

Satish inspects departmental offices on opening day of Darbar Move

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On the first day of opening of the Darbar Move at Civil Secretariat here, Minister for Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, Information Technology, Transport, Youth Services and Sports, Satish Sharma today conducted comprehensive inspection of all the offices functioning under his Ministry.

The Minister, accompanied by senior officers of the concerned departments, visited various sections and reviewed the working of the administrative units including the offices of FCS&CA, IT, Transport, and Youth Services & Sports.

He took stock of the arrangements made for the smooth conduct of official business in the Secretariat and assessed the readiness of staff and infrastructure following the shift to the winter capital.

During the inspection, Satish Sharma interacted with officers and employees, enquired about their requirements, and instructed them to maintain



the highest standards of discipline, punctuality, and efficiency. He emphasized on the importance of citizen-centric approach in governance, stating that our focus must always remain on prompt service delivery, accountability, and transparency in every aspect of administration.

He further directed the departmental heads to ensure effective coordination between field offices and the Secretariat so that public grievances are addressed in a time-bound manner.

The Minister also re-

viewed key ongoing initiatives under each department, particularly digital service expansion under the IT Department, consumer protection measures under FCS&CA, road safety awareness campaigns under the Transport Department, and sports development programs being implemented across Jammu and Kashmir.

Highlighting the government's commitment to responsive and efficient administration, Satish Sharma said that the re-opening of the Secretariat marks the beginning of another productive session of governance aimed at accelerating the pace of public welfare and infrastructure development. He called upon all officers to rededicate themselves to the mission of good governance and ensure that every government initiative reaches the grassroots level effectively.

The Minister expressed satisfaction over the arrangements made in various offices and assured that all necessary support will be extended to further strengthen departmental functioning.

DC Bandipora approves 82 cases under Mission YUVA

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The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Indu Kanwal Chib, today chaired a meeting of the District Level Implementation Committee (DLIC) to review and approve cases under Mission YUVA at the Mini Secretariat, Bandipora.

During the meeting, 106 cases were presented, out of which 82 were approved by the Committee after detailed scrutiny. The rest of the cases were ordered to be reconsidered and referred back to the concerned departments for detailed feasibility reports before resubmission.

The Deputy Commissioner directed that DLIC meetings shall be held every Monday to ensure regular monitoring and timely disposal of cases. The meeting also reviewed the overall progress of Mission YUVA in the district,



including cases forwarded to banks, sanctioned, disbursed, and rejected, to evaluate the implementation status.

On the occasion, the DC emphasized the need for an in-depth analysis to identify areas with fewer or no applications and areas with maximum participation. She directed the Cluster Head J&K Bank to submit branch-wise data and the Employment Officer was directed to furnish village-

wise details to ensure uniform growth and coverage across all blocks and branches.

Nodal Officer JKEDI was instructed to explore sectors and sub-sectors showing higher participation so that targeted interventions can be made to achieve block and branch saturation.

During the meeting, the DC further directed officers to verify every case in detail, ensuring transparency

and accountability. She underscored that Mission YUVA should not be limited to trading activities and stressed the need to sensitize and guide youth toward diverse entrepreneurial fields.

The Pollution Control Officer was directed to monitor cases where environmental violations are likely, ensuring compliance with statutory norms. She further reiterated the directions of the Chief Secretary, stating that rehabilitated youth and terror victims should be actively engaged under Mission YUVA to provide them with sustainable livelihood opportunities.

Among others, the meeting was attended by General Manager DIC Bandipora; District Social Welfare Officer; District Nodal Officer JKEDI; Lead Bank Manager; Cluster Head J&K Bank Bandipora; District Officer PCB and other concerned officers.

Voter Awareness Programme under SVEEP held at Ompora to Encourage Voter Participation

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Under the directions of the District Election Officer (DEO) Budgam, Dr. Bilal Mohi-ud-Din Bhat, the District Administration today organised a series of voter awareness activities under the Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) programme.

