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Deadly Accident leaves 22 Pilgrims dead, 67 Injured in Akhnoor

DM Jammu orders magisterial inquiry; Prez Murmu, VP Dhankar, PM Modi grieved over loss of lives; J&K LG announces ex-gratia of Rs 5 lakh to each NoKs of deceased, Rs 50k for injured; Politicians express grief

JAMMU, MAY 30

fell into a deep gorge at to hospital. Tungi Morh Tanda area of Akhnoor in Jammu

noon, officials said.

district when it met with ized treatment," he said. an accident.

He said that the bus fell been Nearly two dozen people around 200 meters into Dharampati (42), wife of were killed while 67 a deep gorge, following Radhay Sham of Aligarh, others were injured after which a rescue operation UP, Anamika, daughter a bus carrying pilgrims was launched and injured met with an accident and persons were evacuated

(BMO) Akhnoor, Muham- UP, Rudra, son of Lakdistrict on Thursday after- mad Saleem Khan told shman Parshad of Naya KNO that 22 were brought Aligarh UP, Ranbir Singh An official told the dead to hospital and of Hathras, UP, Lakshman news agency that a bus around 67 were injured. Parshad of Naya Aligarh, was on its way from Hath- "The critically injured UP, Vicky R/O Aligarh UP, ras in Uttar Pradesh to have been referred to Seema, wife of Samar-Shiv Khori area of Reasi GMC Jammu for special- jit of Naya Aligarh, UP,

The deceased have identified as

of Lakshman Parshad of Naya Aligarh UP, Naina, daughter of Lakshman Block Medical Officer Parshad of Naya Aligarh



Sonu, daughter of Subash who are admitted at Govof Naya, Aligarh, Samar- ernment Medical College jit of Naya Aligarh, UP, (GMC) Jammu, have been Prachi, daughter of Jitan identified as Krishna (13), of Hathras, UP, Tanuj, son of Jai Veer of Aligarh, son of Sanjay of Naya UP, Jai Veer (50), son of Aligarh, UP, Suresh of Gure Singh of Aligarh, UP, Naya Aligarh UP, Sanjay, Amravati (45), of Aligarh, son of Sunder Singh of UP, Satyaveer Singh (45), Naya Aligarh, UP, Renu, son of Jhangi Singh of UP, wife of Yogveer Singh of Goutam Singh (55), son Hathras, UP, a child from of Sundar Singh of UP, Dhanipur. Two persons Sunita (35), wife of Bobby however were unidentified when the reports Sardar of UP, Anju (18), last came in and two also daughter of Saspal of were minors.

of UP, Radha (60), wife of CONTINUED ON → PAGE 4

Congress 'Strangled' constitution during emergency: PM Modi

PUNJAB, MAY 30

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday attacked the Congress for "ranting" about the Constitution when it was the one that "strangled" it during the Emergency and not care about it when Sikhs were killed in the 1984 riots.

"Sikhs were killed after putting burning tyres around them. At that time, they did not care about the Constitution," Modi the seven-phase election.

At the rally in favour nominee Subhash Sharma are "dangerous". here, the prime minister also touched upon the have always protected restenders and admission in issues of reservation, ervation for SC/ST/OBCs," corruption and the Ram he said.

stitution if voted to power, ous. Their complete track and downtrodden. Modi said, "Nowadays record has been to snatch tution. These are the same reservation for SC/ST and the INDIA alliance. people who strangled OBCs.



said in his last poll rally in constitution during Emer-

Accusing the opposition of insulting the spirit of He also charged that the the Constitution and senof his party's Hoshiarpur intentions of the Congress timents of B R Ambedkar, candidate Anita Som Par- and INDIA alliance over he said they want reservakash and Anandpur Sahib the issue of reservation tion on the basis of religion in government jobs, "In the last 10 years, I in sports, in government

universities. The prime minister "Congress and INDI alli- charged that the opposi-Hitting back at the Con- ance are enraged over my tion want to give reservagress for its charge that the efforts. Their intentions tion rights to Muslims after BJP would scrap the Con- on reservation are danger- snatching it from Dalits

"It is a very big conspirpeople of the country are reservation of SC, ST and acy to divide the country hearing rants from INDI OBC," he said, adding he on the basis of religion,' alliance about the Consti- has always protected the he alleged as he slammed

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Streamline riding surface, ensure two way traffic on Jammu-Srinagar NH by June 10: CS to NHAI



JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, MAY 30

Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo, today set deadline of June

addressing a meeting held Light Motor Vehicles (LMVs) on Jammu-Srinagar National

rnathji pilgrimage and fruit

Principal Secretary, Agri-tlenecks impeding smooth

culture Production Depart- movement of traffic. ment, Divisional Commis-

season in the Union Territory. cognizance of the time being neous two way traffic on it by The Chief Secretary was taken, at present, by both the 10th of June this year. tion of the road and the bot- ring due to rough

Dulloo took detailed sioner Kashmir/Jammu, IG, appraisal of nearly two dozen Traffic, Secretary Transport, spots on this road where com-Secretary PWD, RO, NHAI muters are facing inconve-10 for streamlining of riding besides Deputy Commission- nience in their journey. He surface and ensuring two way ers of Ramban, Udhampur, impressed upon the NHAI, traffic movement on Jammu- Kathua and Samba attended Regional Officer, Jammu, to Srinagar National Highway in the meeting while outstation take all possible measures to view of upcoming Shri Ama- officers participated virtually. improve the riding surface of The Chief Secretary took the road and ensure simulta-

He asked for taking swift with all the concerned to take and Heavy Motor Vehicles steps like enhancing width stock of road condition and (HMVs) to reach from one of the carriage way besides the current traffic scenario capital city to another. He black topping all the stretches enquired about the condi- where traffic snarls are occur-

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Train engine derails at Jammu railway station, none hurt

JI NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, MAY 30

The engine of the Sampark Kranti Express derailed at Jammu railway station on Thursday, however, no one was injured in the incident, officials said.

An official told news agency that as the train arrived at the railway station from New Delhi, one wheel of the engine went off track, however, no one was injured in the incident.

He said that after a two-hour delay, the engine was brought back on track and the train continued its journey.

Railway authorities are investigating the cause of the derailment, the official said.

Mines explode after forest fire along LoC in Poonch, blaze engulfs forests of Samba, Jammu

JI NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, MAY 30

Several mines exploded due to a forest fire along the Line of Control (LoC) in Poonch district on Thursday and blaze also erupted in the forest areas of Samba and Jammu districts, causing significant damage, officials said.In Samba, the fire started in the Purmandal area and soon spread to nearby villages threatening several residential houses, they said.

The villagers alerted the administration, prompting them to send fire tenders to the area and the blaze was doused after effort of several hours, the officials said.

The locals alleged that some miscreants are triggering fire due to some vested interests and destroying forest land. They urged the administration to take stern action against those involved in the forest fire.

According to the officials, several mines exploded due to forest fire along the Line of Control (LoC) in the forward area of Mankote in Mendhar subsector in Poonch district. The blaze started from across the LoC and

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After controversies galore, campaign drums fall silent for India's LS polls

AGENCIES

NEW DELHI, MAY 30

The din and bustle of colourful but to Muslim appeasement and com- luck of 908 candidates includ- started on April 19. India's staggered Lok Sabha elec- Modi (Varanasi), Kangana Ranaut Union Home Minister Amit Shah and current presidents Rahul

spanning a gamut of issues from tory would go to the hustings in phase elections for the 543-seat anath. Mangalsutra to Mahatma Gandhi this round, sealing the electoral lower house of Parliament, which

tion on Thursday, ahead of the (Mandi), Anurag Thakur (Hamir- led the campaigning for the Cen- Gandhi and Mallikarjun Kharge, seventh and final phase of voting pur), actor Ravi Kishan (Gorakh- tre's ruling NDA spearhead BJP, pur) and Abhishek Banerjee (Dia- alongside the party's National Fifty-seven constituencies from mond Harbour). The Saturday President J P Nadda and Uttar often controversial campaigning seven states and one Union Terripolls will end the staggered multi-Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adity-

opposition Congress, which leads and Aam Aadmi Party National munal polarisation ended for ing Prime Minister Narendra As in earlier phases, PM Modi, the INDIA bloc, were its former Convenor Arvind

besides party general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra.

Among other leaders of the INDI alliance, Trinamool Congress supremo Mamata Banerjee, Sama-The chief canvassers for the jwadi Party Chief Akhilesh Yadav

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CS reviews progress on implementation of new Criminal Laws in Jammu & Kashmir

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, MAY 30

Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo, today chaired a high level meeting of senior functionaries in Home, Police and Law Departments to assess preparations being made for implementation of three new criminal laws in J&K recently passed by the Parliament.

