

Several Sikh organisations protest over inaction against revenue official of harassing minorities



■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
RAJOURI/JAMMU: Several Sikh youth organisations staged protests in Rajouri, Nowshera, Sunderbani, and Jammu against the alleged failure of the Poonch district administration to safeguard minority communities.

The protests erupted following multiple complaints of harassment faced by Sikh and Hindu families in Muslim-majority areas of Poonch, which, according to protestors, have not been acted upon by the administration.

Protesters specifically named Naveed Ahmad, a Patwari of Halqa Shindhara in Tehsil Haveli, accusing him of making derogatory remarks against the Sikh community in a video that recently went viral on social media.

The video has sparked outrage, with Sikh leaders calling it an attempt to damage communal harmony in the region. Naveed, a revenue department official, is also accused of tampering with land records belonging to Sikh and Hindu families.

Despite these serious allegations, the District Administration Poonch has

reportedly not taken strong legal action.

Protestors say the only step taken so far is that Naveed Ahmad has been attached to the office by the Additional Deputy Commissioner, which they claim is a mere formality and not a punishment.

The Sikh community is demanding his immediate suspension and the registration of an FIR under Section 295 of the IPC for hurting religious sentiments.

Leaders like Isher Singh, Mohinder Singh, Romail Singh, Amrit Singh Khalsa (Simble Camp), Gureharan Singh, and Nasib Singh have urged Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha to order a high-level inquiry into the conduct of the Poonch administration and take strict legal action against the accused.

In a separate but related case, an ASI named Mohammad Rashid, reportedly serving in Rajouri and a resident of village Gulpur (Tehsil Haveli), is accused of trying to encroach on land belonging to Daljeet Singh, a retired CEO. Despite complaints, no action has been taken, protestors allege.

Sikh organisations are

demanding that the National Investigation Agency (NIA) and State Investigation Agency (SIA) probe the financial activities of both officials to uncover any potential external support. The community has also

warned that if no legal action is taken, Sikh youth will mobilize in Poonch, and the administration will be held responsible for any untoward incident. Meanwhile, the District Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (DGPC) Rajouri

has strongly condemned the use of abusive language by Naveed Ahmad, asserting that no one has the right to insult any religion. They have appealed to higher authorities for his termination and legal prosecution.

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e- NIT No: 08 of 2025 Dated:27.06.2025

1. INVITATION:-
For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor of the UT of Jammu and Kashmir, the Executive Engineer (Distribution), Electric Division JPDCL Poonch hereinafter referred as 'Employer', invites online e-bids from reputed Companies or Class 'A' registered contractors for below mentioned work under Bharatnet-GP-2025-26.

S. No	Name of Work	Period of Completion	Status of Funds
1	Laying of LT Line at Ajote	20 Days	Available
2	Laying of LT Line at Bhainch		
3	Laying of LT Line at Dara Bagyal		
4	Laying of LT Line at Dara Dullian Kawarian		
5	Laying of LT Line at Dara Dullian Upper		
6	Laying of LT Line at Hari Budha Lower		
7	Laying of LT Line at Hari Budha Upper		
8	Laying of LT Line at Jhullas Upper		
9	Laying of LT Line at Kalai		
10	Laying of LT Line at Kanuyian Upper		
11	Laying of LT Line at Karmara		
12	Laying of LT Line at Kassalian		
13	Laying of LT Line at Khanater Dalera		
14	Laying of LT Line at Khanater Duprian		
15	Laying of LT Line at Khanater Kalsan		
16	Laying of LT Line at Mangnar Upper		
17	Laying of LT Line at Nehrian		
18	Laying of LT Line at Noorkote		
19	Laying of LT Line at Qasba Upper		
20	Laying of LT Line at Seri Chowana		
21	Laying of LT Line at Seri Chowana A		
22	Laying of LT Line at Seri Khawaja		
23	Laying of LT Line at Seri Khawaja Left		
24	Laying of LT Line at Shiendara Lower		

1. Bidders are advised to study the Bidding Document carefully. Submission of e-Bid against this SBD shall be deemed to have been done after careful/conscious study and examination of the procedures, terms and conditions of the Standard Bidding Document with full understanding of its implications.

2. The tender document is available at website <http://jktenders.gov.in>. Interested Bidders may view, download the e-Bid document, seek clarification and submit their e-Bid online up to the date and time mentioned in the table below:
Special condition 1:- It is mandatory to mention the name of work, e-NIT No, and name of contractor on Treasury Challan. The Date on the Treasury Challan/Bank Draft must be after e-NIT. Pulish Date (must be between the date of start of bid and Bid Submission end date).

