

Director Projects NHPC visits Sawalkote HE Project



Biswajit Basu, Director (Projects), NHPC Ltd. inspecting key-components of Sawalkote HE Project.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
KISHTWAR: Biswajit Basu, Director (Projects), NHPC Ltd. visited Sawalkote HE Project (1856MW), the largest hydropower project in J&K being developed by NHPC on Friday.

In his visit, Basu inspected various key components of the Project. He visited Dam, road access tunnel, bridge

and other identified key sites of the Project and reviewed progress of the project so far. Rajan Kumar, Executive Director-Regional Head & Head of Project, highlighted activities undertaken by NHPC during past few months towards development of the Project. He informed that shortly infrastructure development activities will

further pick up once the sanction from Govt is received.

Basu also had an interaction with local people and Sarpanchs of local Panchayats. Speaking on the occasion, Basu informed that construction of Sawalkote Project will significantly enhance the development in this region. NHPC through CSR shall take up a number of activities in the area that will further boost the growth & development process in the area.

Basu also inaugurated the Administrative Block at Project Head Quarter, Tangar Complex and carried out plantation in the complex. He appreciated the work being done by the Project team and encouraged them to work hard.

Councilor Sulakshna starts construction work of bridge



Councilor of Ward No. 5 Sulakshna Magotra starting construction work of a bridge at Udhampur.

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UDHAMPUR: Councilor of Ward No. 5 Sulakshna Magotra started the construction work of a bridge in her ward worth of rupee sixty lakh.

Giving the details, Sulakshna Magotra said that the construction of this bridge was long pending demand of this locality and she took up this matter with LG for approval and funds, resulting authorities concerned have sanctioned this bridge. Councillor Sulakshna thanked LG J&K UT for appropriate and necessary timely action. Whereas Congress leader Brij Mohan Sharma has expressed that first time in history a Councillor is succeeded to sanction a huge amount for the construction of bridge.

Devika Project: DDC Udhampur calls for timely completion of projects, restoration of dug-up lanes

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

UDHAMPUR: To review the status and progress of ongoing developmental works being executed by UEED under project Devika, District Development Commissioner, Udhampur, Krittika Jyotsna on Friday visited construction sites of three Sewerage treatment plants and inspected the progress of ongoing works.

Superintendent Engineer, UEED, Vineet Gupta; Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mohammad Syed Khan; Assistant Commissioner Revenue, Rafiq Ahmed Jaral; Xen UEED, Shiv Kumar Gupta; EO MC, Amit Choudhary and other officers of concerned department accompanied the DDC.

The Deputy Commissioner also visited the construction sites of housing colony, Bharat Nagar; Sangoor; Sewerage treatment plant, Sailan Talab, Nagrota road, Sewerage treatment plant -2 Onara morh, Sewerage treatment plant-3 Sui and Jail Road and



DDC Udhampur, Krittika Jyotsna at project site.

inspected ongoing development work over there. While inspecting the works, the DDC asked the executing agency to gear up men and machinery and complete the ongoing works within the stipulated time frame.

She stressed on inter-departmental coordination for smooth execution of their respective plans, especially the restoration works to minimize the inconvenience to the general public and saving of time and resources. The Executing agencies were directed to ensure the completion of repair work of Women College, Sui Chakhar and

other roads within a week's time.

The DDC asked the concerned departments to expedite the ongoing works of STPs and fixed a timeline and strictly adhered to it. The SE was asked to bifurcate zone wise JEEs to keep a tab on the quality of work including use of standard material. The Executing agencies were also asked to restore dug up lanes immediately and ensure permanent restoration of roads at the earliest. The SE UEED was asked to set up an institutional mechanism for restoration of sites where sewage pipes have been laid.

Over Rs 200 cr liabilities of MGNREGA pending for 2016-17, 2017-18: Bhagat

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

KISHTWAR: Senior National Conference NC Leader Ajeet Bhagat had said that Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) scheme has failed to provide succor to its beneficiaries as payments worth over Rs 200 crore for mason and material have not been released for the year 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 till date for the reasons best known to authorities at the helm of affairs.

