

**NOTICE**  
This office has received an application from Santosh Magotra W/o Bansil Lal R/o 233 Patoli Mangotrian, Jammu regarding legal heir certificate and state that only the following persons are legal heirs of Lt Sh. Bansil Lal namely as under:  
1. Santosh Magotra - Wife,  
2. Subash Sharma - Son,  
Any person having objection in the mentioned names can file his/her objection personally or through any authorized person before Office of the Tehsildar Jammu within seven days from the publication of this notice failing which it shall be presumed that there is no objection regarding legal heir certificate.

**LOST**  
I Sat Paul Sharma S/O Late Sh. Jai Chand R/O Lower Gadigarh, Jammu have lost my purse containing some cash and Personal ID Card (Retired) issued by J&K Police on 29-11-2023 nearby Bus Stand Jammu. If found please call +91-9622090234.

**NOTICE**  
I, Subash Chander Bhasin S/o Late Sh. Kanshi Ram Bhasin R/o H. No. 22, Lane-3, Karan Nagar, Jammu want to change the electricity connection in my name Consumer ID No. 0101030000191 which is in the name of Late Kanshi Ram Bhasin S/o Late Sh. Kartar Chand. Objections if any may be conveyed to JPDCL Parade, Jammu within seven days.

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I, Subash Chander Bhasin S/o Late Sh. Kanshi Ram Bhasin R/o H. No. 22, Lane-3, Karan Nagar, Jammu want to change the electricity connection in my name Consumer ID No. 0101030000192 which is in the name of Vinod Kumar Bhasin S/o Late Kanshi Ram Bhasin. Objections if any may be conveyed to JPDCL Parade, Jammu within seven days.

**NOTICE**  
It is for information to General Public that in my initial appointment order my father's name has wrongly been written as "Takhar Singh" instead of "Thakar Dass" and the same was reflected on the first page of my character roll at the time of preparation. Now I want to rectify the same if anybody has any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of IRP-14th/IRP-12th Battalions with in a period of seven (07) days from the date of publication of this notice after that no objection shall be entertained.  
Karan Singh  
S/O Thakar Dass  
No. 434/IRP-14th Bn. ARP076317

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**STATE TIMES**

## BJP will sweep upcoming Parliament, Assembly elections, will form next government in J&K: Ravinder NC, Congress, PDP ditched common masses in J&K: Jugal Kishore Sharma

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
NOWSHERA: J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina and MP Lok Sabha Jugal Kishore Sharma laid foundation stone for several important projects which includes Shree Guru Nanak Dev Ji Bridge at Rajpur-Qilla Dharal (Nowshera), Baba Banda Singh Bahadur Bridge, Dhallian (Nowshera) and other projects.



J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina addressing gathering at Nowshera.

Ravinder Raina while dedicating the landmark development projects to the local masses insisted that the Narendra Modi government has done unprecedented development works which have changed the lives of common masses at the ground level. He said that numerous road broadening, bridges, tunnels, raised roads, ring roads projects are being carried at swift speed in the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir.

Ravinder Raina said that the road connectivity to these

areas remained poor for 70 years, as NC, Congress didn't pay any heed to the public grievances. The people faced immense difficulties in the heavy rains/floods, now BJP has made all these routes accessible for human and other transportation. He said that the Modi government has given free ration to 80 crore poor people, Ayushman card for free treatment up to 5 lakhs as the Modi government is the people's government and it runs on the principle of

"Sabka, Saath, Sabka Vikas". Jugal Kishore Sharma attacked the NC, Congress, PDP governments for ditching the common masses in J&K. He said that these parties only misused people's votes to enjoy the power corridor. He said that these parties continuously retained power and built their own luxuries, while deliberately ignoring the basic necessities of the common people. He said that PM Modi is heading a dedicated government that has connect-

ed itself to the needs of the people. He said that the Modi government has throughout kept its focus on the development of the previous underdeveloped areas and at the same time worked for uplifting the underprivileged and neglected classes.

