

Digital Life Certificate for Pensioners crosses record One crore mark: Dr Jitendra

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NEW DELHI: Digital Life Certificate (DLC) introduced for convenience of Pensioners and elder citizens has crossed the record One crore mark in the ongoing campaign "DLC 3.0".

Disclosing this here on Tuesday, Union Minister Incharge Personnel/DoPT/ DARGP Dr Jitendra Singh said, this landmark will go a long way in bringing ease of living for elder citizens and live up to the vision of Prime Minister Sh Narendra Modi as expressed by him in the recent episode of "Mann Ki Baat" last Sunday.

PM Narendra Modi in 116th episode of Mann Ki Baat on 24.11.2024 had said that "Now, by enabling the Digital Life Certificate, things have become very simple; the elderly do not have to go to the bank. Elderly do not face any problem on account of technology. Making the elderly tech



Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh speaking to the media about the nationwide Digital Life Certificate Campaign 3.0 at New Delhi.

savvy. Today, with such efforts, the number of people receiving Digital Life certificates has crossed the 80 lakh mark. Among these, more than 2 lakhs are such elderly people whose age has crossed even 80". Dr Jitendra said "The vision of

Prime Minister Modi for Digital Empowerment of Pensioners being achieved through successful implementation of DLC Campaign 3.0. All key stakeholders - Pension disbursing banks, Department of Pensions and Pensioners Welfare, Controller General of Defence Accounts, Ministry of Railways, Department of Telecom, Department of Posts, IPPB, UIDAI and Pensioners Welfare Associations are working with whole of government approach to realise the vision of Digital Empowerment of Pensioners".

Dr Singh had launched the Nation-wide Digital Life Certificate Campaign 3.0 for Digital Empowerment of Pensioners from National Media Center, New Delhi. The DLC Campaign 3.0 is being held in 800 cities/towns of India from November 1-30, 2024. 1984 camps have been held from November 1-25, 2024 in 800 cities/districts, 1.8 lac postmen

deployed across the country. 100 lakh DLCs generated by 26.11.2024, 30,34,218 DLCs i.e more than 30% of DLCs generated through Face Authentication. There is 202 times increase in DLCs submitted through Face Authentication under DLC Campaign 3.0. As part of the Campaign, 5 Mega camps have been organized, 3 in Delhi, 1 in Bengaluru and 1 in Hyderabad involving all stakeholders.

During the camps, Pensioners and Pensioners' Welfare Associations conveyed that the development of Digital Life Certificates was a huge step towards making life easy for pensioners, particularly the old, disabled and those hospitalized.

Dr Jitendra said that, this achievement is a testament to Government of India's unwavering commitment to harnessing digital tools for the benefit of every pensioner.



IIM Jammu hosts Guest Talk as part of 'KYC-Know Your Constitution' Event

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JAMMU: The Indian Institute of Management Jammu hosted an Eminent Guest Talk as part of the "KYC - Know Your Constitution" event to commemorate National Constitution Day and the 75th Anniversary of the Adoption of the Indian Constitution.

The event featured Justice B. L. Bhat, Chairman, Reservation Commission, UT of Ladakh, and Former



Justice B. L. Bhat, Chairman, Reservation Commission, UT of Ladakh and other dignitaries at a programme.

NCLAT and D.C. Raina, Advocate General, J&K, Member, Arbitration Committee, JKIAAC who shared their profound insights on the Constitution's values and its relevance in shaping modern governance.

Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu presided over the event and delivered the welcome address.

The recitation of the Preamble, engaging discussions, and valuable interac-

tions with the esteemed guests made the event a tribute to the spirit of democracy, equality, and justice enshrined in our Constitution.

Present on the occasion were Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics, IIM Jammu and Cmdr Kesavan Baskaran (R), Chief Administrative Officer, IIM Jammu, faculty, officers, staff as students came together to honor the guiding principles of the Constitution.

HC wing Jammu celebrates Constitution Day



Justice Sanjeev Kumar reading out preamble to the Constitution with other judges.

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JAMMU: To commemorate the 75th Constitution Day, a ceremony was organised in the Jammu Wing of High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh on Tuesday.

Justice Sanjeev Kumar read out the preamble to the Constitution which was joined by Judges, Judicial Officers

and officers/officials of Registry.

The Preamble reading was attended by Justice Rajnesh Oswal, Justice Vinod Chatterji Koul, Justice Sanjay Dhar, Justice Mohd. Akram Chowdhary, Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi and Justice Mohd. Yousuf, Sandeep Kour, Registrar

Judicial, Jammu Wing, Rajinder Sapru, Registrar Rules, Amit Kumar Gupta, Member Secretary, J&K Legal Service Authority, Jeewan Kumar Sharma, Secretary, High Court Legal Service Committee, Meyank Gupta, Joint Registrar Judicial/Protocol, Jammu Wing.

