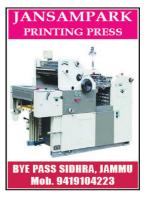


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Centre spends whopping Rs 16000 Cr on J&K's Security Expenditure; Relief, Rehab of KPs since 1989: MHA Report

SRINAGAR, OCT 9

An official report of the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Monday revealed that a whopping amount of RS 16000 Crore has been released by the Centre to Jammu and Kashmir under Security Related Expenditure of (police) and Security bilitation.

the MHA for year 2022- available Central Armed the UT of J&K on a vari-23, a copy of which is Police Forces (CAPFs) as ety of security related crore and Security Relatwith the news agency, and when necessary, has measures. These include ed Expenditure reads that to support been helping to strength- expenditure on carriage



Related Expenditure the Government of UT en the J&K Police. (SRE) Relief and Reha- of J&K in its initiatives,

"The Ministry of Home the Central Govern- Affairs reimburses the UT of J&K under Securi-The annual report of ment has been making expenditure incurred by

supplies, rent of accommodation, honorarium to Special Police Officers (SPOs), Civic Action Programmes, air-lift charges, raising cost of India Reserve Battalions, transport, boarding and lodging, alternate accommodation for security forces etc," the report states. "The total amount reimbursed from 1989 till December 31, 2022 to the ty Related Expenditure (Police) is Rs 10528.72

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Ongoing militancy in UT linked with infiltration of terrorists from LoC, IB: MHA

SRINAGAR, OCT 9

Stating that the ongoing militancy in Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory was linked with the infiltration of terrorists from across Line of Control (LoC) and International border, the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Monday said a multibeen adopted to contain infiltration.

As per the official report of MHA for year 2022-23, UT of Jammu & Kashmir has been affected by terviolence, sponsored and supported from across the border, for about three militancy in the UT of "In 2019, 216 attempts of tion was 141 and in 2020,

pronged approach has Jammu & Kashmir is linked infiltration were recorded

with infiltration of terror- and in 2020, 99 infiltraists from across the border tion bids were registered. both from the Internation- In 2021, 77 infiltration tandem with the UT of al Border as well as the attempts were recorded Line of Control in the UT of J&K," the report read, bids were registered," the rorist and secessionist as per news agency. As report reads, adding that per the MHA report, the the net estimated infiltra- includes strengthening of year 2017 saw 419 infiltration attempts while 328 143 in 2018. decades. "The ongoing were recorded in 2018.

and in 2022, 53 infiltration tion in 2017 was 136, and

"In 2019, the net infiltra-

it was 51. In 2021, the net estimated infiltration was 34 and in 2022, it was 14," the report added.

The report said that in the year 2022, 187 terrorists were killed while 125 terrorist initiated incidents were recorded. "The year 2022 saw 117 encounters and the killing of 32 security forces personnel while 31 civilians were also killed," the report said.

The report said that Government of India in Jammu & Kashmir, has adopted a "multi-pronged approach" to contain cross border infiltration, which the border infrastructure, multi-tiered deployment along the

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Satisfied over construction, other works for establishing 50 new degree colleges in J&K: MHA

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, OCT 9

Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Monday expressed isfactory pace," MHA said. satisfaction over the construction and other works report, the government going on for the establish- had said that it has idenment of 50 new degree tified land for the newly colleges in Jammu and sanctioned 50 colleges in

agency, MHA in its annual modations. report 2022-2023 has said, "Indian Institute of Man- had said that in order agement (IIM) and Indian to achieve the objective Institute of Technology of access and equity, 50 (IIT) are functional in new Government Degree Jammu and the work on Colleges in the uncovered physical infrastructure is areas of Jammu and

"Besides, 50 new degree colleges have been opened and construction work is going on at a sat-

In the previous annual JK which are functioning According to the news out of makeshift accom-

In the report, MHA

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Mercury plummets as J&K parts receive fresh snowfall, rains lash plains

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, OCT 9

The higher reaches of Jammu & Kashmir received a fresh snowfall while rains lashed plains on Monday, bringing down the mercury in the Union Territory. According to the news

agency, Gulmarg, a famous ski-resort, Kupwara in northern district, Banihal area and other places of J&K received the temperature. fresh snowfall.

weather conditions day wet spell from today is a possibility of more throughout the day, the while the main activity intermittent rains in J&K rains lashed plains of will be in the intervening parts and snowfall at Kashmir, bringing down night of Monday-Tuesday.



However, after cloudy erman has predicted two-

Director Meteorological Pertinently, the weath- department (MeT), Sonum Lotus told KNO that there

Decision on Jammu & Kashmir Assembly elections at right time: ECI

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, OCT 9

The Election Commission of India on Monday said that a decision on J&K elections will be taken at the "right time" after taking into account the security situation and other elections which are also due in the Union Territory.

Addressing a news condue in the UT. ference in New Delhi, as Election Commissioner informed the Supreme Rajiv Kumar said that Court that Assembly elecdecision on J&K elections tions in Jammu & Kashmir would be taken at the will be held after Munici-"right time" after taking pal and Panchayat polls. into consideration security situation and other been without an elected



elections which are also

Last month, the Govper news agency, Chief ernment of India had

government since June 19, 2018 after Bharatiya Janta Party withdrew support to Mehbooba Muftiled government, citing "deteriorating security situation" in the erstwhile state. After a year of Central rule, the Parliament enacted The Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, dividing the state into two Union Territories administered by Lieutenant Governors.

After reorganization of Jammu & Kashmir, the Government of India constituted a three-member panel in March 2020 to Jammu & Kashmir has undertake delimitation

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Work on several J&K highways in progress with accelerated pace: MHA

SRINAGAR, OCT 9

Work on several national highways besides Zojila and Z-Morh tunnels is in progress with accelerated pace, besides that construction of Oazigund-Banihal tunnel on National Highway has reduced the travel time, MHA report

23, a copy of which lies 2020-21 also. with the news agency stated that under Prime ity sector and critical for national level in terms of Srinagar Road has been nani-Sudhmahadevroad length constructed, completed, which has



"Connectivity is a prior-reads.

The MHA's Annual and the same rank was reduced the travel time Report for the year 2022- retained by the UT during with traffic plying from both sides every day," it

"Work on upgrada-Minister Gram Sadak all round development of tion of Jammu- Akhnoor-Yojna (PMGSY), J&K the UT of J&K. Qazigund- Poonch road (National achieved 3rd rank at the Banihal tunnel on Jammu- Highway (NH)-144A), Che-

Intake capacity of MBBS courses increased from 500 to 1100 in J&K

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, OCT 9

on upgrading of health institutions in the Union Territory.

news agency, the intake in the region has significantly increased from 500 to 1100 and a total of Rs 881 crore has been invested in

140 health institutions. The Ministry of Home the swift progress in the the 12-14 years category Affairs (MHA) has construction of the All announced an increase India Institute of Medical in the intake capacity of Sciences (AIIMS) in Jammu population receiving the MBBS courses in Jammu & and Awantipora, under-Kashmir from 500 to 1100. lining the government's It also informed that Rs dedication to providing 881 crore has been spent advanced healthcare services.

Additionally, the estab-2022-23, accessed by the underway, the report says.

drive, with 100% coverage to 25.72 lakh for both doses of COVID-19

upgrading and rebuilding vaccines in the age group of 15-17 years and 18 and The report highlights above. Vaccination for was initiated on March 16, 2022, with 93% of this first dose and 85% completing their second dose

by October 31, 2022.

Moreover, J&K has launched Universal Health Coverage, notably the ABlishment of seven new gov- PMJAY-SEHAT Scheme, According to the MHA's ernment medical colleges a comprehensive health Annual Report for the year and 15 nursing colleges is insurance initiative providing coverage up to Rs As per the report, 5 lakh per family on a capacity of MBBS courses Jammu & Kashmir has floater basis to all families achieved remarkable mile- of the UT. The scheme has stones in the vaccination extended health insurance

Lt Governor reviews arrangements ahead of President's visit to J&K



JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, OCTOBER 9

Lieutenant Governor Shri Manoj Sinha today chaired Jammu Kashmir. The Lt The meeting was Governor appraised the

preparations for the convocation of the University of Kashmir to be graced by the Hon'ble President.

He also reviewed the a meeting to review the security arrangements arrangements ahead of and directed for implethe visit of Hon'ble Presi-mentation of a meticulous dent of India, Smt Drau- traffic plan in view of the padi Murmu to the UT of Hon'ble President's visit.

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DGP chairs security review meeting ahead of Prez Murmu's visit to Kashmir

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, OCT 9

Director General of Police (DGP) Dilbag Singh Monday chaired a joint meeting of senior officers of Police, CRPF, Army and Intelligence agencies ident of India's to Srinagar. news agency.

During the meeting, visit including detailed agencies and coordina- ADGP Kashmir Zone



"Deployment of man-

at the Conference Hall, deployment enroute and tion aspects were also dis-Police Control Room Kash- in & around the venues cussed in the said meeting. mir to review the security were deliberated upon, a DGP J&K also took a review arrangements regarding police spokesman said in of the overall security the upcoming visit of Presa a statement issued to the scenario of the Kashmir

security arrangements put power from different Prabhat, ADGP Hqrs/ in place for the President's forces and intelligence Coord PHQ M K Sinha, taq Ahmad & SP

Vijay Kumar, IGP CID Nitish Kumar, IGP Hqrs./ CIV PHQ B S Tuti, DIG CKR Sujit Kumar, SSP Srinagar Rakesh Balwal, AIG CIV PHQ Dr G V Sundeep Chakravarthy, Col.15 Core Prashant Daiya, SSP Security Kashmir Sheikh Faisal Qayoom, SSP PCR Kashmir Showkat Ahmad Shah, SSP SB CID Kashmir Aftab Ahmad, SSP Traffic Srinagar Muzaffar Ahmad Shah, SSP Traffic Rural ADG CRPF J&K Nalin Kashmir R. P. Singh, Joint Director Hqrs SSF Mush-

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Mission Indradhanush: Third round of immunisation begins in J&K

SRINAGAR, OCT 9

commenced in Jammu & cinated. Kashmir on Monday and officials said.

fare, MCH and Immunithey are vaccinated. zation, J&K Dr Tabasum Jabeen told the news on reaching zero-dose

"IMI 5.0 will focus cine (MRCV)."

agency that the Mission children aged between children, only then we Indradhanush 5.0 is a 0-5 years, ensuring that will be able to achieve the vaccination program that every child receives life- target of MR elimination The third round of is aimed to cover the left saving vaccines," she by 2030, Dr Tabasum immunisation under out children as many said, adding, "The initia- said. the Intensified Mission children remain unvaccitive is also intended to be Indradhanush (IMI) 5.0 nated and partially vac- the big leap for achieving immunisation cam-Measles & Rubella elimi-She said that under nation in the country by is expected to continue this programme, all ensuring that every child which ensures effective till the 14th of the month, children and pregnant under 5 years of age has tracking of beneficiaries women will be covered completed the two-dose which includes children Director Family Wel- and we will make sure schedule of Measles and aged 0-5 and pregnant

Once we cover all the CONTINUED ON >> PAGE 4

The officials said the

paign will be supported by the U-Win platform, Rubella Containing Vac- women. They said that comprehensive

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man IMC ITI Udhampur the occasion and assured Arun P. Gupta, Gurmeet every possible help in the Singh, Assistant Direc- implementation of the tor, RDSDE Jammu, Nisha scheme. Representatives Rani, Functional Manager from the Office of General DIC Udhampur and other Manager DIC Udhampur officials of DIC, Repre- also sought the cooperasentatives from Director- tion of the Industry people ate of Skill Development in making the scheme a J&K Nazir Ahmed Moulvi, success by involving the youth of the area in their Establishment represen- establishments and impart tatives & other dignitaries them training as per their present in the programme. need or requirement to set The Superintendent ITI an example for others to gave a detailed account follow. They also exhorted of the Apprenticeship the students to come for-Training Scheme. Super- ward and take the benefit

intendent ITI as Assistant of the Scheme. Fareed Ahmed Sheikh District Udhampur also (Mela In-charge) spoke at assured to extend every length about the Apprentype of help to Indus- ticeship Scheme and tries/Establishments and stressed upon the youth students in the registra- to stay away from the tion, contract generation. menace of drug abuse and contribute towards devel-Assistant Director, RDSDE opment of the Nation by Jammu, Nisha Rani, getting the best skill train-

At the end, Man Mohan

JKAACL hosts 2-Day Seminar on Role of Kashmiri Pandits towards Kashmiri Language and Literature



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JAMMU, OCTOBER 9

The Jammu & Kashmir Literature. Academy of Art, Culture, and Languages (JKAACL) Kashmiri Language and ture of J&K. Literature at JKAACL

The Seminar was inau-Prof Ratan Lal Shant, al Officer, JKAACL. renowned scholar, B.L.

and it is indeed a special dita.

Kashmiri Pandits towards

has organised a 2-Day his address praised the sented their Papers on Seminar on Role of Kash- efforts of JKAACL for pro- the topics Origin and Culmiri Pandits towards moting literature and cul-tural Roots of Kashmiri

premises in Jammu. This address, Dr Ashok Bhan after 1990, Problems of is an initiative taken by stressed upon the need Young Kashmiri Pandit JKAACL for the first time to encourage the new Writers and Contribution to have a discussion on generation of writers to of Cultural Organisations. the literature of Kashmiri write on different aspects This session was presided pandits at different times. of social themes.

Dr. Shahnawaz, Editor gurated in traditional Cum Cultural Officer, Short story session in way with Kashmiri Pandit JKAACL presented Vote of Wanvun and Lighting of thanks. He said that such Engineer Vinod presentlamp by Dr Ashok Bhan, initiatives will be taken in retired Indian Police future also. The inaugural Service officer (J&K- session was conducted by 1976) in the presence of Anil Tickoo, Asstt. Cultur-

Saraf, Retired District & was followed by a paper Session Judge and Bharat reading session in which fabric through their ink over by Prof. Veena Pan-

Dr. Ratan Lal Shant ducted by Dr. Shahnawaz, ciated by the audience. presented the keynote Editor Cum cultural Offi-

address on the Role of cer, JKAACL.

In the Second Ses-Kashmiri Language and sion, the writers Prof. B. L. Zutshi, R. L. Jowhar, R. After this Guest of L. Talash, A.K. Naaz and honour B.L. Saraf in Wali Mohd Aseer pre-Pandit in Kashmir, Prob-In his presidential lems of Kashmiri Script over by Prof. B.L. Zutshi.

It was followed by a which Riko Koul and ed their stories.

At the conclusion of the event Light music programme was presented by the renowned art-The inaugural session ists of Jammu and Kashmir Ravi Bhan, Rajesh Khar, Deepali Wattal and Singh, Secretary JKAACL. Dr. Sohan Lal, Prof. Veena NainaSaproo. The audi-At the outset, the Pandita, B.N. Betab, Dolly ence were left spellbound Secretary JKAACL gave Tickoo Arrwal and Mohan by their melodious prea heartfelt cordial wel- Krishan Koul presented sentations. The Singers come to everyone. While their papers on Patri- were equally supported addressing the audience, otic Poetry of Dina Nath by Vijay Anand on Tabla, he expressed that poets Nadim, Lal Ded as Beacon Rakesh Jasotra on Flute, are the face of society, of Knowledge and Pain of Sanjay Pashi on Guitar they represent the inner Migration in Literature. and Vicky Gill on Synth. thoughts of the social The session was presided The attraction of the program was the veegVachun by Dazy Bazaz and her The session was con- group which was appre-

Sankap Saptah culminates in Block Budhal New; Amrit Kalash Yatra also hosted

RAJOURI, OCTOBER 9

In a transformative and commendable initiative, the Budhal New Block in Rajouri district today concluded its week-long Sankalp Saptah program, closely aligned with the Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP). This initiative, which commenced with unwavering commitment these vital issues. to enhance governance at

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tion drives, screenings within the community. for non-communicable

an official inauguration diseases (NCDs), anaemia "Krishi Mahotsav" took by Prime Minister Naren- tests, and tuberculosis center stage, promoting dra Modi at Bharat Man- awareness campaigns. The advancements in agri-

Department hosted the tices. Under the astute guid- "Suposhit Pariwar Poshan Vikas Kundal, the Sankalp ties. It included the growth cation. The government in aspirational blocks. Saptah event in Budhal monitoring of children sought to enhance the array of impactful activi- pregnant women. Addi- mary and middle schools community spirit and aimed to touch upon varicelebrated at anganwadi ress and development. ous facets of development centers, emphasizing the

The event's first day, alp Saptah was devoted tangible results of commuaptly named "Sam- to "Swatchta Ek Sankalp," nity engagement and govoffered crucial health- cleanliness drives and ini- the grassroots level. care services, including tiatives to improve sanita-

dapam, ITPO, New Delhi, community also engaged culture. Given the sigstands as a testament to in health-focused rallies nificance of agriculture the Indian government's to raise awareness about in many rural areas, this event aimed to empower On the second day, the farmers with knowledge the grassroots level, there- Integrated Child Devel- and resources to improve by directly benefiting its opment Services (ICDS) their agricultural prac-

The sixth day, "Smriand well-being, provid- importance of healthy dhi Diwas," celebrated the The third day of Sank- ghars. This highlighted the

of the community and gov-

Karan Singh, Industry/

Apprenticeship Advisor

Joint Director RDSDE J&K,

draws inspiration from to rural development. the aspirations and inputs shivirs at the village and nation. It embodies the relentless commitment of the government to grassroots development and governance enhancement. Programme (ABP), initi-

tive change in the region.

Samavesh Samaroh." This Amrit Kalash Yatra was the closing ceremony marked gathering of soil and rice the successful completion from different panchayats of the week-long program, within the Budhal New showcasing the collective Block. Soil collected from efforts and achievements these diverse panchayats was brought to the Block HQ, signifying the conver-The Sankalp Saptah gence of communities and is a vital initiative that their shared commitment

This event highlighted gathered during chintan the profound importance of community participablock levels across the tion and collaboration in the pursuit of rural development goals. The Amrit Kalash Yatra not only brought people together but also served as a pow-The Aspirational Blocks erful reminder that progress and prosperity can ated by the Prime Minister, be achieved when comserves as the guiding force munities work hand in "Shiksha Ek Sankalp" on behind these efforts, with hand towards a common ance and supervision of Mela," an event dedicated the fifth day concentrated a visionary goal to directly vision. Budhal New Block's Deputy Commissioner to nutrition-related activi- on the vital aspect of edu- impact the lives of citizens unwavering commitment to "Meri Maati Mera Desh" Furthermore, in a was vividly demonstrated New Block witnessed an and weight assessment of quality of education in pri-remarkable display of during this inspiring event.

In essence, these inities organized by different tionally, cultural ceremo-across the block Khawas, commitment to rural tiatives underscore the government departments. nies such as "Godh Bharai" recognizing that education development, the Budhal power of community This comprehensive event and "Annaprasan" were is a cornerstone of prog- New Block recently hosted engagement and governthe Amrit Kalash Yatra, a ment efforts working significant event under the hand-in-hand to bring "Meri Maati Mera Desh" progress, development, ing a holistic approach to nutrition from a young progress and development initiative. This event sym- and a better quality of achieved at Panchayat bolized unity and collec- life to every corner of tive effort in driving posi- the nation. The successful culmination of Sank-The Block Budhal New alp Saptah and the Amrit pooran e-Swasthaya," focusing on cleanliness ernment initiatives work- became the focal point for Kalash Yatra exemplify was orchestrated by the activities at the gram pan- ing in harmony to bring this inspiring event, bring- the dedication of the govhealth department. It chayat level. This included about positive change at ing together representa- ernment and its resolute tives from various depart- commitment to creating a Finally, the event ments, PRI members, and brighter future for all citi-ANC clinics, immunization and hygiene practices reached its culminathe local community. One zens, particularly in aspition on the seventh day of the most symbolic and rational blocks like Budhal The following day, with the "Sankalp Saptah touching aspects of the New in Rajouri district.

Government Polytechnic Jammu organises Chess Tournament



JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, OCTOBER 9

ture Assistantship, Travel Department. & Tourism, Instrumenta-

The Sports Wing of Gov- Suparth Sharma of Auto- such events. ernment Polytechnic mobile Engineering Hall of the Institute today. Tourism Department. In Toshi Devi PET. The Com-

In the Semi finals, of all the HOD's, Sports Harshit Sachdev of Elec- Secretary for the coordi trical Engineering beat nated effort to organize

The Tournament was Jammu organised an Inter department and Chinmay organized by Amit Kumar Department "Chess Tour- Sharma outplayed Kash- Sharma Sports Secretary, nament "in the Conference ish Jasrotia of Travel & Chamel Singh PEM and Forty students from the finals, Chinmay of the mittee for the tournament eight departments of Architecture Department included Er. Manjeet Singh Automobile Engineering, remained victorious beat- HOD Electrical, Er. Rishabh Mechanical Engineering, ing Harshit Sachder of Gupta Lecturer Mechanical Computer Engg, Architec- the Electrical Engineering Engg and Rakesh Khullar Instructor. Er. Raj Kumar, The Principal applaud- HOD Mechanical Engg, Er. tion & Control, Civil Engi- ed all the participants for Raj Shekhar HoD Automoneering and Electrical taking part in the chess bile Engg, Er. Sukhdeep Engineering Department tournament. He said stu- Singh HOD Civil Engineerparticipated in the Inter dent player present in ing, Er. Jasdeep Kaur HOD -Department Tournament the occasion that "Chess Instrumentation & Concompetition in the first is about making strong trol, Er. Sanjay Koul HOD stage and the final stage moves & sticking to them. Computer Engineering, tournament was held In life too, if we plan or Er. Rani Devi HOD IT, Er. today. The Principal, Er. do something, we need to Vicky Sharma Demonstra-Arun Bangotra was Chief make sure to stand on our tor Electrical Engg, Er. Guest at the felicitation ground and fight for what Akash Dusgotra Workshop function of Inter Depart- we think is better for us". Instructors were present ment Chess Tournament. He appreciated the efforts on the occasion.

