

Dr Jitendra launches portal for PM Excellence Awards 2022

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with an equitable and inclusive classroom environment through Samagra Shiksha d. Holistic Development through Aspirational District Programme overall progress with special focus on saturation approach e. Innovations



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The formal launching was organised by the Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances, Union Ministry of Personnel, at Sardar Patel Bhavan here.

Principal Secretaries (AR)/(IT) and DCS/DMs of all the 28 States and 8 UTs of India as well as Assistant Secretaries of 2020 Batch were invited for the launch ceremony in hybrid mode.

The registration on PM's Awards web portal will commence from 3rd October, 2022 for due registration and the submission of applications will be operational from 3rd October 2022 to 28th November, 2022.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr Jitendra Singh said, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the entire concept and format of the PM Excellence Awards has undergone a revolutionary change after 2014. The objective of the Scheme is to encourage constructive competition, innovation, replication and institutionalisation of best practices.

Under this approach, the emphasis would be on good governance, qualitative achievement and last mile connectivity, rather than only on achievement of quantitative targets. With this focus, the applications for Awards would be evaluated on three parameters, Good Governance, Qualitative and Quantitative, the Minister said.

It is expected that all the districts participating in this scheme will get an opportunity to showcase their performance while competing for Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration 2022.

For the year 2022, the scheme for Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration aims to recog-

nize the contribution of civil servants in following areas: a. Promoting Swachh Jal (Clean

ing Innovation). There would be a mix of common parameters across schemes and flexible

parameters which would be provided by the concerned Line Ministries/Departments. The award for Innovation category will be evaluated based on introducing and implementing an innovative idea/scheme/project to meet stakeholders' requirements.

The evaluation process would consist of: (i) Short-listing of Districts/Organisations by Screening Committee (first and second stage), (ii) Evaluation by Expert Committee and (iii) Empowered Committee. Prime Minister's approval will be taken on the recommendations of the Empowered Committee for Awards.

The PM's Awards, 2022 will consist of: (i) Trophy, (ii) Scroll and (iii) an incentive of Rs. 20 lakh to the awarded District/organisation to be utilised for implementation of project/programme or bridging resources gaps in any area of public welfare.

The eligibility to submit nominations for the Prime Minister's Awards 2022 will be open to the following: i. Awards for Scheme (a) to (c) at para 6 above for holistic development to Districts and (d) for Aspirational Districts only. ii. Award for Scheme (e) at para 6 above shall be open to Districts as well Organizations of Central/ State Governments/ District Implementing Units.

The Period of consideration is 1st April 2020 to 30th September, 2022. The total number of Awards under the Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration 2022 would be 16.

The criteria for evaluation of PM's Awards, 2022 is based on predetermined indications in consultation with Line Ministries/Departments (exclud-

Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh launching the portal for PM Excellence Awards 2022, at Sardar Patel Bhavan, New Delhi on Monday.

Farooq on 4-day visit of Chenab region

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KISHTWAR, Oct 3: The Jammu and Kashmir National Conference president and Member of Parliament from Srinagar Dr Farooq Abdullah on Monday kick started a four day



NC president Dr Farooq Abdullah at a party function on Monday.

tour to Chenab belt. On the first day of his visit today he drove to remote Warwan area of Kishtwar. Earlier, in the day he made a brief stopover at Kokernag.

While interacting with party workers, he implored upon them to get eligible youth registered as voters in their respective areas. He was accompanied by party general secretary Ali Mohd Sagar, chief spokesperson Tanvir Sadiq, MP Anantnag Hasnain Masoodi, senior leader Sajad Ahmed Kitchloo, Provincial vice president,

New land laws a major step towards progressive development of J&K

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SRINAGAR, Oct 3: The new land laws are a major step towards the development and progress of J&K.

The historic initiative of the government is revamping the agriculture and allied sectors besides ensuring holistic development of all sectors.

The new land laws, which replaced old laws that existed in the erstwhile state of J&K, will also help foster rapid industrialisation, aid economic growth and create jobs.

Key amendments were made to four major state laws that governed the ownership, sale, and purchase of land in the erstwhile state. These are The J&K Development Act, 1970, The J&K Land Revenue Act, 1996, The Agrarian Reforms Act, 1976 and The J&K Land Grants Act, 1960.

Syed Tauqeer along with party functionaries welcomed Dr Farooq at Kokernag.

Addressing the party functionaries, Dr Farooq said that the party is fighting a just, democratic, legal and political battle against

the decisions of August 5, 2019 at multiple levels but the battle, he said that the people of J&K also have to play by registering and subsequently coming out in large numbers to vote, whenever elections are held.

Asking workers to intensify their public outreach, Dr Farooq said, "Our workers have a bigger role to play this time. Our region is at cross roads, it requires us to remain united as never before. It also requires our party men to educate and inform people about the designs of the anti J&K forces."

MD J&K Bank launches Loyalty Rewards Program, inaugurates portal

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SRINAGAR, Oct 3: J&K Bank today launched its Customer Loyalty Rewards Program besides inaugurating the online platform - J&K Bank Loyalty Rewards Portal designed in collaboration with EasyRewardz - for its customers to manage their rewards journey.

