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Govt aims to...

security system. Rural business and service Hubs will boost agriculture marketing in J&K and ensure that benefits of crops reach directly to farmers. District officials need to act as a medium between farmers and agri-policies. There must be a better coordination at all levels, said the Lt Governor.

Barriers and challenges can be easily overcome by individual competence, organizational capabilities, commitment, information tools and resources, he added.

I firmly believe with this much needed reform, young generation will take up farming as a viable career option in the future, the Lt Governor said.

On the occasion, the Lt Governor also released a publication on Soil Testing Manual. A total of 638 training schedules are planned at the divisional and districts level for the next 4 months.

Atal Dullo, Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture Production Department, on the occasion highlighted that the policy document for holistic development of Agriculture and allied sectors will have a significant impact on the growth and development of J&K's Agriculture and its economy. He informed about the details of mega training and orientation program to be organized at UT level, Divisional level and Districts level. 2.5 lakh youth will be connected with sustainable employment in agriculture and allied sectors through skill development courses in five years, he further said.

Prof Nazir Ganai, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST Kashmir in his welcome address highlighted the key features and goals of the Policy made for holistic development of agriculture and allied sectors. Prof JP Sharma, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST Jammu delivered the vote of thanks and said the 29 projects are holistic in every sense in generating specialty products and their promotion in the national and international markets. HODs, District officers from across the UT, Faculty members of SKUAST-J and SKUAST-K, technical experts, farmers, agriculture scientists, members of Kisan Advisory Board, besides others were present on the occasion.

Major reshuffle in...

AIG (Tech) Police Headquarters, holding additional charge of the post of Director Police Telecommunication, J&K, as DIG Traffic, Jammu; Dr. Ajeet Singh, IPS (AGMUT: 2010), SSP CID Cell, New Delhi, as DIG State Investigating Agency; Altaf Ahmed Khan, IPS (AGMUT: 2010), SSP CID CI Kashmir, as DIG CID Kashmir; Haseeb-Ur-Rehman, IPS (AGMUT: 2010), Commandant SDRF 1st Bn, Kashmir; as DIG Railways, J&K. The officer shall also look after the work of State Investigating Unit (SIU), Jammu.

Vikas Gupta, IPS (AGMUT: 2010), OSD in Prisons Department, has been transferred and posted as DIG Prisons, J&K, on deputation basis; Abdul Qayoom, IPS (AGMUT: 2010), Commandant IRP-9th as DIG IR Kashmir. The officer shall also look after the work of State Investigating Unit (SIU), Kashmir.

Nisha Nathyal, IPS (AGMUT: 2010), Commandant SDRF 2nd Bn, Jammu, has been transferred and posted as DIG Armed, Jammu. The officer shall also hold additional charge of the post of DIG IR Jammu.

Javid Iqbal Matoo, IPS (AGMUT: 2010), AIG (Building) Police Headquarters, has been transferred and posted as DIG Crime, J&K; and Joginder Singh, SSP, Anti Corruption Bureau, has been transferred and posted as Director Special Security Force (SSF), J&K.

According to another order, Abhishek Mahajan, IPS (AGMUT: 2013), SSP Samba, has been transferred and posted as AIG (Welfare), Police Headquarters, J&K; Nagpure Amod Ashok, IPS (AGMUT: 2013), SSP CID SB Kashmir; as SSP Baramulla; Dr G.V. Sandeep Chakravarthy, IPS (AGMUT: 2014), SP Kulgam, as AIG (CIV), Police Headquarters, J&K; Shohit Saksena, IPS (AGMUT: 2015), awaiting posting on the deputation to Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, has been posted as SP CID, Jammu at CID Headquarters, against the overall available posts at the level of Superintendent of Police.

Lakshay Sharma, IPS (AGMUT: 2016), SP South Srinagar has been transferred and posted as SP Bandipora; Sahil Sarangal, IPS (AGMUT: 2017), SP (East) Srinagar as SP Kulgam; Shiv Kumar Sharma, SSP CID CI Jammu, as Principal PTTI, Vijaypur; Dr. Koshal Kumar Sharma, SSP Traffic City Jammu as Commandant IR-19th Bn; Showkat Ahmed Dar; Principal STC Sheer, as Commandant IR-4th Bn; Bakar Hussain Samoon, Commandant IR-20th Bn as Commandant IR-23rd Bn; Rajinder Kumar Gupta, AIG (Welfare), Police Headquarters, as Assistant Director, SKPA, Udhampur; Rajesh Kumar Sharma, Commandant IR-22nd Bn as OSD with Advisor (B) to the Lieutenant Governor; Sanjeev Kumar Khajuria, Commandant IR-5th Bn as Commandant IR-24th Bn; Rajesh Bali, AIG (CIV) Police Headquarters, as Assistant Director; SKPA, Udhampur; Ramesh Kumar Angral, AIG (Personnel), Police Headquarters, as Commandant IR-22nd Bn; Benam Tosh, Commandant IR-19th Bn as SSP Samba; Mohan Lal, Assistant Director SKPA Udhampur, as Staff Officer to ADGP, Railways, J&K; Shabir Ahmed Malik, SSP, attached with Police Headquarters as Commandant IR-21st Bn; Mohd. Zaid, SP Bandipora, as Commandant JKAP-11th Bn, (Security), vice Wasim Qadri, who shall await orders of posting in Police Headquarters, J&K.

