

# T Suzuki visits Jamkash Vehicleades Delhi Unit

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NEW DELHI: President Suzuki Motor Corporation Toshihiro Suzuki, currently on a visit to India as part of the Japanese delegation led by Prime Minister Fumio Kishida, on Tuesday visited Jamkash Vehicleades Delhi Unit--AAA Vehicleades-- and took stock of its operations in northern states of the country. The visit comes soon after the signing of Memorandum of Understanding for investment of 104 billion Yen or Rs 10, 445 Crore investment to manufacture battery electric vehicles (BEVs) and BEV batteries at its Gujarat plant.

The MoU was signed in presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Japanese counterpart.

Of this Rs 3,100 crore will be pumped in to increase manufacturing capacity for EVs at Suzuki Motor Gujarat in 2025, Rs 73,00 crore for setting up a plant for the production of batteries for EVs in 2026. The remaining amount will be utilised to establish a



President Suzuki Motor Corporation Toshihiro Suzuki during meeting with Chairman Jamkash Vehicleades Devender Singh Rana.

vehicle recycling plant by Maruti Suzuki Toyota in 2025. Toshihiro Suzuki was accompanied by Kenichi Ayukawa (Managing Director, MSIL), Hisashi Takeuchi (Joint Managing Director, MSIL), Hideaki Domichi (Director, Suzuki Motor Corporation) and Ichizo Aoyama (Managing Director, TDS Lithium-Ion Battery Gujarat Private Limited), besides Shahshank Srivastava (Sr. Executive Director, MSIL) and Bhuvan Dheer (Executive Vice

President, MSIL). Briefing the President Suzuki Motor Corporation and his team about Jamkash operations in north India, its Chairman Devender Singh Rana referred to the milestones achieved by the group from its inception in 1997 with just one showroom in Pathankot with 15 staffers. "Today, the group has a presence in 56 cities and towns across Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Delhi. Over the years, it has expanded its net-

work to 164 touch points comprising Showroom, Workshop, Bodyshop, True Value and Driving School. The group employs more than 5,000 people across the ARENA and NEXA channel", he added.

The visiting Global President of the Suzuki Motor Corporation and the delegation appreciated the Vehicleades Group's performance, its network and geographical spread across the country.

He also noted with satisfaction the commitment of the Vehicleades group in ensuring customer delight and safety during the tough times of COVID.

Jamkash Vehicleades Group is the biggest dealer of Maruti Suzuki in North India.

The group was the 3rd biggest dealer Pan India during the last financial year 20-21. Vehicleades group also bagged the award of 1st Runners Up - All India Best Performance during the last MSIL Dealer Conference.

# BJP all set to clean sweep Assembly polls in J&K: Mishra

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JAMMU: There is no reason to believe that BJP will not clean sweep the upcoming Assembly polls in J&K as the development propelled by the Narendra Modi Government is unprecedented, touching every section of society without any prejudice or partiality.

This was stated by Danish Mishra, Co-Incharge Social Media Department and Prabhari Jammu Poonch Lok Sabha Seat BJP J&K in a statement issued here today.

Danish said that the two-day visit of Home Minister Amit Shah and the proposed one of PM Modi in April are the testimony to the fact that BJP is resolute in giving full focus to J&K and the policies envisaged and implemented in the UT are people centric thus giving so many reasons to people to support BJP in Assembly polls.

"The scenario in J&K post

abrogation Article 370 is so promising that UT is witnessing colossal development on various fronts including tourism, industry, health-care, etc and as far as turmoil in Valley is concerned security forces are having an upper hand making it amply clear that terrorism is on last leg and sooner than later J&K will be declared terrorism free entity with complete tranquility taking over", Mishra said, adding that people should come forward in supporting the only nationalist party in the country to ensure peace and prosperity.

The BJP leader emphasized that under the leadership of PM Narendra Modi and HM Amit Shah, BJP will sweep J&K polls. He said that earlier the successive regimes used to discriminate between communities on the basis of region, religion and lingual contrast but it is the BJP that has

brought the slogan of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas and is transforming lives with development as never before. Mishra said that the regular visits of Union Ministers to Jammu and Kashmir from time to time show BJP's commitment towards the people of J&K. He said that democracy reached grass roots level under the Modi regime and people are availing the benefits of flagship schemes launched by the BJP government like the Ayushman Bharat Scheme which is providing guarantee of medical treatment at private hospitals with complete ease.

