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Sub: - Record note of the meeting regarding road clearance during winter season.

A meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Sh. Ramesh Kumar, IAS Divisional Commissioner Jammu on 29.11.2022 at 10:00 AM in the conference hall of Divisional Commissioner Office, Panama Chowk Jammu regarding clearance of roads during the winter season making advance arrangements thereof for snow clearance, mud/slush clearance and opening of all roads especially National Highway and Internal roads of the districts.

The following officers attended the meeting in person-

1. Smt. Krittika Jyotsna, IAS,

2. Shri P.C.Tanoch,

3. Shri Rajan Mengi,

4. Shri Freed Ahmad Choudhary,

Shri Mohd. Syeed Khan, JKAS,

6. Shri Sher Singh, JKAS,

7. Shri Rajesh Kumar Gupta,

8. Col. Arun Sharma,

9. Col. SPS Sangwan,

10.Shri Parshotam Kumar,

11.Shri Anuj Kumar Singh,

12.Shri Ish Gupta,

Deputy Commissioner, Udhampur.

Chief Engineer, PW(R&B) Department, Jammu.

Chief Engineer, PMGSY, Jammu.

Chief Engineer, MED, Jammu.

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Udhampur.

CEO Patnitop Development Authority.

Superintending Engineer, PMGSY, Batote.

Headquarter CE(P) SAMPARK.

General Manager, (P) NHIDCL, Jammu.

PD, NHAI, Ramban.

PD NHAI, Udhampur.

Manager, (T) NHAI, Jammu.

The following officers attended the meeting through VC-

1) Shri Devyansh Yadav, IAS

2) Shri Mussarat Islam, JKAS,

3) Shri Vishesh Mahajan, JKAS,

4) Dr. Vinod Kumar, IPS

5) Smt. Mohita Sharma, IPS,

Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar.

Deputy Commissioner, Ramban.

Deputy Commissioner, Doda.

SSP, Udhampur.

SSP, Ramban/Traffic NHW.

Besides above the Line Department and other concerned officers also join the meeting through respective NIC studio.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the participants. The concerned department briefed the chair with regard to their Action Plan regarding the snow clearance and deployment of Men, Machinery and material/logistics to the sensitive spots for the convenience of the commuters and tourists. After threadbare discussion, the following decisions were taken:

District Ramban

1. Deputy Commissioner, Ramban shall take internal meeting with SSP, Traffic (NHW), CEO Patnitop Development Authority and OC RCC 52 Batote regarding the special arrangements for the clearance of traffic , filling of pot holes and management of facilities during winter Tourist season for Patnitop, Nathatop and Sanasar belt. 2. SSP Ramban display the contact details of their ASPs / SDPOs/ SHOs and In-charge police posts for the information of general public along side of National Highway. 3. SSP, Traffic, NHW highlighted the issue of several important stretches of National Highway from Chenani Nassri Tunnel upto Banihal which were closed after the yatra period by NHAI and has requested for opening of the same on priority. On this, the directions are conveyed to PD NHAI, Ramban to prepare a comprehensive plan for opening of that stretches by shortest possible time for the convenience and ease of commuters and general public. 4. PD NHAI, Ramban was directed by the Chair to meet the dead lines fixed by the worthy Chief Secretary, J&K for the opening of T-3 and T-5 Tunnels on priority basis i.e T-5 by ending Feb. 2023 and T-3 by or before 15th Dec. 2022. 5. PD, NHAI Ramban shall take immediate appropriate measures for the clearance of Mud/slush at Panthyal (Ramban) which are vulnerable and generally creates hurdle in traffic movement during rainy or inclement weather and machinery for the purpose.			Action taken by
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3.	SSP, (Traffic) National Highway shall strictly ensure that no vehicle should be parked by the tourists on the National Highway especially during snow season from Kud to Patnitop and from Patnitop to Natha top.	SSP, Udhampur SSP, Traffic, NHW <u>.</u>
4.	PD, NHAI Udhampur shall take immediate appropriate measures for the clearance of Mud/slush at Samroli (Udhampur) which are vulnerable and generally creates hurdle in traffic movement during rainy or inclement weather and make permanent deployment of men and machinery for the purpose.	
5.	CEO PDA highlighted the issue of non availability of crane from Patnitop to Batote stretch. In this context directions were conveyed to PD NHAI, Udhampur to utilize the crane deployed at Chenani Nasri Tunnel to that stretch in case of any emergency.	