Atul Sharma, Commandant IR-23rd Bn has been transferred and posted as Staff Officer to Commandant General HIG/CD/SDRF, J&K; Shiv Deep Singh Jamwal, Commandant IR-1st Bn as SP Kathua; Randhir Singh, Staff Officer to Commandant General HIG/CD/SDRF, J&K, as Commandant IR-20th Bn; Virinder Singh, SP, awaiting posting in Police Headquarters, as AIG (Personnel), Police Headquarters, J&K; Mohd. Majid Malik, Addl. SP Qazigund, as Principal STC Sheer; Tahir Saleem Khan, SP Budgam, as Commandant JKAP-9th Bn; Khalil Ahmad Poswal, Principal PTTI Vijaipur; as SP Kishtwar; Ramesh Chander Kotwal, SP Kathua, as Commandant IR-1st Bn; Abrar Ahmad Choudhary, Commandant IR-4th Bn as Commandant IR-5th Bn; Shafiq Hussain, SP Kishtwar; as Commandant IR-6th Bn; Manej Kumar Pandit, AIG (Communication) Police Headquarters, as AIG (Tech), Police Headquarters, vice Shridhar Patil, IPS, with additional charge of Director Police Telecommunication, J&K. Sanjay Sharma, SP Rural, Jammu, has been transferred and posted as Deputy Commandant IR-14th Bn; Al-Tahir Geelani, SP West, Srinagar as SP Budgam; Mohd Aftab Mir, Addl. SP, Bhaderwah, as Deputy Commandant IR-22nd Bn; Master Popsy, Addl. SP Doda as Addl. SP, Reasi; Surjeet Kumar Bhagat, Addl. SP, Reasi as Deputy Commandant IR-15th Bn; P.K. Modi, SP, awaiting posting in Police Headquarters, as Deputy Commandant IR-1st Border Bn, Jammu; Rahul Charak, ADC to Lieutenant Governor; as Addl. SP Rural, Jammu; Mohd Rafi Giri, SP, awaiting posting in Police Headquarters, as Addl. SP, Nowshera; Rajni Sharma, Addl. SP Ramban as Deputy Commandant IR-1st Bn; Kameshwar Puri, SP, awaiting posting in Police Headquarters, as Addl. SP, Bhaderwah; Gourav Mahajan, SP, awaiting posting in Police Headquarters, as Addl. SP, Ramban; Jeevan Ji Matoo, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant 1st Border Bn, Jammu; Mushtaq Ahmad, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant IR-23rd Bn; Gurmeet Singh, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant IR-5th Bn; Mohd Shafi, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant IR-21st Bn; Jagdev Singh, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant IR-15th Bn; Rajinder Kumar, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant 1st Women Bn, Jammu; Rakesh Sandal, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant IR-12th Bn;

Mohd Ayoub Zargar, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant IR-5th Bn; Farahat Jeelani, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Addl. SP, Kupwara; Shabir Ahmad, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Addl. SP Kulgam; Altaf Hussain, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant IR-11th Bn; Mohd. Farooq Khan, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant IR-2nd Bn; Mohammad Aslam, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, Deputy Commandant 1st Women Bn, Jammu; Naeem Ahmad Wani, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant 2nd Border Bn; Srinagar; Syed Yasin Qadri, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Addl. SP, PCR, Srinagar; Furqan Qadir, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant 2nd Women Bn, Kashmir; Sandeep Bhat, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, as Deputy Commandant 1st Women Bn, Jammu; and Sachin Gupta, SP, awaiting orders of adjustment, has been posted as Deputy Commandant 1st Border Bn, Jammu.

India's GDP growth...

in 2021-22. "Real GDP or GDP (Gross Domestic Product) at Constant (2011-12) Prices in the year 2022-23 is estimated at Rs 157.60 lakh crore, as against the Provisional Estimate of GDP for the year 2021-22 of Rs 147.36 lakh crore, released on 31st May, 2022," an NSO statement said.

It stated that growth in real GDP during 2022-23 is estimated at 7.0 per cent as compared to 8.7 per cent in 2021-22.

