

## Jammu shows improvement in Swachh Survekshan ranking-2021: Mayor

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JAMMU: Mayor, Jammu Municipal Corporation addressed a press conference in presence of Commissioner JMC, Avny Lavasa and Chairmen, Public Health Sanitation Committee, Narinder Singh, Social Justice Committee, Kuldeep Singh and Swachh Bharat Abhiyan Committee, Yash Paul Sharma regarding the recent ranking achieved by JMC in Swachh Survekashan-2021.

During the conference various initiatives undertaken by JMC with regard to sanitation aspects in ensuring 100 door to door collection of segregated solid waste, deployment of new waste collections vehicle/autos, IEC campaign and plastic campaign were highlighted.

While addressing, the Mayor apprised that Swachh Survekshan is an annual survey of cleanliness, hygiene and sanitation in cities and towns across India.

It was launched as part of the Swachh Bharat



Mayor, Chander Mohan Gupta addressing a press conference.

Abhiyan, which aimed to make India clean and free of open defecation by 2nd October 2019.

The first survey was undertaken in 2016 and covered 73 cities; by 2020 the survey had grown to cover 4242 cities and was said to be the largest cleanliness survey in the world.

The objective of the survey is to encourage large scale citizen participation, ensure sustainability of initiatives taken towards garbage free and open defecation free cities, provide credible outcomes which would be validated by third party certification, institutionalize existing systems through online processes

and create awareness amongst all sections of society about the importance of working together towards making towns and cities more habitable and sustainable.

Additionally, the survey also intends to foster a spirit of healthy competition amongst towns and cities to improve their service delivery to citizens and move towards creating cleaner cities.

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dated by third party certification, ensure sustainability of initiatives taken towards open defecation free cities, institutionalize existing systems through online processes, create awareness amongst all sections of society, importance of working together towards making towns and cities more habitable and sustainable, foster a spirit of healthy competition amongst towns and cities.

The Commissioner stated that Jammu Municipal Corporation is putting extra efforts in achieving the goal of Swachh Bharat Mission for which special sanitation drives, fogging drives, door to door collection of waste and upgradation of deep drains/nallahs etc. are being undertaken to provide sanitation at door steps and added that drives shall remain continue in future to achieve better ranking in coming Swachh Survekshan for this the cooperation of every citizen of the city is required because it is a joint effort and jointly we can achieve the better ranking.

## FOIJ submits memorandum to Nirmala Sitharaman



FOIJ members during meeting with Union Finance Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman.

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JAMMU: A Delegation of Federation of Industries, Jammu under the Chairmanship of Lalit Mahajan Co-Chairman met Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, Union Finance Minister in the presence of Manoj Sinha, Lt. Governor JKUT and submitted a detailed Memorandum of various urgent issues related to the Industrial Sector of J&K for her kind Consideration.

Lalit Mahajan conveyed heartiest thanks to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister for the

grant of Fiscal Incentives for the Industrial Sector as per the Industrial Package 2021 by Govt. of India and Industrial Fraternity of Jammu & Kashmir termed it as a beginning of new Era of Development & Industrialization and we are hopeful that the Industrialization will achieve a new height in the coming days in our State to provide Employment Opportunities to the local youths as well as overall growth in the State Economy as we are expecting the huge Investment in Industrial Sector of J&K on

the basis of Rs. 28,400 Crores Central Industrial Package announced by Govt. of India.

During the course of discussions with the Union Finance Minister, Lalit Mahajan highlighted the various issues related to the Industrial Sector which includes that Existing Working Industrial Units facing serious problem of their survival due to non applicability of Sabka

Vishwas (Legacy Dispute Resolution) Scheme, 2019 to the State of Jammu & Kashmir in respect of Exemption under Notification No.56/2002-CE

dated 13.11.2002 by Union Finance Ministry, Denial of 300% Reimbursement of Gross GST for the substantial Expansion to the Existing MSME Units as on 31-3-2021 under the Industrial Development Scheme 2021, notified by Ministry of Industries & Commerce, Road Freight Reimbursement to Existing Units for the dispatch of Finished Goods to Domestic Market as well as for Export from Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir due to higher Freight Cost of Raw Materials keeping in mind the Locational disadvantages and Reduction of GST on the Iron & Non Ferrous Metal Scrap from 18% to 5%.

