

JAMMU AND KASHMIR LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

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**1ST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE
UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU & KASHMIR**

(5th SESSION)

BULLETIN

Wednesday, February 18th, 2026

The House met today on 18th of February, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. in the Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly Hall, Jammu.

Advocate Abdul Rahim Rather, Hon'ble Speaker in the Chair.

Starred Questions: 45 Starred Questions set down in the Question list were answered in writing, out of which eight (08) questions were called and answered orally as well. Twenty (20) Supplementary Questions were also raised and answers given.

Un-starred Questions: Written replies to 18 un-starred questions set down in the Question List were distributed among the concerned Hon'ble Members.

Note 1: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Farooq Ahmad Shah (NC) raised A.Q. No. 244 at S.No. 5 listed in days Question List on behalf of Hon'ble Member, Mr. Javed Riyaz Bedar (NC).

Note 2: At this stage, during the deliberation on A.Q. No. 1285 at S.No. 7 listed in day's Question List raised by Hon'ble Member, Mr. Ajaz Ahmad Jan (NC) agitated on the issue pertaining to distribution of solar lights and stated that the lights should be given more in the border areas instead of the places where they are not required. Meanwhile, Hon'ble Members of NC namely Mr. Nazir Ahmad Gurezi and Mir Saifullah also asserted that the un-electrified border village should be given priority in installation of SSLs. Taking cognizance, Hon'ble Speaker directed the concerned Minister to install solar lights in un-electrified areas on priority basis as concern shown by Hon'ble Members is genuine.

Note 3: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Balwant Singh Mankotia (BJP) raised concern regarding the exclusion of elected representatives while formulating any plan under UT Capex/District Capex Budget and requested the Chair to issue a direction on this count.

Note 4: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Saif-ud-Din Bhat (NC) thanked the J&K administration including Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor and Hon'ble Chief Minister for re-opening the tourist destinations across the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

Note 5: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Qaysar Jamshaid Lone (NC) expressed dissatisfaction for not giving him the sufficient time for raising his constituency related issues during business of the House till

date as he had only spoke twice during this period. In response, Hon'ble Speaker informed the Hon'ble Member that Hon'ble Members are called to speak in accordance with the list furnished by the Chief Whips of their respective parties.

➤ **DISCUSSION AND VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR GRANTS FOR THE YEAR 2026-27**

Mr. Omar Abdullah, Hon'ble Chief Minister moved the following Demands for Grants for the year 2026-27:-

Demand No. 01

(Except Information Technology Part)

That a sum not exceeding ₹61,575.88 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 2012-President, Vice-president/ Governor/Administrator of Union Territories, 2013-Council Of Ministers, 2015-Elections, 2051-Public Service Commission, 2052-Secretariat-General Services, 2055- Police, 2062- Vigilance, 2070-Other Administrative Services, 2251-Secretariat-Social Services, 3435- Ecology and Environment, 3451-Secretariat Economic Services, 3452-Tourism, 4059-Capital Outlay on Public Works, 4070-Capital Outlay on Other Administrative Services, 5452-Capital Outlay on Tourism.

Demand No. 03

That a sum not exceeding ₹47,648.38 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 2235-Social Security & Welfare, 3454-Census Surveys and Statistics, 3475-Other General Economic Services, 4235-Capital Outlay on Social Security and Welfare, 5475-Capital Outlay on Other General Economic Services.

Demand No.04

That a sum not exceeding ₹12,408.31 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2027 in respect of 2220-Information and Publicity, 4220-Capital Outlay on Information and Publicity.

Demand No.06

That a sum not exceeding ₹12,54,383.63 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2027 in respect of 2801-Power, 4801-Capital Outlay on Power Projects.

