

J&K to create 4 innovation hubs under NEP: Kansal

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JAMMU: Principal Secretary Higher Education Department, Rohit Kansal on Friday reiterated that the J&K Government is committed to supporting the Indian Institute of Technology Jammu and other institutions to build a culture of innovation and growth. He also committed to supporting innovation hubs not just in IIT Jammu but in other universities in J&K also.

He also announced that the entire process would be enlarged and a J&K wide start up contest would be organized soon. The Higher Education department would support and facilitate a J&K wide version of the event which would be organized by the IIT and supported by the government. He made these remarks while speaking at a prize distribution ceremony of the first-ever I2EDC Pitch Desk Competition-2022 held at IIT Jammu here today. The first-ever competition witnessed an overwhelming response from innovators all over the Jammu and Kashmir during which three teams were conferred prizes for the first three places which include: Team BB & GG from SKAUST-K (Rs



Principal Secretary HED, Rohit Kansal presenting first prize to Team BB & GG from SKAUST-K.

one lakh) bagged first prize while as Team Azad Identity Solutions (Rs 50,000) from IIT Jammu and Team Manukrishi (Rs 25000) bagged second and third prize respectively. The organizer of this competition was I2EDC (Institute Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Centre) also known as the Idea Factory of IIT Jammu whose job is to help in incubating promising startups not just from IIT Jammu but also from the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. I2EDC hosted an early stage

idea pitch deck competition open to the community of all higher education institutes as well as research labs in JK UT and Ladakh in the month of January. The competition received over 70 registrations, and 35+ valid entries from the Union Territory. Kansal confirmed that the government stands committed in supporting IIT Jammu in all their innovation efforts and are going to take this forward to expand the scope of this exercise to enable it to reach a much larger audience set. "We will expand our support in size as well as scope whereby IIT

Leaked Audio Conversation of BJP J&K President

Cat is out of Bag, Delimitation Report scripted by BJP: JKPCC

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JAMMU: President JKPCC Ghulam Ahmed Mir has said that the leaked Audio Conversation between BJP President Ravinder Raina and Former Minister Shakti Parihar has vindicated the stand of the Congress party that the ruling Govt. scripted the delimitation report as claimed the Audio leak, which is against the autonomy of the Constitutional & Autonomous Independent Institutions of the Country and cast aspersions of its independent working.

Launching scathing attack on the ruling BJP following the leakage of audio conversation between BJP President and his party colleague regarding



President JKPCC Ghulam Ahmed Mir talking to reporters.

the delimitation report where in former is heard disclosing him that he is attaching a particular area with his Constituency for the benefit of the later, JKPCC Chief said

that this shows how the ruling party and this Govt. Interfered in the working of the autonomy of independent institutions in the Country repeatedly charged by the Congress and entire opposition parties in the Country.

Mir flanked by PCC Working President Raman Bhalla, Vice President Haji Ab. Rashid, General Secretaries Yogesh Sawhney, Th. Mamnoon

ignoring the ground realities and the convenience of the people as well as converting the political nature of the different constituencies against norms and convenience as is being reported.

Now the cat is out of the bag who are real culprit behind such illogical and politically motivated delimitation of Assembly Constituencies and bifurcation of areas. He said that this proves that the Govt. interfered in the autonomy of various constitutional independent and democratic institutions, violating all norms by the present Govt.

Mir said that PCC leadership is reaching out at various Districts and areas to know the gross violation of norms as well as highly objectionable and division of the different Assembly Constituencies with an eye for the political gain

