

# LG Mathur inaugurates 500 LPM PSA Oxygen Plant at CHC Sankoo

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KARGIL: The Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, RK Mathur, visited Suru Valley on the second day of his three-day visit to Kargil.

Chairman, LAHDC Kargil, Feroz Ahmad Khan; Member of Parliament from Ladakh, Jamyang Tsering Namgyal; Deputy Commissioner, Kargil, Santosh Sukhdev; Senior Superintendent of Police, Kargil, Anayat Ali Chaudhary and Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM), Sankoo, Mohd Haneef, accompanied LG Mathur during the tour.

LG Mathur inaugurated the 500 LPM PSA Oxygen Plant set up at Community Health Centre (CHC), Sankoo under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds of NHPC Ltd and District Capex Budget in the presence of Chairman of LAHDC Kargil, MP Ladakh, Executive



Lt Governor Ladakh, RK Mathur inaugurated 500 LPM PSA Oxygen Plant set-up at CHC Sankoo.

Councillor of LAHDC Leh, Mohsin Ali and Group General Manager, NHPC Ltd, Bikram Singh.

Chief Medical Officer, Kargil, Dr Munawar Hussain, briefed LG about various medical facilities available at CHC Sankoo and requested for intervention in getting skilled manpower to operate the equipment.

A number of delegations called on LG Mathur during his visit to Sankoo Valley. A delegation comprising Councillor, Sankoo, Syed Ahmad Razvi;

Chairperson, Block Development Council (BDC), Sankoo, Mehdi Akhane; Naib Sarpanch, Nagma Kussar-Sankoo; Tohir Hussain Sagar; PRI members of Khalamarpoo Chumikehan and BJP Mandal Sankoo raised several issues related to the development of their villages, viz. request for granting district status to Sankoo sub-division; setting up of a full-fledged Government Degree College in Sankoo; request for sanctioning of Developmental Authority for

Sankoo sub-division to promote tourist activities; setting up a Fire and Emergency Service Center at Sankoo; declare Sankoo as a Municipal area; upgradation of CHC Sankoo to Sub-District Hospital; construction of a tunnel at Samar La Faroon for diversion of water from Drass River for irrigation purposes; creation of separate PHE and I&FC departments at Sankoo; sanctioning of lift irrigation systems from Thaboo to Khalamarpoo for irrigation purposes; connecting the water pipe connections being laid under Jal Jeevan Mission with another source; sanctioning of lift irrigation project for Brok Dokshar, Yokma Fraith and Chuli Fraith for irrigation purposes; early completion of the NH301 Kargil-Sankoo Road; sanctioning of an airport at Khumbathang in TSG block, etc.

# Traffic Police seizes over 150 vehicles without HSRPs



Traffic police personnel along with seized vehicles without HSRPs.

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JAMMU: Traffic Police City Jammu seized over 150 vehicles who were plying without having HSRP (High Security Registration Plate) since last 2/3 days.

The special traffic naka's were established on daily basis in different parts of the city led by DySP's concerned under the supervision of Addl SP Traffic Raj Paul Singh and seizure drive was conducted under the direct and overall supervisions of Dr Koshal Sharma JKPS, SSP

traffic city Jammu.

The seizure drive is closely monitored by Vivek Gupta DIG traffic range Jammu and Vikramjit Singh IGP traffic J&K.

Dr Koshal Sharma, SSP traffic said that it is mandatory for vehicles to have high security number plates and further added that HSRPs have helped to reduce the number of vehicle thefts and also identify the stolen vehicles and can prevent misuse of stolen vehicles by ANEs. "The idea of the spl drive is

to sensitise commuters about the importance of HSRP. An in-built chip on the HSRP helps in scanning the records of the vehicles and the number plate also reflects better at night," said RajPaul Singh Addl SP traffic.

SSP Traffic City, Jammu told that such drives are an ongoing process and advisory regarding HSRP number plates has already been issued by the Transport commissioner earlier wherein it was urged upon drivers to install the HSRP number plates by 15 June.

SSP Traffic City Jammu again appealed to the general public to get their vehicles fitted with HSRPs who have not done till now.

