discussions. Over the next two days, the participants will contribute valuable insights and policy suggestions to build a future-ready, inclusive and industry-aligned skill development roadmap for J&K.

Delivering the keynote address, the Chief Secretary underlined the significance of aligning the skill development ecosystem with the emerging needs of the industry. While highlighting the priorities, he stressed on Industry-Academia collaboration. He recommended that industries must actively co-develop curricula with academia to ensure relevance and employability of the skilled manpower produced by the skilling institutions.

The other priority, Dulloo emphasized upon is early vocational exposure. He unequivocally maintained that the vocational education should be integrated from the school and college levels to build foundational skills early. He remarked that such an educational framework

would be a precursor towards creating the skilled workforce that is in sync with the latest market requirements therefore highly employable anywhere in the country.

Moreover, the Chief Secretary impressed on the fact of nurturing entrepreneurial mindset among all the youngsters. He underscored that the youth should be nurtured not merely as job seekers but as job creators, empowered to innovate and lead from the front.

Quoting futurist Alvin Toffler, he called for adopting at an earliest the adaptability and lifelong learning model in J&K. He mentioned the author saying that “The illiterate of the future will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn.”

The Chief Secretary also stressed the role of convergence and coordination among various departments, institutions and private players to drive impactful and sustainable outcomes.

Pertinently, this workshop is being organised by the Labour & Employment Department and is envisioned not just as a forum to boost employment, but as a strategic effort to build an adaptable, inclusive and futuristic ecosystem. This will greatly help in equipping youth with the skills needed to thrive in a rapidly evolving job market world over.

Despite Downpour,

of the Amarnath Yatra due to rains, the Divisional Commissioner Kashmir has clarified that the Yatra is ongoing without any interruption, and pilgrims are safely having darshan of Baba Barfani.

"The Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2025 is proceeding smoothly, and pilgrims are taking darshan of Baba Barfani without any interruption," said the Divisional Commissioner Kashmir.

All media outlets are advised to verify facts from official sources before publishing or circulating any information regarding the Yatra, the statement said, adding that the public is requested to rely only on official updates for accurate and timely information.

Army takes swift action for pilgrim’s medical emergency

Reaffirming its unwavering commitment to the safety and well-being of pilgrims undertaking the sacred Amarnath Yatra, the Indian Army carried out a swift medical evacuation at Barari Marg on Monday night.

A defence spokesperson in a statement issued said that at around 8:00 PM, a 38-year-old pilgrim, Ajay Kumar from Ludhiana, began feeling unwell while descending the yatra route. "Acting promptly, the Medical Evacuation Team, led by the NCO Incharge stationed at Barari, responded immediately," he said.

The pilgrim was escorted to the nearest Medical Aid Post, where he received timely medical care and was kept under observation as per standard protocol, the Army said, adding that after being stabilised and showing improvement, Ajay Kumar reported feeling better and continued his descent without assistance, accompanied by his fellow pilgrims.

"This incident underscores the Indian Army’s proactive humanitarian efforts in ensuring the health, safety, and morale of all yatrins. Army medical teams remain on round-the-clock alert along the entire yatra route, committed to providing immediate assistance and facilitating a safe and smooth pilgrimage for all," the spokesperson said.

The annual Amarnath Yatra, which commenced earlier this month on July 3, is scheduled to conclude on August 9 this year—(KNO)

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Lucknow-born Shukla was included in the astronaut selection process by ISRO in 2019 after Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2018 announced from the Red Fort that a son or daughter of India would go



Speaking to IANS in March, Shukla said he hopes to use his "journey to inspire this entire generation to pursue their careers in the field of space," as he "was extremely inspired and motivated" by Rakesh Sharma.

Shukla's mission is not only an inspiration for billions of Indians but also a key stepping stone for India's Gaganyaan human spaceflight mission, slated for 2027.

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The scheme aims to enhance agricultural pro-

As many as 100 districts will be identified based on three key indicators of low

As India achieves 50 per cent of its installed electricity capacity from non-fossil fuel sources, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved enhanced delegation of power to NTPC Ltd for investing in NTPC Renewable Energy Ltd. and its other joint ventures/subsidiaries to set up renewable energy capacity with an outlay of up to Rs 20,000 crore.

