

# JAMMU & KASHMIR

## ADM conducts inspection of medical shops, suspends licenses for violations

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Additional District Magistrate Ansuja Jamwal today conducted an extensive inspection of medical shops near Government Medical College Bakshi Nagar.

The inspection focused on adherence to Schedule H drug protocols, verification of licenses, employee profiling, computerised billing systems and the proper functioning of CCTV cameras.

During the inspection, several irregularities were found, resulting in notices being issued to various medical shops for violating Standard Operating Procedures. The licenses of three medical shops were suspended due to the absence of a registered pharmacist on-site and the shops were immediately sealed. Additionally, show cause notices were served to the shop



owners, directing them to address the violations promptly.

Also noted were significant gaps in record maintenance. The ADM cross-verified whether psychotropic drugs were being sold without proper prescriptions and identified discrepancies between the purchase,

sales, and available stock in the shops. These irregularities pointed to a lack of transparency and accountability in operations, warranting immediate corrective measures.

Speaking on the occasion, the ADM emphasised the importance of strict compliance with legal provisions

governing the sale of medicines, highlighting that any breach poses a serious risk to public health.

The ADM was accompanied by Tehsildar Jammu Khas Paramdeep Singh, Deputy Controller Legal Metrology Jammu, Drug Inspectors Nissar Ahmed and Sanjay Bhat.

## DC Poonch reviews working of Revenue Department, addresses key issues



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Deputy Commissioner (DC) Poonch, Vikas Kundal, convened a meeting today in the Conference Hall of the DC Office Complex to assess the functioning of the Revenue Department and discuss various pertinent issues.

The primary focus of the meeting was to review the status of verification of scanned and digitized revenue records, alongside monitoring the implementation of digitization initiatives.

Key indicators of the Revenue Department were meticulously examined, including Khewats, Khatas &

Khasras, the scanning of revenue records, digitization and geo-referencing efforts, Jamabandies, eviction status of state land, Kahcharai land status, online services under the Public Service Guarantee Act (PSGA), and other critical revenue matters.

During the meeting, the DC underscored the impor-

tance of completing the verification process within the stipulated time frame. He instructed the ACR to closely monitor Tehsil-wise digitization progress and online services.

The meeting was attended by the ACR, SDM Mendhar, SDM Surankote, Tehsildars and other concerned officials.

## DDC reviews functioning of Social Welfare Department in District Reasi

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District Development Commissioner Reasi, Nidhi Malik convened a meeting here today to review the functioning of the Social Welfare Department in the district. The meeting focussed on evaluating the implementation of social security, women and child centric schemes.

District Social Welfare Officer Sachin Sharma provided a detailed presentation on the schemes and initiatives in the district.

It was informed that 15,246 beneficiaries across the district are currently receiving Old Age Pension under Integrated Social Security Scheme (ISSS), while an additional 5317 beneficiaries are enrolled in the National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP).

The DDC emphasized the importance of close coordination among other departments to ensure the smooth functioning of the schemes. She emphasised timely disposal of applications of Marriage Assistance Scheme that provides one-time financial assistance to PPH/AAV girls of marriageable age.

The DDC also reviewed the functioning of Mission Shakti and Mission Vat-

salya schemes and instructed the officials of SANKALP Hub for Empowerment of Women, Reasi to create a database of all Women centric schemes of Other Departments that will be useful to sensitize such beneficiaries approaching SANKALP Hub for support. Chief Planning Officer, Narinder Kumar, Tehsil Social Welfare Officer, Mahore and other officials were present.

## Functioning of ICDS Deptt reviewed at Reasi

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Deputy Commissioner Reasi Nidhi Malik today chaired a significant meeting to review the functioning of the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Department in the district.

The meeting focused on the implementation of the schemes aimed at improving maternal and child health, with an emphasis on expanding coverage in underserved areas.

At the outset, Project Officer (ICDS) Mohamed Anwar Bandy presented an overview of the department's operations and highlighted key achievements and challenges.

The Deputy Commissioner directed Child Development Project Officers (CDPOs) to conduct weekly visits to Anganwadi Centres, especially in remote areas, to monitor their



functionality and ensure quality services delivery.

She further underscored the importance of regular health check-ups for children and mothers at Anganwadi Centres, instructing officials to maintain detailed health indicator

records for better tracking and planning.

Additionally, she ordered the phased relocation of Anganwadi Centres to Government buildings to improve accessibility and infrastructure.

The Deputy Commissioner also stressed the need for enhanced coverage of beneficiaries under the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) in the Arnas and Mahore areas, ensuring that eligible women receive timely support.

