

People will punish BJP Govt as reflected in recent bye-elections in country: JKPCC Chief

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: JKPCC Chief G A Mir on Saturday said that people of Jammu and Kashmir will punish the most arrogant BJP government at the Centre as reflected in the recent by elections in the country which resulted into immediate reduction of huge taxes on petrol and diesel.

Lauding the people of Himachal Pradesh and other states for showing the mirror to the arrogant Modi Govt which did not listen to the cries of the poor who are reeling under unprecedented price hike due to huge taxations, large scale unemployment, showing arrogance to ten month long farmers protests and failures on other fronts, JKPCC chief said that people will punish BJP in Jammu and Kashmir and elsewhere in the country in



JKPCC Chief GA Mir chairing a party workers meeting at Jammu.

the coming elections.

Addressing a meeting of the senior Congress leaders as part of the 50th year celebrations of the Bangladesh Liberation War of 1971, JKPCC chief briefed the PCC functionaries, DCC presidents, frontal wings and corporators about the series of functions to be held from tomorrow till December 16, 2021 to com-

memorate the Vijay Diwas of Bangladesh war.

He said that a commemoration committee headed by former Defence Minister A K Antony as Chairman and Capt Praveen Davar as national coordinator is holding series of year-long programmes in the country to celebrate the country's victory.

A function shall be

addressed by Davar tomorrow at JK Plaza and another at Paloura Jammu Rural on November 8 to celebrate the anniversary, which shall be attended by senior leaders and distinguished guests and ex-servicemen, disclosed JKPCC Chief spokesperson and Coordinator for J&K, Ravinder Sharma in the meeting.

The meeting was also briefed about the nationwide Jan Jagran Abhiyan from November 14 to 29 besides membership drive which shall be inaugurated in Jammu and Kashmir by the AICC Incharge JK Affairs Rajni Patil as per schedule.

The meeting was attended Mula Ram, Raman Bhalla, Ravinder Sharma, Th. Balwan Singh, Yogesh Sawhney, Shiv Dev Singh, Th. Balbir Singh, S.S. Channi, Hari Singh Chib, Ved Mahajan, Sunni Parihar, Pawan Raina, Sanjeev Panda, Vinod Sharma, Gurdarshan Singh, Karan Bhagat, Ch. Waffa, Gajan Singh, Rajveer Sigh, Rajeev Saraf, Suresh Dogra(Adv), Corporators Dwarka Choudhary, Ritu Choudhary, Shadi Lal Pandita, Bharat Priye and Shastri Punam Lata.



DCs to expedite land acquisition cases of BRO roads: Div Com



Div Com Jammu, Dr Raghav Langer reviewing land acquisition cases of BRO.

Awareness-cum-Registration programme for un-organised workers of Education Deptt held

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: The District Administration Srinagar organized a special camp on e-SHRAM Portal for Awareness and Registration of un-organized Workers working in the Education Department including Contingent Paid workers, Part time employees etc. at S.P Higher Secondary School Srinagar here on Saturday.

The programme was organized on the directions of the Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad by the Office of Assistant Labour Commissioner.

Deputy Chief Education Officer, Srinagar, Dr Anjum, Principal S.P Higher Secondary School, Assistant Labour Commissioner, Srinagar Arshid Ahmad Bhat and other concerned were present on the awareness program.

During the camp, the Assistant Labour Commissioner (ALC) interacted with the scores of Contingent Paid workers and Part Time Employees working in the Education Department and informed about the process and benefits of getting registered on e-SHRAM Portal.

The ALC said that special camps and aware-

ness programmes are being organised for the purpose through the common service centres (CSC) across the district Srinagar. He said Registration on the e-SHRAM portal requires Aadhaar details, bank account number linked with Aadhar card and age limit of 18 to 59.

He further informed the participants that it is the first-ever National Database of Unorganised Workers (NDUW) created by Ministry of Labour and Employment to register the Un-organized Workers including migrant workers, construction workers, domestic help, ASHA and Anganwadi workers, Street vendors, Rickshaw pullers, Farmers, Agricultural labourers, Animal husbandry workers, Barbers, weavers, Carpenters, Brick kiln, Quarry workers, Saw mill workers, Vegetable and Fruit vendors, Newspapers vendors, Auto drivers, Sericulture workers, housemaids and other such workers to get benefits of the Government schemes.

