

AIIMS Jammu, a crucial support system for Trauma Care and Disaster Management in UT of J&K, Ladakh and Neighbouring States: CEO



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JAMMU: The Executive Director and CEO of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Jammu, Prof (Dr) Shakti Kumar Gupta, underscored the institution's steadfast dedication to serving the general public and Security Forces in the UT of J&K, Ladakh, and neighbouring states in North India.

He said, AIIMS Jammu pledges to deliver exemplary care for trauma victims, encompassing those afflicted by road traffic accidents, firearm injuries, blast injuries, and disasters of any nature.

The Director communicated that recognizing the alarming toll of road traffic accidents, particularly among the young and working populace, AIIMS Jammu vows to institute specialized protocols and facilities to promptly attend to the unique needs of such victims.

Furthermore, Prof Gupta

acknowledged the prevalent challenge of blast and firearm injuries affecting security forces.

The Director assured that AIIMS Jammu with a skilled trauma and emergency team will be fully equipped to manage such cases with precision and effectiveness.

He further informed that time is the paramount and decisive factor in achieving optimal outcomes for healthcare services.

Recognizing this, AIIMS Jammu has installed a helipad to ensure timely transportation of individuals in need to the institute, he said.

In a special message to Security Forces Personnel, Prof (Dr) Shakti Gupta shared his feelings conveying, "As the Executive Director and CEO of AIIMS Jammu, I extend my deepest appreciation and gratitude to every soldier for their unwavering dedi-

cation in defending our nation. Their courage and commitment are the bedrock of our security and freedom. In any medical emergency, our institute (AIIMS Jammu) is ready to provide the highest quality care. Our skilled healthcare professionals are equipped to address your needs with compassion and efficiency. Your well-being is our priority, and we're committed to ensuring you receive the care you deserve. Thank you for your service; your bravery inspires us all, and we're honoured to support your health and well-being".

He further made a statement that AIIMS Jammu emphasizes addressing not only the physical but also the psychological ramifications of trauma, offering comprehensive support services including counselling and rehabilitation programs.

AIIMS Jammu remains vigi-

lant in disaster management, prepared to respond swiftly to natural and man-made calamities through meticulous planning, coordination, and regular training exercises, he added.

He stressed upon Community engagement and Public Education as an integral part to AIIMS Jammu's disaster preparedness strategy, alongside collaborations with national and international organizations to strengthen collective response capabilities.

Prof Shakti added that in its commitment to excellence, AIIMS Jammu announces plans for a dedicated Centre of Excellence in Trauma Sciences and the Institute of Traumatology in the second phase, aiming to elevate trauma care in the region.

The institution's multidisciplinary approach, advanced diagnostic tools, surgical expertise, and intensive care

facilities ensure comprehensive trauma care from stabilization to rehabilitation.

In conclusion, Prof (Dr) Shakti Gupta expressed acknowledgment and reverence for the unmatched pride, gratitude, and respect commanded by our Security Forces personnel.

He also reaffirmed that with unwavering commitment, innovation, collaboration, and dedication, AIIMS Jammu reaffirms its mission to safeguard the health and well-being of the public and security forces, setting a benchmark for healthcare institutions globally.



Not Anndata stir but hate Modi campaign; cat out of bag

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JAMMU: Finally the cat is out of bag. The Congress and Aam Aadmi Party backed farmers agitation in Punjab and parts of Haryana is exposed as political agenda of the INDI Alliance with a top Kissan leader Jagjit Singh Dallewal saying, "The popularity of Prime Minister Narendra Modi is at its peak, His graph has gone up because of Ram Mandir. We have less time. We have to bring graph of Modi down."

The hate Modi syndrome of the INDI Alliance has further soared with Abu Dhabi and Qatar rolling red carpet for Narendra Modi to inaugurate a first Hindu Temple in Muslim country of the Arab world and addressing a high profile summit in Qatar. Being most popular leader of the world, the Prime Minister has unnerved the opposition by raising high voltage slogan Ab Ki Baar 400 Paar in the upcoming

general elections to the Lok Sabha. This slogan is echoing across the continents.

