

## Div Com Kashmir reviews SANJY arrangements, Interacts with stakeholders at Pahalgam

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Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Anshul Garg, today visited Pahalgam and chaired a review meeting at Pahalgam Club to assess the preparedness and arrangements being put in place for the smooth, safe and successful conduct of the forthcoming Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra (SANJY)-2026.

The meeting was attended by Deputy Commissioner Anantnag (Yatra Officer Pahalgam Axis), Dr. Bilal Mohuddin Bhat, Chief Engineer, KPDCCL, CEO PDA, ADC, SP, CPO, SEs Hydraulics, PWD and KPDCCL, ACD, SDM Pahalgam, CMO, CAHO, DFO, ALC, AD FCS&CA, CEO MCA, EO MC Pahalgam, officers from Beacon, F&ES, Traffic Police, SDRF, representatives of telecom service providers and other concerned officials.

During the meeting, the Divisional Commissioner undertook a comprehensive review of arrangements being put in place along the Pahalgam axis and other locations connected with the Yatra. Detailed discussions were held regarding augmentation of infrastructure, strengthening of essential services and ensuring seamless coordination among all stakeholder departments.

Reviewing the preparedness of the Jal Shakti Department, the Divisional Commissioner directed officers to ensure uninterrupted drinking water supply at all camps, halting stations and along the Yatra route. He stressed the need for installation of adequate water storage facilities and regular monitoring of water quality.

While reviewing the preparedness of KPDCCL, he directed the department to ensure seamless power supply at all camps, service establishments and locations of importance. He also called for adequate backup arrangements to prevent any disruption during the Yatra period.

The BRO authorities were directed to expedite road maintenance and repair works and ensure that all roads connected with the pilgrimage remain motorable and safe for pilgrims and service vehicles. They were further instructed to explore the possibility of early installation of two way bridge at Sarbal besides expediting the work on construction of rain shelter sheds at all identified locations along the track towards the Holy Cave.



Reviewing healthcare arrangements, the Divisional Commissioner directed the Health Department to ensure adequate deployment of medical personnel, availability of medicines, emergency response systems including ambulances and fully functional healthcare facilities at designated locations.

The Municipal authorities and Rural Development Department were instructed to ensure robust sanitation measures, effective waste management and cleanliness at all camps and along the Yatra route.

Further, CEO PDA, SDM and EO MC, Pahalgam were asked to devise a proper strategy for full sanitation and cleanliness of main town Pahalgam as well as the adjoining areas.

The Fire and Emergency Services Department was directed to keep adequate firefighting and rescue arrangements in place, while the concerned telecom agencies were asked to ensure the communication facilities remain active throughout the pilgrimage period.

The Divisional Commissioner emphasized the need for close inter-departmental coordination and directed all departments to complete their assigned works within stipulated timelines so that all arrangements are put in place well ahead of the commencement of the Yatra. He further asked the departments to ensure the respective service providers are issued the RFID Cards well in advance for facilitating their mobilisation on the Yatra track.

On the occasion, the Div Com was also briefed about the plans devised for effective transport management, status of essential commodities stocking, on spot registration facilities and other vital aspects of the Yatra.

Earlier, the Divisional Commissioner chaired an interaction meeting with various stakeholders and service providers associated with the annual pilgrimage, including representatives of Pony Walas, Tent Associations, Taxi Operators, Hoteliers and other groups.

During the interaction, the stakeholders projected various issues, concerns and requirements related to the forthcoming Yatra and shared suggestions aimed at improving facilities and services for pilgrims. The Divisional Commissioner gave a patient hearing to all participants and assured them that their genuine concerns would be examined and addressed on priority.

Hailing the crucial role of service providers in successful conduct of previous Yatras, the Div Com observed that they are an integral component of the pilgrimage management and have always been in the forefront ensuring comfort, convenience and enriching experience to the devotees. He urged all stakeholders to work in close coordination with the administration and expressed confidence that they would continue to uphold the tradition of hospitality and dedicated service during SANJY-2026. Besides supporting the pilgrimage, these stakeholders also play an important role in promoting tourism and boosting visitor experience in the region, he noted.

