

DC Budgam reviews implementation of PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana

BUDGAM, JUNE 22 : Deputy Commissioner Budgam, Dr. Bilal Mohi-ud-Din Bhat chaired a review meeting today to assess the progress of the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana in the district.

The meeting was attended by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Chief Planning Officer, Executive Engineer of KPDCL, all AEEs, JEEs and other concerned officers.

During the meeting, DC reviewed the number of registrations and applications received under the scheme, as well as the status of promotional and awareness activities.

The meeting was informed that as of June 20th 2025, applications received under the scheme are 10,420; vendors select-

ed 1,218; SRT Systems Installed 211, Subsidies approved 183 and Subsidy



approvals under process are 17 in the District.

Addressing the meeting, he emphasized the need for coordinated efforts by all officers and officials of line departments to adopt strate-

gic approach and mobilise public participation to maximize the benefits of the



scheme. DC stressed on the importance of expediting the processes so that maximum population avails the benefits from the scheme.

He directed all stake-

holders to work in union to achieve the targets set under the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana, thereby promoting sustainable energy solutions and reducing dependency on conventional power sources.

Besides, he directed all the officers from the PDD to set the targets and encourage the people to register and install the solar system to minimize their monthly electricity bills.

Bhat directed Exn KPDCL Budgam to establish the control room in his office to monitor the daily progress achieved under the scheme.

He also directed concerned to reach all the area of the district and organise camps to aware the people about the benefits of the scheme.

Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan: Awareness and Benefit Saturation Camps held across Anantnag

ANANTNAG, JUNE 22 : As part of the ongoing Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan, the district administration Anantnag organized a series of mega awareness and benefit saturation camps at various panchayats across the district. These camps, part of a 15-day outreach campaign aimed at empowering tribal communities, witnessed enthusiastic participation from the local tribal population. Resource persons from various government

departments engaged directly with attendees, providing comprehensive information on a wide range of welfare schemes and government services.

During the events, officials created awareness about social security, livelihood, and skill development initiatives besides addressing several public grievances on the spot, ensuring immediate redressal of pressing local issues.

Officers from various line departments underlined

the importance of ensuring last-mile delivery of government services, especially in remote and underserved tribal areas. They reiterated the administration's commitment to bridging service delivery gaps and facilitating easier access to welfare schemes for marginalized sections of society.

Under the Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan, district administration is conducting similar awareness camps across identified tribal locations throughout the district. These camps will continue until June 30, 2025, with the objective of ensuring that no tribal household is left out.

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PDD daily wager dies during pole repair in Achabal, four PDD employees attacked

Anantnag 22 July: Twenty days after the death of his mother, a 32-year-old daily wager working with the Power Development Department (PDD) died after falling from an electric pole during repair work in the Imoh area of Achabal, in south Kashmir's Anantnag district. The deceased has been identified as Imtiyaz Ahmad Lone, son of Nazir Ahmad Lone, a resident of Hillar Kokernag in Anantnag. Officials told The Kashmiriyat that Imtiyaz

was carrying out electrical repair work on Saturday when he fell from the pole. He was rushed to Government Medical College Anantnag in critical condition, but he succumbed to his injuries shortly after. Imtiyaz is survived by his five-year-old son, his wife, and an elderly father.

Locals and officials who spoke to The Kashmiriyat expressed deep anguish over the incident, raising concerns about the safety of daily wage workers

employed by the department. Following the incident, the Office of the Assistant Executive Engineer, KPDCL Sub Division Anantnag, issued an official order attaching four field staff members of the Imoh sector with the sub-division pending an inquiry.

