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### Master plan is linked to city's growth and development: Lt Governor

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday said, through public out-reach programme, we are putting people at the heart of urban transformation & unlocking cities' full poten-tial to drive growth, empow-

ual to drive growth, empow-er local governance and to ensure seamless delivery of services at the doorsteps. People participation is a decisive factor for develop-mental initiative because



every city's challenges and opportunities are different Attending the ongoing 'My Town, My Pride' Pro My Town, My Pride Programme here at Gulshan Ground, Sinha speaking on the occasion said that during MTMP event, senior officials are visiting the towns and enabling direct communication and creating system that is responsive to local needs. The Lt Gewarner termed

Governor termed
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### SI (M) Faroog Ahmad's killing

### SIU produces chargesheet before NIA court in Srinagar

SRINAGAR: The Special Investigating Unit (SIU) Awantipora on Tuesday produced a chargesheet before wan resident of Ladhoo Awantipora on Tuesday pro-duced a chargesheet before the Court of NIA Srinagar in a case related to the killing of Sub Inspector (M) Farooq Ahmad of Samboora on June 18, 2022.

As par a statement issued to the news agency, the SIU produced chargesheet in a case under FIR number 71/2022 of Police Station Pampore before the Court of NIA Srinagar related to killing of SI (M) Parooq Ahmad resident of Samboora on 18/06/2022 against accused Owais Mushtaq Gani son of Mushtaq Ahmad Gani eresi-

Wani resident or Ladnov Pampore. Besides, challan against two juvenile accused (name withheld) was produced before the court of Juvenile Justice Board Pulwama for their involvement in the instant case, the statement said.

said.
"During the course of investigation, various suspects were called for questioning from time to time and on 24/06/2022 one suspect namely Owais Mushtaq Ganie son of Mushtaq Ahmad Ganie resident of

Samboora confessed his involvement in the commis-sion of crime," the statement

added.
It said that on his disclo sure, two juveniles (name withheld) were held for their active involvement and role in the killing of the police officer Farooq Ahmad along with one active militant of Al-Badr namely Majid Nazir son of Nazir Ahmad Wani

resident of Ladhoo Pampore During the course of inves-tigation, it came to forth that all the three accused were active militant associates of Al-Badar and were in constant touch with
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### IED detected, defused in Shopian



SRINAGAR: Security forces on Tuesday detected and defused an improvised explosive device (EED) in Jammu and Kashmir's Shop-Jammu and Kashmir's Shop-Jamu and Kashmir's Shop-Ja

Jammu and Kashmir's Shop-ian district, officials said. The suspected IED was found by the security forces in Shirmal area of Shopian, they said Soon after the detection, the area was cordoned and the homb disposal sunad was

This was the second IED detected and later defused in Shopian district in the last

found by the security forces in Shrimal area of Shopian they said Soon after the detection, the area was cordoned and the bomb disposal squad was called and it later destroyed

INSTC.
Welcoming the par-ticipants, NSA Ajit Doval said: "Your presence is a testimony to our cohesive-ness and it will enrich the ness and it will enrich the discussions. Central Asia is our extended neighbourhood. With which we have civilisation linkages and we accord the highest priority to this region." Emphasising on CONTINUED ON >> PAGE 4

### India, Central Asia to boost connectivity

NEW DELHI: The National Security Advisers of India and Central Asian countries on Tuesday reiterated that greater connectivity could be a force multiplier for enhancing trade and commerce among them and accord-ingly "deserved priority attention".

The National Security Advisers and Secretar-

The National Security Advisers and Secretar-ies of Security Councils of India and Kazakhstan, Kyrgystan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan met here to discuss issues of regional security. Turkmenistan was represented by their

security. Turkmenistan was represented by their Ambassador in New Delhi. They agreed that connectivity initiatives should be based on the principles of transparency, broad participation, local priorities, financial sustainability and respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity of all countries," a joint communique tries," a joint communique issued after the meeting

The NSAs also emphasised the important role that Chabahar Port played during the humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan and its immense potential in enhancing trade and connectivity, as well as the logistics infrastructure of the Central Asian countries in the delivery of humanitarian goods to the Afghan people.

They also took note of the increase in trade between India and Central Asian countries through the Shaheed Baheshti Terminal, Chabahar Port and discussed further development of this transport corridor. The NSAs also empha-

opment of this transport corridor.

The participants sup-ported India's proposal to include the Chabahar port within the framework of INSTC.



### India, Central Asian countries agree on terror

NEW DELHI: The National Security Advisers of India and Central Asian countries on Tuesday agreed that the expansion of terrorist propaganda, recruit-ment and fundraising efforts have serious security implications and need a collective and coordinated

implications and need water response. The National Security Advisers/Secretaries of Security Councils of India and Kazakhstan, Kyr-gystan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan met here to dis-cuss issues of regional security. Turkmenistan was represented by their Ambassador in New Delhi. The joint communique issued after the meeting stated that the NSAs 'agreed that the expansion of terrorist propaganda, recruitment and fundraising efforts have serious security implications for the

terrorist propaganda, recruitment and fundraising efforts have serious security implications for the region and, therefore, a collective and coordinated response is essential."

The agreed that the misuse of new and emerging technologies, arms and drugs trafficking, using terrorist proxies for cross-border terrorism, abuse of cyber space to spread disinformation and unmanned aerial systems present new challenges in CONTINUED ON >> PAGE 4

### Persistence of terror networks in Afghanistan matter of deep concern: NSA

NEW DELHI: Asking Central Asian Countries to call on UN members to refrain from providing any support to entities or persons involved in terrorist acts, NSA Ajit Doval on Tuesday said that "persistence of terrorist networks in the region including in Afghanistan is a matter of deep concern."

He was addressing the first India-Central Asia Meeting of National Security Advisers/Secretaries of Security Councils here which was attended by Kazakhstan, Kyrgystan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Uzrkmenistan was represented by their Ambassador in New Belhi.

"Afghanistan is an important issue concerning

in New Delhi.

"Afghanistan is an important issue concerning us all. India's concerns and objectives with regard to immediate priorities and the way forward are similar to those of many of us around the table. Persistence of terrorist networks in the region including in Afghanistan is also a matter of deep concern," he

### Ammo recovered during **CASO** in Uri sector



SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Police and Army acting upon an input in a joint operation recovered a cache of ammunition in village tion at Churanda area of Uri sector on Tuesday.

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### Crime Branch files challan against 6 accused for establishing fake exam centres of class 12 in Kupwara

SRINAGAR: The Economic Offence Wing of Crime Branch Kashmir produced Branch Kashmir produced a challan against six accused including 3 deceased persons for establishing fake examination centres for class 12 in Kupwara distric.

According to a statement, sixued to the news agency, the challan in Case FIR No. 65/2005 U/S 420, 467, 468, 471,201,120-B RPC of Police Station Crime Branch Kash-

471,201,120-B RPC of Police Station Crime Branch Kash-mir against Ghulam Nabi Mir, Abdul Khaliq Dar, then the senior assistant BOSE, Late Mohammad Ramzan, then junior assistant BOSE, Late Mohammad Ashraf

Khan, then Head assistant BOSE, Ali Mohammad Badyari, retired assistant secretary J&K BOSE and Late Mohammad Abdulllah Sofi, then Principal Govt. Higher Secondary School, Sogam Kupwara, before the court of Additional Special Mobile Magistrate Kralpora Kupwara. The statement reads the instant case was regis-

tered upon an information received through reliable sources that the officials of Education Department Kup-wara, in league with officials wara, in league with officials of J&K BOSE sub-office Kupwara, were indulging sub-office CONTINUED ON >> PAGE 4

nation, after preparing fake and forged documents so as to enable undeserving candi-dates to appear in the exami-nation.

"It was also alleged they have allowed Arts candi-dates to appear in Science subjects, thereby managing their success with a high their success with a high percentage of marks. On the basis of said certificates they have not only obtained admissions in professional colleges, but have also secured appointments in

### PM to dedicate three national Ayush institutes to nation on December 10

NEW DELHI; Prime Minis ter Narendra Modi will ded-icate three national Ayush institutes to the nation on Sunday at the 9th World Ayurveda Congress in Goa. Ayush Minister Sarbananda Sonowal informed this. Addressing a press con-ference in New Delbi

Addressing a press conference in New Delhi, the Minister said, inauguration of three institutes is a step towards fulfilling Prime Minister's vision of expansion of infrastructure and



He added that through these institutes the govern-ment will further strength-en its capabilities to proregion of the country. The Minister said these insti-tutes will also help in cre-ation of tertiary level health-care infrastructure in the country. The three institutes include, All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIA) in Goa, National Institute of Unani Medicine (NIUM) in Ghaziad and National Institute

of Homoeopathy (NIH) in Delhi.

These satellite institutes will further strengthen the research, international
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### Meeting in MHA to discuss security, drone infiltration

NEW DELHI: A meeting is being held in the Union Home Ministry regarding the security situation in Jammu and Kashmir, including smuggling of drugs and weapons through drones being sent from across the border by Pakistan.

The meeting being held on Tuesday will be chaired by Union Home Secretary Ajay Kumar Bhalla and will be attended by top officials of the Union Territory and senior officers of the security agencies. The meeting is being held in hybrid mode.

According to information, J&K Chief Secretary Arun Mehta, Director General of Police Dilbag Singh, top offi-cials of the Intelligence Bureau and RAW, chiefs of the para-military forces and senior offi-cials of the MHA will attend the meeting.

eeting. According to sources, along According to sources, along with the review of development projects in the Union Territory, there will also be a discussion to deal with the drone infiltration which has emerged as a major challenge for the security forces deployed on the border.

### J&K's annual budget for 2023-24 to be presented in parliament

SRINAGAR: Jammu & Kashmir Union Territory's

Kashmir Union Territory's annual budget would be pre-sented in the parliament for the fourth consecutive year. Highly placed sources in the Government of India told news agency that the Union Finance Ministry has asked the Ministry of Home Affairs to submit Jammu & Kashmir's budget propos-als for the next fiscal. "We have requested the MHA as for the next fiscal. "We have requested the MHA to submit J&K's budget for 2023-24 for seeking its approval from the Parliament," a senior official in ion Finance Ministry

mir which will be presented in the Parliament in the

He said the Parliament has to approve J&K's budget before March 31, 2023.
"J&K' is under the President's rule from June 20, 2018 and there is unlikely to be any change in the current status till March 31, 2023. So we have asked the MHA to tsubmit the UT's budget proposals for the next fiscal." He said J&K's budget is expected to be presented in the parliament in the month of March 2023. This will be the fourth to budget of Jammu and Kashmir and of the State Administrative Council. After J&K was downgraded into a UT in October 2019, its all budgets were presented in the Parliament due to the absence of an elected

to the absence of an ele Government in UT. KNO

### Unabated cold, hazy weather grips Kashmir

SRINAGAR: Unabated cold with mist and hazy weather conditions continued in Kashmir valley on Tuesday even the meteorological centre forecast of dry weather to continue during the next 24 hours in Jammu and Kashmir.

Tourist hot spot of Pahalgam in south Kashmir remained the coldest place with minus 3.8 degree Celsius on Tuesday.

Kashmir weather independent weather observer Faizan Arif forecast that there is "No significant weather activity is expected district. Chances of snowfall in plains are very less. And it may not



en rain everywhere in the

The minimum temperature in Srinagar, the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir, had a low of minus 2.2 degree Celsius on Tuesday after it witnessed the coldest night of the season at minus 3.4 degree Celsius a day

ago. Major parts of Kashmir valley Major parts of Kashmir valley continue to reel under severe cold engulfed with thick fog, mist and haze. Motor vehicles had to put on headlights in the morning while plying on the roads.

The Ski resort of Gulmarg in north Kashmir recorded a low of minus 3.5 degree Celsius on Tuesday against the minus 3.2 degree Celsius recorded the previous night.

Qazigund on Srinagar-Jammu

Qazigund on Srinagar-Jammu national had a low of minus 2.2 degree Celsius, Kukernag in south Kashmir recorded a low of minus 0.8 degree Celsius while the frontier Kashmir district of Kupwara settled minus 2.7 degree Celsius for the second consecutive day on Tuesday, the MeT office said.















### My Town My Pride': Sanjeev Verma approves 7 plans for the development of Ramban town

Visits Ramban market, interacts with people

JI NEWS SERVICE

DECEMBER Commissioner Secretary Forests Ecology, and Environment, Sanjeev Verma and visiting officer to district Ramban on 2nd Day of the 'My Town My Pride' today finalized the plans for the overall development of the

Ramban town.

Commissioner Secretary approved the action plans finalized by the Municipal Council Ramban for City Resource Mobilization, Finance Plan City Livelihood Plan, City Smart Vending Plan, Green City Plan, City Tourism & Culture Plan, City Beautiful Plan and Plan for Encroachment Cit presence of the President MC Ramban, Sunita Sumbria and Councillors of MC.

Deputy Commissioner, Ramban, Mussarat Isalm, ADC, Harbans Lal Sharma, ACR, Giasul-Haq, CPO Kasturi lal, DFO Ramban, Dr Rajan Singh, DFO Batote Kuldeep Singh, Tehsildar Rafiq Ahmed, CEO MC Surdashan Kumar and other con-

plans. Verma said that "our focus is

to deliver public services at doorsteps, build developmental initiatives on the feedback, cooperation and participa-tion from people and strengthen strong and vibrant local self-gover-

"Population of the Ramban town is ropulation of the kamoan town is growing at a rapid pace and it is a central place between Jammu and Kashmir as there is a need for smart and sustainable solutions to urban challenges. The officers must involve people in various initiatives like decongestion, rejuvenation and beaucongestion, rejuvenation and beau tification of the towns. Together, with the active participation of the public we can transform towns in vibrant urban market," S Sanjeev Verma said.

Verma suggested various measures for the development and beautifica-tion of the town and asked the district administration to link the local pro ductions with tourism besides developing heritage sites, and religious places of the district to attract tourists to boost the local economy

ocal economy cond day of "My town Il the scheduled activities cted in the all the three During second My Pride" all the

towns by visiting officers wherein number of people participated and gave a message that administration is persistently making efforts to reach at the door steps of people and people are expressing satisfaction by seeing the positive change in the governance

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Commissioner Secretary inaugurated tile work of lanes in ward no?
besides participating in Graft Parvesh
of Smt. Sabha beneficiary PMAY-U.
He also distributed letters, cheques of
PMAY-U instalments and PMSavnidhi and other certificates among
peneficiaries under various schemes.

beneficiaries under various schemes. Later, Sanjeev Verma visited Ramban market and various wards in Municipality besides listening to the grievances highlighted by the coun-cilors and general public including the water filtration plant for wards no-6 and 7, Girls Higher Secondary for the town and High School for Maitra and assured to take up the matter to the Government for timely redressal.

He also inspected various projects undertaken by the Municipal Council Ramban and also took on spot status of the undergoing projects.

### Vinay Gupta releases Hindi Song "MANMARZIAN"



II NEWS SERVICE

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, DEC 06: Senior BJP leader and Prabhari Jammu north Vinay Gupta releases the debut Hindi song "Manmarzian" in context with a press conference was organized at press club Jammu here today. Vinay Gupta was the chief guest on the

Speaking at the event, Vinay Gupta wished that the Hindi song Manmarzian may spread the message of peace and prosperity in society. He also said that music plays a positive role in preservng art and culture.

"I&K is blessed with

"J&K is blessed with unique talent which needs to be harnessed," Gupta said. He said that he expected the younger gen-eration should follow the suit by coming forward to disseminate the richness of Dogra culture not only mu but across the

make the people aware of the niceties of this old yet rich heritage through their performance in various fields including theatre, folklore and folk music, Dogri songs, Hindi songs, literature, etc. Vinay lauded the efforts of the young talent from the UT of J&K. He said that new opportunities are being open nities are being opened up everywhere today for innovative minds. He said that Jammu and Kashmir have a vast and rich cul-tural heritage and these devotees of fine arts ensure that the mind of our resourceful youth is directed towards building their careers by nurturing their skills with a positive

The song sung by the son of the soil 'Satinder Shanu' who made his name with the famous singing reality show chotte ustaad, Do DESHON KI EK AWAAZ

mindset

the year 2010 the program internati singing reality show in which young artists from which young artists from India and Pakistan partici-pated. The program was Judged by famous Bollywood playback singer SONU NIGAM and renowned playback singer RAHAT FATEH ALI KHAN from Pakistan and other personalities of the musical world and celebrimusical world and celebrities from Bollywood and Pakistan film industry. The song "MANMARZ-IAN" is presented by ARTIUM ACADEMY, BOMBAY which is a Music Academy run by Music Academy run by Bollywood singer Sonu Nigam. The song has already been released in Bombay by ARTIUM ORIGINALS, Bombay. Today, the song is being released in Jammu at the press club the program press club the program started with a welcome address by Bishan Dass president Duggar Lok

Manch. In his address, Vinay congratulated Satinder shanu and the whole team members of the album for the debut song of the son of soil such achievements by the son of soil bring laurels to the homeland, he added homeland, he added. Gupta congratulated the young singer Satinder Shanu and wished him good luck in his future endeavors. Dr. Arvinder Singh Amn, Additional secretary JKCAAL, Er. Ashok Singh, president Indian DELPHIC COUN-CIL IK, R.L Bharti member IKPSC. B.R.RAO. Retd. JKPSC, B.R.RAO, Retd.
Prosecutive officer, T.R.
Sharma (JKAS), Bishan
Dass renowned radio door
darshan singer, Joint secretary JK Delphic council,
B.S. CUIB Nariador R.S. CHIB, Narinder Gupta, and president Bhartiya Kala Sangam Bharttya Kala Sangam were the special guests. Ashish Joshi, CEO, of Atrium academy Bombay was also virtually present during the release. The singer and the son of soil Satinder Shanu also joined virtually for the release of virtually for the release of the song and seek blessings from the folks of nu and Kashmir and urged the folks to show their love for his song. The Vote of thanks was pre-sented by T.R. Sharma. The Program was con-ducted by Ravinder

### MTMP-II concludes successfully in Kishtwar

### Secy Health discusses Draft Plan of town with line deptts, councillors; inaugurates Waqf Parking Space, PARISHA Children Home

II NEWS SERVICE

KISHTWAR DECEMBER 6: My Town My Pride edition two programme con-cluded successfully today here in Kishtwar District.

During the two-day programme

various activities were carried out by the district administration in collaborathe district administration in collabora-tion with Municipal Council members Kishtwar and under the supervision of the Visiting Officer of MTMP-2 for Municipal Council Kishtwar, Secretary Health & Medical Education (H&ME). Bluppinder Kumar. A meeting of the all the Senior Officers. District Officers and the

Officers, District Officers and the Municipal Councillors and concerned authorities was held today here at the authorities was held today here at the Conference Hall DC Office Kishtwar under the chairmanship of Secretary H&ME wherein a detailed discussion on the draft Master plan of Kishtwar Town was held.

meeting was Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar, Dr Devansh Yadav; ADC Inderjeet Singh Parihar; President Municipal Council Parihar; President Municipal Council Kishtwar, Sajjad Ahmed Najjar; PO ICDS, Dr Rishi Kumar; Joint Director Planning Mohammad Iqbal, ASP Rajinder Singh, ACR Varunjeet Singh Charak, ACD Atul Dutt Sharma, DPO Sunil Bhutval, Tehsildar Kishtwar Umar Muneeb, Executive Officer MC Tariq Balwan, all Councillors besides District Officers of Key line depart-

During the meeting, the Secretary was apprised about the core develop-mental issues of Kishtwar town with special focus on the drainage syste lightening of streets, development Municipal infrastructure and oth functionals, rationalisation of town plans, beautification of town, extension of Bus stand, implementation of Self Employment Schemes under Youth, PMAY-U, Swachl Bharat Abhiyan Nasha Mukht Bharat

Bharat Abhiyan, Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyan and other welfare Schemes. DC Kishtwar apprised the Secretary about various developmental initiative taken by district administration in col-laboration with MC Kishtwar for accelerating the developmental tempo and service delivery in the Municipal lim-

its.

In the meeting, the Bhupinder Kumar stressed the officers to work in coordination with the councillors and take locals on board while devising plans so that the tangible results could be achieved.

He further suggested that Kishtwa He turther suggested that Kishtwar MC must explore more options to enhance revenue generating sources for the Council and asked them to shift to online revenue collection mode.

Councillors of MC Kishtwar also highlighted their grievances before Secretary. He assured them that their

Secretary. He assured them that their grievances have been recorded besides

necessary directions have been forwarded to concerned officers for immediate resolution.

Later, Secretary also felicitated the PMAY-U beneficiaries under Best House Category and also distributed cards under Ayushman Bharat and e-Shram scheme among the Municipal

The keys of the Commercial vehicles Youth were also distributed among the

Youth beneficiaries of Municipal area.

Earlier, Bhupinder Kumar also conducted whirlwind tour of Municipal area and assessed the developmental scenario of the town.

The Waqf Parking Space and the

PARISHA children house for girl child under Vatsalya scheme of Social Welfare Department was also inaugu-rated during the today's MTMP-2 pro-gramme by the Bhupinder Kumar in presence of DC Kishtwar and other

district officers.

During these two days, the Bhupinder Kumar ascertained the developmental need and aspirations of general public of MC Kishtwar.

Besides, all the line departments installed stalls to raise awareness about various welfare schemes for the people of Kishtwar Town. Various ssues and grievances of people were recorded by Secretary for further sul mission to higher ups

### Lotus will bloom on Dec 8 in Himachal, **Gujarat: Kavinder Gupta**

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, DEC 06: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, 

In a statement issued to media persons, Kavinder said that whether it is exit poll or general sentiments of the people in both Himachal and Gujarat, the air is in the favour of BIP air is in the favour of BJP and no power on earth can stop the lotus from bloom-ing in these two states which are the home turfs of the Bharatiya Janata Party, where the party has

accomplished tremendous work as far as develop-ment is concerned.

