

Team Jammu Chief releases devotional album ‘Pujaariya Langg Lein De’

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JAMMU: Chairman Team Jammu Zorawar Singh Jamwal, here on Thursday, released devotional album 'Pujaariya Langg Lein De'.

Produced and presented by RJ Production, the album has been sung by noted singer Sandhya Sharma, music composition by Naresh NB and lyricist has been written by Balbir Veera, has been videographed in Jammu and Himachal Pradesh state.

Speaking on the occasion, Chairman, Team Jammu, Zorawar Singh Jamwal, congratulated the entire team of video album "Pujaariya Langg Lein De" and hoped that this will make waves in music industry besides is liked by netizens and people across the country.

Team Jammu chief asserted that Jammu and Kashmir government must open its door to the world of music industry besides film industry



Chairman, Team Jammu, Zorawar Singh Jamwal and others releasing album.

and ensure its presence felt here in a big way.

He said that there is dire need to provide a platform to budding singers to further harness their talent.

He said that the devotional album made by these young budding artists especially noted singer Sandhya Sharma is the greatest example of their intellectual, creative and latent ability that needs to be harnessed for their optimal self-actualization.

"Renowned singer Sandhya Sharma had earlier contributed four musical albums. But being a housewife and taking care of her wards in academics and sports, she could not continue in singing for past 5 years. But the latest musical, album made by her after a gap of five years has created a classic example of her commitment and passion towards music. Through her hard work, She has become an inspiration for many bud-

ding artists with a message that where there is a will, there is a way," highlighted Zorawar Singh Jamwal and congratulated her family members especially children for extended full cooperation in making her dream come true.

Zorawar also said that the youth who are engaged in such activities should be encouraged both by the Government and social organizations.

The participation of youth in such devotional and spiritual activities will not only keep away the youth from indulging in social crimes but will also keep them in good health and sound mind, he added.

Among others present on the occasion included social activists Sangeeta Kumari, Urja Singh, Adarshpal Gupta, Varsha Jamwal, Suresh Kumar, noted writer P L Parihar, Trustees of General Zorawar Singh Memorial Trust, Diksha Kaluria and Riya Kaluria, Suresh Sharma and Rajeev Vohra.

Bamboo Clusters in Jammu to boost Start-Ups: Dr Jitendra

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NEW DELHI: Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh on Thursday disclosed that the Jammu region will soon have three Bamboo Clusters which will boost the Start-Ups.

Across the country, the Minister said, Bamboo Start-ups are going to play a crucial role in India's future economy by opening up new opportunities of livelihood. He was addressing the National Workshop on "Bamboo Development Mission" organised by NITI Aayog at Vigyan Bhawan here. Vice Chairman NITI Aayog, Rajiv Kumar and CEO NITI Aayog, Amitabh Kant also spoke on the occasion. It is an irony, said Dr Jitendra, that bamboo has been in our midst for centuries together but we never realised its importance, as a result of which, all the bamboo from India was being taken away by other countries who would in turn develop bamboo products including Agarbatti and sell back to us. Contrary to popular belief, bamboo is not found only in Northeast but also in other parts of the country including Jammu, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra etc, he added. Dr Jitendra said that Bamboo could be a key pillar of Agri-Start-ups due to its versatile properties and multiple beneficiary uses in the form of Agarbatti, pillar, fencing, housing, household products, raw materials of crafts, pulp, paper, boards, fabrics industry, fuel, fodder, charcoal, healthy

foods, pickle, garments, socks, jewelry, tooth brush, medicine etc.

The precious natural commodity of Bamboo can be used for making bio-ethanol, which would reduce dependence on imported fossil fuel, thereby helping in achieving the goal of Atmanirbhar Bharat in the petroleum sector as well, said the Minister.

Dr Jitendra said, Bamboo clusters will no longer be confined to North-Eastern States and efforts are on to develop the same in Northern, Central and Western parts of the country as well. The Minister informed that a decision has already been taken to develop three Bamboo Clusters in Jammu, Katra and Samba areas for making Bamboo basketry, Agarbatti and Bamboo Charcoal which will provide direct employment opportunities to about 25,000 people. He disclosed that there are huge reserves of bamboo spread across Jammu & Kashmir which have remained unexplored and largely unutilised.

He also pointed out that by increasing the import duty on bamboo sticks/ Agarbatti from 10% to 25%, the domestic Agarbatti manufacturing got a huge boost as nearly 5 to 6 thousand crores of Agarbatti was imported every year from countries like Korea, Vietnam and China. But, there has been no import of raw batti since September 2019 and local bamboo produce is being used for this, he added.

Fraudsters charge-sheeted for duping youth on pretext of providing Govt job

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JAMMU: Crime Branch of J&K Police has presented a charge-sheet against 4 fraudsters for cheating gullible youth on pretext of arranging Govt job for them in lieu of money.