BDC Chairperson Av Khalid Firdous, DDC Dr. Manohar, BDC Chairperson BDC Chairperson, DDC Sangeeta, DP Neema, Sarpanch Kuldeep Singh, Sarpanch Satwant Kour, Jasveer Singh, Choudhary Sukhdev, Ajay Choudhary, Harjit Singh, Shubham Sharma, Narinder, Vicky Sharma, Ganesh, Mohinder, Swarn Singh, Sonam, President Municipal Committee Narendra Sharma, Ashok Choudhary, Bahadur Nath, Ravi, Mool Raj, Parshotam Lal, Bharat Kumar, Tiger Singh and others accompanied Ravinder Raina and Jugal Kishore Sharma on the occasion.

## MJR-47 demands 10-12 Assembly seats for POJK DPs of 1947

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: "The Govt of India is convening a Parliamentary session from December 4, 2023 for clearance of pendency and other important parliamentary business, the bill for constitution of Assembly for JKUT, including proposing two assembly seats for Kashmiri Migrants and one seat for DP's from POJK of 1947 & 1965-71 by nomination is also pending and is expected to be taken up in ensuing Session, has been stated in a press release issued by MJR 47 Convener J. S. Sudan.

"The POJK DPs are the first saviors of J&K state, fought the Pak Army / Tribal raiders to defend the State and faced genocide sacrificing more than 40,000 lives, dislocation, struggle, misery etc. & inspite of grave sufferings & sacrifices they are being ignored for last seven decades issued by & in 1947 before the Indian Army landed in Srinagar raiders had killed more than 4000 DP's in the valley only apart from those killed in POJK "the release added. 'POJK DPs are highly grateful to the government for watching their interest & demanded the bill be presented in coming session keeping into consideration the big chunk of around 16 lakh populace of POJK DPs. As

such the seats for DPs should be enhanced justifiably in proportion to the population displaced from POJK and now living in India. Non-consideration of such seats will be against the spirit of Representation of People Act and national interest and will aggravate the injustice existing for the last more than seven decades, the release issued by MJR 47 Convener J.S Sudan further added.

The press release further stated" that these DPs with a populace of around 16 lakhs ( 65% Hindus and 35% Sikhs) are living in Jammu province mostly on the IB and LOC all along Indo-Pak border from Poonch to Kathua districts and in other states. These DPs have been struggling to get justice and to get permanent Relief & Rehabilitation since last seventy five years;

lately a Dept. Related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs gave its recommendations vide its report No. 183 dt. 22nd Dec 2014 making clear recommendation to give 8-eight Assembly Seats to these DPs vide para 3.2.2 on page 24 under captioned "Defreezing of Seats in Legislative Assembly", unfortunately this report is eating dust since in both the houses of Parliament; not even a single recom-

mendation of the report has been implemented till date & it is unjust of the govt to compare the DPs family count of 1947 with present family count of Kashmiri migrants, who get their families registered updated in view of laid down provision of registration and they are being paid monthly cash doles. Whereas no registration of DPs families has ever been updated since last seventy years till date despite recommendations by the State govt and DRPSC and repeated demand of DPs to recount and update registration of number of family units. The number of family units of DPs of 1947 being in the 3rd and 4th generation has grown 12-15 times and the number of DPs families units today is around 4,50,000 - 5,00,000 ". This is mentioned in press release that the govt is not granting representation on the basis of present population/voters to DPs which comprises of Hindus and Sikhs. & a claim exists for 24 assembly seats. The Kashmiri Pandits have been allowed 2-assembly seats only on the analogy of dislocation though their constituency segments are very much in India, as such not giving 10-12 seats to POJK DPs will only go against justice and the spirit of our constitution".

## RTI activist Balvinder Singh calls on Chairman NCM



Balvinder Singh renowned RTI Activist meeting with Iqbal Singh Lalpura Chairman (NCM, GoI at Delhi office.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

DELHI: Balvinder Singh renowned RTI Activist and Vice President District Gurudwara Parbandhak Committee Jammu met Iqbal Singh Lalpura National Commission For Minorities (NCM) government of India, at Delhi office and updated the Chairman with the information received under RTI which reveals a concerning lethargy in the JKUT administration's approach in addressing the Sikh issues and solving the community's demand pending since long. Balvinder Singh once again

took up the issue of providing ex-gratia amount to the NOK's of those killed in 1989 riots in Jammu and showed resentment that this issue is pending before the JK UT administration for the last two and half year.

