

JAMMU & KASHMIR

Guru Ravidass Sabha to start free charitable OPD services from June 1

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In a major initiative aimed at strengthening educational and healthcare services for society, All Jammu and Kashmir Shri Guru Ravidass Sabha, Krishna Nagar, Jammu, has announced the launch of free charitable OPD services at the Gurudwara Complex from June 1, 2026. The decision was taken by the executive body of the Sabha under the leadership of Er. R.C. Bhasin during a press briefing held here today.

As per the announcement, the OPD services will be available daily from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM, where specialist doctors from different medical fields will provide free consultation services on a rotational basis for the benefit of the general public. The Sabha has appealed to people to avail themselves of these healthcare facilities for various



medical issues. The weekly schedule of specialists includes Dr. Rajinder Jangral (Physician) on Monday, Prof. Dr. Sanjay Bhasin (Surgery) on Tuesday, Dr. Bias Dev (Orthopedic) on Wednesday, Dr. Sanjay Kai (Ophthalmologist) on Thursday, Dr. Samiksha Bhagat (ENT

Specialist) on Friday, Dr. Anuradha (Gynaecologist) on Saturday, and Dr. Ravi Bharti (Pediatrician) along with Dr. Anupama Babouria (Gynaecologist) on Sunday.

The press briefing was attended by members of the executive committee including Tarsem Loch, Prof.

G.L. Thapa, Prof. C.L. Shivgotra, Er. Joginder Pal, Surjeet Singh Heer, Tara Chand, Kuldeep Thapa and others.

The Sabha also informed that free online classes, computer classes and library services will soon be started as the related work is in its final stage.

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BJP Jammu South district led by its President Naresh Singh Jasrotia held an organizational meeting at party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

BJP J&K General Secretary (Organization) Ashok Koul, accompanied by MLA Ch. Vikram Randhawa, chiefly addressed the meeting. The meeting was also addressed by J&K BJP Secretary & District Seh-Prabhari Reema Padha, District Prabhari Parduman Singh, and attended by other senior party leaders and activists from District Jammu South.

Ashok Koul reviewed the ongoing party programmes and discussed the roadmap for the forthcoming activities to be organized under the nationwide campaign highlighting the twelve years of Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led government dedicated to "Vishwas, Vikas aur Jan Kalyan".

Ashok Koul said that the BJP cadre must actively reach every household and inform the masses about the historic achievements



and welfare initiatives of the Modi government. He said that the upcoming programmes including Vishesh Jansampark Abhiyan, cleanliness drives, plantation campaigns, Viksit Bharat Sankalp meetings, Jan Kalyan Shivirs, and environment protection activities should be conducted effectively at every booth and mandal level.

He asked party activists to strengthen public outreach and ensure maximum public participation in all the upcoming programmes.

Ch. Vikram Randhawa said that the unprecedented development works and

public welfare measures undertaken by Prime Minister Narendra Modi have transformed the lives of common people across the country. He stressed that party workers must take these achievements to every section of society and further strengthen the bond between the party and the public.

Reema Padha highlighted the importance of public participation in the upcoming programmes and said that BJP activists must work with full enthusiasm to make the campaigns impactful.

Parduman Singh said

that the organizational structure of BJP is its biggest strength and every activist has an important role in making the upcoming programmes successful.

Naresh Singh Jasrotia said that BJP Jammu South district is fully prepared to implement all organizational programmes at the grassroots level.

He stated that district teams and booth-level workers are continuously working to connect with the public and spread awareness about the welfare schemes and developmental works of the Modi government.

Adani Group organises Blood Donation, Medical Check-up Camp in Samba

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A blood donation and medical check-up camp was organised by Adani Group in the Samba area with active participation from local residents and volunteers.

The camp witnessed enthusiastic participation from people who came forward to donate blood and undergo health check-ups conducted by medical professionals.

The initiative aimed at promoting healthcare awareness and encouraging voluntary blood donation for social welfare.

The organisers appreciated the response of the public and highlighted the importance of such community welfare programmes in strengthening healthcare awareness and social responsibility.



EPFO conducts Nidhi Aapke Nikat 2.0 at Samba; highlights PMVBR Yojana

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The Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO), Jammu, organized its flagship public outreach programme, Nidhi Aapke Nikat 2.0, at the premises of M/S Apex Polymers, SIDCO Industrial Complex, Bari-Brahmana, District Samba, with the objective of strengthening stakeholder awareness, promoting social security initiatives, and improving service delivery at the grassroots level.

The programme was presided over by Sh. Devinder Singh, Enforcement Officer, along with Sh. Bal Krishan, Enforcement Officer. Addressing the participants, the officers emphasized the importance of proactive engagement with employers and employees to ensure timely access to EPFO services and greater awareness of social security benefits.

A major focus of the programme was the Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana (PMVBR), a flagship initiative of the Government of India aimed at boosting formal employment generation and expanding social security coverage for workers across the country.