The initiative was spearheaded by the District Nodal Officer SVEEP (Chief Education Officer Budgam) with the aim to enhance voter turnout in polling stations identified with lower participation rates in the Ompora area.

The programme witnessed the presence of the General Observer, Bhore Singh Yadav; Police Observer, Nachiketa Jha, and Expenditure Observer Ravinder Kumar, appointed by ECI for upcoming bye-elections to 27-AC Budgam who along with Chief Education Officer Budgam, Rifat Irfan Qadri, observed the proceedings and appreciated the enthusiasm of the



participants.

As part of the campaign, a range of engaging activities were conducted including Nukkad Natak (street plays), rallies, distribution of voter awareness pamphlets, and display of informative hoardings. These activities were designed to sensitize and motivate the local populace, especially first-time voters, about the importance of

active participation in the democratic process.

A large number of students, teachers, and local residents took part in the awareness rally, which commenced from Ibni Sina Paramedical College, passed through various streets of Ompora, and culminated at Eid Gah Ompora. The vibrant and energetic participation of the community reflected a collective com-

mitment towards ensuring greater electoral participation in the forthcoming bye-elections to 27-Assembly Constituency Budgam.

The district administration Budgam reiterated its commitment to continue such awareness programmes across different areas of the district to promote informed, ethical, and inclusive voting.

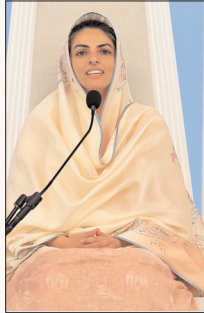
78th Annual Nirankari Sant Samagam Day -3

'True Spiritual Growth is Possible only with Constant Introspection'

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"True spiritual growth inevitably improves our behaviour, relationships, and social conduct. When the mind rests in the right place and stays in remembrance of God Almighty (Nirankar) then positivity ripples through every facet of life. Just like while walking down a road, we don't put litter into our handbag rather we put it in the dustbin; so too with unwanted thoughts – we must let them go. The mind naturally filters; as not everything we see is worth holding to the end of the day. We must choose what truly uplifts us and let the rest pass," Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj shared these thoughts while addressing the sea of devotees on the second day of the 78th Annual Nirankari Sant Samagam.

Satguru Mata Ji elaborated her thoughts on introspection and said that one shouldn't waste time



clinging to trivialities rather choose what needs to be internalised. Her Holiness said that we often tend to change, yet postpone adopting virtues. Think of the alarm we set to wake up early: we add two or three buffer alarms so that we can keep snoozing them. Logically, though one alarm is enough but we keep delaying it. Likewise, we postpone efforts that endure spiritual bliss and we make simple things complicated, only to discover later that the solution was always simple.

Further Mata Ji stated the fact that as our own voice echoes back to us in the hills when we shout out; similarly, we get back what we give while our sur-

roundings remain unchanged. Like, the trees and rocks that remain unaffected by the echo. We must consciously choose what we spread.

Earlier, Nirankari Rajpita Ji clearly demarcated a few practical aspects of life that one must introspect so as to improvise oneself constantly. He shared the example of a child who asked Rajpita Ji during His spiritual tour about the difference between sharing one's heavy heart and slandering (ninda). Rev. Rajpita Ji answered that it is natural to express oneself if it is spoken once to a trusted friend or a family member just to lighten the heart, but if the same story is repeated to many then it

turns into gossip. If the intent is healing, it purifies; if it is comparison or judgement; it becomes slander. Let us therefore watch the intent behind our words.

Rev. Rajpita Ji added that true Atma Manthan means asking ourselves: whom do we surround ourselves with – those who strengthen our faith or those who bring doubt in it? Have I become the one who spreads doubt? Let us reflect and refrain from travelling in a leaky boat which is bound to sink.

