

# Tributes paid to Rajiv on birth anniversary

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Aug 20: Pradesh Congress Committee and its frontal organizations besides party workers paid rich tributes to former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi on his birth anniversary across the State today.

Many functions were organized by the Congressmen to celebrate the birthday of Late Rajiv Gandhi at different places. The main function was held at the Pradesh Congress headquarters, Shahidi Chowk Jammu where senior functionaries of the PCC, District and Block Congress Committee members besides heads of various frontal organizations participated. PCC senior vice president Dharam Pal Sharma (Ex-MP), presided over.

While speaking on the occasion, the senior party leaders present described Rajiv Gandhi as the architect of Panchayati Raj System in the country, who fulfilled the dreams of great leaders like Mahatma Gandhi to devolve power of planning and development at the grass root level. The 73rd and 74th Amendments of the Constitution were the result of the vision and efforts of Rajiv Gandhi, which has brought the power at the door-steps of the people. The speakers emphasized the need to strengthen the Panchayati Raj System in the State. Rajiv Gandhi also lowered the voting age from 21 to 18 years providing opportunity to the youth to participate in the election process.

Prominent among those present included Gurmukh Singh vice president PCC, former Ministers Mula Ram, Gulchain Singh Charak, Ravinder Sharma -MLC, Om Chopra, Vinod Sharma, Th Pura Singh, Parkash Sharma, Shivdev Singh, Bharat Gandhi, C L Bhat, Hari Singh Chib, S R Sudhir, K L Gupta, Mamohan Singh, Ravi Singh Slathia, S S Shingari, Pt Jagan Nath, Padmini Lungeh, B B Gupta, Sanjay Sawhney, Chanchal Popli, Jyoti Vaid and others.

In Srinagar office of the Congress Party, the function in this connection was held under the chairmanship of senior vice president of the PCC Muzaffar Hussain Parry -MLC. Senior vice president Bashir Ahmed Magray and Gulam Nabi Monga-MLCs were also present besides other members of the PCC, DCC and Block bodies besides frontal organizations. The speakers paid floral tributes to the portrait of their late leader and recalled his contributions for the party and the country. The day was observed as

# Govt failed to tackle Kishwar situation: Gupta

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JAMMU, Aug 20: Assailing the Government approach to tackle the situation in the troubled Kishwar, former Union Minister and MLA, Prof. Chaman Lal Gupta alleged that instead of providing immediate relief to the badly affected lot due to communal frenzy, the ruling leaders were playing dirty politics.

Prof. Gupta pointed out that several days have passed after the loot and plunder in Kishwar, no relief has been provided to the sufferers who have been virtually uprooted and lost their all the livings. So much so even the stock of the losses have not been taken and no effort seems to be there to recover the looted property, even the said weapons taken away from the Gun House and used for violence, he added and further said that to add to the problems of the sufferers a curfew has been imposed and little supplies of the rations and other eatables have been arranged.

He pointed out that even those officers /officials have not been removed from the scene who remained silent spectators when there was loot and anti national elements were indulging in resorting to arson

# Er GH Vaid passes away

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Aug. 20: Former Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government, Housing and Urban Development Department, Engineer Gulam Hassan Vaid, who had also served as Chief Engineer for a long duration, passed away this afternoon after a brief spell of illness.

Engineer Vaid was one of the pioneering engineers of the state who did his civil engineering from AMU and was appointed as an Assistant Engineer in 1947. He went on to do his post



Congress leaders and activists paying tributes to Rajiv Gandhi on his birth anniversary at PCC office in Jammu on Tuesday.

Sadhavna Divas at all the levels in the region and districts across Kashmir. Others present in the function included G N Mir Lasjan, Amreen Badr, Farooq Andrabi, Shanema Sopori, G M Sheikh, Shameema Khan, Khurshed Ahmed Zargar, Abdul Ghani Khan, Jan Mohd Reshi, Shameema Iqbal and Sayeda.

**District Congress Committee (DCC) Udhampur** also celebrated birth anniversary of late Rajiv Gandhi in a function held at party office at the district headquarters and paid rich tributes. MLA, Chenani Krishan Chander Bhagat was the special invitee. Several senior leaders including Mr Bhagat, Brij Mohan Sharma, Sumeet Magotra Inayat Ullah, Mamohan Raina Sham Lal Sarpanch Sanjeev Sharma and others paid their rich tributes to their late leader and lauded his contributions.

