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BULLETIN

Thursday, September 24th, 2026

The House met today on 24th 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.

➤ **QUESTIONS**

Starred Questions: 45 Starred Questions set down in the Question list were answered in writing, out of which only seven (07) questions were called and answered orally as well. Eleven (11) Supplementary Questions were also raised and answered.

Note 1: At this stage, Hon'ble Speaker while endorsing the issue involving in D. No 1/6/18 given by the Hon'ble Member, Mr. R. S. Pathania (BJP) regarding the allotment of official vehicles, questioned the Hon'ble Minister for Transport, Mr. Satish Sharma over the delay in implementing the report of a High-Level Committee submitted on 1st September, 2026. Hon'ble Speaker also inquired from the Hon'ble Minister about the practice of providing separate vehicles to an officer holding charge of multiple departments and

asked the Minister about action taken to streamline the vehicle allotment to such officers. In response, Hon'ble Minister while admitting a delay in the implementation of the Report of High Powered Committee and assured the House that the department will furnish the information on this count within this Session.

Un-starred Questions: Written replies to 45 un-starred questions set down in the Question List were distributed among the concerned Hon'ble Members.

Note 2: At this stage, Hon'ble Speaker informed the House that Zero Hour is reserved for raising matters of an emergent nature and recent occurrence of their respective Constituencies which cannot be now raised through other devices viz Calling Attention, Questions, Resolutions etc, since the designated time for their submission had already expired.

Note 3: At this stage, on the point of information, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Daleep Singh Parihar (BJP) drew the attention of the House towards the brutal sexual assault on a 15 year old girl belonging to financially underprivileged family of his Constituency by two youth and demanded the intervention of the Government in the matter.

➤ **ZERO HOUR**

The following Hon'ble Members raised their Constituency related issues during the Zero Hour:-

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| 1. Mr. Nizam-ud-Din Bhat (INC) | 11:04 A.M. to 11:06 A.M. |
| 2. Mr. Nazir Ahmad Khan (NC) | 11:06 A.M. to 11:09 A.M. |

Note 4: At this stage, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Mr. Surinder Kumar Choudhary made a statement with regard to the issue raised by Mr. Nazir Ahmad Khan (Gurezi) regarding stalling of important road projects of his

Constituency sanctioned under PMGSY owing to pending forest clearance. Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister assured the Hon'ble Member that he would coordinate with the Hon'ble Minister Incharge Forest and call an immediate high-level meeting with the Forest Department to secure the necessary NOC on this account after conclusion of this Assembly Session.

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| 3. Mtr. Shamim Firdous (NC) | 11:11 A.M. to 11:13 A.M. |
| 4. Mr. M. Y. Tarigami (CPIM) | 11:13 A.M. to 11:16 A.M. |
| 5. Mr. Muzafar Iqbal Khan (Ind.) | 11:16 A.M. to 11:21 A.M. |
| 6. Mir Mohammad Fayaz (PDP) | 11:21 A.M. to 11:24 A.M. |
| 7. Mian Mehar Ali (NC) | 11:24 A.M. to 11:26 A.M. |

Note 5: At this stage, Hon'ble Minister Incharge Education, Mtr. Sakeena Masood Itoo replied on the issue raised by Hon'ble Member, Mir Mohammad Fayaz. She stated that deploying personnel is mandatory for the Education Department only against sanctioned posts and no posting can be made where no such vacancy or post exists.

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| 8. Mr. S. S. Salathia (BJP) | 11:28 A.M. to 11:33 A.M. |
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Note 6: At this Stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. S. S. Salathia (BJP) raised the urgent issue of SCARD Bank depositors' payment and sought a reply from the Government on this behalf. In response, Hon'ble Minister for Cooperatives, Mr. Javed Ahmad Dar assured the Legislator that the depositors' funds are completely safe and liquation proceedings are underway to resolve the issue.

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| 9. Dr. Rameshwar Singh (Ind.) | 11:37 A.M. to 11:40 A.M. |
| 10. Pirzada Farooq Ahmad Shah (NC) | 11:41 A.M. to 11:44 A.M. |

11.Mr. Shakti Raj Parihar (BJP)

11:44 A.M to 11:46 A.M.

Note 7: At this stage, Hon'ble Minister for Forest, Mr. Javed Ahmed Rana made a statement with regard to the issuance of Forest Clearance Certificates for various road projects. He further apprised the House about the set procedure of conducting joint verification by different departments in this behalf and requested all the Hon'ble Members to upload their sanctioned projects on Parivesh Portal for obtaining NOC.

12.Mr. Hasnain Masoodi (NC)

11:51 A.M. to 11:54 A.M.

13.Mr. Sajad Gani Lone (PC)

11:54 A.M. to 11:59 A.M.

Note 8: At this stage, Hon'ble Speaker on the clarity sought by Hon'ble Member, Mr. Sajad Gani Lone (PC) regarding the rights and privileges of elected representatives in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir informed the Hon'ble Member that if a Breach of Privilege occurred, the Hon'ble Member may send this Assembly Secretariat a formal notice to that effect. However, the onus remains on him to establish the breach, which can be taken strictly in accordance with the prescribed Rules of Business.

14.Mr. Narinder Singh Raina (BJP)

12:00 P.M. to 12:03 P.M.

Note 9: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Ajaz Ahmad Jan (NC) strongly objected on the remarks made by Hon'ble Member, Mr. Narinder Singh Raina (BJP) regarding disparity in the issuance of ST-II Certificates to the ethnic groups in Jammu and Kashmir. He criticized the BJP for targeting and side lining developmental and regional concerns of the Pir Panchal and Poonch-Rajouri areas which was endorsed by Hon'ble Member, Mr. Muzafar Iqbal Khan (Ind.). However, all the BJP Legislators started protesting and demanded ST status for all Paharis. Observing the fray,

Hon'ble Speaker stood up from his seat directed all the agitating Hon'ble Members of BJP and NC to occupy their seats and stated that for initiating the debate on any issue, notice is needed to be given.