Spread over nearly 650 acres, this grand spiritual gathering witnesses the participation of devotees and distinguished guests not only from India but also from across the world.



DC Ramban reviews progress under District Capex Budget 2025-26

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Deputy Commissioner Ramban Mohammad Alyas Khan today chaired a comprehensive review meeting to assess the progress under the District Capex Budget 2025-26.

The meeting aimed to ensure achievement of 100% physical and financial targets, effective, transparent and timely implementation of all approved developmental projects of RDD, PWD, Jal Shakti, JPDCL, Education, Health, Urban Local Bodies and other departments across the district.

Assistant Commissioner Development, officers from the line departments and engineers from REW, PWD, PDD, PMGSY, besides Block Development Officers (BDOs) and other



executing agencies were in attendance.

The Deputy Commissioner reviewed the status of ongoing developmental works and discussed the implementation of the

State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) Plan. Detailed deliberations were also held on new project proposals, requirements for ongoing works and local developmental priorities.

The DC directed the Executive Engineer REW to take up allotted works immediately and expedite the process for allotment for the remaining approved works. He also asked the development departments to construct Community Sanitary Complexes (CSCs) at prominent public locations and conduct regular cleanliness drives in their respective areas to promote hygiene and sanitation.

Further, the BDOs were directed to complete all SOS works, both physically and financially, as the requisite funds have already been released.

Emphasizing timely execution and accountability, the Deputy Commissioner underscored that achieving developmental goals requires close coordination among departments.

DDC Doda reviews ICDS performance

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District Development Commissioner (DDC) Doda Harvinder Singh today conducted a detailed review of the working of Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS), with a focus on accelerating service delivery, improving nutritional outcomes and enhancing field-level accountability. The review meeting was held at the mini meeting hall, DC Office Complex.

The DDC Doda reviewed key performance areas including nutritional support for pregnant and lactating women, growth monitoring of children, early childhood education and operational status of Anganwadi Centres across all blocks. He emphasized measurable improvements in child nutrition indicators and directed officials to bridge service gaps through proactive field engagement.

Progress under Poshan Abhiyaan, Aadhaar saturation of beneficiaries and timely disbursement under Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) were assessed. The DDC Doda instructed officers to ensure seamless and timely supply of nutrition to all eligible beneficiaries and maintain strict transparency in distribution



mechanisms.

DDC Doda stressed door-to-door outreach to trace left-out beneficiaries and directed immediate corrective measures where gaps were observed. He further encouraged ICDS teams to intensify community mobilisation and awareness activities to strengthen maternal and child care practices at the grassroots level.

The DDC also called for regular monitoring visits by field officers, updated progress reporting and technology-based tracking to ensure scheme saturation and accountability.

The meeting was attended by Programme Officer ICDS Akhter Qazi;

Child Development Project Officers (CDPOs) from all

blocks and other concerned officials.

Power shutdown

JAMMU, NOVEMBER 3: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL, Jammu has informed that the power supply to Ramban, Chanderkote, Karole, Battery Chashma, Bernote, Sangaldan, Gool and adjoining areas will remain affected on November 04 and 05 from 8 am to 11 am.

Similarly, the power supply to Chibba, Thanda Pani, Baymal and adjoining areas will remain affected on November 04 from 9 am to 2 pm. Likewise, the power supply to Sarthal, Kuntwara, Trigam and adjoining areas will remain affected on November 04 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Meanwhile, Superintending Engineer, (Distribution), JPDCL, O&M Circle, Kathua has informed that the power supply to Kalibari, Azadpur, Housing Colony, Upper Shiv-anagar and adjoining areas will remain affected on November 04 from 7.30 am to 11.30 am.

Similarly, the power supply to Changran, Chack Desa Singh, Manke Talab, Shiva Nagar, Durga Nagar, Govt Women Degree College, Ward No.2, District Jail, Super Bazaar and adjoining areas will remain affected on November 04 and 06 from 7.30 am to 11.30 pm.