CORRIGENDUM 02 FOR RETENDER

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For wider participation, the above referred e-NIT is retendered through this corrigendum and the critical dates are extended as under: -

S.No.	Description	Previous Dates	New Dates.
01.	Last date of downloading/ sub-mission of bids	10-07-2025 upto 06:55 PM	22-07-2025 upto 09:30 AM
02.	Date of opening of bids online	11-07-2025 at 02:00 PM	22-07-2025 at 02:00 PM

All other terms, conditions and specifications as stipulated in the e-NIT shall remain unchanged.

No: MDSK/TS/1288-91
Date: 14 -07-2025.

Sd/
Executive Engineer
Machinery Division, Kashmir.

DIPK-3811-25
DT: 16/07/2025

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

DEPARTMENT OF URBAN LOCAL BODIES KASHMIR SRINAGAR
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BUDGAM

Subject: Auction of Entry Fee / Terminal Tax Collection contract for the year 2025-26 w.e.f. 01-08-2025 to 31-07-2026 for a period of 365 days

AUCTION NOTICE

Dated:15/07/2025

E-NIT No: MC/BUD/2025-26/ 04 of 2025

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of J&K UT, term e-tenders (in single cover system) are invited from the interested persons/parties for Auction of Adda/Entry Fee / Terminal Tax of Municipal Council Budgam, for the year 2025-26 w.e.f. 01-08-2025 to 31-07-2026 for a period of 365 days. The Minimum reserved bid is fixed for Rs. 82,23,000/- (Rupees Eighty Two Lacs and Twenty Three Thousand Only). The Tax/rate schedule of the vehicles is as under and the successful highest bidder is bound to recover Entry Fee as per the same schedule.

S. No	Name of Vehicle	Rates
01	Government vehicles, security forces vehicles, and vehicles engaged by the State or Central Government for the development of Ring Roads and other public/Govt infrastructure projects shall be exempted from all applicable charges, or levies.	Exempted
02	All Private Light vehicles	Exempted
03	Tipper	Rs:30 Per Trip
04	Dumper/Double Ducker	Rs:40 Per Trip
05	Bus/Tata bus 407	Rs:30 Per Day
06	Taxi /Sumu/Tavera	Rs:30 Per Day
07	Auto /Load Carrier	Rs:20 Per Day
08	Tata Mobile , Load Carrier / Jeep /Winger Cab/ Tempo Travelers	Rs:30 Per Day
09	Tractor	Rs:20 Per Trip
10	Truck	Rs:40 Per Trip
11	School Bus	Rs:20 Per Day
12	Trolley 10 to 14 tyres	Rs:50 Per Trip
14	Recovery/Hydra Van (6, Wheel)	Rs:40 Per Trip
15	Recovery/Hydra Van (4 Wheel)	Rs:20 Per Trip
16	Tourist Buses	Rs:50 Per Trip

The bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, bill of quantities (BOQ) set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen / downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in, as per the schedule of dates given below:

1	Date of issue of Tender Notice	15-07-2025
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	From 15-07-2025 to 25-07-2025
3	Bid submission Start Date	15-07-2025 from 10.00 AM
4	Bid submission End Date	25-07-2025 upto 10.00 AM
5	Date & Time of opening of Bids (Online)	25-07-2025 at 02.00 PM in the office of the Chief Executive Officer, Municipal Council Budgam.
6	Submission of Performance Security (PS)	The highest bidder, has to deposit 10% of contact value cost, on spot at the declaration of highest bidder and same will be forfeited if terms and conditions shall be breached.
7	Mode of Payment	10% token money on spot after evaluation of successful bidder (Technical/ Financial Evaluation). 65% to be deposited on the time of possession of posts. 25% after three months from date of possession, for which successful bidder shall submit the irrevocable bank guarantee from any nationalized bank within seven days from the date of possession, failing which the contract shall be cancelled, without any intimation.
08		Cash deposit Rs.165000/- pledged to Accounts officer MC Budgam at the time of opening of bid (CDR) in original

