

Preventive measures awareness lecture on Malaria held at Ukhral college



BANIHAL, APRIL 25: Reinforcing its commitment to community welfare and public health awareness, the Indian Army conducted a lecture on Preventive Measures for Malaria at Degree College, Ukhral in Ramban district. The initiative aimed to educate students about the causes, transmission, and effective prevention of malaria, promoting a healthy and disease-free lifestyle among the youth of the region.

The programme witnessed active participation from 50 students and 08 teachers, reflecting strong community engagement and awareness towards seasonal and vector-borne dis-

eases. During the session, Army representatives conducted interactive discussions highlighting how malaria spreads through mosquito bites and the importance of timely prevention and control measures. Special emphasis was laid on maintaining personal hygiene, eliminating stagnant water sources, and using protective measures such as mosquito nets, repellents, and appropriate clothing. The students were also educated on recognizing early symptoms of malaria, including fever, chills, headache, and fatigue, and the importance of seeking immediate medical attention.

Real-life examples and case-based discussions were used to make the session more practical and relatable. Students were encouraged to actively participate in cleanliness drives and awareness campaigns within their communities to prevent mosquito breeding. Army officials also explained the broader impact of malaria on public health, productivity, and overall well-being, especially in vulnerable and remote areas. Participants were sensitized about the role of community cooperation in controlling the spread of the disease. The faculty members ap-

preciated the initiative and emphasized the importance of continued awareness programmes, particularly during peak malaria seasons. The lecture instilled a sense of responsibility among the attendees to adopt preventive measures and spread awareness among their families and peers.

Addressing the gathering, Army officials reiterated that prevention is the most effective strategy against malaria and requires collective effort from individuals, educational institutions, and society. They urged the students to remain vigilant, maintain cleanliness, and contribute actively towards a healthier environment.

The programme concluded with an interactive session and a collective pledge by students to follow preventive measures and promote awareness about malaria in their communities.

The Indian Army reaffirmed its dedication to public health awareness, youth development, and community engagement, and assured continued efforts to combat vector-borne diseases and promote a culture of hygiene, discipline, and social responsibility in the Ukhral region and adjoining areas.

'Friends of Fortis' Event Highlights Advanced Robotic Knee Care in Jammu

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Fortis Escorts Hospital Amritsar organized a 'Friends of Fortis' event in Jammu, bringing together post-operative patients and members of the local community to promote awareness on advanced orthopaedic care, with a special focus on robotic knee replacement.

The programme featured interactive sessions with orthopaedic specialists, patient testimonials, and discussions on the benefits of robotic-assisted knee surgery, including enhanced precision, reduced recovery time, and improved outcomes.

Dr. Mohit Arora, Director – Orthopaedics, said the initiative aims to empower patients with the



right knowledge while strengthening community connect. Facility Director Yogesh Joshi reiterated the hospital's commitment

to patient-centric care and innovation.

The event was attended by Chief Guest Anand Jain, IPS, ADG Armed Po-

lice, J&K, along with other dignitaries including Sunny Gupta and Karuna Gupta of Rotary Club Jammu.

Vande Bharat Extension to Jammu Tawi Welcomed by Billawaria as Historic Boost to J&K Connectivity

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Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Jammu & Kashmir General Secretary and former Deputy Mayor Jammu, Baldev Singh Billawaria, has warmly welcomed the decision of Northern Railway to extend the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-Srinagar Vande Bharat Express up to Jammu Tawi. He described this initiative as historic and a significant step in the interest of passengers, which will further strengthen connectivity in the Jammu region.

Billawaria particularly appreciated the inclusion of advanced winterization technology that enables it to operate smoothly even in sub-zero temperatures in the Vande Bharat train, its increased capacity of 20 coaches, improved heating systems, and various passenger-friendly innovations. He stated that "this train will operate smoothly even in the most challenging weather conditions, serving as a strong and reliable link between Jammu and Kashmir."

He said that this extension will greatly benefit daily commuters,



tourists, and pilgrims visiting Mata Vaishno Devi. It will also give a boost to tourism in Jammu & Kashmir, promote local trade, generate employment opportunities, and play an important role in strengthening the region's economy.

