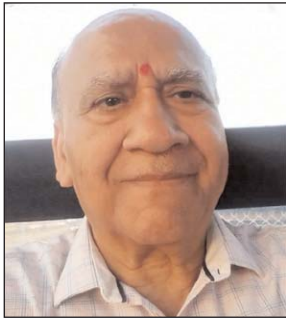


## Jammu resonates with Jaikaras of Bham Bham Bhole with starting of spiritual Shri Amarnath Yatra: Rattan Lal

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

The holy city of Jammu echoed with the chants of 'Bham Bham Bhole' as the auspicious Amarnath Yatra commenced with great devotion and enthusiasm from the Yatri Niwas at Bhagwati Nagar Jammu. In a press statement issued here today, Rattan Lal Gupta, Provincial President of Jammu and Kashmir



National Conference (JKNC), hailed the spiritual fervour witnessed across the region and welcomed the devotees embarking on the sacred journey to the holy Amarnath Cave Shrine.

He lauded the Jammu and Kashmir Govt for making adequate arrangements for the smooth conduct of the Yatra and ensuring the safety, comfort, and convenience of pilgrims coming from across the globe. "It is heartening to see the J&K Govt rise to the occasion by facilitating elaborate security, medical, transportation, and accommodation arrangements for the Yatri. The efforts of all

departments involved are commendable," he said.

The senior NC leader said that massive arrangements have been put in place, particularly at the Yatri Niwas in Bhagwati Nagar and other transit camps along the route, reflecting the government's commitment to uphold the sanctity and significance of this annual pilgrimage.

Calling the Yatra a symbol of India's spiritual unity and communal harmony, the senior NC leader appealed to the people, especially the youth, to participate in large numbers and extend wholehearted cooperation in ensuring a peaceful and successful Yatra. "Amarnath Yatra is not

just a religious event, but a celebration of our centuries-old ethos of brotherhood and shared culture," he emphasized. Rattan Lal Gupta also urged the locals to continue the traditional role of hosts, showcasing the warmth and hospitality that Jammu and Kashmir is known for.

"The people of Jammu, especially traders, transporters, hoteliers, and volunteers have always played a significant role in facilitating this Yatra. Their contribution is invaluable and deserves praise," he added. The Provincial President reiterated the importance of such spiritual events in promoting peace, brotherhood, and positive engagement among communities. He expressed hope that the blessings of Lord Shiva would usher in an era of harmony and prosperity in the region. He also prayed for the successful and safe completion of the Yatra and expressed confidence that with collective efforts, Jammu and Kashmir will continue to emerge as a beacon of spiritual tourism in India.

## JKTF hails promotions and placements of CEOs, DIET Principals & equivalent positions

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

The Jammu & Kashmir Teachers Forum (JKTF), affiliated with the All India Secondary Teachers Federation (AISTF), extends heartfelt gratitude to the Hon'ble Education Minister of J&K, Ms. Sakeena Masood Itoo, and the Worthy Administrative Secretary, Shri Ram Nawas Sharma, IAS, for their timely and commendable fulfillment of the long-standing commitment to promote and place Chief Education Officers (CEOs), DIET Principals, and other equivalent officers within the School Education Department (SED).

While congratulating the newly promoted officers, JKTF State President Mohammad Ashraf Sheikh expressed sincere appreciation for the swift and transparent process undertaken by the department. In an official statement, he said:

"During our recent meeting with the Hon'ble Education

Minister, we were assured that the vacant positions of CEOs and DIET Principals would be filled at the earliest.

Today, we are pleased to witness the promotion of 30 officers to these key positions, and the filling of most vacancies across the UT of Jammu & Kashmir. This move is a significant stride toward strengthening and streamlining the educational administration of our region. We are truly thankful to Hon'ble Sakeena Masood Itoo, Worthy Administrative Secretary Shri Ram Nawas Sharma, IAS, and the Directors of School Education, Jammu and Kashmir, for their coordinated and result-oriented efforts." JKTF Spokesperson Joginder Singh further noted that a dedicated delegation of JKTF leaders, led by President Sheikh, had been persistently engaging with authorities at the Civil Secretariat in Jammu to advocate for several key demands. Chief among them was the

promotion of all cadres and the timely filling of vacant DDO (Drawing and Disbursing Officer) positions. He expressed optimism that further promotion lists for other pending cadres will be issued shortly. The central leadership and district presidents of JKTF, including: Mohd Mahroof Choudhary, Mehmood ul Rayaz Bhat, Rafauit Hussain Malik, Lokesh Sharma, Ranjeet Singh, Jalil Ahmed, Sanjeet Sharma, Neetan Kalyan, Raman Kumar Sharma, Maroof Zargar, Nasir Ahmed Mir, Amarjeet Singh, Ch. Ashraf Hussain, Murtaza Khan, Tariq Amin Naik, Sadiq Poswal, Gulshan Sharma, Shafiq Mirza, Bhupinder Singh, Imtiyaz ul Haq, Mohd Amin, Shahbaz Akbar Khan, Ali Akbar, Rail Singh, Mohd Nasir ul Haq Bhat, Ajay Sharma, Ajeet Singh, Parshotam Singh, and Mohd Sharif Khan—have all commended the Forum's relentless dedication and congratulated the newly promoted officers.

## Induction training for newly promoted L/A-Headmasters inaugurated at Polytechnic College



**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

The School Leadership Academy (SLA) of SCERT-J&K, in collaboration with DIET Jammu inaugurated a 3-day Induction Training Programme for newly promoted Headmasters today at Government Polytechnic College, Jammu. The event was held under the able mentorship of Sh. Shantmanu (IAS),

Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary), Director, SCERT, J&K. The programme is aimed at equipping school leaders with essential leadership, administrative, and pedagogical competencies to effectively implement the reforms envisioned in the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The inaugural session began with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp, symbolizing the illumination of knowledge and

leadership. Dr. Naseem Javid Choudhary (JKAS), Director, School Education Jammu graced the occasion as Chief guest whereas Joint Director DSEJ, Gurdev Kumar (JKAS) and Ms Manisha (JKAS), Personnel officer, DSEJ were the guests of honour.

The Welcome Address was delivered by the Joint Director, SCERT-Jammu, Prof. (Dr.) Sindhu Kapoor, who emphasized the need for leadership and management, pedagogical innovations, and inclusive education, and expressed SCERT Jammu's commitment to enhancing awareness about school culture and the educational landscape in the division. Joint Director DSEJ, Gurdev Kumar (JKAS) while speaking on the occasion stressed the importance of investing in school leadership for systemic change in education. Mr. Parshotam Singh,

Programme Coordinator, presented the Concept Note for more than 200 HOI's, outlining the structure and focus areas of the training to ensure the implementation of the vision of NEP 2020 and creating supportive school ecosystems. On the occasion, Design of Training (DoT) was also released. In his address, Dr. Naseem Javid Choudhary (JKAS), Director School Education Jammu, highlighted the crucial role of headmasters in bringing NEP 2020 into practice. He encouraged participants to lead with commitment, innovation, and a learner-first approach.

The session concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Ms. Manisha Chun, Associate Coordinator, who appreciated the guidance of the leadership, active involvement of participants, and the efforts of the organizing team.

## Indian Army conducts lecture on National Doctors Day at various locations

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

In a commendable outreach initiative, the Indian Army organised a special lecture on the occasion of National Doctors' Day on 02 July 2025 at remote locations including Chassana, JWG, Lah, JNV, Kotranka, Thanamandi, and Marha in the districts of Poonch, Rajouri, and Reasi in Jammu and Kashmir. The event aimed to spread awareness about the vital role of doctors in society and to educate the local population on the importance of healthcare, hygiene, and timely medical intervention. Army officials interacted with local residents, shared insights on

common health concerns in the region, and highlighted the selfless contributions of doctors, especially in remote and underserved areas. Over 236 villagers, including students, elders, and local leaders, attended the session and expressed their appreciation for the Army's continued support and humanitarian initiatives. The lecture reaffirmed the Indian Army's commitment not only to the security of the region but also to the welfare and upliftment of its people. Events like this help bridge the gap between remote communities and modern healthcare practices, fostering trust and cooperation between the Army and the local populace.

# Tara Chand demands statehood for J&K with constitutional guarantees for job and land

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

Working President, Pradesh Congress Committee and former Deputy Chief Minister Tara Chand demanded early announcement for statement to Jammu and Kashmir with constitutional guarantees for land , job and other property rights for local people. Addressing the workers especially members of various block committees of Chhamb and Akhnoor constituencies former Deputy Chief minister demanded immediate restoration of full fledged statehood to Jammu and Kashmir calling it the legitimate right of its people because it was an old princely state with all natural resources and world widely known for its natural beauty also. A happily state was degraded to Union Territory on 5th of August 2019 in a very undemocratic way , the reason best known to Govt's at the helm of affairs. He reminded that the Honrable Prime minister and



union Home minister have assured the poor populace of Jammu and Kashmir on floor of august House that statehood would be restored as early as possible but nothing has done in this regard.

Advocating for unemployed both educated and trained , Tara Chand demanded early regularization of all the daily wagers , need based and engaged on contractual basis . He said these youth had great expectations from Central as well as State

Govt's. He also demanded immediate filling of more than one lakh vacancies in Jammu and Kashmir as most of the educated youth got overaged waiting for the posts to be advertised.

He also reminded that 12 cylinders for a family in a year , 10kg ration per head and special packages for people especially for border areas residents were the commitments made by the parties which are in Govt's. Now right months have passed but

nothing concrete is visualizing on ground for the satisfaction of the people. One fails to understand that despite ensuring supply of electricity on cheaper rates besides promises with regard to providing 200 units free as was promised, the unnecessary economic burden is being put on the Consumers. Govt must realize that people are under stress due to the economic crisis, so the government is required to provide 200 units of free elec-

tricity to poor, Tarachand added. Tara Chand reiterated Honrable congress president Sh.Mallikarjun Kharge and Honorable LOP Sh. Rahul Gandhi's commitment to raise every single issue being faced by the people of J&K with iron hands and also remain on toes even for local body , panchayat elections. He asked the party leaders to further strengthen the local units with frontal organisations also.

Others who also spoke were S/Sh.Madan lal sharma, Suraj singh bhau, Sham lal Radha, Tarsem singh Manhas, Suraj verma, Yusuf Masih, Som nath verma, Sub Ramesh, Bodh Raj sharma, Devinder singh (Bittu), Capt. Mohan lal, Ashok sharma Ex. Chairman MCK Khour, Hans raj, Isher dass, Mangesh kumar, Baldev raj sharma, Ramesh verma, Tarsem singh, Kali dass, Pt. Som Raj, Rachpaul singh and other prominent leaders of Chhamb and Akhnoor.

## Multiple theft case solved, accused persons arrested, stolen property worth Rs 6 lakh recovered

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

Police Station Gandhi Nagar acting swiftly and proactively over a written complaints regarding the unknown person snatched the chains from the ladies in Shastri Nagar and Gandhi Nagar area. Also one unknown person stole one bike and two persons stole construction items. On receiving the complaint case FIR No. 103/2025 U/S 304 BNS, FIR No. 126/2025 U/S 304 BNS, FIR No. 142/2025 U/S 303(2) BNS and FIR No. 143/2025 U/S 303(2) BNS was registered in PS Gandhi Nagar Jammu and investigation was started. A special team was constituted by SP City South to trace out accuseds, led by by SHO P/S Gandhi Nagar under the close supervision of SDPO City South. The team working persistently did strenuous efforts and with the help of various CCTV footages of the area and Smart City Cameras finally arrested the accused persons namely 1. Mohd. Sadiq S/o Mohd. Yusuf R/o Miran Sahib, 2. Pardeep Singh S/o Gabbharab Singh R/o Resham Ghar Colony, Jammu, 3. Fazal Hussain S/o Sobat Ali R/o Near Hospital Jammu, 4. Chandan Kumar S/o Suresh Kumar R/o Bihar A/P Lane No. 57, Greater Kailash, Jammu and 5. Virinder Singh S/o Arun Singh R/o Gandhi Nagar, Jammu. During interrogation and further disclosure of the accused persons, Police Party recovered 2 Gold Chains of total weight approx 5 Tola (50 g), One Bike having Reg. No. JK02CE7803, Also recovered stolen construction material and one scooter having Reg No. JK02DC 5835 which was suspected to be stolen and seized by Police. Total Value of Recovered Items are 6 lakhs.

## Nowabad Police Station apprehends man with sharp-edged weapon during Hotel checking drive

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

As part of enhanced security arrangements ahead of the forthcoming \*Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra-2025,\* Nowabad Police has been conducting intensified checking operations across hotels, lodges, and vulnerable spots falling under its jurisdiction. During one such surprise inspection, an alert police party conducted a checking operation at Hotel Grand Inn, Sant Market, Jewel, Jammu. During the operation, a person was found in possession of a \*sharp-edged weapon (toka)\* under suspicious circumstances. The individual was immediately taken into custody and later identified as \*Gourav Dogra, son of Rashpal, a resident of Jambal Bhatyari, Dhansal, Jammu.\* Upon questioning, the individual could not provide any satisfactory reason for carrying the weapon in the hotel premises. In this connection, a case \*FIR No. 88/2025 under Section 4/25 of the Arms Act\* has been registered at Police Station Nowabad, and further investigation has been initiated to ascertain the motive and any possible links to criminal activity.

## Suresh Sharma inspects roads in Maira Mandrian, ensures monsoon readiness

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

Senior BJP leader and District Development Council (DDC) Member Pandit Suresh Sharma, along with PWD officials, conducted an extensive inspection of road infrastructure in Block Maira Mandrian. The visit covered key panchayats including Barui, Kandi, Barga, Maira Mandrian, Garatal, Kathar, and Keour with a detailed review of the road stretch from Khuga Morh to Gura Panada. Sharma directed the officials to ensure that no road is blocked during the ongoing monsoon season. He stressed the urgent need to clear clogged drains to prevent waterlogging and damage to life or property. He further instructed that protection works be initiated wherever required to avoid road erosion, and jungle cutting be done simultaneously. Inspecting the ongoing construction on the Gura Panada road, Sharma emphasized its early completion, highlighting that locals have waited over 75 years for road connectivity.

## Army training command investiture ceremony on Thursday

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

Army Training Command Investiture Ceremony is held annually to recognize and reward excellence in all spheres of military endeavour. This year, the Army Training Command Investiture Ceremony will be held on 03 July 2025. The event will be presided over by the Lieutenant General Devendra Sharma, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief (GOC-in-C), Army Training Command. The GOC-in-C will honour training establishments, units and selected personnel for their exceptional contributions towards training efforts. During the ceremony five establishments will be honoured with prestigious Army Commander Unit Citation for excelling in the fields of training, innovation and leadership throughout the year. For outstanding Financial Management, three establishments will be awarded Financial Excellence Awards. To encourage usage of online mode vis-à-vis physical mode, three establishments will be awarded e-office excellence award. In the individual category, to encourage technical innovation, nine awards will be given to individual innovators for their technological innovations which will impact operational organisational efficiency.

## Half of Bunker funds remain unused: Dr Shazad demands action for risking innocent lives

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

The Jammu and Kashmir Border Area Development Conference (JK-BADC), an organization working for the welfare of border and tribal communities in J&K, has raised serious concerns over media reports highlighting the non-utilization of central funds meant for building bunkers for civilians in border areas. Dr. Shazad Ahmed Malik, Chairman of JK-BADC and former Vice Chancellor, expressed disappointment, saying it is extremely unfortunate that nearly half of the funds provided by the central government for bunker construction in the past five years have not been used. According to reports obtained through the Right to Information (RTI) Act, the Government of India had approved Rs. 242.77 crore for this purpose

between 2020 and 2025. However, only Rs. 129.68 crore has been spent.

Dr. Shazad pointed out that in Rajouri district, Rs. 78.05 crore was used, while Poonch saw spending of only Rs. 44.56 crore. Despite being the most affected areas due to cross-border firing, the construction of bunkers in these districts remains incomplete. This delay, he said, is endangering innocent lives year after year. Referring to recent incidents of cross-border shelling under "Operation Sindoor", he stated that the tragic loss of life and injuries in Rajouri and Poonch could have been reduced if the bunkers had been ready. He called the failure to act not just negligence, but a serious lapse that must be seen as a crime against the people who live under constant fear without adequate protection.

Dr. Shazad demanded strict

action against officials responsible for the delays and called for an immediate investigation and time-bound completion of the remaining bunkers. "Public money is meant to protect lives and should never be allowed to go to waste," he said. JK-BADC urged the government to take the problems of border residents seriously and ensure they are no longer ignored. These families, who have lived under threat for decades, deserve proper shelter, dignity, and the government's full attention. Dr. Shazad assured the people of border areas that JK-BADC stands firmly with them and will continue to raise this issue at every platform until their safety and rights are secured. He also hinted to take the matter to the court of Law, if the government fails to take appropriate action into this serious issue.

## Arun Gupta led CCI team calls on LG Sinha, discusses with him various issues

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

Arun Gupta President Chamber of Commerce & Industry alongwith by Office bearers Anil Gupta, Sr. Vice President, Rajeev Gupta, Jr. Vice President, Manish Gupta, Secretary General, Rajesh Gupta, Secretary and Rajesh Gupta Treasurer today called on Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble LG UT of J&K and discussed with him various issues. At the outset Arun Gupta introduced the newly elected team of Office Bearers to the Hon'ble LG Saheb. During interaction Arun Gupta said that the numbers of Amarnath Yatries is increasing day by day and the administration is taking every possible step to ensure safe and peaceful Amarnath Yatra but still there is urgent need to increase the token counters for facilitating the Amarnath yatries. Besides this there is urgent need to enhance the security arrangements as this year's



Amarnath Yatra marks the first major religious event in J&K since the devastating Pahalgam terror attack and subsequent operation Sindoor. Arun Gupta requested the Hon'ble LG to take up the issue relating to extension of Industrial Package of Rs. 28400 crores with the Union Government so that the Industrial Units who have applied well within time can get the benefit of this industrial package.

Arun Gupta further requested the Hon'ble LG to take up the issue regarding starting of a new train between Jammu-Haridwar

and vice versa on daily basis with the Union Railway Ministry. He pointed out that the present regular train between Jammu and Haridwar has been started some 23 years ago and since then no other train has been added on this route and the number of passengers is increasing day by day as the people are frequently visiting Haridwar to perform religious rituals including Asthi Visarjan of their dear ones. Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble LG Saheb gave patient hearing and assured to resolve the issues discussed in the meeting at the earliest.

## Pawan Sharma slams CM Omar over recent resignation remark; terms it an evasion of responsibility

**JAMMU BULLETIN NEWS**  
**JAMMU, JUL 2:**

Senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader and former state secretary J&K, Pawan Sharma, has strongly criticized Chief Minister Omar Abdullah over his recent statement about offering resignation and stepping aside in the name of statehood for Jammu and Kashmir. Sharma termed it as an evasion of responsibility and a clear attempt to shift the blame from his own shoulders.

Sharma pointed out that the Chief Minister has failed to address the pressing issues in Jammu and Kashmir, including unemployment, corruption, and terrorism. He demanded that the Chief Minister should focus on finding solutions to these issues rather than making empty remarks. Sharma questioned the leadership of

Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, saying that he has failed to provide effective leadership to the state. He urged the Chief Minister to take concrete steps to address the challenges facing the state.

Calling the move "misleading and an escape from accountability," Sharma stated: "We will not allow Omar Abdullah to wash his hands off the responsibilities he was elected for. The people of Jammu and Kashmir gave him a massive mandate, expecting genuine governance and reform. Instead of delivering on promises, he is indulging in theatrics." Sharma added that the National Conference (NC) government has utterly failed to fulfill its election promises. The situation across the Union Territory is dire. Daily wagers feel betrayed, Unemployed youth

are losing hope, and Despite thousands of vacancies across departments, the government shows no seriousness towards recruitment. "Adhocism is at its peak. Government employees in every department are struggling for career progression. Promotions are stalled, and only temporary stop-gap arrangements are being made," he said.

Sharma emphasized that the BJP will continue to hold the Chief Minister accountable for his actions. He urged the Chief Minister to take responsibility for the current state of affairs in Jammu and Kashmir and work towards finding solutions to the pressing issues facing the state. Sharma appealed to the people to see through the theatrics and hold the NC government accountable for its non-performance, inefficiency, and misgovernance.