

# Col Mahan Singh visits rain-affected village, assures relief to residents

## ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

**BASOHLI:** Col Mahan Singh (Retd), District Development Council (DDC) Chairman, today visited the rain-affected areas of Village Upper Kharmait (Mohalla Parniyal) in Pretha Panchayat, Tehsil Basohli, to assess the damages caused by recent heavy rains.

The visit comes after reports of severe destruction to houses, cattle sheds, and agricultural land due to land sinking and soil erosion.

Speaking to the media, Col Mahan Singh said, "The situation in Upper Kharmait is extremely distressing. Over 10 houses have been damaged, and several acres of agricultural



DDC Chairman, Col Mahan Singh (Retd) interacting with locals at flood-affected areas.

land have been destroyed. Major cracks can be seen across the village, indicating the magnitude of destruction. Our priority is to

ensure the safety of the affected families and provide immediate relief."

Residents, including Gian Chand, Karan Singh, Roop

Singh, Sanjay Singh, and Sher Singh, have been watching helplessly as their homes and cattle sheds were submerged by the impact of heavy rains. Debris, household belongings, and furniture are scattered across the area, reflecting the intensity of the disaster. Col Mahan Singh directed the Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Basohli to shift the affected families to safer locations and ensure the provision of all possible relief measures. He further instructed the authorities to conduct a detailed assessment of the damage to provide appropriate compensation to the victims.

The DDC Chairman, while

interacting with the villagers, assured them that the administration would extend immediate help and mobilize resources for reconstruction.

"We are committed to supporting the residents of Upper Kharmait. Relief operations will be expedited, and rehabilitation measures will be implemented as quickly as possible," he said. Col Mahan Singh was accompanied by Capt (Retd) Des Raj Batadia, Kishori Lal, Nek Ram, and other officials during the visit.

The delegation also held discussions with local authorities on long-term measures to prevent similar damage in future and improve disaster preparedness in the region.

## Appeal for Help: Support a Poor Family in Bhadarwah

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

**B H A D A R W A H :** Bhadarwah district has recently witnessed a heart-touching tragedy, where a poor man's Basant Kumar home suffered massive loss. The family has been left in deep distress, with no means to recover on their own.

We earnestly appeal to the kind-hearted people of our society to come forward and extend their helping hand in this time of need. Your generous contribution can bring hope and relief to this suffering family.

Donations may kindly be sent directly to the J and K Bank Account no. 0225040100001181 of the affected person, so that immediate support can reach him and his family. Every small contribution will make a big difference in rebuilding their lives. Together, let us stand for humanity and support those in pain.



# DC Kathua reviews progress of RDD sector works under Capex 2025-26

## ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

**KATHUA:** Deputy Commissioner Kathua Rajesh Sharma today chaired a comprehensive review meeting to assess the progress of Rural Development Department sector works being executed under the Capex Budget 2025-26. The meeting was held in the Conference Hall of the DC Office Complex.

At the outset, the meeting discussed in detail the tendering process, pace of according approvals and field-level issues hindering the smooth execution of works. It was informed that out of the 1551 proposed works in the RDD sector for the current fiscal, approval has been accorded to 1430 works, while 61 works remain pending due to procedural and technical reasons.

The Deputy Commissioner directed the concerned field functionaries to expedite the



Deputy Commissioner Kathua Rajesh Sharma chairing a meeting.

removal of bottlenecks in the tendering process to avoid delay in the execution. He emphasized to take up feasible works to ensure optimal utilization of funds and timely completion of projects. He further directed the field staff to promptly resolve nomenclature-related issues, in consultation with the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) without any further delay.

Highlighting the importance of close monitoring at the grassroots level, the DC instructed the Block

Development Officers (BDOs) to ensure regular supervision of the field staff for efficient implementation and quality of works. He asked the officers to focus on achieving 100% physical and financial progress within the stipulated timelines to maximize developmental outcomes for the rural population.

During the meeting, the Assistant Commissioner Development (ACD) apprised the DC that BDOs have been directed to prepare and submit supplementary

MGNREGA plans for repair of damages caused to infrastructure due to the recent incessant rains, ensuring timely redressal of public grievances.

