

Modi Govt's Jal Jeevan Mission giving new impetus to nation's development: BJP



BJP J&K Incharge for Jal Jeevan Mission Th. Narayan Singh talking to reporters.

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JAMMU: Modi Government's Jal Jeevan Mission (Har Ghar Nal Se Jal) is giving a new impetus to Nation's development, stated Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) State Incharge for Jal Jeevan Mission Th. Narayan Singh at BJP headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, here. J&K BJP Incharge Social & Religious Organizations Th. Narayan Singh (Incharge, Har Ghar Nal Se Jal) and J&K BJP Secretary Vikas Choudhary (Co-Incharge, Har Ghar Nal Se Jal) were addressing a press conference accompanied by J&K BJP Office Secretary Tilak Raj Gupta and BJP Media Secretary Dr. Pardeep Mahotra.

Narayan Singh, while addressing the media persons said that the Prime Minister Narendra Modi had spoken about Jal Jeevan Mission on 15th August 2019.

Under this, massive changes have taken place in the field of groundwater

management, water conservation, rain-water harvesting. Prime Minister Modi took the campaign of providing water from tap to every household under Jal Jeevan Mission.

Even after 70 years of independence, people had to yearn for water. The Congress and its allied governments never did anything for this. Women had to bring water from far and wide in the scorching sun. Har Ghar Nal Se Jal Yojana is another example of empowerment of the poor.

Since 2014, the focus of the government has been on the empowerment of citizens, especially the poor and the downtrodden. For this, many measures were taken, which included programs to provide homes, electricity, cooking gas, water.

Before the Modi government came to power, only 16.75% of the households in the country had access to tap water; whereas in just two years after the

launch of Jal Jeevan Mission, today about 49% households have access to drinking water from the tap.

It aims to provide safe and adequate tap water to every rural household by 2024. This will also improve the health of the citizens of the country. Apart from this, people's time will also be saved through this scheme.

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Narayan Singh added that under the mission 10 thousands Crores rupees have been allotted to the Jammu & Kashmir. He stated that 350 Tube Wells, 600 Borewells, 1100 filter plants, 350 overhead tanks and many other measures are to be constructed in the region. He also shared that in Jammu Province 9,87,000 households are to be covered out of which 5,33,000 households are already covered and 4,54,000 households are pending which will be covered very soon under the Har Ghar Nal Se Jal mission.

India's Nuclear programme for improving quality of life: Dr Jitendra

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NEW DELHI: Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh on Saturday said that India's Nuclear Programme is for improving quality of life and not for causing harm to human life.

Dr Jitendra said that India has covered a long journey since the inception of the Atomic Energy programme by Dr Homi Bhabha based on the peaceful use of nuclear energy. He said that time has come to renew the noble pledge of Dr Bhabha as "Sankalp se Siddhi".

Dr Jitendra was chairing the meeting of the reconstituted Joint Hindi Sahakar Samiti of Department of Atomic Energy and Department Space at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi. He said,

applications of nuclear energy and radiation have played a significant role in the field of electricity production, agriculture, medicine, health, food preservation, improved seeds varieties, water purification technologies, urban waste management technologies, industrial application of radioisotopes and radiation technologies particularly in petroleum industry. He, however, lamented that most of the societal applications of nuclear energy are not much known to the people.

The Minister also

informed that Gamma Irradiation Technology is used for inhibition of sprouting in bulbs and tubes, insect disinfestation of cereals, pulses and grains, microbial decontamination (hygienization) of dry spices etc., for preservation/shelf life extension by applying pre-determined radiation doses. He said, even during COVID pandemic, the Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) came out with novel innovations like COVID BEEP, India's first indigenous, cost effective, wireless physiological parameters monitoring system for COVID-19 patients.

Dr Singh said that Tata Centre Mumbai, which is running a number of Cancer Hospitals across the country works under the aegis of the Department of Atomic Energy. He also informed that the Department of Atomic Energy and Tata Memorial Centre, with assistance from Tata Trust, is setting up additional units in Bihar, Assam and Uttarakhand.

Dr Jitendra called upon the members of the Committee and Department of Rajbhasha to take steps to popularise the achievements of Space and Nuclear Technology among the common through proper translation in Hindi and Vernacular languages through professional

translators. He also laid stress on proper translation of Science textbooks and literature in Hindi and regional languages.

Dr Singh said, under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Department of Rajbhasha which is a part of Home Ministry headed by Amit Shah, is working a sea change is being witnessed that most of the official works in Central Ministries and Departments are being done in Hindi. The Minister underlined that that Prime Minister Narendra Modi always pitched for using vernacular languages in promoting science communication in a "big way" to develop "love of science" in the youth and underlined that language should not be a barrier but a facilitator.

Dr Jitendra said that Space Technology is being applied in diverse fields and sectors to bring "ease of living" for common man. ISRO scientists briefed the committee meeting about the widespread application of Space Technology in fields like Agriculture, Soils, Water Resources, Land Use/Land Cover, Rural Development, Earth and Climate Studies, Geosciences, Urban & Infrastructure, Disaster Management, Support, Forestry and Ecology and Using Geospatial Technology as

a tool for enabling Decision Support Systems. The Minister said that in the recent past Drone Technology is being used to bring a new revolution in the field of agriculture. He was informed by members of the Advisory Committee that some of the MBBS syllabus will be taught in Hindi at Gandhi Medical College Bhopal from May this year and efforts are on to translate the entire curricula through medical and scientific professional experts.

FCS&CA B'pora celebrates success of PM-GKAY

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BANDIPORA: The Department of Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs (FCS&CA) on Saturday organised a day-long programme to celebrate the success of Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PM-GKAY) as part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations.

Vice-Chairperson District Development Council Bandipora, Kounser Shafeeq was the chief guest on the occasion while DDC member Ghulam Mohi-ud-Din Rather, Assistant Director FCS&CA Bilal Ahmad, Sarpanches and Panchs also attended the function.

Speaking on the occasion AD FCS&CA said the reason for celebration of this

Kavinder reiterates Govt's commitment to provide tap water to every household

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JAMMU: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta, while reiterating Modi Govt's commitment to provide tap water to every household under 'Jal Jeevan Mission', has urged the people to make judicious use of water.

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