

Uttarakhand CM says Govt intended to provide jobs to more than 30,000 youths this year

Chief Minister Harish Rawat today said the state was developing at a fast pace as its per capita income was much higher than other states.

He unveiled and laid foundation stones of projects worth Rs 46 crore at Nehrugram. Projects worth Rs 30.38 crore were unveiled while foundation stone for works worth Rs 15.56 crore were laid.

The inaugurated projects include two-laned road and bridge from Hathikhana via Kidduwala to bridge number 6 at Raipur. Several link roads, borewell project at Tapovan Enclave, Dashmesh Vihar, repair works of various drains and upgrade of pipelines under Jal Sansthan at Raipur were also unveiled.

Rawat said the state government had been trying to fulfill the aspirations of the people. “For an integrated development of villages, several projects have been initiated. The per capita income of the state is much higher than other states which indicates that the state is developing at a fast pace,” he said.

He said the government had been trying to share the fruits of development with the poor people of the state by initiating several welfare schemes. “The number of pension holders has increased from 1.84 lakh to 7 lakh, making Uttarakhand the only state to have such a number of social pensioners. It is only Uttarakhand where a pension scheme has been put in place right from birth of a girl child to pension for widow and old-aged women. The family having two daughters would be felicitated. The scheme of providing nutritional food, free travel in government transport services to elderly women is being taken up,” he said.

He said the government intended to provide jobs to more than 30,000 youths this year, of which 16,500 appointments had already been done. The Cabinet had approved the regularisation of slums and the proposal would be tabled in the Vidhan Sabha session soon, he added.