"Since last 2/3 days we have seized nearly 150 vehicles on different parts of city Jammu from Patta Bohri Talab Tillo, Satwari, Kunjwani, Narwal, Paloura, Ban Talab Janipur, Ambphalla etc", SSP said.

# Police foils attempt by Army aspirants to block highway in Kathua; Cong stages protest in Jammu against 'Agnipath'

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KATHUA/JAMMU: Police on Saturday foiled an attempt by Army aspirants to block Jammu-Pathankot highway in Kathua district of Jammu and Kashmir, where youth Congress activists also staged a protest in the winter capital demanding immediate rollback of the new Agnipath scheme.

A group of youth, who have already cleared physical and medical tests and were waiting for their written examination to join the Army over the past couple of years, staged a demonstration against the new recruitment policy at Chadwal in Kathua district, officials said. They said the protesters, chanting slogans against the scheme and the BJP, tried to block the Jammu-Pathankot highway but their attempt was thwarted by police who used mild lathicharge to chase

# In remote Gurez, after political reach-out, we need administrative reach-out: Dr Darakhshan

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GUREZ: BJP National Executive Member & party Spokesperson, Dr Darakhshan Andrabi on Saturday concluded her three day Public Outreach Programme held in connection with 8 years of Modi government.

Dr Andrabi convened a meeting of local administration including officers from all departments to review the public welfare measures & programmes of the government at the grass root level.

She stressed upon the need for administrative outreach after this political outreach of hers.

"This area has been left to backwardness for seven decades by the earlier regimes but now things have to change. No bureaucratic laxity will be tolerated. We all are for the people



BJP National Executive Member & party Spokesperson, Dr Darakhshan Andrabi chairing a meeting.

and any officer who fails to serve people will be put to task," said Dr Darakhshan Andrabi.

She said that despite being represented for decades by the ruling party members, this area has remained so backward that one feels ashamed of the political exploiters.

She assured the people that she will return to this area after a couple of

months to assess the progress on grievance redressal by local administration.

"The Education, Jalshakti and Roads & Buildings Department have to focus on providing basic amenities to the people of Gurez on priority to realize the dream of Antodaya envisioned by PM Narendra Modi during the past eight years," said Andrabi.

# Narwal Mandi to remain closed from June 24-26

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JAMMU: The Vegetable Fruit Association, Narwal Sabzi Mandi, Jammu, has decided to close down market from June 24 to 26, 2022 for observing summer vacations.

In a meeting of the Jammu Vegetable & Fruit Association held today under the leadership of President Surinder Singh (Kala) alongwith other members of the association.

In view of the heat wave prevailing across the Jammu division, the members of Association has decided to declare summer vacation from June 24 to 26.

# ROC J&K offers Legal Traineeship programme for law graduates, under-graduates

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SRINAGAR: Following approval of competent authority accorded by Union Ministry of Corporate Affairs to extend legal traineeship programme for fresh law graduates and under-graduate law students by another year, the AROC and Official Liquidator Haamid Bukhari has issued letter to all the law schools and Universities within J&K requesting them to nominate 4-5 law students for the said programme. As per an official communiqué, the letter mentions the terms and conditions for the said Internship course, further students are advised to apply through the departmental route only and no application shall be accepted if not forwarded through proper channels. Meanwhile, this is first of its kind programme where-in, law students of J&K would also get an exposure to work with the Government of India's offices at both the places Jammu and Srinagar and would learn the new aspects like Corporate Law and related compliances. The development of Corporate Culture in J&K is very important and this should serve as a first step in the right direction. It is learnt that for the past two years, only Law School University of Kashmir has been nominating students for the said programme and two successful batches culminated their legal traineeship program in the years 2020 & 2021 respectively.

# Adjust all PM package employees in Migrant Relief Offices Jammu: Pandita

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JAMMU: Jagti Tenement Committee (JTC) & Soan Kashmir front (SKF) J&K, who are already protesting from past 596 days in support of long pending demands of community, urged Government for taking necessary measures to adjust all KP employees or those working under Prime Minister Employment package in Valley at Migrant Relief Offices in Jammu.