The NSO estimates are a tad higher than the 6.8 per cent GDP growth projection of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

It also said the nominal GDP or GDP at Current Prices in the year 2022-23 is estimated at Rs 273.08 lakh crore, as against the Provisional Estimate of GDP for the year 2021-22 of Rs 236.65 lakh crore.

The growth in nominal GDP during 2022-23 is estimated at 15.4 per cent as compared to 19.5 per cent in 2021-22.

The agriculture sector is projected to see a growth of 3.5 per cent in FY2022-23, higher than the 3 per cent expansion recorded in the previous financial year.

Trade, hotel, transport, communication and services related to broadcasting segment is estimated to grow at 13.7 per cent from 11.1 per cent in 2021-22.

Financial, real estate and professional services segment is projected to grow at 6.4 per cent in the current fiscal, up from 4.2 per cent in 2021-22.

However, construction sector growth is expected to decelerate to 9.1 per cent from 11.5 per cent a year ago.

Similarly, public administration, defence and other services growth is estimated to drop to 7.9 per cent this fiscal from 12.6 per cent in FY22.

The growth in gross value added (GVA) at basic prices is pegged at 6.7 per cent this fiscal, down from 8.1 per cent in 2021-22.

17 J&K leaders...

Yatra, Venugopal said, "Those who believe in the ideology of Bharat Jodo Yatra are welcome to join the Yatra. All are welcome."

"We have invited all like-minded parties to join the Yatra," he said, adding that Farooq Abdullah, Omar Abdullah and Mehbooba Sayeed will join the Yatra and walk with Rahul Gandhi in Srinagar.

He also said there is a wider thinking in the country to fight against divisive policies of the BJP and the central government.

Party leader Jairam Ramesh said, "A total of 19 leaders were to join today, but 17 were able to come to Delhi and join today. This is the first phase and others will also join soon".

Asked about the reasons to quit the Congress, Tara Chand said, "We got carried away by emotions and friendship and quit the party in haste".

On why they rejoined, he said, "We were not comfortable in DAP as we have spent 50 years of our life in the Congress and realised our mistake".

"We have spent our entire life in the Congress and we took the wrong decision in haste and out of emotions. The biggest blunder done by us was to leave the party and we have now returned and we are thankful to the party for accepting us back".

On Ghulam Nabi Azad, Chand said he is a senior leader and we were not aware under what circumstances and reasons he left the party. "We left out of emotion as we felt our leader has been left alone and that is why we supported him in haste," he said, adding that secular forces should unite in Jammu and Kashmir.

AICC in-charge for J and K Rajani Patil said if one returns back home by the evening, one is not lost. She said they have understood that the Congress has given them identity and they decided to return.

Peerzada said he has remained a Congress leader for 50 years and "it was a mistake to leave the party and we got carried away with emotion. We apologise to the people of Kashmir and the party".

He said there is need to strengthen and unite all secular forces in J and K where terrorism has increased instead of decreasing in the last eight years.

The other leaders who returned to the Congress were Mohd. Mujaffar Paray, Mohinder Bhardwaj, Bhushan Dogra, Vinod Sharma, Narinder Sharma, Naresh Sharma, Ambrish Magotra, Subash Bhagat, Santosh Manhas, Badri Nath Sharma, Varun Magotra; Anuradha Sharma, Vijay Targotra, Chander Prabha Sharma.

Not a setback...

Chief Peerzada Mohammad Sayeed, rejoined the Congress in New Delhi.

"It is not a setback because all three of them have no constituency. I wish them well, I will not say anything against them as they have been my old colleagues," Azad told reporters here.

He was referring to Chand, Sayeed and Thakur Balwan Singh.

Azad said when the delimitation took place, these leaders were left without their constituencies as some assembly constituencies were reserved by the commission.

"I had given them positions (in the party) as they were my old colleagues and they could not have contested elections. But, they could not digest that. It is okay. Perhaps where they went, they do not know that these three only had party positions, but have no constituencies," he said.

Asked how he sees that the killings in Rajouri by terrorists were being given a "communal angle", Azad said the killings of non-Muslims in J&K has also caused suffering to the Muslims.

"The terrorists have always tried this. It is not something new and has been happening for the last 25 years whenever massacres of Sikhs or Kashmiri Pandits took place. This has been Pakistan's policy, it is regrettable and it causes a lot of sufferings to the Muslims of Kashmir."

"Perhaps the killers have no idea that Kashmiri Muslims have to bear the maximum brunt of the killing of any non-Muslim here. Lakhhs of our boys and girls from Kashmir are studying across India. The killings have an impact on them in one way or the other," Azad said.

Meanwhile, in a major development, a prominent Congress leader Dr Asif Khanday along with hundreds of workers joined Democratic Azad Party.