Iqbal Singh Lalpura acknowledging the importance of the issues assured Balvinder Singh that he would take up the issues and send fresh reminders to the JKUT administration, urging them to expedite the resolution of issues affecting Sikh community. It was emphasized that numerous representations had already

been submitted at the highest levels, underlining the community's concern and aspiration. Lalpura further stated that he has got list of schools from one group of J&K where they have given list of students interested for studying Punjabi in different areas and assured that he is trying to write to the concerned department for providing Punjabi teachers in those schools at the earliest.

The Chairman expressed his dedication to ensure that the concerns of the Sikh community are heard and addressed promptly. He underscored the importance of collaborative efforts between the National Commission for Minorities and regional authorities to create an environment that respects and fulfills the demands of minority communities.

Lalpura further stated that it is anticipated that the National Commission for Minorities will play a pivotal role in facilitating communication and expediting actions to address the challenges faced by the Sikh Community in Jammu & Kashmir.

## HC quashes Govt order on certain restrictions Marriage functions

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Justice Vinod Chatterji Koul, Jammu Kashmir & Ladakh high Court, quashed the Govt order whereby Govt had issued some restrictions on marriage functions.

This significant order had been passed in a petition challenging Government order No. 39-FCS&CA of 2017 dated 20th, February, 2017 which has been issued by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir through Secretary to Government, Department of Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, by virtue of which, there was complete ban on sending dry fruits/sweet packets etc. with invitation cards by any person to relatives, friends, guests, invitees etc., and use of amplifiers/loud speakers/fire crackers in any function; and number of guests to be invited on marriage of daughter (Barat), marriage of son and small functions like engagement of son/daughter and other small functions have been restricted to a maximum of 500, 400 and 100 respectively; as also number of non-veg/veg dishes to be cooked in such function had been restricted to a

maximum of 07 each and two stalls of sweets or fruits; as well as there was no wastage of any food items etc. By virtue of the said order, thus, the Government had restricted the number of guests as well as number of dishes to be served in marriage function. The said order is claimed by the Government to have been issued under the provisions of The Essential Commodities Act, 1955. Justice Vinod Chatterji Koul after hearing Adv Parimoksh Seth for the petitioner, observed that Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act indicates that if the Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient to do so for maintaining or increasing supply of any essential commodities or for securing their equitable distribution and availability at fair prices, it may, by order provide for regulating or prohibiting the production, supply and distribution thereof or trade or commerce therein. From the provision referred to above, it cannot be said by any stretch of imagination that the legislature intended by the said provision that the Government can issue such an order or regulate the personal affairs

of the life of an individual and infringe upon the freedom of a citizen to live with dignity. The main object for which Section 3 of the Act has been enacted is that the provision is made for making the essential commodities available to the citizens at a reasonable price and is distributed equitably. The order in question has not been passed for fixing the price of the essential commodities and making the same available to the citizens at reasonable price or making its distribution equal but the order fixed the number of guests, who can attend the function and the quantity of food stuffs which are to be served to the guests.

Justice Vinod Chatterji Koul further observed that the impugned order passed by the Government being beyond the scope of Section 3(1) of The Essential Commodities Act, 1955 is unenforceable which is also violative of fundamental rights of the citizens. Therefore, for the reasons stated above, this petition is allowed and the order impugned i.e., Government order No. 39-FCS&CA of 2017 dated 20th February, 2017 is quashed.

## Bust of Gen Zorawar Singh being installed at JU on Dec 12



Trustee, Riya Kaluria talking to reporters at JU.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The Bust of the greatest Dogra Military Commander, General Zorawar Singh is set to be installed at the General Zorawar Singh Auditorium complex in University of Jammu. The bust will be unveiled on December 12, Martyrdom Day of General Zorawar Singh.

The initiative is taken by the General Zorawar Singh Memorial Educational and Charitable Trust who held a press conference here at the installation site to inform the people. They also extended invitation to the people for attending the unveiling ceremony for which the Lieutenant Governor, J&K UT, Shri Manoj Sinha has consented to grace.

Speaking to the media persons, Riya Kaluria, Trustee of the Trust said the Bust outside the General Zorawar

Singh was long awaited. It is a moment of joy that after so many years the General Zorawar Singh Auditorium in Jammu University is going to get the Bust of the legendary Dogra icon after whom the Auditorium is named.

