

LG Kavinder approves Key Defence, BRO & PDD Projects with strict Eco-Compliance mandate

STATE TIMES NEWS

LEH: The Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Kavinder Gupta, on Thursday highlighted the urgent need for strengthened solid and liquid waste management systems in the strategically sensitive and ecologically fragile regions of the Karakoram and Changthang Wildlife Sanctuaries.

Chairing the 14th meeting of the State Board for Wildlife at the LG Secretariat, the Lt Governor reviewed and approved 16 projects proposed by the Indian Army, Power Development Department (PDD) and the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) within the protected zones.

He emphasised that while defence preparedness and infrastructure development are crucial for national security in Ladakh's frontier areas, they must advance in strict accordance with environmental safeguards.

The Lt Governor reiterated the need for complete compliance with directives issued by the Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment to ensure that construction and operational activities do not adversely affect local biodiversity. All project



Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Kavinder Gupta chairing a meeting.

approvals were granted with the mandatory condition of implementing recommendations from the Biological Impact Assessment Report, which assesses both the positive and potential adverse impacts on Ladakh's high-altitude ecosystems.

He underscored the binding Supreme Court directives in M.K. Ranjitsinh vs Union of India, which mandate installation of bird-flight diverters, cable insulation and colli-

sion-prevention mechanisms in all new infrastructure to reduce risks to avifauna species inhabiting the region.

Highlighting Ladakh's unique biodiversity-from high-altitude wetlands to habitats of globally vulnerable wildlife-the Lt Governor stressed that developmental initiatives must proceed with the highest level of ecological responsibility. He affirmed that sustainable development in

strategically critical border regions must align with conservation priorities to preserve Ladakh's natural heritage for future generations.

The Lt Governor directed the Army and BRO to establish, upgrade and strictly maintain modern waste treatment systems, ensuring proper waste segregation, scientific processing and safe disposal. He also ordered a total ban on dumping left-over food or garbage outside operational facilities.

Earlier, APCCF Ladakh S. Rajesh presented an overview of recent conservation efforts, including activities held during Wildlife Week 2025, observance of International Snow Leopard Day, and initiatives to mitigate waste-related threats to wildlife habitats.

The meeting was attended by Chief Secretary Dr. Pawan Kotwal, DGP Dr. S.D. Singh Jamwal, eminent wildlife expert Dr. M.K. Ranjitsinh Jhala, Administrative Secretary Rudra Goud PT, ADDC Leh Sonam Nurboo, and senior officials from the Wildlife Department, PDD, Army and BRO.



CM visits families of Nowgam blast victims in Kulgam, Tral

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KULGAM/TRAL: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Tuesday met the families of two victims who lost their lives in the accidental explosion at Nowgam Police Station, extending his heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.

At Chancer village in Kulgam, the Chief Minister visited the home of Late Arshid Ahmad Shah and expressed his deepest sympathies to the grieving family. He assured them that the government stands firmly with them in this hour of immense pain.

Later, the Chief Minister went to Hariparigam, Tral, where he met the family of Late Javid Mansoor Rather. He offered condolences and



Chief Minister Omar Abdullah meeting families of victims who lost their lives in accidental explosion at Nowgam.

shared moments of solidarity with the bereaved members, conveying that no words can ease the loss they have suffered.

During his interaction, the Chief Minister consoled both families, offering words of comfort and reassurance. He emphasised that while no amount can

compensate for the precious lives lost in the unfortunate accident, the government will extend every possible assistance to help the affected families rebuild their lives.

The Chief Minister was accompanied by Minister Sakina Itoo and other senior officers.

Investment invitation to Gulf nations radicalising youth: Panun Kashmir

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Panun Kashmir, an organisation advocating a separate homeland for displaced Kashmiri Pandits in valley, on Wednesday slammed the Centre saying that invitations to Gulf nations to invest exclusively in Kashmir has resulted in radicalisation of youth here.

"The Government of India has taken steps that directly strengthen the ecosystem driving radicalisation. This has created state-facilitated pathways for white-collared terrorism to expand and return in more lethal forms," Panun Kashmir chairman Dr Ajay Chrungoo told reporters here.

Referring to the November 10 Delhi blast and the sub-



Panun Kashmir chairman Dr Ajay Chrungoo talking to reporters at Jammu on Wednesday.

sequent explosion in Nowgam police station in Srinagar, Chrungoo said, "Once again the nation has witnessed targeted terror assaults, and once again we confront the intolerable reality that the Centre continues to deny the war being

waged against majority community, a war that reinvented itself with the exodus of Hindus in Kashmir in 1989-90."

He said that white-collared separatists and professionals had long played a role in strengthening the

terror ecosystem in Kashmir.

