

Kulgam Administration Conducts Training for Mission Gyan Bharatam Survey

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To ensure the smooth and effective conduct of the Mission Gyan Bharatam Survey in the district, a training session was held today at Kulgam under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kulgam, Shahzad Alam.

The programme was attended by Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC) Kulgam, Altaf Ahmad Khan, Assistant Commissioner Development (ACD), Chief Education Officer (CEO) Kulgam, Block Development Officers (BDOs), Zonal Education Officers (ZEOs), Executive Officers of Municipal Committees of Kulgam, Frisal, Yaripora and Devsar, VLWs, GRs and other concerned officials.

The training session was conducted by Dr. Jahangir Iqbal, HoD Persian, University of Kashmir and Coordinator J&K for Mission Gyan Bharatam, who delivered a detailed presentation on the objectives, scope, methodology and field-level execution of the survey. During the session, participants were sensitized about the survey protocol, household coverage, data collection mechanism and the importance of maintaining accuracy and



transparency during the conduct of the survey. Speaking on the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner stressed upon all officers and field functionaries to carry out the survey with dedication, sincerity and responsibility. He directed the concerned teams to strictly follow the prescribed guidelines and ensure that every household is covered without any omission.

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DLSA Budgam Conducts Training-cum-Awareness Programme on LSMS

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District Legal Services Authority, Budgam (DLSA Budgam), under the aegis of the J&K Legal Services Authority and under the chairmanship of O. P. Bhagat, Chairman, DLSA (Principal District & Sessions Judge), Budgam, successfully organized a Training-cum-Awareness Programme on the Legal Services Management System (LSMS), along with a Review, Mentoring & Monitoring Committee Meeting, in terms of Regulation 11 of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA).

The programme was organized with the objective of reviewing the progress of legal aid cases, monitoring the performance of panel lawyers, and sensitizing stakeholders on the effective use of the Legal Services Management System (LSMS) to strengthen case management and enhance the delivery of legal aid services. The programme witnessed active participation from legal professionals, officials and staff of DLSA, panel lawyers, and Junior Assistants of TLSCs, who attended the programme virtually.



The technical and theoretical sessions focused on imparting practical training and awareness on LSMS, reviewing existing case management processes, sharing best practices, identifying challenges, and ensuring timely and effective legal assistance to beneficiaries, particularly those belonging to marginalized sections of society.

During the deliberations, Tabassum Qadir Parray, Secretary, DLSA Budgam emphasized the importance of diligent case management and strict adherence to Regulation 11 of

NALSA. She urged panel lawyers to uphold the principles of justice, accountability, and accessibility, underscoring that the effective utilization of LSMS is vital for ensuring transparency and efficient monitoring of legal aid cases.

In her address, the Secretary, DLSA Budgam highlighted the critical need for regular and timely updating of case details on LSMS to enhance transparency, efficiency, and effective oversight. She exhorted panel lawyers to maintain regular communication with their clients, uphold the highest standards of professionalism,

integrity, and confidentiality, and adopt a client-centric approach while representing vulnerable groups such as women, children, senior citizens, and persons with disabilities.

Practical training on the use of LSMS was imparted by Syed Junida Mubashir, Junior Assistant, DLSA Budgam, who elaborated on the operational aspects of the system. The session was specifically tailored for legal professionals and staff members of DLSA and TLSCs.

The programme also provided an interactive platform for panel lawyers to exchange experiences, discuss challenges faced in the delivery of legal aid, and explore practical solutions for improving outcomes. The active participation of all stakeholders reflected a strong collective commitment to strengthening the legal aid framework and advancing access to justice in District Budgam.

The programme concluded with a renewed resolve to ensure high-quality, accessible, efficient, and responsive legal aid services through the effective utilization of the Legal Services Management System.

ADDC Shopian reviews availability of essential commodities in District

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Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC) Shopian, Dr. Nasir Ahmad Lone today chaired a meeting of officers to review the availability and stock position of essential commodities across the district.