Demand No.08

That a sum not exceeding ₹52,37,955.90 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2027 in respect of 2030-Stamps and Registration, 2039-State Excise, 2040-Taxes on Sales, Trade Etc. 2043-Collection Charges under State Goods and Services Tax, 2045-Other Taxes and Duties on Commodities and Services, 2047-Other Fiscal Services, 2048-Appropriation for Reduction or Avoidance of Debt, 2049-Interest Payments, 2054-Treasury and Accounts Administration, 2071-Pensions and Other Retirement Benefits, 2075-Miscellaneous General Services, 2235-Social Security & Welfare, 3475-Other General Economic Services, 4059- Capital outlay on Public Works, 5475-Capital Outlay on Other General Economic Services, 6003-Internal Debt of the State Government, 6004-Loans and Advances from the Central Government.

Demand No.09

That a sum not exceeding ₹7,742.54 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 2011-State Legislatures, 4059-

Capital Outlay on Public Works, 4070-Capital Outlay on Other Administrative Services, 7610-Loans to Government Servants Etc.

Demand No.10

(Except Election Department Part)

That a sum not exceeding ₹75,028.93 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 2014-Administration of Justice, 2030-Stamps and Registration, 2041-Taxes On Vehicles, 2062- Vigilance, 2230-Labour & Employment, 4059-Capital Outlay on Public Works.

Demand No.14

That a sum not exceeding ₹78,461.35 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 2030-Stamps and Registration, 2053-District Administration, 2070-Other Administrative Services, 2235-Social Security & Welfare, 2250-Other Social Services, 2401-Crop Husbandry, 4059-Capital Outlay On Public Works, 4070-Capital Outlay on other Administrative Services.

Demand No.19

That a sum not exceeding ₹4,22,783.97 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 2217-Urban Development, 4216-Capital Outlay on Housing, 4217-Capital Outlay on Urban Development.

Demand No.20

That a sum not exceeding ₹ 66,622.88 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 3452-Tourism, 5452-Capital Outlay on Tourism.

Demand No.24

That a sum not exceeding ₹40,749.54 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 2055-Police, 2059-Public Works, 2070-Other Administrative Services, 2216-Housing, 4059-Capital Outlay On Public Works.

Demand No.31

That a sum not exceeding ₹17,622.31Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 2202-General Education, 2205- Art and Culture, 3452-Tourism, 4202-Capital Outlay on Education, Sports, Art and Culture.

Demand No.33

That a sum not exceeding ₹1,46,098.46 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2027 in respect of 2055-Police, 2235-Social Security & Welfare, 2245-Relief on Account of Natural Calamities, 4235-Capital Outlay on Social Security and Welfare.

 **Discussion and Voting on Supplementary Demands for Grants for the Year 2025-26.**

Mr. Omar Abdullah, Hon'ble Chief Minister also moved the following Supplementary Demands for Grants for the Year 2025-26:-

Demand No. 01

That a sum not exceeding ₹1,667.93 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2026 in respect of 2013-Council of Ministers, 2015-Elections, 2052-Secretariat-General Services, 2055-Police, 2062-Vigilance.

Demand No. 02
(SRE Part only)

That a sum not exceeding ₹3,379.17 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2026 in respect of 4055-Capital Outlay on Police.

Demand No. 03

That a sum not exceeding ₹399.67 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 3454-Census Surveys and Statistics.

Demand No.06

That a sum not exceeding ₹86,623.66 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2026 in respect of 2801-Power, 4801-Capital Outlay on Power Projects.

Demand No.07

That a sum not exceeding ₹1,24,312.34 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2026 in respect of 2202-General Education, 4202-Capital Outlay on Education, Sports, Art and Culture.

Demand No.08

That a sum not exceeding ₹73,944.75 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2026 in respect of 2030-Stamps and Registration, 2039-State Excise, 2040-Taxes On Sales, Trade Etc. 2043-Collection Charges under State Goods and Services Tax, 2047-Other Fiscal Services, 2054-Treasury and Accounts Administration, 2071-Pensions and Other Retirement Benefits, 4059- Capital Outlay on Public Works, 5475-Capital Outlay on Other General Economic Services.

Demand No.10

That a sum not exceeding ₹147.00 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 2014-Administration of Justice.