Sankalp Saptah culminates in Block Khawas Aligning with Aspirational Blocks Programme

JI NEWS SERVICE RAJOURI, OCTOBER 9

The week-long Sankalp Saptah, a transformative program closely aligned with the Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP), concluded today in the aspirational block of Khawas, Rajouri

This remarkable initiative, officially inaugurated by the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, at Bharat Mandapam, ITPO, New Khawas witnessed an array the local citizens.

Sankalp Saptah event in and rallies.



Delhi, has been a testament of impactful activities orgato the commitment of the nized by different departgovernment to enhance gov-ments. It commenced with Mela," which featured nutriernance at the block level, "Sampooran e Swasthaya" tion-related activities such thereby directly benefiting by the health department as growth monitoring of on the first day, offering vital children and weight assess-Under the overall guid- services like ANC clinics, ment of pregnant women, ance and supervision of immunization drives, NCD along with cultural ceremothe Deputy Commissioner screenings, anaemia tests, nies like "Godh Brai" and chintan shivirs at the vil- and development to every Rajouri, Vikas Kundal, the TB awareness campaigns, "Annaprasan" at anganwadi

On the second day, the ICDS Department hosted the "Suposhit Pariwar Poshan

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This successful culmina-The sixth day observed as tion of Sankalp Saptah in "Smridhi Diwas," celebrated Khawas, Rajouri district, progress and development exemplifies the power of at Panchayat Ghars. The community engagement and event reached its culmina- government initiatives worktion today with the "Sankalp ing hand-in-hand to create Saptah Samavesh Samaroh." positive change at the grass-The Sankalp Saptah is a roots level. It is a testament crucial initiative that stems to the dedication of the govfrom the aspirations and ernment and its unwavering inputs gathered during resolve to bring progress

State Taxes Department mourns death of colleague

JAMMU, OCTOBER 9

The staff of State Taxes Department has expressed heartfelt condolence on the sad and untimely demise of their colleague Vijay Kumar, Senior Assistant State Taxes Department. The staff prayed for grant of everlasting peace to the departed soul and courage to the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss



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ing, the interview of eratives Doda, Principal

the candidates who had Polytechnic College Doda,

applied for financial assis- Superintendent ITI Doda,

tance under JKREGP was District Manager KVIB,

conducted to assess the District officer NULM/

applicants' calibre and to NRLM, District Manager

ensure the units created SC/ST/OBC Corporation.

through the financial assis- PO DUDA, representatives

tance provide livelihood to of Handloom, Handicrafts

Singh, Assistant Direc- implementation of the tor, RDSDE Jammu, Nisha scheme. Representatives Rani, Functional Manager from the Office of General DIC Udhampur and other Manager DIC Udhampur officials of DIC, Repre- also sought the cooperasentatives from Director- tion of the Industry people ate of Skill Development in making the scheme a J&K Nazir Ahmed Moulvi, success by involving the youth of the area in their Establishment represen- establishments and impart tatives & other dignitaries them training as per their present in the programme. need or requirement to set The Superintendent ITI an example for others to gave a detailed account follow. They also exhorted of the Apprenticeship the students to come for-

Fareed Ahmed Sheikh contribute towards devel-

At the end, Man Mohan

dinator JK Bank, DIO

and other concerned offi-

District Panel approves 16 Rent cases at Doda



JI NEWS SERVICE

The District Rent Assesswhich met here today under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Vishesh Mahajan, intending departments District Officer HP&M, approved 16 rent cases.

were submitted before issued by Judicial/ Execu- and other concerned offithe committee. Five tive Magistrates only. cases were deferred

due to some deficiencies of required documents and absence of competent officers in the meeting. Revenue Officers were instructed to attach revenue extracts with the title verification of each property to be assessed for the rent. Intending departments were asked to present required documents before the committee on the next date, in respect of those cases deferred today.

The rent cases which were discussed in the committee and approved pertained to Police, HP&M, Fire and Emergency Services, Social Welfare, Health, Handloom, Indian Army, Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, GMC Doda, DUDA and ISM (AYUSH).

cussed the fixation of Suresh Kumar, ACR Doda rent of various structures Sanjeev Kumar, SP Headment Committee (RAC), in which various govern-quarter Shakeel Batt, ment offices are function- SE PWD R.P Gupta, CMO ing across the district.

to submit the case with CAO, DSWO, ADMO ISM, A total of 21 cases the rent agreement duly CAHO Doda, PO DUDA

The meeting was The Committee dis- attended by CPO Doda Doda Dr Hamid Zargar, The chairman asked AD Planning GMC Doda,

DRM-FZR, Date: 09.10.2023

Sr.DEN-IV-ZR acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites open tenders (E-Tenders) against below titled tenders and available on www.ireps.gov.in with closing date- 30.10.2023 up to 15:00 Hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tenders, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this ender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through only paymen modes available on www.ireps.gov.in portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft Banker Cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed. For more information logon to www.ireps.gov.in

NORTHERN RAILWAY

	Tender Type	Tendering Section		Bidding System						
	Open	Works		Single Bid System						
Dat	e of Uploading Tenders	Bid Starting Date		Bid Closing Date/Time						
	06.10.2023, 06.10.2023	16.10.2023, 17.10.2023		30.10.2023/ 15:00 Hrs. 31.10.2023/ 15:00 Hrs.						
S. No.	Tender No.	Details of Tender								
1.	243-2023-24-BDGM- DRM-FZR	Supply of 4890 cum Ballast at Qazigund Railway station on BAHL -BRML section under ADEN/BDGM.								
	Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money	Validity	of Offer	Period of Completion					
	1,18,74,759.79/-	2,09,400/-	60 E	ays	06 Months					
	Similar Nature of work:- " Supply of machine crushed stone ballast for railway/highway/roads.".									
2.	244-2023-24-BDGM- DRM-FZR	Cess repairs on various bridge approaches on BRML section under ADEN/BDGM.								
	Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money	Validity	Validity of Offer Period of Co						
	41,03,860.50/-	82,100/-	60 E	ays (06 Months					
	Similar Nature of work:-"Nil".									
3.	257-2023-24-UHP- DRM-FZR	Miscellaneous P.way zone works for track maintenan in the section of SSE/P.way/UHP under ADEN/UHP.								
	Advertised Value (Rs.)	Earnest Money Validity		of Offer	Period of Completion					
	45,00,290.54/-	9,0000/-	60 E	ays	08 Months					
	Similar Nature of work:- "Nil ".									

Note, 1. Before bidding, bidders to check for any corrigendum issued against tender SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

DC reviews saturation of Self-Employment schemes in Doda district

assistance at the earliest.

JI NEWS SERVICE DODA, OCTOBER 9

To provide gainful employment to the desiring unemployed youth of the district, the Central and UT government has launched a variety of self-employment schemes. Through these schemes, in the district to improve get their chosen financial training, financial assis- rural economic activities tance, and handholding with special focus to pro- The stakeholder departare provided to interest-vide livelihood opportuniments were further asked ed entrepreneurs by the ty to women folk in their to run an extensive adverintending departments to vicinity. The DC directed tisement in the media the beneficiary. enable them to establish a the concerned to hold about their schemes and viable venture.

In this regard, Deputy employment genera-Commissioner Doda tion status on the first Vishesh Mahajan con- Monday of each month. vened a meeting of the stakeholder departments till September this year, and reviewed their performance.

ing the saturation of the 941 cases have been disstakeholders to strive for ment for 2492 youth, creating Agro and Tour- under PMEGP, JKREGP, ism Cooperatives across MUMKIN, TEJASWINI, the district to boost the NMDFC, NM-EDU, direct local economy while reju-finance scheme, ISDS, venating traditional cus- HADP, Aqua Culture toms and business prac- Development Plan, and tices. He also impressed other like schemes. upon the Handloom and Handicrafts departments Employment and LDM to revive the local Pattu were asked to coordinate making (Handmade wool- and make sure that all

GDC Bhaderwah celebrates

Department of Zoology able goals. Dr.Mushtaq

Government PG College Ahmed Head Dept. of

Bhaderwah, in collabora- Persian stressed upon

tion with Department of the students to create

Botany, today organised awareness at their native

symposium competition places regarding the

and expert lecture as part conservation of wildlife.

tion. The event was held by Prof. Yaseen Sarwal

under the patronship HOD Chemistry, Prof.

of the College principal Pinky Kotwal Sr. Asstt.

Dr. Kuldeep K Sharma Prof. Physics and Isha

and guidance of Dr. Slathia Dept.of Zoology

Wildlife Week 2023

JI NEWS SERVICE

BHADERWAH, OCTOBER 9

of Wildlife week celebra-

Ajaz Ahmed Wani, Head

with welcome address by

Dr. Sandeep Kotwal.

ment.

tively.

the review meeting on

It was informed that

1631 cases have been sanctioned out of 2176 The DC, while review- sponsored cases, and asked the bursed, creating employ-

The Deputy Director len cloth) and other crafts the desiring applicants

har Head Dept. of Eco-

nomics highlighted the

importance of sustain-

The event was judged

The other faculty

CANCELLATION / DIVERSION AND REGULATION OF TRAINS

The meeting was cials.

This is notified for the information of all concerned that Northern Railway will undertake the Non-Interlocking work of Jaunpur - Jaunpur City Chord Line. The work will be undertaken on Jaunpur, Zafarabad Jn. and Jaunpur City Stations. As a result three sections i.e. Utraitia Jn. - Sultanpur Jn. - Zafarabad Jn. - Varanasi Jn. & Barabanki Jn. Ayodhya Cantt. - Zafarabad Jn. - Varanasi Jn. and Zafarabad Jn. - Mariahu - Janghai Jn. over Lucknow Division will be affected. To execute this Non-Interlocking work safety, suitable traffic blocks will be taken from 17.10.2023 to 28.10.2023 and consequently

CANCELLATION OF TRAINS								
Train No. & Train Name	Date(s) of Cancellation (from originating station)							
04264 Sultanpur Jn Varanasi Jn. Unreserved/Mail/Express Spl.	17.10.2023 to 28.10.2023							
04263 Varanasi Jn Sultanpur Jn. Unreserved/Mail/Express Spl.	17.10.2023 to 28.10.2023							
04383 Prayagraj Sangam - Jaunpur Jn. Express Special	17.10.2023 to 28.10.2023							
14202 Rae Bareli Jn Jaunpur Jn. Express	17.10.2023 to 28.10.2023							
04246 Jaunpur Jn Prayagraj Sangam Express Special	17.10.2023 to 28.10.2023							
14201 Jaunpur Jn Rae Bareli Jn. Express	17.10.2023 to 28.10.2023							
04384 Jaunpur Jn Prayagraj Sangam Express Special	17.10.2023 to 28.10.2023							
04245 Prayagraj Sangam - Jaunpur Jn. Express Special	17.10.2023 to 28.10.2023							
14214 Gonda Jn Varanasi Jn. Intercity	17.10.2023 to 29.10.2023							
14213 Varanasi Jn Gonda Jn. Intercity	16.10.2023 to 28.10.2023							
DIVERSION OF TRAINS								

Department of Zoology. members present in the The programme began programme were Prof. Shahbaz Ahmed, Prof. Ankush Kumar, Dr. Dr Wani signified the Sanjay Kumar, Dr Sanimportance of celebra- geeta Devi, besides Rifat tion of this week and and Abrar representastressed upon the stu-tives of Wildlife Departdent community to act as ment of Chenab division ambassadors to dissemi- Kishtwar. The Wildlife nate the message at their week is celebrated every respective level regarding year from 2nd of Oct to the role of these animals 8th of October to create for sustainable develop- awareness regarding the importance of conser-Five students partici- vation of wild life. The pated in symposium com- event was sponsored petition. Amjad Latief of by Department of Wild-5th sem, Zubair Ahmed life protection, Chenab of 5th sem and Aisha of Division Kishtwar. The 3rd sem were adjudged programme was coor-1st, 2nd and 3rd respec- dinated by Dr. Neelam Saba Assistant Professor Prof. Surinder Pari- Zoology.

DUE TO NON-INTERLOCKING WORK

during this period the Train Handling Plan will be as under:-

Train No. & Train Na		Diverted (Date(s) (from originating station)				
14854 Jodhpur Jn Varanas Marudhar Express	Lucknow - Pratapgarh Jn Varanasi Jn.		16.10,19.10, 21.10, 23.10 & 26.10.2023				
19167 Ahmedabad Jn Varanasi City Sabarmati Exp	know - Pratapgarh Jr anasi Jn.	, 17.10, 19.10, 21.10, , 24.10 & 26.10.2023					
18104 Amritsar Jn Tatanag Jalinwalabag Express	Lucknow - Pratapga Varanasi Jn.	18.10, 20.10, 25.10 & 27.10.2023					
14018 Anand Vihar Terminal Jn. Sadbhavna Express	Lucknow - Pratapga Varanasi Jn.	18.10 & 25.10.2023					
13238 Kota Jn Patna Jn. E	Lucknow - Pratapga Varanasi Jn.	19.10, 20.10, 22.10, 26.10 & 27.10.2023					
18103 Tatanagar Jn Amrits Jalianwalabag Express	Varanasi Jn Prata Lucknow	16.10,18.10, 23.10 & 25.10.2023					
19305 Dr. Ambedkar Nagar - Kamakhya Jn. Express		Varanasi Jn Prat Lucknow	19.10.2023				
19313 Indore Jn Patna Jn.	Express	Varanasi Jn Prat Lucknow	Varanasi Jn Pratapgarh Jn Lucknow				
19321 Indore Jn Patna Jn.	Varanasi Jn Prat Lucknow	21.10.2023					
15668 Kamakhya Jn Gand Jn. Express	Varanasi Jn Prat Lucknow	18.10 & 25.10.2023					
15636 Guwahati - Okha Dwa	Varanasi Jn Prat Lucknow	16.10 & 23.10.2023					
14007 Raxaul Jn Anand Vi Terminal Sadbhavana Expre	Varanasi Jn Prat Lucknow	18.10 & 20.10.2023					
14015 Raxaul Jn Anand Vi Terminal Sadbhavana Expre	Varanasi Jn Prat Lucknow	17.10.2023					
14017 Raxaul Jn Anand Vi Terminal Sadbhavana Expre	Varanasi Jn Prat Lucknow Jn.	19.10 & 26.10.2023					
13009 Howrah Jn Yog Nagari Varanasi Jn Janghai Jn Phaphamau Jn 16.10.23 to Rishikesh Doon Express Unchahar Jn Raebareli Jn Lucknow 27.10.2023							
12238 Jammu Tawi - Varana Begumpura Express	Lucknow - Sultanpu Pratapgarh Jn Va	16.10, 17.10, 18.10, 19.10 & 27.10.2023					
	- Sultanpur Jn 16.10, 17.10, h Jn Varanasi Jn. 23.10, 24.10		, 19.10, 20.10, 22.10, , 26.10 & 27.10.2023				
12328 Dehradun - Howrah Ji Upashana Express	Lucknow - Sultanpur Jn Pratapgarh Jn Varanasi Jn.		18.10, 21.10 & 25.10.2023				
22356 Chandigarh - Patliputr Express	Lucknow - Sultanpur Jn Pratapgarh Jn Varanasi Jn.		16.10, 19.10, 23.10 & 26.10.2023				
		Sultanpur Jn Jn Varanasi Jn.	18.10, 21.10, & 25.10.2023	18.10, 21.10, 23.10, & 25.10.2023			
11059 Lokmanya Tilak (T) - Chhapra Jn. Chhapra Exp.		nau Jn Janghai Jn Varanasi anasi City - Aunrihar Jn.		17.10, 19.10, 21.10, 24.10 & 26.10.2023			

DIVERSION OF TRAINS Date(s) Train No. & Train Name Diverted (Via) (from originating station) 11055 Lokmanya Tilak (T)-Phaphamau Jn. - Janghai Jn. - Varanasi 16.10, 18.10, 20.10, 22.10, Gorakhpur Godan Exp. Jn. - Varanasi City - Aunrihar Jn. 23.10, 25.10 & 27.10.2023 19.10, 21.10, 23.10, 11060 Chhapra Jn. -Aunrihar Jn. - Varanasi City - Varanas 26.10 & 28.10.2023 Lokmanya Tilak (T) Exp. Jn. - Janghai Jn. - Phaphamau Jn. 17.10, 18.10, 20.10, 22.10, 11056 Gorakhpur- Lokmanya Aunrihar Jn. - Varanasi City - Varanasi 24.10, 25.10 & 27.10.2023 Tilak (T) Godan Exp. Jn. - Janghai Jn. - Phaphamau Jn. 20.10.23 & 14611 Ghazipur City - Shri Mata Jaunpur Jn. - Ayodhya Cantt. Vaishno Devi Express Barabanki Jn. - Lucknow 27.10.2023 Jeonathpur - Varanasi Jn. -19045 Surat - Chhapra 16.10, 18.10, 19.10, 20.10, 22.10, Varanasi City - Mau Jn. Jn. Tapti Ganga Exp. Jeonathpur - Varanasi Jn. 09065 Surat - Chhapra Jn. Special 16.10 & 23.10.2023 Clone Train Varanasi City - Aunrihar Jn. Aunrihar Jn. - Varanasi City -09066 Chhapra Jn. - Surat Special 18.10 & 25.10.2023 Clone Train Varanasi Jn. - Jeonathpur 00901 Surat - Naraynpur Anant Jeonathpur - Varanasi Jn. -20.10 & 27.10.2023 Varanasi City - Aunrihar Jn. Parcel Special 00902 Naraynpur Anant - Surat Aunrihar Jn. - Varanasi City -22 10 2023 Parcel Special Varanasi Jn. - Jeonathpur Phaphamau Jn. - Pratap Garh Jn. 22613 Ramanathapuram - Ayodhya 16.10 & 23.10.2023 Cantt. Shraddhasethu Superfast Sultanpur Jn. - Ayodhya Cantt. Avodhva Cantt. - Sultanpur Jn.-22614 Ayodhya Cantt. -18.10 & 25.10.2023 Ramanathapuram Shraddhasethu Suj Pratapgarh Jn.- Phaphamau Jn. 22104 Ayodhya Cantt. - Lokmanya Ayodhya Cantt. - Sultanpur Jn.-17.10 & 24.10.2023 Tilak (T) Superfast Express Pratapgarh Jn.- Phaphamau Jn. 22103 Lokmanya Tilak (T) - Ayodhya Phaphamau Jn.-Pratapgarh Jn. 16.10 & 23.10.2023 Cantt. Superfast Express Suntanpur Jn.- Ayodhya Cantt. 20941 Bandra Terminus - Ghazipur Phaphamau Jn. - Janghai Jn. -20.10, 22.10 & City Express Varanasi Jn. - Varanasi City 27.10.2023 22434 Anand Vihar Terminal -Phaphamau Jn.-Janghai Jn. -16.10, 20.10, 23.10 Varanasi Jn. - Varanasi City & 27.10.2023 Ghazipur City Express Varanasi City - Varanasi Jn. -17.10, 21.10, 24.10 22433 Ghazipur City - Anand Vihar Janghai Jn. - Phaphamau Jn. & 28.10.2023 Terminal Express 17.10, 22.10 20942 Ghazipur City - Bandra Varanasi City - Varanasi Jn. -Terminus Express Janghai Jn. - Phaphamau Jn. & 24.10.2023 04056 Anand Vihar Terminal - Ballia Phaphamau Jn.-Janghai Jn. -18.10 & 25.10.2023 **Express Clone Special** Varanasi Jn. - Varanasi City 04055 Ballia - Anand Vihar Terminal Varanasi City - Varanasi Jn. -19.10 & 26.10.2023 Express Clone Special Janghai Jn. - Phaphamau Jn.

REGULATION OF TRAINS

Train No. 13414 Delhi Jn. - Malda Town Farkka Express will be regulated by 30 minutes on 16.10.2023, 18.10.2023, 21.10.2023, 23.10.2023, 25.10.2023 & 28.10.2023 Enroute. Train No. 13483 Malda Town - Delhi Jn. Farkka Express will be regulated by 70 minutes on

17.10.2023, 18.10.2023, 20.10.2023, 22.10.2023, 24.10.2023, 25.10.2023 & 27.10.2023 Enroute. Train No. 13413 Malda Town - Delhi Jn. Farkka Express will be regulated by 70 minutes on

Train No. 14007 Raxaul Jn. - Anand Vihar Terminal Sadbhavana Express will be regulated by

16.10.2023,19.10.2023, 21.10.2023, 23.10.2023 & 26.10.2023 Enroute.

Train No. 14015 Raxaul Jn. - Anand Vihar Terminal Sadbhavana Express will be regulated by 70 minutes on 22.10.2023 & 24.10.2023 Enroute.

Train No. 19305 Dr. Ambedkar Nagar - Kamakhya Jn. Express will be regulated by 120 minutes on 26.10.2023 Enroute.

Train No. 19313 Indore Jn. - Patna Jn. Express will be regulated by 120 minutes on 23.10.2023 & 25.10.2023 Enroute.

Train No. 12238 Jammu Tawi - Varanasi Jn. Begumpura Express will be regulated by 30

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SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

JINDRAH IMAGES JAMMU, OCTOBER 10, 2023 TUESDAY

Fear factor, a reason behind delay in J&K elections: Omar Abdullah

Election Commission taking decisions in accordance to the BJP; defeat to BJP in LAHDC Kargil polls result of J&K's bifurcation'

SRINAGAR, OCT 9

Citing 'fear factor' as the reason behind delay in assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir, National Conference vice president and former Chief Minister Omar Abdullah Monday sought answers from the Election Commission of India "for allegedly depriving people

of democratic rights" accordance to the BJP".

