### Tributes paid to Madr-e-Mehrban

### Sadhotra cautions against any move to provide 5 Marla lands to outsiders under PMAY-G

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SAMBA: Former Minister Senior National Conference leader Ajay Sadhotra Monday expressed serious concern over the plan of the Jammu and Kashmir government to provide five Marlas of land 'each to the landless', saying the people are genuinely apprehensive about the outsiders being settled living in Jammu and Kashmir under the garb of the so-called PM Yojana-Grameen

Speaking in a public meeting at Shah Badole, district Samba to pay tributes to Madr-e-Mehrban on her Death Anniversary, which was organized by Satwant Kour Provincial



Former Minister and Senior Leader National Conference Ajay Kumar Sadhotra addressing Public Meeting at Shah Badole (Nud) in Samba District.

Chander Singh Secretary Zone, Surjeet Singh Manhas Secretary Jammu Province, said the bonafide state subjects of Jammu and Kashmir will resist any compromise with the lands and jobs.

"The sinister move, if any,

residents Jammu and Kashmir will be fought democratically and peacefully", he said, adding that such a move will eventually lead to dolling out jobs to outsiders at the cost of the local educated unemployed and encouraging businessmy of locals.

Already, the outsiders have made inroads in various businesses like liquor and minor minerals, seeking contracts and maintaining monopoly over toll

The locals, especially the people of Jammu have started facing the brunt of the vicious conspiracy of diluting their identity and usurping their economic interests.

The proposed one more toll plaza ahead of the Lakhanpur will be a huge burden on the people and the J&K economy. He said such a move will further tax the Mata Vaishno Deviji and Amarnathji pilgrims.

detail over erratic power and drinking water supply, problems on account of rations, dewatering of inundated areas across the Jammu region, unemployment problem and delay in regularizing the daily wagers. He said the smart meters and the plan to recharge of domestic energy will hit the poor the most and hence such a decision should be rolled

Sadhotra referred to the exemplary contribution of Begum Sahiba in promotion of female literacy and empowerment of weaker sections of the society, irrespective of region, religion, caste, creed and colour. She will always be remembered for giving a big fillip

## Dr Rohit hails SASB, administration for organizing smooth Amarnath Yatra

Apni Party Provincial Secretary, and District President, Jammu Urban, Dr Rohit Gupta has commended the AmarnathJi Shrine Board (SASB) of Jammu and Kashmir for organizing smooth yatra and providing facilities in the lodgments.

As per a press release, Dr Rohit Gupta met the pilgrims who came from across the country to pay their obeisance at the Holy Shrine of Shri Amarnath Ji. "The pilgrims are stranded

in Jammu's different lodging centers, but the SASB has made elaborate arrangements for them," he said, and appreciated the administration and the SASB members. He also praised Chief

Executive Officer (CEO) of the Shri AmarnathJi Shrine Board (SASB) Dr Mandeep



Apni Party Provincial Secy and District President, Jammu Urban, Dr Rohit Gupta interacting with Amrnathji pilgrims.

ments. He also appreciated the local population who helped the pilgrims.

He said that the pilgrims who he met have commended the administration and the SASB for providing accommodation, langer, security, water, toilets, transportation, and other facilities for them at the camps. Meanwhile, he has also

appreciated the SSP Jammu, Chandan Kohli for making security arrangements for the pilgrims at the

## DPAP holds protest against JKPDCL over Prepaid System for electricity

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: On the direction of Gulam Nabi Azad, DPAP District Committee Jammu (Urban) held a peaceful protest at Janipur, Jammu against JKPDCL (PDD) regarding Prepaid System for electricity consumption.

Large number of people from various colonies of Jammu North Assembly constitutions including women takes part in the protest.

Speaking on the occasion, Gourav Chopra, District President, Jammu Urban. DPAP lambasted on the JKPDCL (PDD) for starting of Prepaid Electricity System and disconnecting of connections of people in this scorching heat.

The costumers, who are paying their bills in time, JKPDCL is forcing them to adopt Prepaid Electricity System. He said that this system is totally failure.

The people of the JK UT are dejected over the power bills which are contrary to their monthly consumption.