Principal Secretary, Home, Director General Prisons, CONTINUED ON → PAGE 4



ED attaches properties worth Rs 1.56 crore under **PMLA in Srinagar**

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, MAY 30

The Enforcement Directorate has attached seven properties worth Rs 1.56 crore under Prevention of Money Laundering Act in Srinagar.

In a post on X (formerly Twitter), ED, Srinagar has provisionally attached seven immovable properties worth Rs. 1.56 Crore approx. of Imran Baba and Mrs. Sageena Yaseen, Partners of

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Police attach GPS tracking device to two terror associates in Anantnag

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, MAY 30

Police attached a Global Positioning System (GPS) device to two terror associates in Jammu and Kashmir's

Anantnag district on Thursday.

Police said in compliance with an order received from the Court, Anantnag Police on Thursday affixed GPS tracking devices on under-trial terror associates who were enlarged on bail in the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) UA(P) Act case.

Police Station Dooru and have been police said.



enlarged on bail by the Court.

"The GPS anklet will be used to monitor the movement of the said The accused were arrested in 2018 terror associates and ensure that they under section 38, 39 UA(P) Act of don't violate the bail conditions"

Lok Sabha Elections-2024: All arrangements set for Counting in Srinagar Lok Sabha Seat at SKICC-Centaur

SRINAGAR, MAY 30

Ahead of Counting for Lok Sabha Elections-2024, the Returning Officer O2-Srinagar Parliamentary Constituency, Dr. Bilal

Mohi-Ud-Din Bhat today chaired a meeting of Assistant Returning Officers (AROs) and Nodal Officers at Meeting Hall of the DC Office Complex, here to review the preparedness regarding the arrangements put in place for handling of EVMs, estab- ed all concerned Officers Counting of Votes at des- lishment of Media Centre, to ensure error free and ignated Counting Centres at SKICC-Centaur.

of Police Srinagar, Aashish of ID cards. Mishra was present on the occasion.

took a comprehensive also meticulously deliberat designated Counting barricading and parking management at the venue. Halls in SKICC-Centaur management, with spefor smooth and hassle cial emphasis on security free counting process viz. access through proper established at SKICC and 6



Micro Observers, Counting Agents and Media persons, Control Room, Media Gal-Senior Superintendent Address System, issuance cess in the constituency.

discussed.

On the occasion, the besides transporting and Returning Officer directseamless arrangements for lery, installation of Public the smooth counting pro-

The RO also asked Similarly, the Secu- the Nodal Officer Media rity Plan and parking of Centre to take all requi-At the outset, the vehicles in and around site measures for timely Returning Officer (RO) the SKICC-Centaur were announcement of round wise results on the countreview of arrangements ated in detail. In addition, ing day, besides for Media

> The RO informed that 12 Counting Halls have been

Counting Halls at Centaur Complex with 8 Counting Tables in each Hall. The Counting of votes will begin at 8 am with postal ballots, followed by the counting of votes in EVMs starting at 8.30 am as per the guidelines of Election Commission of India.

The SSP Srinagar also spoke on the occasion and made observations with regard to the security arrangements put in place at the venue for un-hindering counting process for Srinagar Lok Sabha Seat.

Pertinent to mention that Counting of votes for 02-Srinagar Parliamentary Seat of Lok Sabha is scheduled on (Monday) June 4, 2024 at designated Counting Halls at HBL SKICC-Centaur

Assistant Returning Officers, various Nodal Officers, Deputy District **Election Officer Srinagar** and other concerned were present in the meeting.

Heatwave and thunderstorm/lightning in Ramban Labour Department, Child Helpline aware construction workers about Do's and Don'ts

JI NEWS SERVICE RAMBAN, MAY 30

On the directions of Deputy Commissioner Ramban, Baseer-Ul-Haq Chaudhary, a team of Labour Department, led by Assistant Labour Commissioner Ramban Amit Kumar and Project Coordinator Child Helpline Ramban Mudasir, conducted visits to under construction Digdol Tunnel to provide training and awareness to Labourers/ construction workers about the ongoing Heat wave Mitigation and Dissemination of Advisory on Thunderstorm and Lightning.

More than 50 Workers were educated about the Dos and Don'ts listed in the Public Health Advisory issued by National Programme on Climate change and Human Health and Advisory centres and avoid shel-Thunderstorm and light-

The Assistant Labour Commissioner briefed the workers about the necessary precautions to be taken during the working hours during the day time especially between 12 pm to 3 pm. Meanwhile the Employers were directed to put in place necessary arrangements like drinking water, shaded areas, temporary shelters, rest breaks, first aid materials, etc at the worksites over, workers were also and impart training and awareness to all the workers about the heat wave and 27x7 Child Helpline mitigation and its precau-

Regarding the thunderstorm and Lightning, the ALC advised the workers to stay indoors, take shelter inside safe building, home, offices, shopping various worksites.

regarding heat wave, ter under trees, electric poles, metal structures or Constructions with metal sheets, to get off from hill tops, stay away from ponds, river side, utility lines, telephone, metal fences, motor bikes, machines, etc. Never use mobile phones, umbrella with iron rods

during thunderstorms.

Project Coordinator Child Helpline sensitized workers about Symptoms of Heat Stress and its preventive measures. Moretold about the working of Child Helpline in District No 1098 and urged them to call anytime whenever the help is needed.

Later, information pamphlets of advisories were distributed to employers and pasted at

District administration Samba organises awareness camp on hazards of drug abuse

JI NEWS SERVICE SAMBA, MAY 30

On the directions of Deputy Commissioner, Abhishek Sharma, the Motor Vehicles Department Samba organised a one day awareness camp on the challenges and hazards of drug abuse. The awareness event was held under the National Coordination for Organized Response on Drug Abuse (NCORD) initiative, here at the Inspection and Certification Centre Vijaypur, witnessing participation of around 40 commercial drivers and conductors.

The camp aimed to educate attendees about the dangers of drug abuse and promote a safer and healthier work environment for commercial vehicle opera-

DDC Kupwara reviews progress of road projects under NABARD



JI NEWS SERVICE KUPWARA, MAY 30

The District Development within the stipulated time Commissioner (DDC) frame. On the occasion, it Kupwara, Ayushi Sudan was informed that 76 projtoday convened a meeting of concerned officers to review the progress cost of Rs.27442.91 lakh, of ongoing road projects under NABARD.

Speaking on the occasion, the DDC said that projects. the development of road connectivity remains among the top priorities of the Government and feedback about progress the District Administra- of each project. She set tion is committed towards timelines for all the ongoimproving the road net- ing projects and stressed work in the district.

ment to work with added ingly.

zeal and dedication and ensure completion of all ongoing road projects ects under NABARD were approved at an estimated out of which 19 projects have been completed and work is in progress on 42

The DDC took a comprehensive review of all these projects and got upon the concerned offi-She stressed upon the cers to ensure completion officers of R&B depart- of these projects accord-

Department of Agriculture celebrates First International Day of Potato

JI NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, MAY 30

The Department of Agriculture Procelebrated the first-ever International Day of Potato, recognizing the importance of this versatile crop consumed by over one billion people globally. In December 2023, the UN General Assembly proclaimed May 30 as the International Day of Potato, acknowledging its status as a vital food source. billion people around the world.

The UN had declared "In 2024, we mark the first International Day of Potato by focusing on the contribution of the potato to the lives of producers and consumers with the timely theme: 'Harvesting diversity, feeding hope."

Director Agriculture Jammu, S. A.S Reen, in his address, underscored the pivotal role of potatoes in the region's agricultural landscape, praising the efforts of farmers in cultivating this vital crop. He emphasized the significance of harnessing agricultural diversity lenges. Highlighting the significance food security.

of potato cultivation in the region, the Director delineated the distinctive sowing seasons. In the hilly terrains of Jammu, potato planting spans from duction and Farmer Welfare, Jammu April to May covering approximately 900 hectares. Conversely, in the plain areas, the sowing window extends from September to October, encompassing around 2000 hectares of land.

The Director elaborated on the prevalent varieties cultivated, including Kufri Jyoti, Kufri Himalini, Kufri Surya, Kufri Badshah, and the newly Potatoes are eaten by more than one introduced variety, Lady Rosetta. He emphasized the adoption of modern mechanized techniques for both cultivation and harvesting processes, highlighting the potential for enhanced production.

He further highlighted the array of projects initiated by the Department of Agriculture Jammu to bolster agricultural practices and augment the welfare of local farmers.