"Doctors, engineers, administrators, academics - this class has repeatedly acted as the ideological spine of terrorist operations since the 1990s in Kashmir," he said. "The involvement of medical professionals in the Delhi blast is not new. It is a continuation of what we experienced three decades ago."

"In the aftermath of the Pahalgam massacre, the political class tried to trivialise a genocidal assault on Hindus as an attempt to disrupt communal harmony. After the Delhi blast, we are again being persistent into believing in a so-called new phenomenon white-collared terrorism," he said.

Chrungoo also accused the Centre and J-K administration of refusing to "acknowledge core realities".

"They still do not accept that the primary objective of Islamist terrorism in India is the genocidal destruction and demographic disintegration of Hindus," he said. "Every security review after a terror attack is a performative cycle that avoids revising strategic doctrine."

Panun Kashmir said that the government was focusing only on investigations into the Delhi blast and the Nowgam police station explosion instead of confronting what it described as internal subversive networks.

"Pakistan is a convenient distraction for these networks," Chrungoo said.

Javid Dar addresses 72nd All India Coop Week celebrations



Minister for Cooperative, Javid Ahmad Dar and others at a programme.

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JAMMU: Minister for Cooperative, Agriculture Production, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj departments, Javid Ahmad Dar on Wednesday addressed the 72nd All India Cooperative Week celebrations alongside the observance of International Year of Cooperatives 2025 at Convention Centre here.

Held under the theme "Cooperatives as Vehicles for Atmanirbhar Bharat," the event witnessed participation of Commissioner Secretary, Cooperative department, Babila Rakwal; heads of various departments of

Agriculture, Horticulture, NABARD, prominent citizens and members of Cooperative Societies.

In his address, Javid Dar highlighted the ongoing transformation within the cooperative sector in J&K. Reaffirming the administration's commitment to the vision of "Sahakar Se Samridhi" (Prosperity through Cooperation), he underscored the vital role of cooperatives in supporting rural livelihoods, promoting economic decentralisation and generating employment.

The Minister emphasized the need to revitalize defunct Primary Agricultural Credit

Societies (PACS) to ensure their effective contribution to the rural economy. He also drew attention to the issue of dormant assets belonging to defunct PACS and societies, stressing the need for a strategic roadmap to safeguard, revive and utilize these assets productively in the interest of cooperative growth.

In her welcome address, Commissioner Secretary, Cooperative, Babila Rakwal outlined the department's mandate to nurture community-led, self-sustaining enterprises and highlighted that J&K currently boasts a robust network of over 4,500

active cooperative institutions, spanning agriculture, housing, and other sectors. On the occasion, the Minister also unveiled several significant initiatives aimed at modernizing and strengthening the cooperative sector in Jammu & Kashmir. He also released Annual Cooperative Compendium and e-launched Centre for Cooperative Management website and logo, besides two important Memorandums of Understanding for Cooperative Management, Jammu and Government Polytechnic for Women, Jammu, UNATI Drone Academy, were also

signed and exchanged in presence of the Minister.

During the event, departmental documentary was also screened, showcasing success stories and evolution of cooperatives across Jammu & Kashmir. J&K Dairy Cooperative Federation and JKMPCL also delivered informative presentations on the occasion, followed by distribution of certificates to newly registered Primary Multi-Livelihood Societies.

Earlier, the Minister inspected exhibition stalls set up by Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), dairy units, and Women Self-Help Groups, engaging directly with beneficiaries about their products, innovations, and economic activities.

World Heritage Week 2025 Celebrations Pr. Secy Culture flags group of students for heritage walk at Jammu



Principal Secretary Culture, Brij Mohan Sharma flagging off group of students.

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Principal Secretary Culture, Brij Mohan Sharma on Wednesday flagged a group more than 500 students for heritage to commemorate the celebrations of World Heritage Week 2025.

The week long celebrations are organised by Department of Archives, Archaeology & Museums, during which various

activities aimed at sensitizing the masses towards the preservation and protection of our vast and rich heritage will be held across Jammu and Kashmir.

The department, as part of these celebrations, also organised a happiness camp in collaboration with the Art of Living Foundation in the heritage lawn of Jammu's pride -

Mubarak Mandi. The walk resounded with slogans like "Love Heritage, Save Heritage." Director, AA&M, Kuldeep Krishan Sidha said that these activities are a precursor to ensuring readiness and awareness among youngsters, not only to cherish and protect monuments but also to preserve local languages and dishes.

District Administration Jammu demolishes illegal structures, retrieves 3.5 kanal prime land

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: District Administration Jammu, acting under directions of Deputy Commissioner Dr Rakesh Minhas, on Wednesday conducted a major demolition operation at Sidhra, Jammu, targeting illegal constructions raised on State land bearing Khasra No. 95.

