

Chenab region back on development track after decade: Javed Rana

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Senior leader of Jammu and Kashmir National Conference and Minister for Jal Shakti, Forest & Tribal Affairs, Javed Rana, today asserted that the far-flung areas of the Chenab region are witnessing a long-awaited revival in development after nearly a decade. He emphasized that under the leadership of Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, the government is actively working on multiple fronts to accelerate progress and ensure balanced and inclusive growth across the region.

He made these remarks while addressing a massive gathering of party functionaries in Kishtwar. The function was organized by District President Kishtwar, Tanvir Ahmad Kichloo, and was attended by several senior leaders including Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) Sajjad Ahmad Kichloo, Provincial President Jammu Rattan Lal Gupta, Pooja Thakur former DDC Chairperson Kishtwar, Faisal Hussain former DDC, OBC Chairman Abdul Gani Teli, JKNC SU President Harshvardhan Singh, and Arun Pal Singh.

Earlier, Javed Rana along with other party office bearers, who are on a four-day tour of the Chenab region, received a warm welcome from local party functionaries in Kishtwar. Addressing the gathering, Rana outlined several pro-people welfare measures undertaken by the Omar Abdullah-led government in the Chenab region, ranging from infrastructure upgrades to strengthening key institutions in the health and education sectors. He highlighted the government's proactive and hands-on approach during recent weather calamities, detailing the relief and rehabilitation measures undertaken to support affected communities.

Rana reaffirmed that the government treats the Chenab region at par with other areas, while also according it additional priority due to its historical backwardness. He criticized the previous eleven years of Bharatiya Janata Party governance, stating that it had pushed the region decades behind, but added that the present administration is committed to transforming Chenab into a hub of development, progress, and employment opportunities. Speaking on the occasion, Sajjad Ahmad Kichloo MP expressed concern over the delay in the restoration of statehood. However, he noted that despite these

challenges, the Omar Abdullah-led administration is making steady progress to ensure equal opportunities and equitable development for the people of the Chenab region. He also demanded from the Centre restoration of the special status snatched from the people of J&K.

Provincial President Rattan Lal Gupta, in his address, urged party functionaries to gear up for the upcoming Urban Local Body (ULB) and Panchayat elections. He called upon them to take the government's pro-people and pro-Jammu initiatives to every doorstep, strengthening grassroots outreach and engagement.

Nari Shakti will not forgive betrayal; ballot will answer Cong: Rekha Mahajan

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In a fiery address at the Mahila Akrosh Sammelan in the Phinter area of Billawar, Vice President of Bharatiya Janata Party J&K, Rekha Mahajan, launched a sharp attack on the Congress party, accusing it of consistently betraying women by blocking their rightful representation in Parliament.

Addressing a large gathering, Rekha said recent developments have once again exposed the "double standards" of Congress. "For over 30 years, Congress has deliberately delayed, diluted, and derailed the Women's Reservation Bill. From 1996 to 2010 and now again, they have ensured that women are denied their constitutional right to 33% representation," she asserted.

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Taking a dig at the party's legacy, she remarked that despite having leaders like Indira Gandhi and Sonia Gandhi, Congress failed to

deliver real empowerment. "They had the power but lacked the will," she added. Rekha alleged that Congress repeatedly chose political convenience over women's rights. "Earlier they cited coalition compulsions, today they hide behind technical excuses. This is deliberate obstruction," she said, also accusing Rahul Gandhi of "misleading the public" on the issue.

Crediting Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led government, she termed the 2023 passage of the women's reservation law as a "historic correction." "This shows the difference between intent and inaction," she said.

Warning of political consequences, Mahajan said, "Women feel cheated and will respond through the ballot. Nari Shakti will not forget this betrayal."

Prominent leaders present on the occasion included District President

Gopal Krishan, MLA Darshan Kumar from Basohli, NEM Mahila Morcha Sulekha Hakhoo, Former DDC Col Mahan Singh, Narayan Dutt Tripathi, Neeru Rajput, Mahila Morcha General Secretary Geeta Bhagat, Mahila Morcha District President Kajal Rajput, and Jeevan Singh.