On the occasion, the ALC informed that till date more than 17000 unorganized workers have been registered in Srinagar District and further registrations are going on so that they are covered for the Government benefits.

Congress taking Punjab to dumps, Governor should interfere: Chugh

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
CHANDIGARH: BJP national general secretary Tarun Chugh on Saturday there was complete collapse of governance in the Congress government led by Charanjit Singh Channi in Punjab because of the internal conflicts.



Taking strong exception to the manner Punjab Advocate General APS Deol has reprimanded PCC president Navjot Sidhu for interfering and scuttling the working of the AG office, Chugh said the infighting in the Congress has brought Punjab to the brink where drug mafias, sand mafias and liquor mafias are con-

trolling the state.

He said Sidhu was indulging in gross breach of Constitutional norms by interfering in the working of the state government and demanded interference of the state Governor to check disruptions in the working of Constitutional office by political leaders.

"Sidhu is making political capital out of the incidents of sacrilege of Guru Granth Sahib which is unfortunate and reprehensible", he said while asserting that the Congress has been playing politics on the issue instead of punishing the culprits.

Chugh said the Congress high command has ensured that Punjab goes to dumps.

Sikh bodies resent shifting of HM's reception venue at last moment

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Various elected bodies of Sikh community of Jammu and Kashmir UT as well as other social organisations of the community have resented the decision to shift venue of reception programme of Home Minister, Amit Shah on October 25, 2021 at the last moment from Central Gurdwara Yadgar Guru Nanak Dev, Chand Nagar to Gurdwara Digiana Ashram, Jammu.

The elected body of District Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (DGPC) Jammu, comprising its President Jagjit Singh, General Secretary Fateh Singh, Jathedar



President DGPC, Jagjit Singh talking to reporters.

Mohinder Singh, Avtar Singh Khalsa, Kuldeep Singh, Mohinder Singh, Rannik Singh and Manmohan Singh Khalsa, while addressing a Press Conference on Saturday, said that they too informed

by competent authorities of the visit of Home Minister to Gurdwara Chand Nagar and accordingly, all necessary arrangements were made and duly checked by police and other authorities. Sikh community has a number of

grievances including the brutal murder of former MLC, Chairman J&K Gurdwara Parbandhak Board and Chairman of All J&K Transport Welfare Association, T S Wazir, for which a memorandum was prepared for submission to the Home Minister. "We were surprised to know late in evening of October 24, 2021 that venue of scheduled programme has been shifted to Gurdwara Digiana Ashram. Further, during reception function on 25th October, the stage was mismanaged and a single speaker consumed all time and even Home Minister was not given time to

address people," said DGPC members.

The DGPC members further said that bereaved family of T S Wazir is continuously seeking justice and has alleged that such shifting of venue and mismanagement of stage was done just to keep Home Minister ignorant about murder of a great leader of the community. Seeing an inquiry into conspiracy under which there was a change in venue of Home Minister's programme at last moment, the DGPC members urged the Government for speedy investigation of murder case for revealing the conspiracy behind it.

Sarmad reviews arrangements for winter season sports, tourism

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Secretary, Tourism & Culture, Sarmad Hafeez on Saturday reviewed the arrangements put in place by the Tourism Department for winter season tourism and sports at various destinations across Kashmir Valley. He directed that all sports facilities and equipment at the winter destinations be kept in a state of readiness in view of the onset of the winter season.

Chairing a meeting of officers of Tourism and related Departments here today, the Tourism Secretary suggested setting up of Ice Parks at Gulmarg and Sonamarg for which he directed consultations with J&K Cultural Academy and Institute of Music & Fine Arts, Srinagar. He directed the setting up of an additional ski hire shop, operationalisation of snow beating machines and ski lifts at Gulmarg at the earliest. For this, he directed taking all the steps required well in advance. Sarmad Hafeez also reiterated the need for developing Sonamarg and Doodpathri as winter destinations in view of the heavy rush of tourists expected during winter months. In

this regard, he directed exploring possibilities of introduction of various ski courses at these destinations by placing sufficient manpower, logistics etc at these places. He also directed the establishment of a ski shop and ski lift and identification of site for the natural Ice Skating Rink at Sonamarg for introducing winter sports at the resort.

The Tourism Secretary also suggested holding of various snow competitions at Doodpathri and developing logistics for the same. He also directed holding of festivals at lesser known tourist destinations during winter months.