Small-scale and family farming production of the potato, particularly by rural farmers, including women farmers, supports efforts to reduce hunger, to address global food security chal- malnutrition, and poverty, and achieve

GDC Vijaypur releases its maiden College Newsletter "DEVIKA"

JI NEWS SERVICE

SAMBA, MAY 30

Government Degree College Vijaypur today unveiled the first ever College Newsletter, "DEVIKA".

The release event was graced by Dr. Geetanjali Rana, Principal Government Degree, Ramgarh and Dr. Twinkle Suri, Nath Dogra Government staff and students. Degree College, Samba.

Dr. Vandana Gupta, Principal of the host College expressed immense joy and appreciated sinthis milestone.

In her welcome address, about the newsletter to pride. everyone present there.

academic, non-academic, newsletter was made possilar, sports and capacity- efforts of Prof. Ritu Bhagat, Principal Shri Pandit Prem building areas for both Convener IQAC and Chief

vibrant and diverse overview of the campus happenings from April 2022 to cere efforts of the Newslet-March 2024. It showcases ter Committee to achieve the student's involvement in curricular and co-curricular activities, illuminating Prof. Poonam Kundan, Dr. Prof. Ritu Bhagat briefed the college's success and

Despite facing limita-The News Letter highlight- tions, the students show-College Vijaypur in various pilation of this issue of the success.

curricular, extra-curricuble through the dedicated Editor of the Newsletter The newsletter, titled along with Advisory Com-"DEVIKA," provides a mittee comprising of Prof. Anita Jamwal, Prof. Mamta Gupta and Dr. Anoop Kumar Bhagat.

The active contributions and cooperation of the Editorial Board namely Manoj Heer, Dr. Naseem Chowdhary, Prof. Meetu Sharma, Dr. Gunjeet Mahiwal, Prof. Mazid Malik, Dr. ed the consistent progress cased their growth and left Priyanka Ganjoo and Dr. and notable achievements an indelible mark on the Attied Khawar Balwan of Government Degree college's record. The com- were instrumental in its

Secretary Health reviews implementation of Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission in J&K



SRINAGAR, MAY 30

Secretary, Health & Mediin Jammu and Kashmir lenges that impede effec- Facilities across J&K. during a meeting held tive adoption of digital here at Civil Secretariat.

ABDM in the UT. He direct- the ABDM ecosystem. ed all officers and officials tion of ABDM ecosystem in across the UT. public and private health facilities throughout the

to work hard in order to sized the necessity for all Scheme, Scan & Share (QR guarantee that ABDM is officers to work in coor- code-based OPD registrafully implemented across dination to improve the tion Service), overview on the J&K. He directed the process of digitalization Microsite project under authorities to expedite in the healthcare system ABDM in J&K, ongoing the process of establish- besides elevating the qual- Capacity Building trainment of Project Manage- ity of facilities being given ings and IEC in all districts ment Unit under ABDM on to patients in hospitals of the UT. schedule in order to avoid through this technologiany delay in implementa- cal revolution in medicare ing was attended by vari-

tance of digital interven- presentation highlighting of ABDM, J&K.

tions in healthcare deliv-various aspects of the Misery, Dr. Abid Rasheed sion, encompassing status stressed on utilization of of ABDM in the UT, mantechnology to expedite power in Project Managecal Education, Dr. Syed and enhance the quality ment Unit under ABDM, Abid Rasheed Shah, today of healthcare services for upcoming infrastructure, reviewed implementa- patients in need. He direct- targets achieved and opertion of Ayushman Bharat ed the officers to identify ational status of HMIS (JK Digital Mission (ABDM) the stakeholders and chal- e-Sahaj) in Public Health Mission Director also

health ecosystem. He also highlighted the achieve-The Secretary empha- asked for outlining a road- ments of ABDM in terms of sized creation of a Project map to achieve this vision Health Professional Regis-Management Unit under for all the stakeholders in try of Doctors and Nurses, Health Facility Registry, The Secretary empha- Digital Health Incentive

Among others the meet ous senior officers includ-Mission Director, ing the Additional Mis-Ayushman Bharat Digital sion Director, ABDM, FA/ Mission, J&K, Nazim Zai CAO, ABDM, Consultants Highlighting the impor- Khan delivered a detailed ABDM and other officers

Modalities discussed for effective implementation of Aspirational **Block Development Program**



JI NEWS SERVICE REASI, MAY 30

To accelerate the development of the district, District Development Comimplementation of Aspiment Programme. The initiative aims to fast-track development in the most district through a focused

approach. the identified blocks. The sary adjustments to the officers were present.

programme focuses on action plan, ensuring its key performance indica- responsiveness to evolvtors across various sectors ing needs. to ensure measurable and impactful progress.

During the deliberamissioner Reasi Vishesh tions, the DDC under-Mahajan convened a scored the importance meeting to discuss the of formulating a comprehensive action plan that term interventions and long-term visions.

endeavors from all stakethe DDC highlighted the realize the envisioned cient resource allocation. primary objectives of outcomes of the ABDP.

Seeking cooperation among the stakeholder departments, the DC urged the adoption of best practices to translate intentions into palpable results on the ground. rational Block Develop- encapsulates both short- Furthermore, he directed departments to strive for the 100% saturation Emphasizing the sig- of individual beneficiary backward blocks of the nificance of collective schemes, emphasizing the meticulous compilation of holders, the DDC called data to facilitate informed During the meeting, for concerted efforts to decision-making and effi-

ADDC Sukhdev Singh the ABDP, which include Additionally, he advo- Samyal, PO Poshan Mohd. improving infrastructure, cated for periodic review Anwar Banday, Joint health, education and meetings to gauge prog- Director Planning, ACD, overall living standards in ress and effectuate neces- CMO and other concerned

DDC Baramulla reviews progress under ACP 2023-24



JI NEWS SERVICE BARAMULLA, MAY 30

Credit Plan (ACP) for the fiscal year 2023-24, the ratio for the district stood District Development at an impressive 103.86%, Commissioner (DDC) reflecting the robust finan-Baramulla, Minga Sherpa cial activities within the Thursday chaired a Dis-region. The DDC emphatrict Level Review Com- sized the importance mittee (DLRC) meeting, of continuous efforts to

Baramulla conducted needs of the community the District Level Review are effectively addressed. Committee (DLRC) meet-March 2024.

out that the district has line Departments.

achieved a commendable performance, with Rs 4246.86 crores dis-To review the progress of bursed against a target of banks in Baramulla dis- Rs 4376.85 crores, benefittrict under the Annual ing 141,367 beneficiaries.

The Credit-Deposit (CD) meet and exceed targets, The Lead Bank office ensuring that the financial

Meeting was attended ing for the quarter ended by Lead District Manager Baramulla, Mush-During the meeting, taq Ahmad Mrazi; DDM progress made under NABARD, Mohammad the District Credit Plan Zubair Wasil; Cluster J&K 2023-24 was thoroughly Bank, Bank Representaassessed. It was given tives, besides officers from

DDC Reasi reviews facilities, security scenario at Shri Shiv Khori Shrine

REASI, MAY 30

District Development Commissioner Reasi, Vishesh Mahajan, who is also the Vice Chairman of the Shri Shiv Khori Shrine Board (SSKSB), convened a comprehensive meeting to review the facilities and security enroute the shrine. The meeting also assessed the facilities for pilgrims especially in view of increased rush.

The DDC emphasized the importance of registering every pilgrim with their Aadhaar card at all registration counters. He announced the opening of checkpoint to the shrine cerned executive agency counters, one at the Bus land for a pony stand. the completion of the Yatri Stand and another at the He also called for regular Niwas and bathing Ghat. TRC building.

a proposal for the installato enhance security. tion of exhaust fans within

of installing fans from the near the shrine. The con-installation of a solar cleanliness of the track, Additionally, BMO Pouni Executive Officer drains and toilets, besides was tasked with provid-SSKSB, Pardeep Kumar replacement and repair of ing adequate health faciliwas instructed to submit defective CCTV cameras ties near the shrine and

The Executive Engineer health center at the taxi lators. the shrine and beautifica- PHE was asked to ensure stand. tion of the track. He asked uninterrupted water to explore the possibility supply along the track and to prepare estimates for the security requirements cers were present.

The PDD was asked

power system to facilitate two additional registration and the identification of was directed to expedite uninterrupted electricity supply to the shrine and along the track. To regulate the movement on the track, the DDC directed to allow only registered CRPF Sanjay Kr. Singh, horse owners to operate establishing a community and cancel licenses of vio-

shrine, he also reviewed and other concerned offi-

with the Shrine Board, Police and CRPF officers. After thorough discussion, the meeting decided to introduce technological interventions like facial recognition cameras and use of RIFD for the yatris

and stakeholders. Later, the DDC conducted a comprehensive inspection of the under construction Government Degree College campus building at Pouni. He asked the College management to shift the classes to the new premises from July onwards.

