

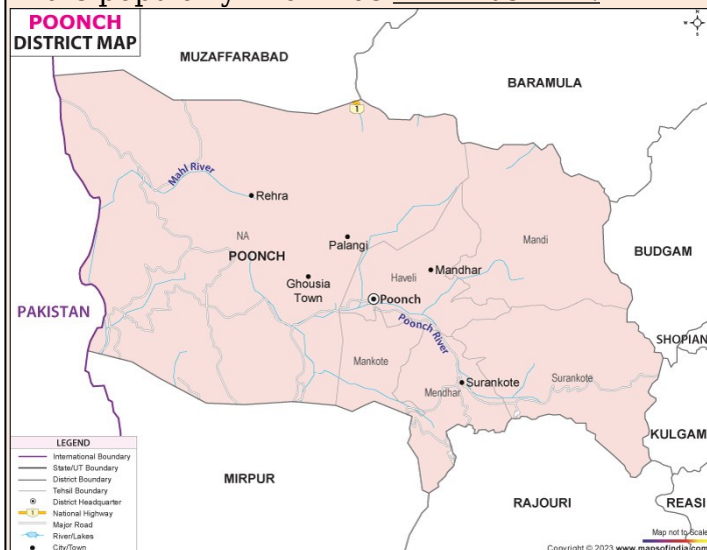
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Geography

Poonch District

- It is a border district of J & K situated on the Line of Control (LoC).
- **Located in** - West of State bordering Punjab and Himachal Pradesh.
- **Major part** - Occupied by Pakistan which is a part of Azad Kashmir territory.
- **Separated from** - Kashmir Valley by gigantic Pir Panjal range.
- **Trade** - Poonch holds a prominent place on the world map for trade along the LoC, particularly at the Chakka-Da-Bagh crossing.
- It is popularly known as Mini Kashmir.



Polity & Governance

Launched 41 new books under PM YUVA 2.0 (Pradhan Mantri Young, Upcoming and Versatile Authors)

- **Launched in** - 2022.
- **Initiated by** - Ministry of Education.
- **Part of** - India@75 Project (Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav).
- **Theme** - Democracy (institutions, events, people, constitutional values - past, present, future).
- **Aim** - An author mentorship programme to train young and budding authors (below 30 years of age) to promote reading, writing & book culture in the country and Indian writings globally.
- **National Book Trust** - It will be translated into other Indian languages ensuring the exchange of culture and literature, thereby promoting '**Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat**'.

Market Intervention Scheme (MIS)

- **Launched in** - 1983.
- **Initiated by** - Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.
- **Umbrella scheme** - [Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanraks Han Abhiyan \(PM-AASHA\)](#).
- **Aim** - To procure perishable agricultural product like tomatoes, onions, potatoes & fruits, where the MSP does not apply.
- **Procurement limit of crops** - Increased from the existing 20%-25%.

Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)

- **Launched in** - 2003.
- **Initiated by** - Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC).
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME).
- **PMEGP** - It is a major *credit-linked subsidy programme*.
- **Aims** - To Generate jobs by creating micro-enterprises in both rural and urban areas and connect traditional artisans with unemployed youth for local self-employment.
- **Timeline** - 5 years (2021-2026).

DND 3.0 (Do Not Disturb) App

- **Launched by** - Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI).
- **Updated Features** - An intelligent *spam detection engine* (for SMS only) to assist the subscriber in reporting.
- **Key Features**
 - Crowdsourcing data to quickly detect unregistered telemarketers.
 - Updates on actions taken regarding complaints within the App.
 - Improved interface and setup for user convenience.

National Cooperative Consumers' Federation of India Ltd. (NCCF)

- **Established on** - 1965.
- **Nodal Agency**- Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.
- **Registered under** - Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act, 2002.
- **NCCF** - It is an *apex organization* for the Consumer Cooperatives.
- **Functions** - The organization aims to enhance the consumer cooperative movement.

Security

Aero India 2025

- **Organized by:**
 - Ministry of Defence
 - Defence Exhibition Organisation.
 - Department of Defence Production.
- **Theme** - The Runway to a Billion Opportunities
- **Aero India** - It is a *biennial air show and aviation exhibition* held in Bengaluru.
- **Venue** - Yelahanka Air Force Station.
- It is India's premier aerospace and defence exhibition where global aero vendors and the Indian Air Force (IAF) thrill the spectators with back-to-back aerobatic flying displays.

Manthan 2025

- **Part of** - Aero India 2025, Bengaluru.
- **Organized by:**
 - Innovations for Defence Excellence - Defence Innovation Organisation (iDEX-DIO)
 - Department of Defence Production.
- **Manthan** - It is a flagship *annual defence innovation event*.

Science

CE20 Cryogenic Engine

- **Developed by** – Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre of ISRO.
- **CE20** – It is an indigenous cryogenic engine powering the upper stage of LVM3 (3 stage medium-lift launch vehicle).
- With a multi-element igniter under vacuum conditions, which simulates the engine ignition in the vacuum condition of space.
- **ISRO Test** – It also conducts successful sea level hot test of this engine, which paving the way for future missions.

Miscellaneous

World Radio Day

- It is celebrated on the *13th of February* each year.
- **Theme of 2025** – Radio and Climate Change.
- **Aim** – To raise awareness about the importance of radio in all its forms, particularly in rural and underserved areas.
- **Celebrated** – To acknowledge and celebrate the significance of radio in shaping society and culture globally.
- **Recognize** – The importance of radio in promoting information, education, and entertainment across diverse communities.



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