1. Bids must be accompanied with the cost of tender document in shape of Bank Challan / Receipt (Credit to A/c No. 00780240500018986 Accounts Officer Municipal Council Budgam amounting to Rs. 2000/- (Two Thousand Only).
2. The date and time of opening of bids shall be notified on website www.jk.tenders.gov.in. The bids of the responsive bidders shall be opened online on the same website in the office of the Chief Executive Officer, Municipal Council Budgam.
3. The bids for the tender shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of bids.
4. BID SECURITY.
- a) Bid Security Declaration: If the successful bidder fails to sign the contract or to submit the performance security before the deadline defined in the request for the bid documents, the bidder will be suspended for the participation in the tendering process for the works / tenders for a period of one year from the bid due date of this Auction.
- b) Any bid not accompanied by the BID security declaration shall be summarily rejected by the Authority as non-responsive.
- c) Every bid shall be accompanied with a CDR of Rs. 165000/- from a Nationalized Bank, pledged to Accounts Officer Municipal Council Budgam, without which the bid shall not be entertained.
- d) The contract of collection of Entry Fee / Terminal Tax shall be for the year 2025-26 w.e.f. 01-08-2025 to 31-07-2026 and no claim for extension on any pretext will be entertained beyond the allotted period.
5. The successful bidder in case fails to deposit 10% or first installment (65%) of the bid amount, the CDR/10% bid amount as the case, shall be forfeited and the bidder shall be black listed for future participation/ auctions and in case the allottee fails to deposit the 2nd installment of the bid amount, the Municipal Council Budgam shall take over the possession of the collections posts and go for fresh auction viz-a-viz recovery of the defaulted amount as per norms.
6. That, the successful bidder has to execute an agreement with the Chief Executive Officer, Municipal Council Budgam within the seven days after taking possession.
7. The successful Bidder shall be bound to effect recovery of Entry Fees as per approved schedule of MC Budgam, which is available with this office as mentioned above. In case of any violation to the approved schedule, legal action against the contractor / allottee will be initiated.
8. The successful bidder shall pay the electric/ Water tax to the concerned quarter well in advance and shall be responsible for operational maintenance of the Toll posts.
9. The successful bidder shall have to maintain the infrastructure (Collections posts) at his own by way of displaying the rate schedules as well as paint to the Collections posts twice during the contract.
10. The receipt books to be used by the contractor at the entry fee posts shall be got authenticated by the Chief Executive Officer concerned.
11. The successful bidder shall be solely responsible for arranging and bearing the cost of manpower, stationery, furniture, sanitation, toll posts (wherever required), and any other resources necessary for the execution of the contract. No claim for compensation/ reimbursement in this regard shall be entertained by the office of the undersigned.
12. The highest bidder shall be deemed to have quoted the rates inclusive of all applicable taxes, duties, and levies. No additional charges shall be entertained beyond the quoted amount.
13. After expiry of the contract i.e. on 31-07-2026, the successful bidder shall hand over the possession of the Entry posts to the MC Budgam in its original position without any damage.
14. That, the successful contractor shall have to collect Entry Fee on the following toll Posts only: 01. Srinagar Toll Post. 2. DC office Toll Post 3. Ichgam Toll Post. 4. Mamat Shogipora Road Toll Post 5. Narkara Toll Post.
15. That, the successful contractor shall have to collect Entry Fee strictly in accordance with the approved schedule of rates issued by this institution. The collection process shall be carried out in a public-friendly manner, ensuring no inconvenience is caused to visitors. Additionally, the approved rate schedule shall be prominently displayed at each toll post within the town.
16. The contractor shall be responsible to maintain entry fee collection posts with special care to sanitation / hygiene of the environment and surroundings.
17. That all vehicles that fall under the category of exemption—including but not limited to Government vehicles, vehicles belonging to security forces, and vehicles deployed by State or Central Government agencies for developmental activities such as the construction of Ring Roads and other public infrastructure—shall be fully exempted from the payment of any levies, toll charges, or fees.

