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**J&K Govt approves...**

Governor said. He said the poor section of the society is at the centre of government policies and a substantial population that was devoid of basic facilities and rights even after seven decades of Independence is being brought to the mainstream of development.

"Jammu Kashmir government is committed to Inclusive development. This move will open up endless opportunities to the poor and downtrodden and with this landmark decision the administration is acknowledging their immense contribution in the task of nation building," the Lt Governor observed.

It may be recalled that the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India has May 30, 2023, allocated an additional target of 199550 houses to UT of J&K for the Financial Year 2023-24 for saturation of the Awaas + list (PWL 2018-19).

It has been desired by the Ministry to sanction these houses by 30th June, 2023 and ensure completion by 31st March, 2024.

In order to complete the exercise expeditiously, Block Level Camps were organized across the UT from 4th to 10th June, 2023, for obtaining the requisite documents of Households enlisted in AwaasPlus PWL, namely bank details, Aadhaar card, MGNREGA job card, ration card, revenue documents, phone number and a declaration that they have not constructed the house already and they are otherwise eligible under the guidelines of the scheme. These documents are needed, to ensure registration and sanctioning of houses as per assigned targets on AwaasSoft portal.

As on date 144385 houses have been registered and 141371 houses have been sanctioned to eligible households enlisted in Awaas + PWL against the aforementioned target.

During the field verification of beneficiaries in the aforesaid period of Block Level Camps, it has been reported by the field functionaries that 2711 households enlisted in Awaas + PWL are landless. There are many more, who could not otherwise submit their documents due to various reasons like seasonal migration. If the Government of India extends the timeline, this number is expected to go up by a couple of thousands. Else they will be considered in the next phase of the scheme.

The PMAY(G) guidelines of Ministry of Rural Development provide for providing land of 25 sqmt (Approx one marla) to the landless beneficiaries for construction of PMAY house. But in order to ensure sufficient land availability with them to support their basic living, it has been decided to allot five Marlas of land to landless persons-part of Awaas Plus Permanent waiting list 2018-19, occupying state, forest or any other land, where construction is not permitted.

**7 Inspectors among...**

Station Nowshera and posted to Police Station Sunderbani as SHO; Inspector Deepak from Police Station Sunderbani to DPL Rajouru; Inspector Manpreet Singh Sasan from Police Station Dharamsal to Police Station Nowshera as SHO; Inspector Abrar Khan from DPL Rajouri to Police Station Manjakote as SHO; Inspector Zaffar Amin from Police Station Manjakote to DPL Rajouri; Inspector Shakil Ahmed Manhas from IC Crime Section DPO Rajouri to Police Station Kandi as SHO; Inspector Raza Ali from Police Station Kandi and shall function as RI in DPL Rajouri.

Sub Inspector Abdul Rashid has been transferred from Police Station Dharamsal and shall work as I/C Police Station Dharamsal till further order.

PSI Sunil Sharma has been transferred from Police Station Kalakote and posted as Incharge Police Post Lam; and PSI Kunal Bhargav has been transferred from Police Post Lam and posted to DPL Rajouri.

**Rituals for Chhari...**

at Historic Martand Temple, Mattan (Anantnag).

Mahant Deependra Giri expressed his satisfaction after performing these important rituals at Pahalgam and thanked the State Administration for making arrangements for the event.

The event was organized by 'The True Trust' founded by Mahant Deependra Giri ji in year 2004.

**Landslide partially blocks...**

Heavy rains lashed the shrine and the adjoining areas including base camp Katra late afternoon, the officials said.

They said a landslide struck Hinkoti, the battery car track, around 6 pm, forcing suspension of the service.

However, the men and machines immediately swung into action and the battery car service resumed within two hours after clearance of the track, the officials said.

They said the pilgrimage was going on smoothly when the last reports were received.