During the inspection, the DDC directed the executive agency to expedite the completion of all pending works, including water supply, electricity and other essential amenities.

Assistant Commandant Tehsildar Pouni Sahil Randhawa, Principal GDC Pouni, XEN PHE and PDD, During the visit to the BMO, SHO Ransoo, BDO

World No-Tobacco Day

HKM College Bandipora organises Painting Competition

JI NEWS SERVICE BANDIPORA, MAY 30

In observance of the World No-Tobacco Day, the NSS Unit and Red Ribbon Club of HKM, College Bandipora today organized a Painting Competition aimed at raising awareness about the harmful effects of tobacco consumption.

The theme for the painting competition was 'Dangers of Using Tobacco'.

Students from various disciplines participated with great enthusiasm, showcasing their creativity and concern through depicted the perils assohealth and well-being.

and Red Ribbon Club on creativity, relevance to health.

officers encouraged the the theme, and the messtudents and appreciated sage conveyed. their efforts. The competition was judged by Rehman bagged first posipanel of faculty members tion while as Iqra Aijaz including Dr. M Sheikh ul bagged second position Ashraf from the Depart- and Mehreen Fida bagged symbolic combinations ment of Botany, Prof. 3rd position. of colours and images. Mohammad Salim Bhat Their artworks poignantly from the Department of tion not only provided a Environmental Science, platform for students to ciated with tobacco use, and Dr. Irshad Ahmad express their views on a highlighting its impact on Bhat from the Department critical issue but also fosof Physics. The panel eval-tered a sense of respon-

On the occasion, Tufail

The painting competi-NSS Program Officers uated the artworks based sibility towards public

Kishtwar Admin hosts Yoga Mahotsava as a prelude to International Yoga Day 2024

JI NEWS SERVICE

KISHTWAR, MAY 30

Department of AYUSH, in collaboration with District Administration Kishtwar on Thursday organised its first mega event Yoga Mahotsava, as a prelude to International Yoga Day-2024. The event, themed "Yoga for Women Empowerment," was held here at Government Girls Higher Secondary School.

The yoga camp was conducted under the guidance of the Director of Ayush J&K, Dr. Mohan Singh, and under the Deputy Commissioner, Dr. Devansh Yadav.

Kumar, aided by the of women. school management, organized the event.



cal Officers/Officials, the yoga instructors dem- efforts of the Ayush team. including Dr. Atul Kumar, onstrated yoga asanas

The event commenced Principal, Krishna Lal success.

with a lecture on the were also present at the overall supervision of the importance of yoga for event. In his address, the women's empowerment Principal shared his views and well-being by Dr. on women empower-A team of Ayush Medi- Monika Sharma, while ment and appreciated the

> The program was spestudents. About 100 par-

Dr. Monika Sharma, Dr. and pranayamas related cially organized for all Sheetal Devi and Raj to the health and hygiene female teachers and girl Deputy CEO, Masood ticipants attended the Ahmad Qazi and School event, which was a great

DC Bandipora reviews functioning of Revenue Department

JI NEWS SERVICE

BANDIPORA, MAY 30

The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Shakeel Ul Rehman on Thursday chaired a meeting of revenue officers at Mini Secretariat, here to review the status of various revenue matters.

The meeting was attended by Additional Deputy Commissioner Bandipora, Umar Shafi Pandit; ACR Bandipora, Shabir Ahmad Wani; Sub Divisional Magistrates in virtual mode, Tehsildars and Naib Tehsildars and other concerned officials.

The DC took a comprehensive review of digitization of Jamabandis, encroachment, PSGA Services, e-Office in revenue offices, pending Mutalandless and other related

He directed all Tehsil-

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was held here today.

DODA, MAY 30



monitor these camps.

ened responsibility.

dars to ensure the func- DC directed the concerned available on the online tioning of e-Office in all revenue officers to take portal. Additionally, he concerned offices and decisive action against any cautioned that stringent organise awareness pro- instances of Government action would be taken grams/camps in all Teh- Land encroachment, against officers and offisils of district Bandipora ensuring that no such cials who fail to comply and further asked them to encroachments occur.

Departmental Convergence for

Child Development, Women's

Health discussed at Doda

Shakeel ul Rehman

On the occasion, the emphasized revenue offi-DC emphasized that rev- cials the importance of enue officers/officials are adhering to the timeline stewards of Government for online services as out-Land, and it is imperative lined in the Public Sertions, allotment of land to to handle it with height-vice Guarantee Act. He emphasized the necessity During the review of of avoiding offline service encroachment status, the provision for services

with PSGA timelines.

DC Bandipora chairs meeting of DLC on Change of Land Use; approves 04 cases

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BANDIPORA, MAY 30

The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Shakeel Ul Rehman Thursday concerned departments convened a meeting of the to provide quality com-District Level Committee ments or definitive NOCs (DLC) regarding Change of within the specified timethe district.

During the meeting, an Act. in-depth discussion was held about the comments attended by ACR Bansubmitted by different dipora, Chief Agriculture departments concerning Officer, Bandipora, ExEn pending CLU cases in the PHE Bandipora, ExEn IFC

lowing a comprehensive from related departments.

review of the policy's different aspects, the committee approved 04 cases and rejected 02 cases.

The DC directed the Land Use (CLU) cases in frame, in accordance with the provisions of the PSGA

The meeting was the issuance of NOCs for R&B Bandipora, ExEn Sumbal, Tehsildar Bandi-A total of 06 cases were pora, Tehsildar Sumbal, put up for discussion. Fol- and concerned officers

CEO reviews functioning of schools in Chenani Zone

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UDHAMPUR, MAY 30

sub-division.

the activities of PM SHRI and utilization of the the spot. grants released under the

welfare of the students.

Later, the CEO visited To review academic the Government Higher schemes and progress of Secondary School and civil works, the Chief Edu- Zonal Education Office cation Officer Udhampur, Chenani and reviewed Geetu Bangotra accompatheir functioning. Cluster nied by Assistant Director Head Chenani was direct-(E&S) Darshan Sharma, ed to utilise the available conducted an extensive resources in the optimal academic tour of Chenani way to achieve excellence in Academics and co-cur The team reviewed ricular activities.

The CEO also conduct-School, Government High ed a surprise inspection at School Chenani under dif- Higher Secondary School ferent components, while Bupp to assess the funcdirecting the management tioning of the cluster systo keep the school campus tems under NEP 2020 and clean and green by con- also resolved the various ducting plantation drives issues of the complex on

Teachers' Training Workshop held at GHSS Bhagwah

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DODA, MAY 30

A Teachers Training Workshop was organized by the Zonal Education Officer higher secondary schools process in classrooms.

tries, Gujarat. The workshop was held in the presence of Davinder Singh, Principal/ZEO of GHSS Bhagwah. Manohar Lal, Zonal

(ZEO) Bhagwah in collabo- Cultural Incharge of Zone ration with the Vishwagram Bhagwah, coordinated Educational Trust Team at the programme. During Government Higher Sec- the session, Dankesh Oza ondary School Bhagwah. shared valuable insights The event saw participation and elaborated on the holisfrom over 30 teachers from tic approach to education various educational institu- inspired by Gandhian printions, including primary, ciples, which can enhance middle, secondary, and the teaching and learning

The entire programme The training was con- was organized under the ducted by Dankesh Oza, supervision of District former Joint Secretary of Development Commission-Gujarat and Bharti Oza, er, Harvinder Singh and former Deputy Director of guided by Chief Education

ADDC Ramban inspects conservation work at Historic Site of Ghora Gali

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Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC), Ramban, Roshan Lal today visited the Ghora Gali Archeological/ Historic site and inspected the ongoing conservation work there.

The Ghora Gali is one of the ancient historical sites of Ramban situated in village Gool on Gool-Sangaldan road, 2 km ahead of Gool market and 50 km away from district headquarter Ramban. The art on stones at Ghora Gaki reveals Devta culture which is commonly found in rural areas of Ramban. The Kul Devtas of some of the Hindu families show similar revelations wor- tage and progress are shipped since the existence of human life.

