

Pawan condemns unjustified power curtailment, leads protest rally

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UDHAMPUR: In a resolute display of unity and dissatisfaction, a spirited rally from Subash Park to the DC Office, traversing the entire city, was orchestrated on Tuesday by Pawan Kumar Gupta, Ex-MLA and Former MOS, with hundreds of individuals hailing from diverse localities across the Udhampur District. The collective outpouring of frustration primarily stems from the recent implementation of an unscheduled and unwarranted power curtailment schedule issued by the Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd (JPDCL).

Speaking to the press outside the DC Office Udhampur, Gupta conveyed his profound distress and vehemently criticized the decision taken by Jammu PDCL to enforce protracted power cuts, particularly amid the scorching heat of June. Gupta's impassioned statements mirrored the sentiments shared by the rally participants, who expressed their deep concern over the adverse consequences of such measures on the lives and livelihoods of the local populace.

Gupta further highlighted the disparity in power allocation between Jammu and Kashmir divisions. While the Jammu Division, with a



Former MoS Pawan Kumar Gupta and locals taking out protest rally.

requirement of 1200 MW, is being provided only 1000 MW, the Kashmir Division, with a requirement of 1000 MW, receives an allocation of 1200 MW. Additionally, the revenue targets set for the two divisions are significantly imbalanced, with the Jammu Division expected to generate Rs. 4200 Crore compared to Rs. 2600 Crore for the Kashmir Division. This disproportionate revenue generation places an undue burden on the residents of Jammu Division.

Despite the creation of separate corporations for Jammu and Kashmir divisions by the government to streamline power supply, the Chief Secretary of J&K UT ordered the consolidation of revenue

and expenditure figures of both corporations. This move, according to Mr. Gupta, aims to create a smoke-screen for the poor revenue generation from the Kashmir Division. He emphasized that Udhampur District boasts one of the lowest Aggregate Technical & Commercial (AT&C) losses in the country, standing at approximately 18%. Moreover, the residents of Udhampur have already paid Rs. 158 crore towards the revenue target set by Jammu PDCL, which amounts to Rs. 161 crore for Udhampur district.

Gupta has taken up the matter with the Chief Engineer JPDCL and the Managing Director of the

Corporation multiple times, but they have shown reluctance to address the issue. However, the Divisional Commissioner, Jammu, has assured Gupta that he will resolve the issue at the earliest.

In his pursuit to find a resolution, Gupta recently met with Rajnath Singh, Raksha Mantri, Union of State, during a party office meeting in Jammu, where he discussed the issue of power cuts. Singh has assured Gupta that he will promptly address the matter.

Concluding the rally, Gupta presented a Memorandum through DC Udhampur to the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory. With utmost respect, he implored His Excellency for swift intervention to alleviate the prolonged power cuts plaguing the residents of Udhampur District. Furthermore, Mr. Gupta advocated for the district to be duly recognized for its outstanding achievement of maintaining the lowest Aggregate Technical and Commercial (AT&C) losses, suggesting that refraining from any curtailment would serve as an inspiration for other districts in Jammu and Kashmir to emulate the remarkable example set by Udhampur.

DC Rajouri reviews Drug Control Measures at 12th NCORD Committee Meeting

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RAJOURI: The 12th NCORD Committee meeting was presided over by the Deputy Commissioner of Rajouri, Vikas Kundal to take stock of the implementation of measures taken to curb the menace. The meeting was attended by the concerned officers, who gathered to discuss the pressing issue of drug abuse in the district.

Addressing the meeting, the DC Rajouri emphasized the need to make joint efforts to combat the growing problem of drug abuse in the district. He highlighted the importance of involving the community in this fight and creating awareness among the youth about the harmful effects of drugs.

Senior Superintendent of Police, Amrit Pal Singh, reiterated the commitment of police administration to combat the menace. He lauded the efforts of the officers in curbing drug abuse in the



DC Rajouri, Vikas Kundal chairing a meeting.

district and assured that the police would continue to work towards making Rajouri a drug-free district.

During the course of the meeting, the officers shared their experiences and ideas on how to tackle this issue. The ADCs and SDMs also gave an update on the progress made in their respective areas with regard to drug control measures.

The meeting was marked by a constructive exchange of ideas and suggestions, which will go a long way in boosting the fight against drug abuse in the district.

The 12th NCORD meeting in Rajouri was a significant step towards

making a coordinated effort to combat drug abuse in the district. The meeting ended on a positive note, with everyone reiterating their resolve to make Rajouri a drug-free district.

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Rajeev Kumar Khajuria; ADC Sunderbani, Vinod Kumar Behnal; ADC Kalakote, Krishan Lal; ADC Koteranka, Surinder Mohan Sharma; ADC Nowshera, Kartar Singh; ACR, Imran Rashid Kataria; SDM Thanamandi, Shafeeq Mir; ACD, Vijay Kumar; CMO, Dr. Rajinder Sharma; DSWO, Wakeel Ahmed Bhatt and other concerned officers attended the meeting.