### Make judicious use of Power: JKPCL

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir Corporation Limited (JKPCL) on Monday appealed the people to cooperate with department and use power judiciously in view of low nower generation due to incessant rainfall in the

"It is for the information of general public of Jammu and Kashmir that due to the incessant rainexperienced in Northern region over the past few days, the water level in Chenab River has risen above the reservoir level. This has caused heavy silt deposition in Hydro Power Plants both under state and central sectors. These power plants supply electricity to the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh. To prevent damage to machines, mega projectsBHEP-I & II, Salal and Dulhasti have been forced shutdown. Consequently, the power availability in UT has gone down by about 1,300 MW, which have impacted electricity supply to the general public," a communiqué' issued Chief Engineering (Trading) reads.

"In light of the prevailing circumstances, the general public is appealed to cooperate with the Department and use power judiciously until the situation returns to normal" it stated further.

#### Bali Biradari congregation on July 12 STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The annual congregation of Bali Biradari will be held on July 12 at Bawa Talab, Akhnoor Road, Jammu. The function will start at 9:30 AM with Hawan and conclude with Bhandara



DPAP District Committee Jammu (Urban) members handing over memorandum to SDM Jammu North.

People are already getting hefty bills after installations of smart meters and they don't know whom to complain as toll free numbers given by the JKPDCL are not picked by the any one neither any officer take the responsibility to solve the

Anil Kohli, Vice President Jammu urban also showed his resentment over the irrational bills issued by the the JKPDCL/PDD. It is a gross injustice and harassment for the people of Jammu. People are already getting controversial bills and now JKPD-CL is forcing the consumers to adopt Prepaid System which is not acceptable.

Democratic Progressive Azad Party strongly opposed the Prepaid Electricity System by JKPDCL and

demanded that such system be stopped immediately in interest of the poor people and also demanded to waive off the bills of poor people.

Later the protesters, in shape of Rally marched to Sub District Magistrate, Jammu North and submitted him a Memorandum for LG to revoke the order regarding Prepaid Electricity System and immediately stop discontenting the electric connections and to give relief to the J&K UT people.

The others who take part in the protest were Bharat Bhushan Sonu, General Secretary, Anil Nargotra, Jodh Singh, Parkash Chand Digra (all Secretaries). Manik Sharma, President, DPAP Student Union, Rattan Lal Sharma, Chand Khanna, Rajinder Puri, Vicky Gupta, Sanjay Chargotra, Aseem Gandotra, Shallu Gupta, Rajesh Gupta, Raigopal Sharma and others.

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh inaugurated bankers' awareness workshop at SKICC here on Monday.

The two-day workshop is organised by Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare (DoPPW) for officers of State Bank of India at Winter Hall, Sher-i-Kashmir International Convention Center, Srinagar.

Dr Singh congratulated DoPPW for organizing the workshop at Srinagar. He said that in the present times, the number of pensioners is greater than that of those in service and this is a challenging task for the government.

He said that the present government is committed to the cause of pensioners welfare and a testimony to that fact is that a number of obsolete laws have been done

added that the vacuum that existed in the case of pension reforms has now been filled.

Dr Jitendra inaugurates Bankers' Awareness

Workshop, emphasises 'ease of working'

Dr Singh said that over 37 lakh digital life certificates have been issued so far since the face recognition technology has been introduced and all efforts are being made to put the advancements in technology to the benefit of

The Minister said that a country wide campaign will be launched in the month of November 2023 for issuing of digital life certificates through face recognition technology and the details for the same are being worked out at the moment. He said that the campaign will cover over 100 cities throughout the length and breadth of the country.

The workshop also focuses on the issues faced by Bank officials in handling the processes and pensioners' grievances and note any suggestions forwarded by the Bank officials. Under the aegis of Dr.

Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State for Personnel, PG and Pensions, to enhance "Ease of Living" of pensioners and family pensioners, Department of Pension & Pensioners Welfare, Government of India has taken a number of welfare measures in pension policy as well as in digitization of pension related processes.

There have been a number of amendments in the pension rules and several clarificatory orders/ instructions have been issued during the last 50 years. These have been consolidated and brought out as Central Civil Service (Pension) Rules, 2021 in December, 2021.

