



PCC chief GA Mir addressing workers convention in Verinag area of Dooru Assembly constituency on Thursday.

## People feel relieved after ouster of 'PDP-BJP': Mir

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, July 5: The J&K Pradesh Congress Committee (JKPCC) president GA Mir today lashed out at both PDP-BJP for pushing the State to the worst ever social, economic, political and security situation in the State, saying that PDP-BJP has remained the source behind deep alienation among the people in all the three regions.

Mir accompanied by Legislators, GM Saroori, Abdul

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Rashid Dar, Mohd Amin Bhat, Gulzar Ahmad Wani, general secretary Hilal Ahmad Shah and other senior leaders of the party was addressing day long delegate convention of Dooru Assembly segment at Omah, Verinag.

He said the toppling of Govt unceremoniously will not save the BJP from the damages, for the fact people have realized that this party has initiated atmosphere in the country due to their wrong approach.

PDP-BJP presided over darkest era of the State now blaming each other for the mess in the State, both the parties have played

## New Chairman CAT Justice Reddy calls on Dr Jitendra

Excelsior Correspondent

NEW DELHI, July 5: Justice L Narsimha Reddy, who has taken over as the new Chairman of Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), today called on Union Minister of State (Independent

Court, will be able to enrich the functioning and efficiency of CAT through his sound prudence and commitment.

Describing CAT as an important organ in Government of India, Dr Jitendra Singh said, the CAT was constituted



New Chairman of Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), Justice L. Narsimha Reddy calling on Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh, at New Delhi on Thursday.

Charge) for Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh and discussed a wide range of issues related to the functioning of CAT as well as appointments to existing vacancies in the tribunal.

Pertinent to mention that the Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) under the charge of Dr Jitendra Singh, offers administrative and logistic support to CAT, which is affiliated with it.

Dr Jitendra Singh expressed the hope that Justice Narsimha Reddy, who has a long experience of being a Judge in one of the leading High Courts of India, namely the Hyderabad High Court, and has also served on the Patna High

in 1985 and the motivation behind setting it up was that officers and employees working in the government would have an easier option to register their issues, including grievances and disputes, and will be able to seek redressal without having to run from one court of law to the other. He said, the government is cautious of the immediate need to fill up the vacant posts in different benches of CAT across the country and said, a due process has already been set in motion for this purpose.

Justice Narsimha Reddy, after his meeting with the Union Minister, said that the priority before him is to clear off the pendency of the cases. He said, he will try his best to live up to the avowed objective of getting justice for all the officials and members serving in administration, to the best of their satisfaction.

## JKPMA takes up problems with Chief Commissioner CGST

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, July 5: JK Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Association (JKPMA) today highlighted the problems being faced by pharmaceutical units with Manoranjan Kour Virk, Chief Commissioner, CGST, Chandigarh Zone.

The issues were taken up during an interactive session organized today by JKPMA in honour of the Chief Commissioner, CGST, Chandigarh Zone. Gyan Sarvar, Commissioner, CGST, Jammu and other officials of department were also present on the occasion.

During the interactive session, the Association members highlighted the problems being faced by pharmaceutical units situated in the State in respect of budgetary support under IGST, inspections of eligible units for the re-issuance of Notification Number F.No 10(1)/2017-DBA-II/NER dated 05-10-2017.

"In order to help the manufacturing sector for supporting the cash flow requirement there is need for self credit mechanism as was available in the pre GST Era", the association members said and emphasized the need to take up the issue with concerned authorities.

The Chief Commissioner, CGST, Chandigarh Zone gave a patient hearing to the issues highlighted by the president and assured them to resolve their issues on priority basis.

The other member present during the interactive session was Pardeep Jain, general secretary, Gajendra Kumar, secretary, JS Manocha, treasurer and Anil Gupta, executive member.



Former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta distributing free gas connections at Govindpura, Satwari on Thursday.

## Kavinder distributes LPG connections under PMUY

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, July 5: Former Deputy Chief Minister and MLA Gandhi Nagar, Kavinder Gupta distributed LPG connections to beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana at Govindpura, Satwari area of his constituency here, today.

As many as 50 LPG connections with other related accessories were handed over to the beneficiaries from rural belt of Gandhi Nagar.

Reiterating his commitment to work for public welfare, Kavinder said, the Central Government has envisaged this scheme to provide women with a safe and clean provision of fuel for cooking. More than 5000 households of Gandhi Nagar have been benefited under the scheme, he added.