Nirmala Sitharaman, Union Finance Minister gave a patient hearing and assured the Delegation for the early resolution of the issues related to the Industrial Sector of J&K.

Ajit Bawa Co-Chairman, Viraj Malhotra, Secretary General, Gagan Jain Executive Member, Federation of Industries, Jammu also attended the meeting.

## GGM Science College organises online alumni meet

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JAMMU: GGM Science College on Wednesday organized an online Alumni meet 2021 under the patronage of Principal, Dr. Ravender Tickoo.

Alumni from different walks of life ranging from police officers, educators, bureaucrats, Secretary BOPPE, officers from various departments, executive officers from Corporate houses and ex-students attended the meet. They shared the memories of college days. Some of them became emotional and nostalgic while reminiscing their student days

in the prestigious college. They gave credit of their success to their teachers who had helped them in shaping their careers.

The Alumnus appreciated the initiative taken by the principal and his team of faculty members for organizing such a momentous event even in the pandemic.

They promised to contribute whole heartedly in the overall development of the college in general and welfare of the students in particular.

Dr. Ravender Tickoo also addressed the alumni and appreciated their online involvement in the event.

The participants sang songs, shared their experiences and also gave valuable suggestions for the students and the college as well.

A brief report of the event was presented by Convenor Dr. Sanjeev Goswami. Dr. Vandana Khajuria, HOD (English) also spoke on the occasion. The event was conducted by Dr. Poonam Kamotra, Prof. Arti Heer with Prof. Shrdha Anand orchestrating the whole event as the anchor.

The vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Rakesh Gupta, Coordinator IQAC.

## HC directs PDD to pay Rs 20 lakh to labourer for physical disability due to negligence

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JAMMU: Justice Puneet Gupta of Jammu & Kashmir High Court directed Power Development Department (PDD) to pay a sum of Rs 20 lakh to a labour on account of 90 per cent physical disability suffered by him due to negligence of the respondents.

As per the petition, in March-April 2009, the father of the petitioner was engaged as labourer by respondent No.3 for construction of office building of District Soil Conservation Officer, Sambal, Udhampur and just above the entrance/gate of building, there existed an 11-KV High Tension double circuit line. Since there was a grave threat to lives of all labourers including their family members accompanying them, the labourers objected to respondent No.3 regarding construction, but he did not pay any heed to the same and constructed the premises. On April 1, 2009, the petitioner had accompanied his father to premises of District Soil Conservation Office, Sambal, Udhampur and at about 3.45 PM when the petitioner was just sitting below aforesaid 11-KV High Tension wire a high-flash occurred in aforesaid wire and petitioner came into its contact, as a result of which, he suffered a severe shock causing severe burn injuries to his right arm, chest and legs. Immediately after the accident, the petitioner was taken to the Command Hospital (North Comd.) C/o 56 APO Udhampur, wherefrom the petitioner was referred to GMC Jammu. Petitioner was admitted in GMC Jammu and was treated for high voltage electric burn. Due to severity of the aforesaid shock, right shoulder of the petitioner was disarticulated. All the fingers of feet of the petitioner also got damaged and as per the certificate of disability issued by Chief Medical Officer Udhampur, the petitioner suffered from 90 per cent permanent physical disability.