Speaking on the occasion, MLA Darshan Kumar said Congress has a long history of misleading the nation on women's issues and failing to act when it mattered most.

He asserted that despite being in power for years, the party never showed the political will to ensure reservation for women, adding that their repeated obstruction has exposed their lack of commitment towards genuine empowerment.

In her remarks, NEM Mahila Morcha leader Sulekha Hakhoo said women across the country

are now aware and will not be misled by hollow promises anymore, asserting that they will hold Congress accountable for denying them their rightful representation.

Mahila Morcha General Secretary Geeta Bhagat said the growing participation of women in such gatherings reflects rising anger against those who repeatedly blocked their rights, adding that Nari Shakti is now determined to respond decisively through democratic means. District President Gopal Krishan reiterated that BJP has consistently worked for women's empowerment not just in words but through concrete actions.

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E-NIT NO. 02 OF 2026-27 Dated: 25-04-2026
Fax mail:- 01992-270985

For and on behalf of Lt. Governor of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, Short Term E-Tender (in two cover system) Cover-I containing CDR/FDR prequalification documents and Cover-II containing price bid are invited from registered Contractors/firms for the works below:-

S. No.	Name of work	App. Cost	Earnest Money	Class of Contractor	A / A / T.S No.	Position of funds	Time of Completion	Cost of Tender
01	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI SAROTA KHUL RD (0-2500M) AT PLACES	Rs. 9.99 Lacs	Rs.19980/-	CEE & DEE	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 500/-
02	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI NARORE KHUL RD0-1160M AT PLACES & OSSU KHUL RD 0-1800M AT PLACES	Rs. 47.02 Lacs	Rs. 94040/-	AAY & BEE	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
03	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI KRIMCHI KHUL RD 0-1400M AT PLACES and SANIOTE KHUL RD 0-810M AT PLACES	Rs. 39.98 Lacs	Rs. 79960/-	AAY & BEE	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
04	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI NEELI KHUL RD 0-1800M AT PLACES and TELI KHUL RD 0-600M AT PLACES	Rs. 34.55 Lacs	Rs. 69100/-	AAY & BEE	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
05	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI KHUBAN KHUL RD 0-1560M AT PLACES MANANU KHUL RD 0-900M AT PLACES and SANDRANI THAGI KHUL RD 0-1500M AT PLACES	Rs. 27.16 Lacs	Rs. 54320/-	AAY & BEE	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
06	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI KALSOTE KHUL RD 0-1500M AT PLACES and MOUNGRI KHUL RD 0-725M AT PLACES	Rs. 41.51 Lacs	Rs. 83020/-	AAY & BEE	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
07	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI JULERA TAGAN KHUL RD 0-5000M AT PLACES and GADENA KHUL AT PLACES	Rs. 41.58 Lacs	Rs. 83160/-	AAY & BEE	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
08	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI PANJGRAIN KHUL RD 0-4000M AT PLACES	Rs. 66.84 Lacs	Rs. 133680/-	AAY	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
09	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI BOOTANWALI KHUL RD 0-2800M AT PLACES and GOLD NALLAH TO JASSANI KHUL RD 0-900M AT PLACES	Rs. 41.46 Lacs	Rs. 82920/-	AAY & BEE	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
10	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI KOTHI DHOUNS KHUL RD 0-1300M AT PLACES and PATHI TO KOULI KHUL RD 0-550M AT PLACES	Rs. 27.61 Lacs	Rs. 55220/-	AAY & BEE	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
11	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI BAIN KHUL RD 0-3400M AT PLACES and BASCHAL TO CHABBA KHUL RD 0-2000M AT PLACES	Rs. 54.36 Lacs	Rs. 108720/-	AAY	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
12	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI SUDMAHADEV KHUL RD 0-2250M AT PLACES and CHOKA NALLAH TO DERA MANDIR KHUL RD 0-800M AT PLACES	Rs. 65.58 Lacs	Rs. 131360/-	AAY	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-
13	Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI DUDDAR CANAL RD 0-8703M AT PLACES	Rs. 60.00 Lacs	Rs. 120000/-	AAY	Under Process	Approved under SAsCI-Disaster 2026-27 Component	07/2026	Rs. 1000/-