Bhagat said that the unnecessary delay in release of payment has led to a lot of public resentment as the basic purpose of the scheme to provide 100 days employment guarantee to people in rural areas has been totally killed. Bhagat said that the people who worked on the schemes in different parts of erstwhile State of Jammu and Kashmir are now running from pillar to post for release of payments but to no avail as the authorities at

the helm of affairs don't pay heed to their woes and pleas, But government still did not take any step in releasing the same and provide succor to the people who worked on the scheme,

What has irked the people and led to the brewing resentment among them is that the Government withheld the payment on the pretext that the MGNREG Act has been violated in the year 2016-17 and 2017-18 while executing the development works in rural areas of Jammu and Kashmir.

Bhagat said that the government asked all concerned DCs to hold the investigation and submit the report but much to the chagrin of the hapless people who worked on these schemes the report has not been submitted by the concerned DCs till date.

Bhagat said, adding the callousness on the part of authorities has put the people who worked on these schemes to lot of problems

and economic hardships.

Bhagat said if the irregularities were made in the construction of works by defying the rules or Act but that is not the fault of labourers or masons who worked on these schemes in the different parts of the erstwhile State.

Bhagat said that the irregularities were made by officers concerned and for the same the laborers can't be made to suffer by withholding their payment,

Ajeet Bhagat said as per Act 60 percent should be labour component while 40 percent should be material component in execution of works under MGNREGA. But irregularities were made by BDOs, ACDs and Executive Engineers concerned.

Bhagat said if any officer gave approval to 90 percent material and 10 percent labour component for that the labourers can't be held responsible and put to problem.

Bhagat said the BDOs under the Act are empowered to sanction the works amounting upto Rs two lakh while ACDs is authorised to sanction up to Rs five lakh. Till Technical Sanction (TS) is not accorded by the Departmental authorities the work can't be executed,

Bhagat said that the liabilities are pending since then, putting the people who worked on these schemes to lot of trouble, Bhagat said that the people are so desperate after not getting payments till date that some have sold their land and others the ornaments of their wives to feed themselves but none bothered for their plight.

Ajeet Bhagat said that the peculiar situation has taken place in blocks of Chenab Valley Kishtwar, Doda and Ramban districts where BDOs totally defied the Government instructions asking Executive Engineer Rural Engineering Wing (REW) to hold physical ver-

ification of works. But the same could not be done due to the non cooperation of concerned BDOs who totally defied the orders forcing the Executive Engineer in his capacity as chairman of the Verification Committee to seek intervention of District Development Commissioners of Chenab Valley.

Delaying the verification and non compliance of orders by BDOs has blocked the payment of the labourers and masons who are making daily rounds of concerned offices but to no avail.

Bhutyal re-elected Distt President JKESL, forms new body

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UDHAMPUR: A meeting of the District J&K Ex-Services League was held under the chairmanship of Capt. Ramesh Singh Sombria (Retd.) in which block and Tehsil President and Tehsil delegates participated to form new body of JKESL District Udhampur.

After making common consensus Dalbir Singh Bhatyal was elected as District President JKESL Udhampur, while Ex HFO Dev Raj Sharma Advocate was elected as Tehsil President



Newly elected President and others member during the meeting.

ident, Hav. Kulbushan Singh Bhandral -Tehsil President Majalta, Hav. Keerat Singh Thakur - Tehsil President

Ramnagar, Hony Capt Ali, Mohd Khan Tehsil-President Chenani, Subedar Satdev Singh-Tehsil President

Basantgarh, NK Yashpaul-Tehsil president Latti, Hony Nb Sub. Shankar Singh-Tehsil President Panchari, Hav. Rajinder Singh-Tehsil President Mountri while Sub Maj. Karnail Singh - Council member.

Sub. Maj. Karnail Singh, Nk Rajinder Kumar, Nk Sanjay Kumar, Hony Capt Moti Lal, Sub. Kulbir

Singh, Sep.. Yub Raj Katoch, Hony. Capt. Balbir Singh Jamwal, Hav. Shankar Singh, Hav. Faqir Singh, Hav. Kuldeep Singh, Nk Balbir Singh, Sub. Maj Kulwant Singh, Sub. Subash Chander, Hony.Capt RamLal, Hony Capt Palam Sigh, Nb.Sub Tara chand, Hav Rajbir Singh, Hav. Rattan Lal Khajuria nominated as delegates and committee members of District JKESL. Speaking in the meeting newly elected president Dalbir Singh Bhatyal urged the newly elected president, delegate/Committee member of Block, Tehsil and District Udhampur (JKESL) to perform their duties towards the welfare of League Sincerely so that they can come upto the expectations of the JKESL members and always do the needful and welfare activities to uplift it.