The senior BJP leader said that the election in Himachal will change the trend of changing the ruling party every year as people have given edge to BJP over the Congress, which has lost ground in the entire country due to its involvement in neckdeep corruption

"Gujarat being the bas-tion of BJP is safe and is all set to break the record as set to break the record as far as mandate to BJP is concerned", Kavinder said, adding that BJP activists should get ready for the grand celebrations on December 8, 2022, as this is going to be the special day for all BJP workcial day for all BJP work-ers with lotus blooming in Gujarat and Himachal

He said that the results in the aforesaid states will stun the opposition parties which were living in fool's paradise and aspiring for power in these two states which are the strong bases of the BJP. Kavinder made it clear

that the time of Congress and AAP has gone because the people across the country have well understood their strateunderstood their strate-gies to hoodwink the peo-ple by concocting stories and promising stars and moon. He said that the countdown for the debacle of Congress and its ilk has already begun and it is only a matter of a few again bloom in these two politically significant

### Bandipora witnesses multifarious MTMP activities, receives overwhelming public response

### Sarmad Hafeez interacts with MC Councilors, Youth, senior citizens

JI NEWS SERVICE

BANDIPORA, DECEMBER 06: On second and concluding day of ambi-tious 'My Town My Pride' (MTMP-2.0) thous My Jown My Pride (M1MP-20)
programme, Bandipora witnessed
multifarious activities with overwhelming public response especially
youth participation.
Secretary Tourism and Youth
Services and Sports, Sarmad Hafeez,

accompanied by Deputy sioner, Bandipora, Dr. Owais Ahmed, Director Employment, Nisar Ahmad Wani and Director Urban Annual Walii and Director Orbani Local Bodies, Mathoora Masoom par-ticipated in MTMP-2.0 grand celebra-tions organized at Nishat Park, Bandipora. The day witnessed varied activities including sports events, awareness programmes, cultural items and related events. Sarmad Hafeez, while addressing the gathering, said that this ambitious MTMP programme that this ambitious MTMP programme will immensely help towards ensuring enhanced development of urban parts of the UT. He stressed on collaborative efforts of public, elected representa-tives and administration for overall development of these areas. He urged upon all the departments to make intensive awareness regarding various online services available with different rtments. rmad Hafeez stress

Sarmad Hafeez stressed on effective implementation of different govern-

ment schemes at grassroots level to benefit the last beneficiary in the urban areas. He emphasized on 100% adhaar seeding for availing benefits of different government schemes. He also stressed on community participation for maintaining cleanliness throughout the district. Sarmad Hafeez also deliberated on ill effects of drug abuse anappealed youth to stay away from this social evil and get engaged in sports and development activitie

He discussed modalities for Maste plans meant for towns and took feed back from concerned regarding the

needs and aspirations of people.

Sarmad Hafeez, while inspecting stalls established by different departments, distributed E-shram Cards, Golden cards, sanction letters, sports kits and appreciation letters among the beneficiaries under various individual

beneficiary schemes. Sarmad Hafeez also had an interac-tive session with Councilors of MC, youth, senior citizens, sports persons besides general public.

While responding to issues raised by the Councilors, Secretary said all the issues will be resolved in a time bound issues will be resolved in a time bound manner. The civil society members raised the issue of Bandipora-lolab road, bypass for Bandipora and Women's Degree College for Bandipora. The delegation of sports persons led by PadmaShri, Faisal Ali Dar, demanded construction of indoor stadium, youth bostel and Stadium, youth hostel and Mountaineering Institute for Bandipora. Secretary also listened to issues of general public and assured fast track redressal of the same. He asked the officers to redress the genuine public grievances on priority

### PSPS Govt PG College for Women bags 1st prize in One day workshop on "Patents and IPR'S"

NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, DECEMBER 06: Haspreet Kour, the semester 3rd student of PSPS, Govt. PG College for Women has bagged First prize in One day workshop on "Patents and PIRS". The one day Workshop was organized by J&K Science Technology and Innovation Council at Maulana Azad Memorial College on 6th of December, 2022. In this workshop students from different colleges pre-sented their innovative ideas in the form of Powerpoint Presentations and demonstrations.

### Govt should fulfill demands of PM package, reserve category employees posted in Valley: Bali Bhagat

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, DEC 06:

Bhagat, senior BJP leader and former minister expressing grave concern over the release of hit list of over 50 Kashmiri Pandit es appointed PM Package scheme sought adequate security for the aforesaid category as well as reserved category employees presently post-ed in Valley.

In a statement issued to media persons, the senior BJP functionary said that the government should



two categories of employees looking into the nerability over their rity. It is pertinent to men-tion that TRF, an offshoot of LeT has issued a threat on a blogging site naming 56 Kashmiri Pandit employees appointed under PM package

scheme in Valley.
Bali Bhagat has come in full support of the aforesaid categories of employees claiming that it is the responsibility of the government to provide foolproof security to the KP employees posted in

Valley.

He said that already these categories of these categories of employees have been protesting against threats to their lives after the tar-geted killings. The former minister made it clear that these employees' demand is genuine as they are not seeking any increment or bonus for remaining posted in Valley rather they want surety on their secu-rity as under the present circumstances it has become difficult to work in Valley especially after open threats with exact details of their places of posting and other vital information.

The senior BJP leader urged the LG Manoj Sinha to look into the matter considering the threat perception and concede to the demand of these two categories of employees who are assuring to resume duties after the situation gets conducive and peace would return.

### NDPI seeks enquiry into leak of list of 56 Kashmiri Pandit employees

II NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, DEC 6: National Democratic Party Indian (NDPI) J&K UT president Rajesh Gupta expresses concern over threat by The Resistance Front to KF employees working under

Prime Minister's Rehabilitation Package It is surprising to see the fresh list of 56 Kashmiri Pandit employees getting leaked and reaching the TRF's blog Kashmir Fight.

This is a security breach as This is a security breach as terrorists have a clear idea about their place of post-ing," Gupta said in a state-ment issued here. NDPI Chief said the

government must take strong note of it and find out who has leaked the list of 56 migrant KPs at a time when targeted time when targeted killings are taking place in

the Valley.
The NDPI leader said

must be reprimanded and action should be taken against them. He said KPs working under PMRP are living in fear due to the killing of their colleagues and the fresh threat has added to their woes. added to their woes.

He urged the govern-ment to take the fresh threats seriously and address the issue on prior ity while chalking out a fresh strategy.The NDPI on Tuesday urged police to conduct an enquiry on the militant threat to the

ensure their security. Rajesh Gupta express serious concern over the threat given by a militant outfit, The Resistance outfit, The Resistance Front (TRF) to the KP nployees working under rime Minister's Prime Rehabilitation

### AP's Coffee Culture opens its 1st dine in coffee house in Jammu



JAMMU, DEC 6: AP's Coffee Culture opens its first outlet at Channi Himmat Near Panch Mandir on Sunday. Mr. Mandir on Sunday. Mr.
Mukesh Singh IPS, ADGP
Jammu was the Chief
Guest on the occasion
while Mr. Ranjeet KalraMember J&K State Sports
Council & Member
Governing Council
(Sports) Shri Mata
Vaishno Devi Shrine
Roard, Mr. A O Manbas Board, Mr. A.Q.Manhas IPS (IGP Retd), Mrs. Neena Gupta, Corporator Channi Himmat, Mr. Shiv Kumar Sharma JKPS, SSP CID, Mr Saujanya Sharma

JKAS (Retd), Mr. Sandeep Seth, Chief Engineer PDD, Jammu were the Guests on Honour. Also present on the occasion were Dr A.K.Kapoor, Mrs. P.B.Kapoor, Dr Rahul F.B.Aspoor, Dr Kantul Kapoor, Mrs Gayika Kapoor, Dr Kunal Anand, Mrs. Rashim Anand, Mrs. Neha Kapoor, Mr. Rohit Gupta, Mr. Ajay Anand Dy Sp, Mr. Maheep and others.

after inaugurating the Coffee House appreciated the efforts put in by the owner of AP's Coffee Owner C. Culture Mr. Ritesn Kapoor. He said creating unique conceptuality & different concepts will for sure create enterprising ideas for the youth.

He appealed to the youth to take inspiration from entrepreneurs like Ritesh Kapoor who being into the education line for into the education line for so many years will be boosting ideological infor-mation for the youth. Ranjeet Kalra lauded the hard efforts put in by

the proprietor of the Coffee house for lovely enthralling beautification and modern interiors made the coffee house a complete place to spend quality time with coffee with snacks. Ritesh Kapoor, Proprietor AP's Coffee Culture put for-warded the coffee house's entire framework for the guests and the customers. He said the idea of serving coffee while giving read-ing space to the clients is ake the coffee house an intellectual and learn-ing platform as well.

He added that in the

coffee house, they made it open to get any coffee, shake, drinks of their choice as well which will be not only a different taste but a way for the chefs to learn as well. The chefs to learn as well. The coffee house is a complete place for every youth, ladies, gents and even kids also to have a lovely and comfortable ambience with perfect blended taste.

On being asked about the name AP's coffee cultures he added that the

ture, he added that the name was chosen on his name was chosen on his Father and Mother's name and thought to deliver ideas amongst the youth to promote own branding and also ideas of inculcat-ing values in the society. specially amongst

### Apni Party holds protest against shabby condition roads in Ramgarh

better roads to border villages



### JI NEWS SERVICE

Party Provincial Preside Minister, S. Manjit Singh along with dozens of party leaders, PRIs and promileaders, PAIs and promi-nent citizens staged protest demonstration against PWD and PDD Departments for their fail-ure to deliver on the

Led by Manjit Singh, the protesters composed of Apni Party leaders, PRIs, farmers, and prominen people held a demonstra-tion in Ption in Ramgarh against the PWD and PDD depart-ments for their inability to addre

a border villages.
The protest was organ-ed by District Samba resident, Legal Cell and Candidate for Ramgarho Bharti.

In his speech, he said In his speech, he said that the people of border villages are suffering badly. "Ramgarh to Kandral and Ramgarh to SM Pura roads are in the worst condition and they are almost unmotorable due to which the local pop-ulation has been suffering," he said. He said that "The border

villagers who have been charged huge bills for the use of pump sets to water the agriculture fields and use of domestic electricity. "The farmers are unable to water their agricultural fields especially at the tail."

fields especially at the tail fields especially at the tail end villages on the border yet they are charged huge electricity bills," he said and demanded that the PDD department should consider the demands of the border villages by rationalizing the electricity bills and providing round the clock electricity. He also demanded that

He also demanded that He also demanded that unscheduled power cuts should be stopped so that the villagers / farmers can get a sign of relief and sub-sidy for the electricity

He further said that if the Apni Party forms the next Govt, they will pro-vide 500 units of free electricity during summer sea-son in Jammu and 300 nits during winter sea

son. Meanwhile, the protest ers also supported the Safai Karamchari and appealed to the Govt to regularize them and accept their pending demands with regard to their wages.

### Modi Govt committed to wipe-out terrorism: Dr Parneesh

### 'Job almost done, insurgency at death's door in Valley'

JI NEWS SERVICE
JAMMU, DEC 05: Dr Parneesh
Mahajan, Convenor Department of
Training, BJP, J&K on Saturday asserted that BJP Government led by Prime
Minister Narendra Modi is committed to wipe out terrorism from the soil of

In a statement issued to media per sons, the BJP functionary said that the job of cleansing terrorism is almost accomplished as the insurgency is at death's door with security forces registering success after success in the antiterrorism operations

Referring to the remark made by the LG Manoj Sinha that the government will not stop anti-terror operations till the time there is a single terrorist or



because the dispensations which ruled J&K in the past remained subtle against the terror mongers resulting

such an extent that even the com people used to bully the security

The senior BJP leader said that the decision of PM Modi and HM Amit Shah to give full powers to security forces has changed the scenario and it is only after this that hundreds of terrorists had been eliminated and equal numbers are put behind bars in the

recent years.

He said that people in Kashmir are peace loving and the certain elements which used to act as spoilsport have now been tamed and it is just the matter. ter of days that long lasting peace will be established and golden days will

### Balwant Thakur's Aap Hamaare Hain Kaun featured in **International Festival of friendship in Mauritius**

poor basic amenities including drinking water supply, electricity supply and road connectivity." basic

and road connectivity."

He further said that the PWD has turned blind eyes towards the road connectivity as the Ramgarh to Kandral Road and Ramgarh to SM Pur are in adverse condition, and

adverse condition these roads need to be repaired as early as possi-ble. He also highlighted the concerns of the border

amenities

JI NEWS SERVICE MAURITIUS, DEC 00 Balwant Thakur's Highl acclaimed play 'Aa acclaimed play 'A Hamaare Hain Kaun' stag in International festival of Friendship commemorati Friendship commemorating
75 years of the diplomatic
relations between India and
Mauritius at GCIC
Auditorium, Phoenix
Mauritius, Mr. Aninash
Teeluck, Minister of Arts and
Cultural Heritage was the Chief
Guest on the occasion who while

Guest on the occasion who while appreciating the presentation acknowledged that Mauritius wit acknowledged that Mauritius wit-nessed something totally novice to the island and ensured this to become a tradition in Mauritius. High Commissioner of India Mrs K. Nandini Singla also graced the occa-sion with other high profile digni-turies of Mauritius. Balwant Thakur's play was presented in four languages viz French, Croole, English and viz French, Creole, English and viz French, Creoie, English and Hindi and the most interesting part was not only the translation of the play in other languages but also its adaptation and assimilation in the respective idioms and culture of mul-ticultural Mauritius. When it was being performed in French, the adap-tion was considered to the consideration was considered. tation was such that no one could make out that this is originally an Indian play written in the state of the Indian play written in Hindi. One must appreciate the fact that writings with universal appeal are relevant to any country and culture. Human concerns globally are the same, only one needs to have a larger perspective of the creative outreach. The kind of response which Balwant Thakur has received for his play

establishes the fact that he is a global icon of theatre and his hold over icon of theatre and his hold over addressing world issues through the-atre is phenomenal. Receiving stand-ing ovations in a foreign land speaks volumes about the acceptance and appreciation of his school of theatre. When contacted Balwant Thakur informed that he has bigger plans to take his kind of theatre which is unique both in terms of it's content. unique both in terms of it's content and form to a larger world canvas. The current project in Mauritius he

The current project in Mauritus he started in May, 2022 and trained not only young performers but also a team of directors who will carry the legacy of his work to other parts of the country and will create a historic movement of this kind of new theatre in Mauritine. in Mauritius Play 'Aap Hamare Hain Kaun' in a very effective manner shakes par-ents, educationists/ guardians of society out of reverie of materialism,

onsumerism and unbridled desires. This play compels elders to look

nd and clear the mess they have created due to their own amorous ambitions and rat race. Parents see in their children an extension of their unfulfilled dreams and force them to untuilled dreams and force them to become stereotypes and kill the bountiful charm in them. In a pursuit to make them top professionals, doctors, engineers and civil servants, they are subjected to every kind of

and hardly get time to discover their real self. Prevalent educational system adds further insult to the injury and their creativity gets scuttled and children grow up devoid of values. Play deals with contemporary prob-lems that younger generation is up against from their own loved ones and surroundings. Tall claims and big concerns of parents, relations, and educationists are being queen tioned by the younger generatem adds further insult to the injur-

and educationists are using your tioned by the younger genera-tion...... App Hamare hain Kaun. It may not be out of the place to mention that Balwant Thakur's 'Aap Than Kaun' is the longest Hamaare Hian Kaun' is the longe living children's play in India.

### **Sterlite Power acquires Kishtwar Transmission Project in J&K from PFC**

JAMMU, DEC 06: Sterlite Power, a leading power transmission developer and transmission developer and solutions provider in India and Brazil, announced the acquisition of Kishtwar Transmission Limited, a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) from PFC Consulting Limited (PFCCL). PFCCL is wholly owned subsidiary. a wholly owned subsidiary Power Finan of Power Finance Corporation Limited (PFC), Maharatna Public Sector

The project was awarded Sterlite Power through Tariff Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB) process in March 2022. Through the Kishtwar Transmission Kishtwar Transmission Limited SPV, the company will build, own, operate and maintain a critical transmis-sion project in Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) for a period of 35 years

The project will comprise a 400/132kV GIS substation

at Kishtwar and 400 kV Kishenpur-Dulhasti LILO (Line in Line out) transmission line. The transmission system will be used for evacuation of 1000MW of from Pakaldul

Hydro Electric Project to the Kishtwar substation. Mr. Manish Agarwal, Director & CEO - India Sterlite Power, said, "We, at Sterlite Power, are committed to empowering humani-

and the compensation to

dairy farmers will be pro-vided at the earliest who

lost their cattle due to this

Kishtwar transmission project, we aim to further

ect, we aim to further strengthen the power infra-structure and usher eco-nomic development in the J&K region."

This will be Sterlite Power's 17th power trans-mission project in India under the Tariff-Based Competitive Bidding

### JKDFA expresses serious concern over fodder inflation in J&K



II NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, DEC 06: JKDFA today hailed LG Administration for lifting ban on transportation of milch animals from outside I&K UT which was banned J&K U1 which was banned after spread of Lumpy Skin disease in J&K. Addressing a press conference at Jammu Press Club, Provincial President JKDFA Sandeep Singh Chib on the directions IKDFA President Kulbhushan Khaiuria in Kulbhushan Khajuria in presence of JKDFA mem-bers Balwinder Singh, Satpal Choudhary ,Keher Singh, Vinod Sharma addressing media persons while highlighting burning issues of dairy farm sector expressed serious concern expressed serious concern over consistent increase in

not been provided so far. He demanded Commissioner Secretary immediate inter-vention in this regard to vention in this regard to address grievances of dairy farmers. Chib however expressed gratitude to department for lowering cost of semen injection terming it a good decision. He said that urban and urban small-scale dairy farming is playing a vital role in improving house-hold income, nutrition, food hold income, nutrition, food security and employment for low income households dairy farmers badly. Speaking on the occasion, he also reminded Rupala Sir his commitment at Srinagar conference on 11.10.2022 that lumpy Skin disease will be declared epidemic in J&K

However, it has been unable to meet the expected demand due to various production constraints. He demanded Govt to assess the farmers' perception of the process of the constraints of t major challenges of smallholder dairy production, possible causes, coping strategies and support need-

### 60th Annual Raising Day of Homeguards/ Civil Defence celebrated



II NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, DEC 06: Annual raising Day of Homeguards/Civil Defence SDRF 2nd Bn Hqrs. Gulshan Ground Jammu. Dr. B. Srinivas, IPS, Commandant General HG/CD & SDRF J&K congratulated all officers and Jawans, on the occa sion of Raising Day and highlighted the duties and responsibilities of Homeguards and Civil

responders during disasters and pandemic like situa-tions. He also praised the role and assistance extended by all officers and men from Civil Defence and Homeguards during the past

During the event, greeting messages of his Excellency President of India, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Hon'ble Home Minister, Hon'ble Lieutenant

Governor I&K LIT and sen Administration were also read out. Shri Sanjeev Kumar Yadav, IPS, Director Homeguards Jammu, Sh. Aijaz Ali SP(S) of Hqrs. Homeguards and Civil Defence along with wardens of Civil Defence and voluntary Homeguards personnel participated in the function. Officers and officials of SDRF were also present on the occasion. Annual Raising Day was also organized in Kashmir Srinagar. Shri Haseeb-Ur-Rehman- IPS, I/C Director CD & SDRI Kashmir Srinagar and Shri Firdous Iqbal-JKPS, Firdous Divisional Commandant Homeguards Kashmir Srinagar were present on the occasion alongwith the officers of Homeguards and Civil Defence in Kashmir

Randheer Singh, JKPS, SSP, Staff officer (Admn) cum I/C Commandant SDRF 2nd Bn Jammu presolution and the solution in the event and assured that Homeguards and Civil defence volunteers would continue to perform their work with dedication and mmitment in futur

Justice Tashi Rabstan to perform

duties of Chief Justice of J&K and

Ladakh from Dec 08

SRINAGAR: Justice Tashi Rabstan, senior-most judge, to perform duties of the Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh from December 08, following the retirement of Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey.

According to a notification issued by the Ministry of Law and Justice, a copy of which lies with the news agency, President of India has appointed justice Tashi Rabstan to perform duties of the office of the Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh.

"In exercise of the power conferred by Article 225 of the Constitution of India, the President is pleased to appoint, Shri Justice Tashi Rabstan, senior-most Judge of the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, with effect from 08.12 2022 consequent upon the retirement of Shri Justice Ali Mohd Magrey, Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, with effect from 08.12 2022 consequent upon the retirement of Shri Justice Ali Mohd Magrey, Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, "reads the notification. KNO

Ladakh from Dec 08

Pahalgam cab driver

### media platforms for disseminating environment related info: SED

SRINAGAR: The School Education Department has decided to establish the Youth and Eco Clubs on social media platforms to disseminate the message and general awareness to public regarding the environmental related activities.

Divisional Coordinator for Directorate of School Education Kashmir (DSEK) in a communiqué to Chief Education Officers (CEOs) has said. "I was directed to inform that establishing Youth and Eco Clubs on social media is the need of the hour and immediate steps needs to be taken in this regard."

The news agency has learnt that the officer has said, "As such, I am directed to request the CEOs to direct the School Nodal Officers of Eco Clubs of both government and private schools to register with Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee to create Face-Kashmir Pollution Control Committee to create Face-book and Instagram pages in the name of their respec-tive Eco-Clubs so that gen-eral masses come to know the activities performed by

message and for general awareness," reads the communiqué.