Justice Puneet Gupta after hearing Adv Sachin Sharma for petitioner whereas AAG F A Natnoo assisted by Deputy

AG Ayjaz Lone for the respondents observed that court can infuse some guess work while assessing the future earning of the petitioner had the petitioner not suffered disarticulation of right arm. Taking in account age of the petitioner as 13 years and the expected earning as Rs 6,000 per month, the multiplier of 18 can be taken for assessing the compensation on account of loss of earning which comes to (6000 x 12 x 18) Rs.12,96,000. The court further awards Rs.7 lakh as lump sum on account of pain and suffering, loss of amenities and the expenses on medical treatment. The total amount to which the petitioner is held entitled to comes to Rs 19,96,000 rounding to Rs 20,00,000. The petitioner is also held entitled to interest @ 6 per cent per annum from the

respondents on the aforesaid amount from the date of filing of the writ petition till its realization. The court trusts that the respondents, keeping in view the disability suffered by the victim, shall not cause any further delay in making the payment to the petitioner.

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JAMMU: A Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey and Justice Sanjay Dhar held that Government has the power to transfer any employee anytime even during probation. While dismissing LPA filed by the appellants Rajesh Kumar & ors who had agitated their transfer to Kashmir from Jammu during period of probation, DB upheld the decision of the writ Court.

The constables had pleaded that were appointed under J&K Special Recruitment Rules of 2015 and could not be transferred dur-

## Power shutdown

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JAMMU: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL Jammu has informed that the power supply to Rangarh, Rangoor and adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 25 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Roop Nagar, Lower Roop Nagar, Housing Colony, Chinor, Durga Nagar, Buta Nagar and adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 25 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to BSF, Kalyanpur, Jaswan, Paryal, Kanachak and adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 25 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Suhagpur, Kotli, Jabowal, Part of Arnia, Trewa, Pandoriyan, Rehaal and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 25 from 9 am to 3 pm. Likewise, the power supply to Pargwal, Channi Tanna, Rajpura, Bhalwal Bharat, Dhalwal Miulu Hamipurkona, BSF, Batera, Dabbin, Chorpur, Manyal, Dharmkhu, Tirth Talab, GREF, Gumpul, Sua No. 1, Garkhal and adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 25 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Basantpur, Thein and adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 25 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Martha Nagrota, Basohli, Bhoond, Bani and adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 25 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Dinga Amb, Katli, Ramkot, Nagrota Gujroo, Gurah Kalyal and adjoining areas shall remain affected on November 26 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Assar, Siraj and Baggar etc shall remain affected on November 25 and 27 from 9 am to 5 pm.

Meanwhile, Superintending Engineer (Distribution), JPDCL, O&M Circle, Kathua has informed that the power supply to Palli, Logate, Lachipur and Nihalpur shall remain affected on November 25 and 26 from 9 am to 2 pm.

## Govt competent to transfer employee even during probation: DB

ing a period of five years probation under SRO 202. They had contended through their lawyer that an appointee shall have to necessarily work for a period of five years on post against which he/ she has been appointed, and that such an appointee shall not be eligible for transfer for whatsoever reason during the temporary service of five years.

However, the Writ court in its verdict in 2020 did not agree with contention. It had said, "Government is not barred in any manner whatsoever to pass the order of transfer in relation to an appointee appointed under the Rules of 2015 even before the completion of five years

of initial service/probation period of the appointee". It was of the opinion that Rule 8(2) of the Rules of 2015 placed restriction on the appointee for not seeking transfer within the first five years of service. The rule does not take away any power of the employer/government to transfer such an employee even before the completion of five years of probation period, the Court observed.

DB while hearing the appeal against the single bench judgment viewed, "Opinion passed by the single Judge is not only lucid and luminous, but also in consonance with the rules/law governing the subject. Rule of 2015 clearly does

not, in any manner whatsoever, put a bar on the government to pass the order of transfer in relation to an appointee even before the completion of five years of initial service/probation period of the said appointee."

Besides, the court said that any provision of rule provided in the Rules of 2015 cannot be interpreted in isolation or in conflict with the mandate of the Jammu and Kashmir Civil Services Rules of 1956. "Rule 27 also clearly empowers the government to transfer an employee from one place to other in the now Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir on the post born on his/her cadre," DB maintained.

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