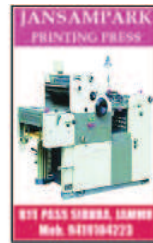


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India to develop small nuclear reactors: Dr Jitendra



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NEW DELHI, NOV 27: Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) Earth Sciences; MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh today said, India is taking steps for development of Small Modular Reactors (SMR).
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Egypt President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi to be chief guest on Republic Day 2023

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NEW DELHI, NOV 27: Egypt's President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi will be the chief guest at the Republic Day celebrations in January 2023. "This is the first time that the President of the Arab Republic of Egypt will be the Chief Guest at our Republic Day," the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said in a statement on Sunday. Prime Minister Narendra Modi had sent a
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4 killed in separate road accidents

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JAMMU, NOV 27: Four people were killed and two injured in separate road accidents here, police said on Sunday. In the first incident, Jatinder Manhas (18) and Mahruva Pratap Singh (15) died after two speeding motorcycles collided head-on with each other at Dablehar-Chak Mohd Yaar road in RS Pura area on the outskirts of the city on Saturday, the police said. Two others - Sagar Singh (13) and Chanpreet Singh (18) - were injured in the collision. While Manhas was riding solo,
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Temperatures continue to drop in J&K, Ladakh: MeT

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JAMMU, NOV 27: Minimum temperatures continued to drop across J&K during the last 24 hours as the Meteorological (MeT) office said on Sunday that dry weather is likely to continue. "Weather is expected to remain dry in J&K and Ladakh during the next 24 hours. Minimum temperatures are expected to drop further during this period," an official of the MeT department said. Srinagar had minus 3.1, Pahalgam minus 3.4 and Gulmarg minus 1 degree Celsius as the minimum temperature. In Ladakh region, Drass town had minus 11.6.
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Lt Governor addresses Valedictory session of 25th National Conference on e-Governance

Delivering efficient, effective, and accountable governance is our top priority: Lt Governor



JJ NEWS SERVICE

KATRA, NOV 27: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha today addressed the valedictory session of 25th National Conference on e-Governance at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University. The event witnessed the launch of J&K Vision Document and J&K Cyber Security policy and a historic MoU between IT Department J&K and DITECH Haryana. The agreement between the J&K Government and Haryana Government is expected to strengthen and deepen the collaboration on knowledge sharing, IT initiatives & best practices in e-Governance, said the Lt Governor. In his address, Sh Manohar Lal, Chief Minister, Haryana, recalled his deep connection with Jammu

Kashmir. I am witnessing a new, badalta Jammu Kashmir. We are looking forward to the new J&K-Haryana collaboration and committed to support J&K Government in meeting the goals, he said. Shri Manohar Lal highlighted the IT interventions and several digital initiatives of the Haryana Government to bring transparency in the system and streamlining the public service delivery system. Expressing his gratitude to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Haryana Sh Manohar Lal; The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology; Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, all the departments of the Central and State/UT Governments, the Lt Governor said that the 25th National e-Governance

I am witnessing a new, badalta Jammu Kashmir. We are looking forward to the new J&K-Haryana collaboration and committed to support J&K Government in meeting the goals: CM Haryana

Technology is making the real difference in people's lives. In 2013, total number of e-transaction was merely 20 Lakh. This year, till 25th Nov, number of e-transaction is 38.50 Crore. On an average J&K is recording 550 e-transactions every minute: LG

IT Department J&K coordinating across the departments to ensure citizen interacts and access information and services & provide feedback to improve service delivery: LG

Despite being a late entrant in digital transformation, J&K has achieved several milestones with solid technical architecture at the service of citizens. Speedy development is the new identity of J&K: LG

Conference in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir will prove to be a milestone in the direction of
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Haryana CM pays obeisance at Vaishno Devi shrine; attends national conference on e-governance



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JAMMU, NOV 27: Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Sunday paid obeisance at the Mata Vaishno Devi shrine before attending the

25th National Conference on e-governance in Reasi district of Jammu and Kashmir. Khattar, a one-time pracharak of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), expressed happiness over the abrogation of the Article 370 by the BJP-led central government in August 2019 and said Jammu and Kashmir has come out of the terrorism phase and is now marching along on the path of development with rest of the country. Scheduled to attend the silver jubilee edition of the national conference on e-governance, the Haryana chief minister straightaway visited the Vaishno Devi shrine atop Trikuta hills and offered his prayers
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Mufti, former legislators served eviction notices

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SRINAGAR, NOV 27: Authorities in Anantnag district of Jammu and Kashmir Sunday asked

PDP president Mehbooba Mufti and seven former legislators to vacate government residential quarters within 24 hours failing which action would be taken, officials said. Mufti was served an eviction notice for her 'Fairview' residence at the high security Gupkar area
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Minister Giriraj Singh stresses on need to implement Population Control Bill

AGENCY

NEW DELHI, NOV 27: Union Minister Giriraj Singh on Sunday stressed the need to implement the Population Control Bill irrespective of their religion or the section of society they belong to. He termed the implementation of this bill 'crucial' citing the availability of limited resources. The former J-K Chief Minister also warned the

Mann ki Baat

India must utilise G20 presidency by focusing on global good: PM Modi



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NEW DELHI, NOV 27: Assuming the G20 presidency is a huge opportunity for India and the country must utilise it by focusing on global good, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Sunday. India will officially assume the G20 presidency from the current chair Indonesia on December 1. In his latest monthly radio address, Mann Ki Baat, Mr. Modi said that India is capable of providing solutions to the varied challenges being faced globally. "India will assume presidency of powerful

grouping G20 on December 1. For India it is a huge opportunity. India must utilise opportunity of G20 leadership by focusing on global good and welfare," he said. The G20 comprises Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Mexico, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Turkey, the U.K., the U.S. and the European Union. "Be it peace or unity, sensitivity towards environment or sustainable development, India has solution to challenges related to all such things," he said.

Shout-out to Telangana weaver Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while addressing the 95th episode of his monthly radio programme 'Mann Ki Baat' on Sunday lauded a weaver from Telangana who gifted him a self-woven logo of the G20 Summit which will be hosted by India next year. Mentioning Veldi Hariprasad Garu who hails from Rajanna Sircilla district of Telangana, the Prime Minister said that he has a mastery over his skills and he was "surprised to see this amazing gift." "A weaver from Rajanna Sircilla district of Telangana Veldi Hariprasad Garu has sent me a self-woven logo of G20. I was surprised to see this amazing gift. He has such mastery over his skills that it attracts everyone. He also sent me a letter. He says that hosting the G20 Summit next year is a matter of immense pride for
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Do not cede space to BJP, says Mehbooba Mufti while urging youth in J&K to participate in polls

AGENCY

SRINAGAR, NOV 27: PDP president Mehbooba Mufti on Sunday urged the youths to participate in future civic and assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir, saying it is their "weapon" to fight for their rights and they should not cede space to the BJP. "It is not BJP's India and, note it down, we will not let it become BJP's India," Mufti said at a party function here. The former J-K Chief Minister also warned the

Centre not to behave "like those raiders from Pakistan who came to the valley in 1947 and were forced to flee by Kashmiris. "India is not BJP. The India which we joined is Jawahar Lal Nehru's India, (M K) Gandhi ji's India, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad's India, it is the India of Rahul Gandhi who is travelling the country for Hindu-Muslim unity, it is Tushar Gandhi's India," Mufti said. She again lashed out at the BJP for the scrapping of Article 370 in 2019.
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DC Srinagar conferred with prestigious National e-Governance Gold Award at 25th National Conference on e-Governance

JJ NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR, NOV 27: In a major achievement, the Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad was conferred with prestigious National e-governance Gold Award by the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) for Project/



Initiative 'GAASH' under the category of "Excellence in District Level Initiative in e-Governance" of the

National Awards for e-Governance Scheme 2021-22. Union Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Dr. Jitendra Singh presented the award to Deputy Commissioner Srinagar in a two-day Conference organized by Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances
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DATA Protection BILL

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NEW DELHI, NOV 27: The Government will not be able to violate the privacy of citizens under the proposed data protection law as it will get access to personal data only in exceptional circumstances like national security, pandemic and natural disasters, Minister of State for Electronics and IT Rajeev Chandrasekhar said. Speaking during an online discussion, the Minister said the National Data Governance Framework Policy has provisions for handling anonymisation of data - which is not part of the draft Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Bill 2022.

Mr. Chandrasekhar also said the proposed Data Protection Bill - which will adjudicate matters related to data protection - will be independent and will not have any government officer on the board. While responding to questions around privacy on Twitter Live on November 26 evening, the Minister rephrased the question of a participant to clarify the stand of the government and provisions in the draft DPDP Bill 2022. "Let us say that the government wants to essentially violate the privacy of citizens with this law. Is it possible? That's the question. The answer is no.



The bill and laws lay out in very clear terms what are the exceptional circumstances under which the government can have access to the personal data of

Indian citizens... national security, pandemic, healthcare, natural disaster. "These are exceptions. Just like freedom of speech is not absolute and is subject to reasonable restriction, so is the right to data protection," Mr. Chandrasekhar said. The draft DPDP Bill has exempted certain entities notified as data fiduciaries by the government from various compliances, including sharing details for the purpose of data collection. The provisions from which government notified entities will be exempted deal with informing an individual about the purpose for data collection, collection of children's data, risk assessment

around public order, appointment of data auditor, among others. The bill proposes to exempt government notified data fiduciaries from sharing details of data processing with the data owners under the "Right to Information about personal data". The draft DPDP Bill also bars individuals from sharing unverifiable and wrong information with data handling entities, which some people believe will deter anonymisation on internet platforms, especially on social media. The Minister further said the National Data Governance Framework has provisions to deal with anonymous data
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Doda administration gears up for 'My Town My Pride -2.0'

DC reviews preparedness; sets target of 100% saturation of deliverables during 'Jan Abhiyaan'

JI NEWS SERVICE
DODA, NOVEMBER 27: District Development Commissioner (DDC) Doda, Vishesh Paul Mahajan today convened a meeting of officers to assess the preparations for the second phase of 'My Town My Pride' (MTMP) programme.



All the officers were directed to achieve 100% Developmental Deliverables fixed by the government during Jan Abhiyaan starting from November, 28, 2022.

The DDC also directed the Departments to maintain close coordination with the municipalities to achieve the desired objectives of the programme.

It was decided that the venue of Jan Abhiyaan for MC Doda will be at Community Hall Doda, while for MC Bhaderwah and MC Thathri, the venue shall be at Community Hall Bhaderwah and Dak Bungalow Thathri, respectively.

The EOs were instructed to complete the sanctioned PMAY-U houses, install at least 3 hoardings per MC, put visible colours on dustbins and identify developmental projects which shall be inaugurated and

launched including lanes/drains, maintenance of roads etc. The meeting was informed that sanctioning of new water supply schemes, besides sanctioning of PMAY-U cases, new pension cases, sanction letters under individual benefit schemes, sanitation drives, sanitisation plants and other beneficiary schemes and activities will also be carried out during MTMP 2.0.

The status of civic amenities, street lights, Sewerage treatment plant, solid waste management techniques were also discussed in detail and DC instructed to ensure repairment if required at any place in any town during Jan

Abhiyaan and give festive look to all the three MCs in the district.

He directed every department of the district to install stalls in each municipality at designated locations.

Sports events, cultural programmes and awareness should be part of the programme, added the DDC.

The meeting was attended by SSP Doda Abdul Qayoom, ADC Doda Dr R K Bharti, ADC Bhaderwah Chowdhary Dil Mir, DPO ICDS Shahida Parveen, GM DIC Doda, SDM Thathri, ACD Doda, CPO Doda, Dy Director Employment Doda, Tehsildar Bhaderwah, CMO Doda, DIO Doda, Thathri, Ex Ens, and other district and sectoral officers of various departments.

2-Day Workshop on 'India: The Mother of Democracy' concludes at GCW Udhampur

JI NEWS SERVICE UDHAMPUR, NOVEMBER 27: The two day workshop on the theme "India: The Mother of Democracy" organized to celebrate 73rd anniversary of Constitution Adoption Day, Sawidhan Diwas 2022, concluded at Government College for Women Udhampur with the valedictory function held the other day.



The event was organized by Shikshit Bharat club and Department of Music, in collaboration with Department of Political Science as Jan Bhagidari, to generate awareness about Political Code, Structure, Procedure, Powers and duties of Govt. fundamental right, Directive Principles and duties of Citizens.

Additional Superintendent of Police, Anwaar-Ul-Haq, District Police Udhampur was the Chief guest.

The Valedictory function began with offering of floral tribute to the father of Indian constitution Bharat Rana, Baba Sahib Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar and reciting of national anthem.

Speaking on the occasion, the chief guest lauded the efforts of GCW Udhampur and the organizing committee of the Workshop for creating awareness among the

students about the Indian constitution. He highlighted that this document guarantees Justice, Equality, Liberty, besides promoting fraternity among masses. He called upon all the students to stay committed to their fundamental duties, because fundamental rights of an individual are offshoots of fundamental duties of another individual.

The Principal of the college Dr. Monika Sharma, in her address, said that "Our constitution is the sacred book and showers eternal values that remain our guid-

ing principles." Earlier, Swatantra Dev Kotwal, recipient of president medal for meritorious services in civil defence was chief resource person, who recited a poem on Indian constitution, which touched the heart and mind of everyone present in the hall.

A colorful cultural program and an act play BUDDHI KAKI of Munshi Prem Chand was also presented by the students of the college. The entire Program was convened under the convensorship of Prof. Yash Kumar, Prof. Seema Sharma, HOD Music, Kewal Kumar, HOD Chemistry, Dr. Sanjeet Kour, HOD Zoology, Dr. Kewal Kumar, Prof. Sarika Mahajan, Dr. Shaveta Sharma, Prof. Roopa Kumari, Prof. Sanjay Kumar [PO NSS], Prof. Shalalu Josrotia, Mushtaq Ahmed, HOD Hindi, Taniya Akhter, HOD English, Dr. Sanjay Kumar. Other senior faculties and large number of students. The program ended with a formal vote of thanks by Dr. Mool Raj, HOD Urdu.

Singhpora Tunnel Project: DC holds interactive meeting with land owners, PRIs; Listens to their grievances

Takes on spot appraisal of progress of approach road to upcoming sub-way



JI NEWS SERVICE
KISHTWAR, NOV 27: District Development Commissioner Kishtwar, Dr Devansh Yadav today visited Singhpora area of Chhatroo Sub Division to take first-hand appraisal of the progress of the Survey for widening of National Highway-244, besides listening to the grievances and issues of the owners whose land has been acquired for the Project.

He was accompanied by Sub-Divisional Magistrate Chhatroo, Inderjeet Singh Parihar, General Manager NHIDCL, Tehsildar, besides other concerned officers and officials.

During the inspectional visit, the GM NHIDCL apprised the District Development Commissioner about the current status of the survey for the widening of existing NH-244 and also enlightened about the hurdles and bottlenecks faced by the executing agencies.

Meanwhile, the land owners demanded to revisit the alignment of the approach road to the proposed Singhpora tunnel as the current alignment was passing through a major chunk of irrigated Agriculture land and engulfing residential houses thereby causing huge losses to locals.

Interacting with the locals, the District Development Commissioner said that this Highway, on completion, would serve as an all weather road Connectivity between two valleys Viz. Kishthwar and Anantnag and also augment lifeline connectivity of the area.

He sought the cooperation and coordination of locals in this regard. He assured that their genuine issues and demands would be forwarded to the concerned authorities for prompt action so that the work on the widening project was completed.

DC Srinagar XI beat Div Com XI in T20 friendly Cricket match

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR NOVEMBER 27: - A friendly T20 Cricket match was played between the teams of Office of Divisional Commissioner-K and Deputy Commissioners, Srinagar at SK Stadium, Sonwar here on Sunday.



In the match, the DC XI beat Div Com XI by 2 wickets with one over left.

Earlier, the Div Com XI won the toss and elected to bat and were all out on total 151 runs by the DC XI.

The DC XI achieved the target by scoring 153 runs in 19.1 over, hence won the friendly T20 Cricket match.

During the match Abid Ahmad from DC XI made highest 60 runs, while Abrar Ahmad made 29 runs and took 3 wickets.

Azhar Kakroo also bowled very well and took 4 wickets, while Mehraj

Ahmad Bhat also took 3 wickets of Div Com XI.

DHEW, Shopian organizes Awareness programme on Women Welfare schemes at Mujpathri



JI NEWS SERVICE
SHOPIAN, NOVEMBER 27: The District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW) Shopian today organized an awareness programme on Women Welfare schemes at Mujpathri, here.

The team of officials of the Hub, which is under the Administrative control of the Social Welfare department, are regularly conducting awareness and orientation programmes in villages, across the district.

awareness on "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao" among women. The team, on the occasion dealt with various women welfare schemes which are in vogue including on Women Helpline 181, One Stop Centre for women, Tejaswini, Livelihood Scheme for women entrepreneurs, old age pension scheme for widows, Pension scheme for specially abled people, SMAS, Childline 1098 along with Juvenile Justice.