In the meantime, the Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee in a letter shot to DSEK and Director Colleges has said, "As you know, environmental activity in educational institutions in the country is promoted through the National Green Corps. Each NGC School Eco-club has 30 to 50 NGC students or NGC Cated the World House of the National Green Corps." "These NGC Students participate in activities related to biodiversity conservation, water conservation, water conservation management Locale specific issues are focused on by the NGC Eco-clubs," it reads. It also states that in order to attract public attention and support, young girls and boys from NGC take up Environmental Awareness

"Keeping in view the importance of establishing Youth-club and Eco-club on Social media by Higher Secondary Schools and Colleges is a need of hour to help in providing good awareness in our society," it reads. The communique further

The commingue further states that the changes in the society like urbanization, technological advancement and effects of mass media has led to the need that Educational Institutions should not only be nurturing the cognitive development of its students, but also for fostering their affective and psycho-motor abilities which would equip them for life. It also reads that the Ecclubs in Educational Institution

It also reads t clubs in Educational Institu-tions are a vital instrument to develop life skills, build self-esteem, develop self-con-fidence and resilience and counter negative emotions of stress, shame and fear. Students can excel in their skills as per their choice and abilities in the clubs to enrich their capabilities

### Meet Kashmir's elderly man, who makes sandals with straw to keep tradition alive

SRINAGAR: An elderly man from South Kashmir's Pulwama district is trying to keep an old Kashmiri tradition of making sandals (chappals) with straw alive. Muhammad Yousuf Bhat (60), a resident of Zantrag vijl.

lage in Khrew, in Pampore hamlet of South Kashmir's Pulwama district has been Pulwama district has been trying to keep the tradition alive by making Pulhoor, which is centuries old and were worn by people as foot-wear in ancient times. Muhammad Yousuf, while

keep traditional culture alive as he is working at Kashmir Haat in Srinagar and on Holidays, he has been training people who are interested in learning this art.

one wno earns by struggie is a friend of Allah and his observation proved true and Ihave been earning my live-lihood very well by making. "Though customers of such items are very few, these straw made items are skin and environment friendly which anyone can make for themselves at home," he said. "Government has been trying to keep this craft alive as I am making these items at School of Design Srinagar and many people have been coming here to know about this craft and even some are ready to learn it," he added further.

He thanked the government for making efforts to

### Health Centre at Bandipora's Kuragbal village sans staff, basic facilities

staffed due to which patient care had been badly hit. "The poor healthcare facili-ties in the area are forcing us to rely on health facilities elsewhere and pay a huge

GUREZ: The residents of Kuragbal village of Gurez Tehsil in North Kashmir's handipora district on Tuesa day complained of inadequate healthcare and lack of basic facilities at the Subcenter in the village.

The residents told the news agency, that the health centre was inadequately older people are more worstaffed due to which patient care had been badly hit. The poor healthrac fifting the the care are forcing us to rely on health facilities is the area are forcing us to rely on health facilities elsewhere and pay a huge

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The meeting flows from the agreement reached during the first india- Central Asia Summit held on January 27 this year, in which amit was agreed that the countries will hold regular meetings of Secretaries of the Security Council to discuss issues of regional security.

the said active militant Majid Nazir Wani, who gave them irms and ammunition to carry out the attacks on soft tar-

gets.
It is pertinent to mention that said militant Majid Nazir involved in the commission of instant crime was eliminated by Police/SF in an encounter at Tujan area of Pulwama on 21-06-2022.
"On the basis of evidence gathered prima-facie offences punishable under relevant sections of law for commission of instant crime have been established. The investigation of the case concluded with chargesheet against four accused persons including two juveniles, one neutralized militant and an accused person before the competent court of law," the statement said. KNO

of Army 16 SIKHLI and J&K Police today launched a CASO

or Army MSHRM-an and Sex Fonce today launcied a CASO around the village.
Furthermore, the search operation led to the recovery of ammunition including 200 rounds of AK ammunition, eight Chinese grenades and IED material.
The statement said that a case under relevant sections has been registered in Police Station Uri and investigation set in motion. KNO

Departments etc," it reads. It reads subsequently an enquiry was ordered to be conducted into the matter which culminated into registration of case FIR No 65/2005 of Police Station Crime Branch Kash-

mir.
"During the course of Investigation, commission of offences under section 420, 467, 468, 471, 201, 120-B RPC were estab

es under section 420, 467, 468, 471, 201, 120-D NEO WELL COM-lished against the accused persons and accordingly challan has been produced before the court of Additional Special Mobile Magistrate Kupwara," it reads. KNO

collaborations and facilitate affordable Ayush services for the larger community. The three National Ayush institutes will create 400 additional seats for 400 students, who want to pursue UG, PG and Deotoral courses and also add 550 additional beds in these three streams. css

Ammo recovered...

Crime Branch files...

PM to dedicate...

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir police on Tuesday claimed to have arrested three drug peddlers in Baramulla & Ganderbal and recovered contraband substances from

## DC Kupwara directs officials to take

and apprised about the encroachment. I assured them de-action. I was happy to see that people want us to act against encroachment," he said. He, however, directed the officials including the Tehsildars to act accordingly in order to remove the encroachment.

Dr Farooq at his Sgr residence
SRINAGAR: National Conference (NC) President Dr.
Farooq Abdullah on Tuesday met scores of delegations
from Jammu province who called on him at his residence to
felicitate him on his re-election as the president of the party.
Among others, the visiting delegation comprised of
Jaiy Sadhorts, Khalid Najeeb Suharwardhy, Sajad Ahmed
Kichloo, Ratan Lai Gupta, Sajad Shaheen, Ajaz Jan, Bimla
Luthra, Lakshami Dutta, Abdul Ghani Teli, YNC, and
JKNCSU (Jammu) functionaries.
Interacting with the visiting delegation, Dr. Farooq as
per a statement issued to the news agency expressed gratitude to them for their support and wishes.
Meanwhile a delegation from Pir Panjal region led by
YNC Provincial President, Jammu Ajaz Jan called on the
party VP Omar Abdullah today at the party headquarters
Nawae-Subha, Srinagar.
Among others Party's Provincial President Nasir Aslam
Wani, State Spokesperson Intra Nabi Dar, Deputy Political
Sceretary Mudassir Shahmiri and Provincial Spokesperson
Ifra Jan were also present on the occasion.
The visiting delegation apprised the party leadership
about the ongoing political activities in the region. The
interaction was also marked by deliberations on present
challenges and the future course of action. KNO

### Senior journalist from Anantnag arrested by police

SRINAGAR: A senior journalist from South Kashmir's
Anantnag district has been arrested. He said he was arrested in a rol class elfel in 2017.
Cals said here on Tuesday.
A top police official told the with a leading newspaper of news agency that the senior
Jammu and Kashmir for the

Sat many years.
Notably, his residence was acarched by Police on November 19 in connection with the virial newspaper of on online threat to journalists in Kashmir. KNO

highlighted the aims of the MTMP and the services being extended by JMC during the programme.

Shaleen Kabra, Financial Commissioner, Revenue; Mukesh Singh, ADGP Jammu; Ramesh Kumar, Divisional Commissioner Jammu; Avny Lavasa, Deputy Commissioner Jammu besides corporators of JMC, visiting officers, general public and officers of UT administration were present.

### India, Central...

counterterrorism efforts and call for collective action.
The NSAs discussed that discussed the current situation
Afghanistan and its impact on the security and stability

of the region.

They reiterated their strong support for a peaceful, stable and secure Afghanistan, emphasising respect for its sovereignty, unity and territorical integrity and urging non-interference in its internal affairs.

The NSAs emphasised that the territory of Afghanistan should not be used for sheltering, training, planning or financing any terrorist acts and reaffirmed the importance of UNSC Resolution 2586 (2021) that no terrorist organisation be novided sanctuary or allowed to use the territory. of UNSC resolution 2993 (2021) that no terrorist organisa-tion be provided sanctuary or allowed to use the territory of Afghanistan.

According to the joint communique, the NSAs "con-demned in the strongest terms all forms and manifestations

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of terrorism and underscored the need to work collectively to fight this menace.

The NSAs reiterated that greater connectivity could be a force multiplier for enhancing trade and commerce as well as closer interactions between India and Central Asian Countries and therefore, "deserved priority attention." They agreed that connectivity initiatives should be based on the principles of transparency, broad participation, local priorities, financial sustainability and respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity of all countries, the Joint communique states.

The NSAs also emphasised the important role that Chabahar Port played during the humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan and its immense potential in enhancing trade and connectivity, as well as the logistics infrastructure of the Central Asian countries in the delivery of humanitarian goods to the Afghan people.

They also took note of the increase in trade between India and Central Asian countries through the Shaheed Baheshti

They also took note of the increase in trade between India and Central Asian countries through the Shaheed Baheshti Terminal, Chabahar Port and discussed further development of this transport corridor.

The participants supported India's proposal to include the Chabahar port within the framework of INSTC.

The meeting of the NSAs flows from the agreement reached during the first India-Central Asia Summit held on January 27 this year, in which it was agreed that the countries will hold regular meetings of Secretaries of the Security Council to discuss issues of regional security.

### Persistence of terror...

"Financing is lifeblood of terrorism and countering terror nancing should be an equal priority for all of us," the NSA

financing should be an equal priority for all of us," the NSA added.

Doval asked the Central Asian countries to call on UN members to fulfill obligations enshrined in the relevant counter terrorism convention and protocols and refrain from providing any support to entities or persons involved in terrorist acts.

"Your preserve is a testimony to our others were said."

in terrorist acts.
"Your presence is a testimony to our cohesiveness and it will enrich the discussions. Central Asia is our extended neighbourhood. With which we have civilisation linkages and we accord the highest priority to this region," the NSA said welcoming the participants. for extending services and generating awareness among the loop of the control of

India. Central...

nnectivity with Central Asian countries, the NSA said it remains a key priority for India. We stand ready to erate, invest and build connectivity in the region, he

cooperate, invest and build connectivity in the region, he said.

"While expanding connectivity, it is important to ensure that connectivity initiatives are consultative, transparent and participatory," he added.

Doval said the meeting is taking place at a time of great churn and international relations and uncertainty about the future, therefore, he said, "A peaceful, secure and prosperous Central Asia is in our common interest."

"Today's meeting therefore assumes importance as it provides us an opportunity to discuss matters which require greater cooperation and coordination among the regional countries," he said.

The NSAs also agreed that the expansion of terrorist propaganda, recruitment and fundraising efforts have serious security implications and need a collective and coordinated response.

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## SED to have Youth. Eco Clubs social

"The social media pages should be timely updated with the environment related activities conducted in schools to disseminate the message and for general awareness," reads the com-munions

Muhammad Yousuf, while talking to news agency, said that he has learnt this art of making footwear, mats and other things from his fore-fathers and he is nowadays making these chappals and other things at School of Design in Srinagar.

"I have been making these items made of straw for decades and I have been making these old traditional items at school of Design Sri-

## nagar," he said. He said: "When I was student, father used to teach me how to make mats, Pulhoor and other things made of straw and used to say one who earns by struggle is a friend of Allah and his observation proved true and

are interested in learning this art.

He said that the tradition of wearing shoes in Kashmir started with this Pulhoor. The Kashmiris were using "Pulhoor" (a slipper made of straw) instead of boot or a chappal made of leather, rubber or plastic.

They were widely used by the people of Kashmir in ancient times especially during harsh winters. The pulhoor was one of the traditional tools for dealing with the cold of Kashmir's winter, like "kangar" and "pheran". Pulhoor was primarily used by people to protect their feet from snow, thorns and pebbles due to poverty and unavailability of modern foot wear, he said. KNO

## to Hyderabad tourist

returns lost gold worth Rs 10 lakh

to Hyderabad tourist

PAHALGAM: A driver in Pahalgam area of South Kashmir's Anantang on Tuesday returned gold worth Rs 10 lakh to a Hyderabad tourist.

Abdul Rashid Wani, president Taxi Stand Movera Pahalgam told the news agency that Akaash Farooq Wani, a Tavera driver, returned gold worth Rs 10 lakh to a Hyderabad tourist, who was on a visit to Pahalgam and forgot the gold in Akash's vehicle yesterday.

He said the tourist had already informed the stand that he had forgot the gold in the vehicle. "When we informed the driver, he searched his vehicle and found the gold and the same was returned to the tourist," he said.

He added the tourist from Hyderabad came back from Srinagar airport to collect the gold.

Meanwhile, the tourists expressed his gratitude to the driver for returning his lost gold. KNO

### 3 drug peddlers held in Bla. Gbl: Police

& Ganderbal and recovered contraband substances from their possession.

"In Baramulla, a police party led by SHO PS Pattan along-with Incharge PP Palhallan during routine naka checking at Dargam crossing Pattan intercepted two suspicious per-sons. During checking, 28Kgs of Poppy Straw like substance were recovered from their possession. They have been identified as Shabir Ahmad Dar son of Ghulam Mohd Dar and Bashir Ahmad Dar son of Abul Razzag Dar bot resi-dents of Sheer Colony Sopore. They have been arrested and shifted to a police station where they remain in custody," a police spokesman said in a statement issued to the news agency.

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Similarly in Ganderbal, a police party led by incharge PP Shadipora under the supervision of DySP Hqrs Ganderbal during patrolling at Zazuma arrested a suspicious person. During search, Codiene Phosphate bottles were recovered that the processor of the said to the processor of the said that cases under relevant sections of law have been registered in respective police stations of law have been registered in respective police stations and investigation has been initiated.

Meanwhile, police urged people to come forward with any information regarding drug peddlers in their neighbourhood. "Persons found indulging in drug peddling will be dealt with as per law. Our consistent actions against drug peddlers should reassure the community members that we are making efforts to keep our society free from the scourge of drug menace," police said. KNO

necessary measures to remove illegal encroachments on the government land

HANDWARA: The deputy commissioner, Kupwara Doifode Sagar Dattatray on Tuesday directed the officials
including that of revenue to take up necessary measures
to remove the illegal encroachment and retrieve the government land in the district and asked the Municipal Council
Handwara not to dump the waste at general bus stand.
Dr. Doifode Sagar Dattatray, while speaking on the occasion in My Town My Pride at Langate Handwara, as per
the news agency said, that whosoever has encroached on
the government land should immediately remove it and
strictly warned the officials in deal with engrachment

the government tand should immediately remove it and strictly warned the officials to deal with encroachment and ensure no common land is occupied by any individual or household. He said, earlier a delegation from Handwara met him and apprised about the encroachment. "I assured them the

remove the encroachment. In the meanwhile, the deputy commissioner also asked the municipal council Handwara not to dump the garbage waste in the general bus stand.

People visit Kashmir to see the beautiful mountains but in Handwara, we can only see the mountains of garbage waste', he said, while directing MC not to dump the garbage waste there at the bus stand. KNO

### **Delegations from Jammu call on** Dr Farooq at his Sgr residence

### FROM THE FRONT PAGE...

### Master plan...

Master plan...

Public-Private Partnership and public-participation as the two important aspects of urban transformation that are also the best tools to improve Quality of life, strengthen people's welfare mechanism, to grow the local economy and build infrastructure for a brighter future.

Underscoring that master plan is linked to the city's growth, development and overall socio-economic development, the LF Governor stressed that city Master plan must reflect aspirations and needs of common man and the poor families living in the slums.

"Jammu Master Plan must focus on housing for poor, new business centers to decongest old cities, besides planned townships for state & all India service officials", he added. Mentoring officers should work with elected public representatives, local ward members for successful execution of urban development plans, the LF Governor further added. The LF Governor observed that Prime Minister has transformed Jammu into the city of educational institutions. Jammu known as the city of temples world over has also become a hub of educational Institutions as it is the only place in the country which has AIIMS, IIM, IIT and Central University, he added.

The LF Governor maintained that resource mobilization is the need of the hour and it must become part of our action plan.

Seamless online public service delivery and efforts for

plan.

Seamless online public service delivery and efforts for improved infrastructure, decongestion plan, transportation, creation of new public space, streamlining & simplification of processes to avail public services: brand positioning of the cities; One District One Product City Livelihood Mission; beautification of cities; preservation and rejuvenation of rivers, lakes & parks are some of the important aspects of public outreach that needs focused attention, said the Lt Governor.

Governor:

The 'My Town My Pride' public outreach programme lays special focus on Self-employment generation and skill development to empower youth. During MTMP Abhiyan, 25 youth from each ward are being identified for self-employment assistance and skill training.

It is also being ensured that the schemes meant for the welfare of street vendors must reach the eligible beneficiaries, the Lt Governor said.

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The LI Governor called for organizing Swachhta Competitions in Municipal Corporations and wards. He also called on the Mayor, JMC and other elected representatives to explore viable plans for revenue generation in coordination with all stakeholders.

On fund flow to municipal corporations, the LI Governor maintained that everything is being done with complete transparency and as per GFR and other rules, and nobody can be allowed to violate those in any case; though, UT-specific flexibilities can be worked out. A nation is run by the constitution, by the law and people need to create a fine balance between rights and duties. Welfare of the poor is among our top priority but the people who are capable and rich must accord top priority to discharge their duties towards society and the nation, said the LI Governor.

Lt Governor.

The sense of duty among the citizens can help the society prosper. People need to understand that the public services and facilities are not free for all. Those who are able should come forward for paying for the government services, he added.

ided. Earlier, the Lt Governor inspected several stalls installed y different departments/agencies of the UT administration or extending services and generating awareness among



### My Town My Pride culminates with good public participation in 6 Municipalities of Budgam

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BUDGAM, NOVEMBER 06: The Jan
Abhiyan programmes organized
under ambitious 'My Town My Pride'
2.0 (MTMP), programme witnessed
good public participation in all 6
Municipalities of Budgam district.

Municipalities of Budgam district.
Principal Secretary, Industries and
Commerce, Prashant Goyal, who
presided over the MIMP programme
at Sports Stadium Budgam as Visiting
Officer, inaugurated Double Storey
Laboratory, Operation Theatre and
Indoor Facility building at Chief
Animal Humbards (1966) Budgam.

Animal Husbandry Office Budgam.
Principal Secretary interacted with local youth and distributed sports kits among youth clubs and sports lovers.
He reviewed the Municipal Finance and Capex Plan 2023-2024, City Livelihood Plan, resource mobilization, the control of the control tion, city tourism, green city and smart vending plans.

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During the programme, Principal Secretary also reviewed development of Urban Local Bodies with elected representatives and district officers. Terming MTMP as an ambitious programme for development of urban areas, Principal Secretary said through the programme government itself reaches out to the general public in Town areas at door stems and listens to reacnes out to the general public in Town areas at door steps and listens to them and get direct feedback on gover-nance and developmental process. Along with Main Town Budgam, the MTMP events were also held at Higher Secondary School Chadoora,

which was presided over by Visiting Officer, Ulfat Jabeen, MD, J&K Women Development Corporation.

At Khansaheb Town, the programme was presided over by Ghulam Rasool Mir, Director Horticulture Kashmir while Syed Qamar Sajad, Additional Registrar Cooperative Kashmir, presided over the programme at Townhall Magam.

Similar MTMP, Jan Abhiyaan events were also held at Townhall Beerwah and Townhall Chari-Sharief which were presided over by Zeenat Ara, Programme Officer ICDS and Masrat Hashim, Additional Secretary with

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Hashim, Additional Secretary with GAD respectively. Over 600 specially abled persons received prosthetic aid including, tri-cycles, wheelchairs, hearing and other aid during the MTMP programmes at Budgam and Berwah Towns. Various beneficiaries received Grah Pravesh and Best House Certificates under PMAY-HFA Urban.

Felicitating the end beneficiaries, the Visiting Officers distributed sanction Visiting Officers distributed sanction and approval letters among hundreds of beneficiaries under different self-employment schemes. Various departments continued to showcase their products and raise awareness regarding their public welfare initiatives and self-employment schemes at early employment schemes at stalls

seir employment schemes at stails installed in all Municipalities. In order to promote sports culture and ensure maximum student partici-pation in co-curricular activities, the Visiting officers also inaugurated vari-

ety of sports events at different school in Municipality areas for the last day of MTMP Programme.

The visiting officers also held meetings with elected Councilors led by their Presidents, held interactions with prominent citizens, NCOs, Traders, Youth Clubs, Transporters and other concerned during the Jan Abiyan programmes

Review of implementation of schemes and awareness generation about Jan Baghidari and Digital JK schemes were also held by the Visiting

The visiting officers also inaugurat-ed number of Khidmat Centres, distributed sports equipments, soil health cards, land passbooks, and conducted visits to ration depots, aganwadi centres, hospitals, schools, ICT labs and other facilities to take on spot stock of facilities.

Inauguration of sports events, plantation drives, speeches under Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyan programmes at colleges and schools, witnessing of sports events were among other activi-ties held by Visiting Officers during

ties held by Visitung Children and MTMP programme.

