

Mula Ram, Hari Singh visit shelter camps in Mishriwala Jammu amidst border tension

Listen to public issues, ask them to stay united, support Indian forces

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JAMMU: Senior Congress leader and former Minister Mula Ram, along with Hari Singh Chib, Vice President of the Jammu and Kashmir Pradesh Congress Committee (JKPCC) incharge District President Jammu Rural (JKPCC), on Friday visited the shelter camps set-up by the district administration at Government Degree College Paloura Mishriwala, and Sahib Baudagi Ashram Misriwala.



Senior Congress leaders Mula Ram and Hari Singh Chib meeting shelling affected people.

The visit was undertaken to assess the condition of residents shifted from villages Gharkal, Pargwal, and adjoining areas due to unprovoked firing from across the border by Pakistan. During the visit, the Congress leaders interacted with the displaced residents and listened to their concerns

amidst escalating tensions along the Indo-Pak border. The people highlighted the lack of basic facilities including shortage of medicines, unhygienic washrooms, and poor sanitation. They also requested essential supplies such as milk and other necessities for small children. Mula Ram, Hari Singh

assured the people that their concerns would be taken up with the Congress High Command. They reiterated the party's deep concern for the welfare of border residents and affirmed that steps would be initiated to ensure immediate relief. "The Congress Party is fully aware of the difficulties faced

by the people living near the border and remains committed to standing by them in these testing times," said Mula Ram. Both leaders said, "We are here on the directions of senior Congress leadership - Mallikarjun Kharge, Rahul Gandhi, K.C. Venugopal, Dr. Naseer Khan, and Karra Sahib- to take stock of the situation and ensure timely support for the affected people." Hari Singh Chib emphasized unity among the people and called for unwavering support to the Indian Army. He reiterated that the Congress Party, under the visionary leadership of Rahul Gandhi and Party President Mallikarjun Kharge and KC Venugopal, Dr. Naseer Hussain Khan and Tariq Hameed Karra sahib remains steadfast in its commitment

to the people of Jammu and Kashmir, especially those living in vulnerable border areas. He assured the affected individuals that the Congress Party would advocate for immediate steps to address their pressing needs and would work to ensure that all necessary assistance is delivered without delay. Both the senior Congress leaders also appealed to the government to urgently address the problems being faced by the affected people, so that they can receive timely relief during this difficult period. Among others present during the visit were Parshotam Singh, Balwan Singh, Surinder Singh, Bittu Rampal, Amit Verma, Tarun Vaid, Kaka Ram, Varinder Mehta, and Sagar Choudhary.

MLA Bani urges Govt to relocate border families to Bani for safety

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BANI: In a strong gesture of solidarity and humanitarian concern, Dr. Rameshwar Singh, Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) Bani, has appealed to both the Central and State Governments to make arrangements for the safe stay of border residents in Bani until peace prevails and the situation at the border normalizes.



MLA Bani Dr. Rameshwar Singh briefing media.

While addressing media persons, Dr. Rameshwar Singh stated that during times of border tension and cross-border firing, the lives of residents living in these areas are severely affected. "It is our duty to ensure their safety and dignity. We have prepared Bani to extend all possible help and shelter to our brothers and sisters from the border areas," he said. Dr. Singh assured that the people of Bani are wholeheartedly ready to support and accommodate the affect-

ed families and will stand by them in this time of crisis. He highlighted the recurring threat posed by terrorism and the targeting of civilians in the border areas, pointing out that such situations make it impossible for people to lead normal lives in their own villages. Taking a firm stance, Dr. Singh called upon the Central Government to take decisive action against terror activities and secure the lives of Indian citizens living near the border. "We must not allow our people

to live in fear. We urge the authorities to eliminate the terrorist infrastructure across the border and restore peace," he emphasized. Dr. Rameshwar also acknowledged the sacrifice and courage of security forces and demanded a strong and comprehensive strategy to ensure national security. He said that until there is a permanent solution to this problem, the displaced families must be given safe accommodation, food, and medical support.

Lecture on various welfare schemes conducted by Govt at Dharamkot



Army official delivering lecture.

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DODA: Lecture on Various Welfare Schemes by Govt. as a part of an ongoing effort to educate the local population about various government welfare initiatives, a lecture on "Government Welfare Schemes" is organized at Dharamkot on Friday. During the session, Sandeep Singh elaborated on key government schemes, including Pradhan Mantri

Kaushal Vikas Yojna (PMKVY), financial assistance for skill development programs for minorities. He provided in-depth insights into these schemes, aiming to empower youth with knowledge and encourage them to pursue productive and progressive careers. The initiative was well-received by the attendees, with a total of 10 youth and locals participating.