2. The date of Earnest Money i.e 2% in shape of CDR, FDR, must be between the date of start of bid and Bid submission end date) pledged to Executive Engineer Electric Divison JPDCL Poonch.

3. The bidder has mandatory upload scan copy of GST Registration & Latest clearance Certificate Form GSTR-3B of last Month/Quarterly.

4. The date of the Additional Performance Security i.cum balance in shape of CDR, FDR, BG should be after the opening date of Fiancial Bid pledged to Executive Engineer Electric Division JPDCL Poonch.

Additional Performance Security for Unbalanced bidder.
The successful bidder L1 shall have to deposit an additional performance security in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG before award of contract in case the bid of the successful a bidder is found to be unbalance and the following scale shall apply there to.

S. No.	Percentage of Unbalanced bid viz Advertised cost on account of Low Rate	Additional Performance Security
1	Upto and including 15% below	Nil
2	15% upto and including 20% below	5% of the Advertised Cost.
3	20% upto and including 25% below	10% of the Advertised Cost.
4	25% upto and including 30% below	15% of the Advertised Cost.
5	30% upto more below	20% of the Advertised Cost.

A	Tender Document Sale/Download Start Date	27.06.2025; 11:00 AM
B	Tender Document Sale/Download End Date	14.07.2025; 04:00 PM
C	e-Bid submission (start) date & time	27.06.2025; 11:00 AM
D	e-Bid submission (end) date & time	14.07.2025; 04:00 PM
E	Submission of Hard Copy of Tender Fee & EMD Instrument (End) date & time	15.07.2025 up to 04:00 PM
F	Commercial and Technical Bid opening date & time	16.07.2025; 11:00 AM
G	Online financial e-Bid opening date & time (Only of the technically qualified Bidders)	Will be communicated to the Technically Qualifying Bidders.
H	Venue of opening of techno-commercial Bids	Soft Copy Electronically & Hard copy in the Office of the Executive Engineer (Distribution), Electric Division JPDCL Poonch
I	Estimated Cost	23,45,000/-
J	Cost of e-Bid document	Rs. 1000 (Non-Refundable)
K	Amount of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs. 46,900/-

DIP/J-970-P/25
Dated:- 28/06/2025
Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Electric Division JPDCL
Poonch

Sadguru Shri Madhuparamhans enlightens devotees on Power of Sumiran

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Sadguru Shri Madhuparamhans Ji Maharaj of Sahib Bandagi today mesmerized the congregation with a soul-stirring discourse at R a k h a n d h u , emphasizing the divine importance



of Sumiran - the remembrance of God through breath. Speaking with deep spiritual insight, Maharaj Ji explained that Sahib has extensively highlighted the greatness of Sumiran, stating, "You are in the breath. Fire is contained in the wind."

In his enlightening sermon, he affirmed, "The soul resides in the Agya Chakra. Whether the work is physical or mental, breath remains constant. It is the soul that breathes." He further added that all world religions agree that the body functions through the energy of the soul, yet humanity remains unaware of the soul's deeper essence. "God resides within the soul, but man continues to seek Him outside. Like the musk deer that searches the forest for the fragrance already within its navel, we too wander despite divinity residing within."

He emphasized the crucial role of a Sadguru, saying, "A true master can reveal the presence of God within in an instant." Quoting scriptures and saints, Sadguru Ji noted that authentic spiritual knowledge confirms God's presence in every pore and being. "Every body is filled with divinity. But the one in which God reveals Himself becomes truly worthy of reverence," he added.

Revealing the path to meet the Divine, he said, "Sahib has stated at thousands of places - the path to meet Sai lies through Sushumna. This central spiritual channel carries life force and soul energy throughout the body."

Explaining through a symbolic analogy, Maharaj Ji compared the soul's journey to a spider descending and ascending on a delicate self-made thread - subtle yet strong.

Sadguru Ji underlined that true spirituality begins with Sumiran. He stated that all forms of spiritual practices - jap, tapa, sanyam, and sadhana - are encompassed within Sumiran. Urging the devotees to abandon external rituals, he said, "Forget the external rosary; meditate with the rosary of breath. The soul resides in the breath - this is the meditation of God with the soul."

He concluded by reminding the gathering, "Breath is the essence of life. The soul makes the body alive, and in that life lies the divine presence."

The discourse left the devotees deeply moved and spiritually awakened, reinforcing the eternal truth that divinity resides within, and the breath is the sacred bridge to attain it.

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