Team also noted the grievances of the women and assured them to provide help as soon as possible.

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Dr Samoon addressed felicitation ceremony At Rooman Technologies



JI NEWS SERVICE
SRINAGAR, NOVEMBER 27:

Principal Secretary Skill Development Department, Dr Asgar Hassan Samoon

visited Rooman Technologies here today and felicitated 40 candidates placed by center with offer letters.

Secretary Technical Education, Director Education, Principals of Polytechnic Colleges and other concerned were also present on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr Samoon highlighted the current employment scenario and various schemes promoted by the government for uplifting the youth.

Managing Director Rooman Technologies, Syed Owais also spoke on the occasion.

Blood Donation Camp organised at GDC Khansahib

JI NEWS SERVICE
BUDGAM, NOVEMBER 27: A blood donation camp was today organised by NCC Girls' wing of the Government Degree College (GDC) Khansahib and its NSS unit in collaboration with Sub-District Hospitals of Chadoora and Khansahib, here.

Medical team comprising of two doctors, two nurses and three medical assistants were deputed for this purpose.

Doctors present on the occasion highlighted the virtues of blood donation.

A total of 13 units of blood were collected during the programme. All NCC cadets led by Sumaya Sadiq and some NSS volunteers were present and served the donors.

After completion of the camp college Principal, Dr Nargis Bano appreciated the organisers and thanked everyone present there.

Workshop on Science Learning organized at Samba



JI NEWS SERVICE
SAMBA, NOVEMBER 27: To take forward the vision of National Education Policy, District Administration, Samba in collaboration with Jnana Prabodhini, a reputed NGO of Pune, is organising a series of workshops to demonstrate how Science learning can be made simple and joyful through activities.

These science activities related workshops are being held in Government schools of Samba from 25th Nov to 30th Nov for classes 6th-8th

includes hands-on learning with activity based sessions on various science topics such as pressure, light, friction etc. The Workshop series is being held under the overall supervision of District Development Commissioner, Anuradha Gupta.

The workshops are being coordinated by Jaswant Singh, Chief Education Officer and Sanjali Jain, MGN Fellow deputed in the district.

BJP scared of Assembly Polls in J&K: Harsh Dev



JJ NEWS SERVICE SAMBA, NOV 27: Accusing the BJP govt of dilly dallying over the issue of holding Assembly Elections in J&K, Mr. Harsh Dev Singh, Former Minister and Chairman AAP J&K State Co-ordination Committee said that the safe from regime seemed to be hell bent to deny the people of the UT their right to have a democratically elected govt of their own. Despite the 4 year long proxy rule in J&K since 2018 having proved a flop show, there was hardly any indication of restoring popular govt in the UT in the near future. He said that the BJP govt had failed to deliver and to redeem its promises and therefore evading elections on one pretext or the other for the last four years besides having created huge

confusion over the issue of local and non-local voters and finalization of electoral rolls. Having antagonized its own electorates as well, the BJP was trying hard to buy time and thereby resorting to delay and deny tactics over the issue of conduct of Assembly elections in J&K. Scared to face the people in the wake of its multiple betrayals with peoples' cause, it preferred repeated postponement of polls and continuation of its proxy rule in the UT, said Mr. Singh. He was addressing huge rally in Bari Brahmana in Vijaypur constituency organized by Mr. Raj Mohd Sarlanga Sangathan Mantri of District Samba Aam Aadmi Party.

Reiterating the need for the early elections to J&K Legislative Assembly in J&K, Mr. Singh said that any delay in this regard would not only amount to subversion of democracy but also violate the orders of the Supreme Court. The people could not be deprived of their democratic rights in the state only for the political inexpediences of the ruling party at the centre by taking to frivolous excuses, said Mr. Singh. He said that a full time elected govt was a must to deal with the armed insurgency in the erstwhile state besides coping with the multiple issues confronting the UT. The militancy which had erupted in early 90s in J&K had gradually subsided after the formation of an elected govt in the state. It had almost died down during popular govt but unfortunately got revived during the centre's proxy rule. Any delay therefore in handing over power

to the sons of soil through free and fair elections could prove counterproductive and further complicate the already volatile situation in the UT said Harsh.

Yash Paul Kundal Ex-Minister and senior AAP leader while pointing towards the growing tensions in various parts of the UT and the failure of administration to come up to the peoples' expectations said that bureaucratic rule was no answer to the prevalent crisis. The LG administration had lost connect with the masses. The unemployed, semi-employed and contractuals were on the roads with none to even take note of their sufferings and grievances. The people inhabiting the rural areas were suffering badly for basic amenities with no access whatsoever to the corridors of power. With hardly any forum to ventilate their grievances, the people were suffering badly in the absence of a popular govt thereby resulting in growing alienation amongst the masses.

Prominent among those who spoke on the occasion included Gagan Pratap Singh, Parshotam Parihar, Lovetu Sambyal besides others.

BJP Govt's critics' 'barefaced' lies exposed after publication of electoral rolls: Kavinder

JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 27: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta came down heavily against critics of BJP Government for spreading baseless rumours over adding unjustified entries in electoral rolls to change the poll outcome as the roll out of the same has nothing of this sort.

In a statement issued to media persons, the BJP stalwart accused opposition parties of creating much hue and cry over adding names of outsiders in electoral rolls leading to deterioration of the situation in J&K claiming that the concocted propaganda led to targeted killings and other incidents of violence in the past in Valley.

Kavinder said that the final electoral roll of J&K has a total of 83,59,771 vot-



ers including 42,91,687 males, 40,67,900 females and 184 third gender with total increase of 7.72 lakh voters, which is quite justified. He said that those entities which were critical of the BJP Government now have no place to hide themselves as they had done a

great disservice to the people of J&K by indulging in propaganda against the government just to satiate their vested interests.

The former deputy chief minister said that the people should understand this ploy of the parties raising voice against the nationalist BJP because their ultimate aim is to keep the Kashmir on boil because it suits them well for their shops run due to unrest and not peace in the Valley. He said that only BJP can satiate the aspirations of the people in J&K and therefore wasting time on other political outfits is worthless.

The senior BJP functionary said that the publication of electoral rolls have left those who were critical of this exercise red-faced as they have no answer now to hide their shamelessness.

BJP squeezes political space of many old, outdated political parties : Dr Darakhshan

Youth prefer to associate with mainstream National politics



JJ NEWS SERVICE RAJOURI, NOV 27: Darakhshan Andrabi welcomes new 250 members into BJP at Langate BJP National Executive Member & senior party leader Dr Darakhshan Andrabi today chaired the BJP party convention at Langate in North Kashmir today. It was the first ever mega-scale party meeting held in the area which remained infected with the separatist political upheavals during the past decades.

The convention was organized by the Ex-Vice Chairman & sitting Councillor of Langate Municipality Jameel Ahmad Rather in which around two hundred and fifty people mainly youth from Langate & adjoining villages became BJP members after formally joining the party.

Dr Andrabi along with Jameel Ahmad Rather & senior BJP leader Abdul Rehman Lone welcomed the new entrants into the party fold.

"It was a positive scene to witness the enthusiasm of the people of the area especially the youth for the inclusivity & progressive nationalistic ideology of Bharatiya Janata Party which is day by day squeeze-

ing the political space of many old & outdated political parties in Kashmir as youth prefer to associate themselves with the mainstream nationalistic politics of BJP led by the visionary Prime Minister Narendra Modi Ji," said Dr Darakhshan after the joining event in her address. She hailed the efforts of BJP cadres and party leaders at ground zero who day and night serve the masses with only any political exploitation. Dr Andrabi took a dig at the old rotten political lot who pruned political lot rather than Dr Andrabi were habitual of nourishing their

sinister political designs by exploiting public sentiments on non-issues. "J&K has come far ahead now, leaving behind the curses of old dynastic politics. Prime Minister's vision of transforming J&K into a Atam Nirbhar & prosperous entity is being practically implemented by the Manoj Sinha led government," said Dr Darakhshan. She slammed the fantasy-sellers who day & night should be about 370 & 35 A. She also took a dig at those who are stuck at their Statehood restoration chants. "New J&K is the reality and we should live in the real world rather than go to the sellers of falsehood. Statehood, as promised by the Government of India will be restored after the elections are held & the law & order is completely under control.

"Anti-separatism, anti-terror operations are going on in full swing. We are destined to see very peaceful & prosperous days now," said BJP National Executive Member, Jameel Ahmad Rather thanked Dr Andrabi for gracing the event

existence just because of its appeasement policy to keep its vote bank intact. He said that it is really an irony that this happened despite the fact that even the Constituent Assembly had also advised the Parliament and states that UCC should come into existence for the people of this nation at an opportune time.

Dr Parneesh said that except BJP, no other party is in favour of the Uniform Civil Code. They don't even dare to speak on this issue just for the fear of losing their vote bank of a particular community. He asserted that with Union Govt led by PM Modi there is no doubt about the UCC becoming a

reality which is evident from the fact that three BJP ruled states namely Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Gujarat are already engaged in the process with a panel under the chairmanship of retired Supreme Court judge and High Court chief justices before which all groups and people of different faiths are putting forth their views and action in furtherance of the views submitted will be taken accordingly. He reiterated that BJP is committed to bring UCC but only after the conclusion of all democratic discussions and debates on the issue.

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Finally Chak Sardara village gets connected with Ring Road, Geetu Aulakh efforts appreciated

DDC member was felicitated by the local villagers at Phallian Mandal



JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 27: District Development Council (DDC) member Geetu Aulakh was today felicitated by people of Phallian Mandal after the long pending demand of link road connection between Chak Sardar Desa Singh with the Ring Road project was finally addressed.

For a long time people of the area were demanding link road connectivity and

they held protests several times. They had raised the issue with the DDC Geetu Aulakh who had assured them that the issue would be resolved soon. Prominent people of the area were present on the occasion.

Thousands of people were facing hardships as they had no road connection with the highway. Despite raising the issue with the administration repeatedly, there has been a totally ap-

athetic attitude of the officials which had forced them to adopt the path of agitation. It was only after the intervention of DDC Geetu Aulakh that the issue was resolved by the administration. The local people have appreciated the Geetu Aulakh for taking their concerns. Speaking on the occasion, Aulakh said that it is because of the support of the local people that gives her strength to fight for their

agitation. "To have a road connection with the Ring road was a long pending demand. People were facing lot of problems. In case of emergency it was impossible to bring Ambulance or fire brigade vehicles to the village. Today a long pending demand has been addressed," said Aulakh.

She thanked the NHAI authorities and District Administration for taking steps to address the problems of the people. The people also raised the demand of irrigation canal and water supply and DDC Geetu Aulakh assured them that their issues will be resolved soon. Due to lack of road connecting with the highway passing through the village, they had to cover a distance of 10 km or more to reach their fields, which was a grave injustice with the people at a time when Union Territory Administration has taken up a massive road development programme in Jammu and Kashmir, especially in rural areas.

Purnima honours Chess Player Soham for bringing laurels to J&K



JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 27: Advocate Purnima Sharma, senior BJP leader and former Deputy Mayor today honoured Soham Kamotra, a Chess Player for bringing laurels to Jammu and Kashmir by winning Gold Medal in Commonwealth Chess Championship held at Sri Lanka in U-18 category.

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National level championship held at Chennai Tamil Nadu. He also represented India in the World Chess Championship held at Romania. He also represented India and won a Bronze Medal in Asian Chess Championship held at Bali in Indonesia. Now he won Gold Medal in the Commonwealth Chess Championship held at Sri Lanka in the U-18 category. The Prime Minister of Sri Lanka honored him with

the Gold Medal at his Residence.

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The senior BJP leader observed that sports have opened up vistas of opportunities in career progression, saying those excelling in their chosen field will find sky the limit. She advised youth to aim high and pursue their objective with sincerity of purpose.

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Congress failed to achieve UCC goal due to appeasement policy, BJP strongly committed to fulfil: Dr Parneesh

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ation at the Centre led by Narendra Modi which is making every effort in the direction of bringing a Uniform Civil Code for the people of India.

In a statement issued to media here today, the senior BJP leader accused the Congress governments at the Centre of not initiating any exercise to bring a Uniform Civil Code into



existence just because of its appeasement policy to keep its vote bank intact. He said that it is really an irony that this happened despite the fact that even the Constituent Assembly had also advised the Parliament and states that UCC should come into existence for the people of this nation at an opportune time.

Dr Parneesh said that except BJP, no other party is in favour of the Uniform Civil Code. They don't even dare to speak on this issue just for the fear of losing their vote bank of a particular community. He asserted that with Union Govt led by PM Modi there is no doubt about the UCC becoming a

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Consider relocation demand of migrant employees: Raj Rattan Raina

JJ NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 27: Expressing serious concern over the delaying tactics of the government in fulfilling the demand of employees after the recent target killings in Kashmir, Raj Rattan Raina President Namu Namu Morcha Jammu and Kashmir has appealed to the Govt to consider their long pending demand and shift them to the safer places. He said that it is really a matter of great concern that despite these aggrieved employees staging protest under the banner of All Migrant Displaced

Employees Association Kashmir (AMDEAK) for the last about 200 days, the UT Administration seems to be unmoved on this significant issue relating to the life and death of thousands of employees and their fami-



lies. In a statement issued to media here today, Raj Rattan Raina said that the government should immediately frame a committee to look into their matter seriously. He said that incidents of target killings in the valley have not only caused a fear among the package employees but also forced them to leave their working places.

He asserted that these employees are highly worried about their safety and relocation is the only option which can guarantee security of their lives.

He said that the Govt formed Committee must initiate a dialogue with the employees so that an amicable and satisfactory solution is found out to resolve this vital issue.

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Lt Governor address....

fulfilling our resolve of Digital Society.

Under the guidance of Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji, J&K UT is an emerging model of digital government with focus on transparent governance and citizen-centric approach to delivering public services, he said.

Observing that technology is making a real difference in people's lives, the Lt Governor said in 2013, the total number of e-transaction was merely 20 Lakh. This year, till 25th November, the number of e-transaction is 38.50 Crore. On an average J&K is recording 550 e-transactions every minute.

Delivering efficient, effective, and accountable governance is our top priority. IT Department coordinating across the departments to ensure citizens interact and access information and services & provide feedback to improve service delivery, he added. The Lt Governor underscored that despite being a late entrant in digital transformation, J&K has achieved several milestones with solid technical architecture at the service of citizens. Speedy development is the new identity of J&K, he said.

The Lt Governor further observed that the launch of Digital J&K Vision Document and launch of J&K Cyber Security Policy will promote a common approach to use the power of innovation and secure the IT assets in the rapidly changing technology landscape. Speaking on the digital transformational journey of Jammu and Kashmir, the Lt Governor shared the vision of the J&K government to expand e-Governance to the next level. We have prepared a roadmap and action plan for the next one, three & five years. More than 500 services will be made online in the next 3 years for a better digital delivery ecosystem, said the Lt Governor.

Line to online is our prime objective and instead of traveling to Government offices, people just need to walk to the web, he added.

Our strategy is to enable the people to access high-quality services anywhere, anytime, on any device. All services in mobile for mobile workforce, the Lt Governor said. We are also working on the development of IT infrastructure; technology-led market linkages; encouraging emerging concepts like use of AI in Agriculture for welfare of farmers; layered Public Grievances; use of Metaverse (for Global Tourism) etc, the Lt Governor further added.

The Lt Governor noted that initiatives like e-Office, BEAMS-Empowerment, Aapki Zameen-Aapki Nigriani, Aap Ka Mobile Hamara Datar, e-Unnat, Digi Locker, Meri Pehchaan has established accountability and transparency in governance. Digital J&K Internship scheme for Youths has been started which will provide an opportunity for a student to secure first hand and practical work experience in the IT sector, he added.

Several digital initiatives of the Rural Development Department have empowered grassroots democracy. In the recently concluded Back to Village program, 3 lakh villagers accessed various government services online which reflects increased trust of the citizens, the Lt Governor further added. The Lt Governor also invited suggestions from all stakeholders to build a better digital ecosystem in the UT of J&K. Sh Sanjeev Kaulshil, Chief Secretary, Haryana; Dr Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary J&K; Sh V Srinivas, Secretary, DARPG and Ms. Prerna Puri, Commissioner/ Secretary to J&K Government, Information Technology Department also spoke on the occasion and shared their views and the positive impact of the National Conference on e-Governance and initiatives taken during the Conference in bringing Citizens, Industry and Government closer. On the occasion, J&K Government also signed MoUs with Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University and National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT) for capacity building of the youth and collaborations in the IT sector. Offer letters were handed over to the interns selected for Digital Internship Programme providing youth of J&K with opportunity to contribute to exciting digital projects of the Government.

A short film highlighting the e-services extended to the people by the J&K Government was also showcased.

The two-day conference was organized by the government of Jammu and Kashmir in collaboration with the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances. Prof. (Dr.) Ravindra Kumar Sinha, Vice Chancellor, SMVDU; officials from Central Ministries and departments; Vice Chancellors of various Universities; ADGP Jammu; Divisional Commissioner Jammu; CEO SMVDSB; Deputy Commissioner Reasi and delegates from different states and UTs were present on the occasion.