The Bust of General Zorawar Singh will not only be the real true and befitting identity to the largest Auditorium in Jammu but it will also serve as source of immense inspiration to the young generations, Riya said. She further informed that the initiative was made a success with the support from Jammu University, UT administration and prominent people and organisations from Jammu Kashmir.

Devinder Singh Kaluria, Chairman, General Zorawar Singh Trust, Diksha Kaluria, Trustee of the Trust were also present.

## Pradeep Slathia accorded farewell on retirement

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

VIJAYPUR: Power Development Department Vijaypur has organised an impressive function to bid farewell to Pradeep Singh Slathia, who retired on attaining the age of superannuation.

The function was presided over by Javed Akhtar, Executive Engineer of the Division and



attended by other senior officers

and officials who wish the retiring officer a very happy and healthy post-retirement life.

Speaking on the occasion, Executive Engineer lauded the meritorious 37 years of services of Pradeep Singh Slathia and appreciated his unblemished service records. He also wished him happy and healthy post retirement.

## Dr Rohit Gupta calls on newly posted MS Gandhi Nagar Hospital Dr Rakesh Magotra



Apni Party Provincial Secretary Dr Rohit Gupta calling on MS of Gandhi Nagar Hospital Jammu, Dr Rakesh Magotra.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Apni Party Provincial Secretary Dr Rohit Gupta on Saturday called on newly appointed Medical Superintendent of Govt Gandhi Nagar Hospital Jammu, Dr Rakesh Magotra.

As per a press release, Dr Rohit met the newly posted Medical Superintendent and congratulated him for his posting.

During his interaction, he discussed various issues concerning the hospital and suggested

certain measures to improve the health care services.

Among different issues which were highlighted by Dr Rohit Gupta include improvement in emergency services, round the clock availability of specialist doctors, availability of medicines, etc.

The medical superintendent Dr Rakesh Magotra assured that he would look into the concerns of the Apni Party Provincial Secretary and accordingly the issues would be resolved.

## HC quashes PSA of Bovine Smuggler

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Justice Rajnesh Oswal of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court quashed the detention of Bari Shah Bovine Smuggler.

While quashing the order No. DMR/INDEX-02 dated 11th April 1923 issued by the District Magistrate Rajouri, whereby the Bari Shah has been detained under Section 8 of the J&K Public Safety Act, 1978 (for short "the Act") as his activities have been found to be prejudicial to the maintenance of public order in the District Rajouri, Justice Rajnesh Oswal after hearing Adv Ashok Sharma for the petitioner, observed that the grounds of detention prepared by the respondent No. 2 depict that the order impugned has been issued taking into consideration that the petitioner had been a habitual bovine smuggler and his activities had the potential of disturbing the maintenance of peace and harmony in the District, Rajouri. Out of six FIRs registered against

the petitioner, five FIRs have been lodged in respect of transporting the bovine animals when there was prohibition for the same. Such activities in fact have the potential of disturbing the peace and tranquility of the region and because of this reason only the transportation of the bovine animals is prohibited by the competent authorities.

The record further divulges that no illegal activity has been attributed to the petitioner ever since 30th October, 2019 when the FIR bearing No. 86 of 2019 under Section 341/323/504/506 RPC was registered at Police Station, Kalakote, whereas, the order impugned has been passed on 11th April 2023. Thus, there is a gap of more than 3 years between the last illegal activity attributed to the petitioner and the order of detention, which was passed on 11th April 2023. This gap has snapped the live link between the alleged illegal activities and the purpose for which

the detention order has been issued by the respondent No. 2. The delay in passing the order of detention is fatal and in this respect, it would be apt to take note of the judgment of the Apex Court in case titled, 'Saeed Zakir Hussain Malik vs. State of Maharashtra'.

Court observed that the order of detention bearing Order No. DMR/INDEX-02 dated 11th April, 2023 issued by respondent No. 2 i.e. District Magistrate, Rajouri is not sustainable and the same is, accordingly, quashed.

In view of the voluntary offer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner under instructions from the petitioner that the petitioner is ready to file an undertaking that he would not henceforth indulge himself in any act of bovine smuggling, this Court deems it proper to direct the petitioner to furnish an undertaking with the District Magistrate, Rajouri that he will not indulge in any activity of bovine smuggling in future.