"Several start-up schemes initiated in J&K for the welcome of J&K youth with an aim to make them job providers instead of job seekers, a vote of BJP means vote for the upliftment and overall development of Jammu and Kashmir", Mishra said.

# Retired JU SC/ST Employees Forum hails Prof Umesh Rai's appointment as new VC

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JAMMU: The Jammu University SC/ST Employees Forum members at their meeting held here today under the chairmanship of Choudhary Atha Mohd, hailed the appointment of Professor Umesh Rai as new Vice-chancellor for the University of Jammu and hoped that great things will emerge guided by his insight and compassion for innovation, learning and inclusion to all those who enter.

Appreciating the former Vice-Chancellor Professor Manoj K. Dhar, the Forum General Secretary R.L.Kaith said that his contribution has been unique and extraordinary.

The University of Jammu is what it is today is because of him and its scale and standing are due to his vision, leadership, dedication and sheer hard work.

# Delimitation Commission accomplished amazing job despite constraints: Yudhvir



Vice President BJP J&K, Yudhvir Sethi along with others during visit to Bajalta.

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JAMMU: Yudhvir Sethi Vice President BJP J&K on Monday appreciated the splendid work done by Delimitation Commission in J&K in redrawing the constituencies of both Assembly and Lok Sabha in a fair manner despite many constraints including the COVID-19.

BJP J&K Vice-President Yudhvir Sethi during visit to Bajalta alongwith Bajalta Sarpanch Shabir Ahmed where he took stock of the problems being faced by the area.

Yudhvir said that the Delimitation Commission for Jammu and Kashmir has finalized its proposals and published them in the Gazettes of India and Jammu and Kashmir inviting objections and suggestions till March 21. He said that the aforesaid Commission will visit Jammu and Kashmir on March 28 and 29 for public sittings.

The senior BJP leader said that unlike 1996, when the delimitation was accomplished with so many loopholes and prejudice, this time

the exercise has been accomplished in an unbiased manner giving fair deal to one and all. He said that the Commission didn't increase Lok Sabha seats and also decided not to reserve them for Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs).

"However, it reserved seven seats for SCs and nine for STs in the Legislative Assembly", Yudhvir said, adding that the final draft has been published for suggestions and objections from common people, which is also laudable as no one can deny that things have been accomplished in an extremely transparent manner.

"Already some objections were raised by associate members hailing from NC and BJP to which necessary action was taken", he said adding that the delimitation exercise in J&K will set an example for the similar exercises to be conducted in the near future.

# ASCOMS holds Induction & Oath Taking ceremony for MBBS 1st year students



MBBS 1st year students taking oath during induction ceremony at ASCOMS Hospital, Jammu.

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JAMMU: An Induction Day & Oath Taking Ceremony of 1st year MBBS students of 2021 Batch of Acharya Shri Chander College of Medical Sciences (ASCOMS) & Hospital was held in the College Auditorium. Dr. Rajesh Kumar Gupta, Professor & Head Orthopaedics and Medical Education Unit Coordinator; while delivering the opening address, gave the outline of the New Curriculum to the students and impressed upon the need of requisite attendance as per the norms of the National Medical Commission and University of Jammu.

Chief Guest, Dr. Pavan Malhotra, Director Principal advised the students to spend more and more time on studies. He also informed the students and their parents that a State of Art Skill Lab has been established which happens to be as per the requirement of National Medical Commission. Dr. Vanita Gupta, Professor & Head Deptt. of Anatomy conducted the Oath Taking Ceremony of the students who were administered the Oath of 'CHARAKA' for maintaining high degree of discipline and integrity in their profession. Dr. Shalika Sharma, Professor of Anatomy conducted the proceedings of the function.