Another function was held in this connection under the leadership of **Ashok Bakshi, senior leader at Dhar Road Udhampur**. Several other Congress activists attended the function. District Seva Dal, Udhampur unit also paid tributes to Rajiv Gandhi under the leadership of Yash Pal Sharma district chairman. Senior leader Shakeel Shah was the special invitee.

In Chenani also the Congress activists from Ghordi and other blocks organized a function under the leadership of local MLA Krishan Chander Bhagat and paid floral tributes to late Rajiv Gandhi on his 69th birthday. They garlanded the portrait of Rajiv Gandhi and recalled his contributions for the party and the nation.

**Block Congress Committee Akhnoor** held a function in this connection under the leadership of Baldev Raj Sharma in the town and paid tributes to former Prime Minister. All the participants while paying their rich tributes recalled the contributions of the late towering leader of the country.

and destruction. And the people have lost their confidence in such an administration.

Prof. Gupta expressed surprise over the deputation of some politicians to visit Kishwar after a team of four senior Ministers visited there. What the team of Ministers have done there with what results, have not been made public, he added.

He said it was an irony of fate that on the one hand there was furry of the nature causing repeated earthquakes, on the other hand under a plan the anti national elements operating in various guises have created hell of the situation. Astonishingly no relief has been provided even to the badly affected families due to tremors even after many loud promises despite expiry of over two months now, he added.

Prof. Gupta also castigated the elements operating from within and outside the ruling parties demanding the disbanding of the VDC's and dilute the force of SPO's. This obnoxious move is apparently loaded with to shaken the confidence of the minorities who were on the target after forcing out the core nationalists from the Valley of Kashmir who have come to be virtually refugees within their own country.

graduation from France. He retired as Commissioner/Secretary to Government, Housing and Urban Development Department in 1980-81.

A large number of mourners joined the Nimaz-e-Jinazah near Masjid-e-Ibrahim, Hyderpora Ibrahim Colony, Hyderpora, Airport Road-NH By Pass Intersection.

His body was laid to rest by the side of the grave of his wife in the Ibrahim Colony itself. According to the family Chahrum will be observed on Friday.

# Governor, CM greet people on Raksha Bandhan

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SRINAGAR, Aug 20: N. N. Vohra, Governor, has felicitated the people on Raksha Bandhan and expressed the sincere hope that this auspicious occasion would usher a new era of peace, amity, harmony, progress and prosperity in the State.

In his message of greetings, the Governor observed that Raksha Bandhan is a unique feature of India's cultural ethos, symbolizing the special bonds between brothers and sisters. He said that this festival has a special significance for Jammu and Kashmir as the annual Shri Amarnathji Yatra concludes on this day and devotees pay obeisance at the Holy Cave Shrine on Shrawan Purnima.

The Governor prayed for the well-being of the people of the State. Chief Minister, Omar Abdullah has also felicitated people on Raksha Bandhan wishing them happiness and welfare. In his greetings message, the Chief Minister said that Jammu and Kashmir has great tradition of observing festivals and holy days in unity and togetherness. He called for further strengthening this trait and said that amity and brotherhood adds colours to the celebration of festivals. He prayed for peace and development of the State and the country.

# Baig asks Govt to expedite steps for rehabilitation of rain hit people

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Aug 20: Expressing concern over loss of precious lives and properties in the incessant rains and floods in different parts of the State, former Deputy Chief Minister and senior leader of People's Democratic Party (PDP) Muzaffar Hussain Baig today regretted that despite such huge losses, the State Government has failed to reach to the affected families.

He said that it was result of the inability of the Government to reach to the masses that woes of affected people were compounding with every passing day and the Government was busy in just giving assurances.

In a statement issued here today, Mr Baig asked the State Government to take all measures for the rescue and rehabilitation of the affected people in the

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State. He further asked the Government to depute teams of officers to assess the actual losses so that adequate relief should be given to the affected families as early as possible. While expressing his heartfelt condolences to the families of those who lost their lives in floods and incessant rains, Mr Baig said that rains have wreaked havoc in the State and claimed several lives, besides causing colossal damage to property and standing crops. He said that a large number of roads were also washed away in remote areas so there was a need to restore road connectivity in the cut off areas.

He regretted that collapsed houses have rendered several families homeless all over the State in general and Jammu region in particular but requisite steps have not been taken by the Government to provide them shelter.

# BGSBU Teachers Association to go on indefinite strike from Aug 27

Excelsior Correspondent

RAJOURI, Aug 20: Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University Teachers Association (BGSBUTA) today observed one-day pen down strike and announced to go on indefinite strike from August 27 if all the issues are not resolved by the University authorities.