all at all designed toll posts. Under no circumstances shall the contractor collect any fee from such exempted vehicles. Any violation of this clause shall be treated as a serious breach of contract and shall attract strict penal action, including immediate termination of the contract and forfeiture of the Call Deposit Receipt (CDR) without any prior notice. The successful bidder shall collect the entry fee from all other vehicles and machinery strictly as per the approved schedule of rates. Any deviation, unauthorized collection, or overcharging shall similarly lead to the termination of the contract and forfeiture of the CDR. That, the Authority (Chief Executive Officer MC Budgam) reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the bids without assigning any reason therefor; In case of any dispute arising between the parties with respect to any of the conditions as laid down herein above or any ambiguity will be referred to arbitrator and the decision of the arbitrator, Director Urban Local Bodies shall be final and binding upon all parties. That the successful bidder shall not charge the entry fee in respect of the empty commercial vehicles. The Tender of the bidder shall not be entertained who has been defaulter from any of the Municipal Institution. That the allottee shall be bound to adhere to all Government orders, statutory rules, and instructions issued or to be issued from time to time in this regard. All such directions shall be applicable and enforceable as per prevailing Government norms, and the bidder shall be obligated to ensure full compliance. No claim for compensation or relaxation shall be entertained on account of any such Government directives. That, the successful bidder shall have to note that no compensation/ relaxation/ extension/ relief/ concession/ rebate will be given to him in case of any/un-towards situation like Hartsals/Civil Curfew/Govt Restrictions/Flood/ Covid-19 / Curfew/natural Disaster/Calamity etcwill happen during his contract period. Instructions to the Bidders regarding E- Tendering process: Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" option as well as from "Bidders Manual Kit" on website www.jktenders.gov.in to acquaint bid submission process. To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get 'Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)' as per Information Technology Act-2000. Bidders can get digital certificate from any approved vendor. The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature. No financial bid will be accepted in physical form. Bids will be opened online as per time schedule. Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the bid. In all the documents on 100 dpi with black and white option. The department will not be responsible for delay in online submission due to any reasons. Scanned copy of cost of tender document in shape of Bank Receipt/ challan in favour of Accounts Officer, Municipal Council Budgam and bid securing declaration must be uploaded with the bid. The Bidder must have to upload (soft copies) of the following documents (Photo-stamp)/ Original should be clearly seen in all respect with Ink Signed and Seal:- Valid original Bank Challan/ Receipt & CDR BID Securing Declaration on stamp paper duly attested by Notary. Valid GSTIN/ PAN Card No. The Bidder should upload the Tender Document form attached below (Not Mandatory). Bidder must ensure to upload scanned copies of all necessary documents including:- BID Securing Declaration and tender documents here in terms of soft copies with technical bid. No document (s) which has /have not been uploaded shall not be entertained in the form of hard copy. However, in case of any clarification the bidders shall have to produce original documents in support of soft copies if need arises. The Highest Bidder will have to submit hard copies of all documents uploaded on e-tendering portal before issuance of Allotment. GST Registration Mandatory. Bidder must ensure to upload scanned copies Annual Turn Over and Income Tax return (latest).

No: MC/BUD/2025-26/5005-08
Dated: 15/07/2025

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER FLOOD CONTROL DIVISION ANANTNAG

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDERS

E-NIT NO. 09 of 2025-26

For and on behalf of Hon'ble Lt. Governor of J&K U.T., e-tenders (in Single Cover System) are invited on "Percentage basis" (Single Click) from approved and eligible contractors registered with J&K U.T. Govt./ CPWD/Railways/Other Governments/ Union Territories for the following works:-