## J&K has immense potential for harnessing solar, hydro, other renewable energy sources: Satish

### Attends Regional Workshop on Renewable Energy in Jaipur, Rajasthan

JAMMU, JANUARY 21:

"Jammu and Kashmir has immense potential for harnessing solar, hydro and other renewable energy sources in Jammu and Kashmir", stated Minister for FCS &CA, Transport, Youth Services and Sports, Science and Technology, Information Technology, ARI and Trainings, Satish Sharma, during his address at Regional Workshop on Renewable Energy held in Jaipur, Rajasthan.

Union Minister for New and Renewable Energy, Pralhad Venkatesh Joshi; MoS, Shripad Yesso Naik; Chief Minister Rajasthan, Bhajanlal Sharma; concerned Ministers hailing from Himachal Pradesh, Haryana and Rajasthan along with senior officers were present in the workshop.

The workshop was aimed to foster collaboration, address challenges and explore actionable solutions in advancing India's renewable energy agenda.

During his address, Satish Sharma acknowledged the unwavering commitment of the Union Ministry towards fostering new and renewable energy initiatives across the country.

Highlighting the progress/ achievements made in Jammu & Kashmir,



the Minister said that J&K is uniquely positioned with immense potential for harnessing solar, hydro and other renewable energy sources.

He said that under PM KUSUM scheme, J&K had a target of installation of 5000 solar agricultural pumps, of which, 3000 stands installed as on date. He informed that solarisation of all government buildings under PM Surya Ghar scheme has already been taken up by JaKeDA and it is expected that by December 2025, all these buildings in J&K shall be solarised. He added that under PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana, around 1000 solar roof topping under

domestic category has been done and a total of 3MW has been achieved, so far.

The Minister asserted that RESCO model needs to be replicated so that consumers can be provided 100% free power in J&K.

The Minister also met the Union Minister on the sidelines of workshop and had detailed deliberations regarding exploration of new avenues in New & Renewable Energy sector including job opportunities and economic and environmental benefits of the initiatives.

The Minister apprised the Union Minister regarding immediate requirements in JK especially rural and border areas like Kathua, Samba, RS Pura, Chhamb,

Rajouri, Sunderbani, Nowshera, Poonch, Karnah, Uri, Baramulla.

He said that border people and army/ security people shall be given active consideration and will be facilitated with adequate power supply through solarisation.

The Minister urged for support in extending specific successful initiatives to the UT from the Ministry for New & Renewable energy, which would significantly accelerate development of this sector in J&K. He asked for special funding/assistance under centrally sponsored schemes to bridge the gap and strengthen our infrastructure.

## DC Jammu inspects Jal Jeevan Mission works, stresses on quality and sustainability

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Deputy Commissioner Sachin Kumar Vaishya today conducted an inspection of ongoing works under the Jal Jeevan Mission in the district, emphasising the need for maintaining quality standards and ensuring long-term sustainability.

Accompanied by Additional District Development Commissioner Sher Singh, Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Rashpal Singh, along with other senior engineers, the DC inspected Water Supply Schemes—Nardani, Badani, Domana and Mishriwala.

During the site visits, the DC reviewed various components of the projects, including construction works



for sump tanks, pump rooms and tube wells. The DC also directed the concerned officers to prioritize water harvesting structures

in the designs, aiming to enhance the sustainability of both new and existing bore wells.

He further instructed that

regular quality checks be conducted and urged field staff to expedite the pace of work without compromising standards.

## DIC Reasi conducts awareness camps on PMEGP, PM Vishwakarma Scheme

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District Industries Centre (DIC) Reasi today organized awareness camps at 4 locations—Arnas, Thuroo, Panthal and Mahore—to educate the public about the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) and the PM Vishwakarma Scheme.

These camps were held under the overall supervi-



### Power shutdown

JAMMU, JANUARY 21: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL, Jammu has informed that the power supply to District Udhampur, Kishtwar and parts of Doda will remain affected on January 22 from 10 am to 2.30 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Suhagpur, Arnia, Allah, Chak Shera, Treva, Jabowal, Kotli and adjoining areas will remain affected on January 22 from 8 am to 12 noon.

of the General Manager of DIC, Mohammad Anwar Bandy. The initiative aimed to inform the local populace about the benefits and opportunities provided by these government schemes to support self-employment, entrepreneurship, and the promotion of traditional craftsmanship.

The camps witnessed wide participation from the public, reflecting significant interest in availing

the schemes. Attendees were briefed on the application process, eligibility criteria, and financial support available under the PMEGP and PM Vishwakarma Scheme. The schemes aim to empower individuals by offering financial assistance, skill development, and market access for sustainable livelihoods.

Speaking on the occasion, the officers of DIC Reasi emphasized the im-

portance of such awareness drives in reaching out to the rural population. They highlighted the government's commitment to fostering entrepreneurship and preserving traditional crafts, ensuring economic growth and employment generation in the region.

The camps were well-received, with attendees appreciating the efforts of DIC Reasi in bringing valuable information and guidance to their doorsteps.