Baba Sidh Gorla Mela on July 2, DC Samba reviews arrangements



DC Samba Abhishek Sharma during visit to Mela site.

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SAMBA: Deputy Commissioner Samba Abhishek Sharma on Tuesday convened a meeting at the Shrine of Baba Sidh Gorla to review the arrangements made for the forthcoming annual mela at the shrine.

Mela Baba Sidh Gorla at village Swankha will be held on July 2, 2023. During the meeting, the DC directed the functionaries of R&B to ensure the blacktopping of

DM Samba imposes ban on transportation of Bovines

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SAMBA: District Magistrate Samba, in exercise of the powers vested under Section 144 Cr.P.C., imposed restriction on transportation of bovine animals such as Cow, Ox, Calf, Buffalo etc. except with the prior permission from his office.

Senior Superintendent of Police Samba shall ensure strict implementation of this order. Any person found violating this order shall be dealt with in accordance with law.

This order shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force for a period of Sixty days from the date of its issuance, if not withdrawn/ rescinded earlier.

NOTICE

I, Manjinder Singh S/o Late Sh. Maan Singh R/o Chak Danak Kool Kolan R.S Pura, Jammu have applied for transfer the lease hold rights of Shop No. 133 Yard No. 1 measuring 12'x15' situated at Transport Nagar, Jammu before the office of Jammu Development Authority, if any body is having any objection with reference to transfer of lease hold rights of said plot he/she may approached JDA Office within 7 days.

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EPFO J&K conducts 'Nidhi Apke Nikat 2.0' - a participatory outreach programme

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DODA: Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) J&K and Ladakh conducted "Nidhi Apke Nikat 2.0"- a participatory outreach programme to benefit stakeholders.

Regional Provident Fund Commissioner J&K and Ladakh, Rizwan Uddin, who was the chief guest, inaugurated the session. He explained the importance of social security in today's scenario. He highlighted the key features of the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 and the Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme, 1976. These two prominent social security schemes are being extended to workers in J&K and Ladakh from November 2019. He also discussed the features of these schemes in detail.

The nominee, of an employee (having been a member of Provident Fund for at least one year of employment) dying while being in service or away



Members of EPFO during the programme at Doda.

from service is entitled to a minimum of Rs 2.5 lakhs of insurance under. "Maximum insurance under the EDLI scheme is Rs 7 lakh. EPFO is paying monthly pensions to the families of employees who met with accidents a few months ago. Wife and children of deceased employees are entitled to a pension. The wife would get pension till her lifetime."

The workshop lasted for more than one hour, where Commissioner Rizwan listened to the issues being faced by the establishments and employees. A hand holding session continued for another hour in which various stakeholders went live and learnt how to deal with the problems faced by them with the help of Mr. Raj Shekhar, SSSA. O. P. Chandail, Principal, Green Model Hr. Sec. School Doda, thanked the P F Commissioner in taking out his precious time to visit this district and help the employees as well as employers. The representatives of various schools and contractors throughout the district participated in this workshop. The PF Commissioner thanked the school management for organizing an interactive session where a number of workers and representatives of adjoining schools were present.

Amongst the attendees were Mohd Arif of Atkhar Public HS School, Priya Kohli, B V HS School, Bladerwah, Imran Ahmad, Chenab Valley School, Gh Hasaan Shah, Faridia Modern HS School, Surinder Singh Katoch, AIER Public School, Yawar Khurwani, Shaheen Public HS School, Shubam Thakur, Paramount HSS, Doda.

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some of the Contractors engaged in Infra Projects on National Highway by NHID-CL and NHAI and other government agencies, P F Commissioner advised all such establishments to enroll all eligible employees as members, otherwise appropriate action would be initiated against Principal Employers and concerned contractor under provisions of EPF and M P Act, 1952. Employers and workers can reach EPFO, Jammu through 6006567049 and ro.jammu@epfindia.gov.in.

Bhartiya College of Education hosts farewell party



Faculty along with students during the event.

were adjudged as Ms. and Mr. Bhartiya respectively.