S. No	Name of work	Adv. Cost (Rs in Lacs)	Earnest Money Deposit (Amt in Rs)	Time for completion	Class of Contract	Cost of Tender Document (Rs)	Major Head of Account	Tender Opening Authority
01	Const of FP Work on HM Guri Nallah at vil DH PORA Spot 1st	3.45	6900/=	08Days	DEE	200/=	M&R 2025-26 MH- 2711	Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Anantnag
02	Const of FP Work on R/S of Veshow Nallah U/S Chumbgund Bridge at Villiage Arigatnoo	2.17	4340/=	06Days	DEE	100/=		
03	Maintainance of existing Cratework at various spots bwo laying of cement concrete coping	2.46	4920/=	07Days	DEE	100/=		
04	Const of R/Wall on L/S of Zadi Nallah NLO Wali Mohd Lone	2.21	4420/=	06Days	DEE	100/=		
05	Repairment of existing bund on R/S of Veshow Nallah Rang Khul Spot Ist	2.14	4280/=	06Days	DEE	100/=		
06	Const of Antierosion cum FP Work on R/S of Sonman Nallah at Village Hum near Foot Bridge	3.90	7800/=	08Days	DEE	200/=		
07	Cons of FP Work on Left Side of Veshow Nallah U/S Arwani Bridge	3.59	7180/=	08Days	DEE	200/=		
08	Maintainance of existing Cratework at various spots by way of laying of cement concrete coping.	2.96	5920/=	07Days	DEE	200/=		
09	Const of FP Work on Trout Nallah near Municiplity Garbage Dumping Yard.	2.68	5360/=	06Days	DEE	200/=		
10	Const of FP Work on Trout Nallah at Chawalgam	1.15	2300/=	05Days	DEE	100/=		
11	Const of Anti-Erosion cum FP Work on Left Side of Sonman Nallah at Village Hum at spots U/S Foot Bridge	3.42	6840/=	08Days	DEE	200/=		
12	Cost of FP Work on Hakurah Nallah NLO Girdari Lal and others	1.19	2380/=	05Days	DEE	100/=		
13	Jacketting of damaged crate work on B/O Brengi nallah at Kamad NLO of Bashir Ah Bhat and others.	0.74	1480/=	04 Days	DEE	100/=		
14	Const of Lining wall on R/S of Hakurah nallah at BatporaDialgam NHO Tariq Ah Sheikh and others.	1.90	3800/=	06 Days	DEE	100/=		
15	Const of FP work branch of Khalishi Nallah at MantporaDehruna NLO Shabir Ahmad Bhat and others	1.31	2620/=	05 Days	DEE	100/=		

Position of Funds: Budgetary allocation 2025-26.

Position of Administrative Approval: - Accorded

Position of Technical Sanction:- Accorded

The Bidding document consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, set of terms and conditions, and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per the schedule of dates given below:

1	Date of issue of Tender Notice	14-07-2025 at 6.00PM
2	Date of start of downloading	14-07-2025 at 6.00PM
3	Bid submission start date Technical/Financial	14-07-2025 at 6.00PM
4	Bid submission end date	26-07-2025 at 6.00PM
5	Date & Time of opening of Bids (online).	28-07-2025 at 10:00AM

Terms and Conditions:

1. Bids must be accompanied with proof of the cost of tender document in the shape of Treasury receipt in favour of Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Anantnag (tender inviting authority). The name of the work shall be eligible along with NIT number and item number neatly written on the face of TR. Any deficiency will lead to cancellation of the tender also the date of treasury challan should be in between the date of start of Bid and bid submission end date.
 2. The successful bidder shall have to submit the hard copy of EMD @ 2% in the shape of CDR/FDR and duly uploaded, treasury challan and other allied documents as mentioned in para-4.
 3. Additional Performance Security is to be deposited by the L1 bidder as per the latest order by the finance department endorsed by Chief Engineer Kmr. I&FC Department Srinagar vide No.14481-515 dated: -03-03-2023 which reads as under "Only performance security of 3% should be sought from bidders with due consideration to the clause 5.6.4 of Manual for Procurement of works 2022", if failed the tender shall be rejected.
 4. Bidders are advised to use the prequalification document area in their user on www.jktenders.gov.in portal to store, the required documents as given below
 1. Latest GSTIN clearance Monthly/Quarterly as opted for the Month of June 2025 along with PAN.
 2. Registration card with the latest renewal.
 3. Treasury challan (0702) must be uploaded in vivid form at carrying no corrections or omissions so that they can be verified discretely by the Tender opening committee.
 4. Scanned copy of EMD in shape of CDR/FDR.
 5. Card verification letter.
 6. Registered mobile number and E-mail ID in the shape of Bidders address form.
 7. BOQ.
 8. The Bidder shall have to upload an Affidavit that he has not been defaulter in any Department for the last year i.e. 2024-25.
 9. The scanned documents must be uploaded in PDF format. Any deficiency in the above mentioned conditions will lead to rejection of the bid which shall be noted.
 10. As per the Circular issued by the finance department Vide No.01 (Adm) FD of 2025 Dated 08-07-2025. That "Every participating contractor/Agency to mandatorily disclose the bank account number, which is linked with their GSTIN at the time of bid submission. No payment shall be released by the Govt department / agency to any other bank account, except the one linked with the GST registered number of the successful bidder"
 5. The date and time of opening of Technical Bids shall be notified on the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message at their e-mail address. The Financial Bids of responsive bidders shall be opened online on the same website in the office of the Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Anantnag (Tender Receiving Authority).