GDC Khour organises activity on ‘Save the Plants & Birds’




Students watering the plants in college premises.

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KHOUR: Keeping in view the scorching heat due to rise in temperature, the NSS unit of GDC Khour organised a watering activity in the college premises. The Staff members along with principal of the college, Prof. (Dr) T K Sharma and NSS volunteers watered the plants and placed water pots for the birds in different locations of the campus to rescue them from these severe summers.

Speaking on the occasion the principal of the college emphasized upon the importance of plants and birds in our ecosystem and the need to save them during this extreme weather conditions. He also encouraged the volunteers to undertake these activities on a regular basis to conserve our nature. The programme was organized by NSS Programme Officer Prof. Gurvinder Kour under the able guidance of Prof. (Dr) T K Sharma, Principal, GDC Khour.



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RESEARCH FOREST DIVISION, JAMMU.
E-TENDERING**

Notice Inviting Tender: e-NIT No.05 of 2022-23. Dated: 18.05.2022.

For and on behalf of the Lt Governor, Jammu & Kashmir State, e-tenders are invited from approved and eligible contractors registered with J&K UT Govt./Central Govt. Organizations having experience and knowledge of the work of nursery raising and maintenance of the plants involving the following items of works:-

Name of Work: MAINTENANCE OF PLANTS IN LALYAL NURSERY AS PER GIVEN DESCRIPTION UNDER CAPEX 2022-23. (W.e.f. 01.06.2022 to 31st March).

S.N o.	Name of work	Adv. Cost (Rs. in lac)	Earnest Money (Rs.)	Class of Contractor	Cost of Tender Document	Time of completion	Receiving /Opening Authority
1	<p>Maintenance of plants in poly bags of size 9" x 6", 7" x 5" & 5" x 5" & NR plants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resowing of seeds in failed polybags to be supplied including cost and labour as per the ordered quantity Care of new germination including shade/hatching whenever required Regular weeding in polybags including disposal of weeds Cleaning of bunds and interspaces of plots and beds and all nursery area on daily basis including disposal of weeds in a way to keep them always free from any weeds/grasses for hygiene purposes. Irrigation of plants as per requirement from available irrigation 	<p>5x5=20000x1.83= Rs 0.366 5x7=20000x1.83= Rs 0.366 6x9=22500x2.66= Rs 0.598 Total =Rs 1.33 Note: 1. The payments shall be made @ 15 paise per month per polybags of Size 5" x 5" & 5" x 7". 2. The payments shall be made @ 22 paise per month per polybags of Size 6" x 9".</p>	2660/-	A,B, C & D	Rs.600/-	Maintenance Work as detailed to be done on daily basis uptill 29/3/2023 or till the completion of germination and till the lifting of plants from nursery	Tender Opening Committee
	<p>facility including that by water tankers to be procured from market incase of shortage of water in irrigation source of nursery and also incase of fault in motor pumps (whose maintenance and running and POL expenses shall be liable on contractor within the maintenance cost.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cost of diesel/petrol/electricity, their repair/renovation and maintenance for running motor pumps for irrigation. Maintenance cost shall include maintenance of nursery equipment including motor pumps/irrigation channels/pipes/valves/sprinklers whenever required. Cost of seed/cuttings/transplants required for sowing/resowing/ transplant Shifting and grading of polybags as per requirement as directed by supervisory staff <p>Dressing of bunds/boundaries of plots/paths including general nursery maintenance and use of chemical /physical/biological methods to keep the plants and nursery free from any sort of disease and insect and animal/bird attack.</p>						

The e-NIT consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, bill of quantities,(B.O.Q), Set of Terms & Conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental Website:- www.jktenders.gov.in

Position of funds: APPROVED
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Date of opening of Financial Bid(online)	25.05.2022 at 03:50 PM (in the Office of Conservator of Forests, Research circle, Forest Complex, J&K FRI,JANIPUR, Jammu).

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