

# Altaf Bukhari reviews progress of vital projects

## Conducts evening tour of Srinagar

**Srinagar, July 27:** Minister for Education Syed Muhammad Altaf Bukhari conducted a late evening visit of various areas of Srinagar city



to take appraisal of progress on various developmental works in progress under different schemes.

At construction of Grade Separator site, Bukhari was told that the project was to be completed within one year from the date of laying of foundation stone but due to some unavoidable circumstances the work got hampered.

The CEO ERA informed that so far 45-50% progress has been achieved on construction of Grade Separator and work is underway in round the clock to ensure early completion of the project.

In order to ensure minimal

hindrance to traffic movement on the road, the Minister directed ERA officers to start barricading for laying of pier P1 by 29th July and must ensure its completion by 12th August, 2017.

Later, the minister inspected progress of work on construction of Rs 339 Crore Expressway Corridor from Jehangir Chowk to Rambagh where work was also in full swing during the late night.

He was informed by CEO ERA that 62%- 67% progress has been achieved on the project and till date Rs 175.79 crores have been spent on the 2.5 Km long prestigious infrastructure project in the Srinagar centre.

The Minister expressed satisfaction with the progress of work on the coveted project and directed JKERA to ensure that the project is commissioned in full by December 2017.

The Minister issued directions that the left tube of the Solina Bazaar presently closed for vehicular traffic should be premixed and open for traffic by 10th of August 2017.

Later, the minister inspected the work on mega drainage project

in Lal Chowk being funded under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme.

The minister expressed his displeasure over slow pace of work and lack of supervision at the site. He asked the officers of the executing agency to ensure timely completion of the project through proper monitoring and supervision at the highest level in the department.

Bukhari directed the concerned officers to improve the pace and monitoring of the construction works in these areas. He directed the deputy commissioner, Srinagar to conduct frequent visits to different sites of mega projects to ensure their completion in time.

The minister also visited different sites in Rajbagh-Armwari to take stock of macadamisation work. On his visit to Armwari, he assured a delegation of the locals that the remaining part of Bund road connecting Armwari with Kursoo will be macadamized on priority.

CEO ERA, DC Srinagar, director ERA, SSP Srinagar, SSP Traffic and other senior sectoral officers accompanied the minister.



## Bukhari dismayed over slow pace of work

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Minister for Education Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari today expressed his dismay over the delay in the completion of different projects undertaken in Srinagar city.

The minister, who conducted a late evening visit to three sites at Lal Chowk, directed officials to expedite works in multiple shifts for their early completion.

Expressing dismay over the lack of supervision at the construction site of a grade separator at the Radio Kashmir crossing, Bukhari stressed on the executing agency to ensure proper monitoring and supervision for its early completion.

The officials informed the minister, who is also the MLA of Amirakadal constituency, that 45-50 per cent progress had been achieved in the construction of the grade separator and work was underway to ensure early completion of the project.

The minister issued directions that the left tube of the Solina Bazar, presently closed for traffic, should be opened by August 10.

The minister also inspected the work on the mega drainage project at Lal Chowk being funded under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation.

"The minister expressed his displeasure over the slow pace of work and lack of supervision at the site. He asked the officers of the executing agency to ensure timely completion of the project," the officials said. — TNS