India must utilise...

India. To celebrate this achievement, he made this logo. He inherited this talent from his father," he said.

"Today, many people like Hariprasad Garu have sent letters to me saying that their hearts have swelled with pride at the country hosting such a big summit. They have highly appreciated India's pro-active efforts regarding G-20," PM Modi added. The Prime Minister said that he had the privilege of launching G20 logo and website of Presidency of India, and the logo was chosen through a public contest. (Agencies)

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Do not cede...

"We have formed a bond of heart with this country, the constitutional bond, the bond of love, but what did you do? You played with our dignity, our identity. You destroyed the whole state. This will not work," she added.

Mufti asked the youth not to cede space to the BJP.

"If panchayat elections or municipal elections take place, I want to tell the youth especially not to cede space to them," she said.

Mufti said local bodies or assembly was a power in the hands of the youth and they should not leave it to someone else.

"If you want to fight, this is your small as well as big weapon. Panchayats, local bodies or assembly are the weapons in your hands, power in your hands and you should not leave it for someone else," she said.

The PDP chief vowed to continue the struggle for the restoration of J-K's special status, saying everything taken from the people of J-K will be brought back "along with interest". (Agencies)

Minister Giriraj Singh...

"The Population Control Bill is crucial as we have limited resources. China implemented 'one child policy' to control the population and thus achieved development," Giriraj Singh said.

He further remarked on the country's competence with China with a pattern where China has 10 children born per minute and India 30 thirty per minute. "China has 10 children born per minute while India has 30 children born a minute, how will we compete with China?" Singh said.

He added, "Population Control Bill is necessary. Reports say that the country-China-whose GDP was lesser than India in 1978, adopted the 'one child policy' and attained development by controlling almost 60 crore population."

He further added that the bill should be implemented for everyone regardless of their belief and religion.

"Those who do not follow this law should not be given any government benefits. Their voting rights should also be taken back," he added.

A report from the United Nations (UN) said that India is projected to surpass China as the world's most populous country next year. But the World Population Prospects 2022 also highlighted that India's Total Fertility Rate (TFR) had come down from 5.9 children per woman in 1950 to 2.2 children per woman in 2020, just shy of 2.1 replacement level parity.

Minister of State for Health, Bharati Pravin Pawar, informed the Upper House on July 19 that the government seeks to stabilise the population by 2045 and its efforts have been successful in reining in the growth of the population.

Bharati Pawar further informed the House that modern contraceptive usage has increased to 56.5 per cent and the unmet need for family planning is only 9.4 per cent, according to

National Family Health Survey (NFHS 5). She said that according to the Sample Registration System of the Census, the Crude Birth Rate (CBR) had declined to 19.7 per 1,000 people in 2019.

The Monsoon Session of Parliament commenced on July 18 and will continue till August 12. There will be 18 sittings during the session. (Agencies)

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DC Srinagar conferred...

DARPG and the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MEITY) in association with the Government of Jammu and Kashmir on the theme "Bringing Citizens, Industry and Government closer" which began here on Saturday at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), Katra.

Speaking in this regard, the DC Srinagar said that the GAASH project is a gamified e-learning initiative of Srinagar District Administration for school students with special emphasis on learning through gamified modules for students from class 6-12. The DC said with the introduction of the web application during the Covid-19, a large number of students as well as teachers exhibited keen interest and started using the digital platform resulting in overall increased learning outcomes.

He added that a longitudinal study of the comparison between experimental and control groups reveal a marked hike in the average score of the students in subjects like English, Maths and Science.

Underscoring the benefits of the project, the DC said the gamified app aims to create an interactive and conducive environment for the students where they get conceptual clarity as well as ease of learning. It provides a comprehensive understanding of learning outcomes for all stakeholders in education - parents, schools, students besides empowering students with cutting edge edu-technology to help them realise their full potential.

Now a student can visualise a 3-D video of the solar system and understand its functioning on a computer screen and not merely on a piece of paper," the DC added.

The DC further said each enrolled students has a unique dashboard wherein the student can test his/her learning levels through quizzes, MCQ etc immediately after finishing a lesson. Moreover students can identify their aptitude in the particular subject through the feedback loop and can plan for further studies in engineering, medical and other courses depending upon their scores over the year subject wise.

He also said the Project Gaash also helps to bridge the digital divide among students placed differentially in the social strata by providing free access to quality.

While, e-learning gamified modules to the students who may not be in a position to afford the expenses for online quality education.

The effort is factored by use of digital technology pursuing next generation reforms and innovations by adopting emerging technologies and use of ICT Management, the DC also said.

The DC said the District Administration Srinagar has also tied up with PACE IIT & Medical Mumbai. The PACE will provide free coaching for IIT-JEE/MEDICAL entrance to the top performing students on WebApp Tests and hailing from economically weaker strata of the society. Hence it can be said that project Gaash is a great Social and Digital Equaliser for the student community. The student can learn the lessons at his/her own learning speed and at own comfort.

The DC maintained that the project has broadened the scope of learning from a classroom set up and brought it to the doorsteps of the students. Early trends in the reduction of drop-outs is also being witnessed as an outcome of Gaash application.

While the gamified learning also aims to reach the specially-abled students as technology is an aid in their learning process.

The observed that with project GAASH we are keeping a pace with the requirements and mind-set of the modern generation, a mind set which gives emphasis on evidence based learning and critical thinking.

He said Project Gaash is a beginning to bridge Digital Divide in Schools. The establishment of computer Labs is an enabler to pull up those having no access or low speed access to digital learning modules.

Haryana CM pays...

before moving to the venue of the conference at nearby Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) in Katra. "I had spent three years in J&K (as an RSS pracharak) when there was Article 370 in force and terrorism was at its peak. Our discussions at that time would mostly focus on the steps needed to be taken to tackle terrorism, safeguarding the people and restoring peace (in Jammu and Kashmir)," Khattar said. Khattar said he is happy that Jammu and Kashmir has come out of the terrorism phase following the abrogation of the Article 370 and all central laws have become applicable.

"It is also a happy moment to see J&K marching alongside the rest of the country in the implementation of e-governance for ease of living and making big strides on the development front," he said. The Haryana chief minister said his visit to J&K provided him an opportunity to meet old friends and no political programme was scheduled during his stay.

Later, addressing the participants at the national conference on e-governance, he said the day is not far when the traditional voting practice will be replaced by e-voting in the country. "Linking voting rights to e-governance, where one can cast his vote at his home rather than visiting the polling station, is a possibility and there is nothing like that. In many countries, the practice of e-voting has already started," he said. Khattar said many vested interests are not happy with the progress of the digitalisation of services because it has checked corruption, fast paced the delivery and benefited the people who need not to visit offices anymore. "Even some politicians from both opposition and our alliance partners are also having an issue with it as they feel that nobody is now going to come to us," he said, adding e-governance has a lot of scope and a lot needs to be done in this connection. The Haryana chief minister assured full support of his government to Jammu and Kashmir in realizing the true strength of the digitalization of the services for the benefit of the public.

"We are ready to provide consultancy, training or any other support which you need from us," he said. (Agencies)

Mufti, former...

of the city here last month as well. Sunday's eviction notice, by the executive magistrate First class on the orders of the Anantnag deputy commissioner was issued to Mufti and others for the government quarters located in Housing Colony at Khanabal in the south Kashmir district, the officials said. They said other than Mufti, the notices were issued to ex-MLAs Mohammad Altaf Wani, Abdul Rahim Rather, Abdul Majeed Bhat, Altaf Shah, and Abdul Kabir Pathan, ex-MLCs Bashir Shah and Choudhary Nizamuddin. The notices warned the occupants of action under law if they fail to vacate the premises within 24 hours, the officials said.

Govt Can't Violate...

while the scope of the DPDP Bill is limited to personal data protection only. "We have a National Data Governance Framework Policy that is to deal with the entire non-personal data and anonymised data space. This [DPDP Bill] is a very narrow well defined legislation to do with digital personal data protection."

"The anonymised data, standards of anonymisation, the use of anonymous data, etc are all going to be decided by the India Data Management Office (IDMO) under MeitY," Mr. Chandrasekhar said.

He said before IDMO's launch, there will be again a conversation about the non-personal data framework.

The Minister said the Data Protection Board (DPB) will be an independent body and it says so in the bill - "independent of the government"

"You will not find people like me or bureaucrats sitting on the Data Protection Board. It is important to understand that DPB is not a regulator. DPB is an adjudication mechanism to adjudicate a breach that has occurred. It is independent as the government will not be on the board," Mr. Chandrasekhar said.

He added that the DPB will have an oversight of the high court because all of its decisions will be scrutinised by the court system.

"The punitive consequences of data breaches that we have mentioned in the bill should act as deterrent, catalyse the behavioural change in all data platforms in the way they look at personal data of Indian citizens. They will look at it with more responsibility," the Minister said. (Agencies)

Egypt President Abdel..

formal invitation to al-Sisi which was handed over to the Egyptian president by external affairs minister 5 Jaishankar on October 16.

Both countries are celebrating the 75th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations this year. Egypt has been invited as a 'Guest Country' during India's Presidency of G-20 in 2022-23, the statement said.

"India and Egypt enjoy warm and friendly relations based on civilisational and deep-rooted people-to-people ties," the statement said.

Leaders of friendly nations have graced the Republic Day celebrations since 1950, when the then Indonesian President Sukarno was invited as the chief guest.

In 1952, 1953 and 1966, the Republic Day celebrations were held without a foreign leader as chief guest.

In 2021, the then British prime minister Boris Johnson was invited as the chief guest but his visit had to be cancelled due to the rising Covid-19 cases in Britain.

This year, India had invited leaders of the five Central Asian Republics, who were to visit Delhi for the India-Central Asia Summit, as chief guests for the Republic Day celebrations.

However, the visit was cancelled due to rising Covid-19 cases in India. The India-Central Asia Summit was held in the virtual format.

In 2018, the entire Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) leadership comprising 10 heads of state was present at the Republic Day parade.

In 2020, the then Brazil president Jair Bolsonaro was the chief guest.

Former US President Barack Obama (2015), Russian President Vladimir Putin (2007), former French presidents Nicolas Sarkozy (2008) and Francois Hollande (2016) have also been chief guests at the Republic Day celebrations in the past. (Agencies)

4 killed in...

the other three were returning from tuition classes, they said. In another incident, an apple-laden truck coming from Kashmir skidded off the road and fell into a deep gorge in Nagrota area late on Saturday evening, the police said.

The truck driver, Wahin Hussain of Reasi, and his helper Mohammad Younis of Jammu died in the accident, they said.

Temperatures continue...

Kargil minus 10.8 and Leh minus 7.8 as the minimum temperature. Jammu had 9.6, Katra 9.7, Batote 5.5, Banihal 2.2 and Baderwah 3.2 as the minimum temperature. (AGENCIES)

Randhawa hails efforts of PM as India will officially assume G20 Presidency from Dec 1



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JAMMU, NOV 27: Former Legislator and senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader Vikram Randhawa along with others listened to 'Maan Ki Baat' programme of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

He hailed the efforts put in by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi due to which India will officially assume the G20 Presidency from the current chair Indonesia on December 1.

Randhawa listened to 'Mann Ki Baat' in Bhour Pind Booth Number 65 of RS Pura Jammu South Assembly Segment along with Ex Sarpanch Vijay Sharma Mandal President, Naresh Sharma District General Secretary, Inder Khajuria, Luv Kumar, Sanjeev Kumar, Vikas, Ghara Ram and others.

While speaking, Randhawa said that through 'Maan Ki Baat', the Prime Minister Narendra Modi inform the whole nation about the achievements of the India, which it achieved after 2014.

Minister said that assuming the G20 presidency is a huge opportunity for India and the country must utilise it by focusing on global good", Randhawa said, adding that Prime Minister Narendra Modi also informed that India will officially assume the G20 presidency on December 1.

"In his latest monthly radio address, Mann Ki Baat, Prime Minister said that India is capable of providing solutions to the varied challenges being faced globally", Randhawa said, adding that "India will assume presi-

dentship of powerful grouping G20 on December 1. For India it is a huge opportunity. India must utilise opportunity of G20 leadership by focusing on global good and welfare.

"The G20 comprises Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Mexico, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Turkey, the UK, the US and the European Union", Former Legislator informed.

"Be it peace or unity, sensitivity towards environment or sustainable development, India has solution to challenges related to all such things," Randhawa said while quoting Prime Minister Narendra Modi's speech during the 95th episode of his monthly radio programme 'Mann Ki Baat' on Sunday.

Former Legislator said that BJP is working with the best possible approach to meet the expectations of local residents.

BDC Chairman, DDC Member start blacktopping of link road leading to Rathana Camp



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R.S.PURA, NOV 27: BDC Chairman RS Pura Tarsem Lal Sharma along with DDC Professor Garu Ram Bhagat started blacktopping a link road leading to Rathana Camp village of block RS Pura.

On this occasion, BDC Chairman Tarsem Lal

Sharma said that this was the long pending demand of the people of the village which has fulfilled today. He said that the work would be completed soon due to which people would get better road facilities. Along with this, he informed that an amount of about Rs 20 lakh has been

approved for the stalled development work of the Health Center of the Panchayat, the construction work of which has started recently. Apart from this, 2 additional power transfers have also been approved to provide relief to the people from the power problem, which will be installed in the village soon.

NOTICE REGARDING CAVEAT AGAINST PUBLIC AT LARGE

Savita Nayyar vs Public at Large.

Subject: Caveat in terms of Section 145-A CPC.

The above named Caveator is an Associate Professor in Department of Law, University of Jammu and the University has decided to promote the Caveator to the post of Professor. The caveator is filing Caveat before the High Court of Jammu and Kashmir against Public at Large/ General Public as she apprehends that anyone from Public may challenge the promotion or interview for the promotion conducted by the University of Jammu. Hence the Caveator by this publication is informing to the General Public about the caveat.

Kanethia, Sobat Ali inaugurate developmental works worth Rs 56 lacs at GHS Bathindi

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JAMMU, NOV 27: Project Director Samagra Shiksha J&K Engineer Deep Raj Kanethia, in presence of Corporator Ward 74 Sobat Ali Sarpanch Hafiz Ullha, Panchs Haji Maqbool, Jamat Ali, Talib Hussain, Shabir Kohli laid foundation stone of Science lab, Art and Craft room, Library and computer room at Govt High School Bathindi costing Rs 56 lacs.



Speaking on the occasion, Kanethia said that Samagra Shiksha - an overarching programme for the school education sector extending from pre-school to class 12 has been, therefore, prepared with the broader goal of improving school effectiveness measured in terms of equal opportunities for schooling and equitable learning outcomes. It subsumes the three erstwhile Schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE). He said scheme envisages the 'school' as a continuum from pre-school, primary, upper primary, secondary to Senior Secondary levels. The vision of the Scheme is to ensure inclusive and

equitable quality education from preschool to senior secondary stage in accordance with the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) for Education. Kanethia further said that major objectives of the Scheme are provision of quality education and enhancing learning outcomes of students; Bridging Social and Gender Gaps in School Education; Ensuring equity and inclusion at all levels of school education; Ensuring minimum standards in schooling provisions; Promoting Vocationalisation of education; Support States in implementation of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education

(RTE) Act, 2009; and Strengthening and up-gradation of SCERTs/State Institutes of Education and DIET as a nodal agencies for teacher training, he added. Corporator Ward 74 Sobat Ali speaking on the occasion said that depriving someone of education or education not becoming accessible to all, is the government's fault. Every child should have access to quality education close to where he or she lives. It is the birth right of every child to be educated, it is a business of the socio-economic system of the society to provide for it and it is the responsibility of the government to deal with it. Sobat further said that today we live in a world

where we are developing in all aspects on the one hand and on the other we see resources that are not accessible to all the sections of the society equally. It is very important that the rural population receives quality education and awareness. There has to be a will, desire, and allocation of resources. Still hundreds of kids don't go to schools. They end up working in factories to support their families. We need to build a better system of education where liberal education is encouraged. Students should be allowed to discover their passions and interests and most important, have well-trained teachers, added Sobat.

Allowing outsiders for recruitments in J&K is gross injustice with local youth: Tony

Threatens massive agitation by youth against Govt

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JAMMU, NOV 27: Senior Aam Aadmi Party AAP leader and District Development Council (DDC) Member Suchetgarh, Taranjit Singh Tony has raised serious concern over allowing non-local youth in the recruitment of government jobs in Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory and has demanded that all such appointments must be immediately cancelled.



In a statement issued to media here today, the AAP leader while castigating the Union Territory Administration and the BJP Govt at the Centre said that recruiting outsiders in J&K is a gross injustice with the unemployed local youth of this Union Territory as it

encroaches the job space which is already much less as compared to the huge number of unemployed youth in the region. He said that in order to do justice with the local youth, the Administration should without any further delay cancel/withdraw the advertisements/Notices issued for various recruitments allowing non locals to apply for the same. Taranjit Singh warned the

UT Administration that allowing people from outside J&K for recruitment will not be tolerated at any cost. Recalling that at the time of abrogation of Art 370 and 35A, BJP had promised to keep land and jobs secure for the locals but it is an irony that it has miserably failed to protect the same as breaking promises has become the inherent trait of the saffron party. He said that BJP has been back-

stabbing people of J&K time and again and this time again by allowing the people from outside to apply for jobs in J&K which is the prime right of the local youth.

