

# Chandra leads Khet Bachao Abhiyaan event in Anantnag, calls for shift to organic, sustainable farming

**ANANTNAG, JUNE 09:** With the aim to promote sustainable agricultural practices and enhance awareness among the farmers about scientific and environment friendly farming techniques, an awareness programme under the Khet Bachao Abhiyaan was organised today by Agriculture Department Anantnag at Khanabal here.

Additional Chief Secretary (ACS), Agriculture Production Department, Dr. Ashish Chandra Verma, presided over the program. The program was attended by District Development Commissioner, Dr. Bilal Mohiuddin Bhat, Director Agriculture Kashmir, Sartaj Ahmad Shah, Director Extension, SKUAST-K, Dr. Rehana Habib, CAO, CHO, CAHO, DD Fisheries, DSHO, Head KVK Dooru, field officials from Agriculture and allied departments besides progressive farmers and representatives of agri related cooperative societies of the district.

Addressing the gathering, the ACS said that Khet Bachao Abhiyaan is a significant initiative aimed at encouraging sustainable agriculture through scientific and judicious use of resources including fertilizers, land and water while pushing for organic and eco-friendly farming practices.



He stressed the need for adopting productive agricultural technologies and scientific farming methods keeping in view the agro climatic conditions and soil health and environmental balance. He called for protecting the top soil layer (humous) and progressive shifting of agriculture towards natural and organic methods stating the same will have huge scope in the long run.

Dr. Ashish Chandra asked the farmers to avail the benefits of Soil Health Card, KCC, PM Fasal Bhima Yojana and credit linkage schemes including HADP and JKIP so that they maximize the output of their land and other resources. "Soil Health Cards help in assessment of macro and micro nutrients and allow the farmer to use the

fertilisers accordingly," he remarked.

Advising the farmers to create FPOs under multiple categories, the ACS said the department is committed towards handholding these organisations at all stages. He termed the sustainable agriculture and farmers' welfare top priority of GoI and UT government, assuring the farmers that necessary support will be provided to them in a smooth and holistic manner.

Dr. Ashish Chandra also felicitated a number of local progressive farmers and representatives of cooperative societies for their exemplary work in respective sectors.

Speaking on the occasion, the District Development Commissioner underscored the importance of close coordination between

agriculture and allied departments and the administration to make the Khet Bachao Abhiyaan a successful campaign at the grassroots level. He assured full support of the district administration in popularizing the initiative and ensuring its effective implementation across the district.

Earlier, Director Agriculture Kashmir addressed the participants and highlighted the aims and objectives of the Khet Bachao Abhiyaan.

Later, Director Extension, SKUAST-K briefed about various aspects of Khet Bachao Abhiyaan, including its benefits and challenges. She stressed the need for active participation of farmers, scientists and field functionaries to achieve its objectives and

# YNC organises Interaction Programme at Rahain Border Belt in Samba

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The Youth National Conference today organized an interaction programme at Rahain Border Belt, where a large number of local youth participated and shared their concerns and aspirations. The programme was organized by Central Zone Vice President Rohit Dogra.

The meeting was chaired by Sardar Tejinder Pal Singh Aman, Provincial President, Youth National Conference Jammu. Prominent leaders present on the occasion included Hameed Choudhary (President, Central Zone), Rajeshwar Singh (Youth Leader), Attal Singh (Vice President, Jammu Urban), Fareed Choudhary (Vice President, YNC Samba), Bilal Malik, Ayush Goswami, Jatin Sambyal (District Coordinator, Samba), Abhi Jamwal, Sushil Randhawa, Raj Kumar, Aniket Verma, and several other Youth National Conference members and local residents.

During the interaction, the youth highlighted several issues affecting the area. Their primary concern was the education sector. They informed the leadership that there is only one High School in the area and demanded its upgradation. They also pointed out the severe shortage of teaching staff, due to which the school remains largely non-functional. The youth urged the authorities to provide adequate staff to ensure quality education for local students.

The participants also raised concerns regarding



the local playground, requesting its proper maintenance and development. They emphasized that there is no other suitable playground in the area and that promoting sports activities is essential to keep young people engaged and away from the growing menace of drug abuse.

Another important issue raised by the youth was the lack of employment opportunities for local residents in private factories operating in the area. They alleged that preference is often given to workers from outside the region and demanded that local youth be given priority in recruitment.

The participants also highlighted the incomplete Community Hall attached to a local temple and requested that the pending construction work be completed at the earliest so that the facility can be utilized for community welfare activities.

Addressing the gathering, Sardar Tejinder Pal Singh Aman assured the youth that all the issues raised during the meeting would be taken up with the concerned authorities and government departments. He said every effort would be made to ensure the early resolution of these genuine public demands.

Aman emphasized that the youth of the border areas are the backbone of the region and deserve equal opportunities to thrive. He said that the aspirations, concerns, and development needs of border youth must be addressed on priority to ensure their active participation in nation-building and social progress.

He also encouraged the

youth to actively participate in the upcoming Local Body and Panchayati Raj elections and assured them that their aspirations and political participation would be strongly supported.

Speaking on the occasion, Hameed Choudhary and Rajeshwar Singh also assured the gathering that they would collectively work towards resolving the issues related to the school, community hall, playground, and employment opportunities for local youth, and would pursue these matters with the concerned authorities.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks and a reaffirmation of the Youth National Conference's commitment to addressing the concerns of border-area youth and strengthening grassroots engagement.

## UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) DIVISION BHADERWAH

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2	Permanent Restoration of Mathola Topri Link road by way of Construction of B/wall, Drain and crates in stretches	9.88	19760	600	30 Days	A,B,C,D
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5	Permanent Restoration on Dhareja link road in km 1st by way of construction of Drain	6.94	13880	600	30 Days	A,B,C,D
6	Permanent Restoration of Katyara to Dhanwa via Sherekhi link road by way of protection work in stretches and allied work	6.00	12000	600	30 Days	A,B,C,D
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8	Permanent Restoration of Chakka Upper Dandi road by way of construction of HP Culvert and Protection wall in Km 1st	8.00	16000	600	30 Days	A,B,C,D
9	Permanent Restoration of Seri Bharowala link road by way of 02 No. HP Culverts 1000mm dia including approach wall, R/wall and B/wall in stretches (Km 1st, 2nd and 3rd)	19.48	38960	600	30 Days	A,B,C
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The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen / downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per below schedule.

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	08-06-2026
2	Period of Downloading of bidding documents	From 08-06-2026 to 15-06-2026, 04:00 PM
3	Bid Submission Start Date	08-06-2026
4	Bid Submission End Date	15-06-2026 upto 04:00 PM
5	Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bids (Online)	16-06-2026 on or after 02:00 PM in the Office of Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division Bhaderwah
6	Date & Time of Opening of Financial Bids (Online)	To be notified after Technical bid evaluation is completed

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of e-challan through Treasury indicating Treasury Voucher No. & date, e-NIT No. and name of work duly crediting to 0059 (Revenue) favoring Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division, Bhaderwah uploading a copy of treasury challan and EMD/Bid Security in the shape of CDR/FDR duly pledged to Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division, Bhaderwah as mentioned in the bid documents (The Date of Treasury Challan / CDR / FDR should be between the date of Start of Bid and Bid Submission end Date) The earnest money of the unsuccessful bidder shall be released only after submission of Treasury Challan.
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- The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature. No financial bid will be accepted in physical form.
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- Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents mentioned in NIT and SBD with technical bid online.

No.: EE/PWD/R&B/BHD/2026-27/1517-1528  
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Sd/  
Executive Engineer  
PWD (R&B) Division  
Bhaderwah

# June 2026 Term-End Examinations of IGNOU start smoothly across Jammu region;

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The June 2026 Term-end Examinations of the Indira Gandhi National Open University for various Academic Programmes offered by the University commenced on 1st of June, 2026 smoothly across the region and will conclude on 21st July 2026.

The University, under the Jammu Region, has established 35 Examination Centres which include four Examination Centres in Central Jail Kot Bhalwal, District Jail Ambphalla, District Jail Udhampur and District Jail Kathua exclusively for Jail inmates and one Examination Centre in Northern Command Udhampur exclusively for Army personnel.

Around 32,000 learners who had filled their exami-



nation forms under the Regional Centre Jammu are appearing in the exams in around 1,90,000 sittings in the Examination Centres spread across the length and breadth of the region. The examinations are being conducted in two sessions every day. The morning session starts from 10AM till 1PM and the evening session starts from 2PM to 5PM. There are no examinations on Sundays and Govt. gazetted holidays. Regional Centre Jammu has

established Examination Centres in all the ten district headquarters of Jammu province so that no learner has to travel long distances to take the exams.

A Flying Squad team comprising of Senior Regional Director, Dr. Mohan Sharma Regional Director and Dr. Asha Upadhyay made a surprise visit to the Exam Centres at Govt. MAM College, Jammu and Govt. College for Women, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu today.

Another team under the supervision of S. Tejinder Pal Singh, Deputy Registrar visited the Exam Centre at Govt. Degree College Kathua for on the spot monitoring. Dr. Vikram Singh, Assistant Regional Director, made a surprise visit to the Exam Centre established in Govt. Degree College, Kishtwar. Assistant Regional Di-

rectors, Dr. Zeba and Dr. Jasleen Kaur Luthra visited the Exam Centre established in Bhargava Degree College Samba.

Dr. Mohan Sharma, Senior Regional Director, informed that the examinations are being conducted smoothly across the region on the basis of feedback obtained from the Centre Superintendents, Observers, Flying Squad members and other field functionaries. Dr. Sharma lauded the efforts of Students Evaluation Division, New Delhi, Centre Superintendents, Regional Centre functionaries, Invalidation and other staff in ensuring smooth conduct of examinations across the region.

Dr. Mohan Sharma informed that in addition to the Examination Centre in Govt. General Zorawar Singh College, Reasi, another Examination Centre in Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University has also been established for the first time to cater to the requirements of learners of district Reasi, and one Examination Centre has also been established in SKUAST Jammu to cater to the huge rush of examinees in Jammu city and around.

**AUCTION NOTICE**  
**166 MILITARY HOSPITAL**  
166 Military Hospital Satwari Jammu will conduct a public auction of various unserviceable, condemned and scrap items (Steel/Wooden Furniture/Plastic & Metal Scrap/Electronic Items) on 13 Jun 2026 at 10:00 hours. Desirous vendors may participate in auction proceedings on due date.

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No: ED-I/2192-94. Dated: 08/06/2026  
**EXTENSION-III**  
Due to nil response, Extension of Tender e- NIT No: ED-I/e-NIT/18 of 2026-27 Dated:- 30.04.2026 and tender 2026\_PDD\_309141\_1 dated 30.04.2026 for "Survey, Supply, Transportation, Erection, Testing & Commissioning for Permanent Restoration of damages occurred to Electrical Infrastructure due to heavy rainfall/Flash Flood from 25th of August to 3rd of September 2025 under the Jurisdiction of Electric Division Div.-I (JPDCJ) Jammu on Turn Key Basis under SASC" is hereby extended upto 15/06/2026 (2 PM). The tender shall be opened on 16/06/2026 (2 PM). All other terms and conditions of the e-NIT shall remain un-changed.

Sd/  
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