According to Police report, on January 3, 2022, information was received at Police Station Vijaypur, through PCR Samba regarding death of one Sangram Singh, son of Kaval Singh, resident of Jakh Channi, Tehsil Vijaypur; District Samba (hereinafter referred as deceased) under suspicious circumstances. Acting swiftly, inquest proceedings under section 174 of CrPC were initiated, during the course of which, statement of wife of deceased namely Sudesh Kumari was recorded, who stated that her husband was an ex-serviceman and persons namely, Jagjeet Singh @ Jamba, Ashwani Kumar @ Mintu, Pawan @ Fiji, Rakesh Kumar @ Mini were known to him, as they are property dealers by profession and had some issues with the deceased over money. She further alleged that aforesaid persons had threatened her husband to return money, otherwise he would face dire consequences. Later, due to harassment and mental torture on part of aforesaid persons, her husband committed suicide after consuming some poisonous substance. He also wrote a 'suicide note', which she produced before the police. On basis of aforesaid statement of wife of deceased, FIR No. 01/2022 under sections 306/34 of IPC was registered at Police Station Vijaypur and investigation commenced, during which IO seized the inquest proceedings file, prepared seizure memo and recorded statements of witnesses under sections 161 of CrPC. Accused Jagjeet Singh @ Jamba surrendered before the court and on January 22, 2022, he was taken under police remand and is now on interim bail. On January 31, 2022, accused Pawan Kumar and Ashwani Kumar were also arrested, who are also on interim bail. However, accused Rakesh Kumar @ Mini is absconding from the day of commission of offence till date. From the statements of witnesses and disclosure statements made by accused, it came to fore that Rakesh used to threaten deceased to kill him in connection with payment, which was given to him through cheques as advance for a deal of property located at Kathua. Moreover, applicant was demanding Rs 60 lakh instead of Rs 40 lakh. Thereafter, accused also gave five false cheques worth Rs. 1.30 crore to deceased for betraying him in the deal. Applicant/accused visited in-laws house of deceased to pressurize and defame him. The investigation of the case is under progress and arrest of accused is crucial for further investigation of the case.

Principal Sessions Judge Samba Sonia Gupta after hearing Public Prosecutor Jawad Ahmed Khawaja appearing for police whereas Sr Adv MK Bhardwaj with Adv Ajay Vaid for the applicant observed that suffice is to observe that nature of gravity of accusations is severe and the accusations against the applicant are not prima facie without any basis. The role of the applicant in the alleged crime is under scanner by investigating agency, which requires the custodial interrogation. As such, this plea is not acceptable, observed Court and rejected bail plea.

JKRTC retirees' issues to get priority in all budgetary allocations: BoDs

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JAMMU: Advisor to Lieutenant Governor, Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar on Friday chaired the 84th meeting of Board of Directors (BoDs) of Jammu Kashmir Road Transport Corporation (JKRTC) at Civil Secretariat

here.

The BoDs meeting was attended by Vice Chairman of the Board and Additional Chief Secretary Finance, Atal Dulloo; Directors of the Board: Principal Secretary, PWD, Shailendra Kumar; Commissioner Secretary Transport, Hirdesh Kumar; MD JKRTC, Anreg Singh Rana and Chief Engineer, Mechanical Engineering Department, Kashmir; Rashid Ahmad Dar among other senior officers.

During the meeting, the

Board discussed various

issues pertaining to JKRTC

like augmentation of the

corporation, pending payments,

placement of drivers and

conductors as well as medical

reimbursement issues.

Detailed discussion was also

held on the challenges being

faced in revamping of the

JKRTC.

The Board also held deliberations on the Action Taken Report of the previous BoDs meeting besides e-initiatives being adopted by the



Advisor, R.R Bhatnagar chairing a meeting of BoDs of JKRTC.

Uttarakhand government for their transport services also came up during the discussion.

Budget estimates for the financial year 2022-23 were also presented before the board. It was acknowledged that the corporation needs to revise and update its rules, regulations and manuals for its better administration. The Board asked the management of corporation to utilize services of Finance Department and the Law Department in the process.

During the meeting, the issues of retirees were patiently discussed by the board and it was decided that they would be given priority in all budgetary allocations.

Speaking on the occasion, Advisor Bhatnagar, who is also the Chairman of Board, appreciated the initiatives like online ticket booking facility, online bus schedule, smart

staff management and launch of a mobile app being launched by the JKRTC. He also set a deadline for implementation of these technologies in the corporation at the earliest. The Chairman directed the management of the corporation to adopt new reporting formats and resolve pending audit issues. He called for the submission of annual report by the JKRTC.

Informing the board about enlarged fleet of buses operated by the corporation, the chairman stressed upon the management to make rigorous efforts for increasing profit per kilometer for its buses. He directed them that a fresh assessment of the costs be done and submitted before the board. He also asked them that monthly exercise be conducted in this regard and more profitable routes be identified for making the corporation more viable.

NORTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE

Mr.DEN-II/FZR acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites open tenders (E-Tenders) against below titled tenders and available on www.reps.gov.in with closing date 09.03.2022 up to 15:00 Hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tenders, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through only payment modes available on www.reps.gov.in portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker Cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc are not allowed. For more information log on to www.reps.gov.in

Tender Type	Tendering Section	Bidding System
Open	Works	Single Bid System

Date of Uploading Tenders	Bid Starting Date	Bid Closing Date/Time
15.02.2022	23.02.2022	09.03.2022 / 15:00 Hrs.