Issuing a press statement, president BGSBUTA, Dr Ashgar Ali Shah said that General Body Meeting (GBM) of the association has unanimously decided to proceed on indefinite strike from August 27, 2013 if their all pending issues are not resolved well before August 26.

He reiterated the demands, which included implementation of rotation policy for the positions like Registrar, Controller

of Examinations, Deans of Schools of Studies, Dean Student Welfare, Heads of different departments, Proctor, Provosts and wardens of the hostels, adoption of one man one position policy, removal of retired people from the administrative positions, filling up of all vacancies in the teaching departments and Career Advancement Scheme for teachers as per the norms of the UGC.

Dr Shah said that there were also other demands, which have already been forwarded to authorities for the redressal. Even as the University had agreed to fulfill all the demands before the end of academic session, 2012-2013 but no action seems to have been taken thus forcing the teachers to go on strike, he added.

# Valley's first cement bridge built in 70s caves in

Mir Farhat

SRINAGAR, Aug 20: The Kashmir's first ever cement bridge in Srinagar caved in today and disrupted the traffic movement in the entire downtown area for the day as officials closed down the movement of the vehicles on the bridge, causing heavy traffic jams on the roads in the area.

Eyewitnesses said that the right part of the bridge in Noorbagh side caved in early morning on Tuesday, and made a huge void in the bridge. People stopped moving on the bridge fearing its collapse.

The officials of the Roads and Buildings Department blamed the Public Health Engineering Department for the damage to the historic bridge.

"The right approach of the bridge has sunk because a water supply pipeline of PHE burst. And because of the leakage, a portion of the right-side caved in," Satish Razdan, Superintendent Engineer R&B, Srinagar-Budgam Circle said.

The bridge is an important link in the old city as it connects Batamalo and Qamarwari with old city, Soura, and Ganderbal areas.

Due to its closure, people including patients, and students

# CM administers oath to Basharat as Chairperson SERC

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Aug 20: Chief Minister, Omar Abdullah this afternoon administered oath to Basharat Ahmad Dhar as Chairperson State Electricity Regulatory Commission (SERC).

The Chief Minister wished success to Basharat Ahmad Dhar in his new assignment and hoped that Mr. Dhar would shoulder the responsibility with the best of his capacity and calibre.

Minister of State for Power, Viqar Rasool, Chief Secretary, Mohammad Iqbal Khandey, Economic Advisor to Government, Jalil Ahmad Khan, Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister, B. B. Vyas, Principal Secretary Home, Suresh Kumar, Principal Secretary PDD, A. K. Mehta, Director Pollution Board, Vinod Ranjan, various Chief Engineers and senior officers of PDD were present on the occasion.

suffered had a lot of trouble as traffic did not move on it. Patients going for treatment toward SKIMS, Soura, traveled through congested Lal Chowk roads.

Heavy traffic jam was reported in most parts of the city including Seki Daffar, Safa Kadal Eid Gah, Qamarwari and its adjoining areas because of the bridge closure.

"We have repaired a major portion of the damaged portion of the bridge. Hopefully, traffic will resume plying on the bridge in the evening, and in case of any eventuality the bridge will be re-opened for public tomorrow," Razdan said.

PHE officials said that they swung their mechanics into action to repair the damaged pipeline and block its leakage.

The bridge has historical importance in Jammu and Kashmir, especially in the Valley as it is the first concrete bridge over the river Jehlum.

Prior to this bridge, seven

bridges were built in Srinagar city over the river Jehlum, but all in wooden material.

Noted historian and poet Zareef Ahmad Zareef said that this bridge became talk of the town in late 70s as it was the first bridge to be constructed in concrete.

"The idea to construct a Cement bridge over the river Jehlum was conceived by then Prime Minister GM Sadiq to provide a concrete traffic link between Srinagar city and North Kashmir. But, due to changing political situation at that time its construction was delayed," Zareef said.

The poet said that after the change in the Government SM Qasim, then Prime Minister of J&K, commissioned the construction of the bridge in 1974.

Before the Cement bridge, a chungi (toll tax collection) existed here which was called Guzzar Chowk that collected toll tax from people ferrying materials across the river, Zareef recalled.

# Restore Bahu Fort to its original glory: Charak

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Aug 20: Dogra Heritage Development Society



(D.H.S.) chairman and former Minister Gulchain Singh Charak has demanded that State

Government should take immediate long and short-term measures to restore damaged Bahu Fort to its original glory.

