

World Population Day

Census Directorate holds Walkathon to promote Census 2027 awareness

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The Directorate of Census Operations, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh on Saturday organised a Walkathon simultaneously in Jammu and Srinagar to mark World Population Day and create awareness about the importance of population data and the forthcoming Population Enumeration phase of Census 2027.

The event was led by Chief Principal Census Officer and Director Census Operations Amit Sharma, IAS, with officers and officials participating enthusiastically at both locations. Addressing the participants, Amit Sharma said reliable population data forms the foundation of evidence-based policymaking and development planning across sectors.

He highlighted that Census 2027 will be India's first fully digital Census, featuring mobile applications, geo-spatial mapping, digital monitoring and online self-enumeration.

He also said the Directorate has launched an extensive public awareness



campaign through print, electronic and digital media, educational institutions and outreach programmes to encourage maximum public participation. Calling the Walkathon a symbol of the Directorate's commitment to an inclusive and technology-driven Census, Sharma urged citizens to actively participate in Census 2027, stressing that accurate Census data is essential for effective governance and equitable development.

Panchayat Hamirpur deputation calls on BJP General Secretary Billawaria

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A deputation from Panchayat Hamirpur Nawar, Akhnour, called on BJP Jammu & Kashmir General Secretary and Former Deputy Mayor, Jammu, Baldev Singh Billawaria, along with Bahu Assembly Constituency MLA Ch. Vikram Randhawa, at the BJP Headquarters, Jammu, to highlight the alarming situation arising from the continuous erosion caused by the Chenab River.

The deputation, led by Rakesh Pant, President, BJP J&K Kisan Morcha, along with District President, BJP Kisan Morcha Purshotam Singh, apprised the leaders that the persistent riverbank erosion has been severely affecting fertile agricultural land, orchards, rural link roads, and both public and private properties in the area. They cautioned that unless timely and effective intervention is undertaken, the situation could pose a serious threat to agriculture, rural infrastructure, and the livelihoods of a large number of farming families.

Speaking on behalf of the delegation, Rakesh Pant urged the government to accord top priority to the execution of permanent flood protection and anti-erosion works in the affected areas. He emphasised that



durable mitigation measures are essential to safeguard farmers' land, protect rural properties, and preserve critical infrastructure from further damage.

Giving a patient and sympathetic hearing to the delegation, Baldev Singh Billawaria assured them that the matter would be vigorously pursued with the concerned departments and competent authorities. Demonstrating his prompt commitment, he immediately spoke with the Chief Engineer, Irrigation & Flood Control Department, apprising him of the gravity of the situation and urging an early technical inspection of the affected sites along with the implementation of necessary flood protection measures.

Billawaria stated that the protection of farmers' land and livelihoods remains a matter of utmost priority. He further informed the delegation that the issue would also be brought to the notice of BJP Jammu & Kashmir President and Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha), Sat Sharma (CA), so that timely intervention at the government level can be ensured and concrete steps towards a permanent solution can be initiated without delay.

Reiterating the party's commitment to public welfare, Billawaria said that the Bharatiya Janata Party stands firmly with farmers and is dedicated to addressing every genuine public

concern. He assured that every possible effort would be made to secure relief for the affected residents and ensure the long-term protection of the region.

MLA Ch. Vikram Randhawa remarked that the increasing erosion of the Chenab River is not only endangering valuable agricultural land but also posing a serious challenge to rural infrastructure, connectivity, and the safety of local communities. He stressed that protecting farmers' hard-earned livelihoods is a top priority and assured the delegation that the matter would be forcefully taken up with the government and the concerned departments to facilitate prompt and effective action.

MLA inaugurates Painting Exhibition at Kala Kendra

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Member of the Legislative Assembly Sham Lal Sharma today inaugurated a five-day painting exhibition featuring the works of renowned artists Vinod Kumar Verma and Amardeep Singh Sahni at the Master Sansar Chand Gallery in



presence of a number of artists, painters, intellectuals. The exhibition titled "Expression of Soul" was

organized by the Kala Kendra Jammu

Welcoming the distinguished guests, Dr. Javaid Rahi Secretary Kala Kendra said that the objective of organizing the exhibition is to promote and encourage local artists by providing them a platform to showcase their creative excellence. He observed that the paintings displayed by Vinod Kumar Verma and Amardeep Singh Sahni are unique in their artistic expression.