"I have nothing person- mir," he asked. al with BJP. I have com-Jammu and Kashmir after I want to know what fac- a large number of tour- of the compulsion of formtors they are looking at? ists coming to Kashmir. ing government at the There is only one factor The election commission that is fear factor," he said. earlier said that a vacuum

DC-Kargil polls. "Earlier they (BJP) would hide behind Raj Bhavan now it is Election LAHDC- Kargil polls. Commission. If there is

gain a majority in the LAH-



post-August 2019. They especially after failing to left to fill the vacuum are."

Omar said they have state. no hopes of elections in cially after the results of

anything else other than not restored then political results were less about

while addressing a press to hear. Is internal secu- other than to come on to conference in Srinagar, rity not robust? You can't streets. The Supreme Omar blamed the Elec- deprive the people of Court recently told the tion Commission of India their democratic rights of government to hold Panfor "taking decisions in having an elected govern- chayat and Urban Local ment in Jammu and Kash- Bodies elections. It seems they have now no courage Omar said: "They (gov- left to hold these elections. plaints with ECI stated ernment) are claiming that If it was up to them, the it will hold elections in the situation has changed BJP would even delayed parliament elections but considering all the factors. also release figures about they couldn't do it because

center," he said. Omar claimed the BJP's Omar said that a "fear" needs to be filled. We want defeat in the LAHDCis prevailing within BJP, to know what the factors Kargil polls result of bifurcation of the erstwhile

> "The results are proof East or Jammu and Kash-Jammu and Kashmir espe- that the bifurcation hit the mir, innocent people people of Ladakh equally as it hit the people of "If democratic rights are Jammu and Kashmir. The said. KNO

development but more about the bifurcation of the erstwhile state. It is true that people of Ladakh distributed sweets earlier but now their social act visits are protesting," he said, adding that "Now the BJP will cover defeat by claiming that Kargil is a Muslim majority district. Even Leh is also a Muslim majority district despite the fact a good population of Buddhists lives there. Our Buddhists candidate from Padam emerged victorious."

Regarding forming an alliance with Congress during elections, Omar said that India Alliance has not taken any decision of seat sharing yet.

"No talks about seat sharing yet by the India Alliance. We are ready for the discussions," he said.

On the Palestine and Israel war, he termed it 'unfortunate' given heavy loss of lives.

"It is unfortunate that deaths are happening from both sides. Violence whether it is in the Middle suffer. We can hope and pray for normalcy," he

KU Prof figures in Stanford University's world top 2% scientist ranking for fourth successive year

GANDERBAL, OCT 9

Dr Shabir Ahmad Parah, acknowledgement high- global stage," Dr Shabir has established strong Senior Assistant Profes- lights his outstanding said. sor at the Department of research contributions Electronics and Instru- in Multimedia Security mentation Technology, and Biomedical Image University of Kashmir, Processing. has achieved the rare consecutive year.

completed his education ment to my mentor Late (M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D.) at Prof. G. Mohiuddin Bhat, the University of Kash- my family, my research mir. Stanford University's scholars, co-authors, edited three books on and American University Scientist ranking for the colleagues, and collaboyear 2023, a comprehen- rators for helping me (Springer-Nature), Artisive database curated by achieve this feat for the ficial Intelligence for research achievements, John Ioanniqdis of the fourth consecutive year. Innovative Healthcare Dr Parah has been hon-University of Stanford, This remarkable jour-California, USA, was ney of global recognition Nature), and Intelligent ference awards, includpublished on October began in 2020 when I Multimedia Signal Pro- ing three Best Techni-04, 2023, by Elsevier. was the sole representa- cessing for Smart Eco- cal Paper Awards: one The ranking evaluates the tive from Kashmir Uniglobal impact of top sci-versity." entists' work worldwide based on a composite group has grown each various books published Algorithmica Award C-Score.

of Networking and Tele- have joined this presticommunications, par- gious list, he said. ticularly in the sub-field

year, and this year, ten by renowned publishers at ICIIP-Shimla (2017), Dr Shabir has been more colleagues from including Elsevier and Best Paper Award in the recognised in the Field the University of Kashmir Springer.

mation and Communica- enhance the visibility mentored over 30 M.Phil tion Technologies. This of our university on the and M.Tech Theses. He

portfolio of over 185 research papers pub- Sungkyunkwan Universilished in internationally Talking to the news reputed Journals and distinction of being fea- agency, Dr Shabir said, "I Conferences, Dr Parah's tured in Stanford Univer- am thankful to Almighty work has significantly sity's esteemed list of top Allah for this achieve- influenced the field. He two percent scientists in ment. The main challenge has contributed to highthe world for the fourth after achieving excellence impact Journals such in a field is to maintain it as IEEE Transactions, Originally from Zaz- over a period of time. I IEEE Journals, and pubna-Ganderbal, Dr Parah dedicate this achieve- lications from esteemed Universitat Politécnica publishers like Elsevier, Springer, and Wiley.

Multimedia Security Informatics (Springersystems (Springer). He at ICAECC-Bangalore has also authored more (2014), two at INDICON-Alhamdulillah, our than 30 book chapters in New Delhi (2015), Best

vised ten doctoral stu- (2022), and Conference "I am confident that dents, guiding them to Researcher Award at

Image Processing, Infor- inspire many more and Electronics, and has research collaborations With a remarkable with esteemed institutions globally, including ty (SKKU), South Korea, Sejong University, South Korea, University of Bradford, UK, University of Technology Sydney, Australia, Coventry University, UK, Institute of Teleinformatics Engineering Federal Fortaleza, Brazil, de Valencia, Valencia, Spain, University of New Furthermore, he has South Wales, Australia,

In addition to his track of Image Security Dr Shabir has super- at IEEE-IBSSC-Mumbai of Artificial Intelligence & as a collective, we can their Ph.D. degrees in IETE-ICECMA-2022. KNO

FROM THE FRONT PAGE...

Centre spends whopping...

(Relief and Rehabilitation) [SRE- (R&R)] is 5348.68

The MHA report further stated that during the current financial year i.e. 2022-23, a sum of Rs 308.98 crore has been reimbursed to J&K Government under SRE (P) and Rs 198.62 crore has been reimbursed to J&K Government under SRE (Relief and Rehabilitation) till

23 (till December 31, 2022), a sum of Rs 2.51 crore has revised and notified on 14.08.2022. The members of been released under Security Related Expenditure the Village Defence Group are designated as Village (Security Environment) Scheme.

cy" in J&K, the Government of J&K has to incur more Defence Group have been constituted," the report said. expenditure for maintaining peace and tranquillity. It added that a financial assistance of Rs 5.5 lakh per "For this purpose, a separate Security Related Expenditure (SRE) scheme in J&K was introduced in 1989-90. for 5,764 families of West Pakistan Refugees (WPRs) It provides for 90% and 100% reimbursement of expen- who migrated from several areas of West Pakistan in the Gram Panchayat buildings have been provided drinking for taking all necessary measures while keeping in mind diture respectively under: SRE (Police) for supporting aftermath of the partition and settled in different parts water connections." the logistical requirements of the police force of J&K of Jammu region. Since inception of the scheme in the J&K and (b) SRE Relief & Rehabilitation for supporting bursed to 1035 beneficiaries so far, the report said. KNO crore. "100% door to door collection has been achieved security arrangements put in place in connection with the relief and rehabilitation of the Kashmiri migrants who have been uprooted from the valley during the militancy period besides other relief rehabilitation measures. KNO

Ongoing militancy...

International Border / Line of Control, and near the ever changing infiltration routes, construction/ maintenance of border fencing, construction of culverts/ bridges on nallahs, improved technology, weapons and equipment for Security Forces, improved intelligence in 54 colleges," reads the previous report of MHA. KNO and operational coordination, installation of border floodlights on the International Border and synergizing intelligence flow to check infiltration and proactive action against terrorists within the UT of J&K.

"The Government has also adopted various counter measures to neutralise the efforts and capabilities of militants disturbing peace in the UT of J&K. The Government has also encouraged policies to mainstream the youth by providing employment opportunities to wean them away from militancy," the report said, adding that "The endeavour of the Government has been to proactively take suitable measures by all the Security Forces to safeguard the borders from cross-border terrorism and to contain militancy and to ensure that the democratic process is sustained and primacy of civil administration is restored to effectively tackle the socio-economic problems of the people on account of the effects of prolonged militancy in UT of J&K.'

The MHA report said the GoI's counter measures also include to ensure a sustained peace process and to provide adequate opportunities to all sections of from October 14 while the rains as well as snowfall are people in the UT of J&K who eschew violence to effectively represent their view points and to redress their genuine grievances.

The report, as per KNO, further states that in UT of Jammu and Kashmir, the institution of Special Police Officers (SPOs) was started from 1995. "The basic concept of creation of SPOs was to provide auxiliary help to law enforcing agencies in the drive against 201 terrorism and involve the local population for their own protection as well as to help the J&K Police and Paramilitary Forces in curbing the menace of militancy," it read, "They are led and guided by the J&K Police in various assignments entrusted to them. At present, sanctioned strength of SPOs is 34,707; of which 32,355 SPOs are appointed. The remuneration of SPOs of J&K Police pleted on November 25, 2022. KNO has been enhanced upto 18000/- per month in the following manner- SPOs having experience less than 3 years- 6000/- per month, SPOs having experience

more than 3 years and less than 5 years- 9000/- per experience more than 10 years and less than 15 years- Rs 15000/- per month.'

The report said that SPOs having experience more than 15 years are getting Rs 18000- per month.

It also said that in view of the security scenario, the Village Defence Group scheme was notified by the Gov-The report reads that during the Financial year 2022- ernment of J&K in 1995. "Now, the scheme has been Defence Guard. At present, the sanctioned strength of The report said that in view of the "serious militan-Village Defence Group is 4,985, of which 4,153 Village family is being disbursed by the Government of India

Satisfied over construction...

Kashmir sanctioned during the financial year 2018-19, have been made operational and land has been identified almost at all the places and the colleges have been established in makeshift arrangements.

"New initiatives have been started in the Colleges by providing IT enabled classrooms. Automation of libraries, e-learning and in this regard digital interactive boards, digital indexing of books have been put in place

Mercury plummets as...

isolated places.

He added the weather conditions would start improving from Tuesday morning.

Deputy Director MeT, Dr Mukhtar Ahmad said that the maximum as well as the minimum temperature will go down from now onwards significantly.

In Srinagar, the mercury settled at 26.5 degree Celsius, which was 2.6 degree Celsius lower than yesterday.

The mercury settled at 16.2 degree Celsius at Gulmarg while 23.9 degree Celsius was recorded at Pahalgam, which is 0.9 degree Celsius and 3.0 degree Celsius lower than Sunday respectively.

In Kupwara, the mercury settled at 24.1 degree Cel sius today.

Deputy Director MeT further informed there is a possibility of another wet spell from October 14 in Jammu & Kashmir. "The weather would remain mostly cloudy also expected till October 17," he said.

Notably, J&K recorded prolonged dry spell in the month of September while the previous two months-August and September recorded a deficient rainfall of 25 percent as against the normal precipitation of 280.6 mm, UT received 209.6mm rainfall. KNO

Decision on Jammu &...

of Assembly and Parliament segments of J&K. In May 2022, the delimitation commission unveiled a new electoral map of Jammu & Kashmir. Subsequently, the Election Commission of India ordered revision of electoral rolls. The voter revision exercise was com-

Work on several J&K...

Doda-Kishtwar-Anantnag Road (NH-244), Semi Ring accelerated pace," it states further.

Mission on Saffron has ensured substantial increase in the crop yields from 1.88 kg/Ha to 4.5 kg/Ha, which has ultimately doubled the income of saffron growers.

"The UT Government has successfully got the G.I. tagging for saffron and basmati for effective domestic and international marketing, which will promote the economic prosperity of the farmers by enhancing the demand in national and international markets," it reads, adding that "Under Jal Jeevan Mission, 99.94 population are provided with piped water. 57.84% individual households have tap connections. 23160 Schools, 24163 Anganwadi Centres, 3324 Health Institutions and 1666

The report states that the project Shahpur Kandi Dam due to security restrictions. in order to combat militancy in the erstwhile State of year 2018, a total amount of 38.28 crore has been disisunder execution at an estimated cost of Rs 2793.00 solid waste management for 78 Urban Local Bodies (ULBS) has been rolled out and is likely to achieve 100% jurisdictional areas. KNO Collection & Transportation and 60% waste processing in all these ULBS by 2023," it said.

'Under Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyan, Government has covered 1764 villages, 1652 Educational Institutions and conducted 332 different activities for awareness, reaching out to 4950484 persons including 97050 youth. A composite Drug De-Addiction Centre (DDAC) has been set up in District Kulgam which was inaugurated by the Union Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment.'

The report further said that the Government of India has approved the establishment of DDACs in 7 more districts viz. Samba, Kathua, Poonch, Rajouri, Pulwama, Shopian, Srinagar and Bandipora.

'Under power sector, hydro power projects for 3100 MW capacity have been revived and put on track. Work on 1000 MW Pakal Dul and 624 MW Kiru is in full swing, Works of 800 MW Ratle was awarded. Pre-construction so everything will be digitalized and it will help to find activities for 1856 MW Sawlakote project have been initiated by National Hydro Power Corporation," it reads.

Intake capacity of MBBS...

families, including 5.98 lakh under PM-JAY and 19.74 lakh under the UT scheme SEHAT.

Out of 97.17 lakh eligible beneficiaries, 78.12 lakh have been verified, and 78.06 lakh have received Golden Cards, the report adds. KNO

Lt Governor reviews...

attending by Sh Vijay Kumar, ADGP Kashmir; Prof. Nilofer Khan, Vice Chancellor Kashmir University; Dr Mandeep Kumar Bhandari, Principal Secretary to Lt Governor; Sh Vijay Bidhuri, Divisional Commissioner Kashmir; Sh Sujit Kumar, DIG CKR Srinagar; Sh Athar Amir Khan, Commissioner SMC; Sh Mohammad Aijaz, DC Srinagar; Sh Rakesh Balwal, SSP Srinagar and senior

DGP chairs security...

Telecom Srinagar Fayaz Yaseen attended the meet- coverage in the country. KNO

Addressing the officers, DGP stressed for optimum synergy among different agencies and forces, being deployed for the security of VVIP.

He directed the officers that proper briefings should month, SPOs having experience more than 5 years and Road Jammu, Semi Ring Road Srinagar, Baramulla-Gul- be ensured to all the personnel deployed. He also less than 10 years-12000/- per month and SPOs having marg Road (NH-701), Srinagar-Shopian-Qazigund Road emphasised on patrolling and night domination. He (NH-444), Zojilla and Z-Morh tunnels is in progress with stressed on maintaining alertness for which he advised a system of the random 'nakas' and joint patrolling to The report states that the implementation of National be put in place to check the movement of anti-national elements especially on inter-district routes and in the periphery of Srinagar city. DGP emphasized upon the officers to keep an eye on the activities of suspicious elements and enjoined upon Int agencies to share any intelligence on a real time basis, the spokesman said.

DGP stressed for optimum use of resources and utilization of technology & security gadgets including CCTV cameras as part of deployment. He said that a comprehensive communication network must be ensured to coordinate among the agencies involved in the security arrangements.

While discussing traffic arrangements, DGP directed that commuters do not face unnecessary hindrances

Officers attending the meeting briefed DGP about the in all 1085 wards. 1400 crore action plan for integrated the VVIP visit. They also apprised him in detail about the security measures being taken in their respective

Mission Indradhanush: Third...

training has been conducted on the usage of the U-Win platform, which is part of India's Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP), at the divisional, district and block levels in both Kashmir and Jammu.

The programme is being implemented in three phases. Phase 1 was held from August 7 to 12, followed by Phase 2 from September 11 to 16, and now Phase 3 from October 9 to 14.

The Director explained that registering children aged 0-5 and pregnant women on the U-Win portal will enable the tracking of beneficiaries to ensure no one is missed or left out. "The beneficiary will receive a message once the dose is due and after completion of all immunisation doses, the beneficiary will get a card, out the child who hasn't got the dose so as to reach to them," she said.

The officials told KNO that the programme targets children aged 0-2 years (0-23 months) who may have missed age-appropriate vaccinations or dropped out of the schedule. It also includes all children between 2-5 years who have not received the required Measles-Rubella (MR) 1 and MR 2 vaccinations, as well as booster doses for DPT and OPV.

The programme aims to vaccinate pregnant women who have not been vaccinated or have only received partial vaccinations and high-risk districts, blocks, and areas identified by the state will be prioritised, they

They added that the district-level officers like Chief Medical Officers and District Immunization Officers have been trained in this regard and they have trained the block-level officers and then they will train the ANMs and ASHAs. "The ASHA and ANMs will identify children and do head count surveys in villages and that will be verified by the concerned supervisor," they said.

To strengthen routine immunisation planning and delivery mechanism, the MoHFW, GoI, launched its flagship programme "Mission Indradhanush" in December 2014 to achieve more than 90 percent full immunisation

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Yatra' with the participa-

tion of councilors besides

residents of the block. The

Yatra culminated at the

Similarly, the Amrit

Pertinently, the Amrit

council's headquarters.

on Monday held in dif- Kalash was collected from

ferent villages of Block across the other blocks

Headquarters of district of the district, including

Bandipora, celebrating block Bonakoot and dif-

India's 75th year of Inde-ferent blocks of Gurez Sub

involved the collection of Kalash Yatra Block Level

soil from various Panchay- functions are being con-

ats within the blocks of ducted, and Campaign

district Bandipora, sym-shall culminate at a Grand

bolising unity and dedica- Function to be held at Kar-

tion to the country. DDC tavya Path on October 30,

DC Kupwara reviews

Developmental Plan

for Heritage Sites

Meri Maati Mera Desh

across Bandipora

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pendence.

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'Amrit Kalash Yatra' as

part of the 'Meri Maati

Mera Desh' campaign was

The Amrit Kalash Yatra

Arin, led the 'Amrit Kalash 2023.

at block Headquarters

DC Kupwara inaugurates new Tehsil Office Building at Kralpora

KUPWARA, OCTOBER 9

The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kupwara, Ayushi Sudan on Monday inaugurated the new Tehsil Office Building at Kralpora in presence of DDC Member Kralpora, Adv. Masrat; DDC Reddi Chowkibal, Habibullah Beigh and Local BDC Chairman, Mohammad Akbar Rather.

BDO Kralpora, SHO on the occasion.

The Deputy Commissaid that it was a long cuting agency to complete Kralpora and interacted pending demand of the the remaining work of the with staff and sought people of Kralpora which building at the earliest. was taken into considering facilities to the people of PRIs. at their door steps was the first priority of the district Office Building has been facilities being provid-

KUPWARA, OCTOBER 9

The Deputy Commis-

sioner (DC) Kupwara,

Ayushi Sudan Monday

convened a meeting of the

Officers of Health Depart-

ment Kupwara to review

(Labor room Quality assur-

ance Services) and NQAS

and highlighted the tar-

gets/achievements under

Complex, here.

the progress of LaQshya ers.

(National Quality Health including labour room

Kupwara gave a detailed NQAS and LaQshya and

NQas & Asha Functional- preventable maternal



Kralpora besides other of the newly constructed Lakhs by Rural Developofficers, PRIs, and local building and expressed ment Department Block public were also present satisfaction over the quality of work.

sioner on the occasion sioner directed the exe-strength of the Tehsil

ation and fulfilled by the DC congratulated the PRIs delivery and other issues. Administration. She said and people and said that the creation of public a durable asset has been pora to get the Aloosa infrastructure and provid- created with the Support

DC Kupwara reviews LaQshya, NQas

The DC took a detailed

review of all parameters

standards) Parameters at and maternity OT facili- to relook into duty roast-

Meeting Hall of DC Office ties under LaQshya. She ers of their jurisdiction

PowerPoint Presentation complete them so that impressed upon BMOs to

LaQshya and NQAS param- BMOs to take keen inter- directed CMO Kupwara to

Dr. Jitendra Mehta, State as the main aim of these monitor biometric atten-

Nodal officer (Lakhshya, programmes is to reduce dance of the entire district.

ity) also apprised the DC and newborn mortal- by Dr. Jitendra Mehta,

about facilities of NQAS ity, morbidity, stillbirths State Nodal officer (Lakh-

in different Sub centers, associated with the care shya, NQas & Asha Func-

PHCs and CHC of the dis- around delivery in the tionality), CMO Kupwara,

trict. He suggested how labour Room and mater- Medical Superintendents,

shortcomings can be over- nity operation theatre. She all BMOs and other con-

come through concerted impressed upon BMOs to cerned officers.

At the outset, the CMO to work out the gaps under management of human

efforts of all the stakehold- ensure respectful mater-

directed concerned BMOs and ensure the mis-

parameters are improved. strictly implement Bio-

Ayushi stressed on metric attendance and

est in LaQshya and NQAS nominate a nodal officer to

Tehsildar Kralpora, administration Kupwara. constructed with an She also took a round allotted cost of Rs. 24.00

Kralpora under ADF (PRI).

The Deputy Commis-The Deputy Commis-sioner checked the staff their feedback on dispute After inauguration, the resolution, public service

> She directed BDO Kral-Nallah cleared of garbage and other plastic wastes.

Pertinently, Tehsil To take stock of the

nity care and improve the

quality of healthcare in

resources is avoided. She

Meeting was attended

The DC directed BMOs

public Health facilities.

Deputy Commissioner later conducted a surprise inspection of the Sub Dis-

trict Hospital, Kralpora.

She inspected various sections and wards of the Hospital and held interaction with patients and enquired about the facilities being provided to them from Hospital Administration. She inspected the Drug counter, assessed the inventory of crucial supplies and medicines available in the hospital, and examined Optho-Section, NCD Physiotherapy, OT, Wards besides other units of the Hospital.

She also interacted with the PRIs, patients and attendants.

The Deputy Commissioner checked the duty roster of Doctors and paramedical staff and stressed for proper utilization of human resources and to serve the patients with utmost dedication and sincerity.

ADDC Kulgam reviews physical recorded under PMAAY, PMKKKY

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The Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC) Kulgam, Showkat Ahmad Rather today chaired a meeting of officers to review physical and financial progress recorded under PMAAY and PMKKKY.