At the outset, students from different schools performed various folk, cultural programmes and skits at differences. ferent venues

Presidents of Municipal Councils concerned SDMs, Councilors, District Officers, SDM level Officers, EOs and other concerned also attended the pro

### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNION TERRITORY JAMMU & KASHMIR

### OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE ENGINEER. MECHANICAL DIVISION, RAJOURI

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### NOTICE INVITING TENDER

On behalf of the Lt Governor of J&K, Bids are invited by Executive Engineer, Mechanical Division Rajouri by e-Tendering mode from reputed firms/ contractors for undertaking the work as per SBD/BOQ:

S. No	e-NIT No	Description of work	Cost of tender (Rs)	Time of completion	Tender opening authority
1	e-NIT:- 64 Date:- 03.12.2022. Dueon:- 10.12.2022.	Repair & Maintenance of DRR 636 W, DRR 7503 W and DRR 457 W	200.00	07 days	Executive Engineer Mechanical Division Rajouri
2	e-NIT:- 65 Date:- 03.12.2022. Dueon:- 12.12.2022	Providing, Installation and Commissioning of GSM based real time Vehicle tracking management system (GPS) for 25 numbers Departmental Vehicles of Mechanical Division Rajouri	500.00	10 days	Executive Engineer Mechanical Division Rajouri

The e-NIT consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, terms &conditions, Bill of Quantities can be seen / downloaded from the J&K Govt. website www. Jktenders.gov.in

All other information regarding the e-NIT can be had from the office of the undersigned on any

**EXECUTIVE ENGINEER** 

DIP/J-12572/22

UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU & KASHMIR

### OFFICE THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) ELECTRIC DIVISION JAMMU

### FRESH NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Fresh e-NIT No.EDJ/352 of 2022-2023 Dated 03-12-2022

For and on behalf of the Lieutenant Governor, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir e-tenders at Percentage Basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with Union Territory of J&K, CPWD, Railways, MES and other State/Central Governments for each of the following works:-

S. No	Name of Work	Name of Division	Estima ted Cost ('in Iacs)	Cost of docum ent (in ')	Earnest Money (in `)	Time Allowed for complete- on	Time and date of opening of tender	Class of Contract or
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Electrification of two Additional Room at MS Dhailan under the jurisdiction of Construction Division No. 3 Jammu. (2ndCall)	PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu	1.47	200	2940/-	Linked with Civil works.	13-12-2022 At or after (12:00 A.N)	"A" Class Electrical Contractor
2.	Electrification of two Additional Room at GMS Pargwal under the Jurisdiction of Construction Division No. 3 Jammu. (2nd call).	PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu	1.45	200	2900/-	Linked with Civil works.	13-12-2022 At or after (12:00 A.N)	"A" Class Electrical Contractor

The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website http://jktenders.gov.in as per below schedule.

1	Date of Issue of Tender Notice	03-12-2022
2	Period of downloading of bidding documents	From 04-12-2022 to 12-12-2022, 4:00 P.M
3	Bid submission Start Date	04-12-2022
4	Bid Submission End Date	12-12-2022 up to 4:00 P.M
5	Date & time of opening of Technical Bids (Online)	13-12-2022 at or after 12:00 A.N in the Office of the Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu
6	Date & time of opening of Financial Bids (Online)	To be notified after technical bid evaluation is completed

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in shape of e-challan through Treasury indicating Treasury Voucher No. & date and also indicating the name of work duly crediting to 0059 (Revenue) favouring Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu. uploading a copy of treasury challan/receipt. The original instruments in respect of cost of documents, and relevant documents of L1 be submitted to the Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu. at the
- Bid Security Declaration should be kept in the Bid documents as per tendered.
- The date and time of opening of Financial-Bids shall be notified on Web Site <a href="www.jktenders.gov.in">www.jktenders.gov.in</a> and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The Financial-bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online in the Office of the Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Electric Division Jammu. The date for same shall be intimated separately.
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of Technical bids.
- The earnest money shall be forfeited, If :
- Any bidder/tenderer withdraws his bid/tender during the period of bid validity or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.
- Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within specified time period after issue of letter of acceptance
- Failure of successful bidder to execute the agreement on same day of allotment of work contract as per Chief Engineer PW (R&B) Department Jammu's Circular No. CEJ/G/12660-87 dated 07-10-2021.

No :- EDI/14716-24 Dated :-03-12-2022 DIP/I-12590/22

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) ELECTRIC DIVISION
JAMMU

### **OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER FLOOD CONTROL DIVISION SAMBA**

### SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER

e-NIT No. 20 of 12/2022

For and on behalf of Lieutenant Governor of J&K state, Tenderis invited by the Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Samba, by e-Tendering mode on Item RateSSR 2020 for below mentioned worksfrom approved and eligible contractors registered with J&K state Govt./CPWD/MES and railways for the following work

S. No.	Name of work	Name of division	Advertised amount (Rs.in lakhs)	Earnest Money 2%	Cost of document (in Rs.)	Time allowed for completion	Time and date of opening of the technical bid	Class of contractor	Bid valid ity
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
01	Balance cost of construction of flood protection work/diversion of water flow from RajinderVihar Private Colony in Patti Nallah U/s of National Highway	Flood Control Division Samba	Rs. 1.30 lakhs	Rs. 2600/-	500/- under M.H. 0702 (Revenue)	10 days	10-12-2022 at 12:00 Noon	"D" Class Contractor	90 days

Position of Funds:-Partially Funds Available.

Position of AAA:-Accorded Position of T.S.:- Accorded

1.Date of publishing from: 03-12-2022 (18:00 P.M.).

- The bidding documents can be downloaded from the website <u>www.iktenders.gov.in</u>w.e.f.03-12-2022 (18:00 P.M.)to09-12-2022 (18:00 P.M.)

- (15:00 P.M.). The bids shall be deposited in electronic format on the website from <a href="www.lktenders.gov.in">www.lktenders.gov.in</a>, w.e.f. 03-12-2022 (18:00 P.M.) to 09-12-2022 (16:00 P.M.). The bids received will be opened on 10-12-2022 at 12:00Noon.

  The complete bidding process will be on-line.

  The tender uploaded on the website up to due date will be opened on 10-12-2022 at 12:00Noon in the office of the Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Samba in the presence of the bidders who wish to attend. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.

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- A pre- bid meeting will be held on 06-12-2022 at 12:00 Noon in the office of the Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Sambato clarify the issues and to answer question on any matter that may be raised at that stage as stated in clauses 19 of nstruction to bidder of the biddine documents.
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  The site for the work is available.

  In light of Govt. Notification issued by Finance department Civil Secretariat vide no. A/24(2017)- 651 dated: 07-06-2018, the bidder must upload the copy of Challan/Receipt on account of cost of ender documents remitted in the treasury concerned for that the bidders must write an application to be addressed to treasury officer concerned requesting therein for remittance of amount as cost of tender documents towards. MH D07(Revenue. The bidder shall also write e-NIT No., S.No. 8. Name of work on the TreasuryReceipt/Challan.Any suchchallan deposited on back dates shall not be accepted.

  The lowest Bidder in L. 1 shall be intrinated to deposit the original copy of required/doffional Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR and hard copies of all relevantdocuments as mentioned in clause of general Instructions to the Bidders within 05 daysfrom the date of opening of financial Bids.
- The lowest Bidder i.e. I. shall be intimated to deposit the original copy of requiredAdditional Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR and hard copies of all relevantedocuments are mentioned in clause of general instructions to the Bidders within 50 daysfrom the date of opening of financial Bids.

  Blisd must be uploaded along with scanned copy of cost of tender document in the shape of e-challan/copy of receipt from treasury favoring Executing Engineer Flood Control Division, Samba Indicating name of work by crediting the requisite charges to MH: 0702 (Revenue). The original instruments in respect of cost of documents, EMD and other relevant documents of I-l bidder will be required to be submitted to the Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Samba within five days of opening of financial bids on line. No separate intimation about opening of financial bids will be sent by this office/by the tender opening authority. In case the original documents are not submitted by the I-bidder within five days after opening of financial bid, the tender will be cancelled and the bidder will not be allowed to participate in any further/future tendering process in the Division for a period of one very. Division for a period of one year.
- The original documents, when submitted by L-1 for the cost of tender documents, EMD specified in the tender document should be same as uploaded online (Scanned copies) otherwise the allotment will not be issued, the tender will be cancelled and the bidder will not be allowed to participate in any further/future tendering process in the Division for a period of one year.

- bidder will not be allowed to participate in any further/future tendering process in the Division for a period of one year. Technical bid will be opened on 10-12-2022 at 12:00 Noon in the office of the Executive Engineer Flood Control Division Samba and the date of opening of financial bid shall be communicated to the successful bidders. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bid as specified, the bid will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue. The bid for the work shall remain open for acceptance for a period of 90 days from the date of the opening of bids. If any bidder/tender withdraws his bid/render before the said period or makes any modification in the term and conditions of the bid, the said earnest money shall stand forteited.

  No Engineer of Gazetted Rank or other Gazetted Officer employed in Engineering or Administrative Duties in an Engineering Department of the State Goot, is allowed to work as a contractor for period of two years after his retirement from Goot. Service, without permission of the Goot this contract is failed to be canceled if, either the contractor or any of his employees is found my time to be such a person who had not obtained the permission of the goot. It he contractor's service.
- engagement in the contractor's service Other detail can be seen in the bidding documents.

Signed for and on behalf of the

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FLOOD CONTROL DIVISION

THOUGHT OF THE DAY 9 9

"Don't Dream to be something but Rather dream to do

### Something great" - PM Narendra Modi

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### Maintain a close tab on progress of infra projects

ecently, it came to fore that 27 mega projects of the central government worth Rs 150 crore and above each have recorded over 72 percent cost overrun while jumping their respective deadlines up to 20 years in Jammu and Kashmir. It sounds quite surprising as well as shocking that infrastructural development has remained a casualty in the Union Territory because of law and order problems and administrative red tape. In conflict-ridden Jammu and Kashmir where terror and gun culture overshadow all development activities, seldom a project has been completed within the stipulated timeframe. The report on central sector projects reveals that 27 projects having original cost of Rs 47,696.67 crore had been facing cost overrun of 72 percent as they are now expected to be completed with an anticipated cost of Rs 82,076.18 crore. Out of these projects, nine projects with original execution cost Rs 16,439.47 crore have been facing time overrun ranging from eight months to 247 months (more than 20 years) and the anticipated execution is now Rs 50,951.73 crore. At-least 13 projects with original cost of Rs 1,000 crore and above each had been witnessing a cost overrun of 82.31 percent. These projects were expected to be completed with an original cost of Rs 41,767.84 crore which has now been revised to Rs 76.147.35 crore. Four such projects have missed deadlines by 4 years to 20 years. To the utter dismay of an ordinary citizen of Jammu and Kashmir, authorities have never bothered to fix the accountability and responsibility for the failure of executing agencies for inordinate delay in execution of these projects. They have not been penalized for jumping deadlines, one after another, while cost escalation went up by several times. There was a need to fix responsibility for all lapses that led to delay in timely completion of these projects. For instance, Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla Rail Link, one of the biggest projects in the construction of a mountain railway since independence, has been delayed by more than 20 years, resulting in cost overrun of over Rs 34,500 crore. The original cost of the project was just Rs 2,500 when it was approved in March 1995 but the cost of the project has escalated to Rs 37,061.06 crore with expected date of commissioning in April 2023. In this particular case, successive regimes, including recent dispensation, have not taken any action against any officials for a delay of 20 years. Similar is the case of the establishment of AIIMS at Awantipora in Kashmir. The project was approved with an estimated cost of Rs 1828 crore in March 2019 but the executing agency has spent just Rs 303 crore till date. Had the government kept a close tab on the progress of these projects, cost as well as time overrun could have been avoided. A well-devised mechanism should be put in place to ensure that a constant watch is maintained on all major projects to ensure that they are completed within stipulated time. It will not only help in building infrastructure on time but also reinforce the faith of common people in the efficiency of

## INDIA SHOULD AIM TO **BE A 'SUPER PARTN**

All of this makes India, potentially, a 'super partner' rather than a 'super power'. A super partner builds goodwill and trust, relationships and a 'super structure' which is enduring and equal in nature. The realisation to be a 'super partner' is not far because India is already doing many of the things listed earlier. There can be no end to the work. It will always be ongoing, but the direction is set to strengthen partnerships across continents.

Tarun Das

N the vocabulary of geopolitics and geoeconomics, the favourite word for the strongest antions in the world, eg the USA, is that it is a 'super power'. Meaning, it is their vast economic and military strength that gives them the title of super power. More and more, the talk is that China has emerged as a 'super power', the first Asian country to be so.

In discussions, public and private, there is ref-rence to India's ambitions and aspirations. In discussions, public and private, there is ref-erence to India's ambitions and aspirations. Often, it is said that India can be a super power. India must be a super power. India should be a super power. India is on the way to being a super power. Somehow, this title for India and India's own ethos and culture do not seem to go

Looking at the history of non-violence Looking at the history of non-violence, democracy, yoga, humility and spiritual values of India, somehow the idea of India being a super power does not sit right. That is not to say that India should not be economically or militarily strong. It must be. In fact, there is a huge backlog to make up because of past policies being less than adequate. But, there is a difference between being strong and being a sufference between the sufference between ence between being strong and being a super

power.

Super power, somehow, gives the impression of a country which uses its strength to influence and, may be, pressure others. Super power gives the feeling of a country wanting to dominate over the others. Super power is not a description used for a friend. Super power is one to be feared.

The following are some principal characteristics which India follows in its international relationships that make it suitable for being a super

strong relationships across the world, the developing and the developed. This policy is being

actively followed, especially in recent years. Second, to participate in different groupings of countries, such as BRICS, ASEAN, BIMSTEC, SCO, G-20 (of which India is the President for

Third, to participate in the affairs of the UN and its various wings, such as the WTO, WHO, UNIDO, UNDP, UNESCO, UNICEF and FAO, with vigour and energy. For example, recently, India played an active role in the UN Security

india payed an active fole in the UN Secturity Council during list term as member. Fourth, to build deep and abiding relationships with all friendly countries. Multiple initia-tives have been taken in recent years to achieve a new level of collaboration. Fifth, to share knowledge and experience in building a digital economy which has trans-

formed India and can transform many develop

Sixth, to collaborate in healthcare, including vaccines during the Covid-19 period and its aftermath. Health has become a major, new area of bilateral cooperation, with India in a position to share and transfer knowledge as well as products and services. Seventh, to explore every products and services. Seventh, to explore every possible way to help the least developed countries to build capacity of all kinds — physical, human resources, technology, etc.

Eighth, to have a special focus on people development because their ability to do what is

required in their own countries is crucial to their vn development. Professionalisation of people through education and training is the most

through education and training is the most important partnership.

Ninth, having benefited from the development of entrepreneurship and startups, India is able to pass on the learnings to others so that their own industrial and economic development

Tenth, concurrently, to share policy formulation experience which would enable friendly countries to avoid the mistakes that India made This includes the management of deregulation

This includes the management of deregulation and liberalisation.

Eleventh, and perhaps the most significant 'soft' partnership, is to build people-to-people relationships. Students, scientists, women, youth, administrators and the like, who connect with their counterparts elsewhere, build bonds of a quality and depth not possible without a face-to-face connection.

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tungs isted earlier. Here can be no end to the work, the process. It will always be ongoing, but the direction is set to strengthen partnerships across continents, countries, and the world.

It would be good for all if Indians dropped the super power status as a aim for India, with all its negative connotations, and adopted the 'super partner' terminology and the true spirit of being the best possible partner to all friendly. of being the best possible partner to all friendly

In this world where finance and technology In this world where finance and technology flows are relatively free, and, perhaps, people movement will one day follow suit, no country can be an island, isolated from the world. Every country needs friends and India's way of build-ing partnerships is the right way to go about it. And, those countries which function on the

ideology that they can do everything on their own or that they do not need friends are likely

own or that they do not need triends are likely to come to grief one day, sooner or later.

One very important aspect of being a solid 'super partner' is to have the capacity and capability, built domestically, to fulfil the 11, or more, roles enumerated above. India, therefore, has to continuously work and strive to enhance the continuously and composition in fracture to be a continuously work and strive to enhance its own social and economic infrastructure to be an ideal partner.

Today, and tomorrow, India may well be the only country in the world which can truly be a 'super partner', subject to building up its own capacity.

### Why the army will keep dictating terms in Pakistan

NERAL Asim Munir has taken over as the Pakistan army chief weeks after two army chief weeks after two incidents forced the military leadership to attempt damage control following a flurry of allegations — the assassina-tion attempt on former Prime Minister Imran Khan in Wazirabad and the assassination of journalist Arshad Sharif in Kenya

Sharif in Kenya.

The failure of the security apparatus to prevent the attack on a former PM is a reflection of the turbulence in the country. Imran had expressed apprehensions about an impending assassination attempt on him and gone to the settent of gway identifying the plotters. extent of even identifying the plotters, including the present PM, Shehbaz Sharif, Interior Minister Rana Sanaullah Khan and a senior army

commander.

Former PM Benazir Bhutto had also gone public with similar fears before being assassinated on December 27, 2007, allegedly by a 15-year-old suicide Reportedly, the suspects Bhutto had mentioned in the letter were Brigadier Ijaz Shah (retd), Lt Gen were Brigadier ijaz Shah (retd.). Li Gen Hamid Gul (retd) and former Pakistan Punjab Chief Minister Chaudhry Pervaiz Elahi. In 2009, the UN-appoint-ed commission, which was formed by then then Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon to probe Bhutto's assassination, had concluded that the attack could

have been prevented if adequate secu

have been prevented if adequate secu-rity measures had been taken.

Arshad, who was killed under mys-terious circumstances, had fled Pakistan as he feared harassment from the current political elite. He had echoed Imran's allegation that the US was responsible for the 'regime-change operation' in Pakistan that led to the operation in Pakistan that led to the former crickete's ouster as PM. I knew Arshad as we had spent nearly a month together as part of a conflict-reporting course for journalists at Cardiff University in February 2006. As part of the course, we travelled to different parts of Northern Ireland and there were several occasions to bear there were several occasions to hear there were several occasions to hear the perspectives of various partici-pants, including Arshad, on various issues. His vociferous support to the narrative of 'regime change' was no surprise as he was critical of the US role in various parts of the world, including the Pak-Afghan region. The US, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia or even China which have also

Arabia or even China, which have also been Pakistan's financial benefactors leadership on critical issues facing the country. (Quite similar is the way China enjoys a close relationship with



the Myanmar army, an institution which too is infamously entrenched in the country's political landscape.) The Pakistani army has been able to get a favourable outcome from foreign play-ers when the political executive failed. This can be empirically proved in the context of recent favourable economic outcomes after every intervention by the Pakistani army leadership. The external advantage is linked to the heft the army has historically commanded

In various colonies across the world, the British identified some communi-

ties that they categorised as "martial races" and based on other political con-siderations as well, they carried out military recruitment. In the South Asian context, after the 1857 mutiny, the present-day Pakistani Punjab replaced the present-day UP and Bitar as the prime catchment area of the Battich military in the lack parts of the British military in the last quarter of the

The US, Saudi Arabia or China, which have been Pakistan's financial benefactors, find it easy to engage with the army's leadership on critical issues

facing the country. The Pakistani army has been able to get a favourable outcome from foreign players when the political executive failed. This is evi-

dent from the recent favourable economic outcomes after interventions by the Pakistani army leadership.

British military in the last quarter of the 19th century.
Recruits from various parts of Punjab were sent to far-off shores of Europe during the two World Wars.
The army as a career continued to be attractive even after 1947, when the

Pakistani army conducted recruit-ments in western Punjab. The Sudhans, Jats, Rajputs, Mughals and other groups from Pakistan Punjab's north-ern area, commonly called Pothwar, and the central pocket filled the ranks of the Pakistani grow at the soldier and of the Pakistani army at the soldier and officer levels.

With a few exceptions, it is not a coincidence that most of the Pakistani coincidence that most of the Pakistani army chiefs, including General Munir and his predecessor Qamar Javed Bajwa, come from the northern and central parts of the Punjab province. In the context of lack of land reforms,

63 per cent population aged between 15 and 33 years and poor societal depth of party institutions, the army is seen meritocratic institution for

upward social mobility.

The support to former PM Imran, which has been manifested in the form of veiled as well as open protests or statements against the army leadership, or former chief Bajwa's farewell statement, where he said the army has statement, where ne said the army nas decided to remain apolitical, doesn't mean civilian supremacy is on the cards anytime soon. The past is a good guide to say so. For instance, in 1988, former PM Bhutto's return to the country after exile, preceded by the death of eral Zia in an air crash, was seen a the dawn of democracy. Her govern-ment fell within two years as she and her husband were accused of corrup-tion. As admitted by former generals in the years to come, the elections that followed her dismissal were rigged in favour of the Islami Jamhoori Ittehad under the leadership of Nawaz Sharif

The lawyers' agitation in 2009 against then President and former army chief Pervez Musharraf was accompanied by street protests against the army's interference in politics Within a few years of Musharraf's exit, the army leadership regained public acceptance and was back in its role of acceptance and was back in its role of the principal kingmaker. Against this backdrop, it will not be surprising if former PM Imran reverses his stance and reaches out to the army's new leadership or even moderates his pub-lic positioning on the US in the near

Pakistan's structural realities are here to stay and will enable the army to quickly regain public acceptability and thus stay as the most determining state institution politically.

### Badshah Ditches Bling In 'Kya Say' Music Video Featuring Sukriti, Prakriti

Rapper Badshah has teamed up with musical twins Sukriti and Prakriti for their much-anticipated song 'Kya Say'. Sonically, the song features southern ethnic sound, with a groove that flows over into the eponymous hook line.

The visuals of the song present a colourful palette with the costumes of the singers adding the perfect vibe to the overall look and feel of the music video. Badshah, who is known to have a liking for bling jackets, can be seen keeping it raw and casual with his sartorial choice in the song. Sukriti and Prakriti are sporting ravishing attires, chansporting ravishing attires, char-

Harsh Nagar Joins The Cast Of 'Kyunkii

Tum Hi Ho'

a learning experience for him and he tried his best to

play his character with perfection.

perfection.

He says: "My happiness has doubled as I am sharing the screen with talented actors like Amar sir, and Priyanka. They have all been very warm and welcoming. Though it's been a few days of shooting. I've learnt so much from everyone, including the crew." Harsh found the script relatable and he says he connects with his role.

he connects with his role. Thus he instantly said 'yes'

to the project.
"When I read the script, I



nelling their rustic nature Talking about the song,

Badshah said "The of working on 'Kya Say' was absolutely amazing. Chamath has created yet another masterpiece with this music. I had a lot
of fun creating this song and
video with the talented duo
Sukriti - Prakriti, that too in
such a scenic location. Big shout
out to Amith and the Studio
Moca team for bringing this art
to life and for making me do
those stunts on set, it sure was
exciting. The song is out everywhere and I urge you to listen to
it and watch it over and over."
The music video was shot at
Athirappilly Waterfalls in
Kerala where some of the most
famous films have been shot,
including 'Bahubali', 'Raavan',
and a few other films of director
Mani Ratnam.