Billawaria further added that extending the Vande Bharat Express to Jammu Tawi will not only reduce travel time but also provide passengers with a modern, safe, and comfortable travel experience. He reiterated that the BJP-led central government is continuously working to establish Jammu & Kashmir as a hub of development, connectivity, and prosperity.

Expressing deep gratitude to Prime

Minister Narendra Modi, Billawaria said that his visionary, decisive, and result-oriented leadership has given a new direction and pace to the development of Jammu & Kashmir. He noted that accelerating long-pending projects, ensuring development reaches remote areas, and making life easier for common citizens are all outcomes of the Prime Minister's strong resolve and sensitive leadership. He also highlighted the sustained commitment to integrating Jammu & Kashmir with the mainstream of national development.

He further appreciated the efforts of Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Dr. Jitendra Singh, BJP J&K President and Rajya Sabha MP Sat Sharma (CA), and Jammu MP Jugal Kishore Sharma, stating that "their visionary, dedicated, and development-oriented leadership has not only accelerated several ambitious projects in Jammu & Kashmir but has also played a decisive role in successfully implementing them on the ground."

He also lauded the efforts of the Ministry of Railways and officials of Northern Railway for this people-centric decision.

Udhampur admin conducts Civil Defence Mock Drill

UDHAMPUR, APRIL 25: As part of its ongoing efforts to strengthen emergency preparedness and public safety, the District Administration Udhampur, under the supervision of Deputy Commissioner Minga Sherpa, conducted a Civil Defence Air Raid mock drill in Udhampur town today with the main exercise held at Shanti Niketan High School.

More than 200 individuals, including

members of the civil society and officials from Revenue, Police, Health, Education, Information, NDRF, SDRF, Telecom, Traffic and Fire & Emergency Services actively participated in the drill. The exercise was organized with the objective of educating and sensitizing the local population about effective emergency response protocols during blackout situations and other unforeseen crises. The mock drill

simulated a real-time emergency scenario, demonstrating coordinated responses among civil defence volunteers, local residents and emergency service agencies. Key activities included evacuation procedures, first-aid demonstrations, fire safety measures and basic rescue operations, thereby equipping citizens with practical knowledge and immediate response strategies during emergencies.

UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) DIVISION GANDHI NAGAR JAMMU

SHORT NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Short e-NIT No. DGN/04 of 2026-27 Dated 22-04-2026

For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir e-tenders are invited on percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with Union Territory of J&K, CPWD, Railways, MES and other State/Central Governments for each of the following works :-

S. No.	Name of Work	Name of Division	Advertised Cost (in Lacs)	Cost of document (in -)	Earnest Money (in -)	Time Allowed for complete-on	Time and date of opening of tender	Class of Contractor
1	Premix patches of various roads in Gandhi Nagar area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.50	600/-	9000 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class
2	Premix patches of various roads in Channi Himmat area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.99	600/-	9980 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class
3	Premix patches of various roads in Trikuta Nagar and Marble Market area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.88	600/-	9760 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class
4	Premix patches of various roads in Sainik Colony and Ratnu Chak area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.97	600/-	9940 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class
5	Premix patches of various roads in Sunjwan and Bathindi area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.99	600/-	9980 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class
6	Premix patches of various roads in Chowadhi area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.99	600/-	9980 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class
7	Premix patches of various roads in Channi Rama area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.99	600/-	9980 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class
8	Premix patches of various roads in Narwal & Kiyani Talab area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.99	600/-	9980 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class
9	Premix patches of various roads in GTB Nagar & Malik Market area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.99	600/-	9980 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class
10	Premix patches of various roads in Greater Kailash & Jallo Chak W.No. 68 area during the year 2026-27 upto ending March 2027 (Under Non Plan for the year 2026-27).	PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar	4.83	600/-	9660 (2% of the Advertised Cost)	Upto 03/2027	(1200 Hrs) on or after 08-05-2026	"A", "B" "C" & "D" Class

Position of AAA :- Accorded by Superintending Engineer PWD (R&B) Circle South Jammu vide order No. 14 of 2026 dated 16-04-2026.

Position of TS :- Under Process.

Project Authority :- Superintending Engineer PWD (R&B) Circle South Jammu

Major Head of Account :- Under Non Plan.