Tony threatened the Govt of massive protests against this anti-J&K youth move of the administration and that the UT Administration shall be wholly and solely responsible for the consequences.

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NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

E-NIT No: QCPC/J/05 Dated: 24/11/2022 Due on: 05/12/2022

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of Union Territory of J&K tenders through e-Tenders in two cover system are invited from registered/reputed firms/Civil Contractors having sufficient relevant experience for the work mentioned below:

The critical dates for the tendering process are:

1.	Date of Publicity on website	25/11/2022	10:00 AM
2.	Downloading of tender documents, start date	25/11/2022	10:30 AM
3.	Downloading of tender end date	05/12/2022	02:00 PM
4.	Bid submission start date	25/11/2022	02:30 PM
5.	Bid submission end date	05/12/2022	02:00 PM
6.	Opening of tender(Technical bid)	06/12/2022	02:00 PM

All other details/eligibility criteria and terms and conditions can be downloaded from the website www.jktenders.gov.in, and Queries if any may be made by email at xcmphprpc@yahoo.com and should be made by or before 29/11/2022.

S.No.	Description of work	EMD	Cost of tender document	Time of Completion	Class of contractor
01.	Repairs To The Building Complex of Executive Engineer	2% of the estimated value of the work	Rs.200.00 (Fixed Amount) in the shape of challan through J&K Govt. Treasury indicating treasury Voucher No. & date and also indicating the name of work duly credited to MH-0215 (Revenue Misc) and uploading a copy of treasury challan/receipt on e-tendering portal.	20 days	Authorized Registered Civil Contractors.

THE NIT CONSISTING OF QUALIFYING INFORMATION, ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA, BILL OF QUANTITIES (BOQ) SETS OF TERMS & OTHER DETAILS CAN BE VIEWED/ DOWNLOADED FROM THE WEBSITE www.jktenders.gov.in

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CORRIGENDUM FOR CANCELLATION

Subject:- 1. Augmentation of various Revenue building infrastructure at Bani (2nd Call)
 2. Upgradation of Tehsil Offices at Bani. (2nd Call)
 3. Restoration of road by way of removal of slips and fresh cutting on Katli Malhar road Km 5th RD4/800-1000. (Under Non-Plan).

Reference:- e-NITNo. 103 of 2022-2023 Dated 18-11-2022.

Due to poor response, the above noted works of above referred NIT are hereby cancelled.

The fresh tenders shall be invited shortly.

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 Dated:- 25-11-2022
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THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"Don't Dream to be something but Rather dream to do Something great" - PM Narendra Modi

JINDRAH IMAGES

CRIME AGAINST CHILDREN

The recent case of child marriage in Kannur has brought the focus back on this social evil that keeps rearing its evil head with undying regularity. That the case was reported from Kerala, which is considered to be an educated state and ranks on the top with regard to most social indicators, is something that all government officials and activists need to think about. It is a different matter that police officials took action immediately and booked the victim's parents and husband who agreed to the marriage in violation of rules. What is surprising is that though the function was conducted in the presence of a large number of guests, none thought of questioning if the victim was of marriageable age or not; it was only through an anonymous message that the District Child Protection Officer came to know about the crime. According to the Crime in India report of the National Crime Records Bureau, over 1,000 cases of child marriage were registered under the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006, in 2021. This is more than a nine-fold increase when compared to the number of cases reported in 2011, though the actual number could be much more as several cases escape the radar and are not reported to the authorities. This was especially true during the COVID-19 induced lockdowns across the country: with uncertainty prevailing at the time, several people lost jobs and several others suffered massive loss of income due to pay cuts and tough business conditions. With several communities considering the girl child a burden on the family, marriages of several girl children were solemnised during the lockdown period. An added advantage was that due to the pandemic, the attention of the police and social welfare authorities was diverted elsewhere. The good news is that the age at marriage in India is increasing. The median age of first marriage (among women in the age group of 20-49) has gone up from 17.2 in 2005-2006 to 19.2 in 2019-21. For men in the age group of 25-29, the age of marriage has gone up from 22.6 years to 24.9 years during the same period. According to Andrea Wojnar, representative of UNFPA India, child marriage, because of its linkages with poverty, low levels of education and poor access to essential services can lead to increased risk of early pregnancy and maternal mortality; hence, it is important to focus on reaching the most vulnerable and marginalised adolescents, including those in remote areas. Recognising that child marriage is both a symptom and a result of deep-seated gender inequalities and restrictive gender norms, the UNFPA-UNICEF Global Programme to End Child Marriage focuses on adopting gender transformative approaches to tackle harmful gender roles, norms and power relations. These foster critical examination of inequalities and gender roles and focus on enhancing the value of women, girls and marginalised groups by transforming underlying social structures, policies and social norms that perpetuate and legitimise gender inequalities. Child marriage spells an end to childhood by depriving the children of their rights. India's progress towards the reduction of child marriage has made important contributions to its global decline. The government's investment in increasing the literacy of mothers, providing girls better access to education and public messaging on decreasing the prevalence of child marriage has had a huge impact and prevented millions of children from falling victim to this practice. Girls who marry young are often socially isolated and cut off from their family, friends and other support systems. They may face an increased risk of limited opportunities for education and work. Studies have shown that girls with either no education or primary level education experience higher levels of child marriage. According to data from the National Family Health Survey-5 (2019-2021), 48% of girls with no education were married off before 18 years of age as compared to only 4% among those who got higher education. The government should, therefore, introduce and provide a push to schemes like 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' to ensure that girls get a chance to study, expand their horizons and chart their own course in the future.

India's forgotten land at Mt Kailash

The Menser question has not been negotiated or settled legally so far. China avoids any discussion on it, knowing that the area holds spiritual and political significance for India; for it is in the foothills of Mt Kailash (the holy abode of Lord Shiva) — the very core of Hinduism. In contrast, it enforces its claim on Tawang for its spiritual importance to the Tibetans.

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People barely know that India legally owned a territorial estate, Menser, deep inside Tibet at Mt Kailash until the 1960s. It was the only land that Ladakh's king retained after having lost half of Ladakh — extending up to Rudok and Nepal junction — to the Tibetan-Qing invaders in 1683.

The 1684 Treaty of Tingmosgang divided Pangong Lake. Lhari Tokpo (near the Demchok river) was fixed as the southern Ladakh-Tibet boundary, but the treaty obliged Ladakh to pay lopchak (tribute) to Lhasa comprising gold dust, Kashmiri saffron and Yarkandi cotton in return for free entry to Ladakhi traders into Tibet for Pashmina trade. However, Ladakh was allowed to govern the territories of Menser located on the banks of the Mansarovar and Rakastal.

About 160 years later, when Dogra general Zorawar Singh launched his Tibet campaign in 1841, Chinese and Tibetan troops first cut off the supply routes, lured his army, and beheaded Zorawar at Mayum-la, the mouth of the Sutlej. The remaining Dogra troops were chased off to Leh. The British opposed the Dogra military campaign, refused military support and, instead, played the classic game of checks and balances, fearing it might offset its interests in China's eastern seaboard.

Dogra-Ladakhi troops later defeated the Tibetan forces in the Chushul battle. The 1842 Chushul Treaty agreed to maintain the status quo ante, and not to transgress on each other's frontiers. It marked the end of Dogra expansion in Tibet, as it equally brought to an end the recurrent Tibetan invasion of Ladakh. The Traditional Customary Line between Ladakh and Tibet was established.

Fearing a similar Dogra misadventure, the British set up two Frontier Commissions in 1847 to fix a boundary with China. But no Chinese or Tibetan official showed up. The commission returned after drawing an arbitrary boundary marked with imaginary points that Cunningham and Strachey called frontier posts, as they still exist today — undemarcated.

The 1842 treaty allowed Gulab Singh to inherit Ladakhi-occupied territory in Tibet as his jagir. When Hari Singh signed the Instrument of Accession on October 26, 1947, he referred himself as: 'Shriman Inder Mahinder Rajrajewar



Maharajadhiraj Shri Hari Singhji, Jammu & Kashmir Naresh Tatha Tibtet adi Deshadhipati'; that he is also the ruler of western Tibet.

The Maharaja's wazir in Leh collected revenue from Tibet until the 1960s. Wazir Mehta Basti Ram collected Rs 56 in 1853. It went up to Rs 297 in 1905. The 1911 and 1921 census mentioned Menser with 44 households. According to the 1958 J&K settlement, Menser (under China's occupation) was included among the 110 villages in Ladakh tehsil.

The 1684 Tingmosgang Treaty, however, carried a tricky component of Ladakhi tribute to Tibet. Ladakhis insisted on paying lopchak even during the Dogras reign, but the 1842 treaty stipulated that Ladakhi lopchak will have no political overtone.

Why did India forego its sovereign rights over the Maharaja's jagir in Tibet? Nehru is usually blamed for it, but he was opposed to surrendering it 'without the Kashmir Government's assent'. But Nehru was perhaps caught in a dilemma after receiving two telegrams from Lhasa in October, 1947, asking India to return the (lost) territories of Tibet extending from Arunachal to Ladakh. Nehru concealed the telegrams from Parliament, but in 1959, Chou En-lai reminded India about Lhasa's 1947 correspondence. He also raised China's non-ratification of the 1842 Tibet-Ladakh

Treaty.

Nehru's strong rebuttal came in 1959 when he raised objections to discrepancies in Chinese maps showing a sizeable part of the Sikkim and Bhutan boundaries at the tri-junction (Doklam) as part of China. New Delhi also sought the restoration of Bhutan's rights in Tibet. But there isn't any record of India raising its own sovereign claim over Menser. The 1961 Official Report provided a full account of India's historical, administrative and revenue rights over areas near Kailash.

Some points still need to be raised, even if they are of academic interest. If China never challenged India's rights in the Mt Kailash area — and India didn't raise the issue with China — does that mean the area still legally belongs to India?

If India was competent to take up Bhutan's territorial rights in Tibet, what prevented it from raising Ladakhi rights in Tibet with Beijing? If surrendering land of J&K wasn't approved by Srinagar, does that mean that Menser still remains an open-ended issue?

If J&K had kept the issue under wraps so far, will the new Ladakh UT be allowed to raise the matter now? If India decided to forego the Maharaja's territory, why did it not seek a quiet pro quo?

Clearly, the Menser question has not been negotiated or settled legally so far. British historian John Bray

wrote, 'The matter is no more than a minor footnote, but one that has still to be cleared up.' It is an issue of India's relinquishing its extra-territorial rights in Tibet before 1947, and recognising Tibet as China's part, without having the Chinese give up Tibetan territorial rights in the Himalayas. This is where the problem lies.

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Menser held a vital trading and pilgrim outpost for India for over 300 years — yet no Indian strategist could imagine its importance.

Reintegrating Gilgit-Baltistan would be hypocritical unless New Delhi equally reopens the Menser question and enforces a residual sovereign claim, for the Kailash-Mansarovar is more critical than even Aksai-Chin's relevance today.

Indian footprint here is critical to offset Sino-Tibetan expansionism in the Himalayas. It could pre-empt the Chinese or Tibetans possibly manoeuvring lopchak and the 1842 treaty to their advantage. The dispute over Demchok has an underpinning in this. We need to rethink.

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Losing out in the fast pace

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FINALLY, the air over Delhi seems to be clearing up but it has left all of us with a hacking cough that just won't go away. Little children and elderly folk are the most vulnerable and virtually no one in either of these two groups seems to have escaped the curse of pollution. Soon, the dreaded fog of winter will enter our city and driving on the highways will become a lethal challenge for early-morning commuters.

However, we focus too much attention on the state of the capital without realising that every other city in the north is similarly afflicted. Cities such as Ludhiana and Kanpur have long been notorious for their dreadful pollution and traffic. Today, that list seems to have grown exponentially. I recently went to Dehradun and was appalled to see the mess it has become ever since it was declared the capital of Uttarakhand. My memories go back to the early Sixties when it was a peaceful cantonment town with sprawling bungalows, lush private orchards and hardly any traffic. The old bungalows have long vanished, as have their litchi and mango trees and what we have now is a concrete mess of apartment buildings over their remains. The narrow lanes and roads built for pedestrian and cycle routes are choked with cars and two-wheelers that blow their

I recently went to Dehradun and was appalled to see the mess it has become ever since it was declared the capital of Uttarakhand. The narrow lanes and roads built for pedestrian and cycle routes are choked with cars and two-wheelers that blow their horns angrily at each other as they all wait at jammed corners. Perhaps the only remnants of Doon's gracious past are now the IMA and the glorious Forest Research Institute with their immaculately maintained grounds



horns angrily at each other as they all wait at jammed corners. The situation reminds one of the old story about two rams locking horns over a narrow bridge and ultimately falling into the river below.

As for the malls and glittering stores that have taken over Chakrata Road and the old road leading to Ghantaghar, the less said the better. Perhaps the only remnants of Doon's

gracious past are now the Indian Military Academy and the glorious Forest Research Institute with their immaculately maintained grounds. Some bright person has decided to build an elevated road over the ghat area by blocking the seasonal streams that are such a vital part of the mountainous terrain leading to the city. Another similarly inclined is blasting the mountains to widen the road into a

four-lane highway. Have we learnt nothing from what happened in Bengaluru just a few months ago? I can guarantee that we will soon see floods and landslides wash away all this effort as Dehradun's monsoon is legendary.

No one applies their mind to adjusting infrastructure to the climate change that stares us in the face. Again, we have to educate our population to slow down instead of rushing mindlessly in every direction just to save a few minutes.

Despite the colossal tragedies that have become a regular feature of this highly fragile sub-Himalayan ecosystem, Uttarakhand seems determined to become the glitzy smart city-crazy state that it was never meant to be. I have observed that states that were created after prolonged public agitations led by students and the young (remember the North-East?) are unfit to handle the kind of governance required to provide stability and sanity. In this respect, one recalls with gratitude the role that statesmen such as YS Parmar in Himachal Pradesh, Bansi Lal in Haryana and the early Congress and

AKALI leaders provided in Punjab when three states were carved out of one. The bureaucracy that advised these leaders was also a mature and wiser one than we see today. Just look at what is happening in Punjab or Telangana. I break when I read about the complete breakdown of governance in other states where winning elections is now the only aim of political parties. Despite the poll promises they make and claims of their ability to deliver, there is little evidence to trust such charlatans.

India is a young country and the young are impatient and ambitious. Yet there is a great need to educate the people that lasting prosperity comes only after a long struggle to firmly set the rules that lead to such a state. Lying, cheating and scamming are now valorised and cultivated. Everyone wants to buy a house, a car, fancy clothes and household goods. The end justifies the means and those who work hard are considered donkeys or losers.

The trick is to earn a quick buck, for visible wealth silences all critics. The

time for asking uncomfortable questions of these hustlers is over: parents fear children and teachers shun their eyes to cheating and lying. Where this will lead us is not for me to predict but it makes me question where our generation went wrong and when our educational institutions stopped monitoring our children.

We love to boast about our democracy and our diversity but how long these will survive given the intense pressure to cut corners and speed

'development' is an equal concern. Becoming a good citizen is someone else's concern as more and more of our young want all the benefits of a welfare state without making any sacrifices to earn that. I may sound like a broken record but this country will only be considered worth being looked up to when each one of us thinks of our disadvantaged sections before seeking more advantages for ourselves. Perhaps this realisation comes only when one grows older. Our schools need to include civics and moral science once more to instill these basic human qualities in our young.

Udit Narayan Shares With Kapil Sharma How He First Met His Wife

Ace Bollywood singer Udit Narayan recalled his first meeting with his wife Deepa Narayan, and his initial days of struggle on 'The Kapil Sharma Show'.

He said: "I met Deepa at a regional music director's place where I was rehearsing. It was somewhere around 1979. She heard my voice then and she went up to the music director to say that she would put her money in if Udit sings the song as she was making an album. And from there, our story began."

The 'Papa Kahte Hain' singer said that his wife supported him in the initial days of his career and always stood by him.

"Also, back in those days, I was living as a paying guest with 7-8 boys in a room, so Deepa offered me a room in her building, but I denied it as I was scared that I might get too comfortable and reckless. But she always stood with me and believed in me saying that one day I will make it big. She even said that even if I don't become successful, she



has made up her mind that I am her husband," she shared.

He further reminisces about his days of struggle in the industry and how being a son of a farmer, it was not easy for him to follow his passion as his father wanted him to be a doctor or an

engineer. He added: "My father was a farmer and we were going through a very tough time. I was, however, very much into singing from the very beginning. My father would always say that I should avoid putting so much effort into

these Ram Leelas and rather work hard and become a doctor or an engineer and make him proud by earning good money."

"So, I went to my mother, who is by the way 106 years old now, and she sings really well. I told her what my father thinks."