As per an official spokesperson of the investigating agency, the sleuth of Crime Branch Jammu presented charge-sheet against Arshad Hussain Bhat, son of Gh Mohd Bhat, resident of Duroo, Sopore, Baramulla presently working in J&K Fire & Emergency Services; Saroop Lal, son of Manga Ram, resident of Ward-4 Rajiv Colony, Bari-Brahmana; Mustaq Ahmed Dar, son of Gh Mohd Dar, resident of Pura Path Handwara Kashmir; a Daily-Wager in PHE Handwara and Pawan Kumar, son of Surinder Kumar, resident of 730/3, Last Matador Stand, Bhagwati Nagar, Jammu in FIR No. 45/2015 under sections 420, 465, 467, 468, 471, 120-B of RPC read with 5/2 of PC Act,

registered at Police Station Crime Branch Jammu for their involvement in cheating complainant on pretext of providing Govt jobs. The official further said that a written complaint was lodged by one Naveen Raina, son of S K Raina, resident of 1371 Bharat Nagar, Talab Tillo, Jammu, alleging that in 2013 accused Pawan Kumar @ Rahul, who was known to him, told him that he could get him employed in the Government Department for Rs 3 lakh with a guaranteed salary of Rs 13,000 per month. On payment of advance money, accused took the complainant to PHE Office, B C Road, Jammu, where he called Saroop Lal and asked complainant to submit his joining. Even after payment of Rs 3 lakh to accused, the complainant received less salary from accused due to which he demanded his money back, he added. "Subsequently, a cheque of Rs 50,000 was provided to

him by accused Saroop Lal but rest of the amount was not returned and after waiting for quite some time it was found that appointment order provided by accused was fake and forged and complainant has been cheated. On receipt of the complaint, Crime Branch Jammu initiated preliminary verification and during course of enquiry the allegations leveled were prima-facie substantiated, leading to registration of instant criminal case against suspects. During course of investigation, documentary/oral evidence was gathered together with all relevant material. Statement of witnesses was also recorded both under sections 164-A of CrPC and 161 of CrPC besides collection of other circumstantial evidence. Subsequently, charge-sheet was produced before the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate Court, Jammu for judicial determination," he added.

ACB presents charge-sheet against JKP Follower on corruption charges

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JAMMU: The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) Jammu has produced charge-sheet against one Abdul Gafoor, son of Abdul Latief, resident of Nakka Manjari Mendhar Poonch, then posted as Follower No F-22/4th Security Bn, PID No APR-055730 (now posted in IRP-18th Bn Gulshan Ground Jammu) in a corruption case.

As per an official spokesperson, the sleuths of ACB presented charge-sheet in FIR No. 38/2018 under sections 5(1)(d), 4-A read with Section 5(2) of J&K Prevention of Corruption Act Svt 2006 (as amended in 2014) against Abdul Gafoor, then posted as Follower No F-22/4th Security

Bn., PID No APR-055730 in the court of Special Judge Anti-Corruption Rajouri. Giving further details, the official said that instant case was registered on basis of enquiry report forwarded by the Addl Director General of Police Security Hqrs J&K against complaint lodged by one, Abdul Majid, son of Alaf Din, resident of Dharana, Tehsil Mendhar, District Poonch regarding demand and acceptance of bribe. "After registration of formal case against accused, the investigation was conducted and statements of witnesses were recorded under section 161 of CrPC, during which it came to fore that accused Abdul Gafoor, being an employee of Police Department and taking advantage of his good relation with

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Promotion of national interest, separate Jammu State our goals: Ankur

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JAMMU: Ikkjutt Jammu President Ankur Sharma has informed that Election Commission of India on Wednesday registered Ikkjutt Jammu as a political party. "Recognition of IkkJutt Jammu as a political party has come at a critical point in history of Jammu. We now have a political instrument to lift seven decades old siege on nationalists living in Jammu and Kashmir. We now have an option to reject political culture that has enslaved us and made us subject people of a hegemonic communal order," Ankur added.

Reflecting on aims and objectives of the Ikkjutt Jammu, its chairman Ankur Sharma said that its fundamental watchwords and battle-cries are promotion of national cause, fight against demographic invasion and establishment of separate Jammu State.

Ankur Sharma urged Modi led Government to give up the idea of holding elections in UT of J&K after the completion of the ongoing delimi-



Ikkjutt Jammu President Ankur Sharma briefing media.

tation exercise based on fudged 2011 census figures. He warned that such an exercise will only hurt nation in J&K, reestablish the misuse of radical and subversive Abdullahs, Muftis, Bukharis and others of their ilk in Kashmir and negate all positive effects of abrogation of 370/35-A. "Elections must be held only after Jammu province is separated from Jihad-gripped and Jihadi-controlled Kashmir," he added.

