

## Slathia, Arvind holds public darbar at BJP headquarters

**Jammu, May 1** : In a proactive step towards addressing public concerns, J&K BJP Vice-President & MLA Surjit Singh Slathia and J&K BJP Secretary & MLA Arvind Gupta held a public darbar at the party headquarters in Trikuta Nagar, Jammu. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from numerous deputations representing diverse sections of the society.

During the public darbar, dozens of deputations presented their issues and demands related to key sectors including Police, Revenue, PHE, PDD, PWD and other Departments to share their respective grievances especially about the road infrastructure, the upkeep of lanes and drains, street lights, ration cards

etc. The leaders patiently heard each grievance and



immediately took up the matters with the concerned officials of various departments. They urged for time-bound redressal of all genuine issues raised by the public.

Speaking on the occasion, Surjit Singh Slathia

emphasized the party's role as a responsive and accountable political organ-

added that the overwhelming trust shown by the public in BJP reflects the party's credibility and commitment. He added that such outreach efforts will continue on a regular basis to ensure consistent engagement with the public and delivery of timely solutions.

Arvind Gupta said that the party is working with the vision of providing the basic amenities and the benefits of public welfare schemes launched by the Modi government to the needy in line with the mission 'Antyodaya'. He said that inclusive development remains the cornerstone of BJP's governance model, ensuring no section of society is left behind, irrespective of caste, religion, or region.

## MLA Jasrota pays tribute to Martyred Army Jawan Sepoy Harish Singh

**Kathua, May 1** : MLA Jasrota, Rajiv Jasrotia today paid rich tributes to Sepoy Harish Singh of 18 Dogra Rifles, who lost his life in an avalanche in Ladakh's Kargil sector. The brave soldier was cremated with full military honors in his native village, Jandore, in Kathua. The MLA expressed solidarity with the bereaved family and conveyed his deepest condolences. He prayed for the peace of the departed soul and said that the nation will always be indebted to Sepoy Harish Singh for his supreme sacrifice. Rajiv Jasrotia emphasized that Sepoy Harish Singh's sacrifice will never be forgotten, and his bravery will continue to inspire future generations. The nation stands united in grief and pays homage to the brave soldier who laid down his life in the line of duty. The MLA assured the family of the martyr that they will always have the support of the government and the people of Kathua. He prayed for the strength and courage of the bereaved family to cope with the loss of their loved one. Jasrotia said that

nation salutes Sepoy Harish Singh for his bravery and sacrifice. His legacy will live on, and his memory will continue to inspire the nation. The people of

serve the nation and honor Mother India. Sepoy Harish Singh's sacrifice will instill a sense of patriotism in the youth, motivating them to contribute to the nation's

integrity. Sepoy Harish Singh's sacrifice will continue to inspire future generations to serve the nation with dedication and bravery. He will be remembered



Kathua and the government stand united in paying tribute to this brave soldier. The supreme sacrifice of Sepoy Harish Singh will undoubtedly inspire and motivate the youth in the area to serve the nation. His bravery and dedication to the country will set an example for young people to follow, encouraging them to remain ready to

growth and security. His bravery and selflessness will serve as a role model for young people, inspiring them to emulate his values and ideals, added Jasrotia. Jasrotia observed that youth will be encouraged to consider serving the nation in various capacities, including the armed forces, to protect the country's sovereignty and

as a symbol of courage and patriotism, motivating others to follow in his footsteps. Sepoy Harish Singh's sacrifice will have a lasting impact on the youth, inspiring them to serve the nation and honor Mother India. His legacy will continue to motivate young people to contribute to the country's growth and security, said Jasrotia.

## NSS Units of Commerce College organizes visit to adopted Villages

**Jammu, May 1** : NSS Units of Government SPMR College of Commerce in collaboration with the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan Cell, Red Ribbon Club, Anti-Tobacco Cell and Shikshit Bharat Committee of the college organized a visit to adopted villages under the ongoing NSS Special Camp. As part of the sixth day of the special camp, NSS volunteers visited the college's adopted villages Chal Bhopat, Chak Gasian, and Sampuran Pur to conduct surveys and spread awareness among local communities. The day

commenced with an NSS assembly at the college, followed by a flag-off ceremony led by Principal Dr. Rajinder Singh, joined by faculty members Dr. Mohd Azam, Dr. Chetna Gupta, Prof. Sanjeev Verma, and Prof. Shaji Khan. NSS Programme Officers Dr. Deepshikha Sharma and Dr. Deepak Pathania, along with Dr. Reena Rani (Convenor, NSS Advisory Committee), Dr. Jagmeet, and Mr. Ravi (Physical Director), accompanied the volunteers. During the visit, students conducted detailed door-to-door surveys cover-

ing aspects like health, sanitation, education, employment, and digital access. The villagers gave detailed information while welcoming the volunteers with warmth. Their cooperation made the survey experience more meaningful and insightful. NSS Student Coordinator Adil Nazir Qurashi, supported by Akash Sharma and Pranav Verma, assisted in coordinating the visit and guiding junior volunteers throughout. An awareness rally was also conducted on the theme "Drug/Tobacco Abuse; Nasha Mukht Bharat", where

volunteers held self-made posters and raised relevant slogans. They also interacted with residents to promote a healthy lifestyle. Volunteers also met and exchanged views with local Panchayat Members Girdhari and Baldev Raj Sharma strengthening the community connect. Principal Dr. Rajinder Singh appreciated the enthusiasm and commitment of the volunteers and staff, emphasizing the importance of such initiatives in building socially aware and responsible citizens.