Narayan concluded by recalling his mother's response: "She agreed to my father's suggestion considering our background, but somewhere she had faith in my singing, so she motivated me to be a singer but also told me to study as well." "Both my parents just kept the compulsion of education on me, and I am glad they did. I came to Mumbai from a small town and never gave up, I struggled, worked hard and today I am here because of that."

The veteran singer, his wife Deepa Narayan, singer and host Aditya Narwata, along with his wife Shweta Agarwal, are coming on 'The Kapil Sharma Show' as celebrity guests.

'The Kapil Sharma Show' airs on Sony Entertainment Television.

Vishal Kotian: MC Stan Has No Standing In 'Bigg Boss' House, He's Doing Nothing



Former 'Bigg Boss 15' contestant Vishal Kotian appeared on the reality show 'Bigg Buzz' and gave his perspective on the game with regard to Shalin Bhanot and MC Stan.

He said: "MC Stan has no standing in the house, he is doing nothing but just trying to find honesty in a show where everyone is competing to win, which completely makes no sense, he looks so lost and confused sometimes, it's time that he ups his game."

In the recent episodes, a lot of differences have been created between Shalin Bhanot, Tina Datta, and Sumbul Touqeer. Sumbul was seen crying and getting hurt because of Tina and Shalin. In fact, her father asked her to stay away from both of them. Even the host, Salman Khan roamed Shalin.

Vishal added that Shalin is trying to be romantic like Shah Rukh Khan but in reality, it's all fake.

"Shalin Bhanot is clearly trying to be Shahrukh Khan of the house, he's playing a character of a romantic guy, and he's putting on a romantic act in the show that looks very fake. He's faking love, friendship, and even the fact that he needs chicken."

Sunny Deol Pens A Heartfelt Note For Son Karan Deol On His Birthday

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Born on November 27, 1990, Karan made his film debut with the 2019 movie 'Pal Pal Dil Ke Paas' and is all set for his next 'Apne 2' alongside Sunny Deol, Dharmendra, and Bobby Deol. He called his father the best guide he could have in his life.

"When I was making you do all this, as a father my heart was always in my mouth, as a director my admiration for you was scaling mountaintops! You will succeed in your life my son because you take no shortcuts. I know it's a lot of hard work, keep going, respect elders, be kind and stand up for what is right! Happy Birthday, son!"

His family poured in heartfelt wishes for him. Bobby Deol posted a picture on Instagram wishing Karan on his special day.

Shahid Mallya, Babil Khan's Voice In 'Qala', All Praise For The Debutant

Playback singer Shahid Mallya, a discovery of A.R. Rahman who has lent his voice to late actor Irrfan Khan's son, Babil Khan, in the upcoming movie 'Qala', has shared that the film has allowed him to tap into an unexplored space.

The versatile singer has sung songs such as 'Kukkad' from 'Student of The Year', the romantic number 'Rabba Main Toh Mar Gaya Oye' from 'Mausam', 'Daryaa' and 'Sachchi Mohabbat' from



Manmarziyaan'. Qala follows the journey of a talented singer with a rising career and her challenges with

self-doubt and her mother's disdain. The film has an ensemble cast of Tripti Dimri, Babil Khan, Swastika Mukherjee, Varun Grover and Amit Sial, and is directed by Anvita Dutt.

Talking about his venture in Qala, Shahid said: "Qala let me tap into a space that was not explored by me on a commercial platform. Hence, singing for this film was like a golden opportunity that I could never have missed out on. Well, it could not have been possible if not for the support that Amit

Trivedi gave me. So, I just want to thank him for putting his faith in me."

He praised Babil for giving his voice a face with such grace. He added: "Babil proved himself as a performer through this film. But what I admire about him the most is how he effortlessly made my voice his own."

"If one watches the film, they can barely recognise that it is my voice that is singing for Babil. That is the sole talent of the actor and Babil is a terrific one."

'Dirty Dancing' Star Jennifer Grey Says Sequel Is On The Way

Hollywood actress Jennifer Grey has signaled that the long-awaited 'Dirty Dancing' sequel is "happening" - and will feature some familiar faces.

Months after helping announce details about the movie during Liongate's presentation at CinemaCon in Las Vegas earlier this year, the actress, 62, filled 'Extra' in on some new developments and said that filming for the project kicks off in the spring, reports People magazine.

"I would say that you can count on it being at Kellerman's, returning to Kellerman's," Grey said of the setting from the 1987 original.

Then noting that her character of Frances "Baby" Houseman is also going to be "quite a few years older," Grey teased that a few "other characters from the original" will be joining her as well. "It's tricky, and also exciting," Grey told Extra.

People further states that the actress teased her return to 'Dirty Dancing' during CinemaCon in April, 35 years after starring opposite the late Patrick Swayze in the original. Swayze played Johnny Castle, the character whom Baby met at the Catskills resort as a teen during the summer of 1963.

The capacity of Grey's role has been kept



relatively under wraps since the announcement, and the actress told People in November 2020 that the film won't attempt to recapture her chemistry with Swayze, who died in 2009 of pancreatic cancer at age 57.

"All I can say is there is no replacing anyone who's passed - you never try to repeat

anything that's magic like that," she told People magazine at the time. "You just go for something different."

Grey, who released her memoir 'Out of the Corner' in May, will also executive produce the sequel and explained at the time that the original film's "appeal was that it was very genuine and simple."

Swastika Mukherjee recalls how a fake MMS scandal made her relatives question her parents: 'My mom got so mad, angry'

Actor Swastika Mukherjee, who is currently promoting her upcoming film Qala, recently recalled that at the start of her career, she was advised not to reveal that she is a mother. Swastika said that after playing an actor who experiences a career setback after a leaked MMS clip, her parents started getting calls as her relatives assumed that this had actually happened with her. In a chat with Siddharth Kannan, Swastika said that even though social media was not as invasive at the start of her career, extended family members and neighbours would constantly judge her. She recalled, "I remember I had done one film called Take One which was about a heroine's life, whose film shoot of an intimate scene gets leaked and becomes an MMS scandal.

AMITABH ROPED IN TO NARRATE SERIES ON AYODHYA TEMPLE, HISTORY OF RAM JANMABHOOMI

A series focusing on the history and construction of the Ram Temple in Ayodhya will be narrated by actor Amitabh Bachchan, according to the Ram Temple Construction Committee.

The committee also said in a statement that a panel has been formed to oversee the series from script to final product. The panel comprises Central Board of Film Certification chairperson Praseon Joshi, actor-filmmaker Chandraprakash Dwivedi (of popular Hindi series Chanakya fame), author Yatindra Mishra, and member-secretary of Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts Sachchidanand Joshi.

The series has been conceptualised

to be "a multi-part non-feature series", comprising six to eight episodes, each 40 minutes long. The series will initially be released on Doordarshan and later, a call will be taken on releasing it on other platforms, he said.

The Ram Temple is likely to be thrown open to the public by December 2023, and the series is likely to release around the same time. The makers are pitching it as a modern equivalent of the Ramayan and the Mahabharat series that originally aired on Doordarshan in the late 1980s.

"It will document not only the temple construction, but all aspects leading up to November 2019 (when the



final judgment in the Ayodhya dispute was delivered by the Supreme Court)," a source said. The series may also feature actors who play charac-

ters during Ramila presentations across India and abroad, including in countries like Indonesia and Mauritius.

The series was tentatively been titled "Ram Arpan", but the makers will zero in on a final title as the filming progresses. It is presently in the scripting stage, and cameras have been set up at the temple construction site to capture various stages of "the making of the Ram Temple". The public are being recorded regarding their association with the Ram Temple movement and Ayodhya.

The construction work is progressing as per schedule, the Construction Committee said. The temple's ground floor will be ready by December 2023

and devotees will be able to offer prayers by January 2024 after 'pran pratishtha (installation of the deity)', the committee announced in September. Mishra said the temple is being constructed in a manner that "on Ram Navami the sun's rays will fall on the forehead of Lord Ram at 12 noon." For this, a team comprising experts from CSIR-CBRI Roorkee, Indian Institute of Astrophysics, and IUCAA-Pune have been roped in. In the lower plinth of the temple, around 100 iconographic panels based on scenes from Valmiki Ramayana will be installed. Initially, pencil sketches will be made of the scenes, and then clay models will be prepared before the sculpturing process begins.

You Won't Gain Muscle Mass if You Don't Do These Exercises, Trainer Says

No matter what your fitness goals may be, gaining muscle mass is something everyone should be focusing on. There—we said it! The truth is, you won't gain muscle mass if you don't do certain exercises. Why are they so important? Well, they'll help you burn fat, maintain a high metabolism, improve your sports performance, and keep you feeling healthier overall. Ready to start your journey? Here's exactly how to gain muscle mass through five exercises that get the job done efficiently.

If you're looking to build muscle mass, I recommend starting off with full-body workouts and prioritizing mostly compound movements. They recruit the most muscle fibers and are the best use of your time and effort. You want to perform an exercise from each of the major movement patterns: push, pull, squat, hinge, and single-leg. After you've finished those exercises, then you can finish off with single-joint movements such as training your arms, shoulders,



and calves.

How to Do Superman Exercises
Looking to gain muscle mass and haven't had much luck in your fitness journey? Then add the following exercises to your routine. You'll be impressed with your results! Aim for three to four sets of the following:

Incline Dumbbell Bench Press
Begin this first exercise by lying on an incline bench with a dumbbell in both hands. Hold the

weights over your body with your arms fully extended. Pull your shoulder blades back and down into the bench as you lower the dumbbells to your chest. Get a solid chest stretch at the bottom of the movement, then press the weights back up to the starting position, squeezing your upper pecs and triceps. Complete three to four sets of eight to 10 reps.

Dumbbell Row
Start off this exercise with one

hand and knee firmly planted on a workout bench. Hold a dumbbell with your opposite, non-bench

Complete three to four sets of six to eight reps.
Barbell Romanian Deadlift

ADD THE FOLLOWING EXERCISES TO YOUR ROUTINE. YOU'LL BE IMPRESSED WITH THE RESULTS!

hand, extending that arm down toward the floor. Pull the dumbbell up to your hip, squeezing your lats and upper back at the end of the motion. Then, straighten your arm back down toward the floor, getting a solid stretch at the bottom. Complete three to four sets of eight to 10 reps on each arm.

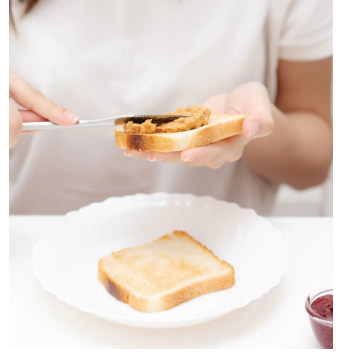
Barbell Front Squats
For the barbell front squat, stand underneath a barbell so that it's on the front of your shoulders. Place your fingers on the bar outside shoulder-width, pointing your elbows forward. Un-rack the barbell, step back, and squat down, transitioning your weight onto your heels.

Next, push yourself back up, flexing your glutes and quads.

To set up for this exercise, grab a barbell, and position it in front of your body. Keeping your chest tall and knees soft, hinge your hips back while dragging the barbell down your thigh. Once you feel you're getting a solid hamstring stretch in, drive your hips forward, squeezing your glutes to finish. Complete three to four sets of 10 reps.

Dumbbell Reverse Lunges
This final exercise calls for two dumbbells—one in each hand. Next, plant that heel on the ground, then lower your body into a lunge until your back knee grazes the floor. Gain momentum by pushing through with your front leg to come back up. Perform three to four sets of 10 reps.

The One Ultra-Processed Food No One Over 40 Should Be Eating Anymore Because It Ruins Your Metabolism



Losing weight is all about making healthy choices, from finding time to exercise daily to providing your body with nutritious meals. This means we sometimes have to sacrifice some of our favorite foods for the sake of our weight loss goals—especially when it comes to highly processed options that taste great but are terrible for our overall health. One such ultra-processed food is none other than the notorious white bread, with health experts agree you should definitely cut back on if you want to shed a few pounds.

To learn more about the health affects of white bread and why you should avoid it if you're trying to slim down, we spoke to nutritionist Lisa Richards, creator of The Candida Diet. She told us that the refined ingredients can throw a serious wrench in your progress. Find all of her expert insight below!

Let's face it: bread is delicious, and it's likely an essential item in your kitchen. However, Richards says that if you're trying to lose weight, it's important to limit your intake of this carbry food. "Bread is a food that should be eaten in moderation due to its processed and refined nature," she says. "Bread, of all kinds, is calorically dense and inflammatory." However, certain breads are worse than others and should be avoided altogether (or at least as much as possible) if you want to lose weight and maintain a healthy metabolism.

Richard cites white bread as the worse due to the fact that it's loaded with refined carbs. "White bread is made with refined carbohydrates and lacking in fiber and other beneficial nutrients," she explains. "Refined carbs are highly inflammatory and turn to sugar quickly causing a quick rise in glucose." Yikes! All of those refined ingredients are loaded with calories but take little energy for your body to process, which over time, can take a serious toll on your metabolism.

white bread with butter and glasses of milk. Shutterstock

She goes on to say that "eating bread on a regular basis will lead to weight gain because most breads are made from refined grains, sugar, and preservatives," which are "inflammatory ingredients and are also broken down quickly to be stored as fat."

Additionally, keep in mind that since processed foods like white bread offer virtually no nutritional value, they won't keep you full for very long, which will likely lead to overeating later in the day—and that can, of course, be detrimental to your weight loss goals as well.

Of course, eating bread every now and then won't make it impossible to lose weight. Just be sure to choose fibrous, whole wheat options whenever possible and to practice moderation. Those healthy choices can make all the difference in the end!

When it comes to the hips, Mykleby says, "Although not as pronounced as the knee, ballistic stresses to the hips are present. Individuals who already have osteoarthritis or wear to the labrum would be most susceptible to further damage." As far as individuals who "already live with the 'not if but when' of hip replacement surgery," Mykleby says jogging will speed up the process.

As for the spine, Mykleby explains, "Speaking from personal experience, running is ill-advised for post-surgical spine patients. Both surgeons who performed spine surgery on me—one cervical and the other lumbar—advised against running both short and long-term. Non-ballistic forms of exercise were advised."

How to lose fat and build muscle in 3 simple steps, according to personal trainers

Personal trainers have broken down what it takes to lose fat and build muscle at the same time, to achieve what is known as body recomposition.

As a general rule, to lose fat a person needs to eat fewer calories than they burn, known as being in a calorie deficit, while building muscle requires a surplus.

However, there are certain contexts that make body recomposition easier to achieve, according to Nick Shaw, personal trainer and founder of RP Strength, the official nutrition coaching platform of the CrossFit Games.

It may be more difficult for some people due to potential barriers such as their genetics, socio-economic status, or mental health. Dr. Mike Molloy, founder of M2 Performance, a nutritionist, told Insider. But it's theoretically possible for anyone to lose fat and gain muscle.

Here's what personal trainers said you need to nail to give yourself the best chance of achieving body recomposition.

Eat a high-protein diet
Consuming a high-protein diet while in a slight calorie deficit will give you the best chance of holding on to, or even building, muscle while losing fat, research suggests.



Don't drop your calories too low though, or you will be more likely to lose muscle, Emily Servante, a certified personal trainer at Ultimate Performance Personal Training, previously told Insider.

One small 2016 study found that men who consumed more protein while also resistance training and doing high-intensity interval training lost more fat and built more lean body mass, which is everything except the fat.

Another small 2018 study of women found that those who ate a high-protein diet while resistance

training lost more fat and built more muscle than those who consumed less protein.

Protein helps muscles recover from workouts and is satiating so keeps you feeling full. It also has a higher thermic effect of food than carbs and fats, meaning the body uses more energy to digest it.

Eating at least 0.7 grams per pound of bodyweight daily is enough to maximize strength gains, according to a meta-analysis published on September 4 in Sports Medicine Open, Insider's Gabby Landsverk previously

reported. Resistance training is key for body recomposition.

"Most people focus entirely on the weight loss aspect when trying to recomp," Molloy said. "However, I would argue that most people need to spend as much if not more time putting energy into building muscle mass as well."

While cardio has many benefits for overall health, and any type of movement burns calories, it's not essential for fat loss, Molloy said.

A 2015 meta-analysis found that overweight people who strength-trained lost more fat than those who did cardio.

Another study published in 2021 found that people who mostly did strength-training were less likely to become overweight than those who mostly did cardio.

This is because strength-training causes the body to burn more calories outside of workouts, Molloy said.

Shaw recommends training "like a bodybuilder." "Make sure you are training with higher volumes in the gym," he said, meaning enough reps, sets, and weight. Shaw suggests sets of 8-12 reps of each exercise with weights that are heavy enough to be challenging.

Continue challenging yourself and stimulating muscle growth by applying progressive overload, which means gradually increasing the reps or weights, he said.

Sleep enough and manage stress. As well as eating well and strength training, recovery is also key, Molloy said.

Molloy recommended sleeping for eight hours a night and keeping stress levels down.

A 2004 study suggested that two nights of less than six hours' sleep could lead to a 25% increase in hunger, and a 33% increase in cravings of ultra-calorie dense food. This is because ghrelin (known as the "hunger hormone") increases when a person is sleep-deprived, the researchers found.