During the meeting, a detailed assessment of the stock and supply of key commodities including petrol, diesel, and LPG was carried out.

It was informed that adequate stocks of essential fuels are available, and their supply remains smooth and uninterrupted across all areas of the district.

The ADCD directed all concerned departments to ensure continuous monitoring of supply chains, maintain buffer stocks, and prevent any disruption in the availability of essential commodities.



Emphasis was laid on maintaining transparency in distribution and ensuring that benefits reach the public without delay.

The meeting also reviewed the stock position of food grains, and it was confirmed that there is sufficient availability to meet the requirements of the district.

Similarly, the availability of other essential items like

fertilizers was also assessed and found to be satisfactory.

The ADCD stressed strict enforcement measures against hoarding and black marketing. The concerned authorities were instructed to intensify market inspections and take stringent action against violators as per the law.

A review of the prevailing price trends was also conducted, with directions issued to keep prices under regular surveillance to prevent unjustified hikes.

The meeting was attended by the Additional Deputy Commissioner Shopian, Dr. Zakir Hussain Faaz; Assistant Commissioner Revenue, Shopian, Shakoor Ahmad Dar; AD Food, CEO, CAO, CHO, BMO and other concerned officers.

Div Com Office Bids Farewell to Deputy Director Planning (E&S) on his transfer

SRINAGAR, MARCH 31:

The officers and officials of the Divisional Commissioner's Office Kashmir today organized a farewell ceremony to bid adieu to the Deputy Director Planning (E&S), Ashiq Hussain Malik on the occasion of his transfer.

The programme was presided over by Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Anshul Garg, and was attended by the Assistant Commissioner Central, OSD to Div Com, Law Officer, Private Secretary to Div Com, Section Officer, and other officers and officials from subordinate offices.

Speaking on the occasion, the Divisional Commissioner extended his best wishes to the Deputy Director Planning and lauded him for rendering nearly six years of dedicated service in the office with an unblemished record of integrity, efficiency, expediency, and



punctuality. He urged all participants to draw inspiration from the officer's sense of responsibility, commitment, and work ethic. The Deputy Director Planning also shared his

experiences and time spent in the office and expressed gratitude to the Divisional Commissioner and other staff members for their support and cooperation.

Other officers, including

the ACC, OSD, Section Officer, and Private Secretary, also extended their best wishes to the officer and prayed for his continued success in future professional assignments and life.

DC Budgam reviews progress of 125-Bedded District Hospital, 100-Bedded CCU

BUDGAM, MARCH 31:

Deputy Commissioner (DC) Budgam, Athar Aamir Khan, today chaired a comprehensive review meeting to assess the progress of the under-construction 125-bedded state-of-the-art District Hospital and the 100-bedded Critical Care Unit (CCU) at Reshipora, Budgam.

At the outset, the DC took a detailed appraisal of the physical and financial progress achieved so far on both major healthcare projects.

Emphasizing the critical importance of timely completion, he directed all executing agencies and concerned departments to further accelerate the pace of work while strictly adhering to quality standards.

The DC underscored that these flagship projects are of immense public significance and are poised to transform the healthcare delivery system in the district.

He noted that upon completion, these facilities will substantially enhance the district's capacity to provide specialized and critical care services locally.

While reviewing the



progress, the DC expressed satisfaction over the pace of work on the ground and appreciated the coordinated efforts of all stakeholders. He reiterated the administration's commitment to ensuring that both projects are completed well within the stipulated timelines.

The DC stated that the upcoming District Hospital, equipped with modern infrastructure and advanced medical facilities, will significantly reduce the referral burden on tertiary care hospitals and ensure quality healthcare services within the district.

The 100-bedded CCU, he added, will play a pivotal role in managing emergency and critical cases, thereby improving patient outcomes.