Addressing a press conference here today, Mr Charak, a senior Congress leader expressed serious concern over the damage caused to the main wall of historical Bahu Fort Jammu and developing of cracks at other places of the Fort during recent rains and also the damage caused to the other heritage properties of the region due to rains and earthquakes.

Mr Charak said that Dogra Heritage Development Society members besides others from the civil society in the meeting held at Dogra Sadar Sabha on Monday also discussed the issue in detail and expressed their serious concern over the damage suffered by the heritage sites. After the threadbare

discussion, a resolution was also passed unanimously by all the members.

Mr Charak said that Society members besides others strongly demand that Government should constitute a committee of experts to enquire into the reasons of damages caused by rains to the Bahu Fort complex, despite spending crores of rupees during the recent past.

He further stressed that Government should organize a national level workshop by inviting experts of the conservation, geological, structural, environmental and civil engineering from conservation and restoration field, ASI, INTACH, State Archives Department, Dogra Heritage Development Society of Jammu and intellectuals from civil society having expertise.

He further maintained that the expert group after visiting these sites including Mubarak Mandi will give its view point on the present status, immediate steps required to be taken for restoration, advise for preparation of Master plan, investigations required to be carried out, need of preparation of DPRs for Heritage complexes in the region, besides reason behind the damages suffered.

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It has been decided to conduct a Screening Test on 25.08.2013 at Anantanag, Baramullah / Sopore, Jammu & Srinagar centres. The call letters have already been dispatched by post. Further, email intimation has also been sent to the candidates who have furnished their email id in the application.

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**NOTICE**

1. The applicant above-named has made an application before the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, New Delhi for determination of Transmission Tariff from Anticipated DOCO to 31.03.2014 for **Petition 1** 500 MVA, 400/220 kV ICT at Moga (DOCO: 01.07.2013) under the Augmentation of Transformation capacity in Northern Region-Part A of Northern Region, **Petition 2** Combined Assets for Transmission System associated with Augmentation of Transformation capacity (Part-1) in Northern & Eastern Region

2. The beneficiaries of the Transmission system are: (1) Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Prasaran Nigam Limited, (2) Ajmer Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (3) Jaipur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (4) Jodhpur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (5) Punjab State Electricity Board (6) Haryana Power Purchase Centre (7) Power Development Deptt, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir (8) Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd. (9) Delhi Transco Ltd. (10) BSES Yamuna Power Ltd. (11) BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. (12) North Delhi Power Ltd. (13) Chandigarh Administration (14) Uttaranchal Power Corporation Ltd. (15) North Central Railway (16) New Delhi Municipal Council. (17) Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board

3. Transmission line length (Ckt. Km's), No. of Bays, Approved capital cost, Scheduled & Actual Date of Commercial Operation and Capital cost upto date of Commercial Operation and Tariff details

Asset	Petition 1		Petition 2	
	ICT at Moga	Transformer at Nalagarh, Abdullahpur, Amritsar, Kishenpur		
Line Length (Km)	-	-	-	-
No of Bays	-	8	-	-
Apportioned approved Capital cost Rs. in Lakhs	1662.66	9197.19		
Authority which has approved the Capital Cost	Board of Directors of Powergrid			
Schedule DOCO (FR)	06.10.2014	01.03.2014		
Anticipated DOCO	01.07.2013	01.10.2013, 01.10.2013, 01.10.2013, 01.01.2014		
Capital cost on DOCO Rs. in Lakhs	735.97	6393.29		

**Tariff for the year 2009-14** (Rs. in lakhs)

Asset	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14 (Pro rata)
<b>Petition 1</b>			
500 MVA, 400/220 kV ICT at Moga			103.14
<b>Petition 2</b>			
1: 1x315 MVA, 400/220kV transformer at Nalagarh			137.04
2: 1x315 MVA, 400/220kV transformer at Abdullahpur			132.57
3: 1x500 MVA, 400/220kV transformer at Amritsar			244.32
4: 4x105 MVA, 400/220kV single phase transformers at Kishenpur			126.12

5. A copy of the application made for determination of tariff is posted on the website of the applicant at [www.powergridindia.com](http://www.powergridindia.com).

6. The suggestions and objections, if any, on the proposals for determination of tariff contained in the application be filed by any person, including the beneficiary before the Secretary, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, 3 & 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Chandrlok Building, Janpath, New Delhi - 110 001 (or other address where the office of the Commission is situated), with a copy to the applicant at the address of its corporate office within 30 days of publication of this notice.

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Dy. General Manager(Commercial)

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