Since the major Pension Disbursing Authorities are banks, the DoPPW has started a series of such Awareness Workshops for Central Pension Processing Centers (CPPCs) of Banks as well as their field functionaries handling pension related work in the bank. More than 50 officers from

CPPCs and pension dealing

branches of State Bank of India are participating in this workshop. Bankers' Awareness workshops, on similar lines, will be conducted in collaboration with other Pension Disbursing Banks in 2023-24. The workshop is also expected to firm up a road-map towards integrating 17 banks with single-window Integrated Pensioners'

Portal of DoPPW with the objective of providing pensioners with a host of services related to pension and banking. Dr Jitendra has inaugurated integration of SBI pension seva portal with Integrated Pensioners Portal

# JCMS's Langar for Amarnath Yatris enters day 12

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Considering that service to Yatries is service to Bhole Nath, the Jammu Central Mahajan Sabha have organized a well managed Langar to serve the pilgrims of the ongoing Annual Yatra of Shri Amarnathji.

On 12th day of the Langar,

the Yatris coming daily in the Mahajan Bhawan at Shalamar Road Jamm regularly breakfast in the morning followed by lunch Prashad throughout the day till they get Yatra Cards from the Government Registering Agency established in the main Hall of the Sabha and proceed to Bhagwati Nagar Yatri Niwas (Base Camp) for undertaking further journey to Holy Cave of Shri Amarnathji under the management of the Government. For this purpose, the Jammu Central Mahajan

Sabha have deputed a team of members headed by Romesh Chander Gupta President of the Sabha assisted by Shiv Partap



JCMS members and other dignitaries serving Langar among Amarnathji Pilgrms.

Gupta Senior Vice President and Sanjay Mahajan General Secretary

Today's Langar was inaugurated by Romesh Chandra Gupta, President of the and Arun Gupta Sabha President of CCI were also present on the occasion.

C.P Gupta (Vice President) and Mukesh Mahajan (Press Secretary) have been looking after the press related matters and protocol arrangements in the Campus. Balbir

are Incharge of the Langar. Today's Langer was spon-

sored by Surinder Gupta President JCMS, Akshay Kumar, Kishore Gupta and Ishan Gupta.

Surinder Gupta Subash Gupta (both Vice Presidents) have been closely monitoring the daily activities from security point of view. Dr Mohan Lal Gupta( Cashier) closely monitors the

daily financial transactions. Gupta and Yash Paul Gupta

The members of the team who performed the arduous duty at the Langer Counter include Vijay Gupta ,Satish Gupta and Darshan Gupta of the Marriage Bureau, Suresh Gupta, Rejneesh Gupta , Rajan Gupta, Rajesh Gupta, Pawan Gupta, Balraj Gupta, Raj Kumar Gupta

(Raju) & others. More than 1100 Yatries came today at Mahajan

# Gaurav urges Govt to prioritize assistance for stranded Amarnath pilgrims in Jammu

### STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Gaurav Gupta, former General Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Jammu, urged the government to make adequate arrangements for the Amarnath pilgrims who have been stranded in Jammu due to the closure of the Jammu Srinagar National Highway for the past three days.

With the Yatra to the Amarnath cave shrine vet to resume from Jammu, Gaurav Gupta emphasizes the importance of ensuring that no pilgrim faces inconvenience during their stay. Recognizing the significance of these pilgrims as ambassadors of goodwill, he urged the government to prioritize their well-being by making elaborate arrangements for their food and accommodation.

Gaurav commended the efforts of the Tourism Department for initiating the Jammu Darshan bus



service, which has provided much-needed support to the stranded pilgrims. This service has not only assisted in showcasing local tourism spots but has also showcased the commendable spirit of the local authorities and their commitment to ensuring the comfort of the pil-The

former General Secretary called upon the government to build on this positive initiative and extend comprehensive support to the pilgrims until the resumption of the Amarnath Yatra. It is essential to guargrim encounters any inconvenience during their stay in Jammu, he added. Gaurav emphasized the significance of these pil-

grims, not only as devotees but also as representatives of their respective communities. Their experience in Jammu will shape their perceptions and influence their interactions, thus impacting the region's tourism potential and overall goodwill.

