

# CM Omar meets mutton dealers, reiterates Govt's commitment to resolve livestock transit issues

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Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today met a delegation of mutton dealers from Jammu and Kashmir who apprised him of the difficulties they have been facing in transporting livestock through Punjab, an issue that has impacted the smooth supply of livestock into J&K.

Minister for Tribal Affairs Javed Ahmed Rana and Minister for Transport and Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Satish Sharma were also present during the meeting.

The delegation highlighted the challenges encountered during transit and sought the Chief Minister's intervention to ensure the unhindered movement of livestock.

Giving a patient hearing to their concerns, the Chief Minister assured the delegation that the Govern-



ment of Jammu and Kashmir is fully committed to resolving the issue and safeguarding the interests of traders, livestock transporters and consumers. He informed the delegation that a high-level team of senior officers from the Government of Jammu and Kashmir will shortly visit Punjab to hold discussions with the concerned authorities and work towards an early, practical and mutually

agreeable resolution to all issues affecting the transportation of livestock.

The Chief Minister's intervention follows his earlier outreach to Chief Minister Punjab Bhagwant Mann, to whom he had written a D.O. letter urging the Punjab Government to facilitate the smooth and uninterrupted movement of livestock and address the difficulties faced by transporters from Jammu and Kashmir dur-

ing transit. Responding promptly, the Punjab Chief Minister had assured that the matter would be examined on priority and necessary action would be taken to resolve the concerns.

The proposed visit of the high-level delegation forms part of the follow-up mechanism initiated by the two governments to ensure effective coordination and an early resolution of the issue.

# DC Baramulla visits Sopore Industrial Estate, interacts with Traders

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Deputy Commissioner Baramulla, Dr. S.F. Hamid today visited the Sopore Industrial Estate, where he interacted with traders, entrepreneurs and industrial unit holders to review the functioning of industrial establishments.

The Deputy Commissioner, accompanied by the Additional Deputy Commissioner Sopore, inspected various industrial and business units and reviewed their production activities and infrastructure. During the interaction, traders and entrepreneurs highlighted the need for construction of a boundary wall (fencing), establishment of a single regulated entry and exit point, and augmentation of other essential infrastructure and facilities within the industrial estate.

The Deputy Commissioner, assured them that all demands would be examined on priority and taken up with the con-



cerned departments for appropriate action. He emphasized that a well-developed industrial ecosystem is essential for promoting entrepreneurship, generating employment and boosting the local economy.

The Deputy Commissioner further stressed the importance of coordinated efforts among the concerned departments to facilitate industrial growth and improve infrastructure at the estate.

He reaffirmed the district administration's commitment to supporting local entrepreneurs and ensuring a conducive environment for the growth and expansion of industrial activities.

# DC Bandipora chairs DRAC meeting Reviews Semi Ring Road Phase-II progress

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Deputy Commissioner Bandipora, Indu Kanwal Chib, today chaired a meeting of the District Rent Assessment Committee (DRAC) to finalize rent assessment cases of government offices functioning from rented buildings across the district.

Of the nine rent assessment cases placed before the committee, seven were approved after detailed deliberations, while two were kept pending, subject to submission of requisite documents and completion of necessary formalities.

The Deputy Commissioner emphasized timely disposal of rent assessment cases in accordance with prescribed norms and directed the concerned departments to submit complete documentation to enable early disposal of the pending cases.

The meeting was attended by the Chief Medical Officer Bandipora along with BMOs; Assistant Director Handicrafts Bandipora; Chief Animal Husbandry Officer Bandi-



pora; Chief Planning Officer Bandipora; DySP DAR; besides other concerned officers and departmental representatives.

Later, the Deputy Commissioner chaired a review meeting on the Semi Ring Road Phase-II project to assess the progress of works and address issues requiring inter-departmental coordination for its timely execution.

Reviewing the status of each agenda item, the Deputy Commissioner stressed close coordination among the concerned departments for early resolu-

tion of pending issues. She directed the executing agencies and revenue authorities to expedite land acquisition for tower locations, accelerate the estimation of structures falling within the project alignment, and take all necessary measures for early relocation of the irrigation pump to ensure uninterrupted progress of works. Emphasizing timely completion of the project, the Deputy Commissioner directed all concerned officers to accelerate the execution process, remove bottlenecks on priority, and

complete all procedural formalities within stipulated timelines to ensure smooth implementation of the Semi Ring Road Phase-II project.

The review meeting was attended by Additional Deputy Commissioner Bandipora, Zaffar Husson Shawl; Superintending Engineer, R&B Circle Bandipora; Project Director, NHAI Srinagar; Executive Engineer, R&B Division Sumbal; Executive Engineer, Irrigation & Flood Control Division Sumbal; besides other concerned officers.