During the meeting, project wise review was taken by the ADDC.

He stressed upon the officers to ensure timely comreviewed the district indicaing was attended by JDP Zahid Sajjad; ACD Mohammad Imran; ACP, Sharjeel Ali; CEO, DMO, DS&EO and other concerned officers.

& financial progress schemes

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pletion of works and 100 percent utilization of funds. During the meeting he also tor framework. The meet-

DC Bandipora chairs review meeting of R&B Department Amrit Kalash collected



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BANDIPORA, OCTOBER 9

In order to ensure the efficient execution of infrastructure development projects in the district, the Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Dr Owais Ahmad Monday convened a review meeting with the Roads and Buildings (R&B) Department.

The meeting was held to assess ongoing projects, evaluate progress, and strategize for future initiatives.

The meeting threadbare discussed and reviewed the status of ongoing infrastructure projects, including road construction, bridge development, and maintenance work. The officers of R&B presented a detailed progress report and achievements so far.

The challenges faced works were also discussed during the meeting.

The DC stressed upon manner.

the importance of timely project completion and quality workmanship. The meeting also assessed performance metrics, and strategies were also discussed to address any bottlenecks affecting project timelines.

The meeting discussed the allocation of resources, including manpower and machinery, to expedite pending projects and maintain the existing infrastructure.

Dr. Owais urged the department to engage with concerned DDC and PRIs for effective future project planning.

Regarding the pending works, the DC called upon the concerned officers to fix responsibility of the contractor and serve show cause notice for unnecessary delays.

The DC further called by the department in the upon the officers to exeexecution of different cute all works under different schemes in a transparent and time bound

MC Kulgam organises **Amrit Kalash Yatra**

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KULGAM, OCTOBER 8

In continuation to ongoing 'Meri Maati Mera Desh' campaign, Municipal Council Kulgam, Municipora and Frisal organized ing the cultural essence 'Amrit Kalash Yatra' at the of the initiative, felicitatfamous Eco Park Kulgam ing the family of veers district. The event wit- and singing of national nessed active participa- Anthem. tion of school children and citizens.

participated by Presi- wards within the Municident Municipal Council pal jurisdiction symboliz-Kulgam Muneeb Ahmad, ADC Viqar Ahmed Giri, Presidents from Munici-Yaripora, EO Mohammad

pal committees of Yari- Mitti Anthem, underscor-

The 'Amrit Kalash Yatra' involved the collec-The event was also tion of soil from various ing unity and dedication

to the nation.

The campaign aims to pal Committees Frisal and pay tribute to the courageous Veers who have Irfan. The occasion fea- made the supreme sacritured the playing of the fice for our nation.



KUPWARA, OCTOBER 9

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er (DC) Kupwara, Ayushi these sites. Sudan today convened tecture & Heritage scheme

On the occasion, the DC directed Executive Engiand heritage architec- time bound manner. ture of all the proposed

tal plans of all these sites which shall include restoration, revival and also cre-The Deputy Commission- ation of public amenities at

Ayushi emphasized that a meeting of concerned development of these heriofficers to review Devel- tage sites will boost heriopmental Plan for Heri- tage tourism in the district tage sites under 'Revival, and will create employ-Restoration, Preservation ment opportunities for the and Maintenance of Archi- local youth. She also suggested various other sites of historical importance for inclusion in the scheme.

The DC directed Ex. neer R&B to frame DPRs Engineer R&B to submit with due consideration to DPRs of these sites finalthe historical importance ized in the meeting in a

JD Planning, ACR Kupsites in consultation with wara, Dv. Director Archethe experts of the Arche- ology, CEO, DIO, Ex. Engiology Department. She neer R&B Kupwara and impressed upon the R&B to other concerned attended frame holistic developmen- the meeting.

Sankalp Saptaah Departments organise awareness programmes at Tulail under ABP

JI NEWS SERVICE BANDIPORA, OCTOBER 9

Various departments ing artificial insemination including Sheep Husband- in goats, livestock regisry, Animal Husbandry, tration on INAPH portal Agriculture and its allied and subsidized livestock sectors Monday held insurance under National awareness programmes Livestock Mission (NLM). at Tulail block of Gurez The farmers were made Subdivision under Aspira- aware about feeding mantional Blocks Programme agement during winter (ABP). The programmes period and were apprised were organised to educate about the profitable sciencommon people, especial- tific management of lively farmer community of the stock. The farmers were block regarding different further informed regarding farmer welfare schemes the Holistic Agricultural kept available by the gov- Development Programme ernment for their overall (HADP) of the Government well being. On the occasion of UT of J&K for upgrading

various ongoing activities of the Department includofficials from the Sheep the agriculture and allied Husbandry department sectors.

threw detailed light on the

The department of Youth The young athletes are and also interacted with the Services and Sports Gander- not only competing for student athletes. The officer bal kick-started a captivat- glory but also embody- also showed his personal

Inter-Zone District level Athletic meet kick-starts at Ganderbal

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GANDERBAL, OCTOBER 9

Athletic meet for boys and sportsmanship. Girls at Oamaria Stadium

Ganderbal in which all four Sheikh Shafqat Igbal vis-Zones of the district particiiited the venue and personally monitored all the events ing inter Zone District level ing the spirit of unity and interest in various track and field events of this meet and Ganderbal, keenly observed the tech-

niques of student athletes. He also encouraged the cials of the department.

athletes as well as rectified their minute mistakes. The meritorious athletes of this mega meet were felicitated with their well-deserved medals by the senior offi-

Vice Chairman, DDC Kupwara takes review of implementation & progress of different projects

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KUPWARA, OCTOBER 9

The Vice Chairman, District Development Council (DDC) Kupwara, Haji Farooq Ahmad Mir today took a review of the implementation and progress of different projects under different sectors in territorial constituency Wavoora (Lolab) at Meeting Hall of DC office Complex Kupwara. The Vice Chairman took a detailed review of tendering, work allotments, execution and timely completion of different projects under different Sectors including RDD, Education, Tourism, JJM, Health, Youth for timely completion of Kupwara, ACP Kupwara, Service & Sports, PDD, Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry and Sheep Husbandry, CAPD, NRLM and R&B.

received feedback from tion. the concerned officers



different projects.

regarding measures taken Circle, CEO LBDDA, ACD the meeting.

CEO Kupwara, CMO, Chief Haji Farooq stressed on Animal Husbandry Officer, gearing up all resources to District Sheep Husbandry speed up the progress on Officer, AD Fisheries, execution of all the works AD Food, BDO Wavoora, The Vice Chairman and their timely comple- DYSSO, AEE (STD), AEE PDD, AEE R&B and other SE Hydraulics Kupwara concerned were present in

B'la achieves remarkable Victory in Under 14, 17 & 19 Boy's IDPL Kho-Kho Competitions

JI NEWS SERVICE BARAMULLA, OCTOBER 9

In a remarkable display of talent and determination, Baramulla district has clinched the coveted titles in the Under 14, 17 & 19 Boys' Inter-District Provincial Level Kho-Kho Competi-

This impressive achievement comes on the heels of Baramulla's recent hat-trick win in the Under 14, 17 & 19 Girls' category in Shopian just last week. These victories underscore Baramulla's dominance in the field of Kho-Kho at the provincial

The Inter-District Provincial Level Kho-Kho Competitions were organized by the Youth Services & Sports Department of Jammu & Kashmir, and the event took place at Pulwama. Baramulla's teams exhibited exceptional sportsmanship, skill, and team work throughout the competition.



Jatinder Singh, the District has brought immense pride Youth Services & Sports Offito the district. cer of Baramulla, extended his heartfelt congratulations appreciation for the unwavto all the winning teams ering dedication and hard from Baramulla district. He work of the department's commended their outstand- field staff, whose tireless ing performance in the Inter- efforts contributed signifi-

Singh also expressed his District Provincial Level Kho- cantly to this triumphant Kho Competitions, which achievement.

EDITORIAL

Don't jump to conclusions

argil election results have infused a new lease of life in the National Conference which is, at present, out to cash in its victory. Apart from normal celebrations, the National Conference, under a wellchalked out strategy, has left no stone unturned to impose upon the people that the results of the Council elections, which were given much hype, are a referendum on Article 370. There is no denying that various groups in Ladakh have been seeking constitutional safeguards to protect their land, jobs and culture from 'outsiders' but it would be wrong to draw a conclusion that the people were against the creation of Union Territory and abrogation of Article 370. Unfortunately, some politicians with vested interests remain busy in provoking and inciting people who need to be cautious while paying any heed to them. Former Chief Minister Omar Abdullah has described the Kargil Council victory as that it was the people's verdict against the 'illegal' decision of August 5, 2019. He is of the opinion that residents of Ladakh have outrightly rejected the decision of the Union Government to bifurcate the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories and abrogate article 370 and 35-A. He might have forgotten the response of Ladakh people during the last Leh Council elections which were held immediately after the abrogation of Article 370. At that time, the BJP mustered an absolute majority. Omar himself admitted that when article 370 was abrogated on August 5, 2019, residents of Kargil also joined other people of Ladakh to celebrate this decision. People even distributed sweets but now people are holding protests because they are unhappy with the decision that was taken unilaterally by the Centre. Kargil Council elections were not for development or other related issues. It was a referendum against the August 5, 2019 decision and the people of Ladakh overwhelmingly voted against the Union Government's decision, Omar's reaction to NC's victory as his party emerged as the single largest political party. During the campaign, Omar sought votes against the August 5, 2019 decision. Notably while campaigning for the National Conference candidates Omar Abdullah had sought the support of the people against the August 5, 2019 decision and announced that these elections would be a referendum on Article 370. The verdict of Kargil Council elections WAS on expected lines with the National Conference-Congress alliance winning the polls with a thumping majority. The NC leadership should not jump to conclusions and it should not write off the BJP which is still a force to reckon with. It would be wrong on the part of the former chief minister to believe that Kargil Council election results are a referendum on Article 370 and if so, the victory of BJP in Leh Council was also a referendum. In Kargil, the BJP had never been in a winning position but it has put up a great fight this time.

Can Netanyahu take his own advice battling Hamas?

MARC CHAMPION

mid a shock this past weekend that was as monumental for Israel as was Sept. 11, 2001, for the US a generation ago, Prime Minister Benjamin framework to respond. Whether he can stick to that strategy and execute it, rather than repeat the the years after al-Qaeda's equally unexpected attack on New York, will decide his place in Israel's history.

Netanyahu said his country was now at "war" with Hamas, which is connization by Israel and US. Though understandable, the moment, this wasn't a like. good sign. Wars demand clear battlefield victories that don't necessarily bring strategic ones, and Israel's strategic priority right now should be containment. and one of the weakest at This conflict could grow a lot worse if allowed.

part of Netanyahu's state- ciled with it since. Still, all to fault. He divided his pre- the conflict escalates with scription for the days and the fury of the moment. weeks ahead into three

the border; second, exact a forces into Gaza, not least ing in Gaza, while securing other borders to ensure nobody else attacks; and finally, unite and remain level-headed. It's the second Netanyahu set out a good and third parts that will be and achieving full control hard to stick to, so let's take them one at a time.

point is critical. It balances mistakes the US made in the need for retribution, and to weaken Hamas's capacity for any repeat, with the need to make sure that this brutal raid on Israeli territory doesn't become a real war, fought by Israel on one side against sidered a terrorist orga- a range of state and nonstate actors on the other. We know from Ukraine or even inevitable, given what that fight might look

Despite all the 1973 parallels, this isn't the Yom Kippur war – yet. Israel has been attacked by just one of its regional adversaries, that. Some of the country's The more substantive the 1970s have even recon-

to retrieve hostages. But the nature and extent of that assault isn't predetermined. Gaza is a densely populated urban territory of about 2 million people, will likely require the most vicious, difficult form of Netanyahu's second warfare. The Israel Defense Forces are equipped to do that, but it isn't clear what an achievable endgame would be, and that needs to be determined in advance. Failure to do so cost the US and ordinary Afghans

example. A full-blown invasion aimed at wiping Hamas and its supporters from the map would increase the risk that other regional players become involved, seeing an opportunity as Israeli forces become bogged down in Gaza. Public support for action in Arab states also would likely grow, in tandem with online images battlefield opponents from of civilian Palestinian casu-

dearly. Iraq was a still-worse

Some, including Repubment on Saturday was hard this can change quickly if lican US senators, have concluded already that Iran organized Saturday's As for the US with attack, enabled by \$6 billion parts: First, clear Hamas Afghanistan after Sept. 11, in fresh funding approved

understandable question. state of Israel. But so far there is no hard evidence of Tehran's substantive

involvement. cash – is, as far as anyone can be sure, still tied up in Qatari banks. Given that the after a Sept. 27 agreement, they couldn't have paid for tions needed for Hamas's multi-pronged attack.

it would have involved a second front opened by Hezbollah from Lebanon. So far, Hezbollah has only fired a few warning shots into the tiny, disputed Shebaa farms strip, which were met with a similarly symbolic response from the intelligence service, as well

port Hamas and was quick rock solid, because that created further distraction. to welcome its attack on the could trigger a much wider regional war with unpredictable consequences.

Take the \$6 billion. That unity and level headedness. money – which consists of There is no justifying what revenge rather than act previously frozen Iranian Hamas has done, yet there strategically, especially will also be no repairing from the right wing of his the puncture its attack has coalition government, will inflicted on Israeli confi- be overwhelming. So, it's funds arrived in Qatar only dence in the invincibility of a good sign he said he'd its defenses. That needs to consider forming a new feed into a reassessment of cross-party government to the months-long prepara- whether the Netanyahu government's uncompromising As opposition leader Yair It's also reasonable to ian red line – from access expect that if this plan to the Al-Aqsa Mosque, to won't be short. It has strahad originated with Iran, the status of Jerusalem or tegic consequences, which settlement policies in the we haven't seen for many West Bank – is sustainable. Saturday's mayhem suggests strongly that it is not.

against Israel's storied as in storming the border, Others have accused appears to have been that fighters from Israeli terri- Netanyahu has little choice by the Biden administra- will come, but Hamas had Netanyahu's government his own legacy.

tory and restore security to but to send his armed tion as part of a prisoner plenty of reasons of its own and its supporters. Israeli exchange deal. It's an to act when it did. Confir- protests over his attempts mation of an Iranian role to weaken the indepen-Iran does finance and sup- in particular needs to be dence of nation's judiciary

> That record isn't encouraging when it comes to achieving either unity or Which brings us to Netan- a level head. The political yahu's third agenda items: pressure on Netanyahu to exact maximum possible deal with the emergency. approach on every Palestin- Lapid put it, the coming fight "won't be easy and it years. There is a serious risk that it will become a multifront war." Less promising One reason Hamas had was Netanyahu's address so much success in achiev- on Sunday, in which he ing operational surprise pledged victory in a war that would turn every hiding place in the "evil city" of Gaza to rubble. He needs to stay the course and follow Russia, which could well so many security services his own advice on how to benefit from the distraction resources had been divert- respond to Hamas's attack, from its war in Ukraine. But ed north to the West Bank, for the sake of Israelis, the again, there is no evidence to deal with Palestinian vast majority of Palestinians to support this. Perhaps it protests over the actions of who aren't combatants and

Globalisation of Indian financial markets

is a marker for the economy. The yield of the 10-year G-sec is often intense negotiations of for dedicated emergingmark for the interest rate with investors and banks with some \$780 billion in the economy - the RBI since 2019 and preparing of potential investments therefore tries hard to the ground for inclusion. tion in its yield. Yield is a Fully Accessible Route inversely related to price, and when the price soars G-Secs giving non-resiyield naturally falls. This is access to specified G-Secs precisely what happened in 2020. 23 G-Secs with a on 21st September, when combined nominal value G-Sec dropped by 7 basis ently index-eligible under every month up to the a two-month low of 7.08 a minimum of 2.5 years of cent to Rs 82.25 a dollar. The trigger was an

a note dated 21st Sep- frequency, easy availabilitember, by the American ty and the absence of capibank JP Morgan Chase tal controls in local marthat the G-Secs would kets. India is already presbe included in its globally tracked "Government Bond Index for Emerging Diversified Indices. But the Markets Global Diversified GBI-EMGD index is closely (GBI-EMGD)" Index suite. followed by most global Twenty emerging market funds and has a huge \$236 economies are presently billion in assets benchpart of the GBI-EM Global marked against it. Global index suite: Brazil, Czech managers use the index as Republic, Chile, China, a benchmark for invest-Colombia, Dominican ment and inclusion auto-Republic, Egypt, Hunga- matically opens the door ry, Indonesia, Malaysia, to foreign capital - this Mexico, Peru, Philippines, applies to all such indices, Poland, Romania, Serbia, South Africa, Thailand, Bloomberg, FTSE Russell Turkey and Uruguay; now and JP Morgan. India will be included

India Bond (G-Sec) boost its standing in international financial markets.

reckoned as a bench- the government of India prevent any wild fluctua- First, the RBI introduced (FAR) for investments in due to high demand, the dent investors complete the yield of the 10-year of \$330 billion are prespoints (0.07 per cent) to the FAR - the criteria being maximum threshold of 10 per cent, before rising to remaining maturity (i.e., 7.12 per cent eventually. maturity falling after index. This is expected to

ent in JP Morgan's GBI-EM Broad and GBI-EM Broad major among these are

Their influence in the

GOVIND BHATTACHARJEE from June 2024. The deci-financial money market is ing economy in China, yield to fall. This will help India their lowest invest-The Government of development for India to country can ignore them. JP Morgan's index was launched in the 1990s; The inclusion followed it dominates the market market-debt investors, tracking its benchmarks. Foreign investors make allocations of their assets depending on the portfolio weights. India's inclusion in the Index will be spread over 10 months from June 28, 2024, till March 31, 2025, with an addition of 1 per cent weightage per cent, which is a significant presence in the track the index rebalance ments. This is because the the criteria for inclusion their portfolios. A Goldman Sachs report estimates that "India's fixed income markets could see inflows upwards of \$40 billion" over the inclusion horizon till March 2025. The Indian Rupee will appreciate as a result

exposure to the world's fifth largest and the fastest growing major economy to all foreign investors. However it means that the globalised investment rules will now apply to the Indian bond market, and Indian tax policies and macroeconomic stability will need to be carefully managed, as any slip may affect the capital inflow. As the Chief Economic Adviser has said, our fiscal and monetary policies must take cognisance of global expectations. As of now, external borrowing is only a small part of our overall

loan portfolio, this may increase over time. on the money market investment grade (Baaa3/ by freeing up capital for BBB) and is already on the followed by South Africa, borrowing by the private borrowers - government borrowing will no longer sel's Index for Emergcrowd out private borrowing. This will bring down of the increased inflow, the cost of capital. Finanmirroring what happened cial institutions today are erate forex inflow of \$15-20 between 2003 and 2008 the biggest buyers of the billion, with India's weight G-Secs, once foreign invesdue to the surge of capital inflows into India. Apart tors start buying GOsecs, to 0.8 per cent. Hopefrom giving the index prothey can lend to the pri-fully, inclusion in JPMorvider - J P Morgan Chase vate sector for capital gan's index will ultimately - a scope to diversify their creation to boost income nudge the credit rating index, especially after Rusgeneration and growth. agencies - S&P, Fitch and sia's ejection in the wake Demand for G-Secs by for- Moody's - also to upgrade

price of the rupee are all interrelated.

JPMorgan is the first investments in G-Secs will in the Bloomberg Global watchlist for inclusion in the UK-based FTSE Rusing Markets. Inclusion in Bloomberg's Aggregate index is expected to genranging from 0.6 per cent of its invasion of Ukraine eign investors will hike up their assessment of India; their prices causing the currently, they all give

sion marks a key positive so overwhelming that no the inclusion will also give the government reduce ment-grade rating. In any its interest costs, bringing case, the Indian economy down fiscal deficits and has outperformed most helping the government emerging market econocontrol inflation as well, mies - the Sensex also as interest, fiscal deficit, has outperformed the inflation and exchange stock markets of all its peer countries. A rating upgrade is now overdue.

India is also expected major emerging market to enter other JPMorgan benchmark provider to bond indices-the JADE include India in its indices Global Diversified Index, for emerging markets. The the JESG GBI-EM Index, inclusion of India in the and other aggregate suites GBI-EMGI will open the of local currency indices. door for India's inclusion Its weightage in the GBIin the other two major EMG index is expected to indices as well - Bloom- rise to 8.7 per cent. Experts berg and FTSE Russell - estimate that FPI holdshortly. No major index ings of outstanding G-secs can ignore India's rising could double by May 2025 economic power, as dem- to 3.4 per cent compared Apart from attracting onstrated by the fact that to September 2023. India's Simultaneously, the rupee December 31, 2026) and a attract about \$25 billion funds, it would also lower 73 per cent of the bench-inclusion will trigger outappreciated by 0.3 per notional \$1Bn outstanding in investments into India the country's interest marked investors were in flows elsewhere, leading against the eligible G-Secs. at the rate of 1 per cent of rate, or borrowing cost favour of India's inclusion to shrinkage of weights Other requirements assets every month over 10 of capital, making it even in JP Morgan's GBI-EM for government bonds announcement, through include adequate trading months, as investors who more attractive for invest- GD index. India fulfils issued by other countries - JP Morgan estimates that Thailand will be the ease borrowing pressures Aggregate Index of an biggest loser with a 1.65 percentage points loss,

Poland, Czech Republic and Brazil. The Indian financial market, about to be truly globalised, is at last coming of age, in sync with India's rising heft in global economy and geopolitics.