## BJP holds key organizational meeting in Srinagar to strengthen party base in Kashmir

### Sat Sharma, Ashok Koul, address meeting of District Presidents, Prabharis in Srinagar

**Srinagar, May 1** : The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Jammu & Kashmir, held a crucial organizational meeting at its Kashmir Head Office, J-53 Jawahar

President and Dr. Ali Mohammad Mir, Senior Leader addressed the meeting.

BJP District Presidents, District Prabharis, and sen-

and work diligently for the upliftment of every section of society.

Sat Sharma stressed that the BJP has a clear roadmap for J&K's progress, and the

level functioning. He laid special emphasis on strengthening booth-level structures, addressing public concerns effectively, and ensuring that the achievements of the BJP-led government are conveyed widely to the people of Kashmir.

Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal highlighted the importance of strong organizational discipline, collective efforts, and responsive leadership in the party cadre.

Vibodh Gupta laid stress on the party's dedication at grassroots-level engagement of masses and the 2-way interaction between masses and party.

District Presidents and Prabharis presented detailed updates from their areas regarding organizational tasks, ongoing political activities, and public expectations. The senior leadership assured full support in resolving all field-level issues through coordination and structured planning.

District cadre must serve as its strong pillars on the ground he further asked for a collective commitment to consolidate BJP's base in Kashmir, ensure visible presence and delivery at the grassroots, and take forward the party's mission of "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas".

Ashok Koul, in his address, conducted a detailed review of district-



Nagar, Srinagar, aimed at reviewing party functioning and strengthening its presence across the Kashmir region.

Sat Sharma, President, J&K BJP accompanied by Ashok Koul, General Secretary (Organization), Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal, General Secretary, J&K BJP, Vibodh Gupta, General Secretary, J&K BJP, Sofi Yousuf, Vice

## Quality, timely disposal of grievances cornerstone of efficient administration: CS

### Over 13 Lakh citizen registrations reflect remarkable progress

**JAMMU, MAY 01** : In a comprehensive review meeting chaired by the Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo, the functioning of the public grievance redressal system under the JK Samadhan 2.0 portal was evaluated, with a focus on the pace, quality and effectiveness of responses by the government departments and district administrations.

The meeting was attended by the Secretary, Public Grievances Department, along with Administrative Secretaries of various departments while Deputy Commissioners from across the UT participated virtually.

The Chief Secretary emphasized that the success of any grievance redressal mechanism lies not in mere registration of complaints but in their satisfactory and time bound resolution. He underlined that timely redressal of citizens' issues is key towards reinforcing public faith in the governance system and ensuring their continued engagement with administrative platforms.

Dulloo made out that mere acknowledgement of grievances does not inspire confidence among the citizens. It is only when their concerns are addressed promptly and effectively will people feel encouraged to bring issues to the attention of the administration.

He described public grievances as a valuable diagnostic tool for assessing the health of governance at the grassroots level. An in-depth analysis of grievances, he said, can serve as a map highlighting recurring challenges within departments or particular geographic areas. He urged the departments and district officials to utilize the platform not just for grievance resolution but as a means to strengthen the institutional responsiveness and improve public service delivery on ground.

The Chief Secretary laid special emphasis on the quality of disposal, calling for grievance redressal that leads to the utmost satisfac-

tion of the aggrieved citizen. He directed that no grievance should remain unresolved beyond 30 days. He also instructed all the departments and Deputy Commissioners to conduct regular reviews of grievance status, ensuring that no case remain pending unnecessarily and that responsibility is fixed in cases of unwarranted delay.

Stressing the need for broader citizen participa-

of concern. Moreover, he proposed the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and other advanced tools to analyse grievances, classify them intelligently, and ensure efficient, targeted and high-quality redressal of each of them.

The Chief Secretary lauded the significant strides made by the department and emphasized the need for focused efforts in districts with lower cover-

steadily growing since July 2024, which saw only 1,429 registrations by then, he concluded.

It was further disclosed that as of 30th April 2025, the portal recorded 53,342 grievances from citizens, reflecting active utilization of the platform to voice public issues. Out of the total, 39,971 grievances (75%) had been successfully resolved and 13,371 grievances are currently



age to ensure equitable access to grievance redressal mechanisms. He appreciated the data-driven approach and urged for intensified IEC (Information, Education & Communication) campaigns to further boost public participation.