Kavinder Gupta said that J&K is fully implementing Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) scheme in letter and spirit "with an aim to make every household smokeless". "It is a major step to reduce indoor air pollution and a very positive step towards sustainable development as it not only reduces the burden on forests but also ensures right to life for women", he added.

Applauding the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi for his keen interest in the development of the State, Kavinder Gupta said that Gol has been providing

liberal funding to the State so that various development projects underway were completed in a time bound manner.

He also made people aware about the benefits of other Centrally sponsored schemes and urged them to come forward and to avail the benefits from these schemes for improving their socio-economic condition.

The Former DCM said that people were deprived of LPG as cooking fuel prior to the installation of BJP led Government at the Centre and they relied on firewood, coal, dung etc that adversely affected the health of women and children causing severe respiratory diseases.

Furthermore, he appealed to people who can afford the non subsidized cylinder to voluntarily give up their subsidy as more people belonging to BPL category can be benefited under the scheme.

He directed the concerned officials to identify more BPL families through Socio-Economic Caste Census Data and ensure that no eligible beneficiary was left out.

Vice Chairman Cantonment Board, Bharat Bhushan, Corporators, Hardev Singh, Jatinder Singh, Pardeep Kaur & Amrik Singh, Baldev Billoria, Harbans Chowdhary, Pawan Singh, Pitamber Sharma among others were present on the occasion.

## Secy PHE takes stock of drinking water supply position

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, July 5: Secretary PHE, Irrigation and Flood Control, Farooq Ahmad Shah, took a detailed review of the drinking water supply position in the State at a meeting with the Chief Engineers of PHE and other concerned officers.

The Secretary PHE also took a detailed review of the status of various water supply schemes under execution in the State.

While stressing on ensuring regular potable water supply, the Secretary at the same time called for maintaining the quality of the drinking water as per the set standards. "We have to ensure that every household gets adequate safe water for drinking, cooking and other domestic basic needs on a sustainable basis," he told the officers present at the meeting.

Shah said safe drinking water is to be readily and conveniently accessible at all times and in all situations as it is a basic need. He said in case of shortfall in piped drinking water in any area, the tanker service should be immediately pressed into service so that the people are not put to any inconvenience. He said the department should synergize its efforts to ensure that the people don't face any problems for want of drinking water.

He said the leakages of the supply pipes, which are also contributing to the water loss, have to be plugged immediately and no laxity can be tolerated on this count. "The department would reactivate the helpline numbers both at the

divisional and the district level so that the people, having any complaint with regard to drinking water supply can immediately bring it into the notice of the concerned," he said and added that the concerned officers will have to redress such complaints in a time-bound manner.

Shah also called for strengthening the grievances redressal mechanism in the department. He also directed for constituting special teams for keeping a check on potable-water distribution so as to fix responsibilities of the field staff for any kind of negligence.

He directed the concerned PHE division heads to ensure proper upkeep of equipment at all water installations including filtration plants to avoid breakdown of supply. He also asked the department to take up repairs and replacement of worn out pipes where ever necessary.

The Secretary warned that any dereliction of duty or laxity on part of the concerned officers will be viewed seriously and will invite strong action against the officer/official concerned.

He also called for conservation of natural sources of water including springs and streams.

The Chief Engineer PHE Kashmir who was present at the meeting and Chief Engineer PHE Jammu, who attended the meeting through video-conferencing gave a detailed presentation to the Secretary about the status of the drinking water supply in both the divisions and progress of various water supply schemes.

## Speaker takes stock of public grievances

Excelsior Correspondent

KATHUA, July 5: Speaker Legislative Assembly, Dr. Nirmal Singh, today held a public durbar at village Badoli of block Dinga Amb in Billawar constituency of Kathua during the final leg of his four-day tour.

Dr. Singh said that these camps provide a platform to connect with the people and their concerns besides help in maintaining a firsthand account of the problems being faced by them in the area.

During the camp, various delegations apprised the Speaker about their problems and developmental needs and sought redressal of their grievances.

Delegations from nearby areas flagged many issues before the Speaker with regard to macadamization of roads, increase in the supply of safe drinking water, issues regarding

electricity, health facilities and many other issues of public interest.

The Speaker gave the delegations a patient hearing and assured that their genuine demands will be looked into and passed on-spot directions with regard to various grievances flagged by the locals.

Dr. Singh asked Billawar administration to organise public outreach camp in Badoli area on July 16 to deliver various services enlisted under Public Service Guarantee Act.