Addressing the gathering after inaugurating the exhibition, MLA Sham Lal Sharma appreciated the artistic excellence of both painters and remarked that their works portray the diverse shades of human life—at times vibrant and colourful, and at other times deeply spiritual, connecting viewers with the divine. He appealed to the people of Jammu to visit the exhibition and witness the remarkable collection on display. He also lauded the efforts of Kala Kendra in promoting art and culture, emphasizing that cultural institutions must be strengthened and supported for preserving the region's rich artistic heritage.

Speaking on the occasion, Vinod Kumar Verma—the artist said that the artworks exhibited are the result of nearly a decade of dedicated creative endeavour

Amardeep Singh Sahni—artist shared that exhibiting in a public gallery offers an entirely different experience from working in a studio, as it enables direct interaction between the artwork and the viewers.

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR
OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER,
REASI FOREST DIVISION, REASI

E-TENDERING

Short Term Tender Notice: e-NIT No. 10 of 2026-27 dated 10-07-2026

For and on behalf of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir, e-tenders (two cover system) are invited from approved and eligible contractors registered with J&K Govt./Central Govt. Organizations for the following work:

S. No.	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In lac)	Earnest Money (Rs. In Rupees)	Class of Contractor	Cost of Tender Document	Time of completion	Receiving/Opening Authority
1	Planting (BUC) of 3115 Nos. saplings (polybags), in pits of size 45cmx45cmx45cm within the available blanks of identified sites at 06 Nos. of different locations already established during 2023-24 and 2024-25 of Katra Range Under CAMPA NPV 2026-27 location mention as Annexure A of the said ent	0.91 lac	Rs.1826/-	D Class	Rs. 600/-	30 days	Tender Opening Committee
2	Planting (BUC) of 7975 Nos. saplings (polybags), in pits of size 45cmx45cmx45cm within the available blanks of identified sites at 18 Nos. of different locations/closures already established during 2023-24 and 2024-25 of Thakrakote Range Under CAMPA NPV 2026-27 location mention as Annexure B of the said ent	2.33 lac	Rs.4660/-	D Class	Rs. 600/-	30 days	Tender Opening Committee
3	Planting (BUC) of 7575 Nos. saplings (polybags), in pits of size 45cmx45cmx45cm within the available blanks of identified sites at 07 Nos. of different locations already established during 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 of Reasi Range Under CAMPA NPV 2026-27 location mention as Annexure C of the said ent	2.22 lac	Rs. 4445/-	D Class	Rs. 600/-	30 days	Tender Opening Committee
4	Planting (BUC) of 2870 Nos. saplings (polybags), in pits of size 45cmx45cmx45cm within the available blanks of identified sites at 04 Nos. of different locations/closures already established during 2023-24, 2024-25 of Soil Range Reasi Under CAMPA NPV 2026-27 location mention as Annexure D of the said ent	0.842 lac	Rs. 1684/-	D Class	Rs. 600/-	30 days	Tender Opening Committee

Work Specifications:
1. Plantation/BUC: Planting of saplings in pits of size 45cmx45cmx45cm within the available blanks of identified site including carriage/lifting of plants of different species as specified by department from different nurseries of Reasi Forest Division or other Nurseries i.e SFR1, n Jammu etc and headload carriage including loading and unloading upto site of work with all operations complete of above site. Also includes site clearance, digging of pits including excavation of soil and planting of sapling in the pits refilling with clean surface soil after planting. Alongwith provision for water harvesting structure and maintenance for period of six month as per the scope of work. The rates includes the cost of digging of pits refilling with clean surface soil, carriage of plants and raising of water harvesting structure etc.

