

Jammu & Kashmir will get its first gas pipeline by 2024

■ MALU SHARMA
Under ongoing Centre's outreach programme, the Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri is presently on 2-day visit to the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir. While talking to STATE TIMES, the Minister for Housing & Urban Affairs, Hardeep Singh Puri said, "I feel blessed to be in J&K on auspicious occasion of Durga Ashtami and I am looking forward to meet the people of J&K." He added that that Government is adopting a whole new approach to remove silos besides creating a correct atmosphere for economic transformation of J&K. He assured people of Jammu & Kashmir a prioritized consideration and all possible assistance in all matters related to urban development. Talking about smart cities project, the minister said that PM Modi has a vision for it. "The initiative has become a revolution and everyone is contributing in making India clean. As a part of celebrations of 75 years of Independence next year, we are here to take feedback and suggestions from people regarding cleanliness in their cities," he added. Highlighting initiatives of PM to make people empowered, Puri said that Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-



State Times reporter Malu Sharma interacting with Union Minister for Petroleum & Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri.

Urban (PMAY-U) 56,216 houses have so far been sanctioned out of highlighted demand for 79,331 houses. The construction work on 43,949 houses has started out of 10,810 have been completed, he added. He shared that an investment of Rs 3,157 cr with Central Assistance (CA) of Rs 860 cr has been approved for construction of houses under the mission. So far, Central Assistance amounting to Rs 326 cr has been released, he added. When asked about the status of Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U), Puri shared that out of total Mission allocation of Rs 140.44 cr for Jammu and Kashmir, a total of Rs. 96.32 cr (68.58 per cent) has been released. All 80 ULBs of Jammu & Kashmir have been certified as Open Defecation Free (ODF), he asserted. Minister for Housing, while talking about smart cities and Solid Waste Management project, shared that out of a total 1,085 wards in Jammu & Kashmir, 100 per cent Door to Door garbage collection is being practiced in 814 (75 per cent) wards. Source Segregation is being practiced only in 244 (22 per cent) wards against total of 1,085 wards, said Puri, adding that out of 978 TPD of waste generated in Jammu and Kashmir, 53 per cent of waste is

being processed by UT. The Minister further said that the Prime Minister's commitment regarding J&K's development is going on in full swing. The Minister said that there are many schemes and projects under Housing & Urban Affairs and Smart City Project is one of them. Calling Smart City Project an 'Urban Revolution', he said that it is about providing urban services through technology and is comprised of Smart Traffic Management, Smart Security Management and many other facilities. He further informed that 3,500 Special Purpose Vehicles are going to be tendered soon. Regarding Gas pipeline, he said that it will reach Jammu by 2024. The Minister said that Swachhta Abhiyan succeeded because it became a Jan Andolan. In his message to people of Jammu and Kashmir, the Union Minister said, "We are with you and we are here to help you develop at a faster pace. We will address all your issues and don't get surprised if these visits are a regular affair. These interactions will strengthen the bond between government and people. Our motive is to build trust among people of J&K that Govt is serious about development of J&K, that too at priority," he maintained.



Ensure availability of DAP fertilizer to farmers in Jammu Division: Ch Sukhnandan

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Former Minister, Ex-MLA Marh and Chairman Panchayati Raj Cell B-JP JKUT, Ch Sukhnandan on Wednesday urged the Government to ensure availability of fertilizers specially DAP in Jammu division as due to the shortage of DAP fertilizer farmers in this area are struggling badly. "As the early variety crops such as wheat, winter vegetables like cauliflower, cabbage, radish, spinach, carrot etc. and cattle feed crops sowing have been started but due to the non-availability of DAP fertilizer farmers across the Jammu division are not in the position to sow all these seasonal crops. Late sowing of these crops will result



low yield which ultimately affects the production," he asserted. "Due to non-availability of DAP fertilizer, the farmers in Jammu division would lose crops and the overall crop production would be drastically impacted," he added. He also told that farmers from almost all the districts of Jammu division have approached him for the redressal of the grievance of shortage of fertilizer. He appealed the Principal Secretary Agriculture Naveen Kumar Choudhary to intervene in the matter and ensure the regular supply of DAP fertilizer to the farmers otherwise farmers shall come on the roads to fulfill their genuine demands.

