Centre notifies new rules for preservation of wetlands

NEW DELHI, Oct 1: The Centre has notified a new policy for the preservation of wetlands under which the states are required to submit their lists for being brought under this category by next week.

The Wetlands Management Rules, 2017, notified on September 28, shall come into force on October 14. The states and union territories have been given six months to submit their proposed lists.

However, under the 2010 variant of the rules where the conservation and protection of wetlands was already being undertaken the states have already been in the process of consulting the public.

These are highly productive ecosystems which support rich biodiversity, provide fresh water recharge, act as sponge that can help in water storage, water purification, flood mitigation, carbon sequestration, climate control and quality regulation, and are of great scientific and national importance.

They also have high productivity support which earn rich income for the farmers. The Bhashkar Nagri Wetlands of the Jammu region, for example, are managed by a group of farmers who earn income of Rs 10,000 to 25,000 from the wetlands.

Mr. R.P. Puri, Official Secretary, issued the rule.

Infrastructure provision in Padder and up degree colleges in Padder and Kishtwar festival an annual feature

Excelsior correspondent


The Pied Pipers of Kishtwar, Bhatyas and Tanta road, creation of Kaikalabhat and upgradation of Jammu-Kishtwar road up to Padder - Kishtwar stretch was taken up by the government.

Earlier, the State President, National Conference (NC) Jammu, Mr. Randhir Singh lauded the efforts of the government in the region.

He said that the betterment of the region was there and people were waiting for the results of the scheme.

Government has also asked for a separate road in this area to be constructed.

Mr. Randhir Singh said that the people of Kishtwar should get the road to their desired place.

We, the inhabitants of Subhash Nagar, Jammu, who have shifted our residence from Subhash Nagar to Swarn Vihar, and for that reason we are facing a lot of difficulties. The road to our residence is unpaved and does not have any drainage system.

This causes a lot of inconvenience to us, as water gets accumulated on the road after rain and it is difficult for us to travel. We request the concerned authorities to take appropriate steps for the construction of a proper drainage system and also to pave the road.

Residents of Subhash Nagar,

Virender Singh

JAMMU, Oct 1: A man who was spotted in an invisible pit dug by the Department, has been rescued.

Mr. Manik Sharma, President, Shiva Caves Shrine Society, said that the man was seen trapped in an invisible pit dug by the Department.

It is alleged that the Department has stopped refugees in the area from entering the shrine by digging pits.

Mr. Manik Sharma said that the man was rescued and the Department has been sent a legal notice.

Shivaji Nagar, Jammu.

Excelsior correspondent

KUTTAL: Five persons have been injured in a road accident involving a lorry and a two-wheeler in Pry School Kuttal in pathetic condition

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