Later, the Div Com visited Chandanwari and reviewed the on-ground arrangements being made for the forthcoming pilgrimage. He inspected various facilities and assessed the progress of ongoing works at the site. During the visit, he directed the concerned officers and executing agencies to ensure timely completion of all pending works and maintain the highest standards in the provision of essential services and public utilities.

Anshul Garg also visited the Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) at Pahalgam to review its functioning including management of sewage and waste treatment. He inspected the functioning of the plant and emphasized the importance of maintaining sanitation and environmental sustainability. He directed the concerned agencies to ensure optimum functioning of the facility so that the waste is managed in a scientific and eco-friendly manner.

Concluding the visit, the Div Com visited Base Camp Nunwan and took first hand stock of the facilities being installed at the location. He asked the concerned agencies that all necessary facilities be installed well before the commencement of the Yatra as good number of pilgrims are accommodated at this important location.

Reiterating the administration's commitment towards the successful conduct of Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra-2026, the Div Com called upon all departments, stakeholders and service providers to work in close coordination and ensure a safe, smooth and spiritually enriching pilgrimage experience for the devotees.

## BJP Minority Morcha to organize 'Pragati Path Yatra'

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J&K BJP Minority Morcha, led by its President S. Ranjodh Singh Nalwa, convened a meeting at the BJP Headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu, to discuss preparations for programmes highlighting the achievements of the Narendra Modi-led government over the last twelve years.

J&K BJP President and Rajya Sabha MP Sat Sharma chiefly addressed the meeting. The meeting was attended by district presidents and office bearers of the Minority Morcha from across Jammu and Kashmir. H.S. Pumny, Prabhari of the Minority Morcha, Minority Morcha General Secretaries Adv. Jasmeet Kour Pandey and Dhamanjeet Singh, and others participated in the meeting.

Sat Sharma, while addressing the meeting, emphasized the transformative impact of the Modi government's policies and welfare initiatives, which



have ushered in an era of development, trust, and public welfare across the country and particularly in Jammu and Kashmir. He assured the Minority Morcha of the party's full support in organizing programmes aimed at taking the message of development and good governance to the people.

Rakesh Mahajan briefed the participants about the schedule and details of the

upcoming programmes being organized as part of the campaign commemorating twelve years of "Vikas, Vishwas aur Jan Kalyan" under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

S. Ranjodh Singh Nalwa informed that the Minority Morcha will organize "Pragati Path Yatras" across various regions of Jammu and Kashmir. He said that these yatras will cover loca-

tions associated with major developmental projects completed under the Modi government, including AI-IMS, IIT, IIM Jammu, the Chenab Bridge, Vande Bharat train service, Ring Road projects, and other landmark infrastructure initiatives.

Morcha leaders participated in the discussions regarding the successful implementation of the forthcoming programmes.

## BJP Kashmir Displaced district holds training camp

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J&K BJP President and Rajya Sabha MP Sat Sharma, accompanied by District President Rajeev Pandita, addressed the District-Level Training Camp organized by BJP District Kashmir Displaced under the ongoing "Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Prashikshan Mahabhiyan-2026".

Former MLC spokesperson BJP Girdhari Lal Raina, Prabhari KDD Chand ji, Seh Prabhari KDD Hira Lal Bhat, District office Bearers, Mandal presidents and general Secretaries, morcha representatives, and grassroots activists from across the district.

Sat Sharma, while addressing the party leaders, elaborated on the history, philosophy, and growth of the Bharatiya Janata Party. He said that BJP is not merely a political organization but a nationalist movement inspired by the ideals of cultural nationalism, good governance, and service to society.

He stated that the remarkable journey of the BJP from a small ideological force to the world's largest political party reflects the dedication, sacrifices, and unwavering commitment of its cadre.

Sat Sharma emphasized that the strength of the BJP



lies in its ideology, disciplined organizational structure, and committed workers who remain connected with the aspirations of the common people. He asked the party activists to strengthen their engagement at the grassroots level and ensure that the welfare initiatives and developmental schemes launched under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi reach every deserving beneficiary.