The attached officials include Farooq Ahmad Sheikh (LM-II), Gull Mohammad Wani (PDL), Ab Majeed Teeli (PDL), and Zahoor Ahmad Parry (PDL). The department has

directed the sector incharge of Bulbul Nowgam to take charge of the Imoh sector in addition to his own duties until further orders. Copies of the order have been sent to the Superintending Engineer of the OM Circle Bijnbehara, the Executive Engineer of the KPDCL Division Anantnag, and all concerned officials for immediate compliance. Meanwhile, police have registered a case and initiated an investigation into the circumstances that led to the fatal fall

Varmul Gindo 2025 Ignites Baramulla with Spirit, Sportsmanship and Unity

BARAMULLA, JUNE 22 : Varmul Gindo 2025 is not just a sports event—it is a vibrant celebration of youth, energy, and community spirit in the district of Baramulla. Launched with great enthusiasm, this month-long multi-sport festival is a joint initiative of the J&K Sports Council, District Sports Association Baramulla, and the Indian Army. The festival aims to promote athletic excellence, foster unity, and engage the community through spirited and healthy competition. With over 1,600 participants competing across more than 20

sports disciplines, the event has brought together schools, sports clubs, and enthusiasts from every corner of the district. The tournament officially kicked off on June 17 with a thrilling volleyball match between Elite Club and Khelo India at the Showkat Ali Indoor Stadium. Elite Club clinched a 3-1 victory in front of a spirited crowd, setting the tone for the exciting weeks ahead.

The following days saw intense snooker and volleyball action. On June 18, snooker matches began at B-Town Club, where Azam defeated Ahmad and

Mohammad Zaid triumphed over Azhar. On June 19, Salman beat Anees, and Azam secured another win by overcoming Sajad. In volleyball, Elite Club continued its dominant run with a 3-0 win against Welkins.

The momentum carried forward on June 20, with more gripping snooker fixtures. Zaid defeated Amir in Match 1, while Momin got the better of Reyaz in Match 2. Both matches showcased the rising talent and growing interest in cue sports in the region.

On June 21, another electrifying volleyball

showdown took place between Elite Club and Spartan Baramulla. In a tightly contested four-set match, Elite Club emerged victorious once again, maintaining its unbeaten streak in the tournament.

The festival has drawn enthusiastic crowds to each venue, with spectators turning out in large numbers to support their local heroes. From the quiet focus around snooker tables to the echoing cheers across volleyball courts, Varmul Gindo 2025 is successfully weaving a fabric of unity, passion, and sportsmanship throughout Baramulla.

DC Jammu reviews flood preparedness measures ahead of Monsoon

JAMMU, JUNE 22 : Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Sachin Kumar Vaishya chaired a meeting of senior officers today to review the flood preparedness and mitigation measures in the district ahead of the monsoon season.

The meeting was attended by Senior Superintendent of Police Joginder Singh, Sub Divisional Magistrates, officers from the Flood Control Department, PHE, PWD, Health, Police and other concerned departments.

During the meeting, the Deputy Commissioner took a detailed review of the status of flood protection works, availability of machinery and readiness of the disaster response teams.

He directed the concerned departments to ensure the timely completion of all

particularly low-lying and flood-prone zones, and to take all precautionary

Commissioner stressed the need for regular monitoring of water levels in rivers and



ongoing works related to flood management and to keep all necessary equipment in a state of readiness.

The DC emphasised the importance of inter-departmental coordination and directed the officers to identify vulnerable areas,

measures to safeguard life and property. He further instructed the Health Department to keep medical teams and ambulances on standby and to ensure adequate stock of essential medicines.

The Deputy

nallahs and called for the establishment of control rooms at the district and tehsil levels for prompt response to any emergency situation. He also directed the officials to spread awareness about safety measures during floods.

DDC conducts late evening visit to Border Village in Doongi Block

RAJOURI, JUNE 22 : To resolve public issues at the grassroots level, District Development Commissioner Rajouri, Abhishek Sharma undertook a late evening visit to a border village in the Doongi block. The visit formed part of the district administration's sustained efforts to ensure timely redressal of grievances and efficient services delivery

in far-flung areas.