Demand No.12

That a sum not exceeding ₹745.63 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in Course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 2401-Crop Husbandry.

Demand No.13

That a sum not exceeding ₹1,631.29 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 2403-Animal Husbandry.

Demand No.17

That a sum not exceeding ₹15,129.41 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2026 in respect of 4210-Capital outlay on Medical and Public Health.

Demand No. 18

That a sum not exceeding ₹3,463.63 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2026 in respect of 4225-Capital Outlay On Welfare Of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes, 4235-Capital Outlay On Social Security and Welfare.

Demand No.19

That a sum not exceeding ₹21,066.70 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 2217-Urban Development.

Demand No.20

That a sum not exceeding ₹ 900.40 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 3452-Tourism.

Demand No. 25

That a sum not exceeding ₹60.22 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2026 in respect of 2058-Stationery and Printing.

Demand No.26

That a sum not exceeding ₹654.02 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 2405-Fisheries.

Demand No.30

That a sum not exceeding ₹ 1,444.45 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 2225-Welfare Of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes.

Demand No.32

That a sum not exceeding ₹ 2,187.94 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 2401-Crop Husbandry.

Demand No. 35

That a sum not exceeding ₹ 41.83 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March,2026 in respect of 3425-Other Scientific Research.

Demand No.36

That a sum not exceeding ₹14,541.24 Lakh be granted to Government to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 2026 in respect of 2425-Co-operation.

➤ CUT MOTIONS

Cut motion Notices whereof given by Hon'ble Members viz **Mr. M. Y. Tarigami (CPIM), Mr. Balwant Singh Mankotia (BJP), Mr. Sajad Gani Lone (PC), Mir Mohammad Fayaz (PDP), Mr. Pawan Kumar Gupta (BJP), Mr. Shakti Raj Parihar (BJP), Mr. Satish Kumar Sharma (BJP), Mr. Mohan Lal Bhagat (BJP), Mr. Shabir Ahmad Kullay (Ind.), Mr. Yudhvir Sethi (BJP), Thakur Randhir Singh (BJP), Sheikh Khursheed (Ind.), Mr. Waheed-ur-Rehman Parra (PDP), Aga Syed Muntazir Mehdi (PDP), Mr. Darshan Kumar (BJP), Mr. Kuldeep Raj Dubey (BJP), Mr. Baldev Raj Sharma (BJP), Mr. Surinder Kumar (BJP) and Ms. Shagun Parihar (BJP)** were deemed to have been moved in order to save the time of this august House.

Note 6: At this stage, Hon'ble Speaker informed the House that every Hon'ble Member would be given 4½ minutes to speak on the Demand for Grants and requested the Chief Whips of the respective parties to forward the brief list of Hon'ble Members who desired to speak on Grants. He further informed the House that the Hon'ble Chief Minister would give the reply tomorrow at 3 PM and voting would take place at 3.30 PM.

Note 7: At this stage, Hon'ble Speaker informed the House that a record number of 554 Cut Motions have been received in respect of the day's Demands for Grants which he had not seen in the history of the Business of the House.

The following Hon'ble Members took part in the discussion on Demand for Grants for the year 2026-27:-

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| 1. Mr. Mubarik Gul (NC) | 11.10 AM to 11.27 AM |
| 2. Mr. Javaid Iqbal (NC) | 11.27 AM to 11.35 AM |
| 3. Mr. Sham Lal Sharma (BJP) | 11.35 AM to 12.00 PM |
| 4. Mr. Muzaffar Iqbal Khan (Ind.) | 12.00 PM to 12.13 PM |
| 5. Mr. Nizam-ud-Din Bhat (INC) | 12.13 PM to 12.27 PM |

Note 8: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Nizam-ud-Din Bhat (INC) during his speech on Demand for Grants informed the House that the Jammu and Kashmir Cricket team won their semi-final and has reached the final of Ranji Trophy. Hon'ble Speaker said he has got this information from the Hon'ble Minister for Sports and congratulated the team for scripting history in the prestigious tournament by securing a berth in the final for the first time and conveyed his best wishes to the players for the upcoming title match.

