

# **Div Com announces No Parking Zones in Srinagar**

*Reviews transport, parking management plan*

Divisional Commissioner Kashmir Baseer Ahmad Khan convened a meeting to review the road and parking management plan of the Srinagar city.

Additional Commissioner Kashmir, Additional Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Director ERA, Secretary SDA, RTO Kashmir, SP Traffic, Chief Town Planner, CSO SMC, Deputy Director Tourism, Deputy Director Planning, Traffic Advisor to the government and other concerned officials were present in the meeting.

The meeting was informed that in pursuance of High Court directions and for smooth functioning of traffic in Srinagar city, Divisional Commissioner Kashmir had passed the directions that the By-pass road from Athwajan to Parimpora, Batamaloo to Dalgate, Dalgate to Duck Park via Nishat & Residency road from Jehangir Chowk to Radio Kashmir roads of the Srinagar city are hereby declared as “No Parking Zones”. The general Public is accordingly advised to park their Vehicles in designated parking slots only.

On the occasion, as per CM directions, Div Com directed ERA to open the road stretch for traffic from Ram Bagh to Alochi Bagh immediately.

In order to ensure smooth flow of traffic, he directed SMC to start intense drive from today against road encroachers and violators should be dealt strictly as per the law.

Khan asked SP Traffic to immediately seal those shopping malls that did not provide car parking space. The meeting was told that the Government has hired services of a Traffic Advisor who will study the traffic congestion issues at busy roads stretches.

Div Com directed the Traffic Advisor to formulate a comprehensive proposal for the decongestion of traffic in the city so that the suggestions will be implemented immediately.

Div Com constituted a team in which Additional Deputy Commissioner Srinagar will head it and officers of SDA, R&B, SMC, RTO and traffic advisor to government are its members. This team will conduct a survey in the city to identify new parking areas and submit the report in a week's time.

Khan directed RTO Kashmir to shift Batamaloo Bus Adda to Parimpora by July 20, 2017 in a phase wise manner.

