

One Nation, One Election will strengthen democracy, political stability in country: Ved Sharma

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Ved Sharma, Co-Incharge All Cells, BJP J&K, strongly endorsed the implementation of One Nation, One Election, calling it a transformative step for strengthening democracy and ensuring political stability.

Addressing a gathering of transporters at Bus Stand Jammu, in a program organized by BJP Transport Cell Convenor Ashu Mahajan, Sharma highlighted the economic

burden and governance disruptions caused by frequent elections. Prominent attendees included Romesh Gupta, President Bus Stand Union, and Transport Cell leaders Roshan Lal, Sanjeev Gupta, and Vikash Chander.

Sharma emphasized that simultaneous elections would streamline governance, ensuring uninterrupted development and efficient utilization of resources.

He credited Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision for introducing progressive electoral reforms that would reduce policy paralysis and administrative stagnation. He noted that Jammu and Kashmir, in particular, would benefit from long-term stability through this initiative.

Ashu Mahajan lauded transporters for their role in the economy and stressed that a stable government, uninterrupted by frequent elections, would

enhance infrastructure, road connectivity, and ease of business. The transporters actively voiced their concerns, and BJP leaders assured them that their issues would be conveyed to the authorities.

The event concluded with a strong reaffirmation of support for One Nation, One Election, reinforcing the commitment to a more developed and prosperous Jammu and Kashmir under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership.

NC MLAs should resist from terrifying industrialists, and push society into garb of radicalization: Sunil Sethi

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: The Ministers and MLAs of ruling NC dispensation are trying to radicalize the society and also to demotivate the industrialists in the region resulting in the fear in the mind of investors and industrials, said Adv. Sunil Sethi. Adv. Sunil Sethi, Chief Spokesperson, J&K BJP accompanied by Dr. Tahir Choudhary and Dr. Abhijeet Jasrotia, spokespersons, J&K BJP was addressing a press conference held at party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, here on Saturday.

He said that Kashmir has been progressing towards peace and prosperity after having passed through a challenging situation of radicalization. Theaters were closed, malls were not allowed to open and restricted society from being modernized only to increase the radicalization, hence pushing Kashmir

backwards. After a long struggle, Kashmir is headed towards a resilient permanent peace. The perpetrators of hatred, separatism, and radicalization on the provocation by Pakistan, are trying once again to radicalize Kashmir, and push back the society of Kashmir backwards through the misuse of various media. Unfortunately, many politicians are also going the same line as set up by Pakistan. BJP believes that the fate of Kashmir lies in tourism-based sturdy economic activity. Tourism and radicalization are opposite to each other. On one hand, you are inviting people from the rest of India and the other parts of the world to visit J&K as tourists but you also talk of radicalization, Sethi cautioned.

If we have to progress, then we have to rebuild the thinking as a civilized and

open society and not as a backward society.

Sunil Sethi also raised the issue of daily wagers, saying that the issue is live but pending since many years. The guarantee for their regularization has been on the manifesto of BJP and NC during the Assembly Polls. Now when the NC government mentioned the issue of daily wagers, they handed a lollipop by saying that a committee is to be framed which will submit its report till one year. Now the daily wagers are threatening an agitation, which will affect the whole society.

BJP asks the NC government to immediately engage with the daily wagers to prevent the damage and to pass an act according to the promise made in their election manifesto, said Adv. Sunil Sethi. He lamented that the MLA of the ruling party are asking for the

return of allotted land by the industrialists, which is terrifying the industrialists. The maximum of such investments was made in the Jammu region, which is in an environment of fear now. The efforts for the lasting peace, increased tourism, gaining investments by BJP government at the center and the LG administration are being marred with the statements of the Ministers and MLAs of ruling government, he added.

BJP asks the NC government to fulfil their promises in a time bound manner. He also asked that they should not give any statements to radicalize the society in Kashmir region and also refrain from giving any such statements which potentially demotivate and terrify the investors and the industrialists in J&K particularly in the Jammu region.

Advocates attend awareness workshop on One Nation, One Election

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: An awareness programme on One Nation, One Election was organized at Lawyers Chambers, J&K High Court, Jammu, to educate and engage the legal fraternity on the advantages of synchronized elections across India.

The event focused on the benefits, challenges, and necessary reforms for implementing this significant electoral reform.

During the session, experts highlighted several key advantages of One Nation, One Election. They emphasized that it would lead to effective governance by reducing election-related disruptions and allowing governments to focus on policymaking.

