

# Dr Jitendra arrives at New York, enroute Washington for summit

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NEW YORK: Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh, as the head of Joint Ministerial Indian delegation, arrived at New York this evening, enroute Washington DC, on the first leg of the 5-day US visit, which includes participation in Global Clean Energy Action Forum summit scheduled from September 21st to 23rd at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dr Jitendra was received by senior India Embassy officials and after facilitations at the airport, he left for Washington DC to hold an important Roundtable with senior executives of about 35 companies and federal representatives associated with Geospatial, Space, Earth & Ocean Science, Pharma and Biotech Sectors to be organized by US-India Business



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Council at US Chamber of Commerce headquarters in Washington, DC.

Dr Jitendra is leading a high-level Joint Indian Ministerial official delegation of Ministry of Power, New & Renewable Energy and Ministry of Science & Technology to participate in Global Clean Energy Action Forum and also to interact with eminent academicians as well as Indian diaspora.

At the Business Roundtable with CEOs of 35 prominent companies, Dr Jitendra is to highlight the bilateral Science & Technology (S&T) collaboration range from Mega Science such as LIGO [Laser Interferometer Gravitational Observatory], TMT [Thirty Meter telescope] and Neutrino Physics to Clean Energy Technologies, Health Science, Earth and Ocean Science, Agricultural Science and

and recent interest in expanding our collaboration in Emerging Technologies. Dr Jitendra Singh will offer that both India and America may further expand the partnership in the areas of common priority such as Quantum Technology, Artificial Intelligence, Deep Ocean Exploration, Electric Vehicles, Emerging Technologies for Telecommunications and

## First time after 1947 Govt acknowledged Jammu's emotions, sentiments: Team Jammu

### Preparations going on to pay befitting tributes to Maharaja Hari Singh

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JAMMU: Hailing the decision of the administration of Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha to declare September 23 as a public holiday as a mark of respect for last Dogra ruler Maharaja Hari Singh, Chairman of Team Jammu Zorawar Singh Jamwal on Tuesday said that first-time after 1947 government at the helm of the affairs respected aspirations and emotions of the residents of Jammu Province.

"The historic decision by LG Administration is a beginning and has vindicated the stand of Team Jammu taken in 2015, that a day would not be far when, J&K's narrative would be set from Jammu," said Team Jammu chief Zorawar Singh Jamwal while addressing the volunteers, during the meeting, convened for mass mobilization of general public to make September 23 as grand celebration in every nook and corner of Jammu region. Youngest DDC Member, Pancheri-Moungr and volunteer of Team Jammu, Jasvir Singh also attended the meeting and



Chairman of Team Jammu Zorawar Singh Jamwal talking to media persons.

expressed his views.

"Although Maharaja Hari Singh is respected across J&K for taking pro-people initiatives during his regime, emotions of the residents of Jammu region are attached with the last ruler of the Dogra dynasty," Zorawar Singh said and added, "First-time after 1947 residents of Jammu are feeling that those at the helm of the affairs have respected their sentiments and emotions." He, however, regretted that the successive democratically elected regime of the erstwhile Jammu and Kashmir overlooked peoples' emotions just for petty political reasons.

Team Jammu chief said that this year September 23 would be celebrated in a big way to

give befitting tributes to Maharaja Hari Singh who merged the erstwhile princely state of Jammu and Kashmir with the Indian Union on October 26, 1947, by signing the "Instrument of Accession".

He recalled that since its inception Team Jammu has been celebrating September 23 through different means to remain people about the contribution of Maharaja Hari Singh.

"Taking a big initiative, Team Jammu on December 31, 2016 had issued the first calendar in which September 23 was declared as a holiday", he said, adding, "Since then every year calendar depicting September 23 as a holiday is issued by the Team Jammu with a pledge to continue our

struggle for getting an official holiday on the birth anniversary of Maharaja Hari Singh".

