

# Income Tax & Central GST Departments' 'Mulaqaat' outreach programme held at Shopian, Kulgam



Assistant Commissioner of Income Tax, Abhishri chairing a meeting at Shopian.

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SHOPIAN/KULGAM: Income Tax Department in collaboration with the District Administration, Shopian and Kulgam on Wednesday organised an outreach programme, titled 'Mulaqaat' with the stakeholders, Contractors, Shopkeepers and Youth of both the districts with regard to Income Tax and Central GST.

In Shopian, the outreach programme, 'Mulaqaat', was conducted at the Mini Secretariat of the district and in Kulgam the same was conducted at the Rest House Chawalgam with representatives from the trade community, the local youth, fruit growers, small shopkeepers and business men in large numbers.

Feedback from the people was taken by the officers regarding taxation issues and their aspirations from the Union Budget.

Basharat and Muhammad Abas, young traders from Shopian, and Mohd Iqbal Dhoobi, a local trader from Kulgam, raised concerns about the complicated nature of the Income Tax and GST laws.

They requested that awareness and educational camps be held in their district extensively to educate the public about the same.

Regarding the Union Budget, the local youth of Shopian and Kulgam requested that beyond horticulture (on which majority of the population depends) further opportunities of Employment be generated, they further requested for increased road connectivity between the villages of District Shopian and Kulgam, tapping of Tourism potential here, River channelling & Flood proofing of river Rambira in Shopian and

construction of mini hydro projects over the same.

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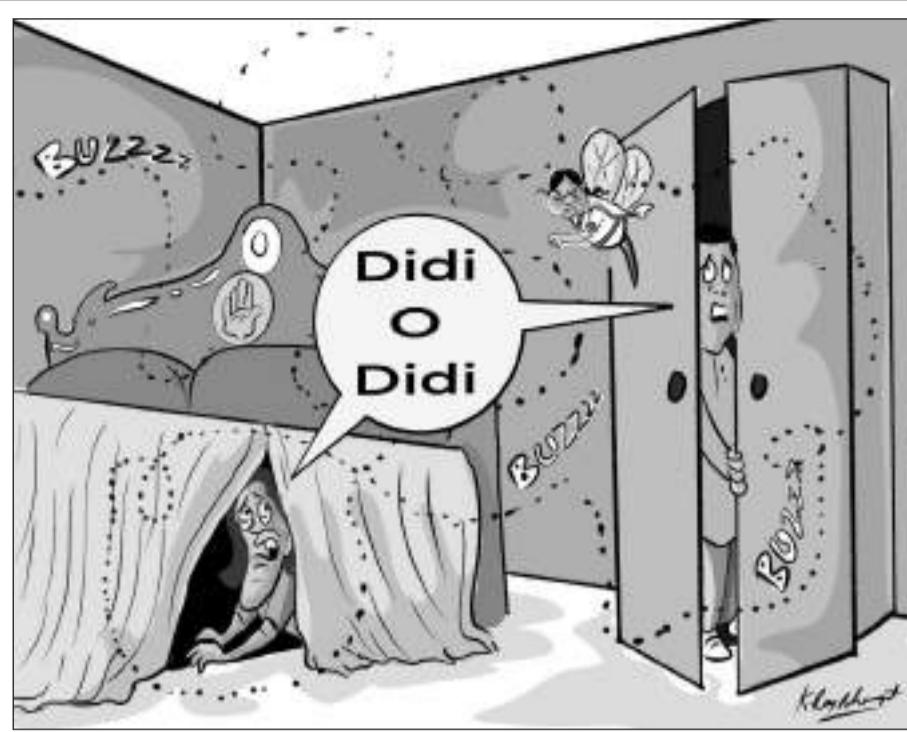
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The Income Tax Department in Srinagar is headed by the Principal Commissioner of Income Tax, M.P Singh. His officers, the Joint Commissioner of Income Tax, Rajiv Gubotra & Assistant Commissioner of Income Tax, Abhishri conducted the functions at Kulgam and Shopian districts, respectively, along with the officers of the Central GST Department.

The taxpayers of both the districts were also educated about the Taxpayers' Charter of the Income Tax Department which is attached with this document.

Overall, it was a constructive and fruitful interactive session where the voices, thoughts and ideas of the locals from Shopian & Kulgam District were heard and recorded.



## BSF Jammu IG calls troops to scale newer heights on 57th Raising Day

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JAMMU: As the Border Security Force (BSF) celebrated 57th Raising Day in Jammu on Wednesday, its Inspector General of Jammu frontier D K Boora motivated the troops to continue achieving newer heights and thwart enemy attempts to disturb peace and tranquillity.

Boora paid rich tributes to the brave martyrs of the BSF who laid down their lives for the nation. Officers and jawans of BSF's Jammu frontier celebrated the Raising Day with fervour at the frontier in

Paloura and all its battalions deployed at the International Border of Jammu and the Line of Control in Rajouri and Poonch areas, BSF public relations officer DIG SPS Sabdu said. On the occasion, Boora welcomed and interacted with the BSF veterans who were present in large numbers. Following a rousing welcome, they danced to the patriotic tunes of the band.

Several personnel from the Jammu frontier have been awarded with various medals in the year - Police Medal for Gallantry (PMG) - one; Police

Antrik Suraksha Seva Padak - 2026; Utkrisht Seva Padak - 323; Ati Utkrisht Seva Padak 163; Director's General Commendation Role (DG'sCR) 453; Additional Director's General Commendation Role (ADG'sCR) 38; DGP's Jammu and Kashmir Commendation Medal and Certificate six; and DGP's Jammu and Kashmir appreciation seven.

