



# GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

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### Tour Note

Subject: Tour Note of District Development Commissioner regarding field visit on 01.09.2015 -Follow Up Action – Regarding

A tour of various areas in Tehsil Udhampur was conducted on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015. The following officers accompanied

1. Sh Rakesh Jamwal, Chief Planning Officer
2. Sh Dhanantar Singh, Asstt Commissioner Development
3. Sh Rajesh Gupta ExEn, along with AEE PWD
4. Dr Pradeep, BDO Udhampur
5. Revenue Officials (Tehsildar on official duty at Jammu)

The following actionable points related to different works inspected, sites visited, complaints received, public grievances and demands require immediate action by concerned authorities in a time bound manner.

1. **Disaster Management Store:** It was informed that the Project has been taken up under Prime Minister's Task Force Projects with an approved outlay of Rs 12 Cr.

#### Observations and decisions:

- i) The site selection for the project is faulty as the same was required to be constructed near national highway since the aim of DM Store is for housing disaster relief and rescue material and its transportation to the affected areas. Moreover, the site selected by the PWD is prone no damage due to flow of river and it is visibly in a risk zone. The PWD needs to corrective steps for approach road and levelling the ground in front of buildings which is in bad shape. CPO informed that a project costing around Rs 1.77 Cr has been approved by the State Government in the Planning Department. This is required to be done immediately so save the DM store especially the administrative block. The CPO will take up matter with P&DD within 2 days. ExEn Flood Control to discuss the DPR.
- ii) During inspection it was also found that work has not been completed in other buildings except the administrative block so far

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despite release of Rs 12 Cr. Matter discussed with the PWD Officer. The bulding as per initial approved DPR shall be handed over by the department latest by 25<sup>th</sup> October 2011 positively. No cost escalation beyond the agreed timeline shall be entertained by this office for reasons well within control of the executing agency.

iii) Storage godown for CADD. CPU is coordinate

2. **Complaint regarding Stone Crusher:** It was complained by locals that a stone crusher just next to the Disaster Management establishment (birwan bridge) has been installed illegally on the state land and even the operation is going on right under the High Tension Line crossing the area. The plant h/ crusher has been set up between army area and DM store. Visibly the stone crusher appeared to be in violation however before preceding in the matter a detailed enquiry is required. Accordingly the following officers inspect the stoen crusher and furnish a report viz-a-viz status of land, permission of construction under HT Line, consent to operate given by SPCB, and distance from notified land (forest land / wildlife etc) and institutions (Schools etc) as per the norms:-

DFO Udhampur: Distance from demarcated forest land / wildlife area

ExEn I&FC: Details of NOC / Distance

ExEn EM&RE: Construction under HT line

Tehsildar Udhampur: Status of land.

DO SPCB: Consent to establish / operate by the SPCB

DMO: Statutory permissions

Tehsildar Udhampur shall coordinate with the DFO and ExEn I&FC, EM&RE and DMO as well as DO-SPCB for formulation and furnishing of report by all concerned latest by **10<sup>th</sup> September 2015**.

3. **MES Road and Construction of Multi-Storey Flats:** On Jib-Thathi road it was informed by the PWD officers that first 3 KM road is under MES which was found to be in a dilapidated condition putting the commuter to grave rish. A number of complaints have already been received and series of protests registered in this regard. However, as was revealed on the ground the 3KM stretch with MES is badly managed and visibly no maintenance work as been done. It requires immediate repairs. Chief Planning Officer shall take up this matter with Garrison Engineer immediately and also convene a meeting so that public grievance is redressed in a time bound manner. The road shall have to be repaired by the MES within 3 weeks time failing which this office will have to consider transfer of this stretch to PWD on standard terms and conditions

**Multi-Storey apartments (at Majalita on Jib-Thathi Road)** are being constructed in the Panchayat Halqa area. The BDO informed that no building

permission has been accorded by the Halqa Panchayat. It was informed that these towers of flats are being constructed by the MES. It was decided that Tehsildar Udhampur and BDO Udhampur will convene a meeting with MES in presence of Panchayat members to resolve the issue and to furnish a report regarding land having been acquired or requisitioned as well as permission obtained for the construction of towers if so. The report shall be submitted by 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015 positively.

4. **Jib-thathi Road:** The Jib-Thathi Road is in very bad condition and requires immediate maintenance. Rs 1.70 Cr has already been allotted as mobilisation advance under NABARD. The department is required to carry out immediate repairs and maintenance of road. PWD Officers directed to ensure that the work is completed by 20<sup>th</sup> September 2015. The link road from Jib-Road to Ashram was inspected where repair work is under progress. ExEn PWD committed to complete the work on Ashram Road by 20<sup>th</sup> September 2015 and completion of blacktop within stipulated limit.

A public complaint regarding encroachment on Jib-Ashram road was received and discussed with PWD Officers. It was decided that Teshildar Udhampur and AEE PWD will carry out a joint demarcation and indentify encroachments which shall be removed by the PWD with assistance from Magistracy and Police. Report within 10 days.

5. **Community Hall under MPLAD:** The Community hall near Ashram was supposed to be completed under MPLAD in 2009 with an estimate cost of approx 13.75 Lakhs out of which 75% funds received from DC Kathua were provided to RDD. The work has remained abandoned since then. BDO directed for completion of Community Hall in 45 days positively. A request shall be made to Hon'ble Member Parliament Dr Jitendra Singh (Hon'ble Union Minister) for consideration of release of an amount of Rs 4 Lakh for Community Hall near Ashram will be a great relief for the people of area. In case of non-availability of funds from MPLAD the district administration will provide the funds from own resources to the RDD however the work shall be completed within stipulated time of 45 days

6. **Community Toilet:** A community toilet near the Ashram on Jib-Ashram road shall be constructed by the district administration for which District Panchayat Officer shall furnish a plan immediately and land will be provided by the Ashram Management. Report within 1 week

7. **Fruit Plant Nursery of Horticulture Department** at Badola on Jib-Ashram road was not maintained properly and utilised to its capacity. Local people also did not receive any benefits from it was reported in general feedback.

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Chief Horticulture Officer shall formulate a plan to revamp it within current financial year and submit the project indicating timeline latest by 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

All the concerned officers shall carry required steps and furnish a detailed report to this office. The Chief Planning Officer will follow up and reviewed the progress and present a detailed resume of action taken by these officers well within time. No reminder shall follow.

  
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3. Garrison Engineer, MES for information and n/a
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