



A view of the Holy Cave of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Ji on the commencement of Navratras.

HPC clears 315 languishing projects worth Rs 812 cr for funding

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Oct 10: The second meeting of the High-Powered Committee (HPC) constituted for ensuring assured funding of languishing projects to complete them in set timeframe was held here today. The meeting was chaired by Principal Secretary, Finance, Navin K Choudhary, who is also the Chairman of the Committee.

Giving details, Principal Secretary Finance said the Committee in today's meeting cleared 315 projects of PHE, Tourism, R&B, Health and Industries and Commerce Departments involving an amount of Rs 812 crore.

Principal Secretary, Planning, Development and Monitoring, Rohit Kansal; Principal Secretary, Industries and Commerce, Shaileendra Kumar; Commissioner/Secretary, PWD, Khurshid Ahmed Shah; Secretary, PHE/I&FC and DMRRR, Farooq Ahmed Shah; Secretary Tourism Department, Rigzin Sampah and other officers of the Finance Department and Chief Engineers of various departments attended the meeting.

Navin said the approved projects would be funded for time-bound completion through Jammu and Kashmir Infrastructure Development Finance Corporation (JKIDFC) Ltd.

The Committee, he said, approved funding of 221 Water Supply Schemes across the State

for an amount of Rs 459 crore which will be completed within a year's time and will make a marked difference on the ground so far as drinking water supply is concerned. Remaining 150 schemes of PHE will be taken up in the subsequent meetings of the Committee when PHE Department completes the required paper work.

The Committee also approved nine additional languishing projects of R&B Department, requiring an amount of Rs 19.60 crore for completion. In addition, the Committee cleared funding of different component of Mubarak Mandi Project involving an amount of Rs 65.38 crore for completion.

The Committee approved 48 incomplete projects of Health and Medical Education Department across the State for an amount of Rs

90.53 crore. Further, the Committee approved 31 projects of Industries and Commerce Department for completion at a cost of Rs 178.61 crore which will give a boost to promotion of Industries in the State.

Pertinently, in its two meetings held so far, the High-Powered Committee has cleared 556 projects in various sectors across the State involving an amount of Rs 1382 crore. The previous meeting of HPC was held on October 3, 2018.

The Principal Secretary Finance said the meetings of the HPC would be held at regular intervals to ensure early processing and approval of all such projects which are languishing for want of funds. He said the 3rd meeting of the Committee is scheduled to be convened on October 22, 2018.

Govt orders deployment of addl SRTC buses in Chenab Valley

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SRINAGAR, Oct 10: To arrest the trend of frequent accidents of public buses in Chenab valley, Principal Secretary, Animal, Sheep Husbandry and Fisheries, Transport Department Dr Asgar Hassan Samoon, today directed the officers to deploy additional buses for various routes of Chenab valley.

A formal order issued today by Dr Samoon reads that G M Saroori, MLA Indrawal has requested Chief Secretary for deployment of SRTC buses on different routes to avoid frequent accidents.

"Furnish a detailed deployment plan of SRTC buses for Chenab valley to cover these routes within a week," order issued by Dr Samoon reads.

The routes where additional SRTC buses will ply include

Hundreds of trout fishes found dead in pond

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SRINAGAR, Oct 10: Hundreds of trout fishes were found dead in a water pond in Diver village of Lolab in Kupwara district.

People held the departments of PHE and Fisheries responsible for the death of hundreds of fishes. The locals said that hundreds of fishes died for last three days in a pond at Ganie Mohalla, Diver, Lolab and blamed the administration. "The administration is well aware about the death of fishes but they didn't take any serious step to investigate the cause of death. Not a single officer paid a visit to the pond," they said adding, "We think some poison has been sprayed in the pond."

People appealed SDM Lolab to take strong notice of the matter to save thousands of trout fishes in the pond.

Vyas directs timely supply of essentials to Ladakh region

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Oct 10: Advisor to the Governor B B Vyas today convened a meeting to review the stock and supply position of essentials for Ladakh region.

The meeting was attended by Principal Secretary Health and Medical Education Atal Dulloo, Principal Secretary, Animal Husbandry and Transport, Dr Asgar Samoon, Commissioner Secretary PDD Hirdesh Kumar, Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Baseer Ahmad Khan, Deputy Commissioners of Leh and Kargil, and other senior officers of various departments.

Chief Executive Councillors of Leh and Kargil districts of Ladakh region participated in the meeting via video conferencing.

On the occasion, Advisor directed officers to ensure the supply of essentials and other related items to Ladakh region is completed in all respects within the shortest possible time in view of ensuing winter months.

Dulloo informed that there is a sufficient stock of lifesaving drugs in Leh and Kargil districts. He said that 80 per cent of medicines and machinery demanded for winter stock has reached Leh and Kargil and the remaining would be dispatched soon.

Regarding supply and stock position of food grains, the Advisor was informed that adequate quantity of rice has been stored in Leh and Kargil dis-

tricts and against the total demand of wheat, 80 per cent of it has also been stored in these districts. He was also informed that against the demand around 86 per cent of LPG and 80 per cent Kerosene oil stock has been stored in Leh and Kargil.

During the meeting, the Advisor was also briefed that against the demand of 4000 quintals of timber in Kargil, 35000 Qts have been dispatched to the area. In Leh, against the demand of 10,000 Qts of Timber, 6500 Qts have been dispatched and remaining timber would be supplied soon.

Commissioner Secretary Power informed the meeting that against the requirement of 45 electric transformers in Kargil, 38 have reached there and against the requirement of 4700 electric poles, 4100 have reached Kargil. Similarly, against the requirement of 10226 electric poles in Leh, 7800 have already been dispatched to the area. He said that the remaining will be dispatched soon.

About the stock and supply position of diesel and gas, the concerned officials informed that 80 per cent stock of the demand has been stored in the area and the remaining would be supplied shortly.

The meeting was also informed that the supply position in respect of various other commodities like cement, firewood, horticulture related things is also up to the mark and there is no dearth of these commodities.

HC seeks Gulmarg Master Plan

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Oct 10: Government today informed the Court that Master Plan for Gulmarg tourist resort has been prepared and Court directed the same should be placed before it on next date.

The Chief Town Planner Kashmir apprised the Court that Master Plan for Gulmarg tourist resort has been prepared today and court has directed for placing the same before the bench on next date.

About the retention and withholding of public property beyond time limit, the Court has

been informed by the CEO GDA that the said exercise is in process and the status of leases and licenses be placed in shape of status of report on next hearing.

It is under SRO 580 where in the maximum period for which a lease could be granted was 40 years and no extension beyond this period is permissible.

The GDA is under direction for information with regard to the amount which the lessee/licensee were required to pay towards the grant of leases and the status of the payments by the lessees.

Shat Chandi Maha Yagya commences at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine

Excelsior Correspondent

KATRA, Oct 10: Shat Chandi Maha Yagya organised by Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board at the Holy Cave Shrine of Shri Mata Vaishno Deviji commenced today on the auspicious occasion of beginning of Navratras amidst chanting of Vedic Mantras and performance of other religious ceremonies.

The Maha Yagya, which is performed at the Holy Cave Shrine during Navratras for peace and prosperity, will conclude with Purna Ahuti on Mahanavami.

Dheeraj Gupta, Chief Executive Officer; Naresh Kumar, Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Bhawan; and other officers of the Shrine

Board and a large number of pilgrims were present on the occasion.

It is pertinent to mention that like in the past, the Bhawan of Shri Mata Vaishno Deviji, Atka and the area surrounding it have been profusely decorated with flowers. The Shrine Board has made elaborate arrangements for facilitating a large number of pilgrims who are expected to pay their obeisance at the Sanctum Sanctorum during Navratras.

These arrangements include ensuring sufficient water and uninterrupted power supply along the track leading to the Shrine, sanitation and availability of special "fast related" food at the Bhojanalayas etc. Accompanied by officers

and engineers of the Shrine Board, the CEO also took on-spot review of the ongoing development works including the upcoming Passenger Ropeway and other pilgrim-centric facilities in the Bhawan area. He also interacted with the pilgrims and enquired about the arrangements made by the Shrine Board to facilitate them. They expressed satisfaction at the arrangements put in place for facilitation of the pilgrims.



Divisional Commissioner Sanjeev Verma, Chairman-cum-CEO J&K Bank Parvaiz Ahmed and others during launch of beautification drive at Jammu on Wednesday.

JMC, J&K Bank launch beautification drive

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Oct 10: Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) in collaboration with J&K Bank launched beautification drive of City of Temples with an objective to project the cultural heritage and the historical importance of Jammu and Kashmir.

The beautification drive was inaugurated with first brush stroke on the wall near Brigadier Rajinder Singh Chowk by Divisional Commissioner Jammu Sanjeev Verma and Chairman-cum-CEO J&K Bank Parvaiz Ahmed in presence of Deputy Commissioner

Jammu Ramesh Kumar and Commissioner JMC Arvind Kotwal. Executive President J&K Bank RK Chibber and President J&K Bank Sunil Gupta were also present on the occasion.

Divisional Commissioner Jammu stressed upon all officers to put in collective efforts to enhance aesthetic of City of Temples.

Commissioner JMC said that the drive will be carried out further in various parts of Jammu City.

Among others present were Pardeep Singh, Joint Commissioner JMC, Sunaina Sharma, Secretary, JMC, Prem Singh, Assistant Commissioner Revenue, Joginder Sharma, CAO, JMC, Prabodh Sharma, Executive Engineer (C), Arun Gupta, Executive Engineer (T), Dr Saleem Khan, Health Officer, JMC, Zaffar Iqbal, MVO, JMC, Talat Mehmood Khan, Chief Transport Officer JMC, revenue and sanitation officers of JMC and other staff of Bank and JMC.

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