

# NABARD J&K RO organises UT Level Bankers meet on SHG/JLG Bank Linkage Programme

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JAMMU: A UT Level Bankers meet and NGO meet on SHG/JLG-BLP was conducted on Tuesday at NABARD J&K Regional Office, Jammu.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. Ajay Kumar Sood, CGM NABARD and attended by Surender Singh, GM, NABARD, officers from Commercial Banks, Regional Rural Banks, cooperative banks, Private banks, NGOs/ Stakeholders and other officers of NABARD.

Anamika, DGM welcomed the participants and briefed them about the objective of the meeting.

She informed the participants that NABARD - SHG Bank linkage programme is the largest microfinance programme. The achievements under this programme were discussed in brief.

CGM, Dr. Ajay Kumar Sood in his key note address welcomed the participants and briefed them about the



Dr. Ajay Kumar Sood, CGM, NABARD, J&K RO, Jammu addressing the meeting.

journey of SHG-BLP movement of NABARD.

While highlighting the status of SHGs in the UT, he informed the house that the client base of SHGs is quite large but due to various reasons, many SHGs formed and savings linked are yet to be credit linked.

He further emphasized that although the repayments under this programme is satisfactory with low NPAs to the loan outstanding as compared to other bankable schemes yet the SHGs are not able to get hassle free credit from banks.

He also briefed the partici-

pants about other interventions like JLGs, Micro Enterprise Development Programme (MEDP), Livelihood Enterprise Development Programme (LEDP) and Village Level Programme (VLPs) during the meeting.

Power point presentations on SHG/JLG Bank Linkage Programme and other Schemes under Farm and Off farm Sector were made by Sanjeev Kumar Sharma, AGM. Elaborate review of district wise and NGO wise ongoing SHG/JLG BLP projects of NABARD was also undertaken.

## Power shutdown

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JAMMU: Chief Engineer, (Distribution) JPDCL, Jammu on Tuesday informed that the power supply to Bishnah, Sarore, kotli, Deoli and adjoining areas shall remain affected on September 08 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

Similarly, the power supply to Pargval, Channi Tanna, Rajpura, Bhalwal Bharat, DhalwalMiulu, Hamipurkona, BSE, Batera, Dabbin, Chorpur, Manyal, Dharmkhu, Tirth/Talab, GREF, Gumpal, Sua No. 1, Garkhal and adjoining areas shall remain affected on September 08 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

Likewise, the power supply to Partially Katra Town, Agar Jitto and Kotli etc shall remain affected on September 09 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

Similarly, the power supply to Billawar, Mandi, Phinter, Parnalla and adjoining areas of Baggan shall remain affected on September 09 from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Superintending Engineer, Electric Division-III, (JPDCL) Jammu has informed that the power supply to Nehara Mohalla shall remain affected on September 08 and 10 from 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM.

Similarly, the power supply to Toph Shiv Mandir shall remain affected on September 09 and 11 from 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Likewise, the power supply to Pandoryan, Mansa Shop, Takiyan shall remain affected on September 08 from 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Similarly, the power supply to Pandoryan, Ravidas Temple, Parshuram Temple and Gole Panjeer shall remain affected on September 09 from 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM.

Meanwhile, Superintending Engineer, (Distribution) JPDCL, O&M Circle Kathua has informed that the power supply to Gho Brahmana, Radiyan, Gho Manhasan, Duboj Kaka etc shall remain affected on September 08 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

However, Superintending Engineer, Operation & Maintenance Circle, Rajouri (JPDCL) has informed that the power supply to Kandi, Galutha, Harni and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on September 08 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

## CVPPPL conducts second COVID-19 vaccination drive for its employees



A doctor vaccinating CVPPPL employees.

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JAMMU: Second COVID-19 vaccination drive was carried out on Tuesday CVPPPL Corporate Office, Jammu in association with administration of UT of J&K wherein around 200 employees/contractual workers and their families from CVPPPL and NHPC Regional Office, Jammu were vaccinated with second dose of Covishield.

Dr Harminder Singh, Manager UNDP, Dr Ruchi Gupta, Medical Officer, J&K along with their team from

Dy CMO Office Jammu administered the doses.

The vaccination of the large team of CVPPPL would ensure safety against COVID-19 at workplace, A.K Choudhary, MD, CVPPPL said and extended thanks to Dr. Salim Ur Rehman, Director General, Family Welfare, MCH & Immunization, J&K and Dr. Poonam Sethi, Dy CMO, Jammu for extending their support in completing the second vaccination drive for CVPPPL & NHPC employees and their families.

## CS reviews progress under employment generating schemes



Chief Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta chairing a meeting.