He further mentioned it was the initiative of Team Jammu that members of all other communities be it traders, social organizations or student groups were involved to make this issue as a demand and mass movement of the entire Dogra community irrespective of caste, creed or colour. Zorawar Singh also highlighted that Team Jammu has been supporting the youth leaders of Yuva Rajput Sabha, who were spearheading the agitation.

"Since its inception, Team Jammu distributing Halwa and taking the pledge is a regular annual programme of our organization", he said.

## Chairman AJTWA, Chairman KVIC meet LG

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SRINAGAR: A delegation of All J&K Transport Welfare Association led by its Chairman Ajit Singh Khalsa called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, on Tuesday.

The 10 member delegation including General Secretary, Sheikh Mohammad Yousuf and President, Vijay Singh Chib submitted a memorandum of demands to the Lt Governor and put forth various issues and demands pertaining to smooth operations of public transport and welfare of transporter community.

The prominent demands included re-examination of order No. 08-JK(TR) of 2022, issued by Transport Department; ban on illegal



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operation of e-Rikshaws on unapproved routes; re-registration of vehicles purchased from outside UT; besides the issue of proper maintenance of General Bus Stand Parimpura and Narwal transport yard and release of pending payments of transport vehicles under Government use, among other issues.

On the sidelines of the meeting, Ajit Singh Khalsa, Chairman, AJTWA, also apprised the Lt Governor about an array of issues concerning the Sikh community that have been pending since long.

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In his address, the Chief Secretary underlined that around seventy percent of the population of J&K depends directly or indirectly on agriculture for their livelihoods. Recently Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad visited the library to oversee its functioning and facilities available for students and scholars. During the visit, the DC was accompanied by Director Libraries & Research Department, J&K also assured that they have a proposal of setting-up of an IT hub inside the library adding that the permission of internet access to students will be only given after an approval from authorities.

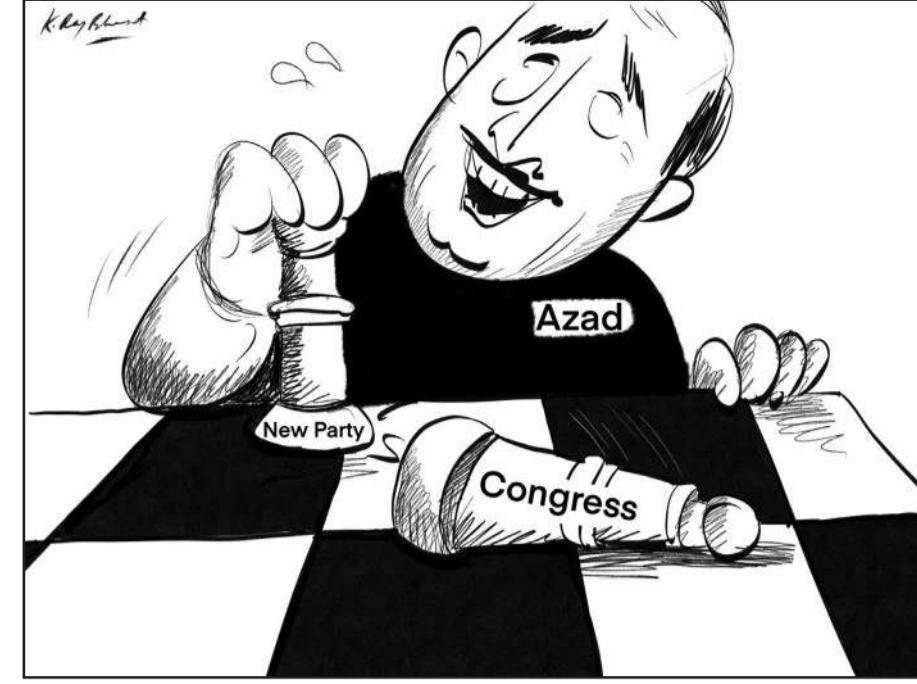
Development and promotion of the sector is vital for the prosperity of its people, he said. Dr Mehta highlighted that J&K stands top among other states in farmer-household income and called for further exploring ways to increase it. Due to the fast paced development done in the UT since 2019, we already stand among the top five states in various sectors, he added.