NOTE:- Plants/Sapling will be provided departmentally.
The e-NIT consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, bill of quantities, (B.O.Q), Set of Terms & Conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental Website:- www.jktenders.gov.in

Position of funds	: Allotted
Position of AA/TT	: Accorded
Publishing Date	10-07-2026
Download Start Date	10.07.2026 from 05.00 P.M
Bid Submission Start Date	10.07.2026 from 05.00 P.M
Bid submission End Date	17.07.2026 (6.00 PM)
Date of opening of Technical Bid	18.07.2026 at 11.00 AM (in the Office of Divisional Forest Officer, REASI).
Date of opening of Financial Bid (online)	18.07.2026 at 11.30 PM (in the Office of Divisional Forest Officer, REASI).

- The Bids shall be deposited in electronic format on the Departmental Website: https://jktenders.gov.in. and bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" options as well as Bidders Manual Kit from the same website.
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- Bids uploaded must accompany Govt. Treasury Receipt (cost of tender document) in the shape of Treasury Challan for the amount shown against the work above to be deposited in Govt. Treasury under Account Head 0406- Forest. The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period upto 31st March 2027 from the date of opening of bids. Bids must be uploaded with Scanned copies of:
 - i. Earnest Money Deposit/bid security in shape of CDR pledged to Divisional Forest Officer, Reasi Forest Division,
 - ii. PAN Card
 - iii. GST Certificate
 - iv. GST return statement.
 - v. TR (Treasury Receipt) tender fee/ cost of tender Document in shape of receipt of treasury indicating name of work favouring Divisional Forest Officer Reasi by crediting requisite charges to the 0406-Forest (Revenue).
 - vi. Registration Card renewed upto2026-27 or more.
 - vii. Complete address with Whatsapp No. and Email ID, Bank Account details of Contractor.
 - viii. Bank Account details (IFSC Code, Bank & Branch Name) of Contractor.
 - ix. Income Tax Return (ITR) statement.

Note:- As option for online deposit of EMD and tender fee into centralized pooling account as per Finance Department Circular No. FD-Cde/290/2026 dated 22.05.2026 is not active till date on the website https://jktenders.gov.in, so the offline mode is preferred for EMD & tender fee as per past practice keeping in view the time/season bound nature of plantation works which are to be tendered as mentioned above.

3. Bids must be uploaded alongwith Scanned copy of cost of Tender Document in shape of e-challan /copy of receipt from treasury favoring Divisional Forest Officer, Reasi Forest Division, Reasi by crediting the requisite amount to the MH 0406/Forest, Earnest money deposit in the shape of CDR/FDR @ 02% of tender cost, PAN, Latest GST return, Registration Card. No registered post/courier will be accepted. The original instruments in respect of cost of documents, 10% Performance Security, 03% earnest money deposit and relevant documents of L1 bidder will be required to be submitted to the DFO, Reasi, within seven days of opening of financial bids online.

4. The bidders have to submit their Technical & Financial bids online in electronic format with digital signature. No Technical or financial bid will be accepted in physical/hard form. Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned above.

5. No separate intimation about opening of financial bids will be sent by this office/ by the tender opening authority. The L1 bidder has to submit all relevant documents within 03 days to this office. In case the relevant documents are not submitted by the L1 bidder within three days after opening of financial bid, the bid offered by the tenderer will be cancelled and the bidder will not be allowed to participate in any further/future tendering process in the Division for a period of One year.

6. Performance Security 3%:- Within 5 days after the date of opening of tender, a Performance Security in shape of CDR/FDR/Bank Guarantee for an amount equivalent to 3% of the contract price must be valid beyond Defect Liability Period. The performance security shall be released after successful completion of Defect Liability Period/maintenance period.