OFFICE OF THE EXCISE INSPECTOR WHOLESALE TRADE SOUTH, JAMMU PUBLIC NOTICE

IT IS HEREBY INFORMED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC OF GANGYAL, JAMMU THAT SH. RAKESH KUMAR CHOUDHARY S/O SH. KOULA RAM R/O H.NO 51 B/D, GANDHI NAGAR, JAMMU HAS APPLIED IN THE EXCISE DEPARTMENT, J&K GOVT., FOR SHIFTING OF WHOLESALE TRADE LICENSE M/S KISSAN TRADERS (LICENSE NO. 111/JKEL-1) FROM GROUND FLOOR CHOUDHARY TOWERS SEC. 1-1A TRIKUTA NAGAR, JAMMU TO PHASE 2, INDUSTRIAL AREA EXTENSION, GANGYAL, JAMMU. THE UNDERSIGNED HAS ALREADY AFFIXED THE NOTICE AT THE SAID PREMISES CALLING THE OBJECTIONS FROM THE RESIDENTS OF THE AREA. IT IS THEREFORE NOTIFIED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT ANYBODY HAVING ANY OBJECTION TO THE OPENING OF SAID LICENSE PREMISES SHALL APPROACH IN THE OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY EXCISE COMMISSIONER (EXECUTIVE), JAMMU OR THE EXCISE & TAXATION OFFICER, TRADE, JAMMU AT 3RD FLOOR, EXCISE AND TAXATION COMPLEX, RAIL HEAD, PANAMA CHOWK, JAMMU WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE OF THIS NOTICE. AFTER EXPIRY OF THIS PERIOD, THE OBJECTIONS, IF ANY SHALL NOT BE ENTERTAINED. NO:- IWT/CRS/96 SD/- DATED:- 27-06-2023

EXCISE INSPECTOR, WHOLESALE TRADES SOUTH, JAMMU

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Research Forest Division, JKFR Complex, Janipur, Jammu- 180007 E-mail:- dfosfrijmu@gmail.com, Tel:- 0191- 2953938

Corrigendum

Sub: - Raising of polybags in Kassal Nursery (Scheme CAPEX 2023-24). Ref: - e-NIT No 08 of 2023-24. Dated: 25.05.2023.

Due to low response of bids in response to the above cited e-NIT, the said e-NIT is hereby retendered and the new dates of submitting bids and opening of bids shall be as under:-

Last date of submitting online bids : 11.07.2023

Date of Opening of Bids : 12.07.2023

No:- JKFR/Res/J/F-148/2023-24/557-61 Dt:-23.06.2023, DIP/J-4028/23 Dated:- 27/06/2023

Sd/- Divisional Forest Officer Research Forest Division Jammu

Swami Vishwatanand lays foundation stone of 'Hanuman Mandir'



Glimpses of foundation stone laying ceremony.

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POONCH: Atal Pithadhiswar Rajguru Acharya Mahamandaleswar Shri Shri 1008 Shri Swami Vishwatmanand Saraswati Ji Maharaj laid foundation stone of new building of Hanuman

Mandir at Dashnami Akhara, Poonch with full religious zeal. The Bhoomi puja was started with Vedic mantras by Swamiji and group of Acharyas. According to the locals, the earlier temple's building was destroyed due to earthquakes during the past couple of years. So, it was demanded by them and members of Akhara Committee to construct a new temple building and they requested to Swamiji, who is also the head of Dashnami Akhara, to construct the same. Speaking on the occasion, Swamiji said that the construction work would be completed as soon as possible and the idol of Hanumanji would be established and handed over to Akhara committee at an earliest. The prominent personalities of the area were present during this religious event and expressed their gratitude towards Swamiji for starting the work.

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NOTICE

The last date for filling online admission form in ITI has been extended in up to 6th July 2023.

All terms and conditions will remain same as per previous Notification.

No:- ITI/NSR/2023/243-246 Dated:- 23.06.2023 DIP/J-4017/23 Dated:- 27/06/2023

Sd/- Superintendent ITI Nowshera

Office of the Municipal Council Rajouri

E-Auction Notice

For and on behalf of Municipal Council, Rajouri interested intending persons/ firms are hereby requested to participate in the e-auctioning / e-bidding process initially 58 Nos shops (first floor) located at New Bus Stand Salani, Ward No 04 Rajouri on lease basis initially a period of 20 years on premium cum rental basis through e-auction Portal https://jkkm.auction-tiger.net. The persons/ firms should offer higher bids than the minimum official bid fixed and also require to submit online bid security (EMD) refundable for amounting to Rs:- 30000/- (Rupees Thirty thousand only) w.e.f.26-06-2023 (10:00 AM) to 05-07-2023 (04:00PM) along with application fee of Rs 2000/- (Rupees Two thousand only) which is nonrefundable. The conditional offers / bids less than the minimum official bids shall not be accepted. The detailed of the auction /property along with all terms & conditions are available on e-brochure, which can be accessed by clicking on auction tiger https://jkkm.auctiontiger.net & option of e-services tab of the Urban Local Bodies website www.ubiaxnmu.orR Even the interested bidder / firms can also be seen the terms and conditions in the office of the Municipal Council, Rajouri during working hours on any working day:-

Properties on offer Shops	Size	Min. reserve price (in Rs) Applicable taxes to be paid extra by the successful bidder	Earnest Money (EMD)	Monthly Rent
First Floor Shop No 01 to 58	12'X 18" excluding veranda	10.00 Lacs (Rupees ten lac only)	30000/- (Thirty Thousand)	Rs 1000/- (One thousand)

No:-MCR/2023-24/ 292-94 Dated:- 22-06-2023

DIP/J-1353-P/23 Dated:- 27-06-2023

Sd/- Executive Officer Municipal Council, Rajouri