**PM chairs meeting...**

the meeting which last for close to four and a half hours. It was also discussed how to properly implement budgetary allocations, the sources said, noting that Modi underscored that the G20 meeting will be held at Pragati Maidan Convention Centre.

Prime Minister Modi tweeted, "A fruitful meeting with the Council of Ministers, where we exchanged views on diverse policy related issues."

In the Council of Ministers meeting, some ministries generally give a presentation about their work, with the prime minister sharing his views.

The meeting has come amid a heightened buzz about a likely Cabinet reshuffle following a series of meetings of the ruling BJP's top brass.

What has added to the reshuffle buzz is that the period before Parliament's Monsoon Session, which begins from July 20, could be the last window for such an exercise.

**BJP welcomes LG's...**

with Administration by personal efforts and also by sending high level delegation of party which discussed number of issues with LG in which issue of landless people was prominent.

He said Bhartiya Janata Party always lives upto expectations of masses and is committed to principles politics. The growing popularity of the party in masses especially in Kashmir region has unnerved the opponents who are resorting meaningless and false propaganda as they are left with no issues.

**2-lane Ramban...**

Highways, Nitin Gadkari for unprecedented development of highways and road infrastructure in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir.

In a tweet, the Lt Governor said, "Grateful to Hon'ble PM Shri @narendramodi Ji and Hon'ble Minister for Road Transport & Highways, Shri @nitin\_gadkari Ji for highways & infrastructure development of unprecedented magnitude in J&K and completion of projects at an extraordinary speed".

"Under the leadership of Hon'ble PM Shri @narendramodi Ji, Jammu Kashmir is regaining its greatness. The Union Territory is stronger than ever and has made impressive strides to socio-economic development," he tweeted.

Additionally, another 2-Lane viaduct, running parallel to this structure, is nearing completion and will be opened soon.

**CS reviews progress...**

officers to enhance necessary resources on all the sites where work is going on to ensure fast pace of development.

He said that Lal Chowk is the center of City and the ongoing projects ought to be completed within the shortest possible time through multiple shifts. He underlined that due to the huge footfall of tourists at Lal Chowk, it warrants upgradation immediately.

Khan was presently most wanted by Rajouri Police who were conducting series of raids to arrest him but he was evading arrest.

Alert Samba Police organized raids, traps, random checkings, nocturnal checkings, nakas and patrolling to arrest the notorious thieves involved in stealing away property belonging to the people, arrested the accused and recovered stolen property. Two vehicles used by the thieves for committing thefts have also been seized by Samba Police.

While three thieves have been arrested in case FIR No.19/2023 under section 454/380 IPC by a police party headed by SHO Police Station Ghagwal Bharat Bhushan, two thieves have been arrested in case FIR No.165/2023 under section 379/411 IPC by a police party headed by SHO Police Station Samba Rajeshwar Singh under the supervision of DySPGaru Ram and two thieves have been arrested in case FIR No.78/2023 under section 379 IPC by a police party headed by SHO Police Station Vijaypur Tribhuvan Khajuria.

**9 vehicles involved in illegal mining seized**

JAMMU: In a quest to stem the menace of illegal mining, a multi-pronged strategy was devised by Jammu Police in which police teams of Police Stations Akhnoor, Miran Sahib, Nagrota, Jhajjar Kotli, Police Posts Talab Tillo and Panjirthi acted stringently on the specific inputs and raided at a location in their respective area and seized 9 vehicles involved in illegal mining.

The seized vehicle include one Tractor Trolley bearing Registration No JK02DB 5998 seized by Akhnoor Police; one tractor trolley without Registration No by Miran Sahib Police; Two tractor trollies without Registration No by Nagrota Police; two tippers without Registration No by Jhajjar Kotli Police; 2 vehicles i.e One Tractor Trolley bearing registration number JK02BN 5187 and one tipper bearing Chasis No. NKBB01977, by Talab Tillo Police and one tractor Trolley bearing Registration No JK02CN 4758 by Panjirthi Police.