ADGP Jammu reviews Traffic Scenario, iRAD Status in Jammu Zone

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JAMMU: A high-level meeting was chaired by Anand Jain, Addl. DGP Jammu, to review the overall traffic situation in Jammu and the progress of the Integrated Road Accident Data Base (iRAD).

The meeting was attended by M. Suleman Choudhary, IGP Traffic J&K, all DGP of Jammu Zone, District SSPs of Jammu Zone, and Traffic SSPs.

M. Suleman Choudhary, IGP Traffic, provided a detailed briefing on the current traffic scenario, accident trends, and the significance of the iRAD system.

He emphasized the need for timely and accurate data entry into the iRAD portal, which is crucial for analyzing accident patterns and developing preventive measures.

The iRAD system, which records road accidents and their causes, is a key tool for

improving road safety. IGP Traffic J&K urged the officers to upload all pending accident details into the iRAD system within the next 4 to 5 days. He explained that data-driven strategies would help in minimizing accidents and improving traffic management.

Addl.DGP Jammu, Anand Jain, stressed the importance of the iRAD system in creating a comprehensive database for accident analysis. He directed all SSPs of Jammu to ensure timely compliance with the data uploading process. The Addl.DGP also announced that a monthly review meeting would be held to monitor progress and ensure continuous improvements in road safety efforts.

This initiative, led by Jammu Police, aims to reduce road accidents, enhance traffic management, and improve public safety across the Jammu region.

Javed Rana emphasises innovative approach towards tribal development

Flags off group of 200 tribal students for exposure visit across India



Minister for Tribal Affairs, Javed Ahmed Rana speaking at a programme in Jammu.

The event was attended by Secretary Tribal Affairs Prasanna Ramaswamy G, Director Tribal Research Institute, Mukhtar Ahmed, Director Tribal Affairs, Musheer Ahmed, Deputy Director Tribal Affairs, Jammu, Manu Hansa along with tribal students, activists, artists and community members from across the Union Territory.

In his address, Javed Rana

lauded the efforts of the Tribal Affairs Department for organising such a significant event. He emphasised the importance of preserving the cultural and historical heritage of tribal communities. He stated, "the rich culture of tribal communities adds to the nation's diversity. It is our collective duty to preserve and promote this heritage while ensuring the socio-economic upliftment of

tribal populations."

The Minister reaffirmed the government's commitment towards tribal welfare while highlighting various ongoing initiatives aimed at improving their living standards. He elaborated on infrastructure projects in tribal areas, such as constructing roads, schools, hospitals and providing access to clean drinking water, electricity and housing under

schemes like the PMAY (G) and other developmental programs.

He also stressed the need for adopting innovative approaches towards tribal development, directing the Tribal Affairs Department to organize international exposure visits for tribal youth and officials. These visits, he said, would enable them to learn global best practices and implement innovative solutions for tribal empowerment.

A key highlight of the event was a pledge taking ceremony, where the attendees reaffirmed their commitment to the Indian Constitution by reciting Preamble. The ceremony underscored the role of tribal communities in strengthening the nation's unity and integrity.

In a major initiative, Javed Rana flagged off a group of

200 tribal students from Jammu division for an exposure tour to historical sites across the country. The tour aims to broaden their perspectives and deepen their understanding of India's rich cultural and historical legacy.

The event concluded with a renewed focus on ensuring holistic development of tribal communities while preserving their unique identity. It served as an affirmation to the government's dedication towards addressing the needs of tribal population and integrating them into the broader framework of national development.

The program highlighted the cultural, social and economic priorities of the government for tribal welfare, reflecting J&K's vision of inclusive growth and heritage preservation.

Satish Sharma launches development works worth Rs 12 Cr

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JAMMU: Minister for Transport, FCS&CA, Youth Services and Sports, Information Technology, Science and Technology Satish Sharma, on Tuesday launched several road upgradation development works.

The Minister inaugurated blacktopping work on four roads including Thandi Choi to Sainth, Thakra to Rishi Colony, Seriplai to Kamala and BB Bhangra Maira via Khara road. He was informed that road to Bhangra Maira via Khara is 10.99 km which will be completed at an estimated cost of around Rs 10 crore.

It was informed that 1.250 km road from Thakra to



Transport Minister, Satish Sharma inaugurating blacktopping work.

Rishi Colony will be completed at an estimated cost of Rs 22 lakh under Seema Samridhi Yojna, 1.7 km road from Thandi Choi to Sainth will be completed at an estimated cost of Rs 1.5 crore and 870 metre road

from Seriplai to Kamala will be completed at an estimated cost of Rs 40 lakh.