Ankur Sharma also appealed to people of Jammu province to join Ikkjutt Jammu in large number so that national cause is pro-

moted, Zameen Jihad defeated and they attain a status they deserve in the Indian polity.

Prominent among others present on the occasion included Sanjeev Singh Chib (Vice President), Om Prakash Sharma (Vice President), Ashwani Sharma (General Secretary Organisation), K K Sharma (General Secretary Operation), Vir Vikram Aditya (Secretary), Rajinder Sharma (Secretary), Aytar Soni (Secretary), Tilak Raina (Joint Secretary), Harish Kapoor (Treasure) and Ajay Singh Saini (President Yuva IkkJutt).

Distant & Backward area people hope Delimitation Commission-2020 can cut shackles of wrong 'traditions & inclinations'

Of course tools are available in Delimitation Law through Act 34 of 2019

Task before present J&K Delimitation Commission is very challenging since wrongs of 7 decades have to be undone

■ DAYA SAGAR

The delimitation commission constituted for UT of J&K that has to distribute / delimit the 90 seats of the Legislative Assembly of UT J&K has been so far held in high esteem by common man of J&K hoping that at least this commission will apply the needed corrections to the repeated wrongs over 7 decades and break the shackles of old 'traditions & inclinations' which have to be broken someday in view of the guidelines laid constitutionally for delimitation of the single member segments of a Legislative Assembly rights since 1950s..

Delimitation Commission is said to have shared with its Associate Members (5 Lok Sabha MPs from UT of J&K) on 20th December 2021 some draft proposals requesting them to convey their observations/ suggestions by 31 dec 2021.As per the message that has gone through the reportings Delimitation Commission is being understood having in the broader/ macro manner decided to retain existing number of 46 out of the earlier 83 seats (The Third Schedule [See Section 14(5)] Act 34 of 2019 }for areas in Kashmir valley and would be adding one more out of 7 new created segments making total 47 for further distribution over different districts in Kashmir Valley keeping inview the 4 different categories of districts as the commission has made. Accordingly adding 6 new constituencies out of 7 new constituencies created through to the remaining 37 number of constituencies distributed over the areas in UT of J&K that are outside Kashmir valley making total in the basket of these areas a 43 constituencies. And in case the actual drafts really go like the way media reports are being taken by some people then this new delimitation exercise too may not add another wrong to the bank of 9 wrongs already meted to the people of distant and backward areas of UT of J&K most of which are outside Kashmir valley (commonly addressed as Jammu Region) where there have been constitutional (Section-50 of J&K Constitution) 14 elected MLCs as against only 12 MLCs for Kashmir valley in the Legislative Council of J&K as well as most (4 out of 5) of the guid-

ing parameters under Act34 of 2019 --- Sections - 59 & Sub- Section-2 of Section-60 of J&K Reorganisation Act, 2019 (34 of 2019) / provisions of the Delimitation Act, 2002 (33 of 2002)/ Earlier J&K Representation of People Act 1957 (Section- 4, Sub Section -2, Clause (a)-i population, ii geographical compactness i.e area iii: Nature of terrain iv Facilities of Communication v. and the like considerations) for deciding the Legislative Assembly segments too go in favour of the areas out side Kashmir valley(a few area may be there in northern part of Kashmir valley also).

Under a fair trial the constituencies outside Kashmir valley have to be more than Valley and that could be possible when in addition to 6 constituencies out of 7 new constituencies nearly equal more number out of the earlier 83 constituencies(The Third Schedule [See Section 14(5)] Act 34 of 2019 } is shifted at macro level for adding to areas outside Kashmir valley for further distribution at micro level in districts outside Kashmir valley.Hope actual Delimitation proposals would not be like the ones as reported by some media. The Associate have Members have to perform the real role for providing the needed details and expressions since Commission has to perform a task which no any Delimitation Commission in India may have performed so far.

Ofcourse since DC is said to have sought suggestions from the Associate Members on the 'draft' proposals by 31st December 2021 more is the responsibility of the Associate Members in DC , particularly the two from outside Kashmir Valley to provide/ explain before the Delimitation commission Chairperson and two official members real data/facts so that there are not missing links. Rather Dr. Farooq Abdullah as elder too has responsibility.

Categorisation of districts being done by Commission has its merits worth leading to a revealing exercise.

These days some conventional politicians who had been always laying their priorities for

remaining near power centres of the 'times' are desperately looking for changing the 'laps' and may be seen projecting even their total 'ideologically' transformation and may attract the attention of the sincere leaderships on the other side. Some are seen making regional slogans like ready to sacrifice everything for "Jammu". Such leaders be asked to first deliver and then 'trumpet' instead of laying more regional ravines.