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Disposable cups: a health hazard

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world, every one of us go, wherever and whenever we go. But do we all beverages when poured into the so-called fancy lids are increasing the risk

contain BPA (a chemical

diseases) and keeping that Are you planning to flaunt in mind many paper cups your favourite iced latte or replaced plastic cups (once frappe or your hot tea or referred to as nature's gift) coffee in the fancy cup... on the market and started then it's time to get a little selling their produce in serious. In our fast-paced the market as "eco-friendly". There is no denying wants our drinks on the the fact that paper cups may be healthier for the planet Earth than plastic even realise that these but the big question that puts everyone in trouble is whether they are safe for paper cups and covered the INDIVIDUAL at large. As per various types

of research conducted It is often believed in and out, it has been that these plastic cups or found that over thirty effects on human health, offering edible, biodegrad-tally friendly alternative views are personal) bottles were never been billion sub-micron-sized a choice at large as they plastic particles present of reproductive health. natives to the standard The simple yet earthy tex-

linked to cancer and other so-called eco-friendly been linked to interference cups that are used for tea one to truly appreciate presence of heavy metals such as lead, chromium and cadmium in the liners, which can be the major cause for the increase of risk of cancer. The plastic frappe or hot tea/coffee also makes it difficult to be used again. coating, when exposed to remember, that these recycle these cups. The hot liquids starts to break down and releases trillions of nanoparticles of microplastics per litre and when nature. One of many soluthey are ingested regularly over time, the health implications could be serious. or to bring your reusable drink. Alternatively, the trol everything in your life Studies have even shown travel mug when you get to use of earthen cups, often but, you can control what that the chemicals present in them can have adverse Today, many start-ups are hygienic and environmenparticularly in the context able, plastic-free alter- to plastic and paper cups.

and also given the slow-

paper cups showed the in sperm production, genital malformation and even

hormonal disturbances. So next time when you hit a coffee shop or a kiosk for your favourite iced cups and the covering lid are a harm to living organtions is to make and enjoy your tea/coffee at home your favourite coffee shop.

or coffee which largely end

up in landfills. These takeaway cups come with an inner lining reusable and when disthat helps the cup stay waterproof and the lining concept of edible cups is a lot in which these cups are thrice about how to grab isms when they end up in made with oats and grains yours in a healthy and ecoand last for almost eight friendly way and say a big to ten hours without even NO to the disposables as affecting the taste of the aptly said "You can't conreferred to as kulhad is a you put in your body." in the top layer of these These chemicals have also polyethylene-lined paper ture and the aroma allow

the drink in a completely different and rustic way. Also, such cups are nonposed of or broken can get merged with the soil and

So, if you love your tea or coffee, think twice or

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to check hepatitis: Experts

LUCKNOW, OCT 9

Vaccination and early detection are key to the elimination of hepatitis, B and C and India is moving fast on track to eliminate the disease.

Experts at the annual two-day conference 'UPISGCON-2023', of Uttar Pradesh Society of Gastroenterology Congress that concluded here on Sunday, said that the World Health Organization targets to reduce new hepatitis infection by 90 per cent by 2030 for this, focus should be

is no vaccine, hence com- no threat to people in treatment." plete treatment facility is our country," said Sumit Kumar Sharma of the George's Medical Univer-Institute of Liver and Bili-sity (KGMU). ary Sciences, New Delhi.



cent in India at present. tis cases down to such a sal identification of new

"Vaccination helped ing secretary of the conon 100 per cent Hepatitis curb cases of smallpox, ference said: "The route B vaccine coverage for all polio in our country. We to bring down Hepatitis children at birth, which need to do the same for to a harmless level goes is between 70 and 80 per Hepatitis. Bring Hepatithrough early and univer-

not yet within reach of Rungta, HoD medical organising chairperson Devesh Prakash Yadav, all patients," said Manoj gastroenterology at King of the conference, said: HoD gastroenterology at "Blood banks are also a Institute of Medical Scisensitive point when it ence at Banaras Hindu Rungta, the organis- comes to hepatitis. They University.

need to adapt to highest quality screening methods such as nucleic acid test (NAT) to stop transfusion of infected blood."

The national strategy for viral Hepatitis B and C focuses on strengthening existing preventive services and further expanding the coverage of diagnostics and treatment services to the communities, said doctors.

Experts also said that street food or fast food should be a big no for all. "At first, I would say

don't eat outside food. But if someone has to do it out of compulsion, first check hygiene at food stall, watch out if they are using leftover food to prepare dishes and also observe personal "For Hepatitis C, there level that it is practically cases and their complete hygiene of the cook. Also watch out if they use Punit Mehrotra, the rotten vegetables," said

Vaccination, early detection needed More side effects post Covid vax may signal antibody production: Study

NEW YORK, OCT 9

People who experience more side effects like chills, tiredness, feeling unwell, and headache post Covid-19 vaccination may be having an enhanced antibody production in their bodies, according to a preprint study, that is not yet peer-reviewed.

SARS-CoV-2, the virus causing Covid-19, wanes over time, and booster uptake has been low.

The new study, by researchers from University of California - San Francisco, US, showed that people who had those side effects after the second dose of a Covid vaccine had more antibodies against the coronavirus at one month and six months after the shot, compared with those who did not have symptoms.

Increases in skin temperature and heart rate also signalled higher anti-

showed.

link between post-vaccina- Dutcher, from the UCSF's tion symptoms, biometric Department of Psychiatry changes, and neutralis- and Behavioral Sciences, ing antibodies (nAB) after in the paper. mRNA vaccination.

Moderna Covid.

ness, feeling unwell, and dose were associated with one-month nAB levels," increases in nAB at one Dutcher added. and six months post-vaccination, to roughly 140- mean that people without desirable".

"Each additional symp-The team collected tom predicted a 1.1-fold still produced copious data from 363 adults who nAB increase. Greater amounts of antibodies, received two doses of changes in skin tempera- compared with 99 percent either Pfizer-BioNTech or ture and heart rate after of those who had localised "We found that certain higher nAB levels. Skin said. symptoms (chills, tired-temperature had a stronger predictive relationheadache) after the second ship for six-month than

strong immune response, experts have said, noting that the relative increase in antibody levels among those who experienced side effects was small.

"Lack of side effects should not be taken as a sign that the vaccine's not working," Alessandro Sette, co-director of the La Jolla Institute of Immunol-Protection against body levels, the study 160 per cent the level of ogy's Center for Vaccine individuals without each Innovation, who was not The study explored the symptom," said Ethan G. involved in the work, was quoted as saying to the New York Times.

> An earlier study found that 98 per cent of people who felt no ill effects the second dose predicted symptoms or worse, Sette

But, the researchers said, the new findings "suggest that public health messaging could seek to reframe systemic symp-However, this doesn't toms after vaccination as

Cardiac concerns prompt EMRI-108's ambulances at garba hotspots

AGENCIES AHMEDABAD, OCT 9

Amid surge in cardiac incidents among youth, especially during the garba festivities, EMRI-108 will now place its ambulances around prominent garba venues in the city and other key areas of the

The district, home to 115 of these life-saving vehicles, has a primary focus of 100 ambulances dedicated to urban parts of Ahmedabad, while 15 cater to more rural areas, including Bavla and Godhavi in Ahmedabad.

This year's approach by EMRI-108 sees a marked shift in strategy.

Instead of the traditional stationary placements, the organisation is now intent on situating their ambulances within a 200-500 meter radius of the dancing events. This repositioning is in response to the disturbing uptick in heart-related incidents, shared an official today.

Study finds breast cancer drug with a serious side effect

NEW YORK, OCT 9

Researchers have found elevated rates of high blood sugar, or hyperglycemia, among patients with breast cancer who are treated with the oral medication alpelisib.

3-kinase (PI3K) protein we should be checking that is involved in cell haemoglobin A1c level growth and when mutated and partnering with the

for certain cases of meta-

in the journal CANCER.



Alpelisib targets tion and thus eligible for tive for their cancer," Shen the phosphoinositide treatment with alpelisib, In 2019, the US Food physician and/or endoand Drug Administration crinologist to optimise (FDA) approved the use of their blood sugar levels," trogen receptor blocker, Cancer Center in the US.

Unfortunately, targeting within the first two weeks mia was 40.2 per cent. PI3K can lead to hyper- of treatment. Being pre-"If a patient is identified needing to discontinue a initiating alpelisib was 16

to have a PI3KCA muta- drug that could be effec-

In the study, the team set out to describe the incidence, risk factors, can contribute to cancer. patient's primary care and treatment patterns of alpelisib-associated hyperglycemia in patients with metastatic breast cancer exercise patterns, and this drug in combination said Dr Sherry Shen from treated in a clinical trial potentially introducing with fulvestrant, an oes- Memorial Sloan Kettering or as standard care at their institution. Among "This needs to be done 147 patients treated with risk factors through lifestatic breast cancer that months before initiating alpelisib as standard care, style interventions may have mutations in the alpelisib, because once the rate of hyperglycemia also improve dose delivgene that codes for a PI3K alpelisib is started, hyper- was 80.3 per cent, and the ery of alpelisib, and ongoglycemia usually develops rate of serious hyperglyce-ing clinical trials by our

An initially elevated haemoglobin A1c, an indicator of high blood sugar such as in prediabetes or diabetes, was a risk factor for later developing hyperglycemia. Among patients who developed hyperglycemia, 66.4 per cent received treatment, most commonly with the diabetes drug metformin. Neil M. Iyengar, from the Centre noted that optimising a patient's blood sugar levels often involves changes to dietary and certain medications.

"Improving metabolic group and other groups Among 100 patients are testing whether metaglycemia as a side effect emptive about improving who were treated during bolic interventions such which, if severe, can result glycemic status and treat- a clinical trial, rates were as the ketogenic diet or in dehydration or kidney ing prediabetes/diabetes lower (34.0 per cent any newer medications used damage and can require will hopefully lower the grade and 13.0 per cent to treat diabetes could also hospitalisation, revealed patient's risk of develop- serious hyperglycemia). improve the treatment effithe study published online ing hyperglycemia and The median time to onset cacy of cancer therapies thus, lower their risk of of hyperglycemia after that target the PI3K pathway," he said.

Patient's comfort in AI-driven healthcare linked to familiarity: Report

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NEW DELHI, OCT 9

Patients' familiarity with a report on Monday.

New Delhi, Oct 9 utilising this technology, in a statement. according to a report on Monday.

increasingly vital role. using a healthcare facil- gy," Jakimaviciute added. from the adoption of AI," ity that uses AI, while of

per cent were.

As the healthcare land- regulatory framework, it as well as confidence in scape undergoes trans- is imperative to prioritise technologies like AI. formation due to factors patient education regardlike ageing populations, ing the technology. This is inevitable, it must be rising chronic diseases, education should aim inclusive. Even though and shifts in lifestyle to enhance comprehen- younger generations may choices, technology, par-sion of AI's utilisation, drive the use and adopticularly AI, is playing an its potential advantages, tion of AI, building a fair and associated adoption and ethical AI system The report by Global-risks, ultimately foster-will need intergenera-Data, a data and analytics ing increased trust in AI. tional collaboration. AI company, showed that Enhanced knowledge use will need to address out of patients who were empowers individuals generation-wide issues, familiar with AI, 60 per to make informed deci- and therefore it is essencent were either very or sions and mitigate biases tial to ensure that all quite comfortable with linked to this technolo- generations can benefit

the ones who were not a survey of 574 patients familiar with AI, only 7 from India, the US, France, Germany, Italy, "AI is already suc- Spain, the UK, Japan, artificial intelligence (AI) cessfully used to detect Brazil, Canada, and significantly influences image-based diseases Mexico between July and their comfort level when such as cancer and the August. The survey data considering healthcare technology is continu- also reveals that younger facilities utilising this ously evolving to enable surveyed patients (18-55 technology, according to much wider use cases years old) were more within healthcare. Suc- likely to be familiar with cessful use cases can AI than older (56+ years) (IANS) Patients' familiar- encourage further adop- patients, with more than ity with artificial intellition and investment in 50 per cent of them gence (AI) significantly this technology," said rating their knowledge as influences their comfort Urte Jakimaviciute, moderately or very famillevel when consider- Senior Director of Market iar. Younger generations ing healthcare facilities Research at GlobalData, tend to be introduced to technology earlier in "Together with the their life and as a result development of a robust have more knowledge

> "While AI adoption The report is based on Jakimaviciute said.

Pregnancy hormones 'rewire' women's brain to prepare for motherhood: Study

NEW YORK, OCT 7

'rewired' to prepare for changes already during Kohl, from the Crick. motherhood, finds a study

The findings, published resulted in stronger and in behaviour. more selective responses

hormones released when and progesterone. giving birth are most crunal behaviour.

But earlier research prepare for bringing up more synapses (sites of cues.

pregnancy may be more important.

in the journal Science, the researchers from the change in priority – virgin show that both oestro- Francis Crick Institute mice focus on mating, so gen and progesterone act found that female mice don't need to respond on a small population of indeed showed increased to other females' pups, neurons in the brain to parental behaviour during whereas mothers need to changes lasted for at least switch on parental behav- late pregnancy, and that perform robust parental iour even before offspring exposure to pups wasn't behaviour to ensure pup arrive. These adaptations necessary for this change survival. What's fasci-

population of nerve cells It is well known that (galanin-expressing neu- much earlier for this big while virgin female rons) in an area of the life change," Kohl added. rodents do not show much brain called the medial interaction with pups, preoptic area (MPOA) in recordings showed that mothers spend most of the hypothalamus, associoestrogen simultaneoustheir time looking after ated with parenting, was ly reduced the baseline monal changes are expectyoung. It was thought that impacted by oestrogen activity of these neurons

cial for this onset of mater- female body changes gesterone rewired their tal behaviour alongside

have given birth by Cae- the production of milk, sarean section, and virgin which starts long before During pregnancy, it's not mice exposed to pregnan- giving birth. Our research women's bodies alone that cy hormones, still display shows that such preparaundergo change. Turns this maternal behaviour, tions are taking place in out the brain also gets suggesting that hormone the brain, too," said Jonny "We think that these

changes, often referred In the current study, to as 'baby brain', cause a nating is that this switch They found that a doesn't happen at birth – the brain is preparing

In the study, brain

also showed that rats who young. One example is communication between

Making these neurons insensitive to hormones completely removed the onset of parental behaviour during pregnancy. Mice failed to show parental behaviour even after giving birth, suggesting there is a critical period during pregnancy when these hormones take

While some of these a month after giving birth, others seem to be permanent, suggesting pregnancy can lead to long-term rewiring of the female

The researchers believe the brain may also be rewired in a similar way during pregnancy in humans, as the same hored to impact the same and made them more areas of the brain. This "We know that the excitable, whereas pro- could influence parenduring pregnancy to inputs, by recruiting environmental and social

Covid raises risk of new-onset of alopecia, vitiligo, arthritis: Study

SEOUL, OCT 7

infection.

South Korean researchers have identified a significantly higher risk of multiple new-onset autoimmune and autoinflammatory connective-tissue disorders after Covid-19

disease), vitiligo (white Korea. skin patches), vasculitis (inflammation of blood vessels), Crohn disease autoinflammatory connecand ulcerative colitis (types of inflammatory

Still disease (a rare type health ramifications assoof arthritis), Sjogren syndrome, ankylosing spon-researchers in the paper. dylitis, and sarcoidosis (growth of tiny collections ment should include evalof inflammatory cells in uating the development of body) were associated such disorders in patients with increasing Covid-19 who had Covid-19," they severity.

However, vaccination



"The findings suggest that autoimmune and tive tissue disorders may manifest as post-Covid-

"Long-term manageadded.

The study, published in was found to lower the included 3,54,527 indithe JAMA Network Open, risk, said the team from viduals with Covid and showed that the risks the Yonsei University 6,134,940 controls idenof alopecia totalis (total Wonju College of Meditified a significant elevahair loss), psoriasis (skin cine, at Wonju, South tion in the risk of multiple incident autoimmune and autoinflammatory disor-

ders subsequent to Covid. areata (adjusted hazard ratio [aHR] was 1.12), alobowel disease), rheuma- 19 sequelae, highlighting pecia totalis (aHR of 1.74, toid arthritis, adult-onset the potential long-term antineutrophil cytoplasmic antibody-associated ciated with Covid-19," the vasculitis (aHR, 2.76), Crohn disease (aHR, 1.68), and sarcoidosis (aHR, 1.59) were higher in the Covid-19 group.

Covid suggests the exis- myriad of Covid-19 survitence of a common path- vors globally is suggested, The cohort study way, which may involve the researchers said.

excessive cytokine storms leading to prolonged autoimmune responses that trigger specific underlying pathophysiology of each disease.

The researchers said that due to the potential involvement of SARS-CoV-2 infection in cardiopulmonary failure, extensive evaluation of cardiovascular and respiratory outcomes following Covid-19 infection has been conducted.

Although similarities between Covid-19 and several autoimmune diseases The risks of alopecia have been suggested, a comprehensive evaluation of autoimmune or inflammatory diseases as postacute Covid-19 sequelae has not yet been estab lished.

"Taken together, surveillance for the new development of autoimmune and autoinflam-The diseases' link with matory diseases for the

DC Kathua reviews progress on PMGSY Samriddhi Diwas observed road projects in Billawar division

JI NEWS SERVICE KATHUA, OCTOBER 9

Deputy Commissioner Kathua Rakesh Minhas today chaired a meeting of concerned officers here in the DC office complex to review the progress of works being executed in PMGSY Division Billawar.

Taking the appraisal of the progress achieved by the Billawar PMGSY division, the DC was informed about the status of seven projects undertaken by PMGSY Division Billawar.

contractors and asked them to submit a daily progress report to the



stipulated time.

Regarding the pending blacklist the defaulters. works, the DC called upon concerned office, which is the executing agencies to attended by CPO, conto be reviewed at the DC avoid unnecessary delays cerned officers of PMGSY office on a weekly basis. on their part. He also laid Billawar divisions and con-The DC directed the thrust on adhering to the tractors.

Executive Engineers to quality standards of all pace up the speed to com- works taken up by these plete all works in a time executive agencies to get bound manner besides durable assets. On the The DC took in depth calling for removing bot- issue of delay in complereview of each work being tlenecks to achieve maxi-tion of some works, the DC executed by concerned mum target works within called upon the executing agencies to penalise and

The meeting was

DC Doda reviews arrangements for forthcoming festivals



DODA, OCTOBER 9

The District Administration Dussehra, uninterruptof Doda, under the guid- ed power supply during of festival arrangements, slogans. including sanitation, secu-

Assar, Thathri, and others. premises, while the Police concerned officials.

enhance security at the temples. PHE and PDD Departments were instructed to ensure uninterrupted water and power supply, and the Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs authorities were directed guarantee sufficient ration and LPG cylinder sup-

were urged to

They deliberated on secu- plies. Traffic management rity measures, venues and signage for devotees' for effigy burning during convenience were also highlighted.

The meeting was attendance of Deputy Commis- Navratri, traffic coordina- ed by the Superintendent sioner Vishesh Mahajan, tion, and ration distribu- engineer, hydraulic circle convened a meeting to distion. Emphasis was placed Doda, Superintendent cuss preparations for the on maintaining cleanli- engineer JKPDCL DODA, upcoming Navratri, Maha ness around temples and ACR Doda, CMO Doda, Navami and Dussehra festi- promoting sanitation mes- Tehsildar Doda, Assisvals falling on October 15th, sages. All magistrates and tant Director FCS and CA 23rd, and 24th, respec-police officers were direct-Doda, Executive Engineer tively. The meeting, held ed to be present during Jal Shakti department in the DC office complex processions, with a strict Doda, Executive Engineer , covered various aspects prohibition on anti-social JKPDCL Doda , AD fire and emergency services The Deputy Commis- Doda, and Executive Offirity, electricity supply, traf-sioner stressed the impor-cer MC Doda. The meeting fic management, and other tance of interdepartmental was also attended in vircoordination to ensure the tual mode by ADC Bhad-In a virtual discussion, successful celebration of erwah, ASP Doda, SDMs DC Doda engaged with key the festivals. The Health of Gandoh, Assar, Thathri, officials, including ADC Department was tasked all tehsildars, SDPOs and Bhaderwah, ASP Bhad- with providing medical Executive Officers MC Thaerwah, SDMs of Gandoh, facilities around temple thri/Bhadrrwah, and other

GDC Kathua organises students' Field Trip to Jasrota Wild -Life Sanctuary



KATHUA, OCTOBER 9

To promote wildlife conservation and raise awareness about the value of Dr. Suresh, Dr. Kamaldeep, protecting India's natural Dr. Amrik and Prof. Neeru heritage, Science Club Sharma. and Ravi Eco Club of Govtrip sponsored by J&K and with coordinated Science, Technology and efforts of Sunita Razdan,

Sanctuary. off by the College Prin- Officer. presence of Prof. Rakesh great enthusiasm during Surbhi and Dr. Suresh.

Singh, Prof. Surbhi Gupta, sanctuary.

Singh, Convener, Prof. Raj the trip during which they Kiran, Dr. Deepshikha, Dr. visited different locations Pankaj Gupta, Prof. Shub and observed a variety of Kumar, Dr. Surya Partap Fauna and Flora inside the

Convener Science Club Prof. Rakesh Singh,, threw light on the importance The field trip was of biodiversity and role ernment Degree College organised under the men- of the individuals in its Kathua organised a field torship of the Principal conservation. Dr. Pankaj Gupta, encouraged the students to reap maximum Innovation Council for Joint Director J&K Science, benefit out of this field students at Jasrota Wildlife Technology and Innova-trip. Convener, Ravi Club tion Council, Prof. Rakesh Dr. Deepshikha elaborated More than 50 enthusi- Singh, Convener, Science about the various species astic students participated Club, Dr. Deepshikha, Con- of plants and animals presin the field trip to Jasrota vener Ravi Eco Club and ent in the sanctuary. Fac-Wildlife Sanctuary. The Dr. Pankaj Gupta Organiz- ulty members accompanytrip was formally flagged ing Secretary and Nodal ing the field trip included Dr. Deepshikha Sharma, cipal Prof. Seema Mir in The students showed Dr. Pankaj Gupta, Prof.

in Block Mankote under Sankalp Saptaah



MANKOTE, OCTOBER 9

As part of the Sankalp Saptaah launched by the Prime Minister at New Delhi, the Aspirational block Mankote has been organising a slew of activities since 3rd of October,

On Day 6, with a view to ensure benefits of Centrally sponsored schemes percolate down to the beneficiaries, a series of Thematic Area of Samrid-Village Dabraj in Aspirational Block Mankote.

held on the directions showcased in the fair. of the Deputy Commissioner Poonch, Yasin M. of different schemes.

recently launched by the Prime Minister.

ness about PM Vishwaprovisioning of the ben- har and other concerned.

efits to the Artisans and Craftspersons by Recognition, Skill Upgradation, Toolkit Incentives, Credit Support, Incentives for Digital Transaction and Market Support.