The meeting also discussed the importance of synergy among different wings of the department and the PRIs for better planning and execution of projects. The DC called for enhanced coordination and timely reporting to ensure that development initiatives reach the targeted beneficiaries without delay.

ADDC Kathua, Surinder Mohan; Chief Planning Officer Ranjit Thakur; ACD Akhil Sadotra; Executive Engineer, REW and field functionaries of the RDD sector attended the meeting.

# DC Poonch reviews status of road connectivity, Jal Shakti projects



DC Poonch Ashok Kumar Sharma chairing a meeting.

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**POONCH:** Deputy Commissioner Poonch Ashok Kumar Sharma visited Surankote and convened an interaction meeting with prominent members of the civil society to listen to their concerns and review developmental requirements of the area.

The meeting discussed at length the damages caused due to recent adverse weather conditions, particularly its impact on infrastructure and essential services. The Deputy Commissioner laid

strong emphasis on strengthening road connectivity in the subdivision and directed the concerned engineers to ensure timely execution of all ongoing works. He stressed that improving road links, especially to far-flung habitations, is vital for economic growth and smooth public mobility.

The Deputy Commissioner also reviewed the progress of Jal Shakti projects and issued strict instructions to the officers of the department to expedite execution and ensure timely completion.

tion. He underlined that uninterrupted water supply is a basic necessity and warned that accountability will be fixed in case of delays or lapses.

While concluding, the Deputy Commissioner highlighted the growing challenge of drug abuse and urged civil society, parents and educational institutions to work in close coordination with the administration to safeguard the youth from this menace.

The meeting was attended by local SDM, SDPO, SEs, XENs, Tehsildar, BDOs, officers/officials of line departments and prominent members of civil society who actively participated and shared their concerns with the District Administration. The Deputy Commissioner assured that more such interactive meetings will be held regularly to monitor progress on development works and address public grievances.

# HC calls petition abuse of process, orders Rs 20,000 cost in Kathua Land Row

## ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

**JAMMU:** Bringing the curtains down on a prolonged legal tussle, the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh has dismissed a writ petition in the Kathua land resumption case, describing it as an "abuse of process of court" and directing the petitioners to pay Rs 20,000 as costs.

Justice Sanjay Dhar, while pronouncing judgment, observed that the petitioners were attempting to reopen issues that had been conclusively settled nearly two decades ago under the J&K Agrarian Reforms Act, 1976.

The dispute pertained to agricultural land in village Ramnagar, district Kathua, where the petitioners were recorded as tenants and the private respondents as landlords. In 2004, the Tehsildar attested mutation No. 360 under Section 7 of the Agrarian Reforms Act, allowing the landlords to resume the land.

That order survived successive challenges before the appellate authority,

the J&K Special Tribunal, the High Court's Single Bench, and finally the Division Bench in 2007. Despite this, the petitioners continued to litigate, filing suits and writs to stall implementation of the resumption order.

The judge noted that the petitioners had managed to delay enforcement of the order for over 20 years. "It appears to be a case of abuse of process of court... the petitioners, by their litigious conduct, have succeeded in avoiding implementation of the order for more than two decades, thereby making a mockery of the process of law," Justice Dhar observed.

The High Court dismissed the writ petition with Rs 20,000 costs, directing that the amount be deposited in the Advocates' Welfare Fund within one month. If not deposited, recovery proceedings would follow.

A related contempt petition (CCP(S) No. 258/2025) was also closed, as the interim orders stood merged with the final judgment.

# Internship Program of GDC Kathua concludes

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**KATHUA:** The Department of Botany, Government Degree College Kathua, successfully concluded its one month Internship Program with an enriching exposure visit to the J&K Government Department of Horticulture, Office of the Manager-cum-Chemist, Fruit Preservation & Utilization Extension Centre, Kathua (J&K).

The visit was organized under the mentorship of Dr. Savi Bhel, Principal of the college, and was led by Dr. Sanjeev Gupta (HoD Botany) and Dr. Anil Sharma (HoD Horticulture

Technology), accompanied by the participating 46 students. This concluding visit aimed at bridging the gap between theoretical learning and practical application in the field of horticulture, fruit preservation, and product utilization.