A team led by Tehsildar, Paramdeep Singh accompanied by Naib Tehsildar Sidhra/Bajalta, Jagdish Singh, besides Revenue officials and Police personnel, conducted the operation, removing unauthorised shops and structures built on encroached State land. All illegal constructions were demolished on the spot. Through the action, the department has successfully retrieved approximately 3.5 Kanal of prime land. The retrieved land was immediately taken into official possession and earmarked for the establishment of Niabat and Patwari office and Police Chowki, Sidhra.

The Public has been informed that Niabat Office, Sidhra shall commence functioning from tomorrow itself at this location to further facilitate public service delivery.

The District Administration has reiterated its resolve to continue strict action against violators and encroachers, appealing to the public to refrain from illegal occupation of government land.



Committed to overall development of J&K: Dy CM

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JAMMU: Deputy Chief Minister, Surinder Choudhary on Tuesday said that the Government is committed to overall and inclusive development of Jammu and Kashmir.

The Deputy CM stated this while meeting a wide range of public delegations from various districts at Civil Secretariat here.

The Deputy Chief Minister said that the government has undertaken significant developmental initiatives in every district of J&K with a focused approach towards infrastructure growth, socio-economic upliftment, and improved public service delivery.

The delegations that called on Deputy Chief Minister included job aspirants, students, members of various business associations, and representatives of civil society groups. They apprised him of their concerns, demands, and several pressing issues concerning to

them.

Deputy Chief Minister listened to them patiently and assured them that all genuine issues would be taken up with the concerned departments for prompt and effective redressal. He emphasized that the administration is committed to resolving public grievances in a time-bound and transparent manner.

On-the-spot directions were issued to the concerned officers to ensure amicable and speedy resolution of several matters brought to his notice.

He further reiterated prompt service delivery to general public and maximum coverage of beneficiaries under various welfare and developmental initiatives of the Government.

Various individuals and delegations expressed gratitude to the Deputy Chief Minister for his proactive approach and immediate intervention in addressing their genuine issues.

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- Jammu Branch - L&T Finance Limited** Shop No Ael Part Of E3 Karan Market Jammu City Jammu . Pin code - 180002 . Phone - 9875942896 Loan Number - 16221000004881, 16221000004509, 16221000004478, 16221000004479, 16221000004411, 16221000004412, 16221000004652, 16221000004653, 16221000004654, 16221000004655, 16221000004906, 16221000004390, 16221000004902, 16221000004661, 16221000004483, 16221000004819, 16221000004454, 16221000004772, 16221000004491, 16221000004648, 16221000004649, 16221000004577, 16221000004613, 16221000004389, 16221000004408, 16221000004497, 16221000004478, 16221000004901 (Time 11:00 AM).
- Kathua Branch - L&T Finance Limited** Shop No1 Ward No1 Patwari Market Near Sigma Laboratory Collage Road Kathua . Pin code - 184101 . Phone - 9875963991 Loan Number - 17321000002690, 17321000002309, 17321000002689, 17321000002678, 17321000002712, 17321000002305, 17321000002623, 17321000002517, 17321000002770, 17321000002582, 17321000002601, 17321000002611, 17321000002638, 17321000002634, 17321000002653, 17321000002728, 17321000002704, 17321000002753, 17321000002769 (Time 11:00 AM).
- R.S PURA Branch - L&T Finance Limited** Khasra No168 Purana Pind Chawk Near Gramin Bank RSPura Jammu . Pin code - 181502 . Phone - 9041455545 Loan Number - 17821000006429, 17821000006187, 17821000005984, 17821000005848, 17821000005842, 17821000005843, 17821000005844, 17821000005331, 17821000005774, 17821000006410, 17821000006430, 17821000006227, 17821000006263, 17821000006236, 17821000005788, 17821000006403, 17821000005865, 17821000005866, 17821000006392, 17821000006205, 17821000005922, 17821000005923, 17821000006255, 17821000006340, 17821000005373, 17821000006375, 17821000006189, 17821000006250, 17821000006251, 17821000006344, 17821000005971, 17821000005967, 17821000006006, 17821000006051, 17821000006275, 17821000006146, 17821000006163, 17821000006237, 17821000006262, 17821000005877, 17821000006147, 17821000005849, 17821000005352, 17821000006164, 17821000006055, 17821000006397, 17821000006311, 17821000005959, 17821000005977, 17821000006087, 17821000006128, 17821000006133, 17821000006273, 17821000006346, 17821000006347, 17821000006350, 17821000006440, 17821000006369, 17821000006423 (Time 11:00 AM).

It may please be noted that if the auction does not get completed on the above stated day due to any reason, the same will be conducted on 5th Dec 2025 at the same place and time without any further notice.

Note: Concerned customers can get the ornaments released before the auction date.

Note: L & T Finance Private Limited, on its sole discretion has the authority to remove any of the ornaments under any loan account from the auction list without prior information.

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