

CCI delegation calls on Principal Secretary HUDD; discusses issues pertaining to Jammu traders

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JAMMU: A delegation of Chamber of Commerce and Industries (CCI) led by its President Arun Gupta today met Dheeraj Gupta, Principal Secretary Housing and Urban Development and discussed issue pertaining to traders of Jammu city.

The delegation comprised of Anil Gupta, Sr. Vice President, Rajeev Gupta, Jr. Vice President and Rajesh Gupta, Secretary. While Vice Chairman JDA Pankaj Magotra and Commissioner JMC Rahul Yadav were also present during the meeting.

While speaking on the occasion, Arun Gupta raised the long pending demand of Transport Nagar area regarding black topping and construction of drains, etc. over there.

The Principal Secretary assured the Chamber team that the tenders for this will be floated in this month and the issue will be resolved as early as possible.

While discussing the matter regarding execution of lease deeds in respect of shops in Shiv Market Railway Station Jammu, the Principal Secretary Housing and Urban Development directed the VC JDA to come up with a clear picture before 18th of this month so that this issue can be resolved once for all.

Thereafter the matter relating to Lease deeds / rent issue of Bahu Plaza was also discussed and a similar assurance was given by the



CCI delegation led by its President Arun Gupta during meeting with Dheeraj Gupta, Principal Secretary, Housing and Urban Development Deptt.

Principal Secretary and JDA authorities were directed to come up with a clear road map so that this issue is also settled once for all.

While discussing the issue of allottees of the Bus Stand Shopping complex, Sh. Arun Gupta said that JDA should not ask to the shopkeepers of Bus Stand to pay rent because as and when the shops were allotted to them no basic amenities like electricity and drainage system were available and are not still existing.

Arun Gupta also raised the issue of the Change in Land Use (CLU) notification which was issued in December; and apprised the Principal Secretary about the problem being faced by the common person concerning the notification; after a threadbare discussion, the Principal secretary assured the delegation that within next few days, the department will issue the new notification with an amendment to resolve the same.

While speaking on the occa-

sion, Sh. Arun Gupta said that the smart parking is not acceptable to the traders and the public of Jammu. The rent being charged in some

areas indicates that the parties who have clearly been successful in the tender process have not come up with a clear policy. Moreover

the charges of smart parking are very high and we request that no parking slots should be given to any agency.

Chamber clearly indicated that they are not in favour of encroachment but the way Corporation is working is totally unacceptable. The ongoing drive by the corporation is disturbing the hundreds of the traders/people without gaining anything. We request that a proper mechanism be adopted to punish only those who are violating the law without disturbing the traders and the people of Jammu city," Gupta added.

Cong plans protest next week against BJP's politics of vendetta in Jammu

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Congress will hold a peaceful sit-in here against the BJP-led central government's politics of vendetta on June 13, the day when its leader Rahul Gandhi will appear before the Enforcement Directorate in connection with a money-laundering case, a party spokesperson said on Saturday.



JKPCC senior leaders during a meeting at Jammu.

The decision to stage a peaceful dharna' on June 13 outside party headquarters at Shaheed

Chowk here was taken at a meeting of senior party leaders, chaired by Pradesh Congress

Committee president G A Mir, the spokesperson said.

He said the sit-in protest will start at 9.30 am by senior leaders and activists from different areas and followed by another batch of senior leaders and workers, if need be, till Gandhi's return from the ED office.

It was decided in one voice that the party shall solidly stand behind the leadership of

(Congress president) Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi and aggressively fight against the politics of vendetta by the BJP government against the party, especially Gandhi family, the spokesperson said.

Meanwhile, the meeting also condemned the attempts to provoke religious clashes in the country and in Jammu and Kashmir and appealed to

the people to defeat the designs of divisive forces trying to create division and hatred in the society.

The meeting demanded stern action against the forces of provocation who want to create communal divide under the nose of BJP government in the country and in J&K , the spokesman said.

Secretary visits limestone mines in Kashmir; reviews extraction works



Secretary Mining Deptt, Amit Sharma inspecting site map of captive limestone mines.

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SRINAGAR: Secretary, Mining Department, Amit Sharma, on Saturday visited captive limestone mines located near Khummoh Industrial Estate at Srinagar to review ongoing mining operations there.

He was accompanied by Joint Director, Geology and Mining, Kashmir, Nisar Ahmed and DMO Srinagar, Javid Ahmed Rather besides other officials of the department. Secretary visited the active limestone mining sites and inspected the ongoing extraction works there. He asked the officers to ensure that all norms are being complied with strictly during conduct of mining operations. Secretary emphasized that there should be total compliance of the NGT directions and all endeavours should be made for getting environmental clearances in time. He asked the concerned for initiating strict action against the defaulters, if found any on this account, under the provisions of various laws.

Amit mentioned that limestone is a major mineral which falls under the purview of central laws and it should be ensured that the mining of major minerals are done while

complying with all directions being issued regarding mining of major minerals by the Ministry of Mining.

He expressed satisfaction over the ongoing works at this captive site wherein extracted limestone is being directly used as raw material in cement manufacturing plants located adjacent to these mining sites. He directed the concerned for taking requisite steps for e-auctioning of limestone at other pending sites in the UT should be completed at the earliest so that public could be benefitted.

Secretary asked the officers to channelize efforts towards exploration and conduct of geological studies which is core mandate of the department.

Amit Sharma further directed for completion of ongoing exercise of creation of online e-Marketplace for purchasers of minor minerals and creation of e-Challans strictly as per timelines so as to bring total transparency in ongoing Mining Operations inside entire UT of Jammu and Kashmir. The officers assured that all returns are being filed on a regular basis apart from conduct of surprise checks by the teams at all the active sites from time to time.

DC Jammu reviews working of Revenue Deptt

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JAMMU: Deputy Commissioner, Avny Lavasa reviewed the functioning of Revenue Department besides and discussed revenue related matters in the district in a meeting held at her office on Saturday.

The Deputy Commissioner took a detailed review of activities including writing of jamabandis and their digitisation, writing of khasra girdawari registers, attestation of mutations, demarcation of state land, eviction of encroachment from state land, status of disposal of court cases, scanning of revenue documents etc. The DC set timelines for the concerned officers for speedy submission of details of mutations and updation of Jamabandis/Girdawari.

She also asked the officers to launch anti-encroachment drives to vacate State, Kaheharai and common land in their respective jurisdictions. She directed tehsildars for speedy disposal of court cases related to revenue.

ADC L&O Sherpa Minga, ADC, ADM Satish Sharma, ACR Vijay Kumar, SDMs and tehsildars along with senior officers from the department were present in the meeting.

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- National Education Policy, 2020
 - A paradigm shift towards competency based education
 - Recognizing and fostering the unique abilities of students
 - Equipping teachers with the latest technologies and teaching methodology
- 320 new Universities, 7 new IITs and 7 new IIMs in last eight years
- National Testing Agency (NTA) formed to conduct combined entrance examinations for admissions in higher educational institutions of the country
- Free training to 1.36 crore youth under PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana for better employment opportunities
- Number of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) increased by almost 46% to 14,740 in last eight years
- About 70,000 recognized start-ups in the country; Youth become job creators; Number of unicorns grows to 100
- More than 9,500 Atal Tinkering Labs giving wings to the innovation by youth
- Best ever performance by Indian sportspersons in Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics, 2020
- Promotion of sports culture in the country with important initiatives like Khelo India Centres, 'TOPS' scheme, scholarship scheme for talented sportspersons, establishment of country's first sports university



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— Narendra Modi —