Darakhshan approves numerous minority welfare proposals



Chairperson Central Waqf Development Committee, Dr Darakhshan Andrabi presiding over national level meeting of Waqf Development Committee.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Senior BJP leader and Chairperson Central Waqf Development Committee, Dr Darakhshan Andrabi on Wednesday presided over the national level meeting of Waqf Development Committee of Union Ministry of Minority Affairs at CWC Headquarters at New Delhi. Review was also done of the process of Digitisation of Waqf records in different states and Union Territories of India. Dr Andrabi said that minority Welfare schemes are transforming lives of the minority youth throughout the country. "Without hue and cry of minority appeasement, Modi government is empowering minorities for the first time in the history of democratic India through its very effective programmes & schemes. Muslim youth are now excelling in education sector and the welfare schemes have

changed the lives of the deprived class of minorities throughout the country," said Chairperson of Waqf Development Committee of Govt of India. Dr Andrabi appealed to all regional Waqf Boards to ensure the completion of hundred percent digitization of records by the year end as decided earlier. Secretary of Central Waqf Council Shadan Zab Khan said that during the past seven years CWC has transformed a lot and now transparency in the working of CWC has enhanced its working.

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Govt should make delimitation process time bound: Dr Karan Singh

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In a statement issued today, the former Member Parliament said "The recent events in Jammu and Kashmir have filled me with deep sorrow. My heartfelt condolences to the families of those killed in the utterly condemnable murder of several innocent civilians drawn from all three religions in the Valley, to the families of the five brave army personnel in Poonch who gave up their lives in the defence of the nation and, let me say, to the parents of the misguided young men who took to the gun and, inevitably, perished by the gun. These events high-

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Govt employees demand reinstatement of 900 workers disengaged in J&K

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JAMMU: A group of government employees on Wednesday staged a protest here to ask for reinstatement of over 900 workers and regularisation of thousands of daily wagers serving in various departments for the past two decades, among other demands.



Govt employees raising slogans during a protest.

The protesters affiliated with J&K Government employees Joint Action Committee assembled outside press club and also demanded release of house rent allowance (HRA) of the employees and a review of the government decision to identify employees who are ineffective in work or not fit to continue after completion of 22 years of service or have attained 48 years of age. We have assembled here to invite the attention of the central and J&K governments towards the long pending

demands of the employees and daily wagers. We have over one lakh daily wagers who are serving in various departments for the last three decades but are living a miserable life due to the failure of the government to come out with a regularisation policy for them, JKGEJAC president Babu Hussain Malik told reporters. He said they protest the disengagement of over 900 helpers to supervisors in the Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS) of the social welfare department last month and want the government to reinstate them besides releasing their three months pending salaries. On September 11, the J&K administration ordered immediate disengagement of 918 helpers to supervisors who have been engaged beyond the com-

Chairman PHDCCI Jammu led delegation calls on Union Minister Anupriya Patel

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Rahul Sahai Chairman PHDCCI Jammu on Wednesday called on Anupriya Patel, Union Minister of State for Commerce and Industry Govt of India in Jammu.



Chairman PHDCCI Jammu, Rahul Sahai led delegation during a meeting with Anupriya Patel, Union Minister of State for Industry and Commerce.