All other terms & conditions shall be the same as laid down in the PWD Form 25 (Double Agreement Form).

No.FCD/Ang/25/1948-70
Dated:-14-07-2025

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DT: 16/07/2025

Executive Engineer,
Flood Control Division Anantnag

Committee on Estimates reviews JSD’s functioning, progress on WSSs in J&K

GMK NEWS NETWORK

SRINAGAR: The House Committee on Estimates today convened a meeting at the Assembly Complex in Srinagar to review the functioning of Jal Shakti Department besides assessing progress on ongoing Water Supply Schemes (WSSs) across Jammu and Kashmir.

The meeting was chaired by Committee Chairperson Shamim Firdous and attended by Committee Members Abdul Majid Bhat (Larmi), Ghulam Mohi-ud-Din Mir, Pawan Kumar Gupta, Ajaz Jan, Dr. Shafi Ahmad Wani, Chander Prakash Ganga, Pyare Lal Sharma and Arjun Singh Raju.

Senior officers present included Shaleen Kabra, Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary), Jal Shakti Department; Fayaz A Lone, Director General Accounts and

Treasuries; Khurshid Ahmad Shah, Mission Director, Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM); along with Directors of Finance and Planning and Chief Engineers of both Kashmir and Jammu divisions.

The Chairperson stressed the importance of providing safe and adequate drinking water to every household in Jammu and Kashmir. She emphasized the need for uninterrupted piped water supply in both rural and urban areas, highlighting the importance of water quality and sustainability of water resources.

She called for regular testing of water samples to ensure supply of clean and safe water, and instructed replacement of old and defunct pipes to maintain smooth water flow. The Committee also underscored the need for improved coordination among the departments,

particularly with the Public Works Department (PWD), to avoid disruptions in connectivity during execution of works.

Legislator Salman Sagar, who attended as a special invitee, highlighted the need to identify grey areas and address water shortages through special funding approvals.

The Chairperson further emphasized strict monitoring and effective utilization of funds under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM). She called for timely completion of all ongoing JJM and other WSS projects to ensure public convenience and stressed for restoration of blocked or defunct springs and key water sources.

The Committee also directed the officials to respond promptly to public grievances, inspect ongoing projects regularly and ensure immediate relief to areas facing water crises.

The members of the Committee offered valuable suggestions and raised key concerns regarding the execution and progress on various WSSs.

During the meeting, Financial Commissioner Shaleen Kabra informed the Committee that a total of 6,897 civil works have been allotted under 3,253 schemes across Jammu and Kashmir. Out of these, 6,887 works have been taken up and 3,596 works have been completed as of May 31, 2025.

The Committee resolved to continue monitoring the performance of key departments and to scrutinize budget estimates, revised allocations and actual expenditures to ensure accountability and transparency in developmental works.

Earlier, Secretary Legislative Assembly, Manoj Kumar Pandita, deliberated regarding agenda of the meeting.

Sarmad Hafeez reviews functioning of Social Welfare Deptt

GMK NEWS NETWORK

SRINAGAR: Commissioner Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Sarmad Hafeez, Wednesday chaired a review meeting at Women Development Corporation, Bemina here.

The meeting took stock of overall functioning, financial performance and key initiatives under Centrally Sponsored and UT funded schemes.

The Commissioner Secretary emphasized that the Social Welfare Department operates as a dynamic, continuous service delivery system rather than a one-time initiative. He instructed the officers were to adopt this process-driven approach while implementing the welfare programmes.