While addressing protesters, President JTC & SKF, Shadi Lal Pandita said that situation in Kashmir is not good due to rising terrorism and in such circumstances KP employees will not be able to perform their duties in their respective offices at Kashmir valley. "As such, all PM package employees and other KPs working in valley should be adjusted in migrant relief offices of Jammu for their attendance till situation normalizes," said Pandita, adding that Government should first bring peace in Kashmir valley and settle entire KP community back in Valley besides fulfilling all their pending demands, after while PM package employees will be able to perform their duties in Kashmir. Pandita further said Kashmir is our motherland and entire KP community wants rehabilitation in Valley as such Government should ensure proper security for the community members. Others present during the protest included Kashfi Nath Bhat, Kamal Pandita, Inder Labroo, Mohan Krishan Tickoo, Vijay Bakshi, Sunil Suri, Ramesh Kumar Bhat, Satish Pandita, Pintu, Charanjeet Singh, Gurmeet Singh, Ramesh Suri and G M Khan.

# Chairman NHPC briefs Dr Jitendra about Kishtwar power projects

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NEW DELHI: CMD (Chairman & Managing Director), National Hydro Project Corporation (NHPC), A K Singh on Saturday called on Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh and briefed him about the status of the ongoing power projects in Kishtwar, which when completed will turn Kishtwar into a major power hub generating nearly 6000 MV of power.

During the meeting, discussions were held regarding ongoing projects of NHPC in Jammu & Kashmir and prospects of future Business Development in Jammu & Kashmir. CMD NHPC apprised him about the



CMD, National Hydro Project Corporation (NHPC), A K Singh calling on Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh at New Delhi on Saturday.

progress of these projects.

Pakal Dul HE Project (1000MW) is under active construction after river diversion was carried out on 01.11.2021. The project will generate 3230 Mus annually and expected to be completed by July 2025. Kiru HE Project (624 MW) is also under

active construction.

The river diversion was carried out on 31.12.2021 and will generate 2272 Musli annually. The project is expected to be completed by July 2025. The work of Kwar HE Project (40MW) started with the award of Civil Work package on 11.05.2022. The

project will generate 1975 MUs annually and scheduled completion is in Nov 2026. Ratle HE Project (850 MW) is under construction and work started by awarding EPC Contract on 18.01.2022.

The scheduled date of commissioning of the project is 10th Feb 2026 and once commissioned, project will generate 3136 MU annually. Kirthai-II HE Project (930 MW) is under investigation and will generate 3329.52MU annually on commissioning.

With the commissioning of all these projects, the power requirement of Jammu and Kashmir will be improved drastically and will help in achieving the goal of zero carbon emission. He also assured continued support & cooperation of the State to NHPC.

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JAMMU: All the employees of Jal Shakti (PHE) Department belonging to operational and maintenance wing observed complete strike in Jammu division on Friday. A number of employees assembled in their respective Jal Shakti (PHE) Divisions and held massive demonstrations against Government and PHE administration for their failure to fulfill all their pending demands. The employees alleged that despite highlighting their issues several times, no action has been taken by the Government to solve the same till date. The protesting employees further said that they were demanding holding of DPC in time, compassionate appointment under SRO-43 etc but no action has been taken by the Government till date.

While addressing employ-



PHE employees raising slogans during a protest.

ees, senior leaders Subash Verma, Balbader Raj Vaid, Kartar Chand Dubey, Rajesh Jamwal, Ajay Sharma, Raman Kumar, Naresh Kumar, Devinder Singh, Harnam Singh, Himat Kumar, Rakesh Kumar, Mohd Musthtaq, Varun Kumar said that constant ignorance of employees and delaying tactics adopted by the Government forced the employees to resort to such steps like

strike. They further alleged that higher officials in Civil Secretariat have adopted a criminal silence over genuine issues of the employees and they no time to listen to them. The protesting employees further warned that in case the demands their demands will not be fulfilled by July 31, another 24 hours strike which will be announced after completion of ensuing Amarnath Yatra.

# Best performers of EPFO Jammu felicitated



Consistent performers of Regional Office EPFO, Jammu being felicitated.

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JAMMU: Maneesh Agnihotri, Regional PF Commissioner - I, Zonal Office Delhi, Uttarakhand, and Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh along with a team consisting of ASO, SS and SSSA on Saturday visited Regional Office Jammu for administrative inspection from June 15 to 17, 2022. On the last day of his visit, a felicitation programme was held on Saturday in which consistent performers of the Regional Office, Jammu were felicitated.