The recoveries were made by SHO Akhnoor Inspr Zaheer Mushtaq, SHO Miran Sahib Inspr Bopinder Singh, SHO Nagrota Inspr Vishav Partap Singh, SHO Jhajjar Kotli Inspr Azad Ahmed, In-Charge Police Posts Talab Tillo-PSI Som Choudhary and Panjirthi-PSI Rahul Sharma in their respective jurisdiction.

**Narco smuggler nabbed with 9 grams of heroin**

JAMMU: Continuing its drive against drug trafficking and substance abuse, Police on Monday nabbed narco smuggler and recovered 9 grams of heroin from his possession.

As per details, a team of Police Post Phallain Mandal led by SDPO South Sachit Sharma assisted by SHO Satwari Inspr Sumeet Sharma and In-Charge Police Post Phallain Mandal PSI Ajesh Singh Jamwal while on Naka duty on Ring road at Kalyaan village rounded up a suspected person namely Vijay Kumar, son of Chain Singh, resident of Haripur Tehsil Mandal Jammu who was coming on his vehicle (JK02CU - 0766). During search, 9 grams of heroin was recovered from his possession. He was arrested and FIR under relevant sections was registered against him at Police Station Satwari.

**Hit & Run case solved, accused arrested**

JAMMU: Police on Monday solved a hit & run case and arrested the accused.

As per details, an information was received at Police Station Satwari through reliable sources that at Rohi Morh area one vehicle hit 6 women which caused grievous injuries to them. Locals shifted the injured to nearby hospital where one injured woman succumbed to injuries. On this case FIR under relevant sections was registered and investigation started. After this, a team of Police Station Satwari led by SDPO South Sachit Sharma Mohan Lal Sharma assisted by SHO Satwari Inspr Sumeet Sharma with the help of various CCTV footages of the area arrested the accused person namely Sandeep Sharma, son of Parmanand, resident of RS pura who confessed his involvement in the above case. Also the vehicle used in commission of offence bearing Registration No JK02CU 3642 was also seized. The overall operation was done under the supervision of SP South Shaheen Wahid.

**Three labourers attempt self-immolation, rescued**

SRINAGAR: Three labourers made an attempt to self-immolate themselves in Anantnag district on Monday were rescued on time. Reports said that three local labourers tried to self-immolate themselves in the botanical garden in Kokernag town on Anantnag. "People inside the garden panicked after seeing the self-immolation attempt.

He also reviewed the work on Apsara Road Jammu among other projects under Smart City Mission and directed the concerned to complete the project fully by August 15. He said that it is a vital project and will enhance the aesthetics of the area besides improving the social as well as the economic condition of the people.

He also reviewed various projects related to the floriculture department and asked the officers to complete the projects on time as their completion would enhance the beauty of both the cities and other tourist places of J&K.

**World's eyes on...**

measure to make the Yatra smooth, safe and hassle-free for devotees.

He directed all the stakeholders to liaise closely with the team on the ground to ensure effective coordination on cutoff timings to enable the smooth conduct of pilgrimage and to also facilitate locals and tourists.

He instructed the concerned officers to explore all the possibilities to further improve the traffic management and to ensure smooth movement of pilgrims through the checkpoints. He also discussed the deployment of trained manpower for the Yatra, who had contributed in the recently held G20 summit at Srinagar.

At the DRDO hospital, the Lt Governor interacted with the doctors and medical team. He directed the officials to ensure round the clock healthcare facilities during the yatra.

The Lt Governor also took appraisal of various services like lodging, Langar, power and water supply, sanitation, health and other facilities to the pilgrims.

Syed Fakhrudin Hamid, Deputy Commissioner, Anantnag briefed the Lt Governor on the day-wise status of the Yatris arriving at the Base Camp.