Rahul Sahai led delegation of PHDCCI to meet and present memorandum to Anupriya Patel. Sahai was accompanied with Pradeep Jain leading Pharma Industrialist of Jammu M/s Pharose Remedies Limited who took issues of Pharma sector of J&K. Sahai congratulated Anupriya Patel for working tirelessly and giving many a Robust schemes for domestic industry. PHDCCI delegation suggested MoS about various points which can boost Commerce and Industries in J&K. Sahai suggested mass awareness programmes of various schemes by the department like PIL Scheme, organizing buyer seller meets (Product based), export promotion activity (Industry based and product based), improving ease of doing business, schemes for start ups, schemes like RODTEP, TIES, GEM Portal, Treds etc. Sahai stressed upon Awareness sessions among Last year Higher education students to be conducted regarding schemes of start ups like fund of funds (worth 10000 cr), start up seed fund (945 cr), Also Suggested to involve IIT, IIM, Engineering colleges, Business schools in universities of Jammu and awareness programs be done in large scale so that new young students / entrepreneurs be

Sahai suggested minister to provide expert source from Delhi to educate department to conduct buyer seller meets at par with other industrialised states so that many sectors can grow in Jammu Kashmir. In Export promotion activity some national players in agriculture, pharma and other experts be invited to J&K to train local producers to produce export acceptable crop with variety like medicinal plants etc. Sahai said that no doubt you are improving in EODB but in J&K it was talked about many times but in real sense we are far behind in this, regular reviews should be there regarding time taken for setting up an industry where lot of departments are involved for eg: land, power, water etc. Sahai stressed upon Awareness sessions among Last year Higher education students to be conducted regarding schemes of start ups like fund of funds (worth 10000 cr), start up seed fund (945 cr), Also Suggested to involve IIT, IIM, Engineering colleges, Business schools in universities of Jammu and awareness programs be done in large scale so that new young students / entrepreneurs be

encouraged and educated about start up schemes. Regarding Remission of duties and taxes on exported products scheme (RODTEP) which replaces MEIS mass awareness programs in J&K is needed as we have lot of pharma, walnut, Rice exporters, but pharma has been excluded from RODTEP, requested MOS to include the Pharma sector as lot of pharma industries are operating and giving employment in Jammu. Sahai also talked about Trade infrastructure for export schemes (TIES) Awareness for exporters and informed Minister that industrialist really don't know about this scheme. Regarding GEM Portal although our industries and commerce department has done a good job in industries enrolment but in jammu we have more small traders and businesses, they also need to be enrolled massively. Regarding Treds Scheme Coverage and reach and enrolment of big companies is a big problem, for Eg: AIR INDIA, HCC etc are not part of the platform Requested Minister to highlight this. Sahai stressed that in New Industrial Scheme Existing industry and New coming

industry incentives should be at par. PHDCCI Delegation recommended and suggested that the Commerce ministry should recommend in the report that there is immediate need for relaxations in the RBI norms for NPA, CIBIL Score and Credit Rating, keeping in view the economic breakdown in J&K from 2014 due to floods, and then consecutive disturbances till reorganization of J&K in UT followed by Covid 19 National Lockdown. Therefore the intervention in the form of one time Bailout Package is indispensable for the revival of economy of J&K. Anupriya Patel gave a patient hearing to PHDCCI Delegation and assured that ministry is very serious about their schemes to be implemented in letter and spirit in J&K and will definitely keep these points in mind and will take regular reviews regarding these activities. Anupriya Patel was accompanied by Ranjan Prakash Thakur IRTS Principal secretary Industries and Commerce Department of J&K Govt who hailed suggestions made by PHDCCI and assured that ease of doing business will be implemented in letter and spirit with in a very short period and all the suggestions made by PHDCCI will be taken care. Meeting was conducted at UFLEX Industries Ltd Bari Brahmana. Others present were senior officers from Ministry of Commerce and Industries New Delhi, Anoo Malhotra Director Industries Jammu, Soumitra Brari Srvice President Uflex Ltd and Subah Mehta GM DIC Jammu.

PCI panel arrives in Srinagar

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: The Fact Finding Committee of Press Council of India (PCI) on Wednesday arrived here on its three-day visit to have interaction with Media fraternity of Kashmir: The three-member committee includes Prakash Dubey, convener and group editor of Dainik Bhaskar; Gurbir Singh, The New Indian Express, and Dr Suman Gupta, editor of Jan Moreha. Any journalist or persons of media fraternity who are desired to meet the team can contact on: 9419007064.