Highlighting the functioning of this Department, Secretary, Public Grievances, Aijaz Asad said that a massive surge in registrations under JK Samadhan has been viewed during the previous few months from January onwards. He revealed that the same had reached a significant milestone of 13,08,759 citizen registrations on the portal till date.

Elucidating further, he made out that mere 12,932 citizen registrations were there on this portal as on January 4, 2025 which increased upto 3,49,826 registrations till February 5, 2025. He added that a staggering 9,46,001 new registrations were made during the past two months only. Registrations had been

under active review of the departments for quality resolution.

Thus JK Samadhan has effectively managed over 1.3 million citizen registrations and resolved three-fourths of the grievances received, showcasing its role as a reliable and responsive public grievance redressal platform for citizens of the UT.

Moreover, it was given out that at least a family member from each household is being targeted for registration over this portal in order to enable them to reach out to administrative machinery for targeted assistance during the hour of need.

It is worth mentioning here that JK Samadhan stands as a beacon of the government's resolve to bring administration closer to the people. With over 13 lakh citizens already registered and active tracking of grievances, the initiative has set a benchmark in digital, accountable and transparent governance across all the districts of the UT.

## Suri applauds students, teachers for stellar performance in JK Board results

**Jammu, May 1** : Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Executive Member Raman Suri today extended heartfelt congratulations to the students of Jammu and Kashmir for their commendable performance in the recently announced Class 12th results by the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education (JKBOSE). In a statement, Suri praised the relentless hard work and dedication of students, while also acknowledging the pivotal role played by teachers and school management in achieving a satisfactory 75% pass percentage this year. "The results of the Class 12th examinations reflect the determination and perseverance of our students, who have worked tirelessly to achieve their goals. I also extend my gratitude to the teachers for

their unwavering commitment and exceptional efforts in guiding our youth. Their hard work deserves accolades," said Raman Suri. Suri highlighted that students can breathe a sigh of relief with this year's results, which mark a significant improvement in the overall performance over the past few years.

"This is a proud moment for us, as students from government schools are making their mark. However, there is still much to be done to bridge the gap between government and private schools, as private institutions continue to outperform in results and merit lists," he added.

Drawing inspiration from Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Suri encouraged students to remain fearless in the face of examinations. "Our

Honorable Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, always emphasizes the importance of students in his Mann Ki Baat addresses, offering invaluable guidance to help them overcome exam-related stress. He urges students to approach exams with confidence, and I echo his sentiments in motivating our youth to pursue their dreams with courage and determination," Suri remarked.

A standout feature of this year's results is the exceptional performance of girl students, who have once again outshone their male counterparts across science, commerce, and arts streams. Girls dominate the merit lists, continuing a trend seen in both board and university examinations. Suri emphasized the significance of this achieve-

ment in a union territory like Jammu and Kashmir, where the literacy rate among women has historically lagged behind men by about 10%.

"Our girls have proven that the era of low literacy rates is a thing of the past. They are soaring to new heights with their spirits high, setting an inspiring example for all. This is a matter of immense pride for Jammu and Kashmir," he stated. While celebrating these achievements, Suri acknowledged the need for further efforts to uplift government schools to match the performance of private institutions.

He called for collaborative efforts from the School Education Department, teachers, and school management to ensure equitable opportunities for all students.

## MLA Arvind slams NC-Congress for decades of neglect in Jammu Urban

### Says development will reach every corner of Jammu West

**Jammu, May 1** : Senior BJP leader and MLA Jammu West, Arvind Gupta today strongly criticized the successive governments headed by NC-Congress, accusing them of gross neglect and apathy towards the people of Jammu Urban in the name of development.

The MLA was speaking after conducting an extensive tour of the Gole Gujral area, where he interacted with local residents and assessed the on-ground condition of civic infrastructure. He was accompanied by XEN PWD Satwari Division Atul Gupta, XEN RDD Varinder Singh, XEN PHE Rajesh Sharma, BDO Sachin Abrol, ex-Sarpanch Prithpal Singh, and other senior officials from concerned departments.

During the visit, resi-

anguish over the pitiable state of inner lanes, poor drainage systems, water

promises of previous governments led by the NC-Congress.



supply, and sanitation facilities, which they said have remained in neglect for over six decades.

The MLA asserted that it is shameful that for more than sixty years, the people of this area have been made to suffer due to the hollow

The senior BJP leader took stock of the developmental needs of the locality and assured the people that the BJP government, both at the Centre and in the Union Territory, is fully committed to the principle of equitable development.

"Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, we are focused on bringing governance to the grassroots and ensuring that no region is left behind. Jammu Urban, long ignored, will now see a new era of development," he stated. MLA further assured the residents that all their genuine demands will be taken up on priority and necessary funds will be sanctioned to initiate developmental works at the earliest. "During my tenure, no area will be sidelined or neglected. Our mission is 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas'," he added.

The visit concluded with detailed instructions given to the accompanying officials to immediately prepare reports and proposals for addressing the key issues raised by the locals.