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SRINAGAR: The Chief Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta on Tuesday chaired a meeting to review the progress under various employment-generating schemes in Jammu and Kashmir.

It was informed that J&K Rural Livelihood Mission has formed 1,000 self-help groups and will facilitate constitution of another 3,000 SHGs by September end.

Asserting that self-help groups have huge potential in Jammu and Kashmir, Dr. Mehta directed the JKRLM to target the establishment of 11,000 self help groups in the current fiscal by ensuring social mobilization of approximately 2.50 lakh rural women.

JKRLM was also asked to introduce institutional innovations and train the SHGs in the production of products suited to modern-day requirements, besides establishing fruitful forward linkages with the e-markets. He also urged the department to target the appointment of 2000 'Bank Sakshis' in J&K by ramping up bank linkages to SHGs.

The Chief Secretary advised the Housing & Urban Department to explore convergence with other schemes under implementation in urban sector in J&K for increasing the acceptance of the NULM in the urban setting.

Highlighting that the targets under direct financing scheme for SC/ST/OBC are extremely low, the Chief

Secretary urged the concerned to lay special focus on providing gainful employment to more underprivileged and marginalized in the society.

The Industries and Commerce Department informed that as against the target of 2352 cases under PMEGP, 7613 cases have been sanctioned as on date by the banks and in 5775 cases, financial assistance has also been disbursed to the beneficiaries. The Chief Secretary emphasized greater coordination between departments and banks for expeditious sanction and disbursement of loans under various schemes so that the target of creating one lakh self employment opportunities for youth is achieved at the end of the present financial year.

## Giving due recognition to our Martyrs is must in society: Baru



Convenor J&K BJP Urban Local Body Cell, Sanjay Baru talking to reporters.

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JAMMU: Giving due recognition to our Martyrs is a must in every society, stated Sanjay Kumar Baru, Convenor J&K BJP Urban Local Body Cell & JMC Councillor in a media interaction at Talab Tillo.

JMC Councillor Sat Paul Karlupia and BJP Ward President Ashok Singh Wazir were also present in the press conference.

Baru said that many historic steps are being

ensured in the new India under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and especially J&K is witness to a major reform after the abrogation of controversial Articles 370 & 35(A).

Sanjay further said that in the same line there is an effort to give recognition to the historic persons who have contributed majorly in the social service, defense, Independence etc. by renaming Government

Schools and Roads after their name.

He said that this move will surely give boost to the feeling of patriotism in the younger generations for years to come.

Baru said that yesterday Bhagwati Nagar Chowk new 4th bridge has been named after Major Somnath Sharma (the first recipient of the Param Vir Chakra, India's highest military decoration) and said that the resolution has also been passed in the JMC to install the Statue of Major Somnath Sharma in the same Chowk in the near future.

Baru added that the name of Talab Tillo road has been also decided by Administration after the Shaheed Vijay Singh as Shaheed Vijay Singh Marg, who was martyred while fighting with the terrorists.

## First bilateral cochlear implant surgery done at ENT Deptt of SMGS Hospital



6-year-old child interacting with doctors after surgery.

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JAMMU: First Bilateral Cochlear implant surgery was done at SMGS Hospital, Jammu. The patient was a 6 year old child who was having Bilateral severe to profound hearing loss since childhood. The surgical team was led by Dr Kapil Sikka, Professor, Department of ENT, AIIMS New Delhi (Pioneer in Cochlear Implant Surgery) and included Dr Parmod Kalsotra, Professor and Head, Department of ENT, GMC Jammu and Dr Padam Singh Jamwal, Professor, Department of ENT, GMC Jammu. The Anaesthesia team was led by Dr Snuriti Gulati, Professor and Head, Department of Anaesthesia, and included Dr Renu Wakhloo and Dr Isha. Nursing staff included Saina, Nisha and Sheetu. Other Operation theatre staff included Mathew, Sanjeev and Fazal.

The team also included Vinay, Audiologist Department of ENT, who along with Nehashish Sahu (Senior Hear Life Specialist MEDEL), Ishwar Chandar Dey (from BioAide) and Jagriti (from Medtronics), monitored the Neural Response telemetry which

showed good response during the surgical procedure. The whole procedure was successfully completed and the post-operative period was uneventful. The switch on of the device was done on 7th September 2021 in presence of Principal GMC Dr. Shashi Sudhan Sharma and excellent behavioural responses were observed from the child. The whole procedure was done successfully under the stewardship of Dr Shashi Sudan, Principal and Dean, GMC Jammu and Dr Dara Singh, Medical Superintendent, SMGS Hospital. The Department of ENT will continue the Cochlear Implant Programme under the mentorship of AIIMS, New Delhi.

