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(6th SESSION)

BULLETIN

Monday, September 28th, 2026

The House met today on 28th of September, 2026 at 10:00 AM in the Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly Hall, Srinagar.

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



At the commencement of day's proceedings, Hon'ble Member of BJP, Mr. Ranbir Singh Pathania stood up from his seat and informed the House that a Notice under Section 19(2)(c) of the Jammu and Kashmir Re-organization Act, 2019, read with Rule 215 of the Rules of Procedure and conduct of Business in the J&K Legislative Assembly, to move a Resolution for the removal of the Hon'ble Speaker is served to the Assembly Secretariat and argued that once such a motion had been submitted, the Speaker should not continue to preside over the proceedings until the House dealt with the Motion while referring Parliamentary incidents and precedents. He further objected that the Assembly is going beyond its Constitutional jurisdiction and referred to the doctrine of separation of powers, the Supreme Court and the

Constitution of India. In response, Hon'ble Speaker quoted Rule 215 Clause 1 & 2 of the Rules of Procedure which states as under:-

215. (1) "A member wishing to give a notice of a resolutions, under clause (c) of section 58 of the Constitution, for the removal of the Speaker or the Deputy Speaker, shall do in writing to the Secretary."

(2) "On receipt of a notice under sub-rule (1), a motion for leave to move the resolution shall be entered in the list of business in the name of the member concerned, on a day fixed by the Speaker, provided that the day so fixed shall be any day after fourteen days from the date of the receipt of notice of the resolution."



The Hon'ble Speaker informed the Hon'ble Member that despite being the practising advocate he had not gone through the contents of the rule completely and stated that the Motion would only be considered in the List of Business after the mandatory fourteen (14) days notice as laid down in the Business Rules and the mere submission of the notice does not mean that the Motion immediately becomes a matter before the House. Hon'ble Speaker also specifically referred to the Balram Jakhar precedent and said that precedent arose after the House had granted leave to move the Removal Motion but it does not apply in the instant case because he had not granted a leave to move the Motion yet. Hearing this, all the Hon'ble Members of BJP started protesting and demanded revocation of the contents of the Resolution with reference to Special Status and Autonomy termed it a 'violation' of the constitution and would not be allowed in the House.

➤ QUESTIONS

Starred Questions: 45 Starred Questions set down in the Question list were answered in writing, out of which only five (05) questions were called and answered orally as well. Five (05) Supplementary Questions were also raised and answered.

Note 1: At this stage, D.No. 1/6/300, D.No. 1/6/30 and D.No. 1/6/3 at S.No.'s 2, 6 & 7 respectively were called by the Hon'ble Speaker but were not taken up as the said questions belonged to the Hon'ble Members of BJP who were on protest.

Un-starred Questions: Written replies to 41 un-starred questions set down in the Question List were distributed among the concerned Hon'ble Members.

Note 2: At this stage, amid protest Leader of Opposition, Mr. Sunil Sharma while addressing the Chair stated that J&K is a sensitive region and has hostile neighbours who can exploit political differences and further stated that the Opposition is not here to disrupt the Business of the House. He asserted that so far as the Resolution is concerned, our party is not against the Statehood but oppose the contents of the Resolution viz autonomy and special status which is unacceptable and unconstitutional. Not getting response from the Chair, the Leader of Opposition alongwith his colleagues came into the Well of the House and raised anti-government slogans and reiterated the demand of revocation of the Resolution. Meanwhile, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Sham Lal Sharma conducted mock proceedings from the Well of the House and all the other BJP Legislators sat on the floor of the House. Intervening, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister amid chaos in the House stood up from his seat and recounted that more than two years of governance has lapsed, Statehood has

not been restored to Jammu and Kashmir despite the commitment made by Hon'ble Home Minister

Note 3: At this stage, Hon'ble Minister, Miss Sakeena Masood Itoo requested the Chair to direct the Assembly Secretariat not to record/report the fray in the House and direct the Media not to give coverage to the BJP Protestors in the Well of the House as they are playing for the galleries only. In response, Hon'ble Speaker directed the Assembly Secretariat not to record anything viz disruptions.

Note 4: At this stage, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister joined by all the Hon'ble Members of National Conference stood up from their seats and protested for making the derogatory remarks by the BJP protestors against the Hon'ble Chief Minister and demanded an apology from the Opposition Members.

Note 5: At this stage, Hon'ble Speaker directed the Assembly Secretariat not to record anything viz disruptions created.

Note 6: At this stage, Hon'ble Members of Congress namely Mr. Nizam-ud-Din Bhat, Mr. Ifthikar Ahmed and Mr. Irfan Hafiz Lone carrying banners in their hands protested and demanded resignation of Chief Election Commissioner and shouted slogans against electoral process.

Note 7: At this stage, Question Hour is concluded.

➤ **CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

- 1) **Mr. Nazir Ahmad Khan (Gurezi)** called the attention of the **Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, (Minister Incharge Public Works)** towards a matter of urgent public importance viz; the situation that has arisen due to delay in taking up construction work of Jawdara Barni Road.

Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, (Minister Incharge Public Works), Mr. Surinder Kumar Choudhary read out the reply.