On collaborating with Badshah for the first time, Sukriti and Prakriti Kakar said, "This is a dream collaboration and the response has been over-whelming. It's a beautiful song composed by Chamath, and people have been ecstatic since we announced it. We are delighted with how the song has turned out, and we have enjoyed the journey immensely. The video also features the second largest elephant in India, Kalidas-Chirakkal Kalidasan, a celebrity in his own right, known for his appearance in the Prabhas and Rana Daggubati-starrer 'Bahubali'. 'Kya Say' is available to stream on the

### Hansika Motwani Shares Wedding Pics: "Now And Forever." She Writes For Husband Sohael Kathuria



oi... Mil Gaya actress Hansika Motwani, who married entrepreneur Sohael Kathuria over the weekend, shared pictures from her weeding on her Instagram profile on Tuesday. Hansika married Sohail on December 4 at the Mundota Fort and Palace in Jaipur, Rajasthan. Hansika wore red for her big day, while the groom opted for an embroidered sherwani. The first picture happens to be from the pheras. In the second shot, Sohael can be seen applying sindoor on Hansika's forehead. The third shoft features the couple smiling with all their hearts. "Now and forever 412.2022," Hansika Motwani captioned the post. The comments section of Hansika's post was flooded with congratulatory messages from her Instafam. "Hey'd ed with congratulatory messages from her Instafam. "Hey! Congratulations," wrote Karan Tacker. "Congratulations to the both you you," wrote Mandira Bedi. "Congratulations," the both you you, "wrote Mandira Becd." Congratulations," read Esha Gupta's comment. Sohael Kathuria, a Mumbai-based businessman proposed to Hansika Motwani in front of the Eiffel Tower in Paris last month. The actress shared pictures from the dreamy moment on her Instagram profile and she wrote: "Now and forever."

On the work front, Hansika Motwani has acted in Hindi, Tamil Tahuru, Manalana and Konanda films. She paid

Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam and Kannada films. She made her debut as an actor with the 2001 television show Des Mein Niklla Hoga Chand and became a household name

Menn Nikila Hoga Chand and became a household name for her performance in the popular kids fantarsy show Shaka Laka Boom Boom, which also aired in the same year. Hansika Motwani is known for her role in Hrithik Roshan's Koi... Mil Gaya and Himesh Reshammiya's Aap Kaa Surroor. She also starred in films like Desamuduru, Kandireega Maska, Kantri, Aramanani, Villain, Singam II (Suriya's version), Denikaina Ready and Uyire Uyire, to name a few.

# **Shivangi Sharma Was Pranked Upon By** DJ Bravo In The Queen's Palace In The UK in walking so he reached early and hid himself somewhere and when I was crossing that place he was like wuhuuuuuu in a loud voice and instead of getting scared, I was laughing." The singer is also gearing up for another song of hers titled Same Old Lies'. Talking about the same, she said, 'This song is about getting cheated by a guy which is totally relatable to many because it's going on in the society quite a lot and I have experienced it personally too. Most importantly, I shot the song in the US as I literally waited for the fall season to shoot this music video inspired by the song Tumhi Dekho Na (KANIX). I just love the fall season and I made up my mind that I'm going to shoot one of my songs in America during Autumn. 'However, the planning of the shoot was not a cakewalk rather it was far from one, as she added, "It takes a hell lot of planning to do so as I was checking on the weather foreast every single day because I wanted to shoot on a sunny day since during that time the climate changes every hour.

inger Shivangi Sharma, who is known for her song 'Roshni', has collaborated with cricketer-singer DJ Bravo for the song 'Party' Astivangi has shared her experience of working with DJ Bravo, who is known for his aggressive lower-order batting. Talking about the same, She said, Thave known DJ Bravo for more than six years but we never worked together. This is the first time I worked with him professionally and I just started respecting him even more. He's absolutely a gem and a thorough professional guy. Our call time for the shoot used to be 5:30 guy. Our call time for the shoot used to be 5:30 a.m. and he used to be ready at 5:15 a.m., despite sleeping for just 2 hours. He was totally jet lagged but his energy on set was out of the world."

Not just punctuality, the cricketer size of the start of the start of the start of the world." Saathiya Saath Nibhana 2' actor Harsh Nagar says coming on board with big names like Amar names like Amar Upadhyay and Priyanka Dhavle in 'Kyunkii Tum Hi Ho' has turned out to be

the world."

Not just punctuality, the cricketer-singer is also a prankster and a funny guy as one can gauge from his on-field demeanour.

She further mentioned, "He's a big time prankster and played pranks on me many times on set specially after pack up. So we



were shooting in the Palace of Queens in England and there were so many hideouts in the palace. So just after finishing the shoot we both were going together towards our rooms because I was wearing heels, I was little slow

There's a powerful reason why this story moves ahead. That is integral to a good thriller. It wasn't superficial at all. That's why it is difficult to come across an engaging thriller. If you are emotionally invested, it goes to good use.

### Abhishek Bachchan Recalls His Successful Acting Stint In 2022, Says 'It's A Blessing To Be A Part Of Good Scripts'

From playing a rough and eccentric politician in 'Dasvi' to delivering a nailbiting performance in 'Breathe: Into The Shadows season 2', Abhishek Bachchan silently broke many records this year. He rules the OTT platform like no other. 'Dasvi', released on an OTT platform, topped the chart and trended across 18 countries. The movie showed a new side of Abhishek Bachchan, who enacted the role of a politician who accepted the challenge of clearing

his 'Dasvi'. The film also had Nimrat Kaur

his 'Dasvi'. The film also had Nimrat Kaur and Yami Gautam playing pivotal roles. His most recent release, the second season of 'Breathe: Into The Shadows', received over 15 million views in two weeks. In one of the interviews, Abhishek mentioned working on 'Breathe: Into The Shadows'. He said, 'Il's a challenging genre to execute because thrillers are rare. For me, it was the character that drew me to the project. I loved Mavank's writing.



## When I read the script, I instantly felt a connection with the story and knew that it is something I want to be a part of, 50, when I was finalized as Ayushmann Bhargay, I was delighted, as I resonate with him personally. He is simple, honest and shy. He believes in keeping others above him and is always there to support his loved ones through thick and thin," he adds. 'DHARM YODDHA GARUD' ALL SET TO GO OFF-AIR, TORAL RASPUTRA CALLS IT A LEARNING E

Balika Vadhu' actress Toral Rasputra talks about her show, 'Dharm Yoddha Garud' going off-air and how it was to be

off-air and how it was to be part of the mythological drama after doing a number of fictional serials.

She says: "I had absolutely fallen in love with my role. It has been an honour to be a part of this amazing storyline with a compelling plot. The show helped me extend my knowledge of mythology, making me curious about the Goddess' existence and anxious to visit the set day after



Toral, who participated in

the reality series like 'Bigg Boss 6', 'Box Cricket League 2', and

was seen in daily soaps such as 'Kesariya Balam Aavo Hamare Des', 'Madhubala-Ek Ishg Ek Junoon', 'Uttaran', 'Rangrasiya', Beintehaa', among others. Toral is happy with the kind of response she got from the audience for her role. 'I feel happy that the audience appre-ciated my performance and I have been equally happy to portray a compassionate and affectionate character. I would portray a compassionate and affectionate character. I would like to thank my fans for giv-ing me and my character so

Faisal, who played the lead role of Garud in the show, says

that he has learned a lot about mythology and though it was quite challenging to shoot for long hours, he enjoyed every

rins snow has been an inte-gral part of my journey as an actor and has taught me a lot about mythology and the power of love and forgiveness While it was sometimes challenging to shoot long hours in heavy costumes and make-up, I enjoyed working on the show as it taught me to be selfless, honest, and obedient just like Garud," he shares. While 'Sapna Babul

### Monalisa Read 30 Novels To Play An Erotic Poetess In 'Hasratein'



Beg Boss 10' fame Monalisa, who is popular for betwork in Bholymri chema, is playing the role of an erotic poetess in the web series 'Hasratein' and says she did a lot of research for her role.

She says: 'When I was offered the role, my first notion was to gain as much knowledge about the character that I would be portraying. I took my time, pondered over it, and started with my research."

After doing her research, the 'Nazar' actress arrived at the conclusion that very few female writers explore erotica. igg Boss 10' fame Monalisa, who is popular for

erotica.

"The conclusion that emerged was a big surprise for me as there were a handful of female writers who explored the genre of erotica," she adds.

Monalisa worked in a number of Bhojpuri, Hindi, Bengali, Odia, Tamil, Kannada and Telugu language films. She was also seen in TV shows such as "Nazar," Namak Issk Ka', Nach Baliye 8', 'Smart Jodi', and many

She reveals further about her research and how she read about 30 novels to understand the genre and her

read about 30 novels to understand the genre and her character in a proper way.

"I read close to 30 novels to gain a sound understand-ing of the genre, but unfortunately, most had the male viewpoint. I was determined to start a conversation around this.

### Anushka Sharma's vintage photoshoot from surprise Qala cameo wows fans: 'Beautiful as always'

Anvitaa Dutt's Oala not only Anvitaa Dutt's Qala not only marks the late Irrfan Khan's son Babil Khan's acting debut, but it also has a special appearance from Anushka Sharma, who was last seen in the 2018 film Zero, co-starring Shah Rukh Khan and Katrina Kaif. On Tuesday. Anushka took to Tuesday, Anushka took to Instagram to share pictures of herself from the Qala set. The actor was seen in a retro look as she appeared in a black-and-white sequence during the song Ghode Pe Sawaar in Qala.

Sharing her pictures via ar Sharing her pictures via an Instagram post, Anushka Sharma wrote in the caption, "Koi unhe kaise yeh samjhaye, Anvitaa Dutta aap hi yeh batain (how to make them understand, yen gally tall me Anvita). you only tell me Anvitaa). Loved loved loved being a part

of Qala's journey!"

In the black-and-white pho In the black-and-white pho-tos, Anushka wore heavy pearl jewellery, and flaunted a short hairdo with her plain saree. She posed with a white feather in a few photos, and also stood on a



cardboard moon in a sequence cardboard moon in a sequence from the song, which was sung by Triptii Dimri's Qala in the movie. The Netflix film also fea-tures Swastika Mukherjee. Anushka Sharma fans expressed their joy after seeing her back on the screen after a

hiatus. Many left heart emoiis in hiatus. Many left heart emojis in the comments section of her post. One wrote, "Wow, so beautiful." Another comment read, "Beautiful as always." One fan also commented, "Love the vintage look." A comment also

read, "Missed vou, vintage

Anushka reviewed Qala after watching the film. She wrote on Instagram, "A daughter's heartbreaking yearning for her mother's love. Qala is a work of art. It's heartbreaking and exhilarat-

It's heartbreaking and exhilarat-ing equally.

Exhilarating because of the genius of each department that comes through in telling this detailed story and heartbreaking for portraying emotional

abuse by an emotionally unsta ble parent in a way that had never been done before by a

young singer, who is haunted by her past, while she tries to win her mother's approval. Anushka is the former co-owner of Clean Slate Filmz, which also produced Anvita's directorial debut Bulbbul (2020). The Netflix film also starred Triptii

### Eat right to fight obesity - study names the nutrient you have been missing so far

utrition is the answer to all health problems - it is the one factor which not only increases but also decreases the odds of developing chronic and acute diseases. But chronic and acute diseases. But just like there nutrients which increase appetite, there are others that could curb the same – and in a world where the incidence of obesity is unpleasantly high, it is of sity is unpleasantly high, it is of paramount importance to make a choice which curbs cravings. According to a new study, when the body starts to crave more food than usual, it could mean that it needs proteins – a macronutrient which works wonders in fighting

Published in the Obesity journal, the study included an analysis from the National Nutrition and Physical Activity Survey which



was conducted from May 2011 to June 2012. Involving 9341 adults with an average age of 46.3 years, dietary and physical habits were was discovered that their diet included 30.9 per cent fats, 18.4 per cent proteins, 4.3 per cent alcohol, 43.5 per cent carbohydrates and recommended by How does lack of proteins affect

People involved in the study People involved in the study discovered that participants who did not eat ample proteins for breakfast ate more during the rest of the day. And eating fewer pro-teins meant low calorie intake dur-ing the day. Experts also discov-ered that eating fewer proteins ered that eating fewer proteins was associated with a high salt, sugar and fat diet along with increased reliance on alcohol and low intake of legumes, fruits dairy, vegetables, lean meat and

ated with increased reliance on processed foods high in simple carbs, nutrition-stripped food and sugar. This eventually dilutes levels dietary proteins further adding

Excess intake of processed food can contribute to inflammation and nutritional deficiencies, fatigue, inflammation and inabili ty to lose weight.

What are the health risks of obe

These include:

Type-2 diabetes Hypertension High cholesterol Sleep apnoea

Negative emotions Poor overall health Osteoarthritis

Gallbladder diseases Gallstone

### Breathing problems

### Tomatoes Are Really Good For Your Gut Health: Here's Why

The carotenoids found in tomatoes, such as lutein and lycopene, are very important to our health. These carotenoids are also to our health. Inese carotenoids are also associated with properties that can prevent prostate cancer. By consuming tomatoes on a regular basis, you can ensure that your body receives an array of nutrients that will assist in its optimal function [1]. According to a recent study, tomatoes may improve gut health. The study was conducted on pilets fed a towate-our pilets.

conducted on piglets fed a tomato-supplemented diet for 14 days, which resulted in a shift in the balance of gut bacteria in favour of a healthier, more beneficial strain



nal tracts of pigs and mice are more similar

Point 1: After 14 days of feeding the study subjects tomatoes, the researchers observed a shift in the proportion of Bacillota ("bad") bacteria to Bacteroidota

("good").
Point 2: In both types or lineages of bac teria, known as phyla, a large number of bacteria are present, some of which are beneficial to the pigs, demonstrating the benefits of a tomato-rich diet on digestion and gut health.

Point 3: It was found that the tomate roint 3: It was round that the tomato group exhibited a greater bacterial diversi-ty, which may indicate a healthier pheno-type (phenotype refers to an individual's observable characteristics, such as height, eye colour, and blood type)

Point 4: However, it was also pointed out that even two individuals or one individthat even two individuals or one individ-ual on different days may not have identi-cal germs in the gut. Gut microbes are so dynamic that even if you are stressed out for an hour, your microbes may be differ-ent. This highlights the limitations of the findings as well as the need for further research into the correlation between toma-tress and gut health. toes and gut health

es Are Good For Gut Health Other health benefits of to

Other health benefits of tomatoes: Including tomatoes in the diet may help prevent cancer, maintain healthy blood pressure, and reduce blood glucose levels in people with diabetes.

### From Weight Loss To Better Digestion. Here Are Reasons Why You Should Include More **Fibre To Your Diet**



You just don't always eat food for good taste. It's also about supplying your body with the essential nutrients it needs for proper growth and development. One such important plant-based nutrient is fibre. Broadly, there are two types of fibres - soluble and insoluble. Right from ensuring smooth bowel movements to helping you in shedding those extra kilos, fibre goes a long way in keeping your system healthy. Some of the most interesting ways to have fibre are through vegetables, fruits, seeds and nuts, whole erains and others. Nutritionist I converted. and nuts, whole grains and others. Nutritionist Lovneet

and nuts, whole grains and others. Nutritionist Lovneet shares a post stating why your diet should be rich in fibre. 7 reasons why you should eat more fibre 1) Fibre feeds your friendly gut bacteria: Adequate amounts of soluble, fermentable fiber optimizes the function of the friendly bacteria in your gut. Therefore, consuming the same is very important for optimal health

2) Helps maintain bowel health

2) Helps maintain bowel health: It's a common understanding that increasing fiber intake reduces the issue of constipation. It's believed that fibre absorbs water, increases the bulk of stool and speeds up the movement of stool through the intestine.
3) Reduces hunger hormone levels and increases satiety:
Do you know what's the hunger hormone? Ghrelin. So, a good intake of filtrous food items ensures that otherlin

good intake of fibrous food items ensures that ghrelin makes you feel less hungry, and cholecystokinin GLP-1 and peptide YY fill you up, altogether leading to a reduction in

d intake 4) Can reduce your cholesterol:

Yes, you read that right. A diet rich in soluble fiber keeps
the LDL or "bad" cholesterol levels in check, ultimately
reducing total cholesterol.

5) Controls your blood sugar spikes:

Therefore, it is believed that people with diabetes must consume fibre-rich food items. The things that contain viscous fibre have a lower glycaemic index and cause smaller spikes in blood sugar than foods that are low in fiber

### High blood sugar: Eating sugar DOES NOT cause diabetes - Debunking 5 myths about the disease

iabetes myths and facts: High blood sugar or diabetes is a serious health ailment and there are lot of complications that are caused by According to World Health Organization, about 422 million people worldwide have diabetes, the majority living in low-and middle-income countries, and 1.5 million deaths are directly attributed to diabetes each year. While in itself a big health hazard, high blood sugar also complicates blood sugar also complicates other existing problems and affects organs like the eyes and kidneys. While lifestyle modifica-tions lead to diabetes control, there are lots of myths associated with diabetes. Dr Aniket Mule, consultant internal medicine, Wockhardt Hospitals, Mira Road Wockhardt Hospitals, Mira Road says, "There are a lot of myths associated with diabetes that are all too commonly considered facts. Lack of proper knowledge can lead to the stigma around diabetes. It is essential to get all your doubts cleared by an expert to manage diabetes with ease and lead a healthy life."

Myths and facts about high

blood sugar
Dr Aniket Mule shares "Diabetes is a chronic disease wherein the body is unable to glu-cose (sugar) in the blood. People diagnosed with diabetes are often confused regarding what to do and avoid. They think that dia-betes is caused due to eating too betes is caused due to eating too much sugar and they should com-pletely avoid sugar once they get diabetes." These are some of the popular myths linked to diabetes, as mentioned by Dr Mule: Myth: Diabetes is not at all seri-ous and it is OKAY to neglect it Eact; If you have diabets it is

Fact: If you have diabetes, it is imperative for you to take utmost care of yourself. Diabetes is a lifestyle disease and needs



stroke, cardiovascular disease kidney and liver problems, and even nerve damage. It can also lead to gangrene and leg amputa-tion. It will impact one's quality of life. So, be careful if you have dia-

Myth: One gets diabetes as they

sugar will not cause diabetes. But you should avoid sweets and sugary beverages.

Myth: If one is on insulin then it means one should not make any

lifestyle changes
Fact: When one gets diagnosed
with diabetes then the blood
sugar may be managed via diet,

some people and they may need insulin injections to help control their blood sugar levels. But, when one is on insulin, he/she will still need to adhere to a proper diet and exercise routine.

Myth: Women with diabetes re unable to conceive Fact: Women who manage their diabetes can have a normal preg-nancy and give birth to a healthy

Mvth: Those with diabetes

Fact: This statement is com-pletely false. In fact, one should exercise daily to control blood sugar levels. Exercise helps boost the body's sensitivity to insulin. It is better to exercise for 5 days a week for at least an hour. You can week to a least all flour. For can take the help of an expert regard-ing which exercise is suitable for you. Moreover, you can at least start by walking.

### **World Diabetes Day: Rainbow** Hospital begins free screening

ainbow Specialist Medical Centre, a private hospital with a focus on the management of diabetes and other endocrine and metabolism conditions, has A bother endocrine and metabolism conditions, has commenced free diabetes screening and education for members of the public. The exercise which is part of activities to mark the 2022 World Diabetes Day, WDD, kicked off on Monday, November 14 and will end on Wednesday, November 30 from 9 am to 4pm Mondays to Fridays at the hospital premises in Lekki phase 1. A statement signed by the Medical Director of the hospital, Dr. Afoke Isiawee, explained that World Diabetes Day is marked worldwide by the International Diabetes Charletten IDE and the Medical Director of the Part of the Medical Director of the Part of the Medical Director of the Medical Director of the Part of the Medical Director of the Medical Director of the Part of the Medical Dire the International Diabetes Federation, IDF, and the World Health Organisation, WHO, on November 14, every year. The theme for this year's diabetes awareness month and World Diabetes Day is "Education to protect tomorrow", which the hospital says remains it's core activity in its efforts to provide quality care for Nigerians living with diabetes while also creating awareness of it's growing increase in the country. "We are therefore encouraging everyone including people living with diabetes and their family members to seize the opportunity of this exercise to know their status and how to care for people living with the condition.

### I tried adding five minutes of ab exercises to my strength workouts - here's what happened

I'm lazy with ab workouts but wanted this to change so I tried adding a few core building moves to my staple weight training workouts

T've grown a real love for weight training over the last couple of years and enjoy the physical and mental strength I gain from practicing it. But as I have channeled my time and effort into learning this skill I've taken less time to focus on growing my abs. So I've been trying to muster back up the motivation to train my core without taking the fun out of my usual workout schedule. Rewind to being in lockdown during the pandemic and I was completing many of the best workouts for abs near enough every day to pass the time and feel like I was staying in shape. But as soon as I could get back to the gym I was set on building up my strength and muscle again using ve grown a real love for weight

my strength and muscle again using equipment like the barbell and some of the best kettlebells to challenge my ower and upper body.

Lo and behold, core strength is

Lo and behold, core strength is essential when it comes to weight training in order to improve form, help with posture, and protect the back from injury. I may have learned how to deadlift properly but if I want-

the to progress it my thanking and in heavier, I knew I'd have to pick up some core strengthening exercises sooner rather than later.

sooner rather than later.

I decided that the only way I'd be able to form some kind of habit with ab training and remain consistent with it was to add a short bout of moves onto the end of my usual workouts. After every strength session, I grabbed one of the best yoga make from my come and rounded off mats from my gym and rounded off things with a five-minute ab finisher. I tried to target all areas of my core by performing 45-60 seconds of different exercises like planks, side planks, crunches, and deadbugs. This is what

I noticed.

