

DC Ramban reviews arrangements at Lamber Yatra Camp, stresses quality services for pilgrims

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Continuing the monitoring of Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2026 arrangements, Deputy Commissioner Ramban Mohammad Alyas Khan today inspected the Lamber Yatra Camp at Banihal and reviewed arrangements made by various departments, assessing the quality, efficiency and timeliness of services provided to pilgrims.

During the visit, the Deputy Commissioner inspected the langars and directed the SDM Banihal and the Food Inspector to regularly monitor the quality, hygiene and availability of food items to ensure devotees are served safe and nutritious meals. He also inspected healthcare facilities and medical services provided to the Yatis, and reviewed RFID issuance, accommodation, sanitation and cleanliness measures, drinking water supply, security arrangements, traffic management, power and lighting,



public conveniences and other facilities established for pilgrims.

The Deputy Commissioner also interacted with devotees and obtained feedback on the facilities and services at the camp, enquiring about their travel experience, accommodation, sanitation, medical facilities, security arrangements and overall comfort.

The Deputy Commissioner instructed officers to

maintain continuous monitoring of all facilities and remain available round the clock to address pilgrims' grievances without delay, ensuring sanitation, drinking water, healthcare and other public utility services are maintained at the highest standards. Calling for close coordination among stakeholder departments, he directed officers to remain vigilant and ensure timely delivery of every es-

sential service for pilgrims travelling through Ramban district.

The Deputy Commissioner was accompanied by Senior Superintendent of Police Ramban Arun Gupta, Additional Deputy Commissioner Varunjeet Singh Charak, Sub-Divisional Magistrate Banihal Mohammad Naseeb Bajaan, SDM Ramsoo Sayed Mazahir Hussain Shah and other officers concerned.

Paviter Sarvadhari Chari Yatra flagged off from Ukhral



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MLA Ramban Arjun Singh Raju and Deputy Commissioner Ramban Mohammad Alyas Khan today flagged off the annual Paviter Sarvadhari Chari Yatra from Ukhral to the shrine of Senabhati Sar-

advhar. The Sarvadhari Yatra is dedicated to Mata Chamunda Devi and culminates at the Chamunda Mata Temple atop Sarvadhari Peak in the Pogal-Paristan area of Ramban district.

The yatra reflects the faith of the people and at-

tracts devotees from Ramban and several other districts of Jammu & Kashmir every year.

On the occasion, the MLA extended greetings to the pilgrims for a safe and spiritually enriching pilgrimage.

He highlighted the importance of preserving the region's religious and cultural heritage and appreciated the faith of the devotees participating in the yatra.

Speaking on the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner said the District Administration, in coordination with police and other line departments, has made civil and security arrangements for the smooth conduct of the pilgrimage, including deployment of security personnel, medical assistance,

drinking water, sanitation and transport management.

The Deputy Commissioner was accompanied by Additional Deputy Commissioner Varunjeet Singh Charak, SDM Ramsoo Mohammad Muzahir Hussain Shah, President Bar Association Ramban Suraj Singh Parihar, other dignitaries and a large number of devotees.

Div Com chairs Airfield Environment Management Committee Meeting

SRINAGAR, JULY 04: Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Anshul Garg, on Saturday chaired a meeting of the Airfield Environment Management Committee to review critical issues concerning aviation safety and environmental management around Air Force Station (AFS) Srinagar.

The meeting was attended by the Deputy Commissioners of Srinagar, Budgam, Pulwama and Anantnag, Commissioner Srinagar Municipal Corporation (SMC), Director Airport Authority, senior officers of Indian Air Force, and representatives of the Urban Local Bodies (ULBs).

A comprehensive review was conducted on a range of issues impacting airfield safety and operational preparedness, including the construction of an emergency access road, regulation of brick kilns in the vicinity of the airfield, scientific management of solid waste, removal of unlit obstructions affecting flight operations, and measures to curb the menace of stray dogs in and around the airport.

During the meeting, officials informed the chair that Air Force Station Srinagar has three designated emergency exit gates for launching search and rescue operations in the event of an aviation emergency. However, one of the emergency gates on the north-western side does not meet the operational requirements for the movement of Crash Fire Tenders.

Taking note of the issue, the Divisional Commissioner directed the Deputy Commissioner Budgam to convene a coordination meeting with all concerned departments to expedite the development of connectivity between the Ring Road and the airport. He also instructed that the feasibility and construction of an emergency access road be taken up on priority to strengthen emergency response capabilities.

Reviewing the issue of brick kilns operating within an eight-kilometre radius of AFS Srinagar, the Divisional Commissioner observed that a stan-



dard operating procedure is already in place under which brick kilns remain closed from November to March to maintain visibility and ensure safe aircraft operations during the winter season.

The meeting also assessed the progress of the solid waste management project at the Achan-Soura dumping site, a key initiative aimed at reducing bird activity that poses a significant hazard to aircraft.

The Commissioner, SMC, informed the meeting that work on the project is progressing steadily and is expected to be completed by June 2028.

Emphasising the need for a coordinated approach to waste management, the Divisional Commissioner directed the Deputy Commissioner Budgam to strengthen solid waste collection and disposal mechanisms

in villages surrounding the airfield, noting that indiscriminate garbage dumping attracts birds and adversely impacts aviation safety.

The committee further reviewed the issue of unlit obstructions that pose risks to safe flying operations. It was decided that telecom service providers would be directed to ensure proper illumination of communication towers, while a detailed survey would be undertaken to identify and rectify other unlit structures in the aircraft operational area.

Addressing the growing menace of stray dogs within and around the airport, the Divisional Commissioner described the issue as a serious threat to both air operations and public safety. He instructed the Commissioner, Srinagar Municipal Corporation, to get the issue addressed at the earliest.

DIPR organises Seminar on Drug Abuse Awareness at GBHSS Gulab Bagh



SRINAGAR, JULY 04:

As part of the Nasha Mukta Jammu & Kashmir Abhiyan (NMJKA), the Cultural Unit Kashmir of the Department of Information and Public Relations (DIPR) today organised an awareness seminar on drug abuse at Government Boys' Higher Secondary School (GBHSS), Gulab Bagh, Srinagar.

The seminar witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, who shared their views on the harmful effects of drug abuse and highlighted the importance of making informed choices to build a healthy and addiction-free society.

Speaking on the occasion, Cultural Officer Kashmir, Abdul Raqib Bhat and AECO, Syed Shakeel Shan underscored the need for collective community action to combat the growing menace of drug abuse.

They stressed that Kashmir, renowned for its rich Sufi heritage, has always stood for values of peace, spirituality, and moral integrity, leaving no room for social evils such as substance abuse. They urged students to become ambassadors of awareness within their families and communities.

The Principal, Oshia Jabeen appreciated the initiative undertaken by DIPR and assured the institution's full cooperation in organising similar awareness programmes in the future to educate and empower the younger generation.

Vice Principal, Mumtaz Hussain, who conducted the proceedings, expressed gratitude to the Department of Information and Public Relations for organising the seminar and for its sustained efforts in pro-

moting social awareness through meaningful outreach programmes.

At the conclusion of the seminar, participants were felicitated with awards in recognition of their active participation and valuable contributions to the programme.

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<p>• Person suspected of having Dengue should visit nearby Health Facility.</p> <p>• The tests and treatment are available free of cost at Govt. Health Institutions.</p>		

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