Be patient. Body recomposition is not a fast process, so patience is required, the experts said.

"Unlike weight loss that can be very rapid (demonstrated with the prevalence of hardcore crash diets), building muscle is a notoriously slow process, and, therefore recomping is no different," Carpenter said. Seasoned gymgoers may get better results in the long-run by having dedicated phases of fat loss or muscle gain, Shaw said.

What a Daily Jogging Habit Does to Your Body After 50

THIS FORM OF AEROBIC EXERCISE IS CHOCK-FULL OF BENEFITS

Jogging every day is good for the mind, body, and soul. By engaging in this healthy form of physical activity, you'll give your body and brain a boost. That's why many individuals make heading out for a casual jog part of their regular fitness routine. However, as you grow older, your body goes through many changes, and exercise can affect you in ways that it hadn't before. We're here to share what a daily jogging habit does to your body after 50, according to an expert, so you're aware of all the pros and cons.

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Anyone who loves jogging or is interested in taking it up will want to check out what Perry Mykleby, an ACE-certified personal trainer and fitness expert at ThisIsWhyImFit.com has to say about both the benefits and drawbacks of jogging as you get older.

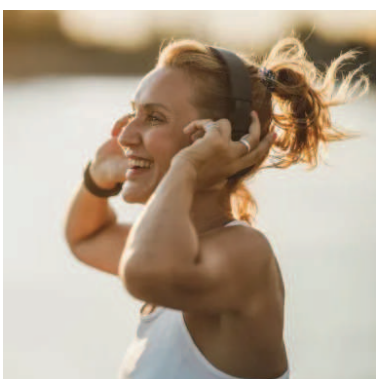
"There's no debating the benefits of exercise for health. And that's where the agreement stops," Mykleby tells Eat This, Not That! "Proponents of aerobic

exercise argue that everyone should jog or run. Others argue that resistance exercise is the best form of exercise. The debate gets more nuanced when the discussion set is narrowed to older adults. Should older adults start [jogging—or continue [jogging]—after age 50? Here are the benefits and drawbacks of jogging after age 50," he says.

Keep reading to learn more, and next up, don't miss 6 Everyday Habits To Regain Muscle Mass After 60, Fitness Expert Says.

As you grow older, it's critical to ensure you're taking care of your heart health. In order to do so, your regular workout routine should involve a cardio-related or aerobic activity, such as daily jogging. As Mykleby puts it, "The clinical literature is packed with data supporting aerobic activity as beneficial for anyone."

Mykleby also explains that the exercise guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) call for 150 minutes of low to moderate-intensity exercise per week, not



ing that "for sure, jogging falls into that category."

This form of aerobic exercise can improve bone density.

"Resistance exercise is most closely associated with improvement in bone density, but a 2019 study in Frontiers in Physiology

pointed to improvements in bone density in exercisers over 50 who ran," Mykleby explains.

This study looked at individuals who started their exercise journey after 50; not just fitness enthusiasts who already ran and maintained their fitness habits

after 50. That's likely why anyone who's concerned about their bone health as they age may want to keep up their cardio/jogging regimen. Mykleby explains that a review of literature on dementia reduction suggests that exercising regularly is key to warding off all-cause dementia. Resistance training and aerobic training are some of the best options, according to the review, so jogging is a solid choice for those who hope to use exercise as a way to prevent age-related issues like dementia.

Unfortunately, as you grow older, there can be a few drawbacks to keeping up a daily jogging habit. Mykleby cautions, "In much older adults—especially women who are more likely to develop osteoporosis—falls can be catastrophic. Jogging alone doesn't increase your risk, because it can be done on a track; however, most who jog like the idea of street or trail running, and these surfaces are not groomed for running."

Finally, Mykleby notes that jogging daily could potentially cause issues for your knees, hips, and spine. He explains, "Logic says that you, Mykleby points out that seems in side-

walks, unevenly paved roads, and tree roots can all potentially cause falls. This risk increases if you're jogging when it's dark out. Older adults could endure soft tissue injuries from jogging. While anyone can suffer from sprains and soft tissue-related issues while jogging, Mykleby reveals older adults are more likely to deal with soft tissue injuries. If an activity is more intense, or there's "more risk involved (such as irregular surfaces encountered during street jogging)," this boosts your risk.

On top of that, Mykleby explains, "Older adults' bodies react differently to the Stretch-Shortening Cycle (SSC) of the muscles than younger people." Muscle strains and other soft tissue-related injuries are a common reality among older adults. Knee, hip, and spine issues could occur.

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BJP govts work to ensure empowerment without appeasement: Naqvi

NEW DELHI, NOV 27: A politician's identity is not dependent on family lineage and the BJP's governments work to ensure empowerment without appeasement and development without discrimination, senior party leader Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi said on Sunday, in an apparent dig at the Congress.



Participating in meeting in Uttar Pradesh's Naugana to seek support for the BJP's candidate, Akash Saxena, for the December 5 Rampur assembly bypoll, the former union minister said arrogance and anarchy cause trouble.

Politics of "arrogance of power and post" never lasts long and the welfare and wellbeing of the common people should be the objective of politicians, Naqvi said. The Rampur seat fell vacant after Samajwadi Party MLA Azam Khan was convicted by an MP-MLA

court in a 2019 hate speech case.

"The (Narendra) Modi-Yogi (Adityanath) era has replaced 'khandani zamindari' (family feudalism) with 'khidmat ki ravadari' (devotion to service). This revolutionary change has jolted those who considered politics as their 'dynastic property'," a statement from Naqvi's office quoted him as saying at the meeting.

"Prime Minister Modi has brought significant positive change in the country's poli-

tics. Now, a politician's identity is not dependent on a 'family cradle', but only his diligence and hardwork can establish him in politics," Naqvi said.

Modi and Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Adityanath have made every section of society an equal partner of progress with the commitment to 'reform, perform and transform', he said.

The BJP governments at the Centre and in the state are dedicated to welfare of villages, farmers, youth,

poor, women and down-trodden, Naqvi said.

Stating that currently there is an atmosphere of trust and development among all sections due to Modi-Yogi's policy of "empowerment without appeasement" and "development without discrimination", he credited the duo for kicking out the era of "power brokers" and "loot lobby".

Naqvi said opposition parties in Uttar Pradesh are competing for power without any base among the masses. "They are fighting to become a 'landlord without land'," he said.

Uttar Pradesh Minister Suresh Khanna, Rampur Zila Panchayat chairman Khayaliram Lodhi, Pafed chairman Surya Prakash Pal, BJP Rampur district president Abhay Gupta, senior BJP leader Kapil Arya were among those present at the meeting.

Cal HC seeks response of Bar Council on inclusion of mother's identification in enrolment form of advocates

KOLKATA, NOV 27: The Calcutta High Court has sought response of the Bar Council of India and its West Bengal counterpart on a prayer that enrolment application forms for advocates should also include space for information relating to mothers in addition to that of father and husband.

continue to depict an "overpowering streak of patriarchy".

The petitioner claimed that forms for enrolment and identify cards issued by the Bar Council do not contain any column for mentioning particulars of mothers. A division bench presided by Chief Justice Prakash Shrivastava directed the Bar Council to file an affidavit-in-opposition within four weeks.

In its order earlier this week, the court said the

West Bengal Council of West Bengal, which is also a respondent in the petition, may file its affidavit within the same period, while the petitioner may file reply to that in another one week after that.

The matter will come up for hearing on February 6, the bench, also comprising Justice R Bharadwaj, directed.

The petitioner's lawyer Phiroze Edulji prayed for a direction to the chairperson of the State Bar Council that

the application form for enrolment and the identity card must include space for mother's identification.

It was also prayed that the records of already enrolled advocates who wish to put their maternal identification be amended and new identity cards issued.

The petitioner claimed that a child of a single mother is also a citizen of this country, and no one can infringe any of his/her fundamental rights guaranteed under our Constitution.

Adityanath visits Ayodhya offers prayer at temples

LUCKNOW/AYODHYA, NOV 27: Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath visited Ayodhya on Sunday and offered prayers at the Ram Janmabhoomi complex and Hanumanagarhi temple.

He also took stock of the ongoing works at the Supreme Court-mandated Ram temple. Adityanath also reached Tedi Bazar and inspected various under-construction sites and multilevel parking. It was the BJP leader's fourth visit to the district in the last 40 days. On October 19, Adityanath reached Ayodhya to inspect the preparations for the



Deepotsav. On October 23, he visited the district with

Prime Minister to attend the festival. He again visited

both, the complex and the temple, on October 24.

Imran Khan claims 3 shooters tried to kill him in Wazirabad

ISLAMABAD, NOV 27: Pakistan's ousted prime minister Imran Khan has claimed that there were three shooters involved in the failed assassination attempt on him during a protest march in the eastern city of Wazirabad earlier this month.

The chairman of the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party suffered bullet injuries in the right leg when the gunmen fired at him in Punjab's Wazirabad area on November 3, where he was leading the march against the government to press for snap elections.

Addressing a massive rally of his party on Saturday night in this garrison city, which houses the headquarters of the power-

ful Army, Khan said the two attackers previously identified were the one who fired at him and other PTI leaders and the second shooter fired at the container's front, while the third attacker was tasked to eliminate the first gunman.

Khan, 70, claimed that this third shooter actually killed a person at the rally while trying to kill the would-be assassin.

Addressing the nation from the Shaukat Khanum Hospital in Lahore a day after the attack, Khan had said he was hit by four bullets in his right leg by two shooters.

He said he was on a container when a "burst of bullets" was directed at him.

"Then a second bur-

st came, there were two people," he said.

Khan, in his first in-person address to the party workers after the attack, also alleged that "three criminals", who were behind the failed assassination attempt, are waiting to target him again.

He has repeatedly alleged that Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, Interior Minister Rana Sanullah and ISI Counter Intelligence Wing head Maj-Gen Faisal Naseer were behind the attack on him.

Khan also announced to continue his protest until new elections were announced. Elections are not due in Pakistan until the term of the current National Assembly gets over in

August 2023.

"The movement of Haqqeeqi Azadi will continue until genuine freedom is achieved," he said, adding that the moment would come once new elections were held.

Khan was ousted from power in April after losing a no-confidence vote in his leadership, which he alleged was part of a US-led conspiracy targeting him because of his independent foreign policy decisions on Russia, China, and Afghanistan. The US has denied the allegations.

He is the only Pakistani prime minister to be ousted in a no-confidence vote in Parliament. The term of the current National Assembly will end in August 2023.

'Misleading blatant lies' Pakistan Army rejects claims about Gen Bajwa family's assets

ISLAMABAD, NOV 27: Pakistan Army on Sunday rejected media reports that the outgoing chief Gen Qamar Javed Bajwa's family members and relatives became billionaires during his six-year tenure, terming them as "misleading" and based on "blatant lies and malice."

Gen Bajwa, 61, is scheduled to retire on November 29 after getting a three-year extension.

According to the report published by the FactFocus website, the alleged tax records of Gen Bajwa's family, the current market value of the known assets and business of the army chief, both within and outside Pakistan, amounted to Rs 12.7 billion.

Pakistan Army finally broke its silence on Sunday, days after the Shehbaz Sharif-led government launched a probe and suspended two officers from service for their involvement in leaking the tax records of Gen Bajwa and his family members.

Pakistan Army's media wing, Inter-Services Public Relations, said misleading data regarding the assets of



Army chief Gen Bajwa and

his family were shared on

known) in six years.

It stated the amount did not include residential plots, commercial plots and houses given by the Army to her husband.

The report also alleged that the total worth of the declared assets of Mahnoor Sabir (Gen Bajwa's daughter-in-law) jumped from zero in last week of October 2018 to Rs 1.271 million on November 2, 2018, while the assets of Mahnoor's sister Hanna Naseer went from zero in 2016 to "billions" by 2017.

Furthermore, the tax returns of Sabir Hameed - the Army chief's son's father-in-law - were less than a million in 2013 but "in the coming years, he became a billionaire", the website claimed.

Finance Minister Ishaq Dar ordered a probe after the tax and wealth details of Gen Bajwa's family members were released online by the website.

Pakistan Prime Minister Sharif on Thursday chose Lt Gen Asim Munir as the new Army chief to succeed incumbent Gen Bajwa, ending the suspense over the key appointment.

One day Workshop on Tunneling and Bridges organised at MIET

JAMMU, NOV 27: Dept of Civil Engineering organised one day workshop on Tunneling and Bridges at the MIET College Jammu. The workshop aims to train the civil engineering students on the advancement in the field of tunneling and bridges.

Industry expert Vikrant Jamwal spoke on various topics at length such as Underground tunnels and space, Testing of properties and Instrumentation, Methods of tunnelings etc.

He also covered topics based on technology solutions to meet objectives through holistic approach.



While speaking on the occasion HOD Civil Engineering Department Dr. Arvind Dewangan said that the purpose of conducting the workshop is to give Career Guidance seminar

on recent advances in tunneling construction and provide new opportunities for buildings to interact with both technical and external environments across India.

Counter-terrorism reformed multilateralism India's key priorities during its UNSC presidency

UNITED NATIONS, NOV 27: Countering terrorism and reformed multilateralism will be among the key priorities for India as it assumes the monthly presidency of the UN Security Council from December 1, culminating its two-year tenure as non-permanent member of the 15-nation powerful body.

According to the UNSC rules of procedure, the Council presidency rotates between each of the 15 members of the UNSC, in alphabetical order.

"For us, in the December Presidency, our priorities will be countering terrorism for which we have very successfully built a good narrative in these past few months as well as a focus on reformed multilateralism." India's Permanent Representative to the UN Ambassador Ruchira Kamboj told PTI in an exclusive interview here.

India assumes the monthly rotating presidency of the Security Council from December 1, the second time after August 2021 that the country will preside over the Council during its two year tenure as elected UNSC member.

India's 2021-2022 term on the Council ends December 31, with Kamboj,

India's first woman Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York sitting in the President's seat at the powerful horseshoe table for the month. India will also take over the year-long G20 presidency from December 1.

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar will travel to New York to preside over "signature events" in the Security Council on renewed orientation for reformed multilateralism on December 14 and on countering terrorism on December 15.

UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres and President of the 77th session of the UN General Assembly Csaba Korosi are also expected to brief the UNSC meeting on December 14.

Kamboj said counter-terrorism was one of India's top priorities when it entered the Council on January 1, 2021.

She underscored that from the eight-point action plan on combating terrorism outlined in the Security Council by Jaishankar in January 2021 to the October 2022 Special Meeting of the Counter-Terrorism Committee hosted by India during which the 'Delhi Declaration' was adopted, India has

been successful in demonstrating two things.

"One that there can be no justification for terror, it is condemnable, it has to be called out and countries who seek to obfuscate that, seek to justify that should be called out," Kamboj said.

The second point is that all countries, importantly, should speak with a united voice. "The problem (of terror) is transnational and we have to pool in our resources, knowledge and expertise to speak with a united voice," she said.

On October 28-29, the Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee, currently chaired by India, organised a Special Meeting in New Delhi and Mumbai on the overarching theme of "Countering the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes".

As an outcome of the special meeting, the Committee adopted the "pioneer document" 'Delhi Declaration' on countering the use of new and emerging technologies for terrorist purposes.

The Delhi Declaration serves to focus attention on the scourge of terrorism and particularly the fact that it has raised its head in a "new avatar" where terrorists have been abusing, misusing

virtual platforms to forward their narrative, Kamboj said.

She added that this message was taken forward in New Delhi this month through the 'No Money for Terror' (NMFIT) Ministerial Conference on Counter-Terrorism Financing that was addressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

"That was a continuation of what we have been doing, specifically where the CTC meeting in New Delhi and Mumbai left off and going forward, to complete the arc, during our term we will be having a focussed discussion" on December 15 in the presence of the External Affairs Minister and other foreign dignitaries in the Council.

"India has done everything that it could to fulfil the mandate of the CTC. All countries across the table, without exception, have complimented India for the Delhi Declaration, for the CTC event in Delhi and complimented the conference as being outstanding both in terms of logistics and substance. That is not insignificant and that must be noticed," Kamboj said.

India to the UN Trust Fund for Counter-Terrorism to augment the UNOCT's efforts to build the capacity of member states to counter terrorism.

"India is very strong on this narrative. We are very mindful that countries in Asia and Africa particularly are facing the scourge of terrorism. This is something that we'll continue to keep our focus on while we're in the Council," she said.

On December 2, Kamboj will brief the wider UN membership on the CTC meeting in New Delhi and "our achievements, what that meeting achieved". She said the issue of reformed multilateralism was among India's key priorities as it entered the Council last year and "we will keep a strong focus on that".

Kamboj said many countries have spoken that the system cannot continue as it is. "It needs to be reformed. The architecture of 1945, the world of 2022, (both are) very different. It's an anachronism the way the Security Council is configured," she said.

Kamboj underscored that India's position is clear and well known. New Delhi wants early reform and the

Security Council needs to be expanded in both permanent and non-permanent categories, improvement in working methods of the Council to make it more transparent, inclusive, improved relationship between the General Assembly and Security Council as well as the question of the veto.