I ENJOYED THE PAIN

Without sounding too sadistic, I liked the soreness that I felt in my core after working it out. It was reassuring that I had successfully targeted my abdominal and core muscles even the other than the control of the sort of t though I was only doing five minutes of bodyweight moves to get results

It also was very normal for me to experience muscle pain in my stom-



ach when laughing or sitting up in bed following my ab training. The American Council on Exercise(opens in new tab), explains that DOMS (delayed onset muscle soreness) is a natural process of the body following intense exercise. It usually develops between 24-48 hours after a workout and within 72 hours your body typi-cally will have repaired the tears in your muscles. Don't get me wrong, the first week of workouts was pretty brutal. My abs weren't used to being challenged in this way and needed longer to recover. However, the more sessions I finished off with abs, the less sore the exercises felt. It remind-ed me of the painful feeling your butt feels after getting on a bike seat after a long time. The first ride is agony

and the pain lingers until your lower pts to the feeling of sitting on

IT WAS A DIFFERENT CHAI-

IT WAS A DIFFERENT CHAL-LENGE FROM WEIGHT LIFTING
The free weight section of a gym
can have a more intense feel to it than
other sections do. Depending on your
goal it often has a focus on moving up
a weight. For me, I try and use the
progressive overload technique to
avoid hitting a plateau and continue
making streeth and musele gains. making strength and muscle gains When I move up a weight plate or dumbbell I typically see this as a sig-nal of improvement and power but I

nal of improvement and power but I still like to have a more holistic approach to fitness and not just define my strength by weights. It was certainly humbling, finishing up a big leg day, placing myself in a plank position, and struggling to hold a perfect plank position for more than a minute.

ple around me in the floor section holding V-sits and performing heavy weighted Russian twists than anyone else in the gym as it takes just as much discipline and consistency as it does the person in the gym who can squat the heaviest.

AB WORKOUTS CAN INCORPO-

AB WORKOUTS CAN INCORPO-RATE WEIGHTS

The stronger my core became, the more challenging I could make my five-minute ab finishers. Rather than increase the duration that I was spending on abs at the end of my strength sessions, I decided to incorporate some weights into my exercisporate some weights into my exercis-es. Sometimes this looked like es. Sometimes this looked like adding these dumbbell ab evercises onto the end of my training and incorporating the weight into well-known moves such as crunches, dead bugs and plank variations. If ever I don't make it to the gym, I can use a set of the best adjustable dumbells at home to get in an ab workout and can still increase the challenge by increasing the weight load on the spot.

Or for the days, when I have no desire to get on the floor for core training or have a bit of an achy back

training or have a bit of an achy back I complete standing ab exercise

### My Town My Pride: Youth top most priority of government: Dr Samoon

Inspects dev works in Kupwara town, distributes awards among officers, functionaries, media persons



### II NEWS SERVICE

KUPWARA, DECEMBER 6: Principal Secretary Skill Development
Department, Dr. Asgar Hassan
Samoon, today on 2nd and concluding
day of My Town My Pride programme, inspected various development works in Kupwara town

He inspected marriage hall at Geerhati Zangli, coming up at a cost of Rs.220.92 lakh. He was informed that Rs.220.92 lakh. He was informed that the marriage hall comprises of 1 hall, 4 rooms, 2 toilets and compound and parking facilities. He appreciated the efforts of Deputy Commissioner Kupwara and Chairman Municipal Council for identifying the picturesque place for the marriage half. place for the marriage hall.

The marriage hall is situated on the The marriage hall is situated on the banks of Nallah Lolab in the lap of fush green forests. Chairman MC Kupwara, Riyaz Ahmad Mir, ADC Kupwara, Ghulam Nabi Bhat, EO MCK and DIO Kupwara accompanied the Principal

er the valedictory function at Town over the valedictory function at Iown
Hall Kupward during which he distributed awards of appreciation
among the officers of district administration, functionaries of the Municipal
Council Kupwara and media persons
for successful conduct of ambitious
'My Town My Pride' programme.

Addressive on the occasion

Addressing on the occasion, Principal Secretary said that Kupwara town is fastly emerging as a hub of trade and business and people in the rural areas connecting Kupwara town have expectations on the Town

Kupwara.

He said development of Kupwara and other towns of the district is top most priority of the government and various developmental initiatives are under progress and some new plans are in the pipeline for development of

projects including Four Lane road, Medical College, University campus, Polytechnic college and ITIs. He said that employment generation is parathat employment generation is para-mount concern for the government which is being addressed by way of different self employments generation schemes like PMECP and Mission Youth. He said that youth is the top most priority of the government adding that the he has to be shown the right direction to harness their hidden potential and talent. He said 80000 permoleved educated youth includ-memoleved educated youth includmemployed educated youth including 8000 from Kupwara district are being trained under different skills

being trained under different skills with financial assistance for setting up of their self employment units. Principal Secretary said that govern-ment jobs are being created through a proper recruitment process. He appealed youth to come forward and take benefit under different self employment schemes which is the only way to overcome the problem of

aployment.

Samoon said that Kupwara district has a vast potential for generation of employment avenues in different including Agriculture, Horticulture, Food Processing, Walnut processing, Diary and Tourism sectors

He said various developmental ini-tiatives have been taken up recently by the district administration including construction of river fronts along with

### Day 2 of 'My Town, My Pride' 2.0': Array of activities held at Pulwama

Talat Parvez visits sports stadium, inaugurates sports activities, interacts with youth, sports persons 'We are witnessing transformation under LG administration, a change which could not happen in last 70 years', tells a citizen of Pulwama

JI NEWS SERVICE PULWAMA, DECEMBER 06: The second phase of 'My Town, My Pride' today conducted across Pulwama with an array of activities held across all 05 municipalities of the district amid overwhelming public participation.

Secretary, Hospitality and Protocol, Talat Parvez Rohella, visit-Protocol, Talat Parvez Ronella, Visit-ing officer for Municipal Committee Pulwama, participated in various activities held in the MC Secretary said that 'My Town, My

Secretary said that 'My Iown, My Pride', aims to deliver public services at doorsteps, build developmental initiatives on the feedback, coopera-tion and participation from people and strengthen strong and vibrant local self-governance.

He reiterated that during the program, the administration has made sure to deliver public services at

oorsteps. Talat Parvez appealed the citizen's to participate in such programa to scuss their development issues and are feedback and take part in the

decision making process.

On the occasion, the Talat Parvez held interaction with the locals, civil society and PRI representatives of

their respective Municipalities to take stock of public demands, griev-ances and other developmental

Commissioner distributed Land Passbooks, Age Certificates, Golden Cards, Vehicles under MUMKIN scheme, PMAY cheques and various other benefits under "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao" scheme among the beneficiaries

Talat Parvez along with DC Pulwama also attended a painting competition organised by Education Department under Jan Abhiyan, Department under Jan Abniyan, wherein a large number of students participated and displayed their artistic skill. He was accompanied by SSP Pulwama Ghulam Jeelani, ADDC Pulwama Dr Sheikh Abdul Aziz besides other district officers.

Aziz Desides other district officers.

Visiting officers, during the programme, took stock of the progress on various schemes/plans being implemented by various departments. Deputy Commissioner Pulwama, Baseer-ul-Had Choudhary, also visited MC Pulwama and interacted with people along with visiting officers. He took part in MTMP activities and listened to public issues and sought feedback

from the public on development works and implementation of wel-fare, digital services. He said that during the 2nd phase of 'My Town, My Pride' discussions and on-spot redressal related to developmental issues wad held across the town. Meanwhile, visiting officer Firdous Ahmad Giri along with ADC Tral

visited various places in Tral town and took stock of facilities being provided by the government to the eral public.

Pertinently, "My Town My Pride

2.0"Programme was held in all five municipalities of the district like MC with visiting officer Mohammad Younis Malik, Joint Financial Commissioner Agrarian Reforms, MC Tral with visiting officer Dr Firdous Ahmad Giri, Secretary J&K BOPEE, MC Pampore with visit-ing officer Purnima Mittal, Director Animal Husbandry Kashmir and MC Anunai Huspandry Kasiniir and Nic. Awantipora with visiting officer Ashiq Hussain Lily, where detailed discussion was held with the said Visiting officers by the district officers regarding different development projects. Besides, issues being faced by the common masses of different panchayats were listened to by the Visiting Officers.

A number of grievances were solved on the spot and rest were forwarded to the concerned departments for prompt redressal.

Officers/officials of various line departments, DDCs, BDCs, PRIs and

people in large numbers participated in these MTMP programmes.

### My Town My Pride 2.0 concludes in Rajouri; Plethora of activities carried out across all ULBs

Principal Secretary ARI participates in MTMP activities at MC Rajouri, Sports stadium Kheora

RAJOURI, DECEMBER 06: The second edition of ambitious 'My Town My Pride' program today concluded in Rajouri with plethora of activities carried out on its final day across all the ULBs. People in large numbers from all sections of the society participated in the program with great enthusiasm. At Municipal Council Rajouri, a mega program was organized here at Sports Stadium Kheora which was presided over by the Principal Secretary, ARI and Training Department, Ashok

Parmar.

A number of activities including sports activities, cultural programs and other activities were carried out on the occasion.

Principal Secretary inspected the stalls set up by different depart-ments including Animal and Sheep Husbandry, Banks, Handloom and Handicrafts, Agriculture Production Department, JKRLM etc at the venue depicting their schemes

and field functionaries during the inspection of stalls, Principal

Secretary asked them to make dediforts to ensure that the bene fits of the government schemes and programs reach to the last benefici-

ary in queue.

Ashok Parmar also asked them to educate the public about various schemes and programs launched by the Government for the welfare of the public and motivate them to

avail the benefits of the same.

Principal Secretary also handed over keys of commercial vehicles under the MUMKIN scheme and sanction letters to beneficiaries under Day NULM. He also distrib-uted sanction letters to the street vendors under SVANidhi scheme and agriculture machinery to farmers. While interacting with the beneficiaries, the Principal Secretary said that a number of livelihood genera tion schemes have been introduced by the Government for the benefit of the public and advised them to avail the benefits of the same.

use penents of the same.

Some Sarpanches were also felicitated by the Visiting Officer.

Later, Principal Secretary also inspected a number of developmental projects and Govt institutions of

Rajouri town including Bus Stand and Material Recovery Facility at Bella Colony, houses completed under PMAY-U, pump room at town and tehsil office etc.

Among others who accom the Principal Secretary were ADDC Pawan Kumar; ADC Rajouri, Sachin Dev Singh; Tehsildar Rajouri, Varinder Sharma; EO MC Rajouri, Mohammad Yaqoob and other offi-cers. President MC Rajouri, Mohammad Arief; Councillors Rajesh Gupta; Sanjay Sharma; Rajinder Gupta Sanjay Sharma; Rajinder Gupta and Mamta Dutt also accompanied the Visiting

It is pertinent to mention here that similar overwhelming response has been received from the general pub-lic in all the other ULBs including Sunderbani, Kalakote, Nowshera and Thanamandi where people in large numbers from all sections of My Pride activities.

The festival of development has been celebrated with gaiety and the

public has also acknowledged the tireless endeavors of the LG Administration to strengthen the democratic set up at grass root level and assured for full cooperation in

### My Town My pride 2.0 concludes at Shopian

### DC listens to people's issues, sought suggestions for sustainable development of the town



### JI NEWS SERVICE

SHOPIAN, DECEMBER 06 Ambitious 'My Town My Ambitious 'My Town My Pride' phase 2 programme launched by the govern-ment concluded on Tuesday with a grand function held at Municipal Council

Deputy Commissioner Deputy Commissioner (DC) Shopian, Sachin Kumar Vaishya presided over the function at Shopian and listened to suggestions and demands of the public.

sion demanded separate mechanical division for

parking, beautification of town, establishment of Women's College, strengthening of DH and better medical facilities, better power supplies, curbing drug addiction among oth-

DC presented initiatives taken for the development of the town, like introduc of the town, like introduc-tion of cinema hall for Infotainment, strengthening of health infrastructure, sci-entific waste disposal, curb-ing drug abuse, other facili-ties like slaughter houses etc. Vaishya also intimated that the government is strengthening ULBs by giving more financial supervision of departments

supervision of departments.

He appealed to the people to provide suggestions for the development of the town and called upon all to give their full cooperation to the administration for making more strides on improve ing more strides on improving development parame-

ters.

He also sought coopera-tion from all to fight along with administration on drug addiction and said My Town, My Pride, aims to deliver public services at

doorsteps, build develop-mental initiatives on the feedback, cooperation and participation from people and strengthen strong and vibrant local self-gover-

He initially inspected stalls installed by different departments to aware peo-ple about their schemes and programmes.
On the occasion, colourful

and mesmerizing cultural programmes were also pre-sented to enthrall the audi-

Meanwhile, registration counters were set up by the departments at the desig-nated venues where people nated venues where people were apprised of government schemes and beneficiaries were also registered on spot. The two day event witnessed huge public participation and the town remained abuzz with the festivities of the Government's outreach programme 'My Town My Pride' phase 2.

### Director Agriculture Kashmir chairs meeting of Organic/ Bio fertilizer companies

Says quality Inputs (fertilizers) play important role in successful crop cultivation

### II NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 06: The SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 06: The Director Agriculture Kashmir, Chowdhary Mohammad Iqbal today chaired a meeting of organic/bio-fer-tilizer companies at Agriculture Complex Lalmandi, here.

The meeting was attended by Deputy Controller Fertilizer J&K Deputy Controller Fertilizer J&K
Mohammad Sayeed Peer, Deputy
Director Law Enforcement Srinagar, Strinagar, District Law Enforcement
Officer south/north, representatives of
organic/bio fertilizers companies, reresentatives of Ms IFCL, IFFCO, NFI,
IPL, KRIBHCO and other concerned stakeholders. During the meeting, var-ious issues related to smooth supply of stakenoiders. Juring the meeting, various issues related to smooth supply of fertilizers during the rabi 2022-23 were discussed threadbare. Speaking on the occasion, the Director highlighted the importance of smooth and timely supply of fertilizers to the farmers of the



region. He further exhorted upon the fertilizer supplying companies and officers of the department for liquida-tion of all pending stocks held in POS

Director marked the importance of quality inputs especially fertilizers for the successful agriculture season in the UT. He asked the stakeholders to work in close coordination and ensure to put in all the efforts to secure the farmers'

economic interests.

He directed the enforcement officers to initiate strict action according to law against the retailers if found selling fertilizer and other inputs without following the set guidelines.

Iqbal said any sub standard/ spuri-ous fertilizers if found should be immediately seized and the warranted action as per law against the erring parties should be initiated.

### **International volunteers Day** celebrated in Srinagar

ADC Srinagar stresses on promoting volunteerism in society/youth to infuse spirit of empathy among masses

### JI NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR DECEMBER 06:- To mark the International Volunteers Day, the District Red Cross Committee, Srinagar in collaboration with Kashmir Harv Educational Institution today organ-ized a grand Programme here in the auditorium of Kashmir Harvard School with the theme "Solidarity through Volunteering"

Additional Commissioner, Srinagar, Dr Syed Haneef Balkhi over the function.

Haneef Balkhi over the function.
Chairman, Kashmir Harvard Tariq
Ahmad Baktoo, Vice Principal Mukhtar
Ahmad Kant, besides District Scial welfare Officer, Srinagar, Dr Mukhtar
Ahmad, BMO Hazzatbal, Dr Farah and other concerned were also present in

The International Volunteers Day is celebrated across the globe to recognize and appreciate volunteers of Red Cross Society for their selfless services for the betterment of humanity.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr Syed Haneef Balkhi congratulated the volun-teers who have been continuously serv-

teers wno nave been continuously serv-ing humanity irrespective of colour, caste, creed and religion.

He highlighted the role of volunteers during natural calamities, accidents and other emergencies. He appreciated the volunteers for rendering services for the noble causes to be more effective during natural calamities

The ADC said the day is observed to The ADC said the day is observed to offer an opportunity for volunteer-involving organizations and individual volunteers to promote volunteerism, encourage Government to support vol-unteer efforts and recognize volunteer contributions to the achievement of the Supportunity of the programment Coule at Supportunity of the Coule at Supportunity Coule at 100 mg/s and 100 mg/s and 100 mg/s 100 mg/ Sustainable Development Goals at

Local, National and International levels. The ADC stressed on promoting

aid that the young generation should be prepared from the very beginning toward this noble cause to infuse the spirit of empathy among them towards those who need help in the difficult

Chairman, Kashmir Harward, Tario Ahmad Baktoo also spoke on the occa-sion and highlighted the importance of celebrating International Volunteers

While speaking on the occasion BMO Hazratbal, Dr Farah laid focus on

the importance of volunteerism.
Earlier, Vice Principal, Kashmir
Harward, Mukhtar Ahmad Kant welcomed the dignitaries and other partici-

On the occasion, famous Blood donor, Shabir Hussain Khan who has donated 180 points of blood was also

### Chief Justice e-inaugurates new court complex D H Pora, Kulgam

JI NEWS SERVICE KULGAM, DECEMBER 06: Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey, accompanied by Justice Rajnesh Oswal, Judge High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, (Administrative Judge for District Kulgam), e-inaugurated New Court Complex D H Por in presence of Registrar General, Sanjeev Gupta, Principal Secretary to Chief Justice, Aliaz Ahmad Khan, Anoop Sharma Registrar Computers, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh from conference room of High Court of J&K and Ladakh. Chief Justice, speak-ing on the occasion, said that this court will cater to the legal require-

court will cater to the legal require-ments of his native village, Wattoo. During e-inauguration of Court complex at D H Pora, Chief Justice said hat best court infra-structure will serve the needs of the litigants who approach the court for getting Justice The new court complex would pro-vide a comfortable and conducive environment to the advocates to work with added efficiency for the cause of

Rainesh Oswal, administrative Judge for District Kulgam, appreciat-ed Chief Justice for evincing keen



structural development of courts across the UTs of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh. He said that advance infrastructure will pave way

for timely justice dispensation.

Mohammad Ashraf Bhat, Principal Monammad Ashraf Bhat, Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kulgam, maintained that people of D.H Pora are proud of Chief Justice for holding top position in the Judicial hierarchy of J&K. He emphasized that Munsiff Court D H Pora though established in the year 1984 has never had an occa-sion to have a permanent place of work till date. But it is because of the persistent endeavours of Chief Justice that the dream of having a Court building, and of this magnitude, has come true. The efforts put in by Chief Justice in justice delivery system, whether it is access to justice or infra-



structural development, can never be

President Bar D.H.Pora, Advocate Geelani, appreciated the role of all the Presiding Officers and the Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kulgam,

District and Sessions Judge, Kulgam, towards timely justice dispensation. The inauguration function was attended by Dr. G.V. Sundeep Chakravarthy, SSP Kulgam, Showkat Ahmad Rather, Additional District Development Commissioner Development Commissioner, Kulgam, Bashir-ul-Haq, Sub Divisional Magistrate, D.H.Pora, Assistant Executive Engineer, Housing Board Srinagar and Bar President, Kulgam. Mir Wajahat Hussain, Incharge Secretary District Legal Services Authority, Kulgam presented vote of thanks.

### My Town My Pride: Visiting officers inspect developmental works at MC Handwara, MC Langate

DC Kupwara participates in valedictory functions at MC Handwara, MC Langate

JI NEWS SERVICE

KUPWARA, DECEMBER The Commissioner (DC)
Kupwara, Doifode Sagar
Dattatray today visited
Municipal Committees of
Handwara and Langate to
participate in the concluding functions of 'My Town

mg functions of 'My Town
My Pride' programme.
The visiting officer for
Handwara MC, Mission
Director Dairy
Development, Narender
Singh Bali and visiting officer MC Langate, Special Secretary Education Secretary Education Department, Naseer Ahmad Department, Naseer Ahmau Wani were present in their respective Municipalities. SP Handwara, Sheema SP Handwara, Sheema Nabi; Presidents of Municipal Committee Tandwara, Masroor Handwara, Banday and Shahnawaz Abdullah were also present, besides, officers, councilors, nior citizens

At Handwara, the Deputy Officer, Mission Director Orneer, Mission Director inspected the stalls estab-lished by various departments at Town Hall Handwara. They interacted with the stall holders and enquired about the services being provided. They also

interacted with various pub

lic delegations and heard

Addressing the function Addressing the function at Town Hall Handwara, the DC and Mission Director highlighted the aim of holding the ambitious My Town My Pride programme during which people living in towns were provided mass awareness about dif ferent government welfare schemes and sanitation drives were held to beautify

the towns.

The DC said that during the week-long Jan Abhiyan various activities relating to beautification, sanitation

and awareness were held in all the 3 towns of the Kupwara district. Later, the dignitaries visit-

Later, the dignitaries visit-ed Girls Higher Secondary School Handwara and BHSS Handwara during which the students present-ed cultural variety pro-grammes. They inaugurated the Library at BHSS the Library at BHSS Handwara. They appreciat-Handwara. They appreciated the students for performing the cultural programmes. The dignitaries inaugurated the Botanical Garden and Sports Hall at GHSS Handwara.

Earlier, the Visiting Officer inaugurated the

Officer inaugurated the Marriage Hall in Handwara town in presence President MC and EO.

He also inspected the Dairy Milk Unit at Handwara and one Private Dairy Farm in the town. On the occasion, he asked Manager JK Bank to provide financial assistance to the farmer so that he can upgrade his business. He also inaugurated the Public Park Braripora Handwara

Park Braripora Handwara.

At Langate, the DC participated in the My Town My
Pride function and inspected the stalls and appreciated
the stall holders for good performance.

On the occasion, the DC said that the My Town My said that the My Town My Pride programme has gen-erated good results at ground level and urged upon the people to follow the message of this ambitious programme and keep their surroundings and towns neat and clean

Meanwhile, the Visiting Meanwhile, the Visiting
Officer for Langate MC
inaugurated the Mega
Project under BADP at a
cost of Rs.486.85 lakh in
presence of President MC
and concerned officers.