Earlier, the Director, Tourism, Kashmir, Dr G N Itoo briefed the Tourism Secretary about the plans drawn by the Department for the coming winter season.

The meeting was attended by Managing Director, JKTDC, Syed Fakhruddin Hamid, MD, J&K Cable Car Corporation, Muhammad Akbar Wani, CEOs of Doodpathri, Sonamarg and Gulmarg Development Authorities, Deputy Directors of Recreation and Maintenance wings, Assistant Director Tourism, Gulmarg and other officers.

Distt Admn Srinagar to hold Mock Drill for snow clearance mechanism

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad on Saturday chaired a meeting of Sectoral Officers of various Departments convened to review mechanism being put in place for snow clearance and overall winter preparedness in the district.

The DDC took a review of overall winter preparedness in the district including power curtailment schedule and water supply besides measures taken for snow clearance.

On the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner asked the Officers of

R&B, SMC, PDD, PHE, UEED, MED Departments to conduct a Mock Drill exercise regarding the snow clearance at specific locations in Srinagar District to identify the gaps and shortcomings, if any. He said that Mock Drill is very important for devising appropriate strategies to tackle these situations during winters.

The DC impressed upon the concerned departments/agencies to work 24x7 to ensure that people are provided all basic necessities in particular power, water, essential commodities during the winter months without

any interruption.

He further asked them to remain in close touch with the weather predictions and ensure that the action plan for restoration of basic services is in place in advance with role clarity for the convenience of the people.

He stressed upon the concerned to ensure a prompt response system is placed to ensure hassle-free supply of essential services to the general public and instructed that reaction time should be minimized while facing any emergency like situations.

Meanwhile, the DC urged for community par-

ticipation in snow clearance so that deployed men and machinery from Administration performs its job in an efficient and effective manner for the overall convenience of the public. "Community participation shall lead to prompt action on ground and strengthening of the response system", the DC added.

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Srinagar, Khurshid Ahmad Shah, Superintendent Engineers of R&B, MED, PDD, SMC, Chief Medical Officer, Assistant Director FCS&CA and other concerned officers were present in the meeting.

District Admn Shopian blacklists contractor

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SHOPIAN: On the directions of Deputy Commissioner, Shopian, one Contractor namely Ab. Rashid Mir, son of Sonaulah Mir, resident of Mastpora Keller Shopian has been blacklisted from execution of any kind of work of Rural Development Department (RDD) Shopian with immediate effect.

As per an official handout, the Contractor has been blacklisted as despite issuing notices after notices the same person did not complete the works of RDD, and henceforth, he has been blacklisted from execution of any kind of work of RDD.

Besides, it has been given out that the same procedure of blacklisting shall be followed in case of all other contractors not responding to the instructions.

Taking strong note of delay in works, the Deputy Commissioner directed the concerned to find out the reasons for delay of developmental works in the district.

He directed the officers to blacklist the poor performing contractors and expedite the pace of ongoing development works in their respective areas. "The people are pinning high hopes for quick development in the district" he added.

'Furnish statement of employees transferred from Sgr, whose GPF balance is yet to be transferred'

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: The office of Chief Accounts Officer, District Fund Office, Srinagar has asked the D.D.Os of District Srinagar to furnish credit/debit statements of employee/s of their offices who stand transferred from District Srinagar but their G.P. Fund balance has not been transferred as yet.

It has been given out that the DDOs can depute their representative to this office to obtain list of such employees who stands transferred to other districts by or before 25th of instant to ensure that their GPF balances are transferred to their concerned District Fund Offices within stipulated time given by the Government i.e 31 December, 2021.

Meanwhile, as per Government Order No. 118-F of 2021 dated 31-03-2021 where under it was directed to transfer the G.P. Fund balance of such subscribers who stands transferred to other Districts upto 31-03-2021 as thereafter e-transfer of balances becomes operational.



LCMA employees carrying out demolition drive.

removed. Moreover, legal action was also initiated against the violators. All the public residing within

the LCMA jurisdiction & in lake are hereby once again directed not to go for any sort of illegal con-

structions / encroachments, as the Enforcement wing will continue with demolition of illegal constructions/ removal of encroachments and no illegal construction would be spared and would be razed to ground.

Moreover the Tipper/Load carried owners are directed not to carry/ ferry any construction material in the prohibited area of Dal/ Nigeen Lake without getting permission and in case anybody found shall be dealt with as per law.