

## DCC Rural, Urban delegation meets Delimitation Commission; seeks 5 more Assembly seats for Jammu

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JAMMU: A delegation of District Jammu Rural and Urban Congress Party led by Hari Singh Chib, President District Congress Committee (DCC) Jammu Rural, met the Delimitation Commission and submitted a memorandum of demands to the Commission here today seeking five more Assembly seats for Jammu.

The delegation comprised of Dr Ramakant Khajuria, Sr. Vice President DCC Jammu Urban; Ravinder Singh, Sr. Vice President District Congress Committee Jammu Rural and Rajinder Kumar, Vice President DCC Jammu Rural. The delegation requested the Commission members to make provision for reservation in favour of women candidates for contesting Assembly polls in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir besides reservation for OBC population, reservation for Displaced Persons of 1947, 1965 and 1971 including West Pakistan



District Jammu Rural and Urban Congress Party delegation led by Hari Singh Chib, after meeting the Delimitation Commission.

refugees; reservation for Sikh community and reservation for ST population.

Moreover the delegation also sought increase in reservation quota for SC population as per increased strength of 90 and rotation of reserved constituencies to unreserved as the rotation of reserved Assembly seats has not been done since 1996.

The DCC Jammu Rural President, Hari Singh Chib apprised the Commission members that the population of Jammu is more than 20

lakh due to the fact that the people of Kashmir Valley have also constructed their residential houses in various parts of Jammu city besides a large number of people coming from other states are also residing in Jammu district for the last so many years.

He emphasized that in view of the aforementioned facts, there is a dire need to enhance the number of Assembly seats at least by five more seats. He said that at present Jammu has 11 Assembly constituencies and it must be increased to

upto 16 Assembly constituencies by adding five more seats. He asserted that by accepting the demands and suggestions put forth by the delegation the SC community and Scheduled Tribes of the region would get adequate and judicious representation in the legislature as per their present strength in Jammu.

Hari Singh conveyed to the Commission in unambiguous terms that the reservation for Assembly seats should be based on a settled criterion that should be followed in a transparent manner to ensure that people repose faith, trust and confidence in the institution of Delimitation Commission.

Moreover, the Congress delegation appealed to the Delimitation Commission members to consider the genuine demands of different sections of society as highlighted by them during their respective meetings with the Commission.

### Naked electric wires inviting fatal accident'

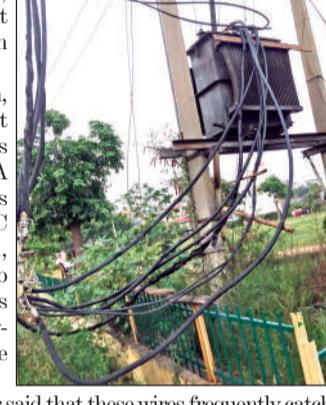
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JAMMU: Flaying Power Development Department for apathetic attitude towards grievances of people, the residents of Sector No 1, Rajinder Nagar, Bantala, Jammu staged a protest against the Department on Friday.

Speaking on the occasion, the locals alleged that burnt and naked electric wires hanging from 250 KVA transformer, which is installed on a damaged RCC Pole, in park of Sector No 1, Rajinder Nagar, Bantala are very dangerous for locals and passers-by and are giving an invitation to some fatal accident or mishap.

Giving details, they further said that these wires frequently catch fire and keep on burning during wind-storms, causing hardships for people. "Despite repeated requests and reminders, the matter has not been taken seriously by PDD employees. The transformer, which should be properly protected, has been left open with easy access to children, stray animals or others," they added.

Expressing apprehension of some mishap or causality due to hanging wires, the residents urged the concerned authorities to initiate necessary steps for removing or changing the same at the earliest, as being a park, they area is visited by a number of children and passers-by. They appealed to the Chief Engineer PDD Jammu to issue necessary instructions to the concerned for resolving the issue at the earliest. Prominent among those present in the protest included Jugal Kishore Gupta, Arjun Mahotra, Akash Pandita and Sunil Tickoo.



### SAI holds refresher course for coaches

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JAMMU: Sports Authority of India (SAI) has planned a three-week specialised refresher course under coach education programme in an online mode.

The course shall be held from August 17 to September 6 for coaches working in SAI and different State/UTs by playing a fee of Rs 7000. The SAI has fixed August two as late date for submission of applications.

As per a circular, the refresher course shall be held in the disciplines of Archery (Kolkata), Badminton (Bangalore), Canoeing and Kayaking (Trivandrum), Kabaddi (Bangalore), Taekwondo (Bangalore), Volleyball (Bangalore), Wushu (Patiala) and Yoga (Patiala).

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### Power shutdown

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