- 2) **Pirzada Farooq Ahmad Shah** called the attention of the **Hon'ble Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Revenue)** towards a matter of urgent public importance viz; the situation that has arisen due to severe hailstorm during the intervening night of 11th and 12th September, 2026 which has affected several villages of Gulmarg Constituency including Haibilgam, Devbugh, Hardubani, Katibugh, Check-Charitram, Nangerpora, Kreshama, Yaal, Bewah, Mangalore, Mughama and Rawanpora, causing extensive damage to apple orchards and other fruit crops, maize, paddy/rice and other standing crops, resulting in substantial financial loss to families dependent upon agriculture and horticulture for their livelihood.

Hon'ble Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Revenue), Mr. Omar Abdullah read out the reply.

- 3) **Dr. Sajad Shafi** called the attention of the **Hon'ble Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Revenue)** towards a matter of urgent public importance viz; the situation that has arisen due to widespread administrative delays, arbitrary non-processing and wrongful rejection of ST-II certificates to eligible applicants issued under Pahari Ethnic group Category by Local Revenue Authorities in Uri Constituency contrary to the criteria adopted in other Constituencies of J&K.

Hon'ble Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Revenue), Mr. Omar Abdullah read out the reply.

Note 8: At this stage, the Calling Attention listed at S.No. 2 & 5 of day's business were called by the Hon'ble Speaker but not moved by the Hon'ble Members of BJP viz Ms. Shagun Parihar and Mr. Devinder Kumar Manyal as they were protesting in the Well of the House.

➤ **BILL FOR INTRODUCTION**

1. **MR. OMAR ABDULLAH, HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER (MINISTER INCHARGE LAW, JUSTICE & PARLIAMENATRY AFFAIRS)** introduced "A Bill to consolidate and amend the law to replace permission-based control with

rule-based governance and to enable citizens and enterprises to plan, invest, and work with confidence, and to foster Ease of Doing Business and Ease of Living in a manner that generates employment, attracts investment, and sustains long-term economic growth in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.” (L.A. Bill No. 11 of 2026) already published in an extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette.

2. **Mr. Omar Abdullah, Hon’ble Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Finance)** introduced “A Bill to amend the Jammu and Kashmir Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017” (L.A. Bill No. 12 of 2026) already published in an extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette.
3. **Mr. Omar Abdullah, Hon’ble Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs)** introduced, “A Bill to amend the Jammu and Kashmir Ministers’ and Ministers of State Salaries Act, 1956 (L.A Bill No. 13 of 2026) already published in an extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette.
4. **Mr. Omar Abdullah, Hon’ble Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs)** introduced “A Bill to amend the Salaries and Allowances of Members of the Jammu and Kashmir State Legislature Act, 1960, and for matters connected or incidental thereto.” (L.A. Bill No. 14 of 2026) already published in an extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette.
5. **Mr. Omar Abdullah, Hon’ble Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs)** introduced, “A Bill to amend the Jammu and Kashmir State Legislature Members’ Pension Act, 1984 and for matters connected or incidental thereto.” (L.A. Bill No. 15 of 2026) already published in an extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette.
6. **Mr. Omar Abdullah, Hon’ble Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs)** introduced “A Bill to amend certain enactments for decriminalising and rationalising offences for ease of living and ease of doing business and to repeal certain enactments and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.” (L.A. Bill No. 16 of 2026) already published in an extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette.

➤ **RESOLUTION**

Discussion on the **Resolution** moved by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 25th of September, 2026 in the House.

Amendment Notices to Resolution in the List of Business whereof given by Hon'ble Members namely, Mr. Javed Hassan Baig (NC), Mr. Nizam-ud-Din Bhat (INC), Mr. Muzafar Iqbal Khan (Ind.), Mr. Tanvir Sadiq (NC), Mr. Waheed-ur-Rehman Parra (PDP), Mr. Ajaz Ahmad Jan (NC), Aga Syed Muntazir Mehdi PDP), Mr. Altaf Ahmad Wani (NC), Mr. Hilal Akbar Lone (NC) Ch. Mohammad Akram (Ind.) and Mir Saifullah (NC) were deemed to have been moved in the House.

The following Hon'ble Members spoke in support of the Resolution:-

1. Mr. Javed Hassan Baig (NC)
2. Mr. Nizam-ud-Din Bhat (INC)

Note 9: At this stage, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. Surinder Kumar Choudhary and Hon'ble Member, Mr. Nazir Ahmad Khan (Gurezi) joined by all the Hon'ble Members of NC and Congress amid fray condemned the disrespect shown by the BJP Legislators towards the Chair and the derogatory remarks made against the Hon'ble Speaker terming it as unethical and unbecoming attitude exhibited by the BJP Legislators thereby, demoralizing the sanctity of the House. Hon'ble Speaker stood up from his seat and warned the agitating Legislators to abstain from using un-parliamentary words adding that their behaviour is being minutely monitored and strict action would be taken.