On arrival, the students and faculty were warmly received by Ashwani Sharma, Chief Horticulture Officer, Kathua, along with his dedicated team - Dr. Anju Bala, Horticulture Manager, and Kamaljeet, Horticulture Instructor.

The highlight of the day was the hands-on practical training sessions where students got the opportunity to learn various fruit preservation techniques, processing methods, and utilization practices directly from industry experts. These sessions not only enhanced the students' technical skills but also helped them understand the real-world applications of their academic knowledge.

As part of the concluding ceremony, certificates for the internship program were awarded to the participating

students by the Chief Horticulture Officer, in recognition of their active engagement and learning during the program. Dr. Anil Sharma, Internship Coordinator, expressed his gratitude to the Department of Horticulture for their cooperation and hospitality. He also emphasized that such experiential learning opportunities play a vital role in preparing students for future careers in plant sciences, agribusiness, and related sectors.

The students shared that the internship had been an invaluable experience, providing them with practical exposure, industry interaction, and skill-based learning that will benefit them in their academic as well as professional journeys. The program was a collaborative effort of the Department of Horticulture Technology, GDC Kathua and the Department of Horticulture, showing the importance of academic-industry partnerships in enhancing student skill entrepreneurship outcomes.

**IN THE COURT OF DISTRICT COLLECTOR, JAMMU**  
**Case titled:-**  
Balbir Singh, Paramjit Singh, Balbinder Singh Sons of Kartar Singh R/o Chak Lala Tehsil Bishnah. ....Appellant  
Amar Nath S/o Jagat Ram R/o SultanpurTehsil Bishnah Tehsildar Bishnah ....Respondents

**In the matter of:** Suit u/s 32 of Land Revenue Act Svt. 1996 for deletion of the name of defendant no.1 an outsider which is figuring wrongly and illegally in the column (4) of Jamabandi of Village Chak Lala Tehsil Bishnah for the year 1956-57 with regard to Khasra no. 531/340 (3 Kanal 8 Marla) situated at Chak Lala Tehsil Bishnah. Prayer for deletion of the name of defendant no. 1 from Jamabandi of 1957-58 bearing Khasra no. 531/340 (3 Kanal 08 Marla) situated at Chak Lala Tehsil Bishnah.

**Notice to the:**  
1. Amar Nath S/o Jagat Ram R/o Sultanpur Tehsil Bishnah.  
In the case titled and matter above, you are directed to appear in person or through counsel to defend your case on the date of hearing i.e. 10-10-2025.  
**No: DCJ/Rdr/2025-26293**  
**Dated: 30-08-2024**  
**Sd/-**  
**District Collector**  
**Jammu**

**OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL  
FOREST GUARDS TRAINING  
SCHOOL DOOMI (AKHNOOR)**

**CORRIGENDUM**

In reference to the Auction Notice No. 324-30/FGTSD dated 25-08-2025, it is hereby informed that in item 7(i), the location mentioned as "Miran Sahib" may be read as "Principal Forest Guards Training School, Doomi".

All other terms and conditions of the auction remain unchanged.

**No. 365 /FGTSD**  
**Dtd: 30-08-2025**  
**DIP/J-5268/25**  
**Dated:- 01/09/2025**

**Sd/-**  
**PRINCIPAL**  
**FOREST GUARDS TRG. SCHOOL**  
**DOOMI**

**HQ J&K POLICE, SRINAGAR**  
**No. BDH-01/Win/Hiring/Htls/Jmu/2025-26/ 3585-91**  
**Dt 30 Aug 2025**

**Notice Inviting Offers**  
**Sub: Hiring of Hotels/Guest Houses/Lodges for Winter Session 2025-26 at Jammu.**

Scaled offers affixed with revenue stamp/ e-stamp worth Rs. 10/- on the prescribed format (enclosed) along with requisite documents are invited from the private Hoteliers/Guest House owners, registered with the Tourism Department and are willing to offer their Hotels/Guest Houses/Lodges to the J&K Police Department for a period of six months for accommodating employees of Police Department w.e.f November-2025 to April-2026 at Jammu. Copies of NIO can be downloaded from J&K Police website [www.jkpolice.gov.in](http://www.jkpolice.gov.in). **The offers completed in all respects shall be submitted at Police Headquarters J&K Srinagar / Incharge Camp Office PHQ Gulshan Ground, Jammu against the Government Receipt of Rs. 1500/- in cash (non-refundable) on all working days till 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2025.** In case, the last date of receipt is declared as holiday, the next working day shall be the last date for receipt of the offers.

