

# Demolition Drive carried out in Lower Roop Nagar to clear land for construction of 208 flats for Economically Weaker Sections: JDA clarifies

Says will continue drive against encroachers

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
JAMMU, Nov 21:

Clarifying its stand, the Jammu Development Authority (JDA) today stated that the demolition drive conducted by it on November 20, 2024 against encroachment at Lower Roop Nagar, Jammu and other prime land patches are meant for construction of infrastructure projects and for development of colonies.

The land measuring 25 kanals at Lower Roop Nagar, Jammu has been earmarked for construction of 208, one BHK flats for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) having one bedroom, hall, kitchen and bathroom was under the illegal possession of encroachers and the same was cleared of encroachments after following due procedure, the Authority clarified.

"It was brought to the notice of JDA that some of the illegal occupants had rented out these kiosks and Doms (One Room tenements) and were charging rents from poor public. On this patch of land, the JDA had floated the tender for construction of 208 EWS flats. However, the earmarked land was found having 12 dome quarters (abandoned/vacant) and 22 kiosks under illegal possession of those who were already rehabilitated at various locations such as Purkhoo, Muthi and Jagti and some have rented out to some



outsiders/locals on monthly rental basis. These structures were to be cleared for making the land available for the purpose of EWS Flats," the JDA said.

It further stated that due procedure was adopted for eviction of illegal possession of its property by serving notice under Section 4 of the J&K Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act 1988 on 20-01-2024 and the shopkeepers were requested and apprised about the project contemplated on the land for which

LoI was already issued.

Elaborating further, the JDA said that after the notice, these shopkeepers represented for giving them one-month time so that they shall remove their belongings to alternate places.

"Some of the shopkeepers left the place for setting up their shops elsewhere, knowing fully well that due to illegitimate possession of the property they shall have to vacate the premises sooner or later. Some of the shopkeepers

submitted affidavits stating that they shall vacate the JDA land by 5th of February 2024" it added

After giving enough time (10 months) of notice, the demolition drive was carried out on 20-11-2024 after following due procedure. All the illegal occupants were informed to vacate the possession and JDA facilitated them in safely removing all their belongings (found in only 5 to 6 shops rest were without any belongings) so as to free the earmarked land of all encumbrances for construction of flat accommodation.

These kiosks and Domes (One Room Tenement) were under illegal possession of a mix of encroachers from different communities including non-domicile of J&K and the JDA carried out demolition without considering caste/community-based action. Even some labourers were accommodated on monthly rental basis in some Domes by these encroachers whereas other were left abandoned, it added further.

The JDA reiterated that it will continue to carry out such demolition drives against encroachers in near future so that land is made available for building infrastructure for the Government as well as for needy public.

# Div Com Kashmir reviews operation & maintenance of Srinagar Airport

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
SRINAGAR, Nov 21:

The Divisional Commissioner Kashmir Vijay Kumar Bihuri on Thursday convened a meeting to review operation & maintenance of Srinagar Airport besides services & facilities for air travellers. The meeting was attended by Director Airport, Srinagar, Javid Anjum; officers of IAF, BCAS, CRPF, CISF, AAI, Airlines; Managers of IOCL, BPCL & HPCL and other concerned departments.

The meeting deliberated over re-carpeting work, availability of Operational and Maintenance staff, availability of Transport facility from city to Airport & vice versa, avail-

ability of accommodation for Tourists in city, medical facility during extended hours of operation and other issues.

Addressing the meeting, Divisional Commissioner underscored the significance of Srinagar Airport for ensuring round the clock connectivity of Valley with rest of the country.

He urged stakeholders for up gradation of services for enhancing the comfortable & convenient experience of air travellers & tourists.

Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir also asked all the Airlines to increase the frequency of their flights to Srinagar as the Airport is operating only 35 flights per day as

of now as against approved

Slot of 51 flights per day. Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir emphasised that detailed deliberations should be done before the proposed planning of re-carpeting work so that there is minimum impact to Civil Aircraft Operations.

In view of re-carpeting, Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir insisted that the closure period for Runway should be minimized so that there can be a wider window of Civil Aircraft Operations.

He also reviewed immediate requirements to be addressed including enhancement of manpower and services for extended watch hours.

# Director Panchayati Raj inspects development, construction works in RS Pura



**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
JAMMU, Nov 21:

Director Panchayati Raj, J&K, Sham Lal today conducted a comprehensive inspection tour of RS Pura to assess the progress of ongoing construction works and infrastructure development projects.

He inspected the Block Development Council (BDC) building and the Rural Extension Training Centre

(RETIC) in RS Pura.

During the visit, Sham Lal emphasized the importance of timely completion of works to strengthen rural governance infrastructure.

He was accompanied by Assistant Commissioner Panchayat (ACP), Jammu, Shahzada Noor Ul Ain, Block Development Officer (BDO) RS Pura, Pardeep Singh and others.

Sham Lal also visited Panchayat Rangpur Sidrey, where the ongoing construction work of the Panchayat Ghar was closely monitored.

The Director asked officials to ensure adherence to quality standards and to address any bottlenecks in the execution of the projects. He further asked the officials to work collectively to meet deadlines and deliver projects that would benefit the local populace.

While interacting with departmental officials, the Director suggested utilizing Panchayats as a platform to connect citizens with the government schemes and services.

He emphasized that Panchayats should act as a vital link between the government and the community, ensuring the seamless delivery of essential information and services.

Sham Lal also highlighted the importance of conducting regular awareness campaigns to keep the public informed about schedules for meetings, programs, and events, thereby fostering active community participation and engagement.

# Udhampur: BOCA meeting discusses cases pending for approval

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
UDHAMPUR, Nov 21:

Deputy Commissioner Udhampur, Saloni Rai today presided over the 37th meeting of the Building Operation Controlling Authority (BOCA), PDA Udhampur here at Mini Conference Hall, DC Office Complex, Udhampur. CEO PDA, Devender Singh Bhau, Chief Planning Officer, Mohammad Iqbal, Sub Divisional Magistrate Chenani, Gurdev Kumar, Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti, Executive Engineer, JPDCL Udhampur and several other departmental officers attended the meeting. The meeting focused on discussing pending cases for approval, including building permissions for construction, revalidation/extension of expired permissions, repair/renovation of permissions and fencing and development of land. The DC directed to hold regular monthly BOCA meetings to ensure timely decisions on citizen applications.

# DDC Chairman Doda reviews pace of developmental activities across key sectors

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
DODA, Nov 21:

A comprehensive review of developmental activities across key sectors was today conducted by District Development Council (DDC) Chairman Doda Dhananter Singh Kotwal. The meeting held in the office of the DDC Chairman focused on evaluating the progress of the ongoing projects, identifying bottlenecks, and ensuring timely completion of works to benefit the public. At the outset, the officials from different departments presented updates on their respective projects, including infrastructure development, road connectivity, rural electrification, and water supply schemes. Emphasizing the need for transparency and accountability in the execution of all works, the Chairman directed the officers to expedite pending tasks. He further stressed the importance of adhering to quality standards and completing projects within stipulated timelines. Discussions also revolved around implementing innovative solutions to overcome challenges in difficult terrain areas. Stress was laid on enhanced inter-departmental coordination to ensure seamless execution of public welfare schemes. The officials were urged to actively engage with local communities to address their grievances and incorporate their feedback into developmental planning. Highlighting the significance of equitable development, the Chairman instructed departments to focus on remote and underdeveloped areas of the district. Concluding the meeting, Chairman Kotwal reiterated the importance of regular monitoring and evaluation to maintain efficiency in service delivery. He assured the public of his commitment to driving development initiatives that uplift the standard of living across the district.

# Ramban admin finalize arrangements for OMR-Based JKSSB Examination; Training imparted to supervisory staff

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
RAMBAN, Nov 21:

Additional Deputy Commissioner Ramban Varunjeet Singh Charak on Thursday convened a meeting with all stakeholders to finalize arrangements for the upcoming OMR-based JKSSB examination for the recruitment of Constables in the Police Department. The meeting included comprehensive discussions on key arrangements such as drinking water facilities, power supply, seating arrangements, security protocols, and videography to ensure seamless and secure conduct of the examination.

The JKSSB written examination is scheduled to be held on December 1, 18, and 22, 2024. In Ramban district, five examination centers have been designated for approximately 1,000 candidates. A comprehensive training was imparted to the stakeholders for forthcoming examinations being conducted by JKSSB. The ADC encouraged all stakeholders to work in coordination to uphold the sanctity of the recruitment process and provide candidates a conducive environment while appearing in the examination.

# JKSSB Exam: Training imparted to Supervisory Staff at Kathua



**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
KATHUA, Nov 21:

To ensure fair, transparent and smooth conduct of upcoming OMR-based written JKSSB exam for the recruitment of Police Constables, District Administration Kathua on Thursday organised a training programme for the supervisory staff here in the Conference Hall of DC Office. ADC Ranjit Singh chaired the training session in presence of a JKSSB member.

The training session was held to sensitize the Centre Superintendents, Deputy Superintendents, and Invigilator staff about the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and examination regulations.

# DM reviews security arrangements at Key Infrastructure Projects in Doda District

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
DODA, Nov 21:

District Magistrate (DM) Doda Harvinder Singh chaired a comprehensive meeting here today in Mini Meeting Hall DC Office to conduct a security audit of critical infrastructure projects in the district.

The meeting was attended by ADC Sudarshan Kumar; SP operations Sunil Kumar Kesari; GM NHIDCL Ajay Thakur and Project Directors/Managers of companies involved in infrastructure projects across the district besides Tehsildar Doda, Tehsildar Thathi, concerned Patwaris, and officials from the Tehsil Headquarters.

The deliberations focused on conducting a thorough security audit of ongoing and upcoming infrastructure projects to ensure the safety and integrity of these vital installations. Key decisions taken in the meeting included the establishment of a CCTV control room, the deployment of associated Video Data Gateways and the



strategic movement of Special Operations Group personnel.

In addition to these measures, the meeting discussed the inclusion of trained canine units for enhanced surveillance and security. The officers and officials deliberated on the necessity of security personnel at Entry points, implementing a rotation system for security guards and ensuring that contact information for police personnel and local police post officers is visibly posted at project sites.

Further topics included the

establishment of single entry and exit points for better control, fencing and containment strategies and other critical matters aimed at bolstering security protocols for infrastructure projects across the district.

The District Magistrate Doda emphasized the need for coordinated efforts to ensure the safety of these vital infrastructure projects. He instructed all stakeholders to implement the discussed measures to achieve optimal security standards.

# ADC reviews implementation of HADP, KKGs in Kishtwar District



**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
KISHTWAR, Nov 21:

Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Kishtwar Pawan Kotwal today chaired a review meeting to

conduct a comprehensive sector-wise review of the Holistic Agriculture Development Programme (HADP) and Kissan Khidmat Ghars (KKGs) implementation in the

# Rajouri admin convenes Block Diwas outreach camp at Plangarh to redress public issues

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
RAJOURI, Nov 21:

Acting on the directions of Deputy Commissioner, Abhishek Sharma Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC), Dr. Raj Kumar Thapa, presided over a Block Diwas program at Plangarh to address grievances and ensure efficient delivery of public services.

The event saw enthusiastic participation from residents of the area who raised several pressing issues. Key demands included Construction of roads to improve connectivity, provision of adequate water supply to meet the needs of the local population, construction of tractor roads and canals (Khuls) by the Rural Development Department (RDD), release of pending material payments under the MGNREGA scheme & Inclusion of left-out beneficiaries



under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY).

Dr. Thapa gave a patient hearing to the public grievances and provided on-the-spot directions to the concerned officers for their timely resolution. He emphasised the importance of addressing public issues on priority and improving the quality of life for the residents.

In his address, Dr. Thapa highlighted the district administration's commitment to ensure that public grievances are resolved efficiently and transparently. He reiterated that similar platforms like Block Diwas are crucial for bridging the gap between the administration and the public, particularly in remote and rural areas.

# DM, SSP Reasi conduct Security review of Railway Infrastructure in Reasi

Team inspects bridges, tunnels, labour camps



**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
REASI, Nov 21:

District Magistrate Reasi, Vishesh Mahajan today conducted a comprehensive security review of critical railway infrastructure in Reasi district, including bridges, tunnels, and labour camps.

SSP Reasi Paramvir Singh, accompanied him during the inspection. The review spanned key sites

from Reasi Railway Station to Sawalkote Railway Station on the readiness of security arrangements and welfare measures for workers.

The District Magistrate closely examined sensitive areas, including the iconic Chenab Bridge and different tunnels along the railway route. He emphasized the importance of maintaining a robust security

framework, particularly for high-value infrastructure, and ensuring the safety of personnel. Labour camps housing railway workers were also inspected to assess living conditions and security measures.

During the visit, DM Reasi directed railway authorities to strengthen security protocols and prioritize the welfare of workers. He stressed the need for adequate facilities and vigilance to safeguard both workers and infrastructure. The review reflects the administration's commitment to ensuring smooth progress on critical projects while maintaining a secure and conducive environment. SSP Reasi Paramvir Singh, Chief Engineer KRCL Sumit Khajuria and other railway and police officials accompanied the District Magistrate.