Additionally, it would result in significant cost savings by lowering elec-

tion-related expenses for political parties, the Election Commission, and the government. Another crucial benefit discussed was the reduction in security force deployment, minimizing costs and enabling security personnel to focus on their primary duties.

Moreover, policy continuity was cited as a major advantage, ensuring that governments can implement long-term policies without frequent interruptions caused by election cycles.

While acknowledging these benefits, advocates also discussed potential challenges. Feasibility concerns were raised regarding the alignment of Lok Sabha and State Assembly elections, considering the varying tenure of different state governments.

Logistical challenges were highlighted, such as the large-scale management of electronic voting machines, personnel, and security arrangements.

Additionally, concerns about federalism were deliberated, with some arguing that simultaneous elections could undermine regional autonomy by centralizing political power.

The event concluded with discussions on the way forward. Advocates stressed the importance of consensus building through inclusive dialogues among political parties, state governments, and other stakeholders.

The need for constitutional amendments to the Representation of the People Act, 1951, and the Rules of Procedure of Lok Sabha and State Assemblies was also

emphasized. Additionally, they advocated for infrastructure readiness through adequate investments in technology, personnel, and administrative machinery to ensure a smooth electoral process.

The programme fostered discussions on the implications of One Nation, One Election, providing legal professionals with a deeper understanding of its potential impact.

Prominent attendees included Adv. Prem Sadotra, Adv. Arvind Khajuria, Sarfaraz Rather, Karan Sharma, Rajesh Thappa, Ranjeet Singh Jamwal, Dewakar Sharma, Deepak Sharma, Rahul Sadotra, Vishal Mahajan, Divyaishan, Manoj Bhat, Uma Kapahi, Sonia Manhas, Pooja Gupta, and several other advocates.

BHOG SHRI AKHAND PATH

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform you that **S.Jeet Singh (Retd. Medical Department)** who left for heavenly abode last year on 18th March 2024. **BHOG SHRI AKHAND PATH SAHIB** on Sunday i.e. 16-03-2025

KIRTAN AND ARDAS from 10.00 AM to 12.00 Noon at our residence Upper Gadigarh Near Old Exchange Jammu. **GRIEF STRICKEN:** Harjeet Kour (Wife) Gagandeep Singh (Son) Information Department Manpreet Kour (Daughter-in-Law) Bavneet Kour (Daughter) GurSimran Singh (Son-in-Law) **Little Flowers** Emrin Kour Sehara Kour **Contact: 7006175617**



S. Jeet Singh (Retd. Medical Department)

KRIYA/UTHALA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad and untimely demise of our beloved Sh. Joginder Nagpal S/o Late Sh. Mohan Lal Nagpal R/o 46 B/ Gandhi Nagar, Jammu on 5th March 2025.

Kriya and Uthala - will be performed on Monday, 17th March 2025.

KRIYA - Will be performed on Monday, 17th March 2025 at our residence at 12 Noon.

UTHALA - Will be performed on Monday, 17th March 2025 from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM at Laxmi Narayan Mandir, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu.

GRIEF STRICKEN

Smt. Sumanda Nagpal (Wife) Leksh Nagpal (Son) Garima & Mayank Khanna (Daughter and Son-in-Law) Kavisha & Manish Arora (Daughter and Son-in-Law) Naira Khanna and Kavyan Arora (Grand Children) Nagpal & Sethi Family



TENTH DAY KRIYA

"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near. Still loved, still missed, and forever dear."

With profound grief we share the demise of our beloved father **Sh. Pushkar Nath Pandit** originally resident of Akingam Bonpora, Anantnag, presently at Jawhar Nagar, Udhampur on 13 Mar 2025.

Tenth Day Kriya will be held at Devika Ghat, Udhampur on Friday, 21 March 2025 at 08:00 AM. Residence: Jawhar Nagar, Ward No. 8, Near Trilokinath Temple, Railway Road Udhampur.

Mourning from 'Maliyoun' side will also be held at our residence as Papa always considered our Mama Ji (Vinod Koul) as his elder son.

With our deepest love,

Smt. Bita Devi- Wife Mr. Omkar Nath Pandit- Son Mrs. Lucy Pandit- Daughter-in-law Mr. Suneel Hangloo- Son-in-law Mrs. Yougita Hangloo - Daughter Mrs. Anjali Pandita- Daughter-in-law Mr. Prem Nath Pandita- Son Mrs. Princey Pandita- Daughter-in-law **Children/Grandchildren** Amit, Rockey, Shinie, Sahil, Ayushi, Komal, Sankait, Aryaman, Pradyut, Meenakshi. **Contact: 9999447581 (Son), 9103039637 (Vinod ji), 9055192877 (wife), 9149445451 (Daughter)**



Sh. Pushkar Nath Pandit

EIGHTH DAY/THIRTEEN DAY

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Master Lekh Raj Khajuria (Ex President All J and K Employees Federation)** R/o Ajit Nagar Jammu on 10-03-2025.

