



***Div Com reviews progress in key sectors and CMs commitments; takes stock of essentials in Budgam.***

**BUDGAM, DECEMBER 17:** Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Baseer Ahmad Khan, today took a comprehensive review of various developmental projects being executed under core sectors and winter preparedness in Budgam.

In a high level meeting chaired by the Div Com, the Deputy Commissioner Budgam, Mir Altaf Ahmad, said that against an approved allocation of Rs 168.69 crore for the current fiscal 72% of funds made available stands expended till date.

The meeting was informed that under R&B Sector, out of the total 28 bridges taken under State sector for year 2016-17 as many as 22 bridges will be completed by the end of current fiscal. The Div Com directed them to focus on drainages and side walls. The status of buildings particularly girls hostels being executed under RMSA were also reviewed.

The Div Com impressed upon the officers to start work in double-shifts so that the pending projects may be completed within stipulated time.

The Div Com directed the PDD Officials to publicize the curtailment schedule through media and ensure smooth power supply as per schedule and avoid unwarranted power cuts. He also directed the officials of Enforcement Wing to keep a check on power thefts. Further, he asked the PDD officials to ensure timely repair of faulty transformers and deal with defaulters as per the law.

The Div Com called upon Irrigation and Flood & control Department officials to expedite ongoing dredging work. Similarly, the officials of PHE department were asked to complete all the pending projects under various sectors and complete the target of providing safe drinking water to all the educational institutions in a time bound manner.

While reviewing the Education sector, the Div Com directed the concerned to implement the plan formulated for watch and ward and fire fighting measures are implemented in letter and spirit.

The meeting also discussed issues pertaining to Integrated Child Development Services scheme. It was also said that the tendering process for the procurement of nutrition items and the supply orders shall be finalized within three days.

Taking a review of Rural Development Department, the Div Com directed to expedite works on the convergence projects undertaken. He directed to focus on construction of bunds, embankments of nallas that are impacted by flash floods, roads and play fields and have them verified by Village Level Committees.

Taking a review of Health Department, the Div Com directed for implementation of RKS and besides NHM on a war footing so that the PHCs are strengthened and the referral of patients is reduced to a considerable extent.

The Div Com also took an in depth review of works being executed under Yousmarg Development Authority and Doodhpatri Development Authority.

Taking stock of winter arrangements in district Budgam, the Div Com asked the officers to remain stationed at the district headquarters and forge efficient coordination to improve delivery of services during the winter. On the occasion, it was said that all snow clearance machines are in full readiness and have been stationed at respective places for smooth clearance operations. The Div Com directed that a joint control room should be set up to deal with any kind of exigency. Taking a review of the FCS&CA Department, the Div Com was informed that the adequate supplies for three months have been dumped for three months in snow bound areas.

Taking a review of works in shrine at Chrari Sharief, the Div Com directed the JKPC authorities to expedite their works and strictly stick to their timelines and directed constitution of a verification team headed by Chief Engineer R&B to look into the status of all their works.

While taking a review of CMs commitments during various tours to the district, the Div Com was informed that 19 out of 29 commitments have been implemented and the rest are in the process of implementation. The Div Com directed the DC to have fortnightly review of the CMs commitments with particular focus on the works being undertaken by JKPC.

The Div Com further directed for setting up of check points at the entrance of district and have a checking squad in place to ensure that the town is made polythene free. It was also instructed to have awareness campaigns in this regard.

Later the Div Com inspected Revenue Complex Budgam which has been completed at a cost of Rs 305 lacs and under construction 20 mtr Steel Span Bridge at Karpura over Nallah Karipora Budgam at an estimated cost of Rs 180 Lacs.