Un-balanced bid: The successful bidder L1 shall have to deposit an additional performance security in the shape of CDR / FDR/ BG before award of contract in case the bid of the successful bidder is found to be unbalanced as per Circular of Worthy Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department Civil Secretariat Jammu vide No. FD/Codes/44/2021-02-158 dated 08-09-2025. i. Where the bid price is below 10% but not below 20% of the project cost put to bid, the additional performance guarantee/security percentage shall be incremented by 0.1% for every percentage of bid price below 10% of project cost put to bid starting at 11% with the additional bid performance guarantee being 0.1% and this additional performance guarantee percentage shall be applied on the bid price. ii. Where the bid price is 20% or more below of the project cost put to bid, the additional performance guarantee percentage shall be incremented by 0.2% for every percentage of bid price below 20% of the project cost put to bid in addition to 1% of the bid price and this additional performance guarantee percentage shall be applied on the bid price. iii. The additional performance guarantee percentage shall be rounded off to the next lower percentage base on whether the decimal point of the percentage of the bid price is below 0.5% or to the next higher percentage based on whether the decimal point of the percentage of bid price is 0.5% or more

No. DFO/RD/2228-32
Dated:10-07-2026

Sd/
Divisional Forest Officer
Reasi Forest Division
Reasi

DIPJ-5583/26, Dated: 11-07-2026

UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER JAL SHAKTI PHE (M) DIVISION KATHUA
Tele/Fax: 01922-237825
EXTENSION NOTICE-II
E- NIT NO. 35/JSPHEMK DATED: 25-06-2026 DUE ON 06-07-2026
Due to poor response, the last date for uploading of tender documents and opening of tenderers for the above-mentioned e-NIT, is again hereby extended as under: -
Last date for uploading of tender document 14-07-2026 upto 04:00 PM
Last date for opening of tender document 15-07-2026 upto 01:00 PM
All other terms and conditions of NIT's referred above shall remain the same.
No:-JSPHEMK/1224-27
Dated:10-07-2026
Sd/
Executive Engineer
Jal Shakti PHE Mech. Division
Kathua
DIPJ-5557/26, Dated: 11.07.2026

JAMMU & KASHMIR SPORTS COUNCIL
Administrative Block Bakshi Stadium, Srinagar
Sports House M A Stadium, Jammu J&K
Contact No: - 0191-2570423, 0191-2560771
NOTIFICATION
OPEN SELECTION TRIALS FOR SUB-JUNIOR GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM
The J&K Sports Council is pleased to announce open selection trials to raise the Sub-Junior Girls Football Team to represent J&K UT in the upcoming Sub-Junior Girls National Football Championship 2026, organized under the aegis of the All India Football Federation (AIFF). Though the medium of this notification J&K Sports Council invites talented, passionate, and eligible young female footballers to participate in the selection trials as per the schedule below:

S. No.	Date	Time	Venue	Division
1.	13th & 14th July 2026	10 AM	Mini Stadium Synthetic Turf Parade Ground Jammu.	For all Jammu Division Players
2.	13th & 14th July 2026	10 AM	Synthetic Turf Football Stadium, TRC, Srinagar.	For all Kashmir Division Players.
3.	16th & 17th July 2026	10 AM	Synthetic Turf Football Stadium, TRC, Srinagar.	Final Selection Trials. (For selected players of Kashmir & Jammu Division only).

Eligibility Criteria:
 > Age Bracket: Girls born between January 1st, 2013 to December 31st 2014.
 > Residency: Must be a resident of J&K.

Mandatory Documents for Registration:
 > Players must carry original and xerox documents along with two photocopies of each for verification.
 > Original Birth Certificate issued by the Municipal Corporation / Competent Authority.
 > Aadhaar Card (Updated with recent photograph).
 > Two passport-sized photographs.

Important Instructions for Participants:
 * Players must report in complete playing kit (Jersey, Shorts, Stockings, Shin guards, and Football boots/studs).
 * No travel allowance (TA) or daily allowance (DA) will be provided for attending the selection trials.
 * The selection committee's decisions will be final and binding.
 * Selected players will have to undergo Bone Age Verification Tests as per the AIFF Guidelines.

For further queries, please contact Mr. Javed Ahmad Sofi & Mr. Ricky Kumar at 7006037351, 9149887665.
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