Sat Sharma said that while many political parties thrive on dynastic politics, appeasement, and divisive

agendas, the BJP has consistently worked with the sole objective of nation-building and public welfare. He asserted that the people of the country have repeatedly reposed their faith in the BJP because of its transparent governance, commitment to development, and unwavering dedication to national interests.

Sharma further stated that Jammu & Kashmir has witnessed unprecedented development, improved infrastructure, and enhanced public welfare under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and

party workers must effectively communicate these achievements to every section of society.

Other senior leaders also addressed various sessions during the training programme and stressed the importance of organizational unity, public service, ideological commitment, and strengthening the party structure at the booth level. They called upon party workers to remain active among the masses and contribute towards further expanding the BJP's reach and influence across Jammu & Kashmir.

## BJP Mahila Morcha Reviews Organisational Activities at Ambphala Mandal

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Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Mahila Morcha organized an important Organizational Pravaas and Meeting at Ambphala Mandal, New Plot, under the guidance of Mahila Morcha Vice President and Jammu District Incharge Purna Nanda, along with District President Anuradha Sharma and Co-Incharge Shalu Gupta.

The meeting was attended by District Mahila Morcha Incharge Asha Gupta, BJP Mandal General Secretary Karan, District General Secretary Mahila Morcha Manu Bali, Mandal Mahila Morcha Incharge Surbhi, Mandal Mahila Morcha General Secretary Anu Aggarwal, and other office bearers and dedicated women workers.

The programme was organized by Shivani Sharma, President, Ambphala Mandal Mahila Morcha. During the meeting, de-



tailed discussions were held on strengthening the organizational structure, increasing the active participation of women workers, and effectively expanding party activities up to the booth level. The workers were also briefed about the upcoming organizational and party programmes, and strategies were discussed to ensure their successful implementation with maximum public participation.

Purna Nanda emphasized that women workers are the backbone of the or-

ganization and play a vital role in taking the party's ideology, achievements, and welfare-oriented policies to every section of society. She called upon all Mahila Morcha members to work with dedication, discipline, and commitment to further strengthen the organization at the grassroots level.

District President Anuradha Sharma encouraged the workers to remain actively involved in party programmes and strengthen the organization by expanding outreach among

women and at the booth level.

As part of the Pravas, meaningful interactions were held with local women and party workers. Several women, inspired by the ideology, leadership, and public welfare initiatives of the Bharatiya Janata Party, joined the BJP family on the occasion.

The programme concluded with a collective pledge to strengthen the organization and continue working tirelessly in the service of society and the nation.

## Excise Department intensifies drive against illicit poppy cultivation in Shopian

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In a major crackdown on illegal crop cultivation, a multi-departmental team today carried out a comprehensive destruction drive against illicit poppy cultivation in Chowan village of Tehsil Keller, District Shopian.

The operation was conducted under a well-coordinated and collaborative effort involving the Excise Department, Shopian, Jammu & Kashmir Police, Revenue Department, Agriculture Department, and the Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL).

During the drive, a significant area under illicit poppy cultivation was identified and destroyed on the spot. The action forms part of the ongoing efforts of the



district administration and law enforcement agencies to eradicate the menace of illicit narcotic crop cultivation and curb drug-related activities in the region. Following the successful

destruction of the illegal crops, a First Information Report (FIR) has been registered against the accused under relevant provisions of law. A thorough legal investi-

gation has been initiated to identify all individuals involved and ensure strict action against violators.

The district administration and law enforcement agencies have reiterated their commitment to maintaining a zero-tolerance policy towards narcotic cultivation and trafficking.

They emphasized that similar drives will continue across the district with full force to dismantle the infrastructure supporting illicit poppy cultivation and safeguard the community from the harmful effects of narcotic substances.

The public has also been urged to cooperate with authorities and report any information regarding illegal cultivation or drug-related activities to help strengthen the collective fight against the drug menace.