It was informed that the activities. Efforts made different schemes. by the District Adminensuring that both heri- ADDC.



with officials of the Rural work on construction of Development Department Boundary Wall of Ghora (RDD) and other depart-Gali with an estimated cost ments at BDO Office Gool of Rs 70 lakh is going on to and received an appraisal and to promote tourism development works under

Assistant Commissionistration led by Deputy er Development (ACD) Commissioner Ramban, Shrinath Suman, District Baseer-Ul-Haq Chaudhary Statistical and Evaluation highlight the significance Officer (DSEO) Ganesh of the Ghora Gali site. and Kumar, District Informaand local development, officials accompanied the on the development and

The team inspected the prioritized. During the under execution develvisit, The ADDC also met opment works in Gool, ensuring that the progress aligns with the planned initiatives and addressing any issues that arise.

The ADDC also interactconserve the Historic Site on the status of ongoing ed with the locals, listened to their grievances, and passed necessary directions to concerned officers to address the same.

The visit of the ADDC was focused on the basic development of the area and preserving the rich the administrative efforts tion Officer Ashraf Wani cultural heritage of the towards its conservation and other concerned region while also focusing welfare of its people.



Doda, S. Paramjeet Singh convened the crucial meeting in his office chamber, which was attended by senior functionaries of the three stakeholder departments. District Immunizaan extra room available in tion Officer Dr. Varsha

the school to run the AWC. expressed a keen interest Upon the request of in working closely with nization and to identify pregnant women, nursing (schools) who are also working together for the mothers, and adolescent beneficiaries of AWCs in betterment of child devel-

Officer (CEO) recom- tion to avoid double regismended the convergence tration of children in both of Anganwadi Centers AWCs and schools. Other (AWCs) with schools issues related to departwithin a distance of 200 mental convergence were

the district. This will be opment and the health of The Chief Education based on Aadhaar registra- women in the district

meters, provided there is also discussed during the The meeting concluded with a shared hope to DPO, the Chief Education strengthen the Poshan the Poshan Department Officer agreed to provide (ICDS) sector through to achieve 100% immu- a list of children regis- collaborative efforts. The tered in both government representatives reitermalnourished children, and private institutions ated their commitment to

within Zone Bhagwah. the Department of Indus- Officer, P.L Thapa.

NEWS

FROM THE FRONT PAGE...

Deadly Accident leaves...

UP, Subash Chander (34), son of Lal Singh of Mathura, UP, Anju (34), wife of Jai Veer of Bharatpur, Rajasthan, Shanti (65), wife of Mahinder of Aligarh, UP, Kajal (16), daughter of Satyender of Naya, UP, Sanjay Kumar (40), son of Suresh Singh of Aligarh, UP, Prashant Choudhary (21), son of Neeraj Kumar of Mathura, UP, Urvesh (40), wife of Satya of UP, Puniya (70) of UP, Yash (08), Yogveer (30) of UP, Rakesh (25), son of Rajinder Singh of UP, Geeta (30), wife of Jai veer of Aligarh, Yash (11), Jatin (17), son of Shamsher of Narella Haryana, ones," she wrote. Geeta (35), wife of Chander Mohan of UP, Raghuveer (70), son of Hardam Singh of Mathura, UP, Sangeeta (27), wife of Arvinder of UP, Sanjay (38), son of Gure Singh of Aligarh UP, Munni Devi (57), wife of Umar Pal of UP, Sharda Devi (65), wife of Shamvir Singh of Aligarh UP, Mannu (06), son of Arvinder of UP, Jatin (12), son of Ajeet of UP, Munni (50), wife of Amar Singh of Rajasthan, Rinku (25), son of Mahinder Pal of Aligarh, UP, the injured. Overloading and rash driving must be Devo (58), wife of Sultan Singh of Aligarh, UP, Radha (28), wife of Pawan of Aligarh, UP, Neelma (32), wife of Har veer of Bharatpur, Rajasthan, Gopal (18), son of Bhagwan Singh of UP, Yashoda (48), wife of Dharamvir of Bharatpur, Rajasthan, Bhagwan Singh (48), son of Rajinder Singh of UP, Rajinder Singh (52), son of Shiv Ram Singh of UP, Ranveer Singh (70), son of Babu Lal of Mathura UP, Arjun (18), son of Radhey Shyam Singh of UP, Rajwanti (50), wife of Satvir Singh of UP, Anita families who lost their loved ones in this tragic acci-(48), wife of Shivender Singh of UP, Urmila (45), wife of dent. May the bereaved families, alongside every other Sham Vir Singh of UP, Rakesh (47), son of Than Singh of UP, Pranav (10), son of Bhupinder Singh of UP, Neelam this hour of utter grief. Urge the authorities concerned (30), wife of Bhupinder Singh of UP, Munni Devi (50), Geeta (35), wife of Shashi Pal of UP, Shashi Pal (38), son the incident," he wrote. of Rajinder Singh of UP, Suman (25), wife of Pritam of UP, Gourav (09), son of Pritam of UP, Kamlesh (45), wife Singh of UP, Kamlesh (48), wife of Chander Prakash of UP and two unidentified including one male and a female who are 60 years and 30 year-old respectively.

identified as Kumar Paul (60), son of Parub Singh of in eternal peace and the injured find strength and swift Ltathare, UP, Bal Krishan (51), son of Raghunath Parshad of Aligarh, UP, Bila Devi (50), wife of Gotam of Aligarh, UP, Suman Devi (60), wife of Gumana Parshad of Naya tor, Muhammad Yousuf Tarigami also expressed grief Ganga Gari, UP, Thankasha (08), daughter of Pawan of over the loss of lives in the accident and prayed for the Niya Aligarh, UP, Luxraj (04), son of Pawan Kumar of speedy recovery of the injured persons-(KNO) Niya Aligarh, UP and Radhika (28), wife of Pawan Kumar of Niya Aligarh, UP.

Magisterial Inquiry Ordered

A few hours after the accident took place, the authorited within seven days.

District Magistrate Jammu, Sachin Kumar Vaisshya in and unfortunate bus accident occurred in Akhnoor on 30-05-2024, resulting into loss of several precious lives and injuring a number of passengers.

"It is imperative on the part of the administration to thoroughly inquire into the circumstances encompassing the accident to ascertain its causes and avert future recurrences; Therefore, in view of the above a magisterial inquiry is hereby ordered to be conducted by days," the order reads.

Further, Sr. Superintendent of Police, Jammu; Sr. Superintendent of Police, Traffic (City Jammu); Regional he alleged. Transport Officer, Jammu and SE Jammu North Public Works Department shall provide all necessary assistance, the order further added.

Loss of Lives Condoled

Meanwhile, President Droupadi Murmu expressed said in a post on X.

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar said he is deeply saddened to learn about the tragic bus accident. He further and INDI alliance has caused loss to the country. extended heartfelt condolences to the grieving families and also prayed for speedy recovery of the injured.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed condolences to the families of the deceased saving he is anguished by the loss of lives due to the accident. In a social media post, the Prime Minister also announced an ex-gratia of two lakh rupees to the next of kin of each deceased and 50 thousand rupees to the injured.

LG Announces Exgratia

the incident as "heart-rending" and said that the admin- and is "tapobhoomi" of the guru. istration is providing all possible support.

"The bus accident in Akhnoor, Jammu is heart-rending. I condole the loss of lives and pray to the almighty to give the bereaved families the strength to bear the irreparable loss. Praying for the speedy recovery of the injured. The administration is providing all possible assistance to the bereaved families and is also extending medical facilities to those who have been injured," he said in a post on X

The Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha also has announced an ex-gratia of Rs. 5 Lakh to be given to the next of kin of each deceased and Rs.50,000 for those injured in the tragic bus accident in Akhnoor, Jammu.

Political Parties & Leaders Express Grief

National Conference President and Member of the Parliament from Srinagar Dr. Farooq Abdullah and Vice President Omar Abdullah have expressed profound grief over the loss of lives in a fateful accident at the Chungi Morh area of Akhnoor in Jammu district.

Expressing grief over the accident, Dr. Farooq said, "I am pained beyond words to know about the loss of lives in a bus accident in Akhnoor near Jammu. My deepest condolences to the bereaved families. I wish speedy recovery of the injured. The administration should provide all possible assistance to the bereaved samay hai, sahi samay hai'. I am saying this again: the families besides extending medical facilities to those 21st century belongs to India," he said.

who are injured.' Expressing anguish over the accident, Omar said, "The tragic bus accident in Akhnoor, Jammu, is heart wrenching. I am deeply moved by the loss of lives in the mishap and pray for fortitude to the grief stricken famialso impress upon the local administration to reach out and prosperous, he said. (PTI) to the affected with relief and compensation.'

General Secretary Ali Muhammad Sagar, Additional General Secretaries Sheikh Mustafa Kamal, Ajay Kumar

Sadhotra, Treasurer Shammi Oberoi, Provincial Presi- **Streamline riding...** dents Nasir Aslam Wani, Rattan Lal Gupta, Chief Spokesperson Tanvir Sadiq have also extended condolences to the bereaved families.

Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) Chief and former chief minister of erstwhile J&K state, Mehbooba Mufti in a post on X also expressed grief over the loss of lives.

"Terrible news coming in from Akhnoor where sixteen people have died in a tragic bus accident. Deepest sympathies & condolences to their families and loved

Azad wrote that overloading and rash driving must be addressed to prevent such accidents.

"Deeply saddened by the tragic bus accident in Akhnoor, Jammu that claimed 21 lives and injured 69. My condolences to the families. Urge the government for immediate compensation and best treatment for addressed to prevent such accidents!," Azad wrote on X.

Former minister and Apni Party president, Syed Altaf Bukhari in a post expressed condolence with the bereaved families.

"Heartbreaking to hear about the fatal road accident, claiming the lives of more than twenty persons in Chungi Morh Akhnoor on Jammu-Poonch National Highway. My heartfelt condolences to the bereaved affected by this tragedy, find patience and strength in

Peoples Conference (PC) Chairman, Sjad Gani Lone in a post also expressed grief over the loss of lives. "Heartof Omi Singh of UP, Koushal Kumar (25), son of Sukhvir broken by the tragic bus accident in Akhnoor, Jammu. The loss of 21 precious lives and injuries to 69 others is deeply sorrowful. My heartfelt condolences to the grieving families. In this hour of immense pain, we stand Those who are admitted at SDH Akhnoor have been together in solidarity and prayer. May the departed rest recovery," Lone wrote on X.

Congress 'Strangled'...

Further attacking the Congress over the issue of corties ordered magisterial inquiry into the incident and it ruption, Modi called it 'bhasrishtachar ki janni' (Mother has been ordered the inquiry report should be submit- of corruption) and said the party has done a "double" and vice-versa. PhD in corruption".

Training his guns at the AAP, Modi said now 'kattar a order, a copy of which lies with KNO reads that a tragic bharashtatchri' (thoroughly dishonest) has joined hands with the Congress.

"You see they are doing a drama of fighting against each other here (in Punjab). In Delhi, they were fighting together," he said.

Calling AAP also as 'bhayankar jhoothwadi party', Modi said the AAP formed the first government in Delhi with the support of the Congress.

Alleging that the AAP has learnt lessons of indulg-Shri Shishir Gupta, IAS, Additional District Magistrate, ing in corruption from the Congress, he said 'kattar Jammu who shall submit the inquiry report within 07 bhrishtachari' (AAP) has taken birth from the "womb of the grand old party".

Since its inception, the AAP has been a corrupt party,

While the AAP claimed it would wipe out the drug menace from the state,

forming government, Modi charged.

"The whole world has now come to know about Delhi grief over the incident. "Pained beyond words to learn liquor scam. Here (in Punjab) illegal mining mafia is about the loss of lives in a bus accident in Akhnoor rampant. 'Kattar bharishtachari and bhayankar jhooth- the Congress would re-distribute the country's wealth near Jammu. My deepest condolences to the bereaved vadi' (thoroughly corrupt and biggest liars) pushed among "infiltrators" and "those who have more chilfamilies. I wish speedy recovery of the injured," she Punjab into 'gangwar'. They have destroyed industry dren," in an apparent reference to the Muslim com- tary Law, Director FSL and other concerned officers and farming in Punjab," he charged.

Modi said the politics of selfishness of the Congress

They continuously opposed Ram Temple and because of the appeasement politics, they are opposing CAA (Citizenship (Amendment) Act), he said.

Modi said after decades such a time has come that a full majority government at the Centre will score a hattrick as he invoked Guru Ravidas to say that he was the inspiration for working towards the welfare of the poor.

"Welfare of the poor is my government's top priority. And in this big inspiration is of Guru Ravidas," he said Jammu and Kashmir Lt Governor Manoj Sinha called while noting that Hoshiarpur is called "Chotti Kashi"

> "And see the coincidence, Varanasi, from where I am MP, Guru Ravidas was born there. Therefore, in this pious land of Hoshiarpur, closing of the poll campaign is a matter of pride for me," he said.

> Noting that Guru Ravidas said, "man changa to kathoti mein ganga" (if a man's heart and intentions are pure, then everything is pure), he said, "I am dedicated to the service of the nation with full honesty and, therefore, people's blessing are with me."

> "After decades, such a time has come that a fullmajority government at the Centre is going to score a hat-trick. Biggest reason for this is the dream of Viksit Bharat.

> Today, every Indian is aligned and connected with the Viksit Bharat dream," he asserted.

> Guru Ravidas envisioned such a society where there is no discrimination on the basis of caste, he said, adding people are getting benefits of government's schemes without discrimination.

> After we form government, in the third term, what the government will do in the next 125 days, how it will do, for whom it will do and for how long, work on this roadmap has been done, he said. "I had said from the ramparts of the Red Fort, 'yehi

When there is a 'damdar' government in the country,

foreign governments also see our "dum" (might). And in this brave land of Punjab, who better would know the meaning of 'damdar'. 'Damdar' government is that which teaches lessons to the enemy and strikes lies. I also pray for the speedy recovery of the injured. I inside its territory, one which makes India self-reliant

surface of the road. He enjoined upon the concerned divisional and district administration to identify all such spots which needs immediate improvement so that no adversity is faced during the upcoming yatra and fruit season when thousands of fruit laden trucks are bound to cross this Highway on daily basis.

The Chief Secretary asked about the causes behind worsening condition of roads on the highway including Dalwas, Old Passi, Mehard, Marog (Ramban), Pratap Nallah (Digdol), Khooni Nallah, Panthyal, Magarkote, Former chief minister and DPAP chief, Ghulam Nabi Higni, Lower Nachlana and Kishtwari Pather. He also sought feedback from the Traffic, DCs and NHAI about the measures to be taken in this regard and fixed deadline for ironing out these difficulties in coordination with all stakeholders.

Dulloo asked the executing agencies to improve the Kathua-Katra stretch of the Highway besides ensuring its blacktopping before 20th of June without any further delay. He asked the Div Com Jammu to personally monitor this work and submit report daily on this account.

He also took stock of the physical progress achieved on construction of grade separators at Bemina, Sanat Nagar and Nowgam crossings in Srinagar. He also reviewed the work done, so far, on the overhead Railway crossing Bridge near Bijbehara. He asked for expediting work on all these projects for timely completion.

In a presentation given by IG Traffic, Bhim Sen Tuti, a detailed analysis of the previous traffic halts along with their durations was highlighted. The reasons for each such disruption was spotlighted and the cause of to ensure best possible treatment to those injured in suspensions experienced this month were particularly brought to fore.

> It was informed that the incessant rains on 29th and 30th of April had eroded the loop of the old road at Magerkote which was used to pass traffic in one direction. to "become Gandhian" after the general election result It was added that the construction work on fly-overs, via-ducts and tunnels at several locations is sometimes causing difficulty in smooth passage of traffic.

It was also revealed that the traffic Department in collaboration with the district administration Ramban have identified 19 spots for taking certain corrective CPI (M) senior leader and former Kulgam legisla- measures there. The steps like road widening, compacting and blacktopping at these stretches would be finished in next couple of weeks by taking a dry day in for 7th Phase is 16. between, the meeting was apprised

The meeting was informed that the road condition June 4. would be substantially upgraded by NHAI before the onset of fruit, vegetable season and commencement of Shri AmarnathJi yatra this year for convenience of all the travellers going to and fro from Srinagar to Jammu

After controversies...

Kejriwal also tried to woo the voters in their respective zones of influence despite the sizzling heatwave across parts of North India.

As the high-decibel campaigning reaches its end, it leaves a trail of controversies sparked by the leading political figures through their utterances in public rallies and media interviews.

PM Modi, who dominated the headlines over the past two months as he hopped from state to state and region to region on a gruelling campaign blitz, accused the Congress of indulging in appeasement and vote bank politics and even "opposing" the construction PMLA, 2002. of the Ram Temple in Ayodhya as also the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA).

Speaking at a rally in Rajasthan, he said his governthey made drugs as a source of their income after ment would never let anyone snatch away the reservations of Dalits, OBCs, and backward classes and give Hyderpora, Srinagar. them to the Muslims only.

Going further, he claimed that if voted to power, CS reviews progress...

In his rallies, Modi also claimed the Congress: would "not even leave your 'mangalsutra (necklace worn by married Hindu women)'. He also claimed that the Congress manifesto for the election has declared that the party "will calculate the gold with mothers and sisters, get information about it, and then distribute that prop-

Flaying Modi for giving "hate speeches", the Congress moved the Election Commission, alleging that the BJP was trying to create a "communal polarisation", as its initial campaign theme of "Vikshit Bharat" had failed to sway the electorate.