He also presided over the function of MTMP at Town

### Chief Justice addresses Judicial Officers on occasion of laying down of robes

JAMMU, DECEMBER 6: Chiet Justice, High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh, Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey, today addressed the Judicial Officers of and Ladakh on the occasion of his laying down the robes on 07-12-2022. both the UTs of Jammu and Kashmir

The address was virtually delivreed from Jammu Wing of the High Court and all the Judicial Officers joined the event online from their respective places of posting. On behalf of the Judicial Officers,

Principal District and Sessions Judge Leh, Yash Pal Sharma, Principal District and Sessions Judge Srinagar, Jawad Ahmed, Principal District and Sessions Judge Jammu, Sanjay Parihar and Member Secretary, J&K Legal Service Authority, M Sharma, delivered the farewell

The Iudicial Officers described Justice Magrey to be the epitome of Justice and compassion.

The speakers lauded the innings of Justice Magrey as High Court Judge as well as the Chief Justice of the High Court to be remarkable period, the memories of which will be cherished for all times to come

pensation, legal services, infrastruc tural upliftment and contribution to IT related initiatives in the High Court and District Judiciary was acknowledge by all the speakers.

The Judicial Officers wished good

health and happy post retiremen life to Chief Justice and conveyed him that he would be dearly missed

Chief Iustice, in his emotiona appreciated the Judicial Officers of both UTs for their compe tence, integrity, hard work, commit ment and compassion towards their judicial work. He stressed that Judicial Officers of UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh are second to none in the entire country rather are far ahead of many. Justice Magrey acknowledged the contribution and the support rendered by the entire institution to him during his tenure as Judge as well as Chief Justice of the hibb. Court of 18th and 1 adds. the High Court of J&K and Ladakh. He emphasized that the Iudicial Officers must carry on the mission of Justice delivery adhering to oath and canons of the Judicial

Justice Magrey highlighted many reas of achievements made during his tenure which he contributed to the Judicial Officers, as achievement of such targets in judicial dispensa-tion, legal services or IT related field could not have been accomplished without the active support of officers and their commit the job which he termed to be

the Occasion, a short video clip highlighting the moments cher-ished by Justice Magrey with Judicial Officers was also displayed Judicial Officers was also displayed which made the entire participants to walk through the many facets of Justice Magrey's tenure with an emotional touch. At High Court wing Jammu, the officers and Judicial Officers of the

High Court Registry were present in person while others Judicial Officers participated online. The program was moderated by Anoop Kumar Sharma, Registrar Computers (IT) High Court of J&K and Ladakh.

### Div Com Kashmir inaugurates CBC's 5-day Multimedia **Exhibition on Amrit Mahotsav at Anantnag**

We need to value our freedom achieved as a result of countless sacrifices by our freedom fighters: P.K Pole

JI NEWS SERVICE

ANANTNAG, DECEMBER 06: The ANANINAG, DECEMBER (05: 11) Divisional Commissioner (Div Com) Kashmir, Pandurang K Pole on Tuesday inaugurated a 5-day long multimedia exhibition on Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) at Sports Stadium Anantnag, The exhibition is being organized by

the Central Bureau of Communication (CBC). Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India from December 6 to December 10,

Pole was accompanied by Dr Basharat Qayoom, Deputy Commissioner (DC) Anantnag, Hilal Ahmad Shah, Chairman, Municipal Council Anantnag and Ashish Kumar Mishra, SSP Anantnag. lishra, SSP Anantnag. The exhibition showcases the history

of India's freedom struggle through photo exhibits, audio-visual aids printed Information Education and Communication (IEC) material and documentary screenings.

Apart from the information on the unsung heroes of the Indian National Movement, the exhibition also pro-Movement, the exhibition also pro-vides information about different pub-lic welfare schemes of the government focusing on flagship schemes like Ayushman Bharat- PMJAY, PM-KISAN, NEP-2020, POSHAN Abhiyan and SVEEP. Special stalls have been installed by the nodal departments of the UT Administration for public

ness of the masses. He impressed upor the masses to cherish and value the freedom our nation has got after sacrifices by our freedom fighters

He said we have read the stories of the satu we have read the stories of the sacrifices by these heroes but Amrit Mahotsav is an opportunity to feel the emotion and we as citizens need to do our duties honestly.

Chairman Municipal Council, Anantnag said that the Amrit Mahotsav is a festival to celebrate free dom and an opportunity for people to be part of the governance. He said that the My Town My Pride initiative of the the My Town My Fride initiative of the J&K administration is a step towards bringing government to the doorsteps of the people.

The DC in his address said that the

multimedia exhibition is a step multimedia exhibition is a step towards providing information about the schemes of the government to the masses so that the development reach-es the last person in the queue. He urged the people to visit the exhibition to get insight into the freedom strug-cle. Dr. Babarat exid that the multigle. Dr. Basharat said that the multi nedia exhibition complements the My Town My Pride and Back to Village campaigns of the UT administration which also aim for awareness among

Others present in the event were Dr. M.Y Zagoo, Chief Medical Officer, Mohammad Khalil Ganie, Chief Education Officer and other officers and officials from CBC and district administration.

Farlier, in his welcome address Joint ector, CBC, Regional Office Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh briefed the

guests about the mandate and activi-ties of the CBC in Jammu and Kashmir. He informed that CBC's field offices are engaged in the mass awareness about the public welfare schemes of the government in remote rural and border areas of the UT.

He said that people have to be informed for empowerment of the society and the success of these es is dependent on the public

On the occasion Shahid Mohammad Lone, Field Publicity Officer, CBC informed that over the next four days people will be informed about differwelfare schemes, the expert lectures, cultural programmes, activities for students, film screening and distri-bution of awareness material by the

bureau. He said officers and experts from various nodal departments have been invited to be part of the event.

Prior to this, the Div Com accompa nied by DC, SSP and President MC need by DC, SSP and President MC Anantnag visited Town Hall Anantnag where they inspected the stalls setup by various departments for the My Town My Pride programme. A cultur-al show as well as a skit was also pre-cented on the occasion. sented on the occasion.

Pole said that the aim of organizing the My Town My Pride program is to the My Jown My Fride program is to create a sense of belonging among the citizens so that they play a constructive role in the development of towns. He said that rights are accompanied by duties and the citizens must ensure that they keep their surroundings clean, use electricity and water judi-ciously and act as advocates for the ciously and act as advocates for the planned development of town areas without indulging in haywire con

### Commissioner Secretary Forest visits Ghora Gali at Gool

RAMBAN, DECEMBER 06: Commissioner Secretary Forests, Ecology, and Environment, Sanjeev Verma today visited Ghora Gali which is an ancient sculptural stone marvel in Sub-Division Gool of dis-

He said these sites have huge tourism potential and

the government has initiat-ed various steps to pro-mote tourist infrastructure and other logistic facilities

in the area. Secretary inspected the site and evinced keen interest in the antique valuables and said that every effort will be made to preserve the site as a cultural heritage. He also interacted with PRIs and the general public there. The Commissioner Secretary directed the concerned authorities to use funds available for executing the project to rejuvenate the Goragali stone sculptures and beautification to devel-op the area as a tourist des-

Additional Dhanatar Gool, Tanveer-Ul-Majid, DFO Ramban Dr. Rajan Singh, DFO Batote Kuldeer Singh, DFO SF, Mahesh Thakur and other officers

### My Town, My Pride: Anti-Corruption Day observed at PSPS Govt P.G. College for Women

Mayor Jammu motivates students to contribute towards evolving a corruption free society

### II NEWS SERVICE

IAMMU, DECEMBER 06: Padma Shri Padma Sachde Padma Shri Padma Sachdev Government P.G College for Women on Tuesday organ-ised a program to mark Anti-Corruption Day Under the aegis of My Town, My

The Chief Guest of the The Chief Guest of the event was Rajinder Sharma, Mayor Jammu. The pro-gram began with the light-ing of the ceremonial lamp followed by Saraswati

After the formal welcome of the chief guest by the

College Principal, Prof Minu sed the students and highlighted the varied prob lems faced by the public and the steps being taken by him as Mayor Jammu to combat

as Mayor, the same. He emphasised importance of ease of doing business by bringing in transparency in service delivery for common citi-

'This will go a long way in preventing corrupt practices in the service sector,' he said. He also impressed

the students to play their role in making a cor ruption free Jammu in par ticular and a corruption free

India in general.

The Mayor also appealed to the students to participate in large numbers in the march being organised on 9th of December, 2022 on the occasion of International

Anti-Corruption Day.

The Mayor's speech was followed by a skit highlighting the ill-effects of corruption

The program concluded with a formal vote of thanks

by Prof Vijender Snarma, HOD Sanskrit and the National singing Anthem of

The event was coordinat ed by Prof Paramjeet Singh in association with Staff Secretary Prof Mala Bhasin, Prof Anupama Sharma, Prof Neelam Thappa, Dr Chetna Mahajan, Prof Suman Bala, Dr Ashok Kumar, Prof Abhinay Sharma. Prof Abhinav Sharma, Prof Varun Sharma, Prof Suraj Mohini and Dr Kusum. The event was attended by fac-ulty members and students in large numbers.

### My Town My Pride: DC Shopian chairs joint meeting of ULB Members, Officers

II NEWS SERVICE

JI NEWS SERVICE SHOPIAN, DECEMBER 06: As part of 'My Town My Pride' (MTMP) pro-gramme, the Deputy Commissioner (DC) Shopian, Sachin Kumar Vaishya today convened a joint meeting of the today convened a joint meeting of the ULB members and officers to discuss the issues confronting the Urban Local Bodies, President MC Shopian, Subash Koul; Joint Director Planning, Khursheed Ahmad Khatana, besides Councilors and district officers attend-ed the meeting. ed the meeting.

Addressing the meeting, Vaishya said that the UT Government is com-

mitted to providing all basic facilities

mitted to providing all basic facilities at the doorsteps of the general public and best possible measures are being taken in this regard. Highlighting the objective of the 'My Town My Pride program', the DC said that the program aims to deliver public services at doorsteps, build developmental initiatives on the feedback mental initiatives on the feedback, cooperation and participation from people and strengthen strong and vibrant local self-governance. He added that the program runs on three main objectives like inclining public outreach in towns, strengthen-

ing grassroots democracy and service

ing grassroots democracy and service delivery at doorsteps. The DC laid emphasised officers for maintaining close coordination with the public representatives so that public issues are addressed timely. He asked them to ensure synergized efforts for cent percent saturation of all government schemes and effective delivery of varied online services of the

### 60th Annual Raising Day of Civil Defense & Home Guards celebrated at Srinagar

II NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 06: On the eve of 60th Annual Raising Day of Civil Defense & Home Guards, Defense & Home Guards, contingents of Civil Defense wardens/ volunteers, Home guards, SDRF and

Aapda Mitra Trainee volunteers presented a March Past to commemorate the

Director, Civil Defence & SDRF, Kashmir took salute at the march past and

praised the achievements of guards Kashmir . Civil Defense

He also read out the mes-

sages received from the President of India and other dignitaries. Firdous Iqbal, Divisional

addressed the participating contingents and spoke about the Home guards. some dignitaries as well

### MY TOWN MY PRIDE: 2 Day Workshop on prevention of Sexual harassment of Women at workplaces begins at GCW Udhampur

UDHAMPUR, DECEMBER 06: To generate awareness among the students and masses, a 2 day workshop on the topic "Prevention of Sexual harassment of

workplace/Institutions" was inaugurated today by the Principal of the host col-lege Dr. Monika Sharma at Government College for Women (GCW) Udhampu Women (GCW) Udhampur under the aegis of 'My Town My Pride' and 'My College My Pride'. The workshop was organ-ized by the Committee against Sexual Harassment (CASEN) in collaboration

(CASH) in collaboration Internal Ouality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Assurance Cell (IQAC) of GCW Udhampur under the convenorship of Dr Seema Sharma (convenor CASH) and Dr Kewal Kumar (Co-Convenor IQAC). Yasmeen, Advocate Member Juvenile Justice

Board, Udhampur was the resource person in the

resource <sub>r</sub>-workshop. Dr. Monika Sharma, Principal of the College graced the event as Chief

Guest and appreciated the efforts of Organisers for organsing such awarenss workshops in educational institutions that will go a long way in sensitizing the students as well as masses regarding the sexual harass-ment of women and the various measures to overcome

Earlier, in her welcome address, Convener CASH, Dr. Seema Sharma gave a brief account of the workshop and highlighted the importance of the workshop in generating awareness among the students on harassment of women at workplace/institutions.

workplace/institutions.
The morning session of
the Workshop was started
by enlightening the lamp by
dignitaries followed by
patriotic songs presented by
students of the Department
of Music

While speaking on the while speaking on the occasion, Resource Person Ms Yasmeen explained in detail the various definitions of Harassment. She also acquainted the students about various acts and pro-

their surrounding regions regarding sexual harass-Redressal of sexual harassregarding sexual narass-ment. The resources person provided possible solutions to their problems very ami-cably and satisfactorily. As many as 113 students of the college attended the ment issues in the workplace/institutions. She also briefed about Bhanwari Devi Case of Rajasthan and Vishaka Guidelines. Besides, she advised the stu-dents to use their rights

wisely and no law should be

wisely and no law should be misused by anyone. An alle-gation by the women is not enough to make an arrest. The police must investigate the matter and then register a complaint, under the sec-tions they deem fit, she added

She also informed the

audiences that many times laws for protection of women are being misused as per the surveys conduct-ed at different parts of the

The evening session was preceded by the interaction and counseling of the stu-

dents with the resource per-son Ms Yasmeen, During

son Ms Yasmeen. During the session, students and faculty of the college share and express their own per-sonal problems as well as

added.

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workshop . Later, the students of the

college presented a scintil-lating cultural programme based on traditional rich folk culture which was highly applauded by the

The proceedings of the nme were conducted Saniana Bandral, a stunt of Sem-I while formal vote of thanks was presented by Prof. Sumita Rao

The event was graced by the presence of Kewal Kumar, Associate Prof. of Chemistry, Ashni Devi, Associate Prof. of Botany, Dr. Mool Raj, Associate Professor of Urdu, Sarika Professor of Urdu, Sarika Mahajan, Assistant Professor of Electronics. Parmjeet Singh, Assistant Prof. of Computer Science, Tania Akhter, Assistant

### Progress of work on Jal Jeevan Mission Schemes reviewed in Rajouri

JI NEWS SERVICE

RAJOURI, DECEMBER Development Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal today chaired a meeting of the concerned officers to review the progress of water supply schemes under Jal Jeevan Mission. During the meet-ing, the DDC sought a detailed report from the concerned officers about the progress achieved under Jal eevan Mission, who in turn briefed about the same

Speaking during the meeting, the Deputy Commissioner said that Jal Jeevan Mission envisions providing safe and adequate drinking water to every household through the competitions in a timetap connections in a time-

every effort has to be made to ensure that the goal of tap water to all households was

achieved in time.

The DDC also directed the concerned officers to expedite the pace of work to ensure that the projects are completed well in time to provide necessary benefits to the group while.

to the general public He also stressed or ed on timely He also emphasized that utilisation of the funds sanctioned for developmental works and ensuring regular inspection

Officers who attended the Officers who attended the meeting were Chief Planning Officer, Mohammad Khurshid, Superintending Engineer Hydraulics, JP Singh; Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Rajouri and Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Nuwshers

### NCC cadets of GCW Udhampur takes out Swachhta Rally

JI NEWS SERVICE

UDHAMPUR, DECEMBER 06: The cadets of first J&K GIRLS BATTALION NCC SRINAGAR of Government College for Women, Udhampur, on Tuesday took out a Swachhta rally under the aegis of 'My Town My Pride'. The rally was conducted under the patronage of the College Principal Dr. Monika Sharma to educate people

about 'Swachchta'. The College Principal

flagged off the rally. She addressed the cadets on the various health benefits of She stressed on students to shoulder the responsibility of keeping their surround ings clean. The cadets were motivated to give their best in the rally. Other faculty members of

Other faculty members of the college Dr. Seema Sharma, HOD Music; Prof Ashni, HOD Botany; Dr. Kewal Kumar, Assistant Professor of Botany; Prof.

Professor of Music and Arti Gupta teaching Assistant of Music were also present

Around 45 NCC cadets participated in the rally with great enthusiasm to spread the message of cleanliness. Holding placards with dif-Holding placards with dif-ferent slogans like 'We want clean India Green India', 'Keep your surroundings Clean', 'Make the Earth Green' they passed through different parts of the area.

They also raised the slogans to spread the message of cleanliness like" Modiji ka ek hi sapna, Swachch Bharat desh ho apna ", "Jan Jan ki hai yehi Pukar-Swachch rahe apna Sansar", "Gandhiji ka yehi sandesh, swachh rahe apna yeh desh," "Clean India, Green desh," "Clean India, Green India", etc.. The college fac-ulty members also partici-pated in the rally to guide and support the cadets. I/C ANO, Shallu Jasrotia coor-dinated the event.

### **DFO Nowshera chairs meeting of Lower** Kangri Biodiversity Management Committee

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RAJOURI, DECEMBER 06: A meeting
of the Biodiversity Management
Committee was held today under the
chairmanship of Neelima Shah,
Divisional Forest Officer Nowshera at Lower Kangri.

The meeting was attended by The meeting was attended by Roshan Lal Sarpanch, Lower Kangri, besides members of BMC and a num-ber of locals. Rakesh Verma Technical Officer J&K Biodiversity Council (Range Forest Officer Sunderbani) welcomed all the participants and gave a brief overview of the Biodiversity Management Committee, its functions, responsibilities. He informed the house that the main informed the house that the main function of BMC is to prepare a register of all the biological resources of BMC in a pre-designed register which is known as Peoples Biodiversity Register (PBR). He also informed the people that PBRs have already been prepared for all the local bodies, now have to undate the information

registered in the PBRs.
The set of PBR contains 31 formats, each format contains specific information about the biodiversity.
Once the PBR is updated, it will aid

in tracing how habitats are changing, and to understand and estimate part of our forests. Neelima Shah, Divisional Forest Officer Nowshera Divisional Forest Officer Nowshera while addressing the house informed that PBR is an important document containing the information about the biodiversity of a BMC. It should be carefully updated, all the information regarding flora and fauna should be properly documented. She also threw light on the importance and role of BMC in forest management as well as local resource management. She saic that a detailed map of Gran Panchayat and a bird eye view photo of Gram Panchayat should also be added in PBR. Apart from BMC and PBR she also discussed the Forest Rights Act and its implementation in detail with the participants of the

meeting. The BMC meeting was organized by Block Forest Officer. Kangri Didar Singh and Block Forest Officer Dharamsal Ved Parkash along with other Forest officials of Kangri Block. Roshan Lal Sarpanch Lower Kangri presented vote of thanks to the Forest Department in general and Divisional Forest Officer Nowshera Divisional Forest Officer Nowshera and Range Officer Sunderbani in par-ticular for organizing BMC meetings in the far flung Panchayat of Sunderbani. He also assured Divisional Forest Officer Nowshera that Gram Panchayat is always ready to help the Forest department in all

The meeting of BMC was conducted under the direct supervision of Dr. Mohit Gera, (Chairman J&K Bio Diversity council) PCCF (HOFF), Asaf mood Sagar (Member Secretary J&K Bio Diversity council) APCCF Director J&K FRI, Vivek Verma IFS Conservator of Forest, West Circle

'My Town My Pride' progm concludes at Udhampur

### **Principal Secy Education attends cultural** bonanza at SIKS GMHSS Boys

### Inaugurates District Level 30th children Science Congress Exhibition at GGHS Udhampur

JI NEWS SERVICE

UDHAMPUR, DECEMBER 06: The UDHAMPUR, DECEMBER 06: The government public interface programme 'My Town My Pride' today concluded in the district with visiting officers reaching the people at their doorsteps amid massive response from ULB members and local people.

On second day of the programme, Principal Secretary, School Education Department Alok Kumar, visited

Department, Alok Kumar, visited Government Girls High School, Udhampur, where he inaugurated District Level 30th children Science Congress exhibition and Youth awareness campaign on Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyan.

During the exhibition, students par During the exhibition, students par-ticipated and showcased their science models. Principal Secretary along with Deputy Commissioner, Udhampur had round of the exhibition to inspect the models exhibited by the students. Speaking on the occasion, Principal Secretary congratulated the students and applauded the efforts of the teach-ers for their support and quidance. He

ers for their support and guidance. He impressed upon the need to boost and impressed upon the need to boost any promote scientific temper and under-standing among the students. He wished them good luck for their future endeavours. Principal Secretary high-lighted the harmful effects of drug addiction and urged upon the students to stay away from this evil and focus on future plass and carge concenturi. on future plans and career opportuni-ties in order to excel in academics and sports. He emphasized on adopting a healthy lifestyle which will ultimately

volve a healthier society

evolve a healthier society.

Principal Secretary also visited
Shaheed Inspector Kamal Singh
Government Model Higher Secondary
School Boys Udhampur.

A mega Cultural Programme was
organized by Education department in
which students of different schools
presented scintillating performances
on the second day of my town my
wide 20 went means.

on the second day of my town my pride 20 programme. Principal Secretary said that the objective of this MTMP programme is to see the implementation and impact of government schemes on ground besides empowerment of Urban Local Bodies. He said that UT administration is committed to fulfill all the demands is committed to fulfill all the demands of public on priority. He added that My town My pride is a unique pro-gramme of UT administration with the gramme of U1 administration....efforts of public, government and administration for resolution of demands of public

Later, Principal Secretary convened a meeting of officers of line depart-

ments to review the sector wise progress on Capex Budget, CSS and other flagship schemes.