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| 6. Mr. Ranbir Singh Pathania (BJP) | 12.27 PM to 12.41 PM |
| 7. Mr. Tanvir Sadiq (NC) | 12.41 PM to 12.52 PM |

Note 9: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Tanvir Sadiq (NC) during his speech on Grants raised the issue of disappearance of a historic Chandelier in Hazratbal Shrine for which he had also given the Calling Attention Notice and requested the Chair to take note of the issue. In response, Hon'ble Speaker informed the Hon'ble Member that his Calling Attention is under examination.

Hon'ble Member, Mr. Mubarik Gul (A Member on Panel of Chairmen) in the Chair at 12.50 PM.

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| 8. Mr. Zaffar Ali Khatana (NC) | 12.52 PM to 12.58 PM |
| 9. Ms. Shagun Parihar (BJP) | 12.58 PM to 1.08 PM |
| 10. Mr. Rafiq Ahmad Naik (PDP) | 1.08 PM to 1.13 PM |
| 11. Dr. Sajjad Shafi (NC) | 1.13 PM to 1.21 PM |
| 12. Mr. Altaf Ahmad Wani (NC) | 1.21 PM to 1.32 PM |

 **The House adjourned at 1.32 PM to meet again at 2.30 PM.**

The House re-assembled at 2.37 PM.

Advocate Abdul Rahim Rather, Hon'ble Speaker in the Chair at 2.37 PM.

Further discussion on Grants:-

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| 13. Mian Mehar Ali (NC) | 2.37 PM to 2.43 PM |
| 14. Mr. Baldev Raj Sharma (BJP) | 2.43 PM to 2.49 PM |

15. Mr. Irfan Hafiz Lone (INC)	2.49 PM to 2.55 PM
16. Dr. Rameshwar Singh (Ind.)	2.55 PM to 3.07 PM
17. Mr. Ali Mohammad Dar (NC)	3.07 PM to 3.17 PM
18. Mr. Arjun Singh Raju (NC)	3.17 PM to 3.27 PM
19. Mr. Vikram Randhawa (BJP)	3.27 PM to 3.38 PM
20. Mr. Shabir Ahmad Kullay (Ind.)	3.38 PM to 3.48 PM
21. Mr. Bashir Ahmad Shah Veeri (NC)	3.48 PM to 4.08 PM
22. Mr. Yudhvir Sethi (BJP)	4.08 PM to 4.18 PM

Hon'ble Member, Mr. Mubarik Gul (A Member on Panel of Chairman)
in the Chair at 4.10 PM.

23. Mr. Salman Sagar (NC)	4.19 PM to 4.30 PM
24. Mtr. Shamim Firdous (NC)	4.30 PM to 4.43 PM
25. Mr. Darshan Lal (BJP)	4.43 PM to 4.51 PM

Note 10: At this stage, on a point of information, Hon'ble Member, Mr. R. S. Pathania (BJP) alleged that students protesting outside the Civil Secretariat were brutally lathi charged by police personnel while they were demanding National Law University in Jammu. Consequently, all the Hon'ble Members of BJP stood up from their seats while holding placards and raised slogan in support of NLU for Jammu. Subsequently,

they moved towards the front rows but stopped by the Marshals from entering the well.

Meanwhile, all the Hon'ble Members of NC also stood up to counter the protest and questioned how they arranged placards so quickly after the protest. Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister said that the police function under the jurisdiction of the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor and advised the BJP Members to take up the matter with him. Hon'ble Member, Mr. Mubarik Gul (A Member on Panel of Chairmen) repeatedly requested the Hon'ble Members to resume their seats but they paid no attention towards the Chair. Consequently, Mr. Mubarik Gul (Panel of Chairman) adjourned the House amid continued sloganeering.



The House then adjourned at 5.00 PM, to meet again on Thursday, the 19th of February, 2026 at 10:00 AM in the Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly Hall, Jammu.