He also inaugurated the macadamization of road from Lokhli to Badoli, executed at a cost of Rs. 1 crore.

BDOs, Tehsildar, Engineers, officials from the district administration and other concerned departments besides scores of locals were also present on the occasion.

## Alleged fake experience certificate used for JMC's ABC Prog CJM directs SSP CB to file updated status report

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, July 5: Chief Judicial Magistrate Jammu, Ashwani Kumar Sharma has directed Senior Superintendent of Police, Crime Branch, Jammu to file an updated status report by or before July 14 in a complaint relating to use of alleged fake experience certificate for Jammu Municipal Corporation's ABC Programme.

In the complaint lodged by Hem Lata Karki, Animal Welfare Activist prayer has been made for ascertaining the genuineness of experience certificate dated March 22, 2016 allegedly issued by Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Udgir District Latur (Maharashtra) in favour of Dr Sagar S Gadhage on the basis of which the Jammu Municipal Corporation allotted Rs 4.00 crore contract to carry out the work of ABC (Animal Birth Control) Programme/ARV (Anti-Rabies Vaccination) of stray dogs in all the 71 wards of Jammu Municipal Corporation for a period of two years.

Earlier, the Chief Judicial Magistrate Jammu, Ashwani Kumar Sharma on June 9, 2018 had directed SSP Crime Branch Jammu to report regarding the steps taken to ascertain the genuineness of the experience certificate.

The Crime Branch Jammu on June 30, 2018 filed a status report wherein it was disclosed that Crime Headquarters vide letter No.CHQ/CI/ J-105/18-2755 dated February 28, 2018 accorded approval to initiate a preliminary inquiry vide PV No.24/2018 of

Crime Branch Jammu and during the course of inquiry the Inquiry Officer summoned the complainant Hem Lata Karki and recorded her statement.

Subsequently the Crime Branch Jammu addressed a communication to the Commissioner JMC for providing the authenticated copies of notice inviting tenders, allotment orders and the experience certificate submitted by Dr Sagar S Gadhage. It was further revealed in the status report that a questionnaire has also been given to Dr Gadhage for reply and a letter has also been written to SPCA Udgir District Latur Maharashtra for verification and authentication of experience certificate.

Advocate Sheikh Shakeel Ahmed with Advocate Muzaffar Ali Shah appearing for the complainant submitted that the entire inquiry till its conclusion is required to be monitored as all steps till date by the Crime Branch have been taken because of the indulgence shown by the court. He further submitted that the whole enquiry revolves around the genuineness of the experience certificate allegedly issued by SPCA Udgir in favour of Dr Gadhage and till its verification is done the instant complaint is kept pending before the court and the updated status of the preliminary inquiry be summoned.

After considering the submissions of Advocate S S Ahmed, the Chief Judicial Magistrate directed Senior Superintendent of Police Crime Branch Jammu to file an updated status report by or before July 14, 2018.

## JKNPP stages protest, demands dissolution of Assembly

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, July 5: Amidst speculations of horse trading to woo rival MLAs by political parties, activists of J&K National Panthers Party (JKNPP) led by Harsh Dev Singh, Chairman JKNPP here today staged a protest demonstration demanding dissolution of Legislative Assembly.

The protesters accused the Central Government of proxy rule through the Governor and torched the effigy of BJP.

Talking to reporters, Harsh Dev said, "the bids of horse trading had made political parties jittery and they are struggling to keep their MLAs intact and rescue them from getting trapped into corrupt deals."

He further said that 'rat race' for power had picked up momentum and has threatened the very essence of democracy. "While BJP is trying to break other parties, some of its opportunist members, who had earlier crossed floors during previous elections, are reportedly desperate to return to Congress realizing end of their Saffron career," he maintained.

Alleging that prolonged suspension of the State Assembly is illegal and against all the constitutional precedents, Harsh Dev said, so far no political party or a plausible alliance had claimed to form the Government.

"In such a situation the dissolution of Assembly is inevitable and require immediate attention of the Governor and the President of India," he added.

He said that NC, PDP and

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Congress had categorically conveyed their unwillingness to form the Government and advocated for fresh Assembly polls in the State.

"It was only BJP which is wriggling for power and exploring undemocratic opportunities by unfair practices to ascend the throne on the pattern of Goa, Meghalaya and Manipur and other States," said Harsh Dev.

Prominent among those who spoke on the occasion included Rajesh Padgotra, Gagan Partap Singh, Shanker Singh Chib, Shakti Singh and others.