Note 10: At this stage, Hon'ble Members, Mr. Arvind Gupta (BJP), Mr. Vikram Randhawa (BJP), Mr. Irfan Hafiz Lone (INC) and Mr. Ifthikar Ahmed (INC) were marshalled out from the House by the direction of Hon'ble Chair.

3. Mr. Muzafar Iqbal Khan (Ind.)

Note 11: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Mubarik Gul, (Panel of Chairmen) in the Chair at 12:02 P.M.

4. Mr. Tanvir Sadiq (NC)
5. Mr. Waheed-ur-Rehman Parra (PDP)
6. Mr. Ajaz Ahmad Jan (NC)
7. Aga Syed Muntazir Mehdi (PDP)
8. Mr. Altaf Ahmad Wani (NC)
9. Mr. Hilal Akbar Lone (NC)

Note 12: At this stage, Hon'ble Speaker, Advocate Abdul Rahim Rather in the Chair at 12:27 P.M.

- 10.Ch. Mohammad Akram (Ind.)
- 11.Mir Saifullah (NC)
- 12.Mr. Irfan Hafiz Lone (INC)

Note 13: On the point of information, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Javaid Ahmad Mirchal (NC) raised the issue of a brutal Sumo accident occurred in Semari area in Karnah Constituency which fell into the gorge causing death of six persons besides severely injuring five persons and demanded ex-gratia relief in favour of the deceased family.

13. Mr. Sajad Gani Lone (PC)
- 14.Mr. Nazir Ahmad Khan (Gurezi) (NC)
15. Mr. Shabir Ahmad Kullay (Ind.)
16. Mtr. Shamim Firdous (NC)

17. Mr. Mehraj Malik (AAP)
18. Mr. Khursheed Ahmad Sheikh (Ind.)
19. Mr. G. A. Mir (INC)
20. Mr. M. Y. Tarigami (CPIM)

Note 14: At this stage, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Mr. Omar Abdullah replied the debate at 1:25 P.M.

Note 15: At this stage, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Mr. Omar Abdullah addressing the Chair stated that Centre had failed to fulfill its commitment regarding Statehood which should have been implemented immediately after the Government came into power as was promised by Hon'ble Prime Minister. Defending the wording of Resolution, he said it had been prepared after careful consideration to ensure that nothing in it could provide an excuse for disrupting the House. He asserted that there are some learned lawyers in the House, they should read the Resolution and tell him where in the Resolution, he was asking to vote on Article 370, 35-A or on Special Status.

He pointed out on the BJP for destroying and dismantling the erstwhile State of Maharaja Hari Singh and said that J&K's Map was dismantled, Maharaja's State Subject was done away with and the instrument of Accession that granted J&K a Special Status was also dismantled and the BJP keeps sloganeering 'Maharaja Hari Singh Amar Rahay'.

He further questioned the delay in the submission of the report by the High-Level Committee formed to examine the regularization of daily wagers while saying that why the Committee constituted to look into their regularization had still not submitted its report. He noted that while the panel was originally given six months, a significant period had passed without the

report being finalized, attributing part of the administrative hurdles and delays to J&K's Status as a Union Territory rather than a full fledged State.

Mr. Abdullah said that the absence of Statehood is impacting the day to day functioning of the elected Government in such a way that the Law Secretary had forwarded an opinion on the Resolution to the Speaker and he being the Law Minister did not see the said communication. He also said that perhaps alongwith that the Chief Secretary had also forwarded a letter to the Speaker about Resolution and he as a Chief Minister is not aware about the said letter. It is all happening because of a Union Territory Status. He also criticized that it is also because of a Union Territory Status that J&K had been without an Advocate General for the last two years.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister also questioned why certain departments and institutions remained outside the elected Government's control despite law and order being the only major subject retained by the Centre.

Note 16: At this stage, time was extended by half-an hour with the leave of the House.



Continuing the speech, Hon'ble Chief Minister while responding to the sensitive issue being deliberated upon in the House recounted that J&K is demanding their legitimate right of Statehood which is their constitutional right adding that the Government is not asking for any favour from the Union of India. He targeted and criticized the BJP Legislators for protesting into the Well of the House and not allowing the proceedings of the House to go smoothly and alleged that the Opposition is non-serious in addressing the aspirations of the people of Jammu and Kashmir by restoring its status of Statehood. He also said that some colleagues had move amendment seeking

to bring some issue into the Resolution which could provide an opportunity to disrupt the proceedings and requested them to withdraw all their amendments.

Note 17: At this stage, as Hon'ble Speaker initiated the voting process after Hon'ble Chief Minister replied to the discussion, all BJP Legislators staged a walkout from the House.

Note 18: At this stage, the Hon'ble Speaker requested the Hon'ble Members to withdraw the amendments given in the said Resolution. The amendments were withdrawn with the leave of the House.

The Motion was carried and the following Resolution was passed by the House with the voice vote.

"In addition to the Resolutions passed by this House on 26th June, 2000 and 6th November, 2024, this House calls upon the Government of India for the immediate and urgent restoration of full Statehood to Jammu and Kashmir and resolves that this Resolution be forwarded to Government of India."



The House then adjourned at 1:51 P.M to meet again on Tuesday, the 29th September, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. in the Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly Hall, Srinagar.