S.No.	Tender No.	Details of Tender
1.	132-2021-22-PTK-DRM-FZR	Misc. P/Way work for track maintenance in the section of SSE/P/Way/PTK & MEX under ADEN/PTK.

Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money	Validity of offer	Period of completion
2,25,20,938.69/-	2,62,800/-	45 Days	12 Months

Similar nature of work:- CTR/TRR/FR/TR including raising of track screening, distressing of track/ & post works for track maintenance machine like templing machine/ballast screening/regulating machines & TRR by T-28.

Note : 1. Before bidding, bidders to check for any corrigendum issued against tender. Tender Notice No. 770-W/169/WA-1/FZR/132-2021-22-PTK-DRM-FZR Date : 17.02.2022.

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Chhamb residents hold protests against Delimitation Commission's draft report

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JAMMU: The residents of Block Pargwal of Chaamb Assembly segment on Friday lodged a strong protest and submitted a memorandum to the Chairman Delimitation Commission through Tehsildar, Pargwal.

Hundreds of people gathered at Pargwal Tehsil under the leadership of former Deputy Chief Minister of erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir and senior Congress leader, Tara Chand, who lodged strong protest over re-naming of Chhamb assembly segment to Kour.

Speaking on the occasion, Tara Chand said that the distance from Kour to Chowki-Chora is around 100 kilometers and it seems that the Delimitation Commission ignoring the topographical and geographical aspects have merged these Tehsils with Chhamb Assembly segment to benefit the leaders of the ruling dispensation.

The people of Assembly segment Chhamb kour rejects the unacceptable preliminary Delimitation report submitted by the Commission which has caused great havoc, resentment, discontentment and the nevertheless blood curdling situation in the union territory of J&K.



Tara Chand further said that the government has failed on all fronts and the youth of Jammu and Kashmir is on roads. He said that the unemployment is increasing day by day and the government notwithstanding providing employment is snatching away the jobs of the youth.

Mentioning the protest of Police Border Battalion aspirants Tara Chand came down heavily on the administration and termed it a mute spectator towards the core issue of unemployment.

Prominent among those present include Varun Magotra, Daljeet Singh, Jagattar Singh, Jagdish Raj Sharma, Kalidas, Devinder Chib, Bodhraj Shamal, Ratanlal Sharma, Vipin Lachotra, Shamsher Dass, Karan Singh office bearers of BCC, DCC Congress Delegates, Sarpanches and Panchs.

Petition seeking benefit of promotion/release of Super Time Scale: DB issues notice to Law Secy, others

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JAMMU: In a petition filed by Satinder Singh, Additional Registrar in J&K High Court seeking direction to respondents to grant and accord the benefit of promotion/release of Super Time Scale of Rs 37,400-67,000 (unrevised) with pay Grade of Rs 10,000, in favour of petitioner's cadre in the High Court.

A Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Justice Sanjeev Kumar and Justice Mohan Lal after hearing petitioner in person, issued notice to Law Secretary and Registrar General J&K High Court returnable within four weeks.

1. The applicant above-named has made an application before the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, New Delhi for Petition 1: Determination of Transmission Tariff from DOCO to 31.03.2024 for The Bus splitting scheme at Moga Substation under "Transmission Scheme for controlling high loading and high short circuit level at Moga Substation and Petition 2: Tie-up rate for 2014-19, determination of tariff for 2019-24 and one-time reimbursement of unrecouped depreciation for Series Compensation on Panki-Murdanagar 400 KV S/C line of UPPCL in Northern region.

2. The beneficiaries for Combined Assets of the above mentioned Transmission system are: (1) Ajmer Vidyut Nigam Ltd. (2) Jaipur Vidyut Nigam Ltd. (3) Jodhpur Vidyut Nigam Ltd. (4) Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. (5) Haryana Power Purchase Centre (6) Power Development Deptt. Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir (7) Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd. (8) BSES Yamuna Power Ltd. (9) BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. (10) Tata Power Delhi Distribution Board (11) Chandigarh Administration (12) Uttarakhand Power Corporation Ltd. (13) North Central Railway (14) New Delhi Municipal Council. (15) Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board.

3. Details of tariff: 2014-19

Petition	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Petition 2	231.96	229.23	193.29	192.88	192.78

4. Details of tariff: 2019-24

Petition	DOC	Estimated completion Cost	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Petition 1</td							