

## Delegation meets LG, discusses successful conduct of Mata Kheer Bhawani yatra

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A delegation led by Kiran Wattal, president of Shri Amarnath Yatra Welfare Society and convenor of Mata Kheer Bhawani Yatra Welfare Society, called on LG Manoj Sinha at Lok Bhawan and discussed with him the successful conduct of Mata Kheer Bhawani yatra and preparations for the upcoming Shri Amarnath ji pilgrimage to South Kashmir Himalayas.

The delegation congratulated the LG on the successful commencement of the annual Mata Kheer Bhawani Yatra on 22nd June 2026. They appreciated the excellent arrangements made under his leadership, which ensured a smooth, safe, and comfortable pilgrimage for devotees.

During the meeting, the delegation highlighted the remarkable improvements made in infrastructure, sanitation, healthcare, security and other essential



facilities for the pilgrims. Special appreciation was conveyed for the adequate drinking water facilities provided with the support of J&K Bank, which greatly benefited the devotees during the yatra.

Shri Kiran Wattal also apprised the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor about the extensive preparations being undertaken by the Shri Amarnath Yatra Welfare Society for the forthcoming Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra, including voluntary services, registration assistance, food (langar), medical sup-

port and other facilities for pilgrims.

The delegation further briefed the Lieutenant Governor on the active role being played by the Tourism Federation Jammu in promoting religious tourism and extending support for the smooth conduct of various yatras across Jammu & Kashmir in coordination with the Tourism Department and the Department of Art & Culture.

The LG appreciated the dedicated efforts of the social organisations and vol-

unteers in serving the pilgrims and encouraged them to continue their valuable contribution towards strengthening religious tourism and promoting the rich spiritual heritage of Jammu & Kashmir.

mY be mentioned that Mata Kheer Bhawani Yatra Welfare Society also provided langar seva at the holy temple from June 20 evening to June 22 night.

Packed lunch was also provided to devotees traveling from Tullamulla to Jammu on June 23.

## JMC Commissioner reviews arrangements for Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra pilgrims

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Jammu Municipal Corporation Commissioner Dr Devansh Yadav today reviewed arrangements and facilities being put in place for pilgrims and sadhus arriving in Jammu for the annual Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra at Shri Ram Mandir Purani Mandi.

The Commissioner inspected preparations at the temple complex and reviewed infrastructure and essential services within the premises, covering accommodation, sanitation, food, drinking water, toilets and bathrooms, power supply and medical facilities. Officials concerned were directed to ensure all arrangements are completed well in time and maintained to the highest standards.

Dr Yadav was also apprised of ongoing work for installation of a lift within the temple complex, ex-



pected to be completed by next year, which will enhance accessibility for elderly pilgrims and persons with disabilities.

Officials were directed to ensure clean accommoda-

tion, hygienic food, safe drinking water, proper bedding and efficient sanitation, with cleanliness maintained round the clock and all support services fully functional throughout the

Yatra period. Dr Yadav stressed close coordination among all departments and stakeholders to ensure every pilgrim receives quality facilities and a safe, convenient experience.

## DDC Doda presides over Block Diwas at Chownary, Bhallessa; assures time-bound redressal

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District Development Commissioner Doda Krishan Lal today presided over a Block Diwas cum Public Redressal Camp at Panchayat Chownary, Block Bhallessa.

A large number of residents, public representatives and local stakeholders participated and raised concerns spanning infrastructure, education, healthcare, transport, power, water supply, digital connectivity and welfare scheme implementation. Key demands included action against drug peddlers, road connectivity for Scheduled Tribe households, expediting PMGSY works, addressing staff shortages in schools and departments, improving mobile network coverage at tourist destinations, operationalising the Dialysis Unit, expanding MGNREGA works and strengthening facilities at health centres and schools.

The DDC directed departments concerned to ensure timely redressal of grievances and accelerated implementation of development works.

Directions covered road safety works including blacktopping, construction of protection walls and expediting a proposal for



crash barriers already submitted to the government; strengthening of revenue camps and grievance redressal mechanisms at the Panchayat level; review of power infrastructure works under the RDSS Scheme; uninterrupted drinking water in schools and health institutions and field visits by PMGSY authorities to identify and address vulnerable road stretches. Fertiliser availability, transport fare transparency and mobile connectivity were also taken up, with improvement measures stated to be under way.

Departmental officers apprised the gathering of ongoing works.