Comprehensive presentations were made on major missions such as Mission Poshan, Mission Shakti and Mission Vatsalya besides pension and scholarship schemes. The department's financial performance for 2024-25 was reviewed, revealing an overall fund utilization of 86 percent while budgetary provisions for 2025-26 were

also discussed.

The Commissioner Secretary issued key directives focusing on strengthening the cross-departmental convergence, particularly for Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) and expediting the completion and timely operationalization of the ongoing infrastructure projects.

He asked the officers

to prioritise disposal of pendencies in Marriage Assistance and Ladli Beti Schemes besides ensuring proper gender-responsive budgeting and monitoring mechanisms. He also directed them to ensure timely submission of Utilization Certificates and preparation of impact assessment reports.

Reiterating the importance of a proactive and transparent approach, the Commissioner Secretary underscored the need to ensure efficient service delivery to all eligible beneficiaries.

The meeting was attended by the senior officers from all the Directorates, mission directorates, boards and Corporations of the Social Welfare Department.

Three properties seized in crackdown on cross-border terrorism

GMK NEWS NETWORK

BUDGAM: Jammu and Kashmir Police on Wednesday attached three properties belonging to Pakistan-based terrorist handlers under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA).

Police spokesperson in a statement said that Budgam Police have attached three properties belonging to Pakistan-based terrorist handlers (JKNOP) located in Khag, Chewa Beerwah, and Harwani Khansahib in presence of concerned Executive Magistrates, it reads.

The action was carried out in connection with case FIR No. 58/2024 U/S 7/25 Indian Arms Act, 18, 20, 23 Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) of Police Station Khag, and under proceedings initiated U/S 25 of UAPA for attachment of properties used in terrorist activities, it reads.

The properties attached belong to the following accused persons presently operating from across the border, Manzoor Ahmad Chopan alias Rayees, son of Ghulam Mohi-ud-din Chopan, resident of Har-

wani Khansahib (Double-storied residential house with premises at village Harwani Khansahib, Budgam under Khasra No. 763); Mohammad Yousuf Malik alias Molvi, son of Abdul Rahim Malik, resident of Chewa Budgam (Double-storied residential house along with 05 Kanals, 13 Marlas of land at village Chewa Budgam under Khasra No. 151) and, Bilal Ahmad Wani alias Umer, son of Ghulam Ahmad Wani, resident of Nagbal Khag (Land measuring 19.5 Marlas situated at Khag under Khasra Nos. 1093 and 1094).

These terrorist handlers, operating from Pakistan, have been actively orchestrating and facilitating terrorist activities in the region for several years. "The attachment of their properties is a part of the ongoing efforts to dismantle the logistical, financial, and operational networks of terror outfits and their cross-border sponsors. This decisive move sends a strong message to those involved in anti-national activities that such actions will invite strict legal consequences," the statement reads.

Registrar BGSBU reviews development projects

Announces Girls' Hostel for the Nursing College

GMK NEWS NETWORK

RAJOURI: Registrar Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University (BGSBU) Abhishek Sharma conducted a detailed review of ongoing and proposed development initiatives aimed at enhancing infrastructure and student amenities within the university campus.

During the inspection, the Registrar visited the faculty quarters and the guest house, directing concerned officials to initiate renovation works to upgrade facilities. He also inspected the Day Care Centre and instructed for the provision of sports equipment for holistic development of children availing the facility.

In a significant move to boost accommodation for female students, the Registrar gave directions for the construction of a dedicated Girls' Hostel for the Nursing College, keeping in view the growing demand and need for secure residential facilities.

Further, he emphasized on campus beautification, particularly the fountain

gate area, and called for the installation of signage across the campus for better navigation. He also proposed the renaming of a prominent chowk within the campus in honour of Brigadier Mohammad Usman, recognizing his supreme sacrifice and contribution to the nation.

The Registrar also suggested exploring possibilities for creating a Children's Park and a Trekking Track to promote recreational activities among students and families residing on the campus.

As part of safety and surveillance measures, instructions were issued for the installation of sufficient number of CCTV cameras and street lights to ensure a secure environment.