So far the people of J&K belonging to distant and backward areas have been facing neglect/ discrimination even in their representation in the Legislative Assembly and most of such areas lie outside Kashmir Valley . But still while talking of fair Delimitation of Legislative Assembly segments no one should be allowed to make it a simple regional issue. Instead leaders who are expressing their extreme 'love and lust' for 'Jammu' must prove their worth by first working to get more MLA segments distributed over the areas outside Kashmir Valley than that for Kashmir valley by providing all possible valid and truthful inputs to the present Delimitation Commission.

Some leaders have been found making high tones projecting that the Delimitation Commission in draft proposals has done a great job by giving 9 reserved seats to ST and 7 seats to SC where as these seats have not been given by Delimitation Commission and instead have been 'given' by the Home Minister of India who had included the provision for reservation of seats for ST' in addition to SC while presenting The Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Bill, 2019 in the parliament in August 2019 and getting The Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019 NO. 34 OF 2019 of 09-08-2019 enacted. Commission has to only determine the number of seats in terms of the % population of ST/ SC displayed in Census 2011 data and locate them accordingly.

Not only that no prominent leader from Kashmir valley has literally opposed ST/ SC reservations but some leaders are trying to also

make it a 'valley' centric controversy and that should be discouraged. All those who appear making even a bit of communal controversies in relation to the delimitation process in hand too have to pushed to the wall / ignored.

Demands are also being made on the Delimitation Commission by some population of J&K like POJK DPs 1947 for allocation of some seats in their favour out of the 24 frozen seats marked for POJK areas. POJK DPs feel that over last 7 decades they have not been fairly treated due to lack of voice in legislature and may be they are true to some extent since some of the 1947POJK DPs families were not given even a meagre sum of ex gratia worth Rs.3500 in 1960s by government of India.But this Delimitation Commission is not the designated forum for registering suchlike demands and such demand can be registered with GOI for amendment in the Act.

Even some demands have been made for reservation of seats in legislature on community basis and some news stories were flashed in media on 21 December last that the Delimitation Commission may be considering even such like and the Delimitation Commission has not so far rejected such reporting in the media which the Delimitation Commission must do on priority since first it does not fall within the mandate of commission to consider such demands and second such like demand may create more of controversies.

Since in case of UT of J&K exemplary reforms / corrections are required so it is hoped that delimitation commission is also given full support by leaders from all parts in an unbiased manner for carrying the proceedings / orders, that are expected to be very 'surgical' going 'first time' in terms of laid parameters lain in law for delimitation, in a very peaceful manner to the common masses for their being fair to those who had been the victim of earlier wrong distributions.

One day the real facts have to be taken to public / made known to the people of J&K and Kashmir valley in particular, why not it be done now through the ongoing delimitation exercise? *(Daya Sagar, Sr Journalist and Analyst of J&K affairs dayasagr45@yahoo.com)



A Look through the Mist
PART-II

Contempt in PIL regarding facilities for cancer patients: DB directs contemnors to file affidavits

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JAMMU: In a contempt petition filed by A V Gupta in Public Interest Litigation regarding direction to State to provide basic health facilities for treatment of cancer in Jammu and Kashmir besides providing adequate number of Oncologists, Oncosurgeons, PET scan machines and all other experts in relevant field for treatment of various types of cancer in all regions, Division Bench comprising Chief Justice Pankaj Mithal and Justice Javed Iqbal wani after hearing Adv Ajay Sharma appearing for petitioner, observed that Amit Gupta, Additional Advocate General appearing for Commissioner/Secretary Health & Medical Education has submitted that very shortly, by mid of

2022 in Super Specialty Hospital Jammu, a PET Scan Machine would be installed after necessary infrastructure for the purposes will be in place.

Additional Advocate General appearing for Public Service Commission submitted that selection on a post of Oncologist has already been made but for remaining two, the process has to be restarted as no candidate from the reserved category was eligible. He further submitted that a fresh advertisement has been issued on December 27, 2021 and process of selection would be completed very short. On this, DB directed that an affidavit to the effect may be filed by both contemnors within a period of one month.

Request for Proposal for Selection of agencies for preparation of Geological Report		
Sr. No.	Description	Gem RFP No.
1	Geological Report of area upto 5 hectares for 100 Reports	GEM/2021/B/1794942
2	Geological Report of area greater than 5 hectares but less than 20 hectares for 20 Reports	GEM/2021/B/1795219
3	Geological Report of area greater than 20 hectares but less than 50 hectares for 20 Reports	GEM/2021/B/1797890
4	Geological Report of area greater than 50 hectares but less than 100 hectares for 15 Reports	GEM/2021/B/1798198
5	Geological Report of area greater than 100 hectares for 5 Reports	GEM/2021/B/1798619
Detail tender document can be downloaded from http://www.gmrds.gujarat.gov.in and https://gem.gov.in/ .		
		Sd/- CEO, GMRDS