



DDC Budgam holds inaugural interactive session with officers.

Highlights backwardness and sets priorities.

June 3, Budgam: DDC Budgam Mohammad Haroon Malik today convened a meeting of officers to have an introductory interactive session with him.

Speaking on the occasion, the DDC shared his experience while working previously in the district in different capacities. The DDC highlighted the various burning issues confronting the district especially illiteracy, quality of education etc.

The DDC underscored the herculean task of bringing the district out of backwardness and drew comparative analysis with districts such as Shopian and Pulwama who have excelled in horticulture sector but Budgam having been a laggard on this front has not been able to offer adequate employment opportunities.

The DDC while obtaining feedback of ground situation from various officers assured them of full support and cooperation from district administration. He told the officers that they are pivotal for the endeavor to succeed and it is imperative that the officers work with sincerity and dedication.

Taking an in depth review of various engineering wings, the DDC urged the officers to redouble their efforts to achieve the set targets. However he urged them to first complete the targets of previous year that could not be met due to unrest and then complete the targets of this year. He urged them to undergo metamorphosis and to act as effective managers. Taking an in depth review of PHE department, he highlighted the issue of waterborne diseases and urged for regular and foolproof quality testing of drinking water.

The DDC directed the fisheries, horticulture and agriculture departments to tap the huge potential of the district and thereby creating employment opportunities and improving life standards of the people.

The DDC directed the ACD to increase the enrolment under MGNREGA and urged for transparency and fidelity in the process of disbursement of benefits under PMAY and other welfare schemes and to ensure that benefits are not pocketed by few beneficiaries only and implement the national guidelines in letter and spirit.

The DDC directed Municipal Authorities to ensure sanitation, cleanliness and hygiene in general and particularly around important prominent places.

The DDC also reviewed the status of works under execution falling under jurisdiction of Yousmarg Development Authority, Tosaimaidan Development Authority and Doodhpatri Development Authority.

The DDC also had a detailed discussion with officers of social welfare, ICDS, labour and agriculture department. He urged them to utilize the services of field staff such as AWAAS and VLWs and to ensure their presence is felt at grassroots levels and sought their active involvement in planning process.

He directed the employment department to hold regular counseling and guidance programs in collaboration with education department.