A cultural programme was also presented by the BSF personnel and students of Jammu BSF School.

## NIA Court frames charges against two ISI agents in fake currency case

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JAMMU: Special Judge NIA Sunit Gupta framed charges under section 17 of UA(P) Act and 489-B/489-C of RPC Ashok Kumar and Bilal Ahmed, an alleged ISI agent.

As per brief facts, on Nov 6, 2014 PSI Rahul Mahajan Incharge Police Post Parade along with his subordinates was on patrolling duty near Parade ground and adjoining places. At about 15.00 Hrs, when the party reached near Brahmin Shab Parade, three persons after observing the police party tried to ran away from the spot who were apprehended by police party. On interrogation, they disclosed their identity as Bilal Ahmed, son of Abdul Rehman, resident of Drungbal Baramulla, Ghulam Mohi-udin, son of Mohd Yousaf Akhnoor, resident of Hari Pora Baramulla and Ashok Kumar, son of Raseela Ram, resident of Barneem tehsil Ramnagar District Udhampur. Bilal Ahmed was holding a white-coloured plastic bag in his hand containing Rs 50,000 Indian Currency notes comprising 100 notes of Rs 500 denomination. Ghulam Mohi-udin was holding a plastic bag containing Rs 17,000 comprising of 8 notes of Rs 1,000 denomination and 18 notes of Rs 500 denomination

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Special Judge NIA Sunit Gupta after hearing APP Anil Magotra for Police observed that though from perusal of the file, it revealed that the IO in the present case has not complied with the aforesaid rules in strict terms yet the connection of the accused with the terrorists and enemy country have been prima facie established from Articles which were seized from their possession including a bag which depicts name of ISI organization.

Therefore, despite non-compliance of Rules by concerned police in present case, the accused persons cannot be allowed to be scot-free from offence under section 17 of UA(P) Act which is found to be prima facie made out against them, the Court directed.

Singh, however, said that security forces protecting the borders and police in the hinterland are active to thwart any infiltration attempt.

## Pak trying to push more terrorists across LoC during winter season: DGP

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SRINAGAR: Pakistan is trying to push more terrorists across the Line of Control (LoC) during the winter season and is hell bent to disturb peace in Jammu and Kashmir, Director General of Police (DGP) Dilbag Singh said on Wednesday.

The DGP visited the south Kashmir districts of Anantnag and Pulwama where he chaired an officers' meeting to take stock of the security scenario.

Pakistan agents and their handlers are hell bent to disturb the peace here. Pakistan and their agents are trying to push more terrorists during the winter season through Rajouri, Poonch and Bandipora, Kupwara borders, he said.

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### LG orders immediate relief for Tulail fire victims

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JAMMU: Expressing deep anguish over the Fire Incident at Village Kilshay of Tulail in Sub Division, Gurez, which razed several houses, Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha had directed the District Administration Bandipora to conduct an on-the-spot assessment and provide immediate relief to the affected families.

Acting on the directions, the district authorities have immediately supplied Blankets, Sustenance Kits (Cooking Oil, Pulses, etc.), Household Utensils and immediate cash assistance of Rs 1.50 lakh (Rs 15,000 to each family), besides every possible support shall be extended to the families.

Temporary rehabilitation/shifting shall also be arranged wherever required.

Further, a relief of Rs 1.10 lakh to each affected family whose residential structure has been completely damaged shall be released tomorrow under SDRF norms. The Lt Governor has directed the district administration to ensure each family is properly looked after and further support for building new houses should be extended to the affected families.

Senior Sub Divisional Administration officers are also stationed on the spot for the assistance of the affected families.

## Div Com visits Mantalai, Sudhmahadev; listens to public grievances, reviews progress on Yoga Centre



Div Com Jammu Dr Raghav Langer conducting tour of Chenani Sub division.

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UDHAMPUR: Divisional Commissioner Jammu Dr Raghav Langer on Wednesday conducted an extensive tour of Chenani Sub division of the district Udhampur under public outreach programme and interacted with PRI members and listened to issues of locals.

En-route, the Divisional Commissioner inspected the progress of work on Chenani-Sudhmahadev Road being constructed by National Highways Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd (NHIDCL).

The Divisional Commissioner directed the Executive agencies to expedite the pace of work on the prestigious road project and ensure its completion within the stipulated time frame.

Responding to issues of dispute raised by NHIDCL, the

upon the officers present to be proactive and responsive towards the public grievances and asked them to assert themselves in resolving the issues of public importance. He assured the people that all their genuine demands would be processed for early redressal. The Div Com issued on the spot directions to the concerned departments for looking into all the issues raised by the public for an early redressal.

Meanwhile, the Div Com reviewed the progress on the International Yoga centre being constructed by National Project Construction Corporation (NPCC) under the Swadeshi Darshan scheme of the GoI at a cost of Rs 90 crores.

The Divisional Commissioner strictly directed the executing agencies to expedite the pace of work for timely completion of this prestigious project. The Divisional Commissioner also visited Sudhmahadev and paid obeisance at the local Temple Shrine of Sudhmahadev. He also interacted with PRI members and locals there and listened to their grievances.

The Div Com assured the PRIs that all their genuine issues would be redressed at the earliest.

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