India has highlighted the need for a consolidated text to serve as the basis for negotiations and this has been espoused by a majority of UN member states, Kamboj said.

With the PGA having appointed Permanent Representative of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations Michal Mlynar and Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait Tareq M A M Albanai as co-chairs of the Intergovernmental Negotiations, Kamboj expressed hope that the "discussion will lead us somewhere and hopefully move the dialogue" towards achieving UNSC reform.

She stressed that when the Intergovernmental Negotiations process commences next year, India will be "very active, will be reaching out to various groups and advancing discussions" on UNSC reform.

Rajesh Gupta expresses concern over increasing accidents on Jammu roads

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JAMMU, NOV 27: Expressing concern over frequent loss of lives on Jammu roads and other districts due to accidents, National Democratic Party Indian (NDPI) president, J&K UT, Rajesh Gupta today said that miserable conditions of J&K roads has turned into a virtual death trap. He expressed serious concern over the frequent road accidents and loss of large number of precious lives on roads due to man-made tragedies.



The NDPI Chief said as deaths take place frequently on the roads, functioning of traffic authorities and Motor Vehicle Departments is questionable.

The NDPI leader also said that the road managers cannot escape from their responsibilities. "The frequent traffic jams

and closure of the road has taken J&K people hostages as people across the UT especially in Doda, Rajouri and Kashmir NH have been left at the mercy of landslides that disrupt traffic on the only all weather road connecting Kashmir valley with rest of the country," Gupta maintained.

He appealed to the concerned authorities to evolve a proper mechanism in coordination with the stakeholders so that the people are taken out of this high-way crisis.

Sajad Lone visits Sopore; interacts with prominent workers



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JAMMU, NOV 27: J&K Peoples Conference President Sajad Lone today met and interacted with prominent workers from Sopore to discuss an array of issues concerning the party and the people of J&K.

Speaking on the occasion PC President Sajad Lone said that Jammu and Kashmir needs politics of inclusivity and hope, not of favoritism and hopelessness.

He said that to achieve this objective, Peoples Conference is tirelessly working towards empowering the people by placing Kashmir first, above all other fragmented identities and differences of opinion.

"Safeguarding the interests of the people, especially the youth of J&K is the biggest leadership challenge in the current times. The people of J&K need a sympathetic and honest government that puts the needs of

the people first, above its own partisan interests," he said.

He further said that in absence of an elected government, the people of J&K are facing immense hardships and that there is an immediate need for greater interaction of officers at grassroots level.

"The woes of the common masses on ground are mounting with each passing day and that the administration needs to go beyond the

rhetoric and make sincere efforts to engage the people of J&K for a lasting solution to the present challenges. The inaccessibility of this administration has deepened the disconnect between them and the inhabitants of J&K. People are showing up in droves in government departments and demanding to be heard. However at every level of government there is little or no access and audience", he added.

He urged the administration to work as a bridge between the government and citizens to ensure a more effective and efficient governance delivery system. PC President was accompanied by Senior Vice President Abdul Gani Vakili, Syed Basharat Bukhari, Raja Aijaz Ali, District President Baramulla Asif Lone, Sonaulah Parray, Addl Spokesperson Umman Wani including others.

OBC's ignored for past 8 years, NC alone can pave the way for their upliftment: Rattan Lal



JJ NEWS SERVICE
SUNDERBANI, NOV 27: Rattan Lal Gupta, Provincial President Jammu and Kashmir National Conference (JKNC) has slammed the incumbent regime in J&K led by the Lt Governor Manoj Sinha for totally ignoring the people belonging to Other Backward Classes (OBC) and demanded the enhancement of the reservation quota for the members of this backward community.

The senior National Conference leader expressed this while addressing the workers' convention of the party's OBC Cell in Village Marchola of Tehsil Sunderbani today.

In the convention, Rattan Lal Gupta was the Chief Guest while National Conference OBC Cell Provincial President Abdul Ghani Teli was the Guest of honour.

Prominent among those present on the occasion were Vijay Lochan, Naseem Liyaqat (DDC Chairman), Th Rameshwar Singh, Th Shamsher Singh, Anita Thakur, in-charge Kalakote NC and Additional

Spokesperson JKNC, Th Yashu Vardhan Singh, Mohammad Rafiq and Mohd Nissar, Sunita ji, Dr Ragubhir, Subash Saraf, Bhuti Ram, Advocate Ishfaq, Jatinder Singh Chib, Manzoor, Ashok Sharma, Ranjeet Singh, Habib Chowdhary and Vivek.

Addressing party workers, Rattan Lal Gupta accused the J&K Administration of adopting a negative attitude towards the OBCs saying that this is evident from the fact that the Govt is not showing the least concern to addressing the pressing issues of this section of the society. He said that it was the National Conference that showed its concern for this section of the society by constituting the OBC Development Board in the erstwhile State of J&K with the Chief Minister being the Chairman. He lamented that the community now stands totally ignored in the present regime.

However, he asserted that NC will work relentlessly to uplift this section of the society and bring it at par with the other sections of the society.

The provincial President asked the workers to work sincerely at the grass-roots level take stock of people's problems especially the OBCs and get the same addressed at the earliest. He appealed to the OBC community members to further strengthen the hands of National Conference Supremo Dr Farooq Abdullah and Omar Abdullah as NC alone is the solution to their problems.

Abdul Ghani Teli, in his address, said that the government has dejectedly unsuccessful in protecting the rights of OBC community in Jammu and Kashmir. He asserted that when other Central laws are being implemented in Jammu and Kashmir then why the Central Government is shying to implement Central OBC quota in reservation at par with rest of the States. He demanded that government should issue one time OBC certificate on the analogy of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe categories.

Naseem Liyaqat, DDC Chairman Rajour, said that National Conference is the only secular party in J&K

and deep-rooted across the region right upto the grass roots level. He said that the party has always followed the ideology that paves the way for equitable welfare and prosperity of every section of the society.

Vijay Lochan said "It is most unfortunate that the OBC people continue to be totally ignored for the last 8 years and today there is a dire need to enhance the four percent reservation quota for the OBC community." He appealed to the OBC people to vote for NC in the impending Assembly elections and strengthen the party for ensuring equitable development and upliftment of all sections of the society.

Th Rameshwar Singh, DDC Member said that though the wrong policies of the BJP Govt have brought only miseries to the people of J&K in general but the OBCs have been the worst affected as the UT Administration failed to pay focussed attention to this underprivileged lot.

Th Yashu Vardhan Singh, while addressing the convention, assured the senior functionaries of the Party that he along with a strong and dedicated army of party workers will leave no stone unturned in strengthening the party base, across Sunderbani and Kalakote constituency ensuring success of the party candidates in the impending Assembly elections.

Later, the BJP workers Rishab Sharma and Mohit Sharma along with their supporters joined the party fold in presence of senior party functionaries.

GUJARAT POLLS: Cricketer brother his sister bat for different parties in battle of Jadejas



JAMNAGAR (GUJARAT), NOV 27: Hours before cricketer Ravindra Jadeja travelled through the city's market in an open SUV as part of a BJP roadshow, his sister Naynaba Jadeja sought votes for the Congress, reminding voters of price rise under the ruling party and its "unfulfilled" employment promises.

While the famous cricketer campaigned for his wife Rivaba Jadeja, his elder sister canvassed for Bipendrasinh Jadeja, highlighting the "sibling rivalry" that has added another layer of interest in the poll after the BJP dropped its sitting MLA Dharmendrasinh Jadeja, locally better known as Hakubha.

Herself a contender for the Congress ticket from the Jamnagar North seat, Naynaba has emerged as a key campaigner for her party after the BJP chose her famous brother's wife as its candidate.

She is often the focus of media queries while the Congress candidate, a seasoned organisation man and businessman, plays a supporting role.

"I have my ideology and have been with a party I admire," she says, slamming the BJP over the issue of price rise and claiming that it only makes promises to people but never fulfils them, be it on employment or education.

An overwhelmingly

urban constituency, Jamnagar North may be seen as more favourable to the BJP than the Congress even though the opposition party's supporters believe their party can spring a surprise. Naynaba argues that since the constituency voted for the first time in 2012 after being carved out following delimitation, it is essentially a Congress seat as it won for the first time while the BJP grabbed it in 2017 after the incumbent MLA crossed over to the saffron camp.

Even the winning BJP candidate was a Congressman who won on his appeal, and our party will score this time, she claims. Congress leaders also hope to benefit from any faultlines within

the BJP caused by its denial of the ticket to the sitting MLA. The AAP has fielded Karsan Karmur, who had quit the BJP to join it last year.

The state will have two-phase Assembly polls on December 1 and 5, while the votes will be counted on December 8. It is witnessing a three-cornered fight with the BJP, Congress and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) in the fray.

Hakubha, an influential person, has now been dropped in favour of Rivaba Jadeja but the BJP has managed to placate him by making him the party's in-charge for polling in three assembly seats, including Jamnagar North.

Rajputs, the community the two main candidates hail from, and Muslims are among the largest voting blocs here. Campaigning for Rivaba, BJP workers express confidence of her win and claim the curiosity is more about margin. They also dismiss the Congress' "outsider" charge against her, arguing that she had been working in the region after joining the BJP in 2019, months after she and her husband Ravindra Jadeja met Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Dr Vikas urges youth to wholeheartedly support NC in coming elections

JJ NEWS SERVICE
JAMMU, NOV 27: Dr Vikas Sharma, Zonal Secretary & Coordinator District Jammu (Urban), Jammu Kashmir National Conference, today held a meeting with a delegation of youth to deliberate on issues affecting them severely under the present dispensation.

The youth told Dr Vikas Sharma that they were facing the worst kind of harassment under the LG rule as the administration was causing unnecessary delay in the recruitment process. "There is no time frame for completion of the recruitment process. Govt is only advertising and inviting applications for various posts but process is lying pending for years," they said. They also blamed the



administration for mismanaging the academic calendar in Universities and Colleges. They expressed resentment against the new recruitment rules for universities and colleges.

Dr Sharma patiently listened to the grievances of

youth and asked them to strengthen the hands of Dr Farooq Abdullah and Janab Omar Abdullah for getting rid of all the problems being faced by the youth of J&K.

He said only NC can understand the ground reality and can fulfill the hopes and

aspirations of people as it laid the foundation of the comprehensive and equitable development of Jammu Kashmir.

He urged the youth to get united and vote NC to power in the coming Assembly elections.

IIT Madras Australian varsities to launch

'Australia-India Centre for Energy' to work on SDGs

NEW DELHI, NOV 27: The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Madras is partnering with Australian Universities to launch 'Australia-India Centre for Energy' to work on UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

According to officials, the AICE aims to promote collaboration among universities, research institutes and industry from both countries in the energy domain. The virtual Centre will be launched during the two-day Energy Summit 2022 hosted by IIT Madras in December.

IIT Madras and Deakin University in Australia are taking the lead in coordinating and driving the engagement amongst the partners and with external stakeholders, to grow collaborations between government departments, funding agencies and individual researchers in both countries.

Raghunathan Rangaswamy, Marti Mannarath Gurunath Institute Chair Professor and Dean (Global Engagement), explained that all partners will have an equal footing and the Australian Trade and Investment Commission will be a catalyst to foster

partnerships with industry in the sector from both countries to the Centre.

"The Centre will bring together multi-disciplinary capabilities from Australian and Indian partners to work on translational research and build capabilities to address the global energy challenge," said K Baskaran, Pro Vice Chancellor International Research Partnerships, Deakin University, Australia.

"It will also be a catalyst to develop partnerships with other centres in South Asia and ASEAN regions to develop innovative and sustainable solutions for the Global challenges," Baskaran said.

The key mission of the Centre will be to enable deep collaborations between Australia and India in the energy sector through transformative research, technology development and deployment.

The AICE will aim to become a leading bilateral platform on SDG 7 and other related SDGs for academics, industries and government agencies to engage in science, technology, economics, policy and governance.

General for South India, said, "Australia and India are comprehensive strategic partners, with close cooperation across areas of strategic importance, including critical minerals, clean technology, education and innovation. Our two countries are home to world-leading innovators and researchers".

According to IIT Madras officials, the immediate focus of the AICE will be to develop joint educational programmes, online MTech courses and capacity building through certification programmes and diploma, extension centres and training.

"The founding members of the AICE will work on joint problem statements, use mobility grants, and develop joint proposals for bilateral funding support," a senior official said.

"The Centre will work to promote seamless research and development by identifying sister labs, where complementary research potential and infrastructure exist and facilitate the movement of research scholars, faculty, Young International Fellows (YIF) and Global Research Fellows (GRF)," the official said.

Kim's daughter appears again heating up succession debate

SEOUL, NOV 27: North Korean leader Kim Jong Un's daughter made a public appearance again, this time with missile scientists and more honorific titles as her father's "most beloved" or "precious" child. She's only about 10, but her new, bold photos are deepening the debate over whether she's being primed as a successor. The daughter, believed to be Kim's second child named Ju Ae and about 9 or 10 years old, was first unveiled to the outside world last weekend in state media photos showing her observing the

North's intercontinental ballistic missile launch the previous day with her parents and other older officials. The daughter wearing a white puffy coat and red shoes was shown walking hand-in-hand with Kim past a huge missile loaded on a launch truck and watching a soaring weather. On Sunday, the North's official Korean Central News Agency mentioned her for the second time, saying she and Kim took group photos with scientists, officials and others involved in what it called the test-launch of its Hwasong-17 ICBM.

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Modi Govt establishes new paradigms of progress: Bharat Bhushan

Starts development works worth Rs 6.62 crore at Marh constituency

J1 NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 27: The BJP government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has established new paradigms for progress in Jammu and Kashmir by providing vistas of opportunities to people belonging to all shades of life and setting up world class infrastructure to augment facilities to the common man.

This was stated by Bharat Bhushan Bodhi, DDC Chairman Jammu and senior BJP leader while starting development works of Water Supply Scheme (WSS) Rajpura including Sump Tank, Motor Room along with distribution system with an estimated cost of Rs 4.52 crore at Village Rajpura falling under the Marh constituency. On the occasion, DDC Member Balbir Kumar, Mena Devi Sarpanch Sham Lal Sarpanch Prem Singh Sarpanch Dhaneer Singh, Lambardar Uttam Singh, Lambardar Suraj Parkash, Naib Sarpanch Sanjay Sharma, Panch Suram Singh, Panch S. Amrik Singh, ex Panch Ram Lal,



Panch Bua Ditta, Subash Verma and Yash Pal were also present. The DDC Chairman said that the development in the rural sector has received massive impetus under BJP regime which has resulted in tremendously bridging the gap between rural and urban life. He said that the BJP led Government in the Centre is fully sensitive towards the issues of the people and is taking comprehensive measures for

redressal of the same at the earliest. Bharat Bhushan said that under the Jal Jeevan Mission, the Central Government is envisioned to provide safe and adequate drinking water through individual household tap connections by 2024 to all households in rural India. He said under this Mission, the places which never had thought of getting tapped water are cur-

rently enjoying the same without any interruption. He added that providing safe and adequate drinking water is among the Govt's top priorities and it stands fully committed to achieve the target of "Ghar Ghar Jal, Ghar Ghar Nai" very soon.

Meanwhile, the DDC Chairman has also started black topping of the Road from Rajpura to Jhri via Bhatian having a road length of 3.10 Km under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). This development work will be completed with an estimated cost of Rs 2.10 crore.

Bharat Bhushan said that he is committed to the development of Marh constituency as well as district Jammu and he will ensure that the benefits of all central sponsored schemes must reach the doorsteps of people of the area. He asserted that he will not leave any stone unturned in providing basic amenities to the people of Jammu district. He said only then he can say that the objective of good governance has been achieved.

Batra Group, J&K sports council jointly conducts first community sports meet

Kick starts two development works worth Rs 90 lakhs

J1 NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 27: Batra Group and J&K sports council jointly conducted first community sports meet in Jammu today.

The event was conducted at Green Field Ground Gandhi Nagar. Sports meet was organised under "My Youth My Pride" Campaign around 700 players participated in this event.

Sangeeta Jaitley chief guest of the Event said "I am so happy to see so many children participating in sports activities. I wish them all the luck they should practice hard and should aim to represent our country." Guest of Honour for the event Ms. Avny Lavasa IAS, Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Sh. Devender Rana, Ms. Nuzhat Gul Secretary J&K sports council interacted with the players and wished them all the luck.

Bhisham Batra, Director



Batra Group, President Pegasus Hero FC said "We are happy to be a part of this Grand Event, the community sports meet will not only indulge our youth but also other members of our community. I am thankful to honorable LC Sahab Sh. Manoj Sinha ji for supporting & promoting Sports Culture in

J&K through various campaigns "My Youth My Pride" is one of them.

Ascoms Artemis organised free health check up for the society which included free ECG and Ortho Check up. The event started off with Yoga followed by Tug of War. The event ended up with Jammu's first under-

light football match which included Veterans football match and Community Football Match between Pegasus Hero FC representing Gandhi Nagar Jammu VS Param FC representing Hiranagar SF. A won the Veteran's trophy. Where as Param FC Hiranagar team won the match in Penalties.