# Modi Govt realising dreams of people into reality: Kavinder

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JAMMU: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta said that the BJP government led by PM Narendra Modi is consistently realizing the dreams of the people into reality as it has ensured unhindered development in J&K. The BJP stalwart was addressing a gathering after launching the black-topping work of road at Sec-2 Ward No 53 of Trikuta Nagar undertaken by Jammu Municipal Corporation. Kavinder said that all round development of Jammu and Kashmir is the first and foremost agenda of the Modi government and for this the UT has been offered a huge sum as capital money for carrying out unprecedented development. "It should be noted that PM Modi



Former Dy CM, Kavinder Gupta along with others during a programme.

has opened up floodgates of funds for the development of J&K and now it is matter of days when cities in UT will become at par with Mumbai, Delhi and other places having big industries and other avenues ensuring a happy and contented life to residents", Kavinder said, adding that Jammu and Kashmir has been witnessing unprecedented development since the PM Modi led Government has come

to power and the works which were pending since decades have been accomplished with great ease. Others who accompanied the former deputy chief minister during the launch of the aforesaid work include District President Vinay Gupta, Raj Kumar, Chairman Health and Sanitation, Baldev Billoria, Corporator JMC Jyoti Devi and District Secretary Narinder Koki. "It was the long pending demand of the people

of the locality as the road was constructed many years ago and the residents were facing many hardships. Seeing this, the matter was highlighted by the Corporator before concerned authorities and after a brief follow up the work of black-topping started today", Kavinder said, adding that the pending development works are already in the pipeline which will be executed soon.

Sham Lal, Prerna Nanda (State Secretary Mahila Moreha BJP), Neeraj Lucky Puri Mandal President, Nayan Gupta, K D Sharma, Ganesh Naggar, Ramesh Chander, Shiv Pal Sharma, Rajinder Sharma, Sandeep Sharma, R K Matto, Gopal Bhandari, Ajay Pargal, Parveen Pargal, Ajay Corporator, Nitin Thappa and Ajay Bandan were also present.

# 'BJP adopted non-serious approach towards people's issues'

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JAMMU: District Congress Committee, Jammu Rural, castigated J&K BJP leadership for adopting non-serious approach about the problems being faced by the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

In this context, DDC Rural held a meeting at Buta Nagar Ward No 60 in which Mula Ram, former Minister, Hari Singh Chib, President Jammu Rural and Uday Chib, President J&K PYC were presented and discussed the problems being faced by the common masses. Former Minister Mula Ram said that the price rise of petrol, diesel and cooking gas has adversely affected the common people's budget due to which vegetables,

fruit and groceries items, rice, flour and other goods of daily use have become costlier. He said that the BJP led government at the Centre should reduce taxes.

"The anti-people policies of the BJP Government are responsible for the high prices of petrol, diesel and LPG. The fuel price hike will have cascading effects on other essential commodities affecting people already suffering from the exhaustive policies of the NDA government," Mula Ram added.

Hari Singh, in his address, expressed concern over the problems confronting people. He said that the performance of previous BJP regime on ground is zero, for the fact, there was no improvement on the ground, unemployment has risen considerably, government departments are not functioning in a way they should, as a result, the day today needs of the people remain unattended and unaddressed, even road connectivity in rural area is in dilapidated condition. Chib asserted that Congress will continue its fight against discrimination and the party is committed to resolve the issues concerning people. Congress Party is committed to equitable development of Jammu and Kashmir and it will continue to remain steadfast to serve the people of the State equally, he added.

Uday Singh Chib lambasted the BJP Government at the Centre for its anti-youth policies. He said that BJP

promised to provide 2 crore jobs every year but unfortunately it could not provide even 20000 jobs to J&K's unemployed youth. He said that BJP is answerable to people as well as youth of J&K for its failures despite received a huge mandate on the basis of fake promises made by it during 2014 elections.

Uday said that the people are in dire straits today and in such a situation the Congress party needs to strengthen the party base at grass roots level to resolve the problems of common masses which have increased manifold. He assured that he will be available 24x7 for the party workers as well as the general public to address their concerning issues.

# JKFMPWs ask Govt to redress demands



FMPW Association President, Neelam Kumar talking to reporters.

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JAMMU: Jammu Kashmir Female Multipurpose Workers (JKFMPW) under the president ship of Neelam Kumari highlighted grievances of FMPHW who are suffering from the last four months due to non disbursement of salary.

"We have represented many times to the higher authority in democratic way but all seem to be futile because till date nothing concrete has been done to solve pending solution of our salary head

2211," she said adding that many of our colleagues are at the verge of starvation and many are not getting their treatment.

In case Govt. failed to settle our salary issues within 15 days, the FMPHW will be compel to lunch massive protest/ Kam Chor with full mighty protest on 15th April 2022, she said.

Other who participated in press conference include Suriya Akthar, Anita Bhagat, Sapna Gupta, Soma Devi and Ramandeep Kour .

# BJP ready for election, will form next Govt in J&K: Raina

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) held a joint All Moreha's Sammelan of organizational district Jammu Rural at Domana. J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina chiefly addressed the Sammelan besides J&K BJP Vice-President & District Prabhari Sham Lal Sharma, District President Jammu Rural Rajinder Singh Chib, Senior Leader Karan Singh, Seh-Prabhari Shailja Gupta, Mahila Moreha President Sanjita Dogra, BJYM President Arundev Singh Jamwal, Kissan Moreha President Omil Khajuria, SC Moreha President Prof. Garu Ram, OBC Moreha President Brahmjyot Satti, District General Secretaries KL Sharma & Babu Ram Bhagat and other party leaders participated in the meeting.

"Bharatiya Janata Party is ready for assembly election in Jammu & Kashmir; and with the dedicated effort of dedicated activists, BJP will form the



J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina addressing a Sammelan at Domana, Jammu.

next government in J&K", stated Ravinder Raina, while addressing the Sammelan.

Raina, in his address, focused on the further strengthening of party's Morehas and said that they must reach the ground level within stipulated time frame. He said that Morehas of the party work in a 2 way manner; while they ensure that the party policies are reaching up to every community, they also serve the important purpose of illuminating the party leadership of their community's concerns. "Moreha activists have the double responsibility on

their shoulders before the approaching Assembly elections and hence must be working with added dedication", Raina said.

Raina also enumerated various public welfare schemes initiated by Prime minister Narendra Modi led Union government and asked the Moreha activists to work for their implementation at the ground level to gain people's trust and ensure party's victory in elections.

Sham Lal Sharma, Rajinder Singh Chib, Karan Singh and other senior BJP leaders also spoke on the occasion.

# Lateral entry appointments by DoPT to induct the best: Dr Jitendra

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NEW DELHI: Union Minister, Dr. Jitendra Singh, who is also Minister Incharge DoPT, on Tuesday said that the Narendra Modi government has streamlined the lateral entry appointments by Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) to induct to best of the best talent for a particular task, coupled with expertise.

Dr Jitendra recalled that lateral appointments were made even by the earlier governments and some of the most famous lateral appointments include that of the former Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh as Chief Economic Advisor in 1972.

However, the Modi Govt has sought to institutionalise the process by routing it through UPSC and fixing a criteria for selection which is objective, transparent and purely merit cum experience based. Interacting with the 30 lateral entrants into the

Government of India at the level of Joint Secretary / Director and Deputy Secretary during their 15-day induction program at the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), New Delhi, the Minister said that the ultimate goal of the lateral entry mechanism is to select best of the best from a wider pool of choice as various flagship schemes started by Prime Minister Narendra Modi require new skill set and expertise.

He noted that this is happening at a crucial time when Prime Minister Modi is leading India to be a frontline nation in the world.

Dr. Jitendra, who is also the Chairman of Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), suggested to the inductees that accountability, transparency and citizen-centric approach should be the hallmark of their stint with the Government of India. The

Union Minister opined that the gap between the corporate and the government sector is narrowing rapidly and that enhanced skills are needed in new work approach system of today.

Dr. Singh said that since India's stature in the world is on a rise, the entrants can make best use of this great opportunity to contribute to the nation building. He said that the efforts of today can make India a world leader in next 25 years, when the country celebrates 100 years of its independence.

30 lateral entrants include three Joint Secretaries, 18 Directors and nine Deputy Secretaries, representing 21 Ministries / Departments of the Government of India.

SN Tripathi, DG, IIPA, Amitabh Ranjan, Registrar, IIPA and Smt. Rashmi Chowdhary, Additional Secretary, DoPT were among several other dignitaries present at the event.