Note 10: At this stage, Hon'ble Minister, Mr. Satish Sharma made an announcement that the Government has approved six free LPG cylinders annually for AAY families in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and the details will be shared shortly. This irked the BJP Legislators who called it a betrayal of election promises by the Ruling Government who originally pledged to give twelve cylinders to all households. Amid upheaval, Leader of Opposition, Mr. Sunil Sharma stated that the Ruling Government had promised twelve LPG cylinders to every household during election and alleged that they have failed to keep its promise. While the announcement was welcomed by the Treasury Benches by thumping of desks, the Legislators of BJP shouted slogans against the Government. Observing the chaos in the House, the Hon'ble Speaker stood up from his seat and directed all the Members of BJP and NC to occupy their seats and allow the smooth functioning of the Business concerning the issues of the people.

Note 11: At this stage, Zero Hour concluded at 12:09 P.M.

Note 12: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Nizam-ud-Din Bhat (INC) informed the House about the accident occurred in Fruit Mandi Sopore causing the death of a youth named Haziq Maqbool Mir, S/o Mr. Mohammad Maqbool Mir a resident of Kensoo, Bandipora and sought an intervention of the Government in this matter.

Note 13: At this stage, Hon'ble Member, Mr. Kuldeep Raj Dubey (BJP) informed the House about the accidental death of a youth belonging to his

Constituency a few days ago in Pulwama who was working in a factory that has not provided any financial assistance to the family of the deceased and sought an ex-gratia relief in their favour.

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

- 1) **MR. JAVID HASSAN BAIG** called the attention of the **Hon'ble Minister Incharge Health and Medical Education** towards a matter of urgent public importance viz; the situation that has arisen due to alarming non-functionality of Ventilators at Government Medical College, Baramulla and serious lapses in critical care preparedness thereby endangering the lives of patients there.

Hon'ble Minister Incharge Health & Medical Education, Ms. Sakeena Masood Itoo read out the reply.

- 2) **MR. IRSHAD RASOOL KAR** called the attention of the **Hon'ble Minister Incharge Jal Shakti** towards a matter of urgent public importance viz; the situation that has arisen due to acute shortage of functional water tankers in Sopore Constituency, which has caused severe water scarcity there.

Hon'ble Minister Incharge Jal Shakti, Mr. Javed Ahmed Rana read out the reply.

- 3) **MR. WAHEED UR REHMAN PARA** called the attention of the **Hon'ble Minister Incharge Health and Medical Education** towards a matter of urgent public importance viz; the situation that has arisen due to rising incidence of cancer by the use of spurious and sub-standard pesticides in Jammu and Kashmir, particularly in major agricultural and horticultural areas.

Hon'ble Minister, Mr. Javed Ahmad Dar on behalf of **Hon'ble Minister for Health and Medical Education** read out the reply.

Note 14: At this stage, Hon'ble Speaker while taking cognizance of grave issue raised by Hon'ble Member, Mr. Waheed-ur-Rehman Parra (PDP)

directed the Government to take the preventive measures for containing the spread of this disease.

- 4) **SHRI BALWANT SINGH MANKOTIA** 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 closure of roads from Nagulta-Razar and Gujad Chirdi to Thenidhar by landslides and non-maintenance, which has affected these roads and disrupted traffic movement and causing inconvenience to the general public.

Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister (Minister Incharge Public Works) read out the reply.

➤ **BILL FOR INTRODUCTION**

Mr. OMAR ABDULLAH, HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER (MINISTER INCHARGE HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT) introduced "A Bill to amend the Jammu and Kashmir Municipal Act, 2000." (L.A. Bill No.10 of 2026) already published in an extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette.

The Bill was introduced.

➤ **RESOLUTION**

Further discussion on the **Resolution** already moved by the Hon'ble Minister for School Education on 22nd of September, 2026 in the House.

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

1. Pirzada Farooq Ahmad Shah (NC)
2. Mr. Nazir Ahmad Khan (Gurezi) (NC)
3. Dr. Syed Bashir Ahmad Shah Veeri (NC)

Hon'ble Minister for Health & Medical Education, Miss Sakeena Masood Itoo replied the points raised by the Hon'ble Members.

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

"This House unanimously urges the Union Government to make necessary statutory amendment to Section 23 of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, to exempt all Teachers appointed before 01.01.2019 from appearing in the Teacher Eligibility Test (TET)."

This House further urges the Union Government to take all legal steps and issue the requisite Notification through National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) for exemption of Teacher Eligibility Test (TET)."

➤ **PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS FOR INTRODUCTION**

- 1) **MR. SHEIKH KHURSHEED AHMAD** moved for leave to introduce" A Bill to make it obligatory for the Public Men and Public Servants to educate their children in Government educational institutions and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto. **(L.A. Private Members' Bill No. 22 of 2025)"**

Hon'ble Member, Mr. Sheikh Khursheed Ahmad spoke in support of his Bill.

Hon'ble Minister Incharge for Higher Education, Miss Sakeena Masood Itoo replied the points raised by the Hon'ble Member and opposed the Bill.

The Bill was rejected by the House with voice vote and leave to introduce the Bill was not granted.

The House then adjourned at 1:30 P.M. to meet again on Friday, the 25th September, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. in the Jammu & Kashmir Legislative Assembly Hall, Srinagar.