District Kishtwar

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<u>S.No</u> 1.	Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar raised the issue regarding the extension counters of FCS and CA department for the supply of ration etc for which the directions were conveyed to inform Director FCS and CA Jammu for immediate necessary action.	Director, FCS and CA Jammu.
2.	Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar raised the issue regarding the supply of poles/conductors by JPDCL for which the directions were conveyed to inform Chief Engineer, JPDCL Jammu for immediate necessary action.	CE, JPDCL, Jammu.

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Also the following instructions were also conveyed to Chief Engineer, PW (R&B), PMGSY, MED, SAMPARK, BEACON, NHIDCL and NHAI that:-

- 1. They shall share the complete details of the employees deputed for the road clearance with the Deputy Commissioners, as well as SSPs of the concerned District, so that they can tie up in case of any exigency.
- They shall establish their control rooms and give wide publicity of emergency numbers alongside the Highway and internal roads for the convenience of the public.
- 3. They shall deploy their men, machinery and other logistics to the hot spots/ sensitive areas in advance to tackle any untoward weather situation.
- 4. They shall deploy their machinery including snow cutters, dozers etc at some midpoint and try to clear the both ends from the top simultaneously for fast clearance of snow.
- They shall also take the internal meeting at their level with all concerned officers and sensitize them regarding the advance/precautionary measures for clearance of roads during winter season.
- 6. They shall prioritize the roads as per the utility and make deployment accordingly but shall given equal importance to the internal roads as well.

Besides above, the following general instructions were also conveyed:-

- Deputy Commissioner Udhampur/ Kishtwar/ Doda/Ramban shall take an internal meeting with officers of the line departments of their respective district and to ensure that the National Highway as well as internal roads should be properly functional during the upcoming winter season.
- 2. Details of daily reports of vehicle and trucks passed through National Highway submitted by SSP, Traffic, and National Highway to the higher authorities shall also share with Divisional Commissioner, Jammu.
- 3. To ensure that the sufficient supply of essential commodities shall be made available in the snow bound areas of their concerned district, special squad for checking and controlling the possible hoarding/black marketing during the upcoming winter season should be properly monitored.
- Deployment of sufficient number of para medical staff along with road worthy ambulances especially at snow bound areas of the district is also ensured.

5. Efforts should be taken for uninterrupted water and electric supply to snow bound and harsh winter areas for the convenience of the general public of the area.

The action plan of PW (R&B), MED and PMGSY are also enclosed for reference.

This issue with the approval of Divisional Commissioner Jammu.

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Deputy Director (Plg)

With Divisional Commissioner,

Jammu.

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Dated: 43/12/2022

Copy to the:-

- 1. Principal Secretary to the Govt. PW (R&B) Department, J&K for kind information.
- 2. DC, Udhampur/Kishtwar/Ramban/Doda for information and n/action.
- 3. Special Secretary to Chief Secretary, J&K for kind information of worthy Chief Secretary.
- 4. SSP, Udhampur/Ramban for information and n/action.
- 5. SSP, Traffic, National Highway for information and n/action.
- 6. Chief Engineer, PW(R&B), Jammu/ MED/ PMGSY/SAMPARK/BEACON for information and necessary action.
- 7. Regional Officer, NHAI, Jammu for information and n/action.
- 8. Executive Director, NHIDCL, Jammu for information and n/action.
- 9. PD, NHAI Ramban/ Udhampur for information and n/action.

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