Permanent restoration of Various Medium/Minor irrigation Khuls of District Udhampur under SAsCI

- The bidding documents can be downloaded from the website <http://jtenders.gov.in> from 27-04-2026 at 10.00 A.M to 02-05-2026 upto 4.00 P.M
- The bids shall be uploaded/submitted in electronic format on the website <http://jtenders.gov.in> from 27-04-2026 at 10.00 A.M to 02-05-2026 upto 4.00 P.M
- The Complete bidding process will be online.
- The Technical bids & Financial bids uploaded on the website upto due date and same will be opened on 04-05-2026 (11.30 A.M) in the office of the Executive Engineer Irrigation Division Udhampur in the presence of the bidders who wish to attend. If the office happens to be closed on account of holiday the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue, or any other day convenient to opening authority.
- Bidding documents can be seen and downloaded from the website <http://jtenders.gov.in>.
- Bids must be accompanied by bid security and cost of documents and only relevant documents as mentioned in the above table in the form as specified in the bidding documents. The Cost of Tender given against each should be paid through Challan simply remitting into Treasury under MH: 0702 and uploading treasury Challan receipt along with Tender shall be pledged to Executive Engineer Irrigation Division Udhampur payable at Udhampur & earnest money in the shape of CDR/FDR shall be pledged to Executive Engineer Irrigation Division Udhampur & shall be valid at least for 360 days from the date of opening of bids. (Note:- The fee on account of downloaded bidding documents shall be acceptable in form of Treasury Challan under MH: 0702 only). Contractor should mention the name of the work on Top of the Treasury Challan otherwise the Challan shall not be accepted.
- The bids for the work shall remain open for acceptance for a period of 30 days from the date of opening of bids, if any bidder/tenderer withdraws his bids/tender during the said period or makes any modifications in terms and conditions of the bid, the earnest money of such bidder shall be forfeited.

No: IDU-299-339
Dated: 25.04.2026
Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Irrigation Division, Udhampur.

DIP/J-1156/26 Dated: 27-04-2026

Senior Army Officers, Paras Hospital delegation call on CM Omar in Jammu

JAMMU, APRIL 27: Lieutenant General Prashant Srivastava, General Officer Commanding (GOC) 15 Corps, and Lieutenant General Balbir Singh, GOC (Designate), called on Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today.

During the meeting, they discussed issues of mutual interest, with particular focus on the security scenario and developmental priorities in the region.

Separately, a deputation of Paras Healthcare Limited met the Chief Minister and apprised him of various healthcare-related matters.



OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, SUB TRANSMISSION DIVISION-II, JAMMU POWER DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION LIMITED (JPDC), JAMMU POWER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTICE INVITING TENDER
e- NIT No: STD-II/Tenders/2026-27/Monopoles/09 dated:25.04.2026

INVITATION:-
For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor of the UT of Jammu and Kashmir, the Executive Engineer, Sub Transmission Division-II, JPDC, Jammu, hereinafter referred as 'Employer', invites online e-bids from reputed Companies or Class 'A' registered contractors for "Permanent Restoration of flood-damage hit 33 kV Chatha-Hakkal line, by way of laying most vulnerable right of way (R.O.W) of said 33 kV line portion (approximately 1.5 circuit km of length) on D/C Monopoles on Turnkey Basis."

- Bidders are advised to study the Bidding Document carefully. Submission of e-Bid against this SBD shall be deemed to have been done after careful/conscious study and examination of the procedures, terms and conditions of the Standard Bidding Document with full understanding of its implications.
- The tender document is available at website <http://jtenders.gov.in>. Interested Bidders may view, download the e-Bid document, seek clarification and submit their e-Bid online up to the date and time mentioned in the table below:

A	Tender Document Sale/Download Start Date	25.04.2026; 04:00 PM
B	Tender Document Sale/Download End Date	14.05.2026; 04:00 PM
C	e-Bid submission (start) date & time	25.04.2026; 04:00 PM
D	e-Bid submission (end) date & time	14.05.2026; 04:00 PM
E	Pre-bid meeting start date	05.05.2026; 01:00 PM (Mandatory)
F	Pre-bid meeting end date	05.05.2026; 04:00 PM
G	Submission of Hard Copy of Tender Fee	15.05.2026; 02:00 PM
H	Commercial and Technical Bid opening date & time	16.05.2026; 04:00 PM
I	Online financial e-Bid opening date & time (Only of the technically qualified Bidders.	Will be communicated to the Technically Qualifying Bidders.
J	Venue -of opening of techno-commercial Bids	Soft Copy Electronically & Hard copy in the Office of the Executive Engineer, Sub Transmission Division-II, JPDC Jammu.
K	Tender Value	Rs. 233.80 lacs
L	Cost of e-Bid document	Rs. 4000.00 (Non-Refundable)
M	Cost of EMD	Rs. 4.68 lacs
N	Status of Administrative Approval	Accorded
O	Status of Technical Sanction / Techno Economic clearance	Accorded
P	Status of Funds	Accorded

- The Bidders need to submit the proof/cost of e-Bid document as stated in the above table through Demand Draft from any Nationalized/Scheduled bank pledged to Executive Engineer, Sub Transmission Division-II, JPDC, Jammu, payable at Jammu. The original demand draft shall be submitted in a separate envelope to the Office of the Executive Engineer, Sub Transmission Division-II, JPDC, Jammu and should reach at least one day before opening of commercial and technical e-Bid. The scanned copy of the Demand Draft must be uploaded along with the e-Bids.
- Bidders must quote for all the particulars of the item in the Technical Bid and in the price schedule/BOQ of financial bid. The bids of Bidders who will not quote for all the particulars for any item in technical and financial bids shall be liable to be rejected at the discretion of the Employer keeping in view the interest of the JPDC.
- All the e-Bids must be accompanied by the scanned copy of EMD in the form of CDR/FDR/Bank Guarantee only from any Nationalized/Scheduled bank only pledged to Executive Engineer Sub Transmission Division-II JPDC Jammu. No Interest shall be payable on Earnest Money deposited with the Department.
- No Bidder, unless or otherwise specified in the terms and conditions, shall be exempted from depositing Earnest Money. Tenders not accompanied with the requisite amount of earnest money shall be rejected.
- Hard Copy of original instrument of EMD shall be demanded from the successful bidder(s) after the opening of the financial e-Bids.
- The date and time of opening of Financial-Bids shall be notified on Web Site <http://jtenders.gov.in>. This is conveyed to the technically qualified Bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The Financial-bids shall be opened accordingly online on the same Web Site.
- The e-Bids will be electronically opened in the presence of Bidder's representatives, who choose to attend at the venue, date and time mentioned in the above table. An authority letter of Bidder's/OEM representative will be required to be produced.
- The JPDC reserves the right to cancel any or all the e-Bids/ the e-Bid process without assigning any reason thereof if any major lapse/deviation is found. The decision of the JPDC, will be final and binding.
- In the event of date specified for e-Bids opening being declared a holiday for JPDC office then the due date for opening of e-Bids shall be the following working day at the appointed time and place.
- All the required documents excluding Price Schedule/BOQ should be uploaded by the e-Bidders electronically in the PDF format, whereas Price Schedule/BOQ should be uploaded electronically in the same BOQ sheet provided with the SBD.
- To participate in e-bidding process, Bidders have to get 'Digital Signature Certificate (DSC)' as per Information Technology Act-2000, to participate in online bidding.

Hard Copy of Cost of Tender Document must be delivered to the Office of the Executive Engineer, Sub Transmission Division-II, JPDC, Jammu in sealed cover at least one day before the scheduled date of opening of the commercial and technical e-Bids. The sealed cover shall be super scribed as "COST OF TENDER DOCUMENTS AGAINST e- NIT No: STD-II/Tenders/2026-27/Monopoles/09 dated: 25.04.2026

No: STD-II/T/66-69
Dated: 25.04.2026
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DIP/J-350-P/26 Dated: 27-04-2026