Neelam Langeh visits Ramnagar under Basti Sampark Abhiyan

Asks people to avail benefits of Modi Govt schemes

J1 NEWS SERVICE UDHAMPUR, NOV 27: Neelam Langeh, former MLA and In-charge Basti Sampark Abhiyan SC Morcha, Udhampur today visited Panchayat Kagote of Ramnagar as a part of Basti Sampark Abhiyan.

Addressing the gathering, the former MLA said that the Union Government headed by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi is paying focussed attention to Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory and is determined to carry out developmental activities in every nook and corner of this sensitive region.

Neelam Langeh also visited several localities of Ramnagar and held the same meetings, making people aware about the welfare schemes launched by the Modi government. Today's programme was organised by Sarpanch Sunil Kumar at SC Basti Kagote.

The senior BJP leader said



that the Modi led Govt at the Centre has initiated a Basti Sampark Abhiyan with an aim to direct liaison with the general public so that people would be aware about the achievements of the central government. He said the Central Govt has prioritized the overall development of all the areas without any rural-urban or other discrimination. Langeh said that the BJP

schemes best suiting them. Reiterating Bharatiya Janata Party's commitment to provide the best service while working for the public welfare, he appealed to them to further strengthen the hands of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Bharatiya Janata Party to ensure the unprecedented transformation of the nation where the last person in the cue receives the benefit of the welfare schemes.

The former legislator also took the opportunity to interact with the people of the area and took stock of their problems and issues on the occasion. After giving them a patient hearing, he assured them to get their grievances addressed at the earliest by taking up the same with the concerned authorities. Later, the former MLA visited Narsingh Temple in Ramnagar and prayed for the peace and prosperity of people of the Union Territory.

Ajay kick starts construction of Shivaji Park

J1 NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 27: Today Chairman Social Justice Committee and councillor ward no. 52 Sh. AJAY GUPTA kick started the construction of Shivaji Park at ward no. 52 with an estimated cost of RS. 22.5 lakh.

He said that it was a long pending demand of residents of the ward. Acting on the demand of the public this work has been started. He said there was no park in Mattoo colony, 1B & 1C east extension, Sain vihar and friends colony. This park will provide a green space for children and elders of the areas to play, walk etc. He also said that soon a bore well will also be constructed at the place, which will resolve the water issues of these areas. He said that after becoming he got two parks built in the ward one Bharat Mata park at South extension and this is the other one. He said he is acting on the dream on our



beloved Prime minister to provide safe and healthy environment for every citizen and the construction of this park is its example. The park once completed will be donated to the public so that they can take benefits of this park.

He congratulated the local residents on the occa-

sion and appreciated the efforts of different departments in making Jammu City a Smart and beautiful city. He said that with everyone's contribution we will make this ward one of the best and smart ward of Jammu City.

On the occasion ward president Nitin thappa, TR

Sharma, Ajay Baddan, Vishal Gupta, Ramesh chaudhary, Pawanji and residents including Red. IGP Quyam Manhas, Ravinder Koul, vinod ji, Mahesh Gupta, Ram Kumar, Adv Suram Singh ji, Mr. Talwar, Anil Ji and prominent members of the society were also present.

Dy Mayor kick starts black topping work



J1 NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, NOV 27: Providing best infrastructure facilities and better development works for the welfare of the people, Jammu Deputy Mayor Baldev Singh Billawaria kick started the construction work of laying blacktopping on the roads of Chinar Enclave, MMC College and adjoining areas falling under the RS Pura-Jammu South constituency.

The work of black topping about 22 lakh rupees will be spent by the PWD department. Deputy Mayor

Baldev Singh Billawaria said that it was a long pending demand of the area which has been fulfilled now. He said that after becoming the deputy mayor, the kind of love and cooperation from the people and he is getting more energy to work for the welfare of the people. The Deputy Mayor said that the Jammu Municipal Corporation is leaving no stone unturned to provide better development with the local residents. The Deputy Mayor assured the people for overall development of the Jammu city

area and said that it was his priority to connect the RS Pura-Jammu South assembly constituency areas with good roads.

Deputy Mayor Baldev Singh Billawaria said that under the leadership of PM Narendra Modi, the center government has made record-breaking development whereas in the previous governments middlemen used to distribute and digest. During the interaction with the local residents, the Deputy Mayor took stock of their problems and issues. After patiently listen-

ing to their grievances, he assured them to take up their issues with the concerned authorities and resolved them at the earliest. Reiterating his commitment to ensure overall development, Deputy Mayor Baldev Singh Billawaria said that the special attention would be paid to blacktopping roads in Jammu city areas.

He assured that apart from the development of the area, he would ensure that the benefits of various Center Government schemes meant for the socio-economic upliftment of the poor and needy reach the doorsteps of the people in these areas.

The local residents expressed gratitude to the Deputy Mayor Baldev Singh Billawaria and said that he is solving the problems related to cleanliness, electricity, water and whatever work we have asked for has been done. Mandal President Ranjit Singh, Harbans Choudhary, Surjeet Kumar, Mulraj, Dev Raj Sharma, Rinku, TC Sharma, Ajay Tiwari and officials of PWD department were also present.

5 J&K Bn NCC organises Blood Donation camp on 75th Raising Day



J1 NEWS SERVICE POONCH, NOV 27: On the occasion of 75th raising day of NCC a Blood donation camp was organised by cadets & staff of 5 J&K BN

NCC in Poonch(J&K). The camp was organised under the guidance and supervision of Raja Sukhdev Singh Distt Hospital Poonch. Officers, Staff members

and Cadets of NCC Poonch actively contributed to this noble cause of Blood donation. The event was inaugurated by CMO, Dr Shamim UI Nisa, CO, NCC Battalion

and Senior Superintendent District Hospital, Poonch Dr Zulfiqar.

The Event started with a lecture by Senior Superintendent on importance of Blood Donation and myths associated with Blood Donation. The hospital staff appreciated the noble cause and efforts of our cadets. NCC Cadets took pledge to support the public in hours of need. Similar camps are also being organised by the unit in Rajouri, Nowshera and Sunderbani (J&K).

Army organises Quiz Competition for Students

J1 NEWS SERVICE DODA, NOV 27: The Indian Army in its continuous efforts to motivate the youth of the Nation has undertaken a variety of programmes. In continuing with the same and as part of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav", the Army organised "Quiz Competition for the students at Gahan. The aim of the competition was to enhance the knowledge on subjects like general knowledge, science and technolo-



gy and induce a healthy competitive spirit amongst the students. The students participated with full zeal, enthusiasm and showcased their aptitude. The perform-

ance of the participating students was heartening and they impressed the audience. The army motivated the students to study and to be active contributors to the

nation's social and cultural growth. It was a small step towards identifying and showing the immense and unexplored talent of students of the region. The Winners and Runners up were awarded. Students and local populace were very happy and were of the view that these kinds of initiatives by the Army will help in channelizing the enormous talents of their children in the right direction.

25th National E-Governance Conference

Tourism Deptt organizes first of its kind 'Virtual Tours' of J&K tourist destinations

November edition of Outlook Traveller Magazine depicting Jammu tourism unveiled



JJ NEWS SERVICE

KATRA, NOV 27: Tourism Department today displayed the first of its kind images of Tourist destinations at the two-day 25th National Conference on E-Governance held at Katra.

The virtual tours of the tourist locations is captured on a Meta quest VR headset in 360 degree 3D video.

A team of experts has produced multi dimensional Nano videos of tourist places of J&K offering a magnificent and ultra-HD visibility of pristine and beautiful meadows of Bhaderwah, the twin lakes of Mansar-Srinagar, the magnificent Gurez Valley and the splendid Dal Lake.

The adventure activities particularly rafting, paragliding and Cable Car/Candola ride were also brought live into action by these virtual tours.

Jammu has come out with a curated article on 'Jammu Tourism' in the November edition of 'Outlook Traveller Magazine' which is proclaimed to be India's first Travel Magazine and is a popular travel journal.

The special edition on 'Jammu Tourism' has the Cover Photo of the 'World's Highest Railway Bridge' over the Chenab river on Kauri-Bakkal in District Reasi of Jammu & Kashmir.

The eight page story on Jammu Tourism elucidates the magnificent magical gems of 'Jammu region'. The article is a balanced presentation on the offbeat tourist destinations, the local cuisines, the market tour of Jammu City etc.

The article takes the readers on a tour of Patnitop, breathtaking Jai Valley of Bhaderwah, Jammu Tawi Golf Course, the captivating Basohli paintings and the scenic seven falls of Bani, and is also an informative piece with details of ongoing 'Jammu Smart City project' and the Homestay Registration Policy of Tourism Department launched in June 2022.

Vivekanand Rai, Director Tourism Jammu; Sunaina Sharma Mehta, Joint Director Tourism Jammu, officials of tourism department and other govt departments were also present on the occasion.

On the 2nd day of the Conference, a special edition on Jammu Tourism in 'Outlook Traveller Magazine' was unveiled in august presence of Sh. Manoj Sinha, Lieutenant Governor, Jammu and Kashmir UT and Sh. Manohar Lal, Chief Minister, Haryana. Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary appreciated the efforts of the department to showcase its vivid and myriad destinations via Virtual Tours as it was his vision that tourism department should organise virtual tours for delegates attending the conference from across the country.

All the delegates not only enjoyed the virtual tours but also admired the effort of the department for this endeavour.

Augmenting all its new campaigns in 2022, the Directorate of Tourism

Preparation of Draft Master Plan-2032 reviewed at Shopian

Shopian Master Plan shall be holistic to address all developmental needs: DC

JJ NEWS SERVICE

SHOPIAN, NOV 27: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Shopian, S K Vaishya today reviewed the Draft Master Plan for Shopian-2032 in a meeting of officers at Mini Secretariat, here. At the outset of the meeting, a team of officers from Town Planning Organization Kashmir involved in preparation of the Draft Master Plan Shopian-2032 made a power point presentation detailing the project besides putting forth all areas of concern before the meeting.

Issues related to permissibility for Infrastructure Development, provision of public amenities, specified spaces for markets for street vendors, parking, transport



management and heritage, among others were discussed. Discussions on suggestions and objections put forth by different quarters in this regard were also held to ensure sustainable urbanisation processes and activities.

The DC said that Shopian Master Plan is a comprehensive document that addresses all developmental needs of the town, besides catering

to every section of society. While deliberating on the master plan policy framework, the DC passed directions to the concerned for early finalization of objections and suggestions within two weeks in order to complete its preparation within the shortest possible time. He said that the implementation of the master plan is the collective responsibility

of all agencies involved in the development of Shopian, including the various departments, service providers, land-owning agencies, regulators and local bodies.

The vision document largely covers the policies of environment, economy, mobility, heritage, culture and public spaces. Among others, the meeting was attended by President MC Shopian, Chief Town Planner, Joint Director Planning, Tehsildar, Executive Officer MC Shopian, Assistant Town Planner, Secretary MC, representative from Directorate of Urban Local Bodies, Kashmir and councillors.

Justice Dhar kick-starts Knock-out Cricket tournament of Legal Fraternity at JKCA Stadium, Sonwar

JJ NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR, NOV 27: Justice Sanjay Dhar, Judge High Court of Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh on Sunday kick-started a "Knock out Cricket tournament of Legal Fraternity" at JKCA Stadium, Sonwar.

Justice Dhar kick-started the tournament in presence of Jawad Ahmad, Principal District and Sessions Judge/ Chairman DLSA Srinagar.

On the occasion, Justice Dhar interacted with the



teams of judges, lawyers of High Court, lawyers of Lower Court, lawyers of

district Budgam, staff of High Court, and staff of Lower Court. He boosted their morale by words of encouragement. Further, he lauded the role of DLSA Srinagar in organising such activities which convey a message of fitness to the general public.

The "Knock out cricket tournament of Legal Fraternity" was organised by DLSA Srinagar in collaboration with Jammu and Kashmir Bank.

The event was convened by Fozia Paul, Secretary DLSA Srinagar/ Budgam.

Director Agriculture Kashmir visits Anantnag

Department endeavouring for socio-economic transformation of the farming community of Kashmir: Iqbal

JJ NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR, NOV 27: The Director Agriculture Kashmir, Chowdhary Mohammad Iqbal today visited Vegetable/ Floriculture nurseries of Anantnag district.

He also visited shangus and some other villages of Anantnag and interacted with the farmers of different villages and monitored the various agriculture activities in the district.

During the visit, the Director met farmers of different areas on field and took on spot feedback regarding the various agriculture activities and interventions introduced by the Department and adopted by the farmers of the area.

Addressing the farmers of different areas, Director assured the farmers that the Department is committed to provide every possible technical guidance to them dur-



ing various agriculture activities.

He asked the farmers to strictly follow the instructions and guidance provided to them by the department (Extension workers).

He said that the Department is endeavouring to provide farmers the latest technological interventions during the cultiva-

tion of different agriculture crops so that the good returns could be fetched and socio-economic transformation of the farming community of the region could be achieved.

Iqbal directed the concerned officers to assist and facilitate the farmers during different post harvest management activities and win-

ter cultivation of different agriculture crops.

He asked the officers to work shoulder to shoulder with the farming community of the region.

Director Agriculture was accompanied by Chief Agriculture Officer Anantnag, and some senior officers of the department.

Newly promoted Headmasters get Induction Training at SCERT's SLA Bemina

JJ NEWS SERVICE

SRINAGAR, NOV 27: A 10-day leadership training programme organized by the State Leadership Academy (SLA) of the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) aimed at inducting newly promoted headmasters to the school system concluded here at Bemina.

At least 30 headmasters from across all the districts of the Kashmir attended the programme.

A wide range of experts, both internal and invited for the occasion from other departments, talked throughout the extensive sessions over the course of a 10-day period, covering topics including finance, book-keeping, administrative matters, record maintenance, operating rules and procedures and various other management-related topics.

Officers from the SCERT who spoke on various topics during the workshop included Dr Fayaz Ahmad Bhat, Dr Rabia Naseem Moghul, Dr Jan Mudasar Gul, Sheikh Gulzar Ahmad, Masood Ali, Riyaz Ahmad Dar, Dr Sajad Ahmad, Dr Saïma and Farooq Shah.

Among others who spoke at the workshop included Syed Mohammad Amin (Ex CEO Budgam), Mohammad Amin Beg (Principal BHSS, Soura), Arshid Ahmad Zangar (DIET Kulgam), Dr Arsheed Salroo (DIET Anantnag), Nusrat Geelani (DIET Srinagar), Tariq Ahmad (DIET Baranulla) and Ruheed Gul (DIET Anantnag).

The four extremely knowledgeable professionals who spoke extensively about financial issues, book-keeping, record maintenance, and GEM purchases were the workshop's high point.

They included Ex Joint

Director, Finance, Mohamed Ashraf Malik, District Treasury Officer, Anantnag, Dr. Sajad Ahmad Wani, chartered accountant, Mr Mohammed Iqbal, and Zahoor-ul-Islam from Securities and Exchange Board of India.

Three more programs on preparing Teaching Learning Material (TLM) and Capacity Building Workshop for Librarians and "Contextualising CWSN School Preparedness" module ran alongside this 10-day workshop.


Subject matter specialists were asked to create TLM in the disciplines of English, Urdu, Kashmiri, and Hindi for grades 1 through 8 in the form of flash cards, worksheets, and other pedagogical exercises. The SCERT's Education in Languages division organised the programme.

Experts emphasised the

automation of the libraries at their various schools during a 5-day course for librarians on strengthening their ability. They also discussed the significance of ICT involvement in the library management system. The program was organised by the Library and Documentation division of the SCERT.

In the five-day session for the Inclusive Education division, specialists shed light on the obstacles and difficulties experienced by children with special needs (CWSN) and offered solutions.

In the joint valedictory ceremony, Joint Director SCERT Mohammad Sharif Dehdar thanked the experts and attendees and emphasised the importance of putting the priceless lessons learned into practice because, in his words, without doing so, all such initiatives and programmes are a waste of time, money, and resources.



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Do's ****	Dont's ****
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The prescription must not be dispensed more than once unless the prescriber has stated thereon that it may be dispensed more than once. Name and quantity of medicine supplied, Name and address of the patient, prescription date and name and address of the prescriber be clearly mentioned on the prescription. ✓ All records and registers shall be maintained as per mandate of the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940 & Rules thereunder. Such records should be made available for inspection. ✓ Chemists should install HD CCTV / Computerized billing system in their respective establishments. ✓ The records of Schedule H , H1 and X drugs shall be preserved by the licensee for a period of two years. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Dispense modification if the prescription is incomplete, has alteration(s) or does not bear signatures of the prescriber (Registered Medical Practitioner). ✗ Dispense psychotropic drugs to minors. ✗ Dispense a prescription when you have reason to believe that prescription is not issued by a valid prescriber. ✗ Disclose the personal information of the end user / prescriber.

The department has decided to adopt a zero tolerance approach to counter unregulated sale of HABIT FORMING DRUGS in the larger interest of a drug free society.

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