In addition, potential beneficiaries were made aware of other Govt run schemes to ensure effective targeting and scheme saturation in line with GoI objectives.

Similarly, Schemes of NRLM as well as Handiactivities were held under crafts Department like Karkhandar and Artisan dhi Diwas(Livelihood) at support schemes were also stressed upon. During the programmes, various The programmes were Handicrafts items were

Likewise, Training module on digital and Choudhary to sensitize financial literacy for the people about benefits upcoming budding entrepreneurs was also impart-During the pro- ed. The need for busigrammes, an Awareness ness plan development Rally on PM Vishwakarma was stressed through Scheme was held by the business competition. Handloom Department to Marketing and linkage raise awareness about this needs were focused. The Central Sector Scheme programmes were held under the supervision of ADDC Poonch, General The concerned depart- Manager DIC, Assistant ment imparted the aware- Director Handloom, BDO Mankote, District Coordikarma scheme envisaging nator NRLM, SDM Mend-

Kavinder asks PDD to ensure end of load shedding soon

Highlights people's sufferings due to frequent power cuts



JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, OCT 9

Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta asked the Power Developpower cuts as the same people of the Union Territory.

The BJP stalwart leader ing here at Lower Beli tration must be working Charana in Cantonment on it and sooner than later rating the lane and drain and power cuts will come living in the vicinity.

The senior BJP func- due to load shedding. tionary said that the Modi Government has established a set-up in J&K ment in the UT. "Under the case at all. the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Modi,

tors, leading to improved living standards and prosperity for its residents," he

He said working persistently, the government led by PM Modi has ensured ment Department (PDD) that all people in J&K get to do away with frequent the basic civic amenities and also the services have been irking the meant for public welfare.

Speaking on the power outage, Kavinder Gupta anticipated that LG was addressing a gather- Manoj Sinha's adminis-Ward No. 6 after inaugu- things will be sorted out work, fulfilling long pend- down to bare minimum as ing demand of the people people especially students and old ones suffer a lot

He asked the government to go after this problem and remove the things that all nooks and cor- which have gone haywire ners have been provided as frequent power cuts focused attention and do irk the people, which that is the reason behind often invite public critiunprecedented develop- cism which should not be

Others present during the inauguration of Jammu and Kashmir has the development work witnessed a transforma- included Bharat Bhushan tion like never before. Vice Chairman Canton-The Union Territory has ment Board, Vinay Gupta, undergone substantial Amrik Singh, Narinder ji, growth across various sec- Ravinder ji and others.

Arvind Gupta

listens to public

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grievances

J&K BJP Secretary Arvind Gupta, during his weekly sitting at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu, listened to the grievances of a large number of people, who had reached there to raise their problems for getting them solved.

The people who visited party office were from Gandhi Nagar, Talab Tillo, Gadigarh, Roop Nagar, Ban Talab, Kachi Chawni, R.S. Pura, Bari Brahmana and other areas. They narrated their problems related to irregular supply of electricity, replacement of fused street lights, upgradation of transformers, provision of transport facility, repair of damaged road etc.

Arvind Gupta, while interacting with these people, said that the BJP leaders are always at their service and everyone who visits the public darbar, is properly heard and every possible effort is made to help them in getting relief. He said that the party activists at different levels are also reaching the doorsteps of the people to educate them about the welfare schemes launched by Narendra Modi government for their socio-economic upliftment and also extend them help in applying for schemes which suts them and get benefitted.

Arvind Gupta further said that the people have themselves realised that BJP and Narendra Modi, are committed for the development of every region and welfare of every section of the society and the opposition parties are finding it difficult to face the public as none of them has anything to claim as their achievement.

Opposition parties dharna on Oct 10 will send peoples' message for early restoration of democracy: Vikar

JI NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, OCT 8

PCC President Shri Vikar Rasool Wani has asked all senior leaders and functionaries of PCC including former Ministers, ex-legislators, DCC Presidents, functionaries of frontal organizations and blocks to attend the proposed peaceful Joint Dharna of main opposition parties and like minded social organizations on 10th Oct. for the restoration of democracy and other burning issues confronting the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

Addressing a meeting of senior party functionaries, DCC Presidents, Corporators and frontal organizatoday, alongwith Workseeking immediate restoration of democracy and stitutional rights to the sooner the better. people of J&K apart from

last more than five years and the Governor's admininivited here. istration claimed the more

ful dharna want to send ing President Shri Raman a clear and loud message Wani asked the party lead- and Kashmir want early ers and workers to join the restoration of democracy proposed Dharna on Oct. and to have their elected 10 in order to send a mes-government apart from sage of united opposition other democratic and constitutional rights and want to get rid of the presthe democratic and con- ent bureaucratic system,

Although the dharna is highlighting the burning symbolic and not a show of issues of people of differ- strength but good number ent sections of Jammu and of leaders and workers will attend the join the people He said that people protest on Oct. 10 and are suffering under the thereafter some time the alliance would also be

Addressing the meeting Jammu and Kashmir don't Bhalla said that people want elections and are want immediate holding of happy with the present Assembly elections apart

without any delay.

bureaucratic regime for leadership of the INDIA trying to dodge the people Sharma, Akash Bharat, 80 % people in Working President Raman other elections time and Gupta, Naresh Sharma,

dispensation, In order to from other elections like Spokesperson briefed the Vijay Shastri , Dr. R.K. counter this kind of nar- ULB and Panchayats etc. meeting regarding the Khajuria, Pawandev Singh rative, the united opposi- on time without any delay. preparations and consul- and others.

tions at the PCC HQ here tion through this peace- The people of Jammu and faced by the different sec-Kashmir irrespective of tions of the society includany ideology, religion or ing unemployed youth, Bhalla, Shri Vikar Rasool that the people of Jammu region are unanimous on farmers, students, traders, the demand for the resto- transporters, daily wagers, ration of democracy at the temporary employees and earliest and other demo- all other burning issues of cratic rights and statehood common man shall also be

He said that joint oppo-

out a strong message Sawhney, Vinod Sharma, of the people desire for Trilok Singh Bahwa, Ved early elections to the state Mahajan, Rajnish Sharma, assembly and other due DCC Presidents Krishan elections apart from resto- Bhagat, Hari Singh Chib, ration of other democratic Pankaj Dopgra, Sanjeev and constitutional rights. He said the UT administra- Shiv Kumar Sharma, tion and Centre Govt. are Pawan Raina, Vijay of Jammu and Kashmir by Ch. Dwarka, Gurmit Singh, delaying and deferring Pawan aina, Parveen assembly elections and Sarwar Khan, Babal again out of the fear of the Narinder Gupta, Neeraj

tations with the like minde3d political parties and other social organizations like NC, PDP, CPIM, Panthers Party, Shiv Sena, IDP and others who are like minded and united for restoration of democracy and other democratic rights at the earliest. He said that the senior leadership of all the liked minded parties and their workers will participate in good number although it is symbolic peaceful dharna between 10.30 A.M. on wards. He said

that burning issues highlighted.

Prominent sition dharna will send attended include Yogesh Sharma, Rajesh Sadhotra, backlash and defeat of BJP. Gupta, Narinder Sharma, Ravinder Sharma Chief T.S. Tony, Vijay Tagotra,

One missing person reunited with his family by PS Miran Sahib Jammu.

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, OCT 9

A written complaint was lodged at PS Miran Sahib by the legal heirs of a person namely Sahil Kumar S/o Sewa Ram R/o Village Marallian Miran Sahib Tehsil R.S Pura District Jammu stating that he went missing from his home.

In this regard missing report vide GD No 31 Dated 27/09/2023 got registered at PS Miran Sahib and investigation started.

After this special police teams of PS Miran Sahib led by SDPO R.S Pura Nikhil Gogna assisted by SHO PS Miran Sahib Inspr Bopinder Singh did strenuous efforts and finally traced the missing person. Subsequently family of the missing person was informed and traced person was handed over to his family members after completing all the legal formali-

JKNC celebrates resounding victory in LAHDC poll in Kargil

JAMMU, OCT 9

The Jammu and Kashmir National Conference (JKNC) has celebrated its triumphant victory in the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council election in Kargil. The party secured a significant win in this election, marking a momentous occasion in J&K's political landscape.

The party leaders eral Secretary, Rattan Lal each other by distributing Gupta Provincial President sweets. Jammu Province, Surinder Jammu Province, Bimla Kargil. The message from of great hard work of NC Luthra Ex-MLA, Vijay the electorate underscores workers of Kargil and Lochan Chairman SC the importance of inclublessings of NC leaders and Kashmir National Lakhotra, Jatinder Kumar, Cell and Abdul Gani Teli sive and equitable gover- Dr Farooq Abdullah and Conference, and the party Ashanand, Akash Verma,



other party functionaries

Chairman OBC Cell and nance in the region.

and workers assembled Rattan Lal Gupta, Proincluded Ajay Kumar in the Sher-e-Kashmir vincial President of IKNC Sadhotra former minis- Bhawan, dancing to the in Jammu, expressed the ter and Additional Gen- tune of Dhols and greeted profound significance of this electoral triumph. He noted that the election commitment to serving Rakesh Sharma, Ghar Talking to the report- result serves as a major the people of Jammu and Chourdhry Central Secre- ers, Ajay Kumar Sadhotra setback for the Bharatiya Kashmir with dedication tary, Babu Rampaul former former minister and Addi- Janata Party (BJP), as a minister and Central Zone tional General Secretary majority of the voters in President, Sheikh Bashir emphasized that this elec- Kargil expressed their Provincial Secretary and Ahmed , Ayub Malik, toral outcome reflects the 'unhappiness' with the Babu Rampaul former Pardeep Bali Provincial rejection of divisive poli-ruling party on the elec-Secretaries, Satwant Kour cies attributed to the Saftion day. The victory in President asserted that Arunpal Singh, Massrat Dogra P.P Women Wing fron Party by the voters of the election is the result the LAHDC election in

Central Secretary for the upcoming

elections in Jammu

and Kashmir. He Speaking to reporters, expressed confidence that the Jammu and Kashmir National Conference is poised to form the next government in the region, underscoring the party's and integrity.

Shekh Bashir Ahmed minister and Central Zone people's faith in the Jammu

Talking to the ingits mission of providing reporters, Surind- effective and progressive er Choudhary governance to the region. Among those who

called upon all joined the momentous party workers to occasion include Jugal remain closely Mahajan, Ch Rehmat Ali connected with BDC Chairman, Zeeshan the public and to Rana, Th. Yashvardhan be well-prepared Singh Additional Spokespersons, Naresh Bittu District President Iammu Rural B, S. Gurnam Singh, Ashwani Charak, Surjeet Singh Sasan, Rakesh Singh Raka, Dilshad Malik, Rita Gupta, Ch. Aslam, Harshvardhan Singh President NCSU, Rashida Begum, Singh, Ashok Kumar Dogra, S. Nirmal Singh, Som Raj Taroch, S. Tejinder Singh, Pinky Khalsa, Nitish Gowsami, Sandeep Singh Wazir, Zamir Quershi, Rajeshwar Singh, Akram, Malik, Varun, Mobhbat Ali, Kargil has showcased the Saqib Kichloo, Jagga Ram, Master Baldev, Ram Lal looks forward to continu- Muzamil Malik and others.

Nitish calls for concerted efforts to combat dengue surge in Jammu

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, OCT 9

Nitish Mahajan, Coincharge Social Media Department, BJP, Jammu and Kashmir, urged the Health Department, **Municipal Corporations** and Municipalities across the Jammu region to take necessary steps to combat the surge in dengue cases.

Addressing media persons here today, the senior BJP leader expressed his cases in Jammu and ment departments and Kashmir. He said that the further.

aforesaid measures the aware about the symp- mosquitoes. Municipalities must start a toms of Dengue other than prioritizing the areas that abound in stagnant waters he said. and plantations.

areas where there is stag- ing intensifying vector Jammu and Kashmir."

nant water, therefore the control measures, raising people should ensure that public awareness about there is no stagnant water the disease, and providing serious concern over the in their surroundings. He adequate medical facilities rising number of dengue said for this the govern- to those affected. Nitish also highlighted agencies need to make the importance of comsituation is alarming and people aware about the munity participation in that immediate action is precautions and Dos and the fight against dengue.

needed to prevent the Don'ts for prevention of He appealed to the public outbreak from spreading the breeding of mosqui- to cooperate with the toes so as to minimize the government and take The senior BJP leader chances of Dengue spread. necessary precautions to said that in addition to the People need to be made protect themselves from "Dengue is a serious

vigorous fumigation cam- fever so that such patients disease, but it can be prepaign in all the areas, first reach the hospitals with- vented with timely action out any wastage of time, and cooperation from all stakeholders," he said. "I Nitish urged the gov- urge the government and Nitish stated that since ernment to take all neces- the public to work togeth-Dengue is caused by mos-sary steps to control the er to combat this outbreak quito species that breed in dengue outbreak, includ- and protect the people of

CBC organizes ICOP at Govt Eliezer Joldan Memorial College, Leh

Omar Abdullah.

JI NEWS SERVICE LEH, OCTOBER 09

The Central Bureau of Communication (CBC) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India today organized an Integrated Communication and Outreach Programme (ICOP) as part of the ongoing Swachhata Hi Seva campaign at Government Eliezer Joldan Memorial ings clean. College (GEJMC), Leh.

of the college participated in the programme.

ering, In-charge Princi- during the programme. pal GEJMC Ms Rinchin Angmo thanked CBC for Municipal Committee tance of segregating waste encouraged to spread the encourage others to do choosing the college for Leh, Ms Fariha Yousuf at source and said that in message of cleanliness the same. holding the event there. also addressed the stu- the present times, waste and spend two hours She requested the stu-dents and said that clean-is a resource that can lead dents to take care of their liness is the responsibility to revenue generation if related to cleanliness. surroundings and make of every single citizen and handled properly and they keep their surround- or the municipal authorisized that everyone from Cultural and Tra- Office Srinagar.



intervals. She requested Addressing the gath- whatever has been said ment.

State Mission Manager,

ties. She said that Ladakhi should be familiar with Ms Angmo said that the culture is one which does More than two hun- need of the hour is that not promote waste pro- said that it should be the the guests, thanked disdred students and teach- more such programmes duction and we should responsibility of every cit- trict administration Leh ing and non-teaching staff are conducted at regular go back to our roots if we izen to adhere to the rules want to tackle the probstudents to adhere to lem of waste manage-

> Ms Yousuf also emphasised upon the impor-

segregation of waste and of waste management. A 'Swachhata Pledge'

was also administered to He stressed upon stuthe students as part of the dents to make cleanliness ICOP wherein they were their motto in life and also every week on activities

The programme also

ditional Society, Ladakh which left the audience spell bound and enthralled.

As part of the ICOP, a dustbin was also donated to the college and the students took part in a cleanliness drive wherein they cleaned the surroundings of the college.

Earlier in the programme, Field Publicity Officer, CBC Field Office Leh, Aamir Amin Nowshahri, while welcoming and the college authorities for helping conduct the ICOP at short notice.

The proceedings of the programme were conducted by Sh Sikandar Qureshi, Field Publicevery effort to ensure that not just the government with care. She empha- witnessed performances ity Assistant, CBC Field

Last chance for admission to IIMC, apply before Oct 12

IIMC, most prestigious Media Education **Institution in country**

JI NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHL OCT 9

If you want to get into the country's top media institute, this is your last chance. The Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC) announced on Monday the process for admission to a few vacant seats in different courses across its six campuses. The deadline for applying for the academic session 2023-24 is October 12, 2023. Detailed information regarding the vacant seats is available on the IIMC website http:// iimc.gov. According to Admissions In-charge, Prof. Rakesh Goswami, only those students during this phase will be born on 1.8.1993 or tion and chose IIMC as during the e-counselling an option can apply for process. these vacant seats. The filled application forms a general category candi- advised to thoroughly for admission to these date should be born on read the detailed notifivacant seats should be 1.8.1998 or later (maxi- cation on the IIMC web-



CUET (PG) examina- prepared All India Rank on August 1, 2023).

For admission to IIMC, sent via email to lan- mum 25 years on August site and ensure their eliguagecoursesiimc2023@ 1, 2023), and SC/ST cat- gibility before submitting gmail.com. Admissions egory candidates should the application form.

who appeared for the be granted based on the later (maximum 30 years

Candidates participating in this admission round at IIMC are

10 vehicles involved in illegal mining seized by Jammu Police

JAMMU, OCT 10

menace of illegal mining, the vehicle seized are as and one Tractor Trolley a multi-pronged strategy under: was devised by Jammu Police in which police Registration Nos JKO2CF- Phallian Mandal. teams of PS Akhnoor, 7181, JK02BM-9091 and Pounichack and PP Sidhra DZGDJ1222334S3, by PS by PP Manwal. acted stringently on the Akhnoor. specific inputs and raided

at a location in their tration No, by PS Nagrota. by PP Pounichack. respective area and seized

02 vehicles i.e One 10 vehicles involved in Tipper bearing Registra-In a quest to stern the illegal mining. Details of tion No JK02CX-9839,

bearing Chassis No MBN-04 Tractor i.e 02 bearing GAALF2NTA00205, by PP One Tractor Trol-PS Nagrota, PP Phallian another 02 bearing Chassis ley bearing Chassis No PP Phallian Mandal PSI ment the drive against ille-

Mandal, PP Manwal, PP Nos NHN36000ZNJ628190, MBNAK48ACMTL50984, One Tipper bearing Reg-

One JCB without Regis- istration No JK02DD-4753,

One Tipper bearing Registration No JK02CX-8558, by PP Sidhra. The recoveries were

made by SHO PS Akhnoor Inspr Zaheer Mushtaq,

PP Sidhra PSI Arun Kumar in their respective jurisdic-

DMO Jammu was also

intimated about the same. The mining was done in violation of order of SHO PS Nagrota Inspr. Hon'ble High Court of J&k. Vishav Pratap Singh I/C In order to strictly imple-Ajesh Singh Jamwal, I/C gal mining and to tighten PP Manwal PSI Sanjeev noose against the violators Sharma, I/C PP Pounichack of the law Jammu Police PSI Nitish Khajuria and I/C has initiated strict action.

Army Goodwill Schools changing narratives in J&K's remote belts

BY VISHAL BHARTI JAMMU, OCT 9 (UNI)

in guarding the borders the Union Territory.

The Goodwill Schools- are studying." an initiative of India Army reforming their lives.

Jammu based, Public Relation Officer (PRO), Min-havana deserving and established in 2010 and does not suffer." istry of Defence, Lieutenant needy students meeting is affiliated with the J&K flung areas of Jammu and sponsorship," he added. Kashmir.

Below Poverty Line (BPL)

under Operation Sadb- of these BPL students are (BPL: 154) and Army Goodhavana are undoubtedly entirely met through Sadb- will School, Potha, total 471 changing narratives of havana activities for the (BPL: 108) people and helping them in overall development of students.

thought transformation are: Army Goodwill School, Not only standing tall leading to nation building. Saujiyan, total students 207 Sharing the details, the (BPL:142), Baba Garib Dass and safeguarding lives of PRO said, "Army Goodwill Academy, Salotri, total: people, the Indian Army Schools (AGSs) and Army 142 (BPL: 106), Pinewood in Jammu and Kashmir at Goodwill Public Schools School, Hajipur: total 433 par is contributing as well (AGPs) have been running (BPL: 210), Army Goodwill (1999--LKG to 8th), Pine- and traditions." in providing quality educa- for the past few years as Public School, Rajouri, tion to the students through part of Sadbhavana initia- total: 719 (BPL: 54), Model the Goodwill Schools estab- tives where a total of 2643 Academy, Sagrada, total lished in the remote belts of students including 1009 of 303 (BPL: 155), Pinewood School, Sabra, total: 100 (BPL: 80), Tender Feet ery to Tenth). He said the expenses School, Keri, total 258

CBSE, 6th to 12th).

All these schools fall under Headquarter of 25 Infantry Division.

Model Academy, Sagra wood School, Sabra (1996--KG to 8th), Tender Feet School, Keri (2007--Nursery to 8th) and Army Goodwill School, Potha (2003--Nurs-

Defence analyst, Brig (Retd) Anil Gupta, said, "Army during the period of insurgency started teach-"Under Operation Sadb- in Saujiyan (Poonch) was ensure that the education

are acting as schools of the Financial Year 2022-23 and Army Goodwill Public ity education blended with added, "Countrywide tours School, Rajouri (2007-- discipline, patriotism and are changing the narratives Schools, students got qualnationalism, he told UNI.

about the Indian cultures to the radicalisation."