The DC emphasized that the District Administration, in close coordination with the Health and R&B Departments, is closely monitoring the progress of works on a regular basis.

During the meeting, the DC also directed the concerned departments to initiate and expedite the preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for essential allied infrastructure, including transmission lines, oxygen plant, electrical works, PHE pipelines, Sewage Treatment Plant (STP), and other allied works to ensure seamless functionality of both healthcare facilities upon completion.

“Our focus remains on ensuring timely and quality completion of these vital healthcare projects. Every aspect is being closely monitored so that these facilities are dedicated to the public ahead of schedule, significantly strengthening healthcare delivery in Budgam,” the DC said.

The DC also directed officers to maintain strict adherence to timelines, ensure optimal utilization of resources, and enforce accountability at all levels. He stressed the need for sustained on-ground supervision to achieve smooth and accelerated progress.

The meeting was attended by SE R&B, Circle Budgam, Iram Lone, CPO Budgam, CMO Budgam, Medical Superintendent District Hospital Budgam, Executive Engineers, AEEs, and representatives of executing agencies.

Bandipora Admin organise IEC Awareness Campaign under NMBA in Gurez

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As part of the ongoing activities under the Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan (NMBA), an IEC (Information, Education and Communication) awareness campaign was organised by Government Degree College (GDC) Gurez in collaboration with District Administration Bandipora in Gurez to sensitise students and the community about the harmful effects of drug abuse and to promote a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

During the campaign, a series of activities including speeches, poster presentations, community outreach rallies, and awareness lectures were conducted. A Nukad Natak was also presented to highlight the social consequences of substance abuse.

The Health Department conducted awareness sessions and documentary screenings, while the Social Welfare Department distributed awareness pamphlets among students and the local community.

On the occasion, Sports activities such as carrom,

chess, and yoga sessions were also organised by the Youth Services and Sports Department to promote physical and mental well-being among the youth.

The programme witnessed the presence of Principal GDC Tulail, Prof. Tariq Ahmad Wani, and Principal GDC Gurez, Prof. Bilal Ahmad Sheikh. A significant number of students, community members and officials from different departments were also present on the occasion. Students enthusiastically took part in various activities, demonstrating strong engagement

and commitment towards the cause.

Speakers on the occasion emphasised the importance of collective efforts in combating drug abuse and urged students to adopt a healthy lifestyle and act as ambassadors against substance abuse in their communities.

The campaign aimed to create awareness about the ill effects of drug addiction, motivate youth towards a drug-free lifestyle, strengthen community participation, and encourage students to play an active role in spreading awareness.

JKEDI Shopian concludes MDP-IX under RAMP Scheme at Zainapora

SHOPIAN, MARCH 31: Jammu & Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI), District Centre Shopian today concluded the Management Development Programme (MDP) – IX under RAMP Scheme at Sub Division Zainapora.

The programme witnessed enthusiastic participation from 20 candidates, all of whom successfully completed the training.

Notably, the batch comprised entirely female participants, highlighting inclusive engagement and the growing interest of women in entrepreneurship across the region.

The MDP-IX, conducted under the

Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) Scheme, was designed to equip participants with essential knowledge and skills in key areas such as entrepreneurship development, business planning, financial management, marketing strategies, awareness of government schemes, and critical soft skills required for sustainable enterprise development.

The sessions were delivered through a mix of interactive lectures, group discussions, case studies, and activity-based learning to ensure practical exposure.

On the concluding day, Nafia Nazir, Senior Manager, JKEDI, interacted

with the participants, reviewed the training framework, and commended the overall conduct and outcomes of the programme. She encouraged the trainees to translate their business ideas into viable enterprises and to actively avail themselves of various government schemes aimed at promoting entrepreneurship.

During the interaction session, Sayeem Rafiq also addressed the participants, emphasizing the role of JKEDI in nurturing grassroots entrepreneurship. He assured continued mentoring, guidance, and handholding support to help participants succeed in their entrepreneurial journeys.