The visit also included an inspection of the proposed site for the construction of an indoor stadium, with facilities to support sports like shooting, olympic-level disciplines and archery.

Registrar Abhishek Sharma was accompanied by Chief Planning Officer Maqsood Ahmed, Dr. Pervez Alam, Dr. Shams Kamal Anjum, Dr. Titi Xavier and Joint Registrar Qasim Kohli during the visit

Commissioner SMC reviews progress of National Clean Air Program



GMK NEWS NETWORK

SRINAGAR: In a continued push towards improving urban air quality, Commissioner, Srinagar Municipal Corporation, Faz Lul Haseeb chaired a comprehensive review meeting Wednesday at SMC headquarters, Karan Nagar to assess progress under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP).

The session involved a detailed evaluation of the initiatives undertaken during 2025-26 to mitigate air pollution in the city.

Commissioner acknowledged the progress made so far, applauding the departments for their efforts, while also drawing attention to areas that demand focused and accelerated action.

"Clean air is not just an environmental imperative, it's a fundamental public health priority," the Commissioner emphasized. "It is our collective duty to implement these initiatives with efficiency and purpose, so that the people of Srinagar can breathe cleaner, healthier air. This calls for innova-

tion, commitment, and strong inter-departmental coordination."

Haseeb urged all concerned departments, including the Roads & Buildings (R&B) department, to fast-track pending projects, improve coordination mechanisms, and streamline administrative procedures to facilitate timely execution. Stressing transparency and accountability, Commissioner directed officials to maintain a collaborative and result-oriented approach in achieving NCAP goals.

In his closing remarks, Commissioner reaffirmed that air quality improvement remains a top priority for SMC. He pledged continuous monitoring of project implementation and emphasized the shared responsibility of all stakeholders in creating a sustainable and livable city.

Srinagar Municipal Corporation remains steadfast in its mission to ensure a cleaner, healthier environment for current and future generations.

The meeting was attended by key officers from various line departments.

JKEDI hosts Mentorship Session

GMK NEWS NETWORK

PULWAMA: Jammu and Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI), as part of its ongoing efforts to foster innovation and entrepreneurship in the region, Wednesday organized an exclusive mentorship session with Prof. Sunil Handa, visiting faculty, IIM Ahmedabad and IIM Bangalore, founder Eklavya Education Foundation at its Main Campus, Pampore.

Prof. Handa delivered a two-hour keynote session to a select group of entrepreneurs and early-stage startups from across Jammu & Kashmir. The session focused on core principles of entrepreneurship, decision-making under uncertainty, and building scalable and sustainable ventures.

This marked the second session of Prof. Handa at JKEDI for mentoring startups, offering

high-impact guidance drawn from his vast academic and entrepreneurial experience.

Following the keynote, Prof. Handa conducted one-on-one mentorship interactions with selected startups including Alhamdan Crafts, Tabernacle Softwares, Whizybase Technologies, Joyweavers, Nutkush, and others. Founders received tailored advice on refining their business models, addressing operational challenges, and aligning their ventures with long-term strategic goals.

Participants described the mentorship as highly transformative. "Prof. Handa's insights challenged us to think beyond conventional solutions and helped us define a clearer path forward," said one of the founders. Another added, "The depth of his experience brought a new level of clarity to our business approach."

B'la admin bids farewell to ADDC & CPO; welcomes new CPO, AO

GMK NEWS NETWORK

BARAMULLA: In a warm and heartfelt gesture, district administration Baramulla Wednesday organized a grand farewell-cum-welcome function at Dak bungalow Baramulla to bid farewell to outgoing Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC), Ghulam Rasool Mir and Chief Planning Officer (CPO), Javid Ahmad Najjar, while also welcoming the newly appointed Chief Planning Officer and Accounts Officer.

Deputy Commissioner

Baramulla, Minga Sherpa, presided over the function and praised the outgoing officers for their sincere and dedicated service to the district. He highlighted their valuable contributions in planning, development, and administrative affairs, and wished them success in their future assignments.

Several senior officers from various departments also spoke on the occasion, appreciating the professionalism, commitment, and coordination displayed by the outgoing officers during their tenure.

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