The education sector has seen restoration works commence, with rationalisation of low-enrolment schools continuing and seasonal teachers being engaged under Samagra Shiksha. The Dialysis Unit is complete and awaiting operationalisation, the X-ray facility is now functional and a Health Centre building is being reviewed for possible relocation due to slide-prone conditions at its identified site. Lift-based water supply interventions are under way in an affected panchayat and the Assistant Commissioner (Development) assured that rural development works would be

executed without bias through proper planning and continuous monitoring. The DDC reiterated the administration's commitment to Nasha Mukta and TB Mukta Bharat goals, urging citizens, youth groups to support anti-drug and healthcare awareness efforts. He also inspected departmental stalls at the venue.

The DDC was accompanied by CPO, SDM, ACD, CEO, CMO, DSWO, DSHO, SDHO, Executive Engineers concerned, Assistant Executive Engineers, Junior Engineers and other district and sectoral officers.

## DC Rajouri holds Block Diwas outreach camp at Sialsui, Kalakote

RAJOURI, JUNE 24: Deputy Commissioner Rajouri Abhishek Sharma today presided over a public outreach camp at Sialsui in Block Kalakote as part of the Weekly Block Diwas programme.

The DC inspected departmental stalls and took stock of services and welfare schemes being extended to the public. A large number of residents apprised the administration of developmental concerns and grievances spanning road construction, drinking water scarcity, completion of Jal Jeevan Mission schemes, staff shortages at health facilities, ambulance services, pending MGNREGA payments and power infrastructure. Officers concerned briefed the public on steps being taken for resolution of issues. The DC directed all departments to ensure prompt, time-bound redressal of genuine grievances and effective follow-up of developmental works.

Awareness sessions were



held on government welfare schemes including Janani Suraksha Yojana, Vay Vandana Yojana, PM Mandhan Yojana and PM Atal Pension Yojana. The DC directed departments to strengthen awareness campaigns to ensure all eligible beneficiaries are covered, and distributed Vay

Vandana Cards among eligible beneficiaries on the occasion. MLA Kalakote-Sunderbani Constituency Thakur Randhir Singh called upon officers to work sincerely for the welfare of the people and ensure speedy resolution of public issues. Among those present were ADC Kalakote

Mohd Tanvir, PO ICDS Harpal Singh, SE PWD (R&B) Manzoor Ahmed, CPO Maqsood Ahmed, ACD Auqil Nuvaid, DDE Mohd Nawaz, DSHO PP Sagotra, CAHO Dr Khalid Najeb, CMO Dr Manohar Lal Rana, CEO, DSWO Abdul Raheem and other district and sectoral officers.

## Kashmir's GI QR Code System earns National recognition

SRINAGAR/ NEW DELHI, JUNE 24 - Department of Handicrafts and Handloom, Kashmir, has been conferred with the prestigious SKOCH Award for its innovative GI QR Code Management System, implemented through the Pashmina

Testing & Quality Certification Centre (PTQCC) at the Craft Development Institute (CDI) and the NABL-accredited Carpet Testing Laboratory at IIC, Srinagar.

The award recognizes the Department's pioneering use of technology to

strengthen product authenticity, quality assurance, sustainability and artisan welfare in the handicrafts sector.

In a statement issued here today, a spokesperson of the department said, "The GI QR Code Management System is among the

country's first comprehensive QR code-based Geographical Indication (GI) certification mechanisms for handicrafts".

The award was received by Sajid Nazir, Senior Faculty, CDI, on behalf of the Department at a ceremony in New Delhi.

## DE&CC Shopian hosts Mega Job Fair

SHOPIAN, JUNE 24: District Employment & Counselling Centre (DE&CC), Shopian, today organized a one-day Job Fair at its premises under the theme "One Platform for Employment and Entrepreneurship", aimed at connecting unemployed youth with prospective employers and expanding employment opportunities across the district. The event was inaugurated by the District Development Commissioner (DDC) Shopian, Shishir Gupta, in the presence of ADDC Shopian, Dr. Nasir Ahmad Lone and officers from various departments, representatives of participating companies, and a large number of aspiring job seekers. The Job Fair witnessed an overwhelming response, with more than 500 unemployed youth from across the district participating in the recruitment drive cum awareness event.

Around 20 reputed companies and institutions representing diverse sectors took part in the event, including Idigi Academy Pvt. Ltd., Pitman Institute Shopian, WEPS Soft Skill Centre, IQU Info Tech Pvt. Ltd., Al Fatima Tour & Travel, Umeed Nursing College, Umeed International Group, Think and Win Technologies, NIIT Foundation, and several other organizations.

In addition to recruitment activities, stalls established by various line departments showcased a range of government schemes aimed at supporting unemployed youth. The initiative helped create awareness about livelihood opportunities, skill development programmes, self-employment initiatives, and socio-economic empowerment schemes available to eligible beneficiaries.



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