Participants were sensitized about the objectives, benefits, and implementa-



tion framework of PMVBR, particularly its role in encouraging establishments to generate new employment opportunities while ensuring EPF-linked social security benefits for employees.

During the interaction, it was informed that 2,432 establishments and 44,194 employees in Jammu Division have already registered under PMVBR, reflecting the encouraging response of employers and the growing momentum towards formalization of the workforce in the region.

The scheme is emerging as a significant catalyst in strengthening labour welfare and supporting the national vision of Viksit Bharat and Aatmanirbhar Bharat.

To further facilitate ease of compliance and improve user convenience under PMVBR, EPFO has introduced the establishment modification request functionality on the PMVBR registration portal. This feature enables employers to seamlessly submit PAN change requests and resolve registration-related issues in a time-bound manner.

The programme also provided an overview of key Government initiatives aimed at strengthening labour welfare and expanding the social security net. Participants were apprised of the forthcoming implementation of the Four Labour Codes, which seek to consolidate and modernize labour laws to ensure fair wages, safer work-

places, universal social security, and improved working conditions for employees.

Senior representatives from M/S Apex Polymers, including Sh. Khadak Singh, HR Manager, along with other officials and employees, actively participated in the programme and appreciated the awareness initiatives undertaken by EPFO.

The enthusiastic participation of stakeholders during the event reaffirmed EPFO Jammu's commitment to delivering efficient, accessible, and responsive social security services while actively supporting employment generation and labour welfare initiatives across Jammu Division.

Sat Sharma assures support for boundary wall construction at Gurha Samriti

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A deputation from Samriti Bhawan, Gurha, led by its President Vikran Gupta, called upon J&K BJP President and Rajya Sabha MP Sat Sharma (CA) at the party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu, and submitted a memorandum requesting for the construction of a boundary wall for the community hall situated in the area.

The deputation apprised Sat Sharma that the Samriti Bhawan serves as an important community centre for social, cultural, and public welfare activities of the local residents. They informed him that the absence of a proper boundary wall has been causing inconvenience and security concerns for the people using the premises for public functions, social gatherings, and community programmes.

Sat Sharma patiently listened to the concerns and demands raised by the dep-



utation and immediately took the necessary steps for facilitating the construction of the boundary wall. He issued a letter to the concerned authority regarding the preparation of the Detailed Project Report (DPR) and initiate the process for financing the project under the MPLADS Scheme at the earliest.

Sat Sharma, while speaking on the occasion, said that community halls and public utility spaces play a vital role in strengthening social harmony and public participation in developmental activities. He em-

phasized that the BJP-led government under Prime Minister Narendra Modi has consistently prioritized grassroots development and public welfare by ensuring better civic infrastructure and community facilities across Jammu & Kashmir.

Sharma further reiterated that the BJP leadership remains accessible to the public and is continuously working to resolve issues affecting the common masses through coordinated efforts and people-centric governance.

The deputation members

expressed gratitude to Sat Sharma for giving a patient hearing to their concerns and for taking immediate steps regarding the construction work.

The head of the committee, while vehemently thanking the MP Sat Sharma, said that the construction of the boundary wall will greatly benefit the local residents and help in the better utilization and safety of the community hall for public purposes.

Prominent members of the deputation and local residents were present during the meeting.

MALIN Reviews Socio-Cultural Activities, Discusses Women Empowerment Initiatives

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MALIN, a non-government organisation comprising around 100 like-minded socio-economically active senior citizens working for the welfare of financially underprivileged sections of society, convened its review meeting at Amphalla under the chairpersonship of its President, Nirmala Chattoo.

During the meeting, members reviewed the progress of various socio-cultural activities being undertaken in villages adopted by MALIN.

Discussions were also held regarding future plans to provide raw materials for preparing kitchen aprons and napkin sets for economically underprivileged women.

The initiative aims to generate livelihood opportuni-



ties for unemployed young and elderly women in underdeveloped rural areas, particularly in the old Satarwari camp area, while empowering them with economic independence and social confidence. MALIN will provide raw materials and support in marketing the products, while the profits earned will be distributed among the needy women involved in the project.

Speaking on the occasion, Senior Vice President R.K.

Kakroo and Patron Naresh Maini highlighted the role and responsibility of MALIN towards the downtrodden sections of society. They stressed that extending economic support on socio-religious occasions should remain a continuous endeavour of the organisation.

Other prominent members who participated in the meeting included Senior Advisors S.N. Koul and Sarla Kohli, Secretary Chanchal Populi, Dr. Di-

nesh Gupta and Advisor Madhu Dhar.

While conducting the proceedings, General Secretary Dr. Daleep Pandita thanked the management and members for their active participation and expressed hope that the ambitious objectives and targets of MALIN would be achieved in a time-bound manner. He also urged members to closely monitor the kitchen apron and napkin project for its successful implementation.