MD & CEO Baldev Prakash inaugurated the Loyalty Rewards Portal at the Bank's Corporate headquarters in presence of General Managers, Deputy General Manager, Founder-Director EasyRewardz Tejas Kadakiya and other senior officers of the Bank.

Speaking on the occasion, MD & CEO Baldev Prakash said, "Keeping the customer-journey at the heart of our operational strategy, we have today launched this Loyalty Rewards Program to ensure that for every digital transaction our valuable customers get some benefit in the form of vouchers, deals, recharge, shopping and cashbacks. Such exciting rewards journeys will deepen our engagement with customers."

"The loyalty rewards portal has also been designed for customers to Power shutdown

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JAMMU, Oct 3: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL, Jammu has informed that the power supply Bishnah, Seora, Kunjwani, Apna Vihar, Arnia, Suhagpur, Treva and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on October 6 from 7 am to 11 am.

Similarly, the power supply to Hajar Kotli, Dansal, Jindrah, Battal Manwal, Surinsar, Kishanpur, Mansar and adjoining areas shall remain affected on October 6 from 8 am to 2 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Lalle-Da-Bagh, Lower Muthi, Lakshmi Vihar, Balwant Vihar, Udheywala, Anand Nagar, Nachillian, Nagbani and adjoining areas shall remain affected on October 6 from 7 am to 12 noon.

Similarly, the power supply to Macheddi, Pindali, Hadota, Dal Bajhori, Badnota and adjoining areas shall remain affected on October 6 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Chak Shera, Arnia, Kotli Jabowal and adjoining areas shall remain affected on October 6 from 8 am to 1 pm.

Superintending Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL, O&M Circle Kathua has informed that the power supply to Barota, Gurha, Sadrota, Badwal, Dhannu Parole, Kumbala, Thanthu and Banjal Badwal shall remain affected on October 6 from 8 am to 2 pm.



MD J&K Bank Baldev Prakash inaugurating Loyalty Rewards Portal at Bank's Corporate headquarters in Srinagar.

avail and manage the rewarding benefits with ease through better choice and redemption experience. The idea is to promote and encourage digital transactions in a vibrant ecosystem of easily available offers and benefits with customer at its center as net-winner", he added.

Earlier, General Manager (Strategy & IT) Intiyaz Ahmad Bhat briefed the MD & CEO about the concept and purpose of the program. "Employed as means of inspiring customer loyalty such rewards programs reinforce connect and are very effective tools in better management of customer-relations."

On the occasion, Bank's

Incharge (Digital & Alternate Channels) gave an overview of the loyalty rewards program besides demonstrating live functioning of the rewards portal www.jkbrwards.com

Notably, in Phase 1 of the program, the Bank's credit-card holders can avail benefits of choice and redemption on Vouchers & deals, Merchandise/shopping, Mobile Recharges & DTH besides Cashback with payment options ranging from points, points plus cash to cash.

And in soon to be launched Phase 2, other channels like debit-card, mobile banking etc shall be covered.

Traffic Advisory on HM's visit to Rajouri issued

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JAMMU, Oct 3: Authorities today issued Traffic Advisory on the scheduled visit of Home Minister to Rajouri where he will address a public rally.

As per the advisory issued by Traffic Police Office Rural Jammu, the vehicles of participants plying from Poonch, Surankote, Mendhar and Manjakote routes will be de-boarded at convoy ground (Yatra ground) and LMVs will be parked at convoy ground.

Buses/Minibuses/Tata Sumos of Poonch, Surankote, Mendhar and Manjakote routes, after de-boarding the participants at convoy ground, will be returned back and parked at SKUAST ground Tandwal.

Vehicles of participants plying from Sunderbani, Nowshera, and Kalakote routes will be de-boarded at Panj-Peer and LMVs will be parked at BSF Convoy ground/Tourism Parking (Alpha Gate).

Buses/Mini-Buses/Tata Sumos from Sunderbani, Nowshera, and Kalakote routes, after de-boarding the participants at Panj-Peer (Near Pir Baba Ziyarat), will be returned back and parked at Sabzi Mandi

(Phalyana).

Vehicles of participants plying from Budhal, Kandi, Palma, Kotedhara routes will be diverted from Khandli via Dhangri-Muradpur towards Panj-Peer and LMVs will be parked at BSF Convoy ground and HMVs at Sabzi Mandi (Phalyana) and those participants who want to park their vehicles near Khandli Bhadoon will be allowed to park their vehicles at Bhadoon along road side.

Vehicles of participants plying from Thanamandi, Darhal routes will be de boarded at Bella Colony and LMVs will be parked at Bella ground.

Buses/Mini-Buses/Tata Sumos from Thanamandi, Darhal routes after de-boarding the participants at Bella Colony will be returned back and parked at DIET Rajouri/FCI Parking/Sports Stadium Parking (Kheora).

Vehicles of participants plying from Choudhary-Nar and Dhandkote routes will be de boarded and parked at PG College Rajouri.

Vehicles of participants plying from Gurdhan route will be de-boarded/parked at Old Bus-Stand Rajouri.



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