Expressing their appreciation, participants remarked that such informative sessions play a crucial role in guiding the younger generation towards making informed decisions and becoming responsible citizens. The event successfully contributed to raising awareness and fostering a sense of empowerment among the local people.

CEC LAHDC Leh reviews situation of Ladakhi Students in Jammu, Chandigarh, Delhi amid rising tensions

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LEH: In view of recent security alerts and growing concerns among students, Chairman/CEC, LAHDC Leh, Adv. Tashi Gyalson chaired a meeting to review the situation of Ladakhi students currently studying in Jammu, Chandigarh and Delhi.



Chairman/CEC, LAHDC Leh, Adv. Tashi Gyalson chairing a meeting.

The meeting was attended by DC/CEO LAHDC Leh Santosh Sukhadeve, RTO Mohammad Ashraf Bhat, Addl. SP Rigzin Sangdup, DPO Leh Junaid Amin Bhat. Joining virtually were the Presidents of all major student unions from Chandigarh, Delhi, and Jammu. The student representatives briefed the Chairman on the prevailing conditions in their respective areas. While the situation remains largely stable, they shared that students are experiencing mild panic due to

rising uncertainty and ongoing examinations. Concerns have also been raised by parents, particularly due to misinformation and unverified reports circulating on social media. CEC Tashi Gyalson assured that the situation in Jammu, Chandigarh and Delhi is being closely monitored in coordination with the Chief Secretary of J&K and the concerned district authorities. He emphasized that necessary support will

be extended wherever required. He also informed that he has spoken to the DC Jammu, who assured full cooperation and continued monitoring of the situation. Student unions have been advised to stay in touch with the local administration, and coordination is underway to ensure timely response to any developments. As a precautionary measure, the Chairman directed Liaison Officers to

coordinate with transport departments and keep evacuation logistics such as buses ready if needed. Student unions have been instructed to compile lists and maintain coordination to avoid confusion or crowding. CEC stated that should evacuation become necessary, arrangements will be made to temporarily accommodate students at Ladakh Sarai and other designated locations. Similar preparations are

being reviewed for students from Kargil as well. Alternate routes, including the Jammu-Manali road, are also being assessed as part of the overall contingency planning. CEC Gyalson further stated that he is working in close coordination with the UT Administration, student bodies, and concerned officials to ensure a unified and effective response. He urged students and everyone to avoid spreading or acting on rumours and to rely only on official and verified sources for information. The Chairman appealed to everyone to remain calm, united, and connected through official communication channels. He added that a detailed action plan will be kept ready and regular updates will be shared with the student unions as the situation evolves.

BJP leadership visits refugee camp at Bishnah

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BISHNAH: To assess the ground situation and understand the hardships faced by displaced people due to continued Pakistani shelling along the international border, senior BJP leaders visited the refugee camp set up at Government Girls Higher Secondary School in Bishnah. Sat Sharma, President, J&K BJP, Sunil Sharma, Leader of Opposition, Jugal Kishore Sharma, MP (Lok Sabha), Rajiv Bhagat, MLA, Rinku Chaudhary, District President, Ashvani Sharma, former MLA and other BJP leaders met the displaced families from the border affected by Pakistani shelling at Bishnah.



BJP leaders meeting families at refugee camp Bishnah.

While addressing on the occasion, Sat said that the visit aimed to take a ground-level review of the conditions in which the displaced people are currently living and to express the party's commitment to their safety and well-

being. Sat said that the BJP has taken serious cognizance of the repeated misadventures by the Pakistan. He said that the morale of people and the forces is high. But still in wake of the persistent threat to their lives the people directly in range of the Pakistani shelling had to leave their homes. Sharma lauded the measures taken by the administra-

tion to provide the basic essentials to the displaced people. He insisted that there should be surplus supply of things available for the people. Sunil Sharma emphasized the importance of maintaining open and regular coordination with the civil administration to minimize panic among the displaced and to curb the spread of misinformation. "Timely and accurate

communication can help ease the psychological burden on the affected families," he noted. Jugal Kishore Sharma reassured the refugees that the BJP stands firmly with them during this challenging time. "Our party workers are actively coordinating with the administration to ensure that all necessary aid reaches the displaced individuals. We will not leave any stone unturned in providing them the support they deserve," he affirmed. Rajiv Bhagat also reaffirmed the party's commitment and the efforts of administration to take care of all the needs of the displaced families. Raj Singh, Narayan Datt, Surjit Singh, Surat Singh Charak, Jaideep Sambyal, Sumit Sadotra, Surjit Kumar, Sonu Pardhan, Pradeep Gupta, Satish Bharati, Rajeev Sharma and others were also present on the occasion.