Gaurav Gupta implores the government to demonstrate its commitment to the wellbeing of the stranded pilgrims by providing them with adequate arrangements for food, lodging, and other essential facilities. The government's concerted efforts in this regard will not only alleviate the difficulties faced by the pilgrims but also showcase their dedication to maintaining the sanctity of the Amarnath Yatra,

### AM Hyundai Jammu launches sporty Entry SUV - Hyundai EXTER



Dignitaries launching sporty Entry SUV - Hyundai EXTER at AM Hyundai, Jammu.

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: AM Hyundai Jammu, Biggest Signature Club Dealership of Jammu today launched its sporty Entry SUV - Hyundai EXTER. Designed to redefine benchmark in its \*segment. Hyundai EXTER has been developed to reflect the tenets of unique exteriors. spacious interiors. advanced safety &technology and exceptional performance. Hyundai EXTER personifiesthe qualities of India's Gen MZ customers who are fueled by the adrenaline of wanderlust and exploration.

Unveiling of the car was done by RTO Jammu Pankaj Bhagotra, in Presence of Chairman AM Group Jatinder Mahajan, Managing Director Mahajan, Directors Ankur Mahajan and Akshay Mahajan at Flagship AM Hyundai Dealership Channi

Rama Bye Pass Road Jammu. Jammu Pankaj Bhagotra Congratulated AM

Hyundai on the Launch of its New Car and Urged People to Drive Safely and keep Safety as a Priority while buying a Car

Speaking at the launch of Hyundai EXTER, Sanjay Mahajan said"Hyundai Motor India has always created new bench marks in the industry with its revolutionary products & technologies. Yet again, with EXTER Hyundai is are proud to introduce an SUV that embodies Hyundai's commitment to innovative design, intelligent technology and exceptional performance. With its modern and confident exterior, cutting-edge technology and unparalleled safety features, Hvundai EXTER is poised to redefine this fast growingsegment\*. We are confident that Hyundai EXTER will exceed the expectations of our customers and reaffirm Hyundai's position as India's leading smart mobility solutions provider."

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Former Legislator and senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader Vikram Randhawa said that Narendra Modi led Central Government is committed to mitigate the suffering of the people.

He made these remarks while inaugurating much-awaited construction work of Sunjwan-Chatta road in Bahu Assembly Segment.

Former Legislator informed that the road will be constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) at an estimated cost of Rs 2.50 crore. On the occasion, Tailb Hussain Panch, Raman Sharma, Gulshan Sharma, Amit Gupta, Mohd Hussain, Lal Din, Mohinder Sharma, Noor Hussain, Sadiq Hussain, Sehar Ali, Pappy Hussain and many others were present on the occasion.

Earlier, the residents apprised Former Legislator about the

Randhawa inaugurates construction work of road, says Modi

led Govt committed to mitigate suffering of people

Former Legislator, Vikram Randhawa inaugurating development work.

problems being faced by them due to non availability of direct road connectivity to their area.

"We are facing manifold problems due to non availability of direct road connectivity to our area. We have to cover a long distance to reach our area" the residents said and had demanded construction of road at the earliest.Former Legislator took up the issue with the concerned authorities and today the construction work of the road has been started, which will provide relief to the people, who were facing manifold problems due to non-availability of road.

"Bharatiya Janata Party under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi is working on the theme of 'Sabka Sath Sabka Vikaas' and is committed for the overall development of Jammu", Randhawa said, adding that no area will remain deprived of basic amenities and development of every citizen is their main motto.

"Public outreach programme has been launched by me to reach every nook and corner to listen and redress the grievances of the people", Randhawa

"BJP is working to mitigate problems of the people and give them respite from miseries which they are facing in the last over seventy years", he said. adding that central dispensation has provided surplus funds for the development works across the Union Territory and that is the reason behind irresistible development trail going on in Jammu and Kashmir.

"In the past 9 years, Modi led Central Government has carried out various development works under the slogans 'Sabka Sath Sabka Vikaas' and has remained popular Government as no relief had been provided to the people in the last 70 years by the previous regimes", Randhawa maintained. On the occasion. the people extended their full support to BJP in the forthcoming elections.