Elaborating on novel initiatives, the Chief Secretary said that farmers have been provided Soil Health Cards and are accordingly provided expert advice on farming. He also detailed digital platforms like Agristack and unique farmer IDs being implemented in the UT Parvaaz scheme to acknowledge their role in society.

Semiconductor Research and Innovation, geospatial technology areas related to acquisition, processing, and dissemination of high-resolution geospatial data.

The Minister is likely to interact with key US Federal officials over dinner at India House to be hosted by the Indian Ambassador.

After the dinner at India House, Dr Jitendra Singh will depart for Pittsburgh on 21st September to take part in the coveted joint convening of the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM13) and Mission Innovation (MI-7). The event is expected to bring together thousands of clean energy leaders from across the world, including CEOs, innovators, young professionals, civil society and ministers from over 30 countries to accelerate clean energy innovation and deployment.



## Joint Director CBC reviews arrangements for publicity, other activities during Navratri Festival

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JAMMU: Joint Director, Central Bureau of Communication (CBC), J&K & Ladakh Region, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, Ghulam Abbas on Tuesday reviewed arrangements for different publicity and other programmes in connection with the annual celebration of Navratri Festival at Katra that commences from September 26, 2022.

During the meeting, Joint Director CBC informed that besides cultural and other devotional programmes, CBC will also organize a multimedia exhibition under Azadi Ka Amrit Mohotsav which besides showcasing the contribution of freedom fighters during the freedom movement of India, will also showcase 'Azadi Quest' and 'Swaraaj', the new initiatives of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India.

Similarly, the power supply to Yatri Niwas, Bhawani Nagar, Gole Gujral, Talab Tilla, Trilokpur, Panjipet, NITCO Lane, Vikas Nagar and adjoining areas shall remain affected on September 21 from 7 am to 12 noon.

Likewise, the power supply to Kullian, Badyal, Kadyal, Simbal, Simbal Morth, Makhanpur, Tali Morth, Darsopur, Biaspur, Purana Pind, RS Pura and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on September 21 from 6 am to 11 am.

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Joint Director CBC, J&K & Ladakh Region, Ghulam Abbas chairing a meeting.

upon the officials and officers dealing with the publicity, cultural and other programees to engage various stakeholders like PRIs, Civil Society Members, students, teachers, HCWs, Anganwadi Workers etc. for the publicity related activities.

The meeting was attended by FPO Udhampur, Khursheed Yousuf, Media and Communications Officer, PIB Jammu, Sheikh Mudasir Amin, Administrative Officer, CBC, J&K, Ram Kishen, incharge Field Publicity Unit, Kathua, Rajesh Sharma, and other officials of Regional Office Jammu and its Field Offices.

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## Mehbooba poisoning young minds in J&K for vested political interests: BJP

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir BJP president Ravinder Raina on Tuesday accused PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti of "poisoning young minds" for vested political interests after she objected to students being compelled to sing 'Raghupati Raghav Raja Ram'. The former

Kashmir and people of the Valley rejected her. She is coming out with such a conspiracy (to regain her place)," he said. "This country belongs to all of us, the people of all faiths -- Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs, Christians and others. Mehbooba should read more often Allama Iqbal's 'mazhab Nahin Sikkha Apas Mein Bair Rakha' (religion does not teach us to fight)..." the BJP leader said.

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## CS calls for increasing crop intensity, adopting digital initiatives



VC SKUAST-J, Prof. J. P. Sharma honouring Chief Secretary, Dr AK Mehta during a function.

Govt. Manoj Sinha, on Tuesday.

Kumar discussed various matters with the Lt Governor including renewal of lease of KVIC training center at Pampore, production of bee boxes, besides effective implementation of KVIC schemes in J&K.

Discussion was also held on the record achievement in PMEGP in the last fiscal and how it can be implemented more aggressively in the future to create manifold employment opportunities.

Pertinently, in 2021-22, under PMEGP, the KVIC established 21,640 manufacturing and service units in J&K and as many as 1.73 lakh new employment was generated in the region.

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