Motivated Anndata has reason to be upset. He had always one or the other reason during the past four years since the passage of now withdrawn three farm laws. That was just an excuse as the motivation is to remove Narendra Modi from the scene. Hate Modi campaign is ingrained in farmers in parts of north India. It is not just about opposition to a particular individual; it represents a dangerous trend of polarisation and division within the society. Instead of fostering constructive dialogue and debate, it seeks to sow seeds of animosity and discord among citizens. It is crucial to acknowledge that democracy thrives on diversity of opinion and healthy discourse.

According to the video on social media, farmer leader Jagjit Singh Dallewal is purportedly

heard talking about "Modi's graph" being high and the need to bring that down.

The Congress immediately came to shield the farmers' leader to ignite the fire.

Asked about the video, Congress spokesperson Pawan Khera asked, "Can't a farmer talk about his political leanings."

"Can he not say that he wants a different kind of politics in this country. If a farmer says I want to defeat the BJP, he becomes anti-national. In 2014 many used to say we want to defeat the Congress, we did not call them anti-national," Khera said at a press conference at the AICC headquarters.

"Isn't the farmer a voter? does he not have rights? If someone votes for Modi, he is a patriot, and if he talks against him, he is anti-national. What kind of a setup is being established," he said.

The BJP did not direct-

ly attack the farmer leader for his comments against Modi but asserted that the prime minister's graph is already very high for a long period of time due to his honesty, work and people's blessings.

"He is a world leader," BJP leader Ravi Shankar Prasad said and noted the homecoming of seven Indian nationals from Qatar. They were on the death row in Qatar on alleged espionage charges before their sentence was commuted to jail terms. They were later released following India's intervention.

Prasad also referred to Modi's trips to Abu Dhabi and Qatar to make his point about his global recognition.

BJP leader Prasad said the Modi government is dedicated to farmers' development, noting that the minimum support prices of paddy and wheat have gone up by 62.5 per cent and 67 per cent respectively under its tenure.

Smart city e-bus service; to ensure fair payment, discourage fare evasion

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Srinagar: Srinagar City's e-bus transport system has announced a measure to check fare evasion and ensure a fair system for passengers, saying those travelling without tickets or passes will now have to pay fine of ten times the legal fare or a flat fine of Rs 500, officials said on Wednesday.

The penalty clauses outlined by the Smart City authorities, specify that under Penal Action 178, passengers found travelling without a valid ticket or pass can face fines up to Rs 500. Additionally, Penal Action 178/1 addresses misbehaviour; obstruction to checking officers in the discharge of their duties, and refusal to provide information also carry fines up to Rs 500.

Stressing on the importance of adherence to fare regulations, officials clarified that the legal fare will be calculated from the originating point to the destination of the passenger's trip.

As per the Srinagar Smart City's inter-city E-Bus fare matrix, the fare structure has been established as Up to 0-3 Km: Rs 10, 03-05 Km: Rs 15, 05-10 Km: Rs 20, 10-15 Km: Rs 25, 15-20 Km: Rs 30, 20-25 Km:

Rs 35 and 25-30 Km: Rs 40.

The official said that these measures aim to ensure fair payment for transportation services and discourage fare evasion. "Commuters are urged to comply with these regulations to avoid penalties and support the city's efforts toward a reliable and equitable transportation system", said an official.

Meanwhile, with the increasing demand, the authorities have started the process to procure additional 25 electric buses for Srinagar.

Pertinently, the administration had announced the procurement of 200 e-buses, 100 each for Srinagar and Jammu cities. However, only 75 have been introduced so far while a process to introduce more 25 e-buses has been started.

Chief Engineer, Srinagar Smart City Limited (SSCL), Er Abdul Qayoom Kirmani said that out of the initial target of 100 e-buses, only 75 e-buses are presently operational and that they are planning to procure around 25 more e-buses of 12 meter length.