# Traffic Police Rural Jammu registers FIR against PSV driver

**RAJOURI, JULY 06:** Continuing its sustained drive against the menace of overloading in Public Transport Vehicles (PSVs), the Traffic Police Rural Jammu has registered another FIR against a PSV driver (Mini Bus) bearing Registration No. JK11C-7235 for endangering the lives of passengers by carrying them far beyond the permitted capacity.

During a routine checking drive at Dhandkote, the Sector Officer (Traffic)

Thanamandi intercepted the said Mini Bus which was plying from Dodaj to Rajouri.

During inspection, the vehicle was driven by one Mohd. Farooq S/O Abdul Aziz R/O Kurhad Kotranka district Rajouri was found carrying 22 passengers in excess of the authorized seating capacity of 24 thereby posing a grave risk to the safety and lives of the passengers.

Subsequent verification further re-

vealed that the vehicle is repeatedly involved in multiple traffic violations and has been challaned 17 times including 16 challans for overloading passengers demonstrating a persistent disregard for traffic laws and public safety.

In view of the repeated violations and the grave threat posed to human life, a FIR No. 45/2026 has been registered against the driver at P/S Darhal U/S 281/125 BNS 184 MV Act.

# DC Kulgam inspects Development Works in DH Pora Reviews Public Infrastructure Projects and Rural Development Schemes

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Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kulgam, Shahzad Alam, today conducted an extensive tour of the DH Pora subdivision to inspect ongoing development works and review the implementation of key rural development schemes.

He reviewed the construction of the Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) Office, Treasury Office and other ongoing projects. Stressing the importance of timely completion, he instructed the executing agencies to expedite the pace of work while maintaining the highest quality standards so that these vital public infrastructure projects are completed within the stipulated time-frame.

Later, the Deputy Commissioner visited the Block Development Office (BDO), Pombay, where he reviewed the functioning of the office and assessed the implementation of flagship rural development programmes, particularly MGNREGA and VB-G RAM-G.

During the inspection, Shahzad Alam emphasized strict adherence to prescribed procedures for the disbursement of material payments under MGNREGA/VB-G RAM-G, underlining the need for



transparency, accountability and financial discipline.

He directed the concerned officers to ensure that only genuine labourers whose names are reflected in the muster rolls are en-

gaged at worksites, with regular verification to uphold the integrity of the programme.

He was accompanied by the Chief Planning Officer, Malik Suheel; Sub-Divi-

sional Magistrate, DH Pora, Bashir-ul-Hassan; Executive Engineer R&B Department, Tehsildar DH Pora and other senior district and block-level officers during the inspection.

# DDC Shopian reviews the progress of SASCI, PMGSY, other developmental projects

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District Development Commissioner (DDC) Shopian, Shishir Gupta today chaired a comprehensive review meeting here at Mini-Secretariat Shopian to assess the progress of projects being executed under the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI), PMGSY and other developmental sectors in the district.

The DDC reviewed the status of ongoing projects, to address bottlenecks in implementation and directed for ensuring timely completion of works for the benefit of the people of the district.

The meeting aimed to strengthen inter-departmental coordination and to accelerate the pace of infrastructure development in the district.

During the meeting, the



DDC reviewed the status of PMGSY road projects and took stock of issues related to obtaining forest clearances. It was informed that forest clearance cases pertaining to three PMGSY road projects are under process, while work on 15 PMGSY road projects under SASCI are presently underway in the district.

The meeting was further informed that R&B Division Shopian, has under-

taken seven road projects under SASCI, of which five have already been completed while the remaining works on two projects are progressing steadily.

The DDC also reviewed the status of projects being executed by departments, including Health, KPDCL, Horticulture Planning & Marketing and other sectors. Emphasising the need for timely execution of developmental works, the

DDC exhorted all executing agencies to expedite the pace of work, resolve bottlenecks in a coordinated manner and ensure completion of all projects within stipulated timelines so that the benefits of development reach the people at the earliest.

SE, R&B, CPO, Executive Engineer PMGSY, Executive Engineer R&B, DFO and other concerned officials attended the meeting.

# DC Budgam chairs Land Acquisition meeting on 220 KV Wagora-Budgam-Zainakote Transmission Line project

**BUDGAM, JULY 06:** Deputy Commissioner (District Collector) Budgam, Athar Aamir Khan, today chaired a meeting to review the land acquisition process for the 220 KV Wagora-Budgam-Zainakote Transmission Line project.

The meeting focused on various aspects of the land acquisition process, including the proposed compensation for land required for the construction of transmission towers.

During the meeting, the DC directed the concerned officers to ensure that all procedures are followed diligently and that eligible landowners receive fair



compensation as per the applicable rules.

The meeting also reviewed the status of procedural formalities and directed the concerned

officers to work in close coordination for the timely implementation of the project. The meeting was attended by the Collector Land Acquisition Budgam,

Collector Land Acquisition Chadoora, Collector Land Acquisition Beerwah, Collector Land Acquisition Khansahib, and other concerned officers.