The DDC gave a patient hearing to the issues raised by the locals. They projected demands related to road connectivity, electricity, water supply, healthcare and education.

The DDC also interacted with local entrepreneurs who have benefitted under the Holistic Agriculture Development Programme (HADP). He reviewed the

implementation of the scheme at the grassroots level and lauded the spirit of self-reliance being fostered among rural youth through agricultural entrepreneurship. He encouraged them to further expand their ventures and assured continued support from the administration. The District Development Commissioner was accompanied by senior officers of

the civil administration and other concerned officials.

He assured the residents that their issues would be followed up rigorously and necessary interventions would be made on priority. The locals appreciated the visit of the District Development Commissioner and expressed gratitude for bringing governance to their doorstep.

Ashok Koul chairs BJP Kishtwar district meeting; reviews 11-year celebration programmes and upcoming events

Jammu, June 22 : Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Jammu & Kashmir General Secretary (Organization), Ashok Koul convened an important meeting of the BJP District Kishtwar unit to take stock of the ongoing programmes being held as part of the nation-wide celebrations marking 11 years of Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led government. The meeting, held at the party office in Kishtwar, witnessed the presence of prominent BJP leaders and functionaries from across the district.

Ashok Koul, while addressing the gathering, lauded the dedicated efforts of the Kishtwar unit in ensuring the successful execution of programmes under the "Sewa, Sushasan, aur Garib Kalyan ke 11 Saal" campaign. He emphasized the importance of connecting with the grassroots to communicate the monumental achievements and transformative initiatives undertaken by the Modi government over the past decade.

"Every year under PM Modi's leadership has been a testament to decisive governance, inclusive development, and unwavering service to the poorest of the poor. From abrogation of Article 370 to Ayushman Bharat and PM Awas Yojana, people have wit-

nessed real change in their lives," said Ashok Koul.

He further directed the party cadre to actively prepare for two significant upcoming events—the Punyatithi of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookherjee on June 23, and the observance of

Shagun Parihar, MLA from Kishtwar, also addressed the gathering and reiterated the commitment of the local leadership to strengthen the party at the booth level. "Kishtwar has seen development under BJP's governance, and it is

mark Emergency Day as a symbol of our commitment to democracy," he stated.

Tariq Hussain Keen, State Secretary BJP, praised the unity and energy of the Kishtwar team. "Kishtwar BJP has become a strong and disciplined unit. Our



Black Day on June 25 to denounce the imposition of the Emergency by the Congress government in 1975.

"The sacrifice of Dr. Mookherjee must be remembered with utmost respect and commitment to his ideals. His vision for a united India was realized through the removal of Article 370. Equally, we must educate the youth about the dark days of Emergency when democracy was strangled under Congress rule," Koul added.

our duty to communicate that effectively. We are fully geared for upcoming programmes and outreach initiatives," she said.

District President Ravi Parihar highlighted the district's active participation in all national-level programmes. "From Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatras to social service campaigns, Kishtwar BJP karyakartas have worked tirelessly to carry forward the Prime Minister's vision. We are ready to observe Dr. Mookherjee's Punyatithi with full reverence and

strength lies in our grassroots connect and tireless commitment to organizational goals. Let us continue to work with the same zeal in the days to come," he asserted.

Gajay Singh Rana, Prabhari Kishtwar, along with senior leaders including Chuni Lal Shan, Pardeep Parihar, Braj Mohan Sharma, Capt. Hukam Chand, Akshay Sharma, and many other dedicated karyakartas, were present in the meeting and actively participated in the deliberations.

PM Modi's vision empowered every citizen, transformed J&K Post-370 : Dr. Pardeep Mahotra

Reasi, June 22 : A Mohalla Sankalp Sabha was organized by J&K BJP, under ongoing campaign 'Viksit Bharat Ka Amritkaal'—Sewa, Sushasan, Gareeb Kalyan Ke 11 Saal' at Kabir Colony, Talab Tillo, Jammu.

The event was chiefly addressed by Dr. Pardeep Mahotra, Media Incharge of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Jammu & Kashmir.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. Pardeep Mahotra highlighted the transformative achievements of the Narendra Modi-led government over the last 11 years. He stated, "The vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid the foundation for a Viksit Bharat. Under his leadership, every section of society, especially the poor, marginalized, and youth has witnessed empowerment and inclusion through transparent governance and people-centric policies." He further emphasized that initiatives like Ayushman Bharat, Ujjwala Yojana, Digital India, and housing for all have drastically improved the quality of life for the

common citizen.

"In Jammu & Kashmir, the abrogation of Article 370 paved the way for full integration, unprecedented development, transparent governance, and massive infrastructure growth. Peace, tourism, and investment have seen a sharp rise. With reforms like GST,

praised the central government's focus on women empowerment and grassroots development. "The Modi government has brought women into the mainstream through schemes like Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, PM Awas Yojana, and direct benefit transfers," she said, calling

party, reflecting our commitment to participatory governance."

Rahul Nargotra, Mandal Vice-President, extended the vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to the participants and reaffirming the Mandal's commitment to the BJP's ideology and grassroots connectivity.



Swachh Bharat, Jal Jeevan Mission, and global leadership through G20, India is confidently moving towards becoming a Viksit Bharat", said Dr. Pardeep Mahotra.

Neelam Nargotra, former JMC Councillor and BJP District Secretary, also addressed the gathering and

upon the residents to stay connected with the party's outreach efforts.

Arun Dubey, General Secretary of BJP Talab Tillo Mandal, conducted the proceedings and remarked, "These Sankalp Sabhas are not just events but platforms for direct dialogue between the public and the

Prominent among those present were Sonali Gupta, Mandal Secretary; Sachin, Vice-President SC Morcha Talab Tillo Mandal, Bishambhar Singh Chib, Rekha Devi, Rajkumari, Bachno Devi and other local party activists who ensured successful conduct of the programme.

Kavinder calls for dismantling entire ecosystem of terrorism Says Nation will not forgive terror supporters

Jammu, June 22 : Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta on Sunday came down heavily on those involved in aiding and abetting terrorism, asserting that India will neither forget nor forgive such betrayals against the nation.

Reacting strongly to the recent arrests made by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) for providing shelter and logistical support to Pakistani Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) terrorists responsible for the April 22 terror attack in Pahalgam—which claimed 26 lives and left 16 injured—the BJP stalwart lauded the security forces for their swift and decisive action in exposing the local facilitators of terror.

"Providing shelter, food, and logistical support to foreign terrorists is a direct act of war against our country. Such individuals must face the full force of the law," he asserted in a statement issued here today.

Terming the Pahalgam attack—where terrorists reportedly targeted innocent tourists based on their

religious identity—as one of the most horrifying incidents in recent times, Kavinder said, "This wasn't just an attack on individuals; it was an attack on India's soul. Anyone who facilitates such atrocities is

motive. "The message is clear—those who support terror in any form are enemies of the nation, and they will be dealt with accordingly," he said.

Kavinder emphasized that Jammu and Kashmir

mantle every single sleeper cell operating in the region.

"In this fight against terrorism, there is no room for complacency. The entire ecosystem of terror—its operatives, supporters, and sympathizers—must be



as culpable as the terrorists themselves."

The senior BJP leader reaffirmed that the Modi Government's zero-tolerance policy towards terrorism will not spare anyone found involved, irrespective of their background or

has already borne the brunt of cross-border terrorism for decades and cannot afford any further setbacks to its peace and development trajectory. He urged security agencies to intensify investigations, identify hidden networks, and dis-

rooted out," he stressed.

The former deputy Chief Minister said, "India stands united against terror. Those who harbour killers will meet the same fate as those who carry out the killings. This nation will not forget. It will not forgive."