Develop District District Development Commissioner, Krittika Jyotsna, SSP, Dr Vinod Kumar, ADDC, Ghan Shyam Singh, ADC, Mohammad Syed Khan, ACR, Rafiq Ahmed Jaral, CPO, Mudassir Yaqoob Zargar and other district heads of various departments

district heads of various departments attended the meeting. Principal Secretary took extensive review of various flagship pro-grammes, financial progress under District capex budget 2021-22 and 2022-23, physical progress under dis-trict capex budget 2021-22 and 2022-23, hepefaizar, oriented, schemes, beneficiary oriented schemes, Aadhaar seeding, National Rural Livelihood Mission, National Urban Livelihood Mission, National Urban livelihood mission, Agriculture sector, Animal and Sheep Husbandry Department, Sericulture, Horticulture, FCS& CA Industries department, Health and other sector etc.

District heads of various department experts experied the Discipal Sectors.

ments apprised the Principal Secretary atus of different schemes taker up by their respective departments and their status as on date.

### Deputy Mayor Srinagar, Director Tourism attend 'My Town Mv Pride' programme at Baba Demb. Srinagar

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SIRINAGAR, DECEMBER 06: The Deputy Mayor Srinagar, Parvaiz Ahmad
Qadri along with Director Tourism Kashmir, Fazl Ul Haseeb today attended
the 'My Town My Pride' programme at Baghwanpora Baba Demb, Srinagar.
The Deputy Mayor along with the Visiting Officer inspected the ongoing
renovation works of Marriage Hall Sokulipora and Lavatory Block at Maharaj Gunj Srinagar.

### FPO Office for Trout Fisheries inaugurated at Anantnag

### 05 Days Training programme for BoDs & CEO also kick-started

JI NEWS SERVICE
ANANTNAG, DECEMBER 06: Glacial
Trout Fisheries FPO promoted under
NABARDs FPO scheme was today
jointly inaugurated by DDM
NABARD ROUT Zargar and Deputy
Director Fisheries Mohammad Sideep in presence of Board of Director (BoDs) of FPO, fish farmers and field staff of fisheries department at Seen nantnag.

On the occasion, a five day training

programme was also kick-started for the Board of Directors and the CEO of the FPO. It is worth mentioning here that the

said FPO was recently incorporated as J&Ks first fisheries FPO under the name "Glacial Trout FPO" under a

rant based project by NABARD. The grant based project by NABARD. Ine FPO has been promoted by the Human Welfare Foundation NGO and is being guided by the Department of Fisheries. Highlighting the importance of FPOs, DDM NABARD said that the

Government is keen to promote FPO in every commodity to upscale the pro-duction and control the prices by farm-ers. He said that FPOs can instill business sense in farmers and make them realize the best price for their commodities without having to rely on the middlemen.

middlemen.

On the occasion, Deputy Director Fisheries, Mohammad Sideeq highlighted various centrally sponsored schemes and flagship programs run by the Fisheries Department for the wel-

fare and development of the fishermen community of the region. He impressed upon the fish farmers to take maximum benefit of being asso-ciated with FPO. He said that the Department of Fisheries will be pro viding all the possible assistance to the FPO instead of individual farmers

FPO instead of individual farmers.

Talking about the One District One
Product campaign, he said that
Anantnag district would be focusing
on enhancing the fisheries infrastructure and establishment of feed units by
FPOs. He marked the importance of the coordinated efforts of department and central government agencies like NABARD for the successful implementation of different programs and schemes for the welfare of farmers.

### Two day 'My Town My Pride' 2.0 concludes at Hajin

II NEWS SERVICE

BANDIPORA, DECEMBER 06: Ambitious 'My Town My Pride'- phase II pro-gramme launched by the UT Administration concluded today at Municipal Committee (MC) Hajin

Committee (MC) Hajin.
Mohammad Ashraf,
Special Secretary Skill
Development department
who was visiting officer for
Hajin listened to issues and
concerns of the people
besides taking stock of
development scenarios in development scenarios in

He also inspected stalls departments to inform peo-ple about their schemes and programmes. Registration counters were also set up to provide on spot registration facilities to the beneficiaries. Special

Later. the Later, the Special Secretary distributed sanc-tion letters, golden cards and domicile certificates among the beneficiaries besides distributing land passbooks to the land own-

ers. Various beneficiaries on the occasion were also pro-vided advance mobilization payment under PMAY-U Colourful and mesmeriz-

ing cultural programmes were also presented by school students. The Special Secretary also took stock of the develop-

mental scenario in Hajin

At the Municipal Committee Hajin, aware-ness sessions regarding government schemes, sanita

drives, plantation drives and other activities were also carried out. President MC Hajin, Irshad Ahmad Wani in his speech thanked people for making this program suc-cessful by participating enthusiastically in the event. The two day event witnessed huge Public par-ticipation and the town remained abuzz with the festivities festivities of the Government's Outreach

### My Town My Pride: GDC Dudu Basantgarh hosts symposium on 'Digital Initiatives in J&K

JI NEWS SERVICE UDHAMPUR, DECEMBER 06: Government Degree College Dudu Basantgarh organized a symposium under the Digital Initiatives J&K' under the "My vn My Pride" 2.0, today. welve students of the

On the basis of the overall performance including language, content, and intonation, Sonali Devi of Sem-1st clinched 1st position whereas Brimbal Singh of 5th and Rimpi Devi of Sem-1st shared 2nd and 3rd posi-

Addressing the students, the Principal of the college Dr Bhavnaish Chand emphasized on the importance of organizing such events to remove the stage fright of the students alor right or the students along-side providing them a plat-form to exhibit their abilities

He advised the teaching staff of the college to use powerpoint and other IT methods of teaching, while the students were advised to take benefits of the technology and take advantage of the digital initiatives/ schemes launched by the JK

### Habitual Timber Smugglers to be booked under PSA: DM Shopian

JI NEWS SERVICE SHOPIAN, DECEMBER SHOPIAN, DECEMBER 06: The District Magistrate (DM) Shopian, Sachin Kumar Vaishya today held a Sachin Rumar Valsnya today heid a meeting of all Executive Magistrates and Forest department officers to dis-cuss and take stringent measures against timber/ forest smuggling in the district. The departments intimated about the measures being taken by them to curb the smuggling in the dis trict. It was apprised during the meet-ing that through joint efforts of departnts, 13 PSAs, 49 FIRs, 79 court chal-s have been registered against the

smugglers. Besides, 2292 Cfts of timber along with confiscation of 29 horses and 07 vehicles have been taken which has reduced the smuggling significant-

has reduced the smuggling significant-ly. DM opined that still more measures are needed for eliminating the smug-gling completely in the district. He while emphasizing on taking more result oriented measures also directed the Executive Magistrates to inspect Saw mills injured with and inspect Saw mills, joinery units and monitor their working, besides check-ing their source of raw material, their illicit connection with smugglers and checking their licences, whether issued

from competent authorities or not. He sought a list of top habitual offenders of forest/ timber smuggling of the district from the forest department so that action can be initiated

ment so that action can be initial against them under PSA.

The meeting also discussed issue people who resort to forest dam who depend to a certain extent forests. DC intimated that the initial control of the property of indulging in damages to forest shall be covered under different govt schemes

for providing them income support.

JDP, DFOs, Tehsildar attended the

My Town My Pride

### Formulation of 'City Development Index' to ensure better assessment, planning, development & service delivery: Chief Secretary

Holds day long interaction with Prabhari Officers, PRIs & Public

JI NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, DEC 06: On the second day of 'My Town My Pride' (MTMP) programme, Chief Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta today held a day long live interaction with the visiting officers (Prabharis), President's and representatives of different Municipal. Municipal Councils, Municipal Committees of Kashmir division at Civil Secretariat here.

During the interaction, the Chief Secretary held detailed deliberations on different deliver ables with the officers and took on-spot assessment from them about the participation of general public in this public outreach pro-

While interacting with the offi-cers, Dr. Mehta underlined that the MTMP has evolved into an the MIMP has evolved into an Aspirational Town programme which will be a continuous affair. He added that the administration will establish City Development Index and the cities and towns will be ranked monthly as per that



index reflecting the pace of develindex reflecting the pace of devel-opment and quality of service delivery in each of them. "The index will be more of a mirror for the cities and towns to compete with each other and thereby achieve best in both infrastructure and services provided to the pub-lic", Dr. Mehta observed.

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While interacting with the officers and representatives of
Municipal Wards, the Chief
Secretary impressed upon them to
encourage maximum participation of general public in the programme so that the prime objec-

tive of development is achieved. He asked them to involve educa He asked them to involve educa-tional institutions in the celebra-tions of MTMP and organise events to create awareness among public about different govern-ment beneficiary schemes and welfare programmes.

Dr Mehta further remarked that the Prabhari Officers will contin-ue to mentor the towns which were assigned to them as Visiting Officers for next few years so that there is a greater bond between them and the inhabitants for overall progress of these urban cen

He underscored the need for He underscored the need for inalization of seven plans viz. City Livelihood Plan, City Smart Vending Plan, Encroachment Free Town Plan, City Tourism & Culture Plan, City Resource Mobilization Finance Plan, City Beautification Plan and Green City Plan details of which have dy been provided to the vi-

iting officers.

The Chief Secretary further nentioned about the importance of saturation of self-employment schemes and advised the Prabhari Officers to monitor the progress of disbursement of loans to the of disbursement of loans to the aspiring youth. He stressed on the fact to ensure that all genuine cases are sanctioned and banks provide full cooperation in this endeavour of the government. He observed that the progress on this account will be reviewed after a month's period to assess the achieven nt made in meeting the objectives. The Chief Secretary also

emphasized upon the visiting officers to ensure that all cases in respect of 75 schemes where J&K has achieved near saturation should be put on fast-track so that no case is left out.

no case is left out.

While interacting with the Mayor SMC, JunaidMattu;
Prabhari officer Srinagar, Dheeraj Gupta and other corporators of SMC, Dr. Mehta enjoined upon them to organise events and activities with involvement of all the line departments so that the Srinagar City will emerge as one of the most vibrant cities of India in terms of development. He asked them that not to restrict the asked them that not to restrict the events to MTMP programme only but keep it as a continuing affair and work towards making Srinagar one of the cleanest cities of the country. Dr Mehta asked them to explore the possibility of vibrant evening tourism in Srinagar city as it possesses Srinagar city as it possesses tremendous potential for the same and organise cultural activi-ties in winter months like in other countries where winters are alike Kashmir.

### **UNICEF India's Chief of Field** Services calls on Lt Governor

JI NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, DEC 06: Ms. Jalpa Ratna, Chief of Field Services, UNICEF India today called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha here at Raj Bhawan.

Governor Manoj Sinha here at Raj Bhawan.

Ms. Ratna apprised the Lt Governor about UNICEF
India programmes in J&K and the work being done in
collaboration with Government departments.
Discussions were also held on supporting alternative
learning, career guidance, life skills education, capacity-

building, community-based learning, community based child protection mechanisms and child protection tion services and other key interventions in the educa-

The Lt Governor assured cooperation and support of the UT administration in all its endeavours.

### **Director Rural Sanitation** reviews implementation of SBM (G) in Poonch Rajouri districts



JI NEWS SERVICE

IAMMU. DEC 06: Director Rural Sanitation UT of I&K Charandeep Singh chaired a meeting to review the implementation of different components of Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen-Phase 2 in Poonch and Rajouri districts. The meeting was attended in person by the ADDC Rajouri, Assistant Commissioners Development, Assistant Commissioner Panchayats, District Panchavat Officers, Block development officers

District Panchayat Officers, Block development officers along with the other officials of the department.

The Director took an extensive district-wise review of the ongoing projects pertaining to Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen-Phase 2. He also reviewed the district-wise expenditure along with ODF-Plus updation, ongoing Gobardhan projects, Solid waste management assets. Liquid waste assets, plantid waste assets and projects of the project assets, Liquid waste assets, plastic waste management, status on segregation sheds, retrofitting of toilets, 2nd status on segregation sheds, retroitting of toilets, 2nd Level verification report, Utilization Certificate 2021-22, and special emphasis was given to Door-to-Door waste collection. He directed all ACPs to complete Door-to-Door waste collection works within a week's time. The Director emphasized the importance of Swachh Sarvekshan Grameen-2023 (SSG-2023) and elaborated on the various activities under SSG 2023. He further directed all the officials for a wide participation in SSG.

directed all the officials for a wide participation in SSG 2023 activities and explained the village self-assessment and peer verification leading to the ranking of Gram panchayats and district level assessment leading to Assessment of States and UT levels of assessments in

### **Tourism Department's Two day** Houseboat festival begins today

JI NEWS SERVICE
SRINAGAR, DECEMBER 06: The Department of Tourism is organising a two day Houseboat festival beginning Wednesday

The festival would have components of local Music, food, art, culture besides showcasing and emphasising

tood, art, culture besides showcasing and emphasising the heritage value of Houseboats.

The main highlights of the two day festival would be display of live music, putting up of Art gallery besides showcasing varied culinary and cuisine specialities.

Traditional folk music, a Floating stage and water screen on Dal waters, illuminated shikara carnival and live musical preformance, would also be part of the live musical performances would also be part of the two day festival.

In this connection, Director Tourism Kashmir, Fazlul

In this connection, Director Tourism Kashmir, Fazlul Haseeb today reviewed the arrangements put in place for holding the festival and showcasing varied components of tourism to the visitors.

Addressing the meeting, the Director Tourism said Houseboats have played a unique role in attracting tourists from across the globe. He said the Kashmir Valley's famed and intricately carved houseboats, which over the doce he become proposed to the control of the proposed to the control of the which over the decades have emerged as dream stay for honeymooners, will be this winter season's main attrac-

### Heavy Excavator, 15 tippers involved in illegal mining seized in Poonch

JI NEWS SERVICE POONCH, DEC 06: On the direction of District Development Commissi-Development Commissi-oner Poonch, Inder Jeet, Geology and Mining department Poonch con-ducted a number of raids along Daraba River in Tehsil Surankote.

During the raid a heavy During the raid a heavy excavator and 15 tippers involved in illegal mining were seized. At majority of the locations, the drivers of the vehicles fled from the spot leaving their Tippers behind. The DMO has appealed public not to be a scot of illegal prining and part of illegal mining and avoid buying material from any mining blocks without e-challan.

### 'My Town My Pride' programme concludes in Banihal, Batote MCs

JI NEWS SERVICE

RAMBAN, DEC 06: The 'My Town My

RAMBAN, DEC 06: The 'My Town My Pride' phase-2 programme concluded suc-cessfully in the Municipalities of Batote and Banihal in district Ramban. Chief Executive Officer, Integrated Watershed Management Project (IWMP), Dr. Bharat Bhushan: the visiting officer held various programmes in Batote and assessed the development needs of the area. The CEO convened a meeting of offi-cers and reviewed the development lasearea. The CEO convened a meeting of offi-cers and reviewed the developmental sce-nario of the town. He directed them to focus on the beautification of the Batote which has a great tourism potential which can be tapped to boost the local economic activities. The CEO also interacted with the President MC Batote Ravinder Singh, President MC Batote Kavinder Singh, Councilors, Officers and general public and discussed 7 plans finalized by the MC Batote besides listing the issues and demands highlighted by the public repre-sentatives and sought early redressal. He

assured that their issues will be taken up with the concerned authorities and directed the officers to resolve their local issues on a priority basis

on a priority basis.

The CEO inspected departmental stalls
and encouraged the locals to avail the benefits of various government schemes especially job oriented schemes. Similarly the
a day long MTMP programme was
presided by Deputy Commissioner, of
State Tax Enforcement, Shahnawaz Shah,
in Municinality, Banihal where, public in Municipality Banihal where public in Municipality Banihal where public meetings and various other programmes were held. He also inaugurated various developmental works and lead foundation stones. He also held a detailed discussion with officers and people on various devel-opmental plans for the development of Banihal town besides finalizing devalen. Banihal town besides finalizing develop mental plans of public interest for the al Committee Banihal after a detailed dis ssion with public representa

### 13 NDRF conducts rescue Mock drill in GDC Kishtwar

II NEWS SERVICE

KISHTWAR, DEC 06: On the second day of two day KISHIWAR, DEC 06: On the second day of two day Mock Drill by 13 NDRF, a Mock Everise on Earthquake and Landslide rescue was today held at GDC Kishtwar. Team of 13 NDRF led by Javed Iqbal, Asstt. Commandant, conducted a full Scale Mock Exercise on Fire fighting, Earthquake and land slide.

The Mock exercise was based on scenario of earth-uake/discussed in TTEx at DC Conference hall,

quake/ discussed in TEX at DC Conterence hall, Kishtwar on yesterday. During Mock Exercise, the NDRF team demonstrated medical first aids techniques, CSSR evacuation tech-niques and Rope Rescue with following all guidelines. About 450 participants including 250 Students, Medical Staff, District official, Staff of Fire Department, Legac Carel Guil Defense DDB DDBE to remained

Home Guard, Civil Defence, SDRF, NDRF etc remained

### Ambitious "My Town My Pride 2.0" concludes in Jammu district

### Scores of people visit departmental counters to avail on spot Services

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, DECEMBER 06: The My Town My Pride 2.0 program concluded successfully in district Jammu Under the overall supervision of Deputy Commissioner Avny Lavasa

sion of Deputy Commissioner Avry Lavasa and with untring efforts of district officers from various departments.

Multifarious activities were held across all the Municipal areas of Jammu district on the concluding day. All the MCs organised camps at designated venues to spread was the second of the MCs or t awareness and impart training to stakeholders, besides conducting plantation drives, special sanitation drives and other activities.

The main event was organised at Gulshan Ground Jammu at which more than 40

ents put up their counters to facili-general public. Besides, the MTMF tate the general public. Besides, the MTMF was also conducted at Town Hall Convention Centre, PWD Guest House Gandhi Nagar, Engineering Institute Channi Himmat and Auditorium of Polytechnic

Himmat and Auditorium of Polytechnic Shiv Nagar comprising five zones of JMC. A large number of people visited these venues, gathered information regarding various government schemes and also availed on the spot services of different departments including Revenue, Health, Education, Agriculture, Social Welfare, Horticulture, Handicrafts etc.

At MC Khour, Visiting Officer Pawan Singh Rathore, Special Secretary Hospitality

inspected the development works and also handed over the land passbooks, house keys under PMAY, and other benefits to the beneficiaries under various schemes

At MC Gho Manhasa, Visiting Officer Bal Krishan, DC Sales Tax (Judicial) distributed benefits of PMAY, FCS & CA, Smart City

venents of PMAY, PCS & CA, Smart City
Street Vending etc among the beneficiaries.

Campaigns against anti-littering, inspection of ongoing works and interaction with
local residents was also held during the

At Akhnoor, various developmental works were started and also on site inspec-tion was conducted at various locations.

Several people were given on the spot bene-fits including land passbooks, domicile, house keys under PMAY, Auto under Mumkin and others alike.

At MC RS Pura, the activities included sanitation drives, distribution of property cards and holding of awareness camps. People were sensitised about cleaning and

People were sensitised about cleaning and other government sponsored schemes. At MC Arnia, the day witnessed activities ranging from anti littering awareness drive besides departmental awareness drive in different locations of the Arnia.

At MC Jourian, a mega camp was organ ized wherein stalls of health, social welfare, tourism, Ayush etc were installed where awareness was imparted among the general public about the schemes and programmes of the departments.

### Saini Sabha, KYSS delegations meet GD Sharma Commission, express resentment for granting OBC status

JAMMU: All J&K Saini J&K Kshatriya Yuva Saini Sabha (KYSS) today met members of GD Sharma Commission and apprised them about the gross injustice being meted out to them with the inclusion of Saini community in the list of back-ward classes.

The delegation of All J&K Saini Sabha headed by its President Pritam Singh Saini and delegation of All J&K Kshatriya Yuva Saini Sabha (KYSS) led RSharrya Yuva Saimi Saoha (K155) led by its President Suksham Singh today met G.D Sharma, Munir Khan and Roop Lal Bharti members of the GD Sharma Commission and held thread-bare discussion over the grave of OBC stables.

Pertinent to mention here that on the recommendations of GD Sharma Commission the Saini community has grant OBC status to the Saini commu-nity. The community members espe-



cially the young lot of the community are on road to mark their resentment against the GD Sharma Commission for putting the Saini Community in the list of Backward Classes.

Commission members that there is gross resentment among the community youth with regard to OBC status granted by the government by includ-ing the Saini Community in the lists of reserved category. He said that Saini community is a prosperous and eco nomically strong community with high literacy rate, that too above natio average literacy rate. Majority popula-tion of the community is already serv-ing in government sector, private sector and armed forces at respectable positions, thereby contradicting the belief that Saini's are economically, educationally and socially backward,

"Our Economically poorer peers of Saini Community are already availing Samt Community are already availing the benefits of EWS reservation, and granting them OSC status will deprive them of EWS benefits. Our community never asked for any kind of reservation and we strongly believes that reservation should be based on economical conditions of an individual and we strongly on the order of the order o containons or an incivitual and we strongly oppose caste based reserva-tion," he said, adding that Saini com-munity doesn't fall under any of the criteria set by the Mandal Commission Report. Pritam Saini said that there are certain elements in the community who misguided the government and the Commission members to fulfill the Commission members to fulfill their ulterior motives. Suksham Singh said that the Saini community is well

off and the community youth has orr and the community youth has never approached the government for reservation purposes. "Our community strongly rejected this decision to include our Saini (Kshatriya) community of J&K into this reserved category Our community doesn't satisfy even a Our community doesn't satisty even a single indicator out of eleven indicators of backwardness specified by the Mandal Commission Report. This is a clear violation of the constitution as well as it hurts the sentiments of our Saini community," he said.

The delegation members appealed to the Commission members, to go

to the Commission members to go to the Commission members to go through the fact and figures of the community data and roll the back the decision of OBC status in the general interest of the community.

The Commission Members gave a patient hearing to the delegations' remplaces and assured for consideration.

members and assured for consideration of their demand after going through the facts.