## IIM Sirmaur hosts induction ceremony for its 4th batch

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, July 5: Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Sirmaur in Himachal Pradesh, today inducted its batch of 2018-20 into its family.

The enrolments for the 4th batch of the Post Graduate Programme saw a substantial increase as compared to the previous years. This year, IIM Sirmaur became a part of the Common Admissions Process (CAP) and admitted near double the existing strength to offer its MBA Programme.

The five-day induction event kick started with the Induction ceremony today with the address by Prof (Dr) Neelu Rohmetra, the Director of the Institute. She stated that the scenic, quiet and remote location of the institute is not a challenge, but an opportunity as it pushes the students to be more involved with in-house varied activities without external distractions.

She emphasized the use of management education to solve not just corporate problems but also connect with the country's real social-economic problems. Further, explaining how every positive idea can be translated into reality, she encouraged the batch to be disciplined, committed to the



Director, IIM Sirmaur, Prof (Dr) Neelu Rohmetra launching induction ceremony of 4th batch, at the Institute on Thursday.

growth and make things happen for themselves.

Kaushal Kishore (Advisor, TRAI, Govt of India), who was the guest of honour on the occasion, spoke about the three pillars of success viz perseverance, curiosity and determination. He mentioned that giving back to society is what matters the most. The corporate guest speaker, Padmini Mishra, senior vice president and HR Head of Cox & Kings talked about attitude, self-confidence and risk taking.

She further stressed the importance of communication and networking for success. PGP chair, Prof Vaneet Kashyap conducted the proceedings of the Induction ceremony. The event concluded

with a vote of thanks by Prof Vikas Kumar, Chairperson, student affairs.

IIM Sirmaur is one of the newest IIMs. The institute is less than four years old and has already made a place for itself amongst pioneer Business Schools in India. The alumni of IIM Sirmaur have taken on top corporate positions, both domestically and internationally.

During the last few days, series of activities, ranging from sessions on case analysis methodology, communication strategies, ice breakers and team building exercises have been organized. Special sessions on anti-ragging and gender sensitization constitute the five-day Induction Programme.

## 44 flood relief centres set up in Srinagar

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, July 5: Deputy Commissioner, Srinagar, Dr. Syed Aabid Rashid Shah, today chaired a meeting of the officers of various departments to take stock of the arrangements put in place by the divisional administration in wake of flood like situation arisen due to the inclement weather in the Valley.

The meeting was informed that the divisional administration, Kashmir, has set up 44 relief centers in Srinagar district where the people can be shifted in case of

flood. It was given out in the meeting that 2294 quintals of rice, 10 quintals pulses and 437 LPG cylinders have been kept available at flood relief centers set up at various locations of the city.

Likewise 500 tents and 8500 blankets have also been kept available in these centers to meet any exigency.

The meeting was further informed that SMC has kept available 23 de-watering pumps at the sites where water logging is expected due incessant rains, while five more high-power de-watering pumps are being made available at

water logging prone areas. Apart from this, 10 mobile toilets have also been put in place at those centers where these facilities were not available, the meeting was further told.

The meeting was informed that doctors and para medical staff have already been deployed on these centers with availability of adequate medicine.

In order to fill up breaches of river Jhelum embankments immediately, 116000 sand filled bags have been kept ready to meet out any emergency. These sand bags have been kept available on various vulnerable sites on the banks of river Jhelum.

The meeting was informed that the district administration will soon launch a massive demolition drive against those who have encroached land near Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) Brari Nambal.

VC LAWDA, DIG Police (Central), Deputy Director Tourism, Chief Engineer Irrigation and Flood Control, Commissioner SMC, Additional Deputy Commissioners, Srinagar, Director Disaster Management, Deputy Director FCS&CA, Superintending Engineers of R&B & PDD and senior officers of the line departments were present in the meeting.

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## Tourism Deptt to launch State wide cultural programmes

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, July 5: In order to promote cultural tourism, the Department of Tourism will for the first-time issue destination specific cultural calendars that will highlight dates of the cultural events to be organized at different tourist destinations across the State.

The State wide cultural events will promote State's unique, music, culture, art and craft.

The cultural calendars will be prepared for all the Tourism Development Authorities of the State, which will help attract tourists to lesser-known tourist places too.

In this regard, Secretary Tourism R Sampal has instructed all Assistant Directors to prepare the calendars with the help of the Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) of the respective Tourism Development Authorities by 15th of this month.

Secretary Tourism said the

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