The officials recognised during the programme included

Sanjeev Kumar, Accounts Officer; Pranav Gupta, ASO; Chiranjee Lal Sharma, SS; Arun Kumar, Sr. SSA; Arpit Singhal, Sr. SSA and Ketan Saxena, Sr. SSA. Maximum work of J & K and Ladakh is being performed from Regional Office, Jammu owing to IT Infrastructure and manpower deployment. All the Officials felicitated have been attending Office in early hours when system speed is conducive to get maximum output. Maneesh Agnihotri appreciated the way the Zone has managed the flow of joint declaration through a positive

and proactive approach. He liked the idea of flexi timings, which was suitable in Covid conditions and also helped the stakeholders.

In his address, he appreciated the progress made by Regional Office in claim settlement, redressal of members' grievances, and efforts made by the office in dissemination of benefits of the EPF & MP Act, 1952 and the schemes framed thereunder among other achievements.

Considering the focus of Head Office towards death cases, the RPFC-I gave order to process the Form 20 in r/o Late Abdul Razaq Khan. Another case of Late Jamshed Ahmed Sheikh employee of M/s Himalayan Motors is under process as there was mismatch in the signature of authorised signatory. The RPFC-I personally called the employer and asked to send a specimen signature on the official whatsapp helpline number of RO Jammu and order to process the claim.

# Seven days after arrest, YouTuber Faisal Wani released on bail

Bail is rule, jail an exception, says Court

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SRINAGAR: Seven days after his arrest, YouTuber Faisal Wani, who had uploaded a video depicting beheading of suspended BJP Spokesperson Nupur Sharma, has been granted bail by Judicial Magistrate (First Class), Srinagar. Nupur Sharma was earlier suspended by BJP for her controversial remarks against Prophet Mohammad on a TV debate, which triggered a massive outrage globally. YouTuber Faisal Wani was booked by the J&K Police under various Sections of Indian Penal Code (IPC) after the video went viral on social media. Wani was arrested on

June 11, after which he moved a bail application through his Advocates Viqas Malik and Muneeb Romaan. It was argued on behalf of Wani that his detention will be unjust especially because custodial interrogation is unwarranted. Reference was also drawn to judgment of the Supreme Court in Arnesh Kumar's case, which had cautioned police forces across the country against effectuating arbitrary and mechanical arrests. The City Court, while granting bail to Wani on a bond of Rs 20,000, observed that 'Bail is the rule and Jail is an exception'.

# GGM Sc College organises Alumni Meet

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JAMMU: GGM Science College Jammu organized an Alumni Meet on Saturday. The meet began with the lighting of lamp by chief guest Dr. Ravender Kumar Tickoo, Principal and alumni.

Dr. Sanjeev Goswami, Convener Alumni Committee welcomed the guests.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Tickoo spoke on the need for constitution of Alumni Association for regular interaction of college students with Alumni. Dr. Rakesh Gupta, coordinator IQAC, gave a glance on the historical growth of the institution including the various development projects under process and new initiatives taken up by the college administration. Ajay Khajuria (Bharti Airtel) deliberated upon the strategy to be adopted and Rajesh Bhushan (Sr. Advocate) explained the bylaws for consti-

tution of College Alumni Association. Arvind Sharma C/JM Samba, Vinay Kumar Sharma Corporate executive, Gagan Sathia Manager Bharti Airtel, Dr. Sunil Gupta Controller BOPEE, Sidharth Mahajan Marketing Head and Bhopinder Singh Sasan Inspector JKP and members joined online interacted with the college administration and gave their feedback and suggestions for the formulation of Alumni Association.

The event was coordinated by the organizing by College Alumni Committee comprised of Dr. Poonam Kamotra, Dr. Vandana Khajuria, Prof. Shridha Anand, Dr. Jagjit Singh, Dr. Saurabh, Prof. Artee Heer and Prof. Asha Sharmah. A vote of thanks was given by Prof. Shridha Anand. Sem 4th Students, Shakhru Sharma and Aarzoo Anand, orchestrated the event.