At the other end, Rahul Gandhi, speaking at a rally in implementation of these laws on ground. Kerala, claimed the BIP was trying to sow the seeds of to Hindi and attempting to create a North-south divide in the country.

The BJP also moved the EC against Gandhi's statement, calling it "divisive".

The opposition also constantly harped on its allegation that the BJP, which had coined the slogan of "Abki baar, charso ke paar", (meaning this time, the NDA constitution and declare India as a Hindu Rashtra if it got a brute majority.

The BJP, including PM Modi, issued vehement denials, and BJP ally Ramdas Athawale moved the EC against Rahul Gandhi on the issue.

PM Modi's series of interviews to television channels where he claimed that while earlier he believed that his birth was a biological one, after his mother's death he was convinced that God had sent him on a mission, and made him "nothing but an instrument", also became an issue, with Rahul Gandhi in his rallies mocking the PM. Amidst all this, while giving television bytes, BJP

leader Sambit Patra claimed "Jagannath is Modi's bhakt," implying the Hindu lord was a divine devotee of PM Modi. However, he later termed it as a "slip of the tongue" and announced a three-day fast as penance.

Ahead of the seventh phase of polls, PM Modi in another television interview, said no one knew of Mahatma Gandhi outside India before a movie on his life hit the screen worldwide. Modi was referring to the 1982 movie Gandhi directed by Richard Attenborough and alleging that the earlier Congress governments did not

Story of My Experiments with Truth - and advised him tively.

Grievance camp a sincere attempt to lessen gap between Admn, public: Yudhvir



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JAMMU, MAY 30

The Central Government headed by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi is Jammu East, were present working on the mission of during the camp. Antodaya and every BJP activist is working tire- taken every possible step launched by the PM Modi led government.

held at Pt Prem Nath vidual to support BJP.

Dogra Bhawan, Kacchi Chawni Jammu. Praveen Kerni, Mandal President Jammu East and Arun Sethi, General Secretary

Yudhvir said BJP has

lessly to ensure that every to ensure development needy person is able to get of every community and off the beneficial schemes every region for unprecedented development with the target of "Antodava". This was stated by Yud- He added that such clear hvir Sethi, J&K BJP Vice vision for development in President while interact- every sector and developing with people during the ment of every section has public grievances camp attracted every single indi-

on June 4.

The constituencies going to the hustings on Saturday include the 13 LS seats of Punjab and four of Himachal Pradesh, where voting is being done in one go.

Voting will also be conducted in Uttar Pradesh (13 seats), West Bengal (9), Bihar (8), Odisha (6), Jharkhand (3) and in the Union Territory of Chandigarh (1).

The average number of contesting candidates in a PC

The votes for all the phases would be counted on

Mines explode after...

spread to this side, they said.

In a similar incident in Jammu, a fire broke out in the Choki Chora area and spread to adjoining areas of Chora, Khardoon, Padoon, Bamla, Keri and Kandi, spread across several hectares of forest land, the offi-

The forest department officials and local residents launched an operation to extinguish the flames, successfully bringing the fire under control after several hours, they said.

There was no loss of life or injury to anyone in both the incidents, they added. (Agencies)

ED attaches properties...

M/s Baba Enterprises under the provisions of the

The immovable properties include 17 Marlas land at Khasra No.1329, 1330, 1331,1332, 1334 and 1335, Khewat No.92 and Khata No.182 in Mouja Barinambal, Srinagar; 26 Marlas land at Hyderpora and a Residential House at

ADGP, Headquarters, Director Prosecution, Secreattended the meeting while Jammu based officers participated virtually.

The Chief Secretary enquired about the capacity building and training of concerned staff, conducted so far. He emphasised the need for collaborative efforts of all stakeholders for effective implementation of these laws in the UT.

Dulloo asked about the status of dissemination of relevant informative material regarding the new laws among the police officers and different sections of the society including women and students for their awareness. He also asked about different logistic measures and technological upgradations to be made for better

He took stock of the necessary amendments to be discrimination by making Malayalam and Tamil inferior incorporated in Police Manual. He asked about the status of issuing different Statutory Orders (SOs) in this regard. He enquired about the changes to be made in rationalization or creation of posts, seeking of clarifications from the Law Department and integration of different portals with the rechristened apparatus of law enforcement agencies.

In its presentation, the Police Department threw light would win over 400 seats) was plotting to change the on different initiatives being taken for smooth implementation of these laws. It was revealed that capacity building and training of staff, deployment of additional manpower and upgradation of hardware and technological interventions are being planned as part of implementation strategy for these new laws.

It was informed that till date nearly 6984 police personnel have been trained in the training institutions in addition to orientation of 106 prosecutors. Besides, it was apprised that 72 officers are going to attend the batch-wise training program at CAPT, Bhopal along with 30 officers from the Judicial Academy.

The meeting further deliberated on the plan for establishment of district mobile forensic units as per provisions of the act. It also had discourse over the changes to be made in Prisons, Prosecution and other allied Departments. It was revealed that the committees and study groups have been constituted for having insights into these laws and framing a roadmap to implement these in the UT.

Pertinently, the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita and the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam had been recently notified by the MHA for do enough to spread Gandhi's thoughts internationally. implementation from July, 2024. These would replace Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge responded the Indian Penal Code, 1860, Code of Criminal Proceby asking Modi to read Gandhi's autobiography - The dure, 1898 and the Indian Evidence Act, 1872, respec-

Brigadier, DC hold interactive meet with NCC Students at GDC Doda

DODA, MAY 30

The 2nd J&K (I) COY NCC Bhaderwah Brigadier PS Cheema and Deputy Commissioner Doda, Harvinder Singh, Colonel NCC J&K M.K Sharma, Principal Government Degree College Doda, Dr. Attar Singh Kotwal and others hosted an interactive Meet with NCC Students at Govt Degree College (GDC) Doda yesterday.

The event aimed to provide an opportunity to the NCC students to engage with the dignitaries and gain valuable insights.

The interactive meet commenced with a warm welcome extended to ties. He emphasized the tions and seek guidance Brigadier, PS Cheema and importance of discipline, from the esteemed guests. Deputy Commissioner leadership, and team- The students eagerly par-Doda Harvinder Singh.

The event witnessed a its cadets. lively interaction between the students and the dig-sioner also encouraged excel in their NCC journey. nitaries, where they dis- the students to make the along with DC Doda for an cussed various aspects of most of their NCC training Interactive Meet with NCC NCC training and its role and utilize it as a platform Students at GDC Doda.

in shaping the youth.

PS Cheema shared his development. experiences and motivated the students to actively provided a platform for participate in NCC activiwork that NCC instils in ticipated in the discussion,

for personal growth and

The interactive meet the students to ask quesshowcasing their enthu-The Deputy Commis-siasm and eagerness to

Workshop on NCSS incentives for investors held at Doda



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under the supervision of particularly on private in District Doda.

DIC, S Parmjeet Singh.

the General Manager of land. The General Manager of DIC Doda assured The primary aim of investors of full support The District Industries the program was to edu- in obtaining necessary Centre (DIC) Doda, cate participants about clearances from other under the guidance of the registration process departments and banks the Director of Industries and timelines associated to facilitate the establishand Commerce Jammu, with the NCSS scheme. ment of their units. Paron Thursday organized Officers from DIC Doda ticipants expressed gratia workshop and interac- highlighted the key fea- tude to the government, tive session for poten-tures and benefits of district administration, tial investors in District the scheme, targeting and DIC Doda for orgaprospective beneficia- nizing the awareness pro-The event focused on ries to ensure they were gram. They appreciated the incentives available well-informed about the the initiative, which was under the New Central opportunities available the first of its kind in the Sector Scheme (NCSS) to them. A detailed dis-district, aimed at encourfor the Union Territory cussion was held with aging potential investors of Jammu and Kashmir, the investors, addressing to enroll under the NCSS 2021, and the J&K Indus- the challenges they face scheme and boosting trial Policy 2021-30. The in establishing industrial their confidence to set session was conducted units in District Doda, up more industrial units

ADC Handwara visits Jamia Jadeed. addresses grievances of people

JI NEWS SERVICE

KUPWARA, MAY 30

The Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Handwara, Aziz Ahmad Rather today visited Jamia Jadeed locality of Handwara where people raised their grievances and demanded shifting of transformer from the close vicinity of Jamia Jadeed Masjid.

On the occasion, the ADC interacted with the people and Augaf Committee members and heard their grievances patiently. He directed Executive Engineer PDD Handwara to shift the transformer from the Masjid to some other suitable place.