The Department of ENT has been upgraded with latest equipment under the patronage of Additional Chief Secretary, UT of JK and active support of MD JKMSCL Dr Yashpal Sharma and his team. All those patients desirous of getting cochlear implant surgery with severe to profound hearing losses are requested to contact the Department of ENT, SMGS Hospital, GMC Jammu on every Monday afternoon (1-4 pm).

## Rapstar Bhau's Dogri Album 'Adataan' released

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JAMMU: Chairman, Team Jammu, Zorawar Singh Jamwal on Tuesday formally released Dogri Album "Adataan" composed and sung by young Rapstar Rohit Singh Bhau, during a function organized by General Zorawar Singh Memorial Educational and Charitable Trust, at Press Club, here.

Young Dogri Rapstar Rohit Singh Bhau, is a Mechanical Engineer by profession and younger son of Martyr Superintendent of Police (SP), J&K, Gulbadan Singh Bhau, who attained martyrdom while fighting terrorism in Kashmir valley, over a decade ago.

MD, Bawa Tour and Travels, Balbir Singh was the Guest of Honour.

While congratulating young and upcoming singer, Rohit Singh Bhau, Team Jammu Chief, Zorawar Singh Jamwal said that "there is no dearth of talent in Jammu Province but the same remains hidden as government has yet to come out



Chairman Team Jammu, Zorawar Singh Jamwal and others releasing Dogri Album.

with specific policy that could provide a platform to such youth to exhibit their splendid talent to the country and the world."

Highlighting that the love and passion for the mother tongue Dogri is a very positive among youngsters, Chairman, Team Jammu, Zorawar Singh Jamwal said that numerous boys and girls from J&K have scaled new heights in various Tele-serials as well as in Bollywood but unfortunately their talent has not been recognized here in the state. "The

government must formulate a policy for nurturing young talent so that budding artists can excel in their respective fields besides bringing fame and laurels to the region," highlighted Zorawar Singh Jamwal

Young Rapstar, Rohit Singh Bhau while briefing media persons, informed that it was not an easy thing for him to bring out Dogri album as it was only due to support of my family including mother Dr Sushma Chib, elder brother Mohit Chib and friends besides day and night hard work that finally

made my dream come true. He also assured that in near future he would start working on the theme of Team Jammu "Say No To Drugs" and also motivating youth of Jammu Province nation building. Trustees of General Zorawar Singh Memorial Educational and Charitable Trust, Diksha

Kaluria and Riya Kaluria detailed that

such an initiative was taken to promote hidden Dogri Artist and their untold stories. They further said that the Trust would continue to provide its platform to young entrepreneurs be it singing, dancing, academics or sports sector besides promoting Dogri language, Culture and history. The main motive of this press conference was to highlight the Dogri hip hop song and also highlighting event of Musical Evening that will be organized by Trust is collaboration with VR Production to be held on Sept 11, 2021, here in the city.

Sangram Singh of VR Production and Milind Verma (Photographer, video editor) were also present on the occasion.

## DC Jammu reviews progress of Dist Capex plan, NABARD works



DC Jammu, Anshul Garg chairing a meeting.

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JAMMU: Deputy Commissioner, Anshul Garg on Tuesday reviewed the ongoing new works proposed under District Capex Budget plan 2021-22 including NABARD, DDC, BDC and PRI components. At the outset, threadbare discussions were held about the status of works undertaken by PWD, Urban Development and Jal Shakti under UT/NABARD component, PHE and R&B under PRI component and PHE under DDC component to cater to the developmental needs of the district with focus on strengthening grassroots

level democracy.

Regarding the status of NABARD funded works, the concerned official informed the chair that a total 38 works have been approved under PWD out of which 35 have been tendered, 28 allotted, 25 are under execution and 8 have been completed. It was also informed that under Jal Shakti mission out of 47 works, 40 have been tendered, 33 allotted, 14 are under execution and 6 have been completed.

It was further informed that out of 26 approved works under Urban Development, 19 have been tendered, 6 have

been allotted, 5 are under execution and 5 stand completed.

Under DDC plan 2021-22, all 8 PHE works have been tendered and 2 allotted, while 20 PHE works and 30 R&B works have been approved under PRI plan. The DC stressed on the concerned authorities to take all possible measures to accelerate the pace of ongoing works for their time-bound completion.

He also cautioned that any kind of laxity in completing the works within the fixed time line will not be tolerated at all.

The Deputy Commissioner exhorted for mobilizing men and machinery for completing the projects in stipulated time frame besides urged to ensure productive and fruitful utilization of the available resources. CPO Yoginder Katoch besides other senior officers of the concerned departments such as PWD, RDD, Jal Shakti were present in the meeting.