"Goodwill schools being run he added. by the Army in the remote has shown amazing results."

adding, "education is being of their studies." To keep the local youth taught on the CBSE pattern

These schools, he said, that the beneficiaries for Board, Nursery to 12th) to far flung areas with qual- and strategic affairs expert, Capt Gaur said. as they are learning about ity education that helped He said, "Army is also the modernised society and in countering the Pakistan taking students on national this has prevented them sponsored agenda of raditours to make them aware from becoming less prone calisation and 'jihad' in the

"The students are con-Appreciating the Army's tributing to nation building trusting the Indian Army, thought of introducing through their professional Goodwill Schools, Brig return to the civil society in ing computer and internet (Retd) Vijay Sagar told UNI, the form of developments,"

belts is indeed an important analyst, Captain (retd), Anil exposed them to the day to and appreciable step and Gaur said, "During mili-day happenings taking place tancy, the education sector globally. "The schools are bless- remained neglected as He said that the Army ing students in the remote ings for the children, espeteachers were not ready to the Indian Army as a saviour Goodwill School, Gagriyan areas with their own staff to cially those who belong join their duties and the stu- and it remained a successful to BPL families," he said dents were being deprived experiment," he said adding

Colonel, Suneel Bartwal told various parameters based Board (Nursery to Fifth), engaged, this initiative was and above all, the teachings Central Government to in these schools that led to UNI that Goodwill Schools on economic conditions Baba Garib Dass Academy, taken and it was converted on patriotism, personality engage teachers from the the progress of the country are doing wonders in the far and merit were selected for Salotri, (2007--J&K Board, into the Army Goodwill development and sports Army Education Corps that through the students pass-LKG to 8th), Pinewood Schools, which was an culture are transforming resulted in the setting up of ing out from Army's Good-The PRO further shared School, Hajipur (1996--J&K excellent idea in reaching them." Brig Sagar, a defence Army Goodwill Schools," will Schools.

Through Army Goodwill far flung areas," he stated.

Lauding the people for Gaur added, "With upgradfacilities introduced later have made students aware Political and defence of the outside world and

"People started seeing with latest technology, edu-"It was decided by the cation was also reformed

Congress celebrated victory

This is victory of INDIA

of party in LAHDC Polls

alliance: Bhalla

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Shri Rahul Gandhi.

Shiv Sena extends congrats to NC, Congress on impressive victory in LAHDC polls



first-ever elections in the and Kashmir Congress. newly created Ladakh-

their resounding victory. A delegation of party face a clear rejection.

ence and Congress for the people of Jammu and in the future.

Celebrating a 160-Yr Legacy: Ram Leela will be

staged at Dewan Mandir from Oct 15: Yudhvir

Kashmir are gearing up to teach the BJP a lesson in the forthcoming 2024 Lok Sabha elections and elections in five states.

Sahni added, The victory of the I.N.D.I Alliance in Kargil is just a glimpse of the real picture. The true picture will unfold in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections and state elections in five states. It is

leaders, led by State Pres- The people are united Following the historic ident Manish Sahni, con- to respond decisively to bifurcation of Jammu veyed their felicitations to the division of Jammu and Kashmir into two Raman Bhalla, Executive and Kashmir, the ero-Union Territories and the President of the Jammu sion of statehood, apathy towards public issues, Sahni emphasized that and divisive politics.' Kargil region, Shiv Sena's the people of Kargil have Shiv Sena commended Jammu and Kashmir Unit made a resounding state- the spirited participation today extended hearty ment by choosing the of the people of Kargil in congratulations to the I.N.D.I. Alliance over the the democratic process I.N.D.I Alliance compris- Bharatiya Janata Party and anticipates further ing the National Confer- (BJP). He also noted that democratic expressions

certain that the BJP will

First Super Over cricket tournament organized at Balle Da Bagh



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AKHNOOR, OCTOBER 9

To keep the youth of drug addiction, the first Super Over cricket tournament of one over each was organised by Arun Chib, Parveen Sharma, Mohit Sharma, Shubham Chib, Bunty Chib, Rahul Sharma and Jishu. A total of 32 teams participated in this tournament, each team consisting of two players, who got one over each. In this knockout game, the team of Patoli, Jammu emerged victorious by defeating all the

In the tournament KD Bhagat DySP (DAR Jammu) program, Sham Singh

Kerni, Kannav Chopra, Subash Jamwal, Rakun,

Rakesh Dogra, Amit Kha-

juria, Pawan Sharma, Raj

Kumar, Ram Paul, Litchee

Sharma, Sachin Sharma,

Ajay Kumar, Sanjeev

Anand, Rishu, Ramesh

Kumar, Jitender Sharma,

Abhi Sharma, Rajesh

Kumar, and many more.

The music for the event will be composed and

scored by Vishal Gupta

and Chanchal Sharma,

with Kuldeep Verma. The lighting design will

be overseen by Ashok

Gupta, while the sets

will be created by Sardar

Harbhajan Singh, Ajay,

Jammu and Kashmir Divyang Cricket Board was the participated in the tourguest of honor. Yash Pal Akhnoor area away from Sharma President Dangal Committee Balle Da Bagh

> Bhagat congratulated the tee to organize the similar organising committee for organising the tourna- involving youth in sports. ment based on theme of He encouraged the chilthe anti-drugs. Giving a dren to work hard in studmessage to the youth, he ies as well as in sports. appeal everyone in Jammu and Kashmir to join hands Panch Raman Sharma, to defeat narco terrorism. Sumit Sharma, Rohit He instructed youth about the effects of experimental Dilwar Singh, Bunty, Sahil drugs and counseled them

Langeh, President of the society.

All the players who nament were given trophies and cash awards by the guests. Sham Singh and Master Kuljeet Singh appreciated the excelwere present as special lent performance of the guests in the tournament. youth. He made appeal Chief Guest DySP KD to the organizing commitevents in future to keep

On this occasion, Sharma, Shunna Chib, Sharma, Rohit Singh, about participating in Baldev Singh, Mohan, sports. He also advised the Shobnam, Shubham, was the Chief Guest of the youth to spread the mes- Vikas, Rahul etc were sage against drug abuse in present.

that the victory of the party and INDIA alliance in LAHDC as a trend setter Congress today celebrated for the future elections the victory of INDIA alli- in Jammu and Kashmir. ance on Ladakh Autono- The people have voted in mous Hill Development favour of the secular par-Council (LAHDC)-Kargil ties (NC-Congress) allielections, winning 22 out ance. The people have of 26 seats and credited it rejected the policies of BJP to the Bharat Jodo Yatra of and the BJPs countdown has already been started JKPCC Working Presi- from Karnatka Assembly dent Shri Raman Bhalla, elections. The false propa-Former Minister and ganda of the BJP has been Incharge DCC Jammu totally exposed before the Urban Yogesh Sawh- countrymen and the conney, Chief Spokesperson gress party would ensure

Sharma, Ved Mahajan, elections also, he said. He said that the election Kanta Bhan, Narinder Gupta, Kapil Singh, to the Ladakh Autonomous Praveen Sarwar Khan, Hill Development Council Dwarka Choudhary, Bano (LAHDC)-Kargil was the Mahajan , Amrit Bali, first poll held after Ladakh Vijay Malhotra, Sandeep was carved out as a Union Dogra, Rajesh Sharma, Territory following the Ram Magotra, Rakesh abrogation of Article 370 Sharma, Com. Gurmeet of the Constitution and the Singh, Sat Pal Spolia, Asha people of Ladakh rejected Chandan and number of the divisive politics of BJP senior congress leaders and its policies which are and workers celebrated against the people of J&K the victory at the PCC HQ and Ladakh. Shaheedi Chowk Jammu JKPCC has congratu-

by distributing sweets, lated the Congress Presiburning of crackers and dent Mallikarjun Kharge raising slogans in favour of and Former Congress the Congress party and its President and courageous leader Shri Rahul Gandhi Speaking on the occa- over the victory of the sion Raman Bhalla said party in LHDC.

Sidhani of DPS Jammu wins Gold Medal in Soft **Tennis competition**



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School Jammu brought laurels to the school and category in district level

Madhvendra

Singh (IX-A) and Vihan endeavours. Manhas (VIII-K) also won bronze medals in U-17 Meenu Gupta too lauded

category, respectively in the same competition.

The esteemed manage-Sidhani Singh (XII-G), a ment DPS Jammu-Hon'ble student of Delhi Public President-RCT, Sh. M.K Ajatshatru Singh Ji, distinguished PVC-Dr. Kuwaher parents by winning rani Ritu Singh Ji, Hon'ble gold medal U-19 girls single Director-Sh. S.S Sodhi Ji along with

Principal-DPS Jammu, Tennis Competition for Ms. Ruchi Chabra conboys & amp; girls organized gratulated all the winners, by Department of Youth their parents and coach, Services & Sports, Mr. Amar Jyoti Sharma for J&K held from 20-21 Sep- their brilliant performanctember, 2023 at M.A Stadies in the event. They also um, Jammu. Additionally, extended their best wishes to them for all their future

Headmistress, Ms.

One notorious criminal lady booked

Ravinder Sharma, Vinod out victorious in the next

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reliable sources regarding one notorious crimition that the said accused nal namely Swarna Devi lady was a notorious crim-W/o Ashok Kumar R/o inal and history sheeter Qasim Nagar, Jammu who and was involved in

multiple cases including Immoral Trafficking.

On this special police One notorious criminal teams of PS Bagh-E-Bahu arrested and booked led by SDPO East Parupunder Section 8(1)(A) of kar Singh assisted by SHO J&K Public Safety Act by PS PS Bagh-E-Bahu Inspr. Arti Bagh-E-Bahu Jammu. An Thakur finally raided at information was received the suspected place and at PS Bagh-E Bahu through rounded up the said lady.

It is pertinent to menwas evading her arrest in immoral trafficking.

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Continuing a rich cultural the distinguished Direc- witnessed the perforlegacy that spans over 160 tor Sat Paul Sharma, mances of renowned years, Yudhvir Sethi, Vice shared their excitement Bollywood actors like scheduled to begin on is essential to preserve it for attendees. the auspicious first day in all its authenticity. of Navratra, October 15,

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flanked by Anil Masoom, 160 years from the same Club President, and Gen-stage. He asserted that eral Secretary, along with the Ram Leela Club had

In a press conference tradition, captivating Puri, Vijay Sharma, Sahil cherished cultural tradiheld today, Yudhvir Sethi, audiences for more than Gupta, Sanjana, Sanjeev tion, he added.

Rahul, and Kala. Yudhvir Sethi extended President of J&K BJP and for the upcoming Ram Om Parkash, Om Puri, a warm invitation to the Chairman of Shree Sana- Leela. He emphasized and PrithviRaj Chouhan. residents of Jammu City tan Dharam Natak Samaj that Ram Leela is an age- This year, the Ram Leela to attend the Ram Leela Dewan Mandir Club, is old tradition that show- promises to introduce and show their support thrilled to announce the cases our culture in a new artists and scenes, for the talented artists of upcoming Ram Leela dramatized form, and it refreshing the experience the Ram Leela Club. Their presence will undoubt-The talented cast edly boost the morale of He said the Ram Leela set to perform in Ram the performers, ensuring has been a cherished Leela includes Laxman the continuation of this

& them.

Congress Working Committee passes resolution in its meeting held at New Delhi

the people of Sikkim and ensure social justice. The by inordinately postpon- will be removed. of the Darjeeling, Kalim- CWC also welcomes the ing the decadal Census armed forces. The CWC without detailed data G20 that has failed to carry rate share of population. emphasizes the impor- on the socio-economic out the Census. Moreover, in ecologically vulner- still unreleased data from by multiple delegations invocation of anti-terror able Himalayan regions to the 2011 Socio Economic during the Bharat Jodo laws. The conspiracy theodisasters in the face of fresh Caste Census. climate change. The CWC calls on the Union govern- show the critical impor- Session. ment to provide all neces- tance of a nationwide Caste sary assistance to Sikkim Census which will reveal National Congress promand the hill regions in an accurate picture of the ises that a government led ments from China's govthe north of West Bengal. socio-economic position by it will: The CWC also reiterates of communities across its appeal to set aside parthee country and provide Caste Census as part of the the zooming imports from last month's tragedy in for policies to strengthen which was due in 2021. Himachal Pradesh as a the foundations of social national disaster.

These developments tisan politics and declare a sound, data-driven basis normal decadal Census China, and worst of all the release of the caste survey/ Modi government has legislative assemblies our border. headcount conducted by cheated the OBC commu- at the earliest, ensuring the state government nities and other deprived adequate representation has escalated the misuse of longer be intimidated by is a nearly five-decade low. threat to our democracy issues that have given rise

the 85th Congress Plenary

monumental hypocrisy in accepting donations from Therefore, the Indian Chinese companies to PM CARES Fund and investernment-owned compa-I. Conduct a nationwide nies, its inability to control Prime Minister's clean

of Bihar. The disparity sections of the country by for women belonging to the law and the unleashing these tactics. between representation not releasing the data of Scheduled Castes, Sched- of central agencies against

revealed by the final fig- and Caste Census and not OBCs as well. The unnec- and oppose the govern- lapse of constitutional gov- nant wages, high inflation every passing day require ures of the survey high- carrying out a fresh Caste essary obstacles of Census ment's actions, including ernment and the continu- and widespread unem- a durable solution. The The CWC expresses its lights the urgent need Census; it has also failed and delimitation imposed the leaders of the Oppo- ing humanitarian tragedy ployment, millions of only solution that is within deepest condolences to to take effective steps to in its Constitutional duty by the Modi government sition parties across the in Manipur. Even after Indian families are forced the power of the people is country. Such coercive more than five months, the into borrowing money for to remove the anti-people III. Remove the cap of and illegal action cripples Prime Minister has totally their consumption needs. BJP governments from pong and Kurseong hills objective of the Justice that ought to have been 50% through legislation the free press, hinders the abandoned the people of The CWC believes that power, both at the state on the unprecedented Rohini Commission of conducted in 2021 or soon for the reservation of fundamental rights of citi- Manipur and abdicated his the dismal situation is the and the Centre. To achieve floods and the tragic loss sub-categorization within thereafter. It is a matter of OBCs, Scheduled Castes zens, journalists and politiof many lives, including OBCs, but underlines that shame that India remains and Scheduled Tribes, in cians to hold the govern-ties. Violent incidents have ment's anti-people, pro-resolves to call upon all personnel of the Indian it will remain incomplete the only country in the line with the commensument accountable, and increased with numerous crony economic policies its members and supportlowers India's standing instances of vigilantism which have resulted in the ers to fight the upcoming 3. The CWC condemns in the world as a democ- and threats by armed concentration of wealth elections to state legislatance of cumulative and position of various com- the demand for the Caste the Modi government's racy. The Prime Minister mobs. The Union govern- and power in a few hands tive assemblies and to the credible environmen- munities, which can be Census was repeatedly raids on dozens of journal- and the BJP have degraded ment has completely failed in every sector of the Lok Sabha with a unity of tal impact assessments obtained either from the expressed state after state ists and writers, and the the political discourse to in its duty to maintain economy. The CWC reiter- purpose, dedication and such a level that official public order and bridge ates the resolution of the determination. posters are being made the divisions between the Indian National Congress avoid the repeat of such and Caste Census or a Yatra, and finds voice in ries floated by the govern- to incite and provoke communities. The con- at the Raipur AICC ses- expresses its dismay and the Raipur declaration at ment only exposes its own violence against former stitutional machinery in sion that the need of the anguish on the war that Congress President, Shri. Manipur has broken down. hour is a comprehensive has broken out in the Rahul Gandhi, similar to The CWC reiterates its reset of economic policy Middle East where over the one commissioned by previous demand for the which directly tackles the a thousand people have Nathuram Godse against immediate removal of the twin problems of growing been killed in the last two Mahatma Gandhi and Chief Minister and imposi- unemployment and wid- days. The CWC reiterates senior Congress leaders tion of President's Rule as ening inequalities which its long-standing support of the freedom movement. the first step in resolving will be the legacy of the for the rights of the Palesti-The CWC observes that the unprecedented crisis Modi government. frequency of these attacks in Manipur. by the Modi government II. Implement the 33% chit to China on 19th June, will only increase in the concern the recent RBI National Congress and its. The CWC calls for an justice and ensure inclu- reservation for women in 2020, when he denied all run-up to the five state data which shows that net allied parties have been immediate cease-fire and The CWC welcomes the sive development. The the Lok Sabha and state Chinese transgressions at elections and the 2024 Lok Sabha elections, but households in 2022-23 had sures to provide relief to on all outstanding issues The Modi government the Indian people will no fallen to 5.1 per cent which the people. However, the including the imperative

Similarly, real income and the social, political to the present conflict.

and share in population the 2011 Socio Economic uled Tribes and including those who ask questions deep anguish on the col- four decades. Hit by stag- which are mounting

The CWC expresses its growth is at its lowest in and economic crises

constitutional responsibili- result of the Modi govern- this objective, the CWC

Finally, the CWC anian people to land, self-The state govern- government and to live The CWC notes with ments led by the Indian with dignity and respect. financial assets of Indian taking a number of meafor negotiations to begin

IIIM celebrates 82nd CSIR **Foundation Day**



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The 82nd foundation day of the Council of Scientif-Chair Professor, IIT the importance of good (FNA, FASc, FNASc). governance and the role of management, heads long programme con-

annuated during last one year and who completed

ic & Industrial Research who were presented the today at CSIR- Indian Insti- Patra were Vikram Abrol, cine (IIIM), Jammu. CSIR Kumar, Saudagar Lal, Kulis the largest R&D organi- deep Singh, Umid Singh zation in India having a Thapa, Ram Lal, Sodagar pan-India presence with Lal, Tara Chand, Bhushan a network of 37 national Lal, Sat Paul and Girdhari laboratories, across the Lal. Vinod Meena on comcountry. Padam Shri Propletion of 25 years of regu-Dhiraj Vyas, Sumit fessor Vinod K. Singh, lar service was also hon- Gandhi, Qazi Naved Rahul and Namita Gautam oured during the event.

Kanpur, a distinguished Ahmed, Director of CSIR- Singh, Sr. Principal Sciluminary of Indian Sci- IIIM, presented welcome entist, Saurabh Saran, ence was the Chief Guest address and introduced on the occasion and deliv- Prof Vinod K Singh to the tion Day Org. Committee ered CSIR Foundation lec- audience as Scientist of and Dilip Kumar Gehlot, ture, "Towards Excellence international repute who SPO were present. Dr. in Science & Technol- is one among the Indian Deepika Singh conducted ogy". While addressing Science Policy makers, the proceedings whileas the audience, he lucidly recipient of Padma Shri, dealt with the various TWAS, Italy-CASAREP RMBD & IST presented opportunities, challenges Award for Building Scienand the way forward to tific Institutions, Samman achieve the quality and Patra by UP Government, excellence in the science Distinguished Alumnus Foundation inauguratand technology. Compli- Award, BHU, Vigyan ing Startup exhibition menting the work of CSIR Ratna Award of UP, Shanti and Poster presentation through last more than Swarup Bhatnagar Award eight decades in various and Swaranjayanti Fellowdomains & specialties, ship. He is fellow of all Sci-Prof. Singh underscored ence Academies of India

Giving the detail of day presented the mementos informed that an exhibiex-employees who super- tion session for scholars Monday.

Pegasus Sports Academy Hosts Thrilling

Second E-Gaming Tournament in Jammu

co-powered by Geetanjali witnessed an impressive Harbinder Bali, emerged

Salon Bahu Plaza, with turnout, with a total of 20 as the victor of the tour-

the support of Grandhill enthusiastic participants nament, displaying excep-

Restaurant, Sidhra, as the vying for the champion-tional gaming prowess. He

venue partner, Kc Empo- ship title. Gamers from all secured the top spot and

ria as the presenting part- across Jammu gathered to claimed the coveted prize

ner and Hosted by Baklol showcase their skills and - a brand-new PlayStation

and startup was organized besides competition of Artificial Intelligence Model Preparation under Jigyasa by various school children were held. The event also marked as an open day to all the school and college students. More than 500 students from various schools i.e. K V Sunjawan, KV-1 Jammu, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Bhartiya Vidhya Mandir, Army Public School, Jammu Cant. Army Public School, Akhnoor, and others visited the institute. Further around 350 students from 25 years of service in colleges associated with Cluster University Jammu, The retired employees Jammu University, and SMVD University, Katra (CSIR), was celebrated mementos and Samman visited the exhibitions and different labs of the institute of Integrative Medi- Angrez Chand, Rajinder tute. The students also interacted with scientists and got to know about of

> research methodologies. Among many others, Dr. G. D. Singh, Ex-Chief Scientist, Asha Chaubey, Ahmed (all HoDs), Vikram Earlier, Dr. Zabeer Singh, Sr. COA, Shashank Convenor, CSIR Founda-Er Abdul Rahim, Head the formal vote of thanks.

Professor Vinod K. Singh, Chief Guest CSIR at CSIR-IIIM, Jammu on Monday. Professor Vinod K. Singh, Chief Guest delivering CSIR Foundation Day Lecture at CSIR-

IIIM, Jammu on Monday. Professor Vinod K. of institutions, young ducted as part of CSIR Singh, Chief Guest of CSIR professionals. On this Foundation day, celebra- Foundation Day Function occasion, chief guest also tions, Director, CSIR-IIIM being felicitated by Dr. Zabeer Ahmed, Direcand "Samman Patra" to tion cum poster presentator, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu on

Eishveer Singh, son of

Pegasus Sports Academy.

Today man is accumulating more sources of destruction then peace: Sadhguru **Madhu Paramhans**



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destruction. Not looking Atomic bomb was used. mind breaks the name. him to move. this is won- the power of name.

derful. Will always protect you. The name that Sahib is saying in his voice is Sadhguru Shri Madhu- amazing. Only the saints paramhans Ji Maharaj of have it. As those waves Sahib Bandagi, while come, we start understanddelighting the Sangat with ing them again. I begin to the nectar of his sermons understand that the waves at Sungal Road, Akhnoor, rising in my conscience are Jammu today, said that against me. Are harmful today man is searching for me. The whole world is more for the resources of entangled in these waves. The saints did not speak for means of peace. Ameriust like that. That armor is ica had destroyed Japan in name. Sadhguru gives that. Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The glory of Guru has not been spoken of as greater You must have seen in than that of God. They give Mahabharata and Ramaya- lively names. This wonderna serials that divine weap- ful name is not a subject for ons were used. These also speech. For example, the come in the same category. properties present in the Man has found so many medicine attack the germs resources for destruction. of the disease. The power But could not find the of such a name attacks the means of peace. Is this a enemies within and purihuman being? Sadhguru fies the heart of the living ji further said that Sahib is being. By getting the same repeatedly telling the glory name, the living being can of the name. After all, what go to his own country, the is this thing called a name? immortal world. Sahib is First of all the attack of the saying that Yamraj and the ghost are cousins. Even His force does not allow these cannot come close to

Anand Jain takes over as IGP Jammu



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enable him to take up a J&K. new assignment with the Prior to that he remained derbal SP East Srinagar, Head.