On the occasion, Azad said that joining of Khanday will infuse the new blood in the party and would galvanise its cadre.

"Together we shall take this march of development forward," said Azad, adding that if his party is elected to power after elections, the remaining developmental projects of Ramban district will be completed in triple shifts.

non-permissible fertiliser was also seized. "The enforcement wing is to ensure quality fertilisers, pesticides are made available to farming community through proper sale outlets at right time," he said.

Leh Police arrests cyber fraudster

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LEH: Cyber Crime unit of District Police Leh on Friday solved a cyber financial fraud case and recovered entire amount lost by victim. On March 3, 2021, Police Station Leh received complaint from one Venkata Nageraju Vallaha, an army personnel posted at Leh, stating that an unauthorized transaction has taken place from his account linked with Phone pe app and Rs 45,000 has been withdrawn fraudulently. FIR No. 26/2021, under section 420, 66D IT Act was registered at Police Station Leh and investigation started.

During the course of investigation, it has come to fore that victim had actually made google search to get a Phone Pe customer care number when he was facing some technical problems. From there, he got a customer care number which later turned out to be a fake number, belonging to fraudsters and while making call on fake customer care number, he shared his Phone Pe pin and OTPs, step by step, as asked by fraudsters after which the money was withdrawn. Later the case was transferred to Cyber Crime Unit which after strenuous efforts succeeded in locating accused person namely Shanker Daan, son of Gandeel Daan, resident of Danbad, Jamtara, Jharkhand. Later a police team was dispatched to Jharkhand to arrest accused person. He was arrested and brought to Leh. During investigation, police froze account of the fraudster and amount will be released to victim after completing formalities.

Police said that the arrested fraudster is a habitual cyber fraudster, indulged in cyber crime since 2019 and two FIRs already stand lodged against him at Police Station Jamtara and Dhanbad in Jharkhand.

Burglary case solved within 24 hours; accused arrested

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

BUDGAM: Police on Friday solved a burglary case by arresting an accused person within 24 hours. Stolen property was also recovered from his possession. Police Station Chadoora received a complaint from Khurshid Ahmad Dar son of Ghulam Nabi Dar resident of Wadipora stating there in that during the intervening night, some unknown burglars have stolen a generator from his house. Accordingly, FIR No. 04/2023 under relevant sections of law was registered at Police Station

"When I was the Chief Minister of erstwhile Jammu and Kashmir state, I ensured Ramban district, particularly Banihal, get all the required developmental projects. We speeded up the works of execution after sanctioning hospitals, schools, roads, colleges and other infrastructural projects. I assure you once we are back in power after elections this district will become the centre of economic activities," he said.

Azad said his party is aiming to promote the youth on Jammu Kashmir's political landscape and with the joining of influential and educated youth, DAP is becoming the major political force of UT.

He said DAP is the party of youth and encourages fresh blood into its fold since youth is the future of the country.

Azad, however, was happy to see the response of the people in Banihal who urged him to hold the mega political rally in the district. He assured them that soon he will come to Ramban district to hold the political rally.

Among others present on the occasion were Vice Chairman G. M. Saroori, Treasurer Taj Mohiuddin, Chief Spokesperson Salman Nizami, Secretary Arun Raju, Mohd Amin Bhatt, Bilal Peer, Ab Gani Khan, Sujada Bashir, Mushtaq Khanday, Amir Rasool, Khalid Tufail, Shafiq Shabnam, Firdous Nabi, Farooq Wani, Mohd Iqbal Naik, Gh Nabi Sohail, Gh Nabi Naik, Ab Gani Wani, Asghar Rasool, Shariq Mir, Azhar Ahmed.

Minimum temp improves...

on Friday. It, however, forecast a possibility of light snow over scattered places towards the night with a 70 per cent chance of snowfall at many places over the next few days from Saturday.

Kashmir is currently under the grip of Chilla-i-Kalan, the 40-day harshest weather period when the chances of snowfall are maximum and most frequent.

'Chilla-i-Kalan' begins on December 21 and ends on January 30.

The cold wave continues even after that with a 20-day-long 'Chilla-i-Khurd' (small cold) and a 10-day-long 'Chilla-i-Bachha' (baby cold) following it.

We will soon...

than a dozen villages of the Rajouri district that fall in the jurisdiction of Rajouri, Kandi, Budhal and Kalakote police stations, SSP Rajouri said, adding that the security apparatus in the district has been put on high alert.

Police have questioned 14 persons in connection with terror attacks, he said.

Senior Superintendent of Police Rajouri, Mohd Aslam said the police are carrying out a massive exercise to strengthen village defence committees (VDCs) in the district for which camps are going on in different villages.

SSP Rajouri further informed that a number of additional troops are also being deployed in sensitive areas and notorious infiltration routes.

Tehsildar suspended for...