The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website <http://jktenders.gov.in> as per below schedule :-

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	23-04-2026
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	From 23-04-2026 to 07-05-2026, 1800 Hrs
3	Date, Time and place of pre-bid meeting	29-04-2026 at 1300 Hrs. in the Office of Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar Jammu
4	Bid submission Start Date	23-04-2026
5	Bid Submission End Date	07-05-2026 upto 1800 Hrs
6	Date & time of opening of Technical Bids (Online)	08-05-2026 on or after 1200 Hrs in the Office of Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar Jammu
7	Date & time of opening of Financial Bids (Online)	To be notified after technical bid evaluation is completed

1. Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of e-challan through Treasury indicating Treasury Voucher No. & date, e-NIT No. and name of work duly crediting to 0059 (Revenue) favouring Office of Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar Jammu and upload the same i.e. treasury challan/receipt, Earnest money/Bid security in shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to Office of Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar Jammu. The CDR/FDR/BG shall be valid for 45 Days beyond the bid validity period. The original instruments in respect of cost of documents, EMD and relevant documents of L1 be submitted to the Office of Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division Gandhi Nagar Jammu at the time of allotment.

Sd/
(Er. Karanjeet Singh)
Executive Engineer
PWD (R&B) Division
Gandhi Nagar

Rally taken out in Udhampur to mark Earth Day

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The Bharat Scouts and Guides Udhampur today organized an awareness rally themed Our Power, Our Planet to mark the celebration of Earth Day.

Deputy Commissioner Minga Sherpa flagged off the rally from the DC Office Complex consisting of a large number of students

and staff members from educational institutions. The rally passed through Slathia Chowk, Court Road, Ramnagar Chowk, Gole Market, Bus Stand and culminated at the Mini Stadium.

Addressing the participants, the Deputy Commissioner highlighted the urgent need to conserve natural resources and encouraged students to adopt sustainable and eco-

friendly practices in their daily lives. He emphasized the vital role of individuals and communities in building a cleaner and healthier environment.

Reiterating the importance of energy conservation, he urged everyone to promote the use of renewable energy resources and actively contribute towards safeguarding the planet for future generations.

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Government of UT of Jammu and Kashmir Jammu and Kashmir Tourism Development Corporation Limited (Tourist Reception Centre (TRC), Srinaagr/Jammu)

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

e-NIT No: 49/JKTDC/GMO of 2026 Dated:24/04/2026

For and on behalf of Managing Director, J&K Tourism Development Corporation Limited /e-tender are invited from interested firms/companies/proprietors for "Operation and Management" (outsourcing) of below mentioned JKTDC property of Jammu Division for a period of 10 years on "as is where is basis".

S. No	Name of the Unit	Minimum reserve bid value (Amount in Rs)	Agreement period	Annual Hike
1	2	3	5	6
1	T.C. Jhajarkotli	Rs. 20,00,000/- (per annum)	10 years	25% After 5 years

Interested firms/companies/proprietors may apply through e-quotation together with documentary evidence in support of their experience and competence to run Hotels/ Restaurants supported by valid documents i.e. PAN,GST,IT, & proof of up to date clearance of Taxes. In the event of e-filing intending bidder download/upload the tender documents from/to the website www.jktenders.gov.in directly with the help of Digital Signature Certificate as per tender schedule:

1.	Date of publishing of tender notice.	24-04-2026 5:30pm.
2.	Date of downloading of bidding documents.	24-04-2026 5:30pm.
3.	Bid submission Start Date (online).	24-04-2026 5:30pm.
4.	Earnest Money (EMD)/Performance security.	Rs.4,50,000.00.
5.	Pre-bid meeting date & location.	02-05-2026 at JKTDC TRC Jammu.
6.	Last date of receiving queries.	06-05-2026:4:30pm.
7.	Uploading of queries.	06-05-2026 4:30pm.
8.	Bid submission End/Due Date (online).	22-05-2026 4:30pm.
9.	Deadline for receiving the Hard Copy (Original DD & EMD) (In case of any untoward in/Govt. Holiday, the hard Copies will be received on the next working day).	22-05-2026 4:30Pm
10.	Opening of technical bids.	25-05-2026 2:30pm.

The interest parties/agencies who intend to visit the above mentioned sites can visit during working hours before submitting their offer.

No: No: JKTDC/GMJ/148-54

Dated: 24.04.2026

Sd/
General Manager (Ops)
JKTDC, TRC Jammu.