SSP Baramulla (twice) AIG Provision/Transport) PHQ, SSP Reasi, Anand Jain-IPS took over SSP Rajouri, SSP Jammu, the charge of Inspector Commandant, IR 15th General of Police, Jammu Bn, UIDAI (Government Zone, Jammu relieving Sh. of India), PHQ, DIG NIA Mukesh Singh IPS, ADGP (Government of India) Jammu Zone, Jammu and IGP Headquarters,

Besides, a warm send-Government of India. Sh. off has also been given to Anand Jain is an IPS offi- outgoing ADGP Jammu cer of 1999 batch of J&K Zone Sh. Mukesh Singhcadre who was earlier IPS by the staff members posted as Director Anti- of ZPHQ in which DIG JSK Corruption Bureau, J&K. Range also highlighted the outstanding contribuposted at various importion made by Sh. Mukesh tant posts in J&K as well as Singh-IPS ADGP Jammu during deputation which during his more than 4 includes as SDPO Gan- years of posting as Zonal

DPAP braces for mega rallies in Ramban, Khari

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sive Azad Party is preparing for two mega rallies in Khari, Banihal and in Ramban and is expecting a crowd of thousands of its workers to make these two as historic events. The senior party leader & General Secretary R S Chib for his developmental posed for Banihal and said that the people of works being done as chief Ramban will be redefin-Ramban are all set to wel- minister of erstwhile state. ing the ground politics in come the party chairman He said people have made Jammu and Kashmir since and former Chief minister their mind that only Azad both would be one of the Ghulam Nabi Azad. He can change the situation largest political rallies post said the rally will be held in the UT and will be 2019. Among others who in Khari on 22nd October voting for DPAP to secure were present on the occaand Ramban on 28th Octo- their future and political sion were Zonal President ber with massive partici-rights. Meanwhile, the P.R.Manhas, Arun Raju pation of people. "I have senior party leader G M Secretary, Sobat Ali Gen personally been super- Saroori said that people of Secretary ST wing, Farooq vising the arrangements Ramban & Khari are wait- Katoch VP Province, and met the people today ing for Azad to come and Thakur Dharam Chand who seem excited and pre- address the rally. He said Distt President, DDC Fayaz pared to join the rally," he the rally is proposed for Naik, Dr Asif Khanday, said. Salman Nizami, the 22nd, & 28th of this month Munner Bhat, Alvas Baniparty Chief Spokesperson where the people in large hal, Ch Mohd Farooq, Shawho visited Khari to access numbers will join and hear keel Singh Bhagat, Sheikh the arrangements said that their leader. Jugal Kishore Shabir, Khurshid Sehmat,



hal are thankful to Azad that the twin rallies prothe people of Khari, Bani- Provincial President said Asgar Rasool & others.

DYSS Kathua holds Inter-District Provincial Level under 19yrs girls kho-kho

KATHUA, OCT 9

The compitition was conducted from 03/10/2023 to 12/10/2023 at JK Tourism Khrote More.

The compitition is conducted with the direction of Director YSS UT of Jammu and Kashmir & Joint Director Suram Chand, Deputy Director Jitender Mishra under the overall supervision of DYSSO Kathua Sunil Kumar. On the sixth



points. In the mega final the other hand DYSSO District Udhampur lift thanked all the field staff consentiv day of Inter the trophy by defeating as well as the contingent District Provincial Level District Rajouri by one incharge for smooth conunder 19 yrs girls kho kho innings and one point. duct of the tournament. both the semifinal were On the other hand Dis- The third and final round played between District trict Kathua remained on of kho kho under four-Udhampur and Kathua third place where jammu teen started from tomorwhere District Udham- lost his third place match. row. pur won by one point The winner and runner and in the 2nd semifi- up trophy was given by officiate by experts offinal District Rajouri beat the Activity section of cials nominated by Dis-District Jammu by seven the DYSSO Kathua. On trict office Kathua.

All the matches were

BJP MM JKUT starts Kalash Yatra-Meri Maati Mera Desh from Bana Singh Stadium to BDO office

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BJP Minority Morcha J&K, concluded "Kailash Yatra" of Meri Maati Mera Desh by Jammu Province, under the Chairmanship of Ran-



jodh Singh Nalwa, accom- was organised by BJP Jammu. The Programme dignitaries, Garu Ram Ji, local private schools.

Former Minister, Sham Choudhary Ji, Former Minister, Rekha Mahajan, District President Jammu South, Vikram Randhawa Ji Former MLC, alongwith some Officials of CRPF/BSF

were also present, the panied by Vice President Minority Morcha. The Kailash Yatra has starts J&K, Balvinder Singh, and Chief Guest of the occas- from "Bana Singh Staother team members of sion were also present dium" to "BDO office and Minority Morcha at Bana in the Programme, Capt. Cultural programme was Singh Stadium R.S.Pura Bana Singh Ji, and other performed by students of

Meri Mati, Mera Desh campaign is to express gratitude towards immortal sons: Rekha

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Pegasus Sports Academy,

in collaboration with

Shivanghi Electronics,

proudly announces the

successful conclusion

of the Second E-Gaming

Tournament in Jammu.

The Second E-Gaming arena.

This electrifying event was Tournament in Jammu

JAMMU, OCT 9

Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) District President Jammu South Rekha Mahajan leads the "Kalash Yatra" in association with Meri Mati Mera Desh campaign in RSPura along with former Minister Sham Choudhary, State Secretary and Prabhari trict General Secretary man Mandir RS Pura and them. President Vikram Sharma,



compete in the digital 5, generously awarded by

Akash Chopra, District Vice reached BDO office RSPura.

Ayodhya Gupta, Munici- Panchayat Rangpur and the immortal sons and pal Committee Chairman Gagian include with their to strengthen the belief SatPal Pappi, Former MLC Amrit Kalash join the Yatra among their families that Vikram Randhawa, Dis- which starts from Hanu- the entire country is with

Ayodhya Gupta assert-Sham Choudhary stated, ed the campaign will be District Jammu South to ence of DDC Prof Garu Ram Mandal President Vikram that the aim of the Meri launched to honour the create the Amrit Vatika Bhagat, Param Veer Chakr Sandhu, and Councillors Maati, Mera Desh cam- martyred bravehearts which will be built near Bana Singh Ji, and families and 13 wards of Munici- paign is to express the feel- and programmes will be the National War Memo- of Martyrs and other digpal Committee RSPura, ing of gratitude towards organised across India in rial in New Delhi by fusing nitaries.

memory of those who laid the soil and saplings that down their lives for the

ous schemes initiated by his moral duty to be among the people and serve their interests. Rekha emphasized that under the cam-

would arrive in 7500 urns from different parts of the Sat Pal Pappi and Vikram country. During the 'Meri Randhawa highlighted Mati Mera Desh' campaign, the achievements of the The aim of the Meri Maati, Modi-led government and Mera Desh campaign is to encouraged the public to express the feeling of gratitake advantage of the vari-tude towards the immortal sons and to strengthen the the central government. belief among their families They emphasized that it is that the entire country is with them," she added.

Later Rekha Mahajan flanked by BJP leaders handed over the Amrit paign, soil will be collected Kalash to BDO Rajesh from different villages of Padha in the esteem pres-

OFFICE OF THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OFFICER RAMNAGAR

UT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR

Subject :- Provisional selection list of Sahayika (Anganwadi Helper) in AWC-Dharan, Ward no.5 Pyt. Kirmoo- A of Poshan Project Ramnagar.

As recommended by the selection committee formed vide Govt. order no.103-jk(SWD) of 2023 dated 28.04.2023, the provisional selection list is hereby published for inviting objections , if any in the office of the Child Development Project Officer Ramnagar, within 10 days from the issuance of this circular.

PROVISIONAL SELECTION LIST FOR THE POST OF SAHAYIKA (Anganwadi Helper) of AWC- DHARAN OF POSHAN Points (in %) Date of Birth Name of the Candidate Poonam Sharma W/O Sun

No:-CDPO/R/7/2-15/2023 Dated: - 06-10-2023 DIP/J-9298/23

Date: 10-9-23

JCCB achieves new milestones in its working: Bank Management

JAMMU, OCTOBER 9

The Jammu Central Cooperative Bank Limited today highlighted its achievements and resolution of HR issues including 6th Pay commission under the stewardship of Yasha Mudgal, Commissioner / Secretary Cooperative Department and Chairperof Team Leader CEO & Managing Director of the

was addressing a press conference, here today.

of transformation in the crore Loans till March 2021 which rose to a whopping tive Department, J&K. Rs. 81.28 crore in March 2023-2024.

also increased handsome- of 3 decades. ly from Rs. 856.20 crore in March 2021 to Rs. 1015.61 lighted that to revamp crore in September 2023, the financial health of the the Management said.

Performing Assets (NPAs) Union Territory, the J&K es which were pending has been exceptional Government with the since long have been under the leadership of intervention of Commis- resolved by the Chair-Mrs. Yasha Mudgal. The sioner / Secretary to the person which includes be met with all sincer-NPAs slashed from Rs. Cooperatives Department appointment under ity and the targets of the 110.00 Crore (37%) in has released a sum of Rs Compassionate Grounds branches so allocated will March 2021 to Rs. 81.00 366.00 crore in the year , enhancement of retire- be achieved month wise in

DC reviews

on Jal Jeevan

in Udhampur

UDHAMPUR, OCTOBER 9

Deputy Commissioner

Udhampur, Saloni Rai,

chaired a meeting with offi-

cers and field functionaries

of the Jal Shakti Department

to assess the latest status of

work carried out under the

Ial Jeevan Mission (JJM) in

The meeting took place

at the Mini Conference Hall

in the DC Office Complex

Udhampur. At the outset

of the meeting, Executive

Engineer Jal Shakti, Ashok

Kumar Sharma, provided

an overview of the current

progress of work under the

Jal Jeevan Mission scheme

in the district. During the

meeting, a detailed review

of the work progress

under the Jal Jeevan Mis-

sion was conducted, with

the Deputy Commissioner

urging all concerned offi-

cers to accelerate the pace

of their efforts to meet the

project's objectives within

the specified timeframe.

She further instructed the **Sub-Divisional Magistrates**

(SDMs) to conduct review meetings and address any issues related to the implementation of JJM in their

Additionally, the officers

were tasked with regular

monitoring to ensure the

quality and timely comple-

tion of all allocated projects.

The DC emphasized the

need for officers to report

reasons for delays and pro-

vide details of contractors

responsible for any setbacks to the concerned SDMs. She

underscored the impor-

tance of making every pos-

sible effort to achieve the goal of providing tap water

to all households within the

projected timeline.

respective areas.

the district.

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progress of work

Mission Schemes



September 2023.

Pertinently, the amount To substantiate its claim requisites for RBI license.

The Bank has achieved functioning of JCCB since the recovery of Rs 3.00 ther highlighted that due the taking over of Yasha crore from the defaulted to the best efforts of the Mudgal Commissioner/ Primary Agriculture Soci-Secretary of Cooperative eties with the help of Chairperson JCCB and Department/Chairperson Cooperative Department CEO & Managing Direc-ICCB, the ICCB manage Officers (DRs and ARs) tor, the Bank has taken ment highlighted that the under the guidance of a major technological Bank had issued Rs. 26.60 Commissioner /Secretary transformation i.e. it has to Government Coopera-

2023 and has touched a has also shown upward Banking to Digital Banking whopping Rs 82.40 crore trends as it was making a Transformation. The work in the first 6 months of loss of Rs 12.40 crore till has been undertaken by the current Financial Year March 2021. However, at C-edge Technology which the end of FY 2022-23, the is a joint venture between In the last two years, the bank registered a profit of TCS and State Bank of Investment figures have Rs. 0.28 crore after a gap India. The CBS Project is

The recovery of Non-tive Banks (DCCBs) of the related to Human Resourc-Crore (29%) in March 2023 2022 through re-capital ment cum death Gratuity all the fields.

son JCCB, with assistance and to Rs. 72.00 Crore in ization package which was pending since 2014.

recovered from the NPA Rs. 180.00 Crore was The Bank Management has been kept for making released in favour of JCCB the bank CBS compliant owing to which the CRAR which is one of the pre- of the Bank has improved from -76.00 to -14.00.

The management fur-Commissioner /Secretary/ started Core Banking Solution Transformation Proj-The Bank's net profit ect, migrating from legacy likely to be commissioned The management high- during the current financial year.

The functionaries high-District Central Coopera- lighted that all the issues

from Rs. 10.00 lakh to Rs. 20.00 lakh with retro Out of the said amount, respective effect, Restructuring of Salary Structure, release of pending Increments / Dearness Allowance and enhancement of limit of confessional loans to address the changing needs of employees of the

Bank.

The Press Conference was attended by Reeta Sharma (DEM), Sonal Bakshi (AEM), Ravi Bajai (AEM), Rajiv Gupta, Chief Manager (Technical Officer to CEO & MD), Sunil Sehgal, Chief Manager (BDD), Rakesh Jagotra, Chief Manager (Law), Hardeep Singh, Manager (HRD), Sandeep Raina (Principal Officer) and other officers of the Bank. They all appreciated the role of the Commissioner /Secretary Cooperatives, Yasha Mudgal for providing the necessary leadership giving a boost to the Bank. The employees also assured the Chairperson that the directions so issued to the employees from time to time will

3rd round of Mission Indradhanush 5.0 begins in JK

SRINAGAR, OCTOBER 9

The third phase of Intensified Mission Indradhanush (IMI) began here today with it's launching at UPHC Harwan, Srinagar.

Director Family Welfare MCH, and Immunization, Dr Tabasum Jabeen, 70000 children have been nant women who remain vaccinated under IMI 5.0 unvaccinated or partially during the last two phases. vaccinated.

Dr Tabasum Jabeen

While launching the campaign, Director said rated that the campaign is tracking of beneficiaries the Mission Indradhanush now being fully supported 5.0 is a vaccination pro- by U-WIN portal through aged 0-5 and pregnant gram aimed to cover all which all the entries women.

She said that the primasaid that the department ry focus of the campaign is intending to complete is on ensuring that every the target of vaccination of child receives life-saving one lakh children during vaccines. She added that the third phase that will the initiative is also intendrun for six days. "We have ed to be the big leap for vaccinated more 70000 achieving Measles and children in addition to Rubella elimination in the feature health officials the pregnant women who country by ensuring that will have digital due list cinating 1 lakh children," sles and Rubella Contain-

ing Vaccine (MRCV).

informed that more than those children and preg- including registration, vaccination and digital immunization certificate generation will be done by entering the phone number of beneficiaries. This will help health staff as well as parents of the children to know about their due doses, she asserted. She said that with this

were partially or never every child under 5 years and individual beneficiaimmunized. We will soon of age has completed the ries will receive SMS alerts complete the target of vac- two-dose schedule of Mea- reminding them of next due doses and acknowledgement of the same. Director further elabo- This ensures effective which includes children

J&K makes significant strides in improving access to clean water in rural areas through JJM: CE

13.16 lakh households provided tap connections

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The Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) has made significant strides in improving access to clean water in rural households through Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM).

This was stated by Chief Engineer PHE Jammu Er Hamesh Manchanda, here at a press conference in PWD Guest House, today.

The CE said that a remarkable 13.16 lakh out of 18.68 lakh rural households, representing 70%, now enjoy tap water connections, marking substantial progress towards achieving the mission's

"The mission aims to provide every rural household with a Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) within their premises, capable of delivering a minimum of 55 liters of water per capita per day while adhering to quality standards outlined in BIS 10500" he added.

He informed that in Iammu province alone, there are presently 1,782 ongoing schemes, encompassing a total of 4,401 numerous challenges ity of the supplied water, the next three decades, he individual works. Out of encountered during the Jammu province has estab- added.



these, 4,035 works have been allotted to the con- under JJM, he said that all tractors, and work has the challenges have been commenced on 3,020 of successfully addressed these projects. He added through expert consultathat 792 of these works tions with teams operathave been successfully ing at different levels, completed.

sion's goals, the construc- (DPMUs), UT-level consulture elements, including Party Monitoring Agencies portal. tube wells, bore wells, rapid sand filtration plants, overhead tanks, ground service reservoirs, and pipe networks have been initiated under the the incorporation of GRP JJM initiative. He said that over 1,000

contractors/agencies have an efficient water boosting the aforementioned proj-

project implementation including District Level In pursuit of the mis- Project Management Units

> These solutions include the utilization of HDPE pipe distribution systems in specific locations and water storage tanks. Additionally, the adoption of in selected areas.

(TPIAs).

lished a goal of testing 130,000 samples in the financial year 2023-24, he informed. He added that as of September 2023, a total of 64,000 samples have already undergone testing, distributed among 1 state lab, 10 district labs, and 33 Sub-Divisional labs. Additionally, 11 district laboratories are in the final stages of obtaining accreditation from National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL).

Furthermore, around 32,000 women across all villages have been trained to use Field Testing Kits (FTKs) for water sample testing, with results tion of various infrastruc- tant teams, and Third- reported on the WQMIS

> He said that J&K has earned the distinction of ranking 2nd nationally for its performance in water quality testing under the Water Quality Monitoring & Surveillance initiative.

With the accelerated pace of implementation partnered with the depart- mechanism directly from over the past year, J&K ment for the execution of primary storages (Sump remains steadfast in its tanks), has been employed commitment to ensuring drinking water security for Speaking about the To maintain the qual- all its rural residents for

SARAS AAJEVIKA Kashmir 2.0: Showcasing Rural **Indian Art and Culture Celebration Begins**

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The Jammu and Kashmir Rural Livelihood Mission (JKRLM) proudly presents SARAS AAJEVIKA Kashmir 2.0, an extraordinary exhibition that celebrates the diverse and vibrant art and culture of rural India set against the idyllic backdrop of Dal Lake, this year's exhibition begins today. The mela boasts 46 unique stalls, with 30 from outside the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, showcasing a fusion of products from different regions of India.

Visitors to the mela will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in a plethora of handicrafts, handloom products, and delectable culinary delights from across the country. With a dedicated focus on promoting financial independence, the fair also serves as a platform members supported by the DAY NRLM from various states such as Bihar, Punjab, Kerala, Maharashtra, and others to exhibit and sell their products.

Each stall at the mela is diligently managed by confident and empowered women SHG members,



tion are silk thread jewelry from Karnataka, pochampaper products from Rajfrom Odisha. The mela

bags from Haryana.

Moreover, visitors can oally handloom products admire the beautifully from Telangana, herbal crafted willow baskets for self-help group (SHG) products & handmade and handbags from Ganderbal and savor the taste asthan, wooden cuff from of freshly ground maize West Bengal, sambalpuri flour, pickles, black zeera added. suits/saris and dupattas from Kishtwar. They can also enjoy picanuts from also presents distinctive Poonch, hygienic dry apri- and the expanded particiofferings such as spices cots ,saffron,honey and pation of 17 states, SARAS and traditional handloom walnuts from Kashmir . Ajeevika Mela Kashmir 2.0 from Arunachal, crystal Handcrafted copper and promises to be a joyous jewelry & bead jewelry paper machine items from celebration of India's offering an enticing range from West Bengal and Baramulla. In essence, cultural diversity and a of products that cater to Uttar Pradesh, and Buttu SARAS Ajeevika Mela remarkable showcase of diverse tastes and prefer- Baskets & bowls ,from Kashmir 2.0 epitomizes the extraordinary skills ences. Among the trea- Karnataka, vermi-compost the rich cultural heritage and craftsmanship of its sures awaiting explora- & organic Turmeric, jute of India. Speaking about rural artisans.

the event, Additional Mission Director, Jammu Kashmir Rural Livelihoods Mission, Reyaz Ahmad Beigh said, "SARAS provides a powerful platform for rural women artisans to exhibit and sell their products. JKRLM Umeed has remained steadfast in providing marketing avenues for self-help groups, and SARAS stands as a testament to our unwavering commitment to their empowerment. We are confident that SARAS Ajeevika Mela Kashmir 2.0 will surpass all expectations and continue to support the financial independence of rural women artisans.

The first day of the mela witnessed an overwhelming response from both locals and tourists, and we have been a significant increase in footfall in the days to come. With a remarkable turnover expected, the event promises to be a resounding success throughout its 10-day duration, Beigh

He further said that with renewed enthusiasm

Chairperson DDC Poonch reviews status of developmental projects of Block Sathra, Loran

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Chairperson District mental schemes. Development Council heads of CAPEX 2023-24 and other schemes.

At the outset, the

physical status of ongoing projects of CAPEX 2023-24 and various govern-

The Addl. District Poonch, Tazeem Akther Development Commistoday chaired a meeting sioner Poonch Sandhere in the conference esh Kumar Sharma also Hall of Dak Banglow to apprised about the status review the status of devel- of different works under were discussed in detail.

Kumar Sharma apprised of Roads, Provision of issues of their respective with strict adherence to ing of remaining works PRI institution to ensure ering the people at grassthe meeting about the regular water supply, areas.



Speaking at the meetthe quality parameters.

rationalization of teach- officers to mobilize the ects, the chairperson in their respective areas. so that all works are combetter results.

plete in a set timeline.

Akther also called for judi-sioner, while responding cious utilisation of funds to the demands and issues by following set norms so projected by DDCs/BDCs, that benefits of develop- assured that the issues mental projects accrue to like road connectivity, the public.

quality of ongoing works not suffer anymore.

The Additional District Chairperson, Tazeem Development Commiswater supply, electric-She further asked the ity and education will DDC members to per- be sorted in a phased Laying emphasis on sonally supervise and manner to ensure that

He also expressed full