ADC instructed Executive Officer Municipal Committee Handwara to repair the wash rooms

ongoing Irrigation Khul their functioning. at Tumina. He impressed

punctuality and quality schools. He enquired them with the students.



Later, the ADC inspect- schools of Handwara sub activities. ed the construction of the division and inspected

near Handwara Bus Stand education in Government about the performance and Govt Boys Higher Sec-schools, the ADC paid and progress of the acaondary school Handwara. surprise visits to different demic and co-curricular

On the occasion, ADC impressed upon the During the visit, the teachers and staff of these upon the Ex. Engineer Irri- ADC inspected Kasturba schools to work with gation to ensure comple- Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya added zeal and enthution of the irrigation khul (KGBV) and Government siasm to make a good within the stipulated time Secondary School Haf- atmosphere for quality tarada and interacted with education and best perfor-In order to ensure the staff members of these mance. He also interacted

Elaborate arrangements put in place for Medical team visits village counting of votes for Udhampur PC

KATHUA, MAY 30

The election authorities have put in place adequate arrangements for counting of votes for the 4-Udhampur Parliamentary Constituency. There are 12 candidates in fray for the Udhampur Parliamentary Constituency.

The counting will be Degree College Kathua, secured with multi-tier security and round-theto ensure a free and fair election process.

Votes from all 18 assem-Kathua, Udhampur, Doda, Ramban, and Kishtwar, will be counted in dedicated halls assigned to each Assembly Constituency. Additionally, three halls have been designated for the counting of Electronically Transmitted Postal Ballot System (ETPBS)

A total of 225 tables have been set up for the three personnel assigned to each table. For ETPBS votes, 60 tables have been designated, also with three missioner of Kathua. persons per table.

Strong Room to the count- tions for continuous news added.

held at Government ing halls. Each table will access and WiFi to ensure be supervised by a count- internet connectivity. ing agent, a micro observer, and a supervisor, hourly trends have been clock CCTV surveillance along with each Assistant made to keep everyone Returning Officer (ARO).

the EVM Strong Rooms will have controlled access bly segments, including has been shared with political party representatives since the safe deposit of EVMs after polling.

A Counting Control Room has been equipped with the necessary logistics to compile and update the day. The entire process itored under the supervision of Dr. Rakesh Minhas, Returning Officer for the counting process, with 4-Udhampur Parliamen- undertake the Counting of tary Constituency, who is Officer and Deputy Com-

Nearly 10,000 staff well-equipped Election refreshments will be promembers will be involved Media Centre has been vided to all individuals in the counting process, established to facilitate involved in the countincluding the transfer media personnel. The ing process on June 4, of Electronic Voting centre features LED Machines (EVMs) from the screens with DTH connec-

Provisions for displaying updated with the latest CCTV surveillance of results. Media personnel to the counting process as per the Election Commission of India (ECI) guide-Meanwhile, the train-

ing of all stakeholders to be involved in Counting in votes has been successfulhourly trends throughout ly completed on Thursday.

Returning Officer will be executed and mon- Dr Rakesh Minhas said that adequate logistics and security arrangements have been made to Votes for Parliamentary also the District Election Constituency. "Besides catering to the necessary human resource and other A fully functional and logistics Food, water, and ensuring their well-being throughout the day" he

Pharma Company among 7 erring FBOs fined Rs 45500 by ADM Ramban

JI NEWS SERVICE RAMBAN, MAY 30

Additional District Magistrate (ADM) Ramban, Varunjeet Singh Charak, in capacity of Adjudicating Officer, has imposed Rs. 45500 on seven Food Business Operators (FBOs) including a Pharma company operating in the dis-

including a pharmaceutical company Nunkind HealthCare PVT Ltd, for the sale of misbranded and substandard medihearing due to the respondent's absence.

reviewed, seven were importance of adhering of the FSS Act-2006. resolved with penalties to the legal standards gov-

levied against the traders, erning the food and pharmaceutical industries.

The ADM issued strict warning to the offenders, directing them to comply strictly with the Food cines and food items. The Safety and Standards Act violations were found in and its associated regulaa substantial penalty of direct contravention of the tions. He cautioned that severe penalties.

The enforcement action ed the Enforcement The action forms part of targeted multiple manu- Agency to take decisive a robust drive launched to facturers, wholesale deal- actions against the vioenforce compliance with ers, and retailers found lators, reinforcing the the Food Safety and Stan- to be violating the provi- administration's commitdards Act of 2006 (FSS sions of the FSS Act-2006. ment to upholding public The Adjudicating Officer health and safety stan-Out of eight cases underscored the critical dards as per the directives

FSS Act-2006. One case any future violations was deferred for the next would result in even more The ADM also instruct-

Commissioner SMC holds review meeting on SWM in Srinagar City

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, MAY 30

Commissioner, Srinagar Municipal Corporation (SMC), Dr. Owais Ahmed Thursday chaired a comprehensive review meeting to evaluate the current solid waste management practices in Srinagar City.

The meeting focused on assessing the efficiency of waste collection, transportation, processing and disposal systems within the city.

A key area of discussion was the scientific disposal of waste. The Commissioner reviewed ongoing projects such as the construction of a sanitary landfill cell, proper management and disposal of construction and demolition waste, and other related activities.

Furthermore, upcoming plans were reviewed, including the preparation of necessary Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for the CIITIS 2.0 program.

Dr Owais emphasized set deadlines. the importance of maintaining cleanliness in the aimed to streamline and tainable environment city and reviewed the improve the solid waste for the city's residents.



Swachhata parameters. management system in Strict directives were Srinagar, ensuring effiissued to the concerned cient collection, transofficials to complete the portation, processing, assigned tasks before the and scientific disposal

of waste, contributing to The review meeting a cleaner and more sus-

Thanalla to address Skin Disease among children



JI NEWS SERVICE

DODA, MAY 30

A team of medical officers today visited Village status of children suffering from a skin disease. Priya Manhas, Medical Officer (MS ENT) under the overall supervision of geted efforts for the chilthe Block Medical Officer dren, the general public Bhaderwah.

provided on the direc- check-up. The initiative tions of Deputy Commis- aimed to provide comsioner, Harvinder Singh prehensive healthcare

medicines were given ate health concerns of to the affected children. the children and their Additionally, the parents families. received an orientation on

how to take care of their children and were advised to remain in contact with hospital authorities.

The Block Medical Offi-Thanalla to check the cer Bhaderwah requested the parents to visit SDH Bhaderwah for further The team included Dr. assistance, ensuring they Sangita Kotwal, Consul- could be referred to GMC tant Pediatrician, and Dr. Doda for a dermatologist consultation free of cost.

In addition to the taralso benefited from free The consultation was medicines and a medical and Chief Medical Officer. support to the community During the visit, free and address the immedi-

Inter-School Zonal Level Sports Competitions thrive across Ganderbal



JI NEWS SERVICE

GANDERBAL, MAY 30

The District Youth Services and Sports Office Kabaddi, Handball, and casing their skills. Volleyball, showcasyoung students.

held at Sultania English tion. Medium Public School, Saloora.

torious over BHSS Shal-

The winning and great zeal.

runner-up teams were presented with trophies during the closing ceremony.

Meanwhile, in Zone (DYSSO) Ganderbal, as Tullamulla, an interpart of its calendar of school Handball compeactivities, successfully tition for boys under 17 organized inter-school took place at the scenic zonal level sports com- Tehsilbagh Ground in petitions in various zones Khranihama. The event across the district today. featured 74 enthusiastic The events included participants, each show-

The final match ing the athletic talent of between BHSS Lar and BHSS Safapora was In Zone Ganderbal, a intense, with BHSS Lar thrilling Kabaddi competi- ultimately claiming the tion for boys under 17 was trophy, earning recogni-

Additionally, Zone Hariganiwan hosted an The event saw the par- inter-school Volleyball ticipation of 150 students competition for boys from across the zone. In a under 14 at the BHSS captivating match, BHSS Hariganiwan ground. Ganderbal emerged vic- The first day of the competition saw 70 young athletes competing with

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EDITORIAL

Soaring mercury: A wake-up call for all

Tarious parts of the country are sweltering under an unprecedented heat wave, with temperatures soaring to historic highs and leaving millions in distress. On Wednesday, the national capital, Delhi, recorded its highest May temperature in 79 years at 46.8 degrees Celsius, while an astonishing and contentious 52.9 degrees was reported in Mungeshpur. This blistering heat wave has engulfed large parts of northern and central India, including Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan, and Uttar Pradesh, with cities like Rohtak and Prayagraj breaking all-time records. