

DEO Bandipora visits polling stations in Block Aloosa of 15-Bandipora AC

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The District Election Officer (DEO) Bandipora, Shakeel ul Rehman on Thursday conducted a field tour of Aloosa Block of 15-Bandipora AC to assess arrangements at Polling Stations in Aloosa, and also conducted inspection of ongoing works at Block Office Aloosa.

During the visit, the DEO assessed facilities available for voters at the polling station established at Higher Secondary School Aloosa and emphasized to ensure that all polling stations are fully prepared to facilitate smooth and transparent voting processes for the



electorate.

He assessed the availability of Assured minimum Facilities (AMF) at polling station, including availability of ramps, drinking water facilities, facilities for PwD voters, etc.

Shakeel ul Rehman said that every effort is being made to ensure a fair and equitable voting experience for all and stressed on the concerned to ensure that all facilities are in place well in advance. During his visit to

Higher Secondary Aloosa, the DEO also interacted with staff and students and took feedback regarding infrastructure and academic activities.

Meanwhile, the DEO also visited Block Office Aloosa to assess the status of ongoing construction works.

He emphasized the concerned departments/officers to ensure proper monitoring besides directing the executing agency to maintain quality and complete the work within the stipulated time frame.

The DEO was accompanied by ACD Bandipora Mumtaz Ahmad Pir, CPO Bandipora Mohammad Maqbool, BDO Bandipora/Aloosa Mohammad Arif, and others.

Ensure rideable surface of city roads within 2 days: Div Com to SSCL & PWD

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The Divisional Commissioner (Div Com) Kashmir, Vijay Kumar Bidhuri today convened a meeting of Officers of SSCL, PWD, UEED and SMC to review the physical progress of work on different roads of the City.

On the occasion, Div Com directed Officers of Srinagar Smart City Limited and Public Works Department (R&B) to ensure rideable surface of all those roads in the city on which the different upgradation works were executed by their respective departments within two days.

He directed them that



black-topping of the roads should also begin immediately.

While reviewing the

power scenario in the valley, Div Com directed MD, KPDCI to ensure improvement in the supply of elec-

tricity to the consumers besides rationalization of power schedule.

While reviewing the induction of additional fleet of SSCL buses on different routes, it was informed that 25 number of 12-meter buses shall ply on Route 01 from Harwan to Parimpora; Route 02 from TRC to Budgam Railway station via IG road; Route 06 from Pantha Chowk to Parimpora via Sonwar; Route 10 from Pantha Chowk to Narbal Crossing via Tengpora Bypass and on Route 14 from TRC to Ganderbal Via Soura.

Among others, the meeting was attended by SSP Traffic Srinagar; CE, UEED; SEs of KPDCI; officers of SSCL, PWD & SMC.

DEO Kupwara inspects Polling Stations at Langate

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The District Election Officer (DEO), Kupwara, Ayushi Sudan today undertook a visit to different polling stations of the Langate Assembly segment of the district to assess and review the status of assured minimum facilities (AMFs).

The DEO inspected the polling stations of Govt. Boys Higher secondary School Langate. She took stock of all requisite/AMFs including electricity, water supply, shade, ramp and functional toilet facilities.

The DEO was accompanied by SSP Handwara, Da-



wood Ayoob; ADC Handwara, Aziz Ahmad Rather; ARO Langate, Dr Mudasar

Ahmad; Ex. Engineers of PHE, R&B and PDD, Tehsildar Handwara, Dy.

CEO and other concerned were present on the occasion.

Micro Observers imparted Training at Poonch

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Election Micro Observers for District Poonch were today imparted training, here in the SKC Auditorium of Degree College Poonch.

The session held under the chairmanship of General Observer for Rajouri Anantnag Parliamentary Constituency, Sanjeev Kumar Besra, aimed to equip the micro observers with the necessary knowledge and responsibilities to ensure a free, fair and transparent Lok Sabha Elections in this border District.

General Observer addressed the micro observers, providing them with detailed information



about the election process. He emphasized the guidelines laid down by the Election Commission of India and stressed the importance of adherence to the

prescribed norms to ensure transparent election. The General Observer's insightful address motivated the micro observers to ensure the successful

conduct of the democratic process.

Deputy Commissioner Poonch, Yasin. M. Choudhary, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Tahir Mustafa Malik and other concerned officers further enriched the training program.

Deputy Commissioner highlighted the significance of smooth conduct of the Lok Sabha Election 2024.

Additional Deputy Commissioner Poonch, Tahir Mustafa Malik, ACR Poonch, Qadeer Ur Rehman, and Nodal Officer to General Observer (DE), Mohammad Rafiq, Prof. Fateh Mohammad Abassi contributed their expertise to the training program.

DC Bandipora visits S. K Stadium; takes stock of under-construction Indoor Stadium

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The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Shakeel ul Rehman on Thursday visited S. K. Stadium Bandipora to review progress of under construction Indoor Stadium/Hall and Pavilion.

Emphasizing the importance of the pavilion in enhancing the overall experience for sports enthusiasts and spectators, the DC urged the concerned to complete the work within fixed time frames, besides maintaining quality of work. Stressing on adherence to safety protocols and



quality maintenance, the DC also assessed progress of work on indoor stadium/Hall.

It was apprised that the remaining work on Indoor Stadium/Hall shall be completed within a period

of 03 months and pavilion shall be ready to use by 2025.

The DC stressed speeding up the pace of work and making both the assets functional within the shortest possible time.

Pertinently, the work on both sports projects was pending for the past few years due to certain issues which were amicably resolved by District Administration Bandipora by conducting series of meetings and discussions with all stakeholders and several spot visits in February this year. The DC was accompanied by ACD Mumtaz Ahmad Pir, CPO M. Maqbool and other concerned.

138 polling teams deployed in Sunderbani-Kalakote AC ahead of polling for 5-Jammu PC

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As many as 138 polling parties along with polling material were dispatched to different polling stations in Sunderbani-Kalakote AC, part of 5-Jammu Parliamentary Constituency (PC) where polling is being held tomorrow.

Amidst tight security, the polling staff and other logistics left from Boys Higher Secondary School Kalakote, marking a crucial step in the polling process for Lok Sabha Elections 2024 in the Sunderbani Kalakote Assembly Constituency.

District Election Officer, Om Parkash Bhagat; DIG Rajouri-Poonch Range,



Tajinder Singh; ADC Kalakote, Mohd Tanveer; DDE, Zahir Kaifi were present on the occasion.

The dispatching of 138 polling parties represents a significant logistical feat, bearing testimony to the collective efforts of the district administration, security personnel, and election officials.

To ensure the safety and security of the polling parties and the polling material, stringent security measures have been put in place. The deployment of adequate security personnel will ensure a secure environment for the polling parties to carry out their duties without any hindrance.

District Election Officer, expressed confidence in arrangements made for the Lok Sabha Elections 2024. He emphasized the commitment of the district administration to transparency, impartiality, and efficiency in conducting the electoral process.

There are 96,986 voters, including 50,923 males, 46,062 females, and 1 transgender voter in Sunderbani-Kalakote AC. Of the total of 138 polling stations, 102 have been identified as sensitive.

Earlier, the postal ballot voting was successfully carried out in the Sunderbani-Kalakote AC. Home voting was also marked by an enthusiastic participation in Sunderbani-Kalakote Assembly Constituency.

My Vote My Right: Bandipora Admin organizes mega Awareness Program at Auditorium Hall Kaloosa

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The District Election Office Bandipora on Thursday organised a mega awareness programme at Auditorium Hall Kaloosa aimed at raising awareness about the significance of right to vote and participation in democratic process.

The program was presided over by Deputy District Election officer Bandipora, Mohammad Rafeeq Bhat in the presence of ACR (ARO 15-Bandipora) Shabir Ahmad Wani.

The event also marked participation of SVEEP Ambassador Faisal Ali Dar, Nodal Officer SVEEP (Principal N. M Hr Sec Kaloosa) Ab. Rashid, Nodal Officer PINK Polling Station, Coordinator SVEEP, Convener SVEEP, BLOs, Prominent citizens, President Specially-Abled Association Nazir Ahmad, Students, and female staff to be deployed for Pink Polling Stations.

Concerned from SVEEP cell, Bandipora hosted an



insightful session with the aim of increasing awareness about the importance of voting in a democratic system.

Participants were briefed about the upcoming opportunity to exercise their vote on May 20th, the poll day for Baramulla PC of which Bandipora forms a part. On the occasion, a documentary was displayed before the participants regarding electoral education and voting rights.

Speaking on the occasion, DyDEO emphasized the importance of participation in the democratic process. He said vote is a collective power of individual voices that brings about real change.

Bhat, also deliberated on various aspects of ethical voting and informed decisions.

Addressing the gathering, ACR Bandipora (ARO 15-Bandipora) sensitized the participants about the importance of voters, es-

pecially new voters.

During his speech, he said that to make elections more inclusive, many initiatives have been taken to increase voter turnout such as pink polling stations for women, special provision for senior citizens, and urged participants to become beacons of light for others.

Arafat Rasool, a student from GDC Hajin, delivered an enthusiastic speech on the importance of casting a vote and emphasized that we should be conscious in choosing our representatives.

Munawar Parvana, a prominent poet of Bandipora in his speech, said that it is the responsibility of every citizen to shape the future of our nation by casting their vote efficiently and proactively and choosing our representatives wisely.

Seerat Bashir, a young artist, presented beautiful paintings before the participants to promote voter awareness and participation.

On the occasion, a cultural programme by CRPF 3rd Battalion also enthralled the audience.

Awareness camp on services of OSC held at Kangan

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The One Stop Centre (OSC) Ganderbal, implemented by the She Hope Society for Women Entrepreneurs (SHSFW), Ganderbal today organized

awareness at Anganwadi centre Haknar area of Kangan Ganderbal. The camp garnered significant participation and enthusiasm from Anganwadi workers, helpers, and beneficiaries towards awareness.

The participants showed

their presence at the camps and their positive response towards it. Approximately, 60 individuals actively engaged in the camp, demonstrating a keen interest in the cause.

Centre Administrator from OSC Ganderbal, took the opportunity to inform

repellents and maintain personal hygienic conditions to minimize the possibilities of spreading malaria. The main programme was observed at ANMT School Doda, where CMO was the Chief Guest.

Principal ANMT, Anusuya Bhan, DPMU, Malaria Staff, ANMT students and staff besides

staff of CMO/Dy CMO Office were also present on the occasion.

Talking about the symptoms and preventions, the CMO said that the lack of sanitation in colonies and buildings in both rural and urban areas is contributing to the rise in malaria cases.

"Malaria symptoms in-

clude fever, chills, sweats, fatigue, nausea and body aches, with severe cases leading to complications like organ failure or coma. If you experience these symptoms after travelling to a malaria-endemic area, seek immediate medical attention," said Dr Om Kumar.

The CMO informed about the malaria prevention preparedness for the current year and stressed that the Health Department, with coordinated efforts from all stakeholders, shall pave the way for elimination of malaria.

Students of ANMT Doda and officials from the Health Department also spoke on the occasion about the significance of the day.

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