"Of the 75 available smart e-buses for Srinagar city, three are designated as back-

up in the event of any issues with the operational fleet. 25 e-buses, most likely of 12 meter length, will be added to the existing bus fleet," official of SSCL stated.

He added that some among the total 25 have reached Jammu. "Some of the buses have already reached Jammu and are under registration process. Once done with paper work they will be added to the fleet," he said, adding all the 25 e-buses are expected to reach Srinagar by March.

The officials said currently, the e-buses in operation offer a seating capacity of 23, with 17 seats allocated for men and 6 reserved for ladies and disabled passengers. Er Kirmani said that their eco-friendly mobility aims to bolster public transportation infrastructure in Srinagar for a better commuting experience. He highlighted the importance of incorporating public feedback into their mobility initiatives, emphasizing the city's dedication to enhancing urban transportation accessibility.

"By expanding the e-bus fleet, Srinagar aims to not only reduce its carbon footprint but also provide convenient and reliable transportation options for commuters," he said.

Modi's governance reforms helped Indian economy through huge savings: Dr Jitendra

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DELHI: Governance reforms under Prime Minister Narendra Modi have helped the Indian economy through huge savings. Technology is being widely used to result in savings and in delivery of utilities as well as services to the public.

This was stated by the Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh while addressing the participants of the 'Special Capacity Building Programme for Senior Civil Servants of Sri Lanka' here on Thursday.

Dr Jitendra said, adopting Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) has resulted in saving of Rs.1 lakh crore by removing middlemen and also saved millions of poor households from starvation during the Covid Pandemic.

Besides, the Government also saved Rs.65,000 crore through the Government e-marketplace (GeM) portal.

Quoting PM Modi's



Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh addressing the participants of 'Special Capacity Building Programme for Senior Civil Servants of Sri Lanka' at Civil Services Officers' Institute (CSOI) New Delhi on Thursday.

recent speech where he stated that Governance is his government's top priority, Dr Jitendra said, the governance reforms of the last 10 years under PM Modi have gone beyond the realms of mere governance by improving the work culture as well as providing an optimum working environment, while at the same time resulting in far reaching socio-economic benefits in the long run.

Dr. Jitendra highlighted Prime Minister Narendra

Modi's "Neighbours First" policy and similarities in culture as well as the people to people ties that both the countries share.

The hallmark of 10 years of Governance transformation under PM Modi has been Transparency, Accountability, and time-bound Delivery of services with the use of technology wherever required, he said.

The Union Minister reiterated PM Modi's vision of 'Minimum Government Maximum Governance'

highlighting the government's women centric initiatives such as giving Maternity leave even in case of a Still Birth. Referring to the recent amendment to the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, the union minister said the Government under PM Modi has zero tolerance on Corruption and Terrorism.

Head of Sri Lankan delegation, Anura Dissanayake, who is Secretary to the Prime Minister of Sri Lanka, recalled the official visit of Sri Lankan President on 21st July last year and expressed their interest in inspiration from India's economic growth under PM Modi and help revive Sri Lanka's public sector by learning and adopting India's best practices and success stories. The delegation also appreciated India's progress in implementation of Digital services and institutions such as Lokpal and Central Vigilance Corruption in curbing corruption.

NHM MD visits 108 Emergency Response Center

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JAMMU: Mission Director NHM, Nazim Zai Khan, on Thursday visited the Emergency Response Centre of 108 Jammu and Kashmir Emergency Medical Services, established by BVG India in Channi Himmat.

During the visit, the

Mission Director was apprised that a total of 203 fully equipped ambulances are operating under the 108 service, ensuring prompt healthcare services at doorsteps of the general public. He was informed that the 108 ambulance service has served 2,77,798 patients since its inception

in the UT while 56055 patients have been served through 102 service. The Mission Director assessed the functioning of the 108 emergency response centre and interacted with the employees seeking feedback on services being extended to the public there. He commend-

ed the centre for providing round the clock ambulance services to the people of UT Jammu and Kashmir.

He was also shown an Advanced Life Support (ALS) Ambulance and was briefed about the functioning of the biomedical equipments retrofitted in the utility.

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