INC Akhnoor Unit holds monthly workers' meeting

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AKHNOOR: The Indian National Congress-Akhnoor Unit held its routine monthly workers' meeting on Friday at the meeting hall in Manda, Akhnoor, under the chairmanship of Prof. Ashok Kumar Bhagat, a senior Congress leader from the region. The meeting saw the active participation of numerous senior party leaders and grassroots workers.



Members of INC Akhnoor during the meeting.

Among the prominent attendees were Shri Bansilal Gupta, Shri K. P. Singh, Shri Des Raj (Ex-Sarpanch), Capt. Mani Ram Bhagat, Shri Chaman Lal (Ex-Bank Manager), Shri Bodh Raj (Ex-Bank Manager), Capt. Raspal Dass, Shri Baldev Raj (Ex-ZEO), Shri Rattan Lal (Ex-Headmaster), and several other community leaders and ex-servicemen. The meeting began with a solemn tribute to the 26

innocent tourists from various Indian states who lost their lives in the barbaric terrorist attack by Pakistan-based terrorists at Pahalgam on April 22, 2025. The gathering unanimously condemned the brutal attack and expressed solidarity with the grieving families. Participants also lauded the decisive multi-pronged actions taken by the Government of India to combat terrorism, including diplomatic, economic, and

military measures. Special mention was made of the targeted strikes on nine terrorist camps in Pakistan, which led to significant destruction of terror infrastructure and elimination of militants. In his address, Prof. Ashok Kumar Bhagat highlighted the tense situation along the border; with many panchayat areas and villages relocated to safer zones due to the threat of retaliatory actions. He urged Congress workers to extend full cooperation to

the civil administration, ensuring proper support and facilities for displaced residents. He also cautioned attendees to stay alert against misinformation on social media and emphasized the importance of national unity, sovereignty, and integrity during this critical period. The meeting concluded with a unified resolution to support the nation wholeheartedly, pledging to work with dedication and discipline for the welfare of the people and the country.

DM meets affected families in Poonch, assures continuity of essential supplies

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POONCH: In light of the cross border shelling, the District Magistrate Poonch Vikas Kundal visited several areas of the district to assess the situation, interact with the public, and ensure uninterrupted delivery of essential services. A major focus of the visit



DM Poonch Vikas Kundal interacting with locals.

was on the families affected by the recent tragic events. The DM met with the bereaved families, personally consoled the demise of their loved ones, and stood in solidarity with them in this difficult time. As a mark of immediate support, he disbursed an ex gratia relief of Rs. 6 lakh among the Next of the Kin of those deceased. During the visit, he also

reviewed the availability of critical supplies such as food grains, LPG, medicines, and drinking water. He assured the public that all essential services are being maintained and that the administration is fully committed to addressing the needs of every resident. He directed concerned departments to remain on high alert and continue working in close coordination to ensure timely serv-

ice delivery, especially in remote and vulnerable areas. The District Magistrate urged citizens to stay calm, avoid rumors, and cooperate with the administration in maintaining peace and order. Senior officials from the civil and police administration accompanied him during the visit.

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REASI: Additional District Magistrate Reasi, in exercise of powers vested under section 163 Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, has prohibited the transportation of bovine animals without seeking permission from the District Magistrate within the jurisdiction of District Reasi. The order shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force for a period of two months. However, it shall not apply in case of transportation of bovine animals by the Government departments for departmental purposes. Any violation of this order shall invite punitive action under section 223 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023.

DC visits DH Poonch, reviews healthcare arrangements

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POONCH: Deputy Commissioner Poonch Vikas Kundal conducted a comprehensive visit to District Hospital Poonch on Friday to review healthcare arrangements and ensure the facility is fully prepared to meet medical needs in the eventuality of emergency. During the visit, the Deputy Commissioner interacted with patients undergoing treatment and enquired about the quality of care, availability of essential medicines, and support services. He conducted a thorough inspection of various hospital wards, emergency units, and other key depart-

ments to assess overall readiness and responsiveness. The Chief Medical Officer (CMO), Medical Superintendent and other senior officials from the district administration accompanied him during the visit. They briefed the Deputy Commissioner on the hospital's functioning, recent patient inflow, and ongoing improvements in medical infrastructure. Given the prevailing circumstances in the border region, the Deputy Commissioner Poonch emphasized the importance of maintaining a high state of preparedness in the health sector. He directed hospital authori-

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