The Lt Governor was accompanied by Dr Mandeep Kumar Bhandari, CEO, Shri Amarnath Ji Shrine Board; Vijay Kumar, ADGP Kashmir; Vijay Kumar Bidhuri, Divisional Commissioner Kashmir; Dr. Piyush Singla, Administrative Secretary, Revenue Department and other senior officers of District Administration, SASB, Police and Army.

**Fourth batch of...**

Lt Governor Manoj Sinha flagged off the first batch.

Additional Director General of Police (ADGP), Jammu, Mukesh Singh on Sunday visited Ramban district along the Jammu-Srinagar national highway and took stock of security at the transit camp in Banihal and en route the shrine, a police spokesman said.

During the security review, the spokesman said threadbare discussions were held on various elements of security at different places of deployment to secure community kitchens and lodgment centres.

The ADGP asked the officers of police, Army, CAPF, intelligence agencies and civil administration to work in close coordination to ensure a smooth yatra.

**First batch of...**

area," Chairman and Chief Executive Chancellor, Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council, Kargil Feroz Ahmad Khan said.

Khan, along with Member Parliament from Ladakh Jamyang Tsering Namgyal, flagged off the e-buses in the presence of senior officers, including commissioner secretary Ajeet Kumar Sahu and Kargil deputy commissioner Santosh Sukhadeve on Sunday.

Later, they took a trial ride in an e-bus from TFC to Council Secretariat, Zamsthiang then Baroo and back to TFC.

Khan said the buses are environment-friendly and will ease the public transport in the area. The charging points are available at several spots, therefore this facility can meet public demands, he said.

Namgyal said the buses will transform Ladakh into a carbon-neutral UT and is a step towards making Kargil and Leh smart cities.

Sahu said the transport department has taken several initiatives to improve the public transport system in Kargil and the addition of electric buses is a step in that direction. He directed the concerned department to fix the timings of all buses for all routes.

Onlookers rescued the three on time and shifted them to the local hospital," the reports said. The labourers have been identified as Zakir Hussain, Arshid Ahmad, and Bilal Ahmad. Reports said they attempted self-immolation over some transfer issue involving their services as casual labourers in the government Floriculture Department.

**Minor raped, case registered**

JAMMU: Gangway Police has registered a case under the POCSO Act in which a minor was raped and now she is pregnant for four months.

According to information, a complaint was given to the police by a family living in Shankar Colony that their daughter had stomach pain and when they took her hospital for treatment, it was found that she was pregnant. After that it came to know that a young man living in the slum near them had raped her. Acting on the complaint, police recorded the statement of the victim and registered a case in this context.

**Three arrested for attacking with sharp weapons**

JAMMU: Three accused of murderous attack on a person with a sharp weapon in Chattha area have been arrested by police on Monday. In this, the main accused has been identified as Simran.

According to the information, Ashok Kumar, resident of Simbal camp was attacked with sharp weapons last week in a land dispute between the two parties in which he got injured. He has been admitted to the hospital for treatment. Police say that their old land dispute was going on and police had registered a case in this context. Raids were conducted at many places by the police after which police have now arrested three accused.

**Mask-men opens fire in swimming pool**

JAMMU: Some persons opened fire over a dispute in Lower Birpur area under Bari Brahmana police station and fled from the spot. The accused are being identified by examining the CCTV footage.

As per information, Half a dozen youths came in a swimming pool in Birpur and some masked youths suddenly started fighting with the staff of the swimming pool. The accused took out a pistol and fired in the air and fled from the spot. Two staff members of the swimming pool were injured in the brawl.

After getting information about this incident, police reached the spot and started investigation. During investigation, it was found that a group of youths had an altercation with the staff last week over some issue and a dispute was also held that day.

To avenge the same day, accused came with weapons today include sticks, sharp edged weapons. When the people of the area gathered on the spot, they fired in the air to escape. Police say that all efforts are being made to identify the accused.

**Baby in womb dies in accident**

JAMMU: A child died in the womb in an accident in Nagrota area as his mother got injured.