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The borrowers, in particular, and the public, in general, are hereby notified that public auction of gold ornaments / security pledged in the below accounts is proposed to be conducted. The auction is of the gold ornaments / security of borrowers who have defaulted to pay, as per the terms of Loan Agreement signed & accepted by them, despite notices by HDFC Bank Limited (the "Bank") to clear the loan dues. The Bank had also issued a notice to the borrowers whereby, 7 days' time was given to repay the entire outstanding dues in the below accounts, failing which Bank would be at liberty to auction the entire pledged gold security without issuing further notice. The borrowers have neglected and failed to make payment, therefore, Bank in exercise of its rights under the loan agreement as a pledgee has decided to enforce the pledge over gold security by selling the entire gold ornaments / security by way of auction and recover the dues owed by the borrowers to the Bank. The auction will be conducted at below mentioned branch/s on 22nd Oct 2021 from 9:30 Am onwards. Any changes in the schedule / date of auction will be informed at the auction venue.

S.No	Loan No./Reference No	Borrower's Name	Date of Loan	Overdue as on 31-10-2021	BRANCH
1	72827248	ABHAY KUMAR	12/11/2020	60800	1356-2758-RESIDENCY ROAD-PRIME
2	72997275	MOHINDER PAL SINGH	4/7/2021	146400	1356-TALAB TILLON-JAMMU-PRIME
3	72900023	AMARJEET KOUR	1/30/2021	131300	1356-TALAB TILLON-JAMMU-PRIME
4	72878535	SUNITA DEVI	1/18/2021	125300	1356-TALAB TILLON-JAMMU-PRIME
5	72917527	ARUN SHARMA	2/10/2021	124800	1356-TALAB TILLON-JAMMU-PRIME
6	72986299	CHANDER PRABHA	3/30/2021	104700	1356-TALAB TILLON-JAMMU-PRIME
7	72819568	IMRAN KHAN	12/8/2020	102300	1356-TALAB TILLON-JAMMU-PRIME
8	72840543	SURINDER SINGH	12/21/2020	68600	1356-TALAB TILLON-JAMMU-PRIME
9	72898357	AMIT KUMAR SHARMA	1/29/2021	38700	1356-TALAB TILLON-JAMMU-PRIME
10	72720136	HAPPY SINGH	10/5/2020	33600	1356-TALAB TILLON-JAMMU-PRIME
11	73055648	SATYA PAUL	5/29/2021	45700	2538-KATHUA-PRIME
12	72945008	BODH RAJ	3/2/2021	14500	2538-KATHUA-PRIME

The auction shall be conducted on an "AS IS WHERE IS" and the "AS IS WHAT IS" basis and the Bank is not making and shall not make any representations or warranties as regards the quality, purity, caratage, weight or valuation of the said gold ornaments. It shall be the sole and absolute responsibility of the potential purchasers to verify, examine and satisfy themselves about the quality, purity, caratage, weight or valuation of the said gold ornaments prior to placing their bids and for such purpose it shall be open to potential purchasers to examine, at their sole cost and expense, and at the address set out hereinabove, the gold ornaments whether with or without expert advice 45 minutes prior to the time stipulated for the conduct of the auction. All bids shall be subject to such minimum reserve price as the Bank may deem fit to fix in this regard. The auction process and the sale (if any) pursuant to such auction shall be subject to such further terms and conditions as the Bank may at its sole discretion deem fit to impose. If the borrower(s) mentioned above pays the amount due to the bank in terms of the loan agreement in its individual loan account in full before the auction is mentioned above, the pledged ornaments securing the said loan may be withdrawn by the bank from the said auction without any further notice. Please note that it is the absolute discretionary power of the undersigned authorized officer of the Bank, either to postpone or to cancel the auction proceedings without prior notice and without assigning any reason therefore and to reject any or all the bids or offers without assigning any reason for the same.

Date: 14th Oct 2021
Place: Jammu

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