



*Government of Jammu & Kashmir*

**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER**  
**GANDERBAL**

(Mini Secretariat Complex Duderhama)

**Subject: - Record Note of the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Ganderbal on 03/11/2015 regarding arrangement for snow clearance for upcoming winter season.**

Deputy Commissioner Ganderbal convened a meeting in his Office chamber on **03/11/2015 at 3:00pm** regarding **arrangement/ preparedness of snow clearance for upcoming winter season**. The following Officers attended the meeting:

| S.No. | Name                       | Designation                                |
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| 1.    | Mr. Syed Shahnawaz Bukhari | Addl Deputy Commissioner.                  |
| 2.    | Mr. Parvaiz Ahmad          | Assistant Commissioner Revenue, Ganderbal  |
| 3.    | Mr. Gh. Mohammad Mir       | SDM Kangan                                 |
| 4.    | Mr. Showkat Jeelani        | Executive Engineer R&B Div Ganderbal.      |
| 5.    | Mr. Bashir Ahmad Baba      | Executive Engineer Sonamarg Dev Authority  |
| 6.    | Mr. Mohammad Ismail        | Executive Engineer Mechanical Engineering. |
| 7.    | Mr. Sant Kumar Singh       | Officer Commanding Beacon Haripora.        |
| 8.    | Mr. Firdous Ahmad Qadri    | Tehsildar Lar                              |
| 9.    | Ms. Rabia Yousuf           | Tehsildar Ganderbal                        |
| 10.   | Mr. Imtiyaz Ahmad Budoo    | Tehsildar Wakura                           |
| 11.   | Mr. GM Khatana             | Tehsildar Tullamulla                       |
| 12.   | Dr. Mohammad Ibrahim       | District Health Officer, Ganderbal.        |
| 13.   | Mr. Farooq Ahmad           | AEE PMGSY (rep of Executive Engineer)      |
| 14.   | Mr. Ajaz Ahmad             | AEE PDD (rep of Executive Engineer)        |
| 15.   | Mr. Anees Ahmad            | Executive Officer Municipality Gbl         |

In order to take stock of the arrangements in the wake of snow during ensuing winter season, a meeting was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner. At the outset, the Deputy Commissioner welcomed all the participants. While initiating the discussions he gave a brief of the problems being faced by the general public due to the heavy snowfall and in case immediate attention is not paid which leads to road blocks, traffic disruption and water-logging. Mechanism to restore the essential viz, power supply, clearance of snow from roads, dewatering in case of water logging were discussed.

**Mechanical Engineering Department:** It was informed that Mechanical Engineering Department is responsible for clearing snow from 233 Kms impact main roads viz Zakura to Wayiloo Bypass Safapora to Ganderbal & Kangan. Department informed chair that 03 snow clearance machines are stationed in District Ganderbal. Department will start its operation on accumulation of 4 inch snow and are already in state of alertness. After clearing snow from plains all machines will be deployed to uppar catchments. Executive Engineer Mechanical Engineering Department informed the chair that they are facing problems to reach the upper areas for clearance of snow as snow clearances from main roads viz National Highway (SSG road) is at the domain of Beacon and Beacon is not starting its snow clearance operation till snowfall stops.

Taking serious note, Deputy Commissioner impressed upon Beacon authorities for their negligence in snow clearance from Major/important roads of the District. Deputy Commissioner directed Beacon and Mechanical Engineering department to coordinate with each other and start their snow clearance operations at the accumulation of 4"inch snow, so that roads may remain transportable and general public may not suffer. Both agencies assured the chair that they will implement directions in letter and spirit.

**Beacon:** - Beacon is important stakeholder for snow clearance in District Ganderbal, as the agency is clearing snow from 140kms of high way leading to Sonamarg Ladakh. Beacon shall utilize all snow clearance machines once the accumulation of snow is 4" inches and first call shall be Beacon.

**PMGSY:** - PMGSY department has 17-roads with the length 32.5Kms PMGSY authority has assured chair that snow from these roads will be cleared on priority.

**Municipal Committee Ganderbal:**- Executive Officer GMC informed the chair that as per past practice snow clearance will be started at 6:00am from inner/link roads, lanes/bye lanes, so as to make the public movement smooth.

**Health Department:** - District Health Officer Ganderbal informed chair that patients are facing difficulties due to blockade of roads during snowfall. Deputy Commissioner directed all stakeholders that snow shall be clear on priority from the link roads leading to Hospital/Dispensaries etc.

**Power Development Department:-** It has come to the notice that PDD has not procured the transformers and other essential material for which District Development Commissioner has already released funds since June till date under CPF/MPLAD. Deputy Commissioner impressed upon PDD authorities for not utilizing funds for procurement of essential and directed them to ensure procurement of the same at an earliest.

**R&B Department:** - R&B Department Ganderbal has to clear a stretch of 140kms road length in District Ganderbal and the authorities ensure the chair that the Department will act swiftly during snow clearance drive.

Strict directions were conveyed to stakeholders for submission of action plan for ensuing winters by or before 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2015. Besides, all departments including Tehsildars shall set up a control room in their respective Hqrs. A control room has also been set in the office of District Dev. Commissioner Ganderbal under the supervision of Assistant Commissioner Revenue Ganderbal.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to & from the chair.

(Syed Shahnawaz Bukhari), KAS  
**Addl. Deputy Commissioner  
Ganderbal**

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**Date: 09/11/2015**

**Copy to the:-**

1. Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir.
2. Addl Deputy Commissioner, Ganderbal.
3. Assistant Commissioner Revenue, Ganderbal.
4. Sub Divisional Magistrate Kangan.
5. Executive Engineer, R&B Ganderbal.
6. Executive Engineer PMGSY, Ganderbal.
7. Executive Engineer Mechanical Engineering Department Ganderbal.
8. All Tehsildars.
9. Executive Officer Municipal Committee, Ganderbal

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