According to the information, a woman who was going on a scooty was hit by a vehicle in which she got injured. She was taken to the hospital where during treatment the child died in womb.

**4 died, 2 injured in separate mishaps**

RAMBAN: A driver of an oil tanker died after his vehicle fell into a deep gorge near Shaitani Nallah in Banihal area of Ramban district on Monday morning, officials said.

An official said that oil tanker rolled down and fell into a deep gorge near Shaitani Nallah.

He said that soon after a rescue operation was launched, however, driver had died by then.

The deceased has been identified as Ajay Kumar son of Thoru Ram of Akhnoor. Meanwhile, Police have taken cognizance of the incident.

While, a Balero vehicle overturned in Salal area of Reasi district in which one persons has died, while two have been injured. According to the information, three people were traveling in the vehicle which overturned on the way. They were taken to the hospital but one died during treatment. He has been identified as Keval Singh, son of Kehar Singh, resident of Dera Baba Nanak.

Two people were also died in different accidents in Talab Tillo area. According to the information, Vishal Kumar, son of Ashwani Kumar, resident of Ashok Nagar Satwari, got injured in an accident in Muthi area. He was taken to the hospital where doctors declared him as brought dead.

Apart from this, a body of a person has been found in Guru Tej Bahadur Lane in Talab Tillo area. The police took his body into custody and sent it to the hospital. His identity has not been established.

**CRIME REPORT**

**Thief arrested, gold stolen from passenger recovered**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Officials of GRP Jammu on Monday busted a gang of thieves and recovered all the stolen gold ornaments from the possession of suspected thieves. On the disclosure of the thieves, golden ornaments weighing about approx. 200 grams amounting to 13 lakhs and an amount Rs 30,000 cash was recovered from the possession of the thieves.

According to Inspr. Niaz Ahmed, SHO Police Station GRP Jammu, on May 15, 2023 a woman railway passenger approached Police Station of GRP Jammu where she stated that she was travelling in train No.12431 (Udhampur AC Special Express) and on reaching Railway station Jammu, she checked her golden ornaments and found them missing. She told the GRP police that some suspected passengers boarded the train at Railway station Bari-Brahmana and she doubt their involvement in the burglary. On her request FIR was registered at Police Station GRP Jammu.

On the directions of Mohan Lal Kaith, SSP Railways Jammu, a SIT was formed under the overall supervision of Albeena Malik, SDPO Railways Jammu. During the investigation, it was found that all the suspects are outsiders and belong to Haryana State. In collaboration with the Haryana Police, the exact whereabouts of the suspected thieves were traced. The GRP team headed by an officer of the rank of Inspector was deputed to Amballa city to trace and arrest the accused. On June 19, 2023, one accused was arrested from Amballa and brought to Jammu. On his disclosure, all the stolen golden ornaments were recovered.

**7 notorious thieves arrested, stolen property recovered**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

SAMBA: Police on Monday arresting seven notorious thieves & recovered stolen property.

The arrested notorious thieves have been identified as Tariq Mehmood, son of Mohd Kabir; Sajad, son of Mohd Fazal; Nadeem Khan, son of Mohd Kabir; all residents of Thammamandi, Rajouri; Sahil Kumar, son of Raj Kumar, resident of Budhwani, Samba; Din Islam, son of Mohd Subhan, resident of Delhi at present Samba; Balbir Singh, son of Dharam Chand, resident of Rarian Ramgarh and Deepak Kumar, son of Balbir Singh,

resident of Rarian Ramgarh. Tariq Mehmood happens to be a top thief and has been involved in as many as 9 cases of thefts, attempt to murder, extortion and NDPS registered against him at Police Station Manjakote, Thammamandi, Nowshera, City Rajouri and Satwari Jammu. Another hardcore thief Nadeem Khan is involved in four cases of thefts, attempt to murder and extortion registered at Police Station Manjakote, Nowshera, and Satwari Jammu. Nadeem



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