The Hotels/Guest Houses/Lodges shall be hired only after getting necessary Security Clearance/Physical Inspection by a team constituted by PIHQ J&K and in accordance with suitability/requirement/fulfillment of other terms and condition as contained in the Proforma.

**The DGP, J&K reserves the rights to reject any offer without assigning any reason thereof.**

**DIP/J-5273/25**  
**Dated:- 01/09/2025**  
**Sd/-**  
**Amitg Bhasin**  
**A/G-B**  
**For DG-P**

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**JAMMU & KASHMIR SERVICES SELECTION BOARD**  
**CPO Chowk Panjtirthi, Jammu/Zamzam Complex Rambagh Srinagar.**  
**[www.jkssb.nic.in](http://www.jkssb.nic.in)**

**Notice**  
**Subject:Conduct of OMR Based Examination for the post of Junior Engineer (Electrical).**

It is hereby notified for the information of all concerned that the OMR Based Written Examination for the posts of Junior Engineer (Electrical), Power Development Department, which was cancelled vide this office Notice No. JKSSB/COE0Exam/UT/29/2025-03 (772899) **Dated:24-08-2025, shall now be conducted on 21.09.2025.**

**Admit Cards** for the said examination shall be issued afresh and will be hosted on the Official website of the JKSSB i.e. [www.jkssb.nic.in](http://www.jkssb.nic.in) from 15.09.2025.

Further, the candidates are advised to regularly visit the official Website of the Board for updates.

**No: JKSSB/COE0Exam/UT/29/2025-03 (772899)**  
**Dated:-28-08-2025**  
**DIP/J-5258/25**  
**Dated:- 01/09/2025**

**Sd/-**  
**(Reyaz Ahmad Malik) JKAS**  
**Controller of Examination**  
**J&K Services Selection Board**

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**NOTICE**  
**Subject: Syllabi for various posts of Health & Medical Education Department advertised vide Notification No. 07 of 2025 dated 29.07.2025.**

The Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board advertised the below mentioned posts of Health and Medical Education Department vide Advertisement Notification No. 07 of 2025 dated 29.07.2025. The syllabi for these posts are hereby notified as **Annexures "A" to "V"** to this notice, for information of the concerned candidates.

S. No.	Name of the post	Syllabus Annexure
1.	Attendant General Cadre (AGC) G-II	"A"
2.	Barber G-III	
3.	CSSD Attendant	
4.	Nursing Aid G-III	"B"
5.	Insect Collector	
6.	BCG Technician	
7.	Female MPHW	"D"
8.	Male Multi-Purpose Health Worker	
9.	Barber	
10.	Dhobi/Jr.Dhobi	"E"
11.	Junior Store Clerk	
12.	Dresser	
13.	Junior Pharmacist	"H"
14.	Junior Dental Technician	
15.	Junior Health Inspector (FW)	
16.	Junior Laboratory Technician	"J"
17.	Junior Ophthalmic Technician	
18.	Junior Staff Nurse/Junior male Nurse	
19.	Staff Nurse G-II	"M"
20.	Junior Theatre Technician	
21.	Junior X-ray Technician	
22.	Para Medical Assistant	"O"
23.	Technician G-II	
24.	Refrigerator Mechanic	
25.	Extension Educator	"R"
26.	Health Educator	
27.	Sanitary Inspector	
28.	Service Engineer	"T"
29.	Warden	
30.	,Prosthetic/Orthetic Tech.	

**No. JKSSB-COE0EXAM(UT)/47/2023-03(7202120)**  
**Dated:30.08.2025**  
**DIP/J-5256/25**  
**Dated:- 01/09/2025**  
**Sd/-**  
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**Controller of Examinations**  
**J&K Services Selection Board**