The Minister, while speaking on the occasion, said that many more projects will be sanctioned for providing connectivity to the rural sector. He said that on completion of upgradation of these roads, which are connected to many other villages, a large number of people will get benefitted.

Satish Sharma stressed that road infrastructure will ensure greater ease of travel and it will connect villages to prosperity and contribute in overall socio-economic development of rural populace. He highlighted the significance of improved road connectivity for nation's development, saying that it has a pivotal role in effective implementation of schemes related to agriculture, health and education.

Satish Sharma reiterated that better road connectivity, updated health and edu-

cation system, modern transportation and enhanced basic facilities to people form core agenda of present dispensation under the leadership of CM Omar Abdullah to build a new Jammu and Kashmir.

The Minister also asked the concerned officials to ensure the quality of work and completion within timeline. He cautioned that laxity on part of any stakeholder will be dealt with strictness.

Enroute, the Minister met with the residents of locals villages and listened to their grievances. He assured them that all their issues will be taken up with the concerned authorities and resolved on priority basis.

MD reviews implantation of key initiatives, documentation of success stories under HADP



Mission Director HADP, Rahul Yadav chairing a meeting at Jammu on Tuesday.

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JAMMU: Mission Director Holistic Agriculture Development Programme (HADP) Rahul Yadav on Tuesday reviewed the implementation of the significant initiatives such as Daksh Kisan, Kisan Sampark Abhiyan 3.0, besides documentation of success stories under HADP here at a meeting held in the Meeting Hall of Directorate of Animal Husbandry Talab Tillo.

The meeting was attended by Heads of all the departments under the Agriculture Production Department, technical officers and members of IEC Cell, APD. The district nodal Officers of Kisan Sampark Abhiyan 3.0, district officers of agriculture and allied departments as well as Kashmir based officers joined the meeting via virtual mode.

The Mission Director

reviewed the status of documentation of success stories under various projects of HADP and stressed upon the quality of photographs and videos to be projected. He further directed the submission of completed success stories after due vetting by the respective directorates at the earliest.

While reviewing the district wise progress in farmer registration and enrollment under Daksh Kisan, the chair directed to improve the performance by increasing the outreach among the farming community. He further asked to encourage the farmers to complete the courses offered on the portal thus enhancing their overall skill development and knowledge in agriculture and allied entrepreneurial activities like dairy, poultry, horticulture etc. He further enjoined upon the officers to work in coordina-

tion and synergy to achieve the desired results.

The Mission Director further emphasized on increasing the average farmer participation during the Kisan Sampark Abhiyan 3.0 events which are being organized across the 20 districts with an aim to ensure effective and efficient implementation of various projects under the Holistic Agriculture Development Programme.

The progress on development of fodder resources in J&K was also reviewed by the Mission Director. He underscored the importance of availability of adequate fodder for the livestock population of the Jammu and Kashmir and directed to expedite the establishment of key components under the project such as Hay/Silage units, Hydroponic units etc. for boosting the fodder availability in the region.

Implementation of flagship schemes in agriculture sector reviewed

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JAMMU: Director Agriculture Jammu S. Arvinder Singh Reen on Tuesday chaired a review meeting to assess the physical and financial progress, as well as the expenditure made under various schemes including CSS (Centrally Sponsored Schemes), CAPEX, HADP (Holistic Agriculture Development Programme), NABARD and RAVEX.

The meeting, held in the Conference Hall, Directorate of Agriculture, Krishi Bhawan, Talab Tillo, was attended by Joint Director Agriculture (Extension/SLUB) Satish Sharma; Deputy Director



(Planning) Priyanka Parihar; Accounts Officer Vishnu Kant Sharma; besides sectoral heads of various schemes under the Agriculture Department. Chief Agriculture Officers from Jammu

Division participated in the meeting through the virtual mode (V.C).

The Director Agriculture emphasised judicious and timely utilization of funds with proper documentation right from pre-execution (Planning) stage. He highlighted the importance of coordination among the Agriculture Department and allied departments to ensure the efficient and timely execution of developmental works under HADP.

The Director further directed the officers to submit the pending DPRs (Detailed Project Reports) at an earliest so that funds could

be released accordingly. The aims, objectives, scope and nature of projects being implemented by the Departments were discussed in detail wherein, the Director insisted upon identification of eligible beneficiaries and rational allocation of targets for equitable development of all areas.

It was informed that most of the allocated funds have been successfully utilized till date, and the balance targets are expected to be met in a timely manner. The meeting concluded with a call for all officers to maintain a high level of efficiency and ensure that the benefits of these schemes reach the intended beneficiaries.