Eighth Day will be performed on 17-03- 2025 and **Thirteen Day** will be performed on 22-03- 2025 at our residence .

GRIEF STRICKEN

Smt. Urmal Khajuria (Wife) **Son and Daughter-in-law** Sh. Manav Khajuria and Smt Anjali Sharma **Daughters and Sons-in-law** Smt. Rakhee Khajuria and Sh. Ashok Sharma Smt. Shilpi Khajuria and Sh. Rakesh Sharma **Mob. 9149713847**



Master Lekh Raj Khajuria

TENTH DAY

With profound grief and sorrow we regret to inform the sadly demise of our beloved **Rattan Lal Misri**, a great theater artist, producer, actor and great educationist basically from Zahindar Mohallah, Dearest Daddy we really miss you. Presently settled at H No. 227, Lane H, Kailash Vihar Dehradun.

Tenth Day Kriya will be held on 16th March 2025 at Haridwar.

GRIEF STRICKEN

Rupali Misri (Daughter) Rekha Misri (Wife) Krishay Mishra - Grand Son Sudhir Mishra - Son-in-law **& All Samast Misri Parivar, Samast Dhar Parivar (Matamal)** **M.No. 9632573684, 8433482860**



Rattan Lal Misri

TENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad and untimely demise of our beloved **Sh Chaman Lal Pandita** S/o Late Prem Nath Pandita erstwhile resident of Turigam Devbug, Kulgam Kashmir, presently residing at H No. 875, Lane No. 6, Bhawani Nagar (Bhagwati Nagar), Tallab Tillo, Jammu.

10th Day Kriya will be performed on Sunday (16th) of March, 2025, 7 am at Thalwal, Jammu. The Assembly will be held at our residence at 10:30 am.

GRIEF STRICKEN

Puran Devi (Wife) 8492055436 Sh Prithvee Nath Pandita (Brother) Smt and Sh Vinod Pandita (Niece in law and Nephew) Smt and Sh Munish Pandita (-do-) Smt and Sh Sunil Pandita (-do-) Smt and Sh Kanwal Pandita (-do-) Sh Anil Pandita (Nephew) Smt and Sh Bansi Lal Pandita (Sister & Brother in law) 7006091692 Smt and Sh Krishan Kumar Dhar (-do- 9412053234) Smt and Sh Kewal Krishan Ganjoo (-do- 9419207244) and **SAMAST PANDITA PARIVAR OF TURIGAM**



Sh Chaman Lal Pandita

OBITUARY

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Smt. Asha Raina** W/O Sh. Avtar Krishen Raina R/O Akura Mattan, A/P Shalimar Garden Ghaziabad who left for heavenly abode on 15.03.2025.

GRIEF STRICKEN:

Sh. Avtar Krishen Raina(Husband) (Devar & Devrani) Sh I.K Raina and Smt. Jeeta Raina (Son & Daughter in Law) Mr. Pawan & Mrs. Sushma Raina (Son & Daughter in Law) Mr Deepak & Mrs Preeti Raina (Son & Daughter in Law) Mr Pankaj & Mrs Kamla Raina (Daughter and Son in law) Mrs Minnoo & Mr Sunil Raina (Daughter & Son in Law) Mrs Anju & Mr Vijay Pandita (Daughter & Son in Law) Mrs Vimi & Mr Praduman Raina (Daughter & Son in Law) Mrs Priyanka & Mr Sunny Bhan

Grand children

Mayank, Manvi, Chahat, Maira, Mohan, Arushi, Danish, Yuvini, Arianh, Riyaan **Ph No. : 9013582703, 9697751826, 9711003311, 7006421171**



Smt. Asha Raina

TENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of **Smt. Krishna Devi**, W/o Kapoor Chand, resident of Maira Mandrian, Village Mazoor near Govt. High School, Mera Mandrian. **Tenth Day Kriya** will be performed on 16-03-2025 (Sunday) at our residence.

GRIEF STRICKEN

Sons & Daughters-in-Law Sukhdev Raj and Pooja Devi. Jagdev Raj and Sushma Devi. Anil Kumar Dogra and Nidhi Jarnagal. Sunil Kumar (Son) **Deeply remembered by Grand children.** Amarta, Deepak, Ajay, Darinder and Nirvaan. **Contact: 9469223496/7889719550**



Smt. Krishna Devi

KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Sh. Manjeet Singh Jamwal** S/o Late Kaaan Singh Jamwal of Garhi, Udhampur (originally from Malwan, Kulgam) who left for his heavenly abode on 04.03.2025.

Kriya will be performed at our residence H.No.296 W.No.05 Garhi, on Sunday 16th March from 10.30am onwards

GRIEF STRICKEN

Smt Kanta (Wife) Mr.Vanshdeep Singh Jamwal (Son) Miss Deepti Jamwal (Daughter) **Bhabbhis & Brothers** Smt Sharda & Sh Haqiqat Singh Jamwal (Retd Hony Captain) Smt Anita & Sh Surjeet Singh Jamwal **Daughters & Son in Laws** Smt Bandana & Sh. Premnandan Singh Sambyal Smt Tinu & Sh. Nischant Singh Sambyal Smt Diksha & Sh.Rahul Singh Jasrotia **Contact Nos-9419796485, 9419163539, 9149791780**



Sh. Manjeet Singh Jamwal

10TH DAY KRIYA

Our beloved mother **Smt. Shakti Razdan** W/o Late Sh. Bansi Lal Razdan earlier resident of 832 Kachhi Chowni, Jammu and originally from Nai Sarak, Srinagar, left for heavenly abode on 10th March 2025 in Gurgaon.

10th Day Kriya shall be held on 19th March 2025 at Haridwar.

GRIEF STRICKEN:

Sons & Daughters in Law: Rakesh & Shashi Razdan (8826341416) Rajesh & Savita Razdan (9810029838) Rajeev & Shashi Razdan (9810310388) **Grand Children:** Siddharth Razdan & Niharika Richa & Rahul Wadhwa Monal & Gaurav Singh Shiffali Razdan Natasha Razdan **Great Grand Children:** Kashvi Wadhwa, Atharv Razdan **And Samast Razdan, Kaul and Kachroo Pariwar**



Smt. Shakti Razdan

KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Lt. Col. M.R Uppal** S/O Late Shri Kali Das Uppal resident of 339 Shastri Nagar Jammu who left for his heavenly abode on 5th March 2025.

KRIYA will be performed at our residence on Monday, 17th March 2025 from 11 AM onwards.

GRIEF STICKEN

Sons and Daughter-in-law Er.Naveen Uppal & Anjali Rani Er.Raman Uppal & Vibha Uppal **Daughter and Son-in-law** Late Renu Amla & T.K. Amla **Grand Son and Daughter-in-law** Abhishek Uppal & Vishali Uppal **Grand Daughter's and Son-in-law** Shweta Amla & Jerry Pushpraj Shrutu Amla & Saurabh Gupta **Grand Daughters** Anchita, Akanksha & Arhita **Great Grandchildren:** Hanvika, Sia, Evan, Ray **Ph.No. 9419285453, 9419631006 9906906010, 9018139333**



Lt. Col. M.R Uppal

Dr Jitendra holds 'Public Durbar' at Hiranagar, issues resolved on spot

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
HIRANAGAR: Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions Dr. Jitendra Singh held a "Public Durbar" in Hiranagar town of Jammu, where he met with public delegations to personally listen to them and their concerns. Several issues were resolved on the spot.

The event, aimed at bringing government services directly to the people, was attended by various local representatives and

the district administration, led by Deputy Commissioner, Kathua Rakesh Manhas.

During the Durbar, Dr. Jitendra interacted with several public delegations, addressing a wide range of concerns faced by the residents of Hiranagar and surrounding areas.

Many matters were resolved on the spot, with the Minister ensuring swift action and immediate solutions to issues raised by the public.

Dr. Jitendra emphasized

that the Modi Government remains steadfast in resolving public issues at their doorsteps. "The government's approach has always been to bring solutions to the people, rather than asking them to travel long distances for assistance," he said.

He said that the Public Durbar is a prime example of the government's efforts to ensure that no citizen is left unheard. "We believe in proactive governance that works at the grass-roots level," the minister

added.

Several key issues, including infrastructure development, healthcare services and connectivity, were discussed, with Dr. Singh assuring the public that their concerns would be prioritized for immediate redressal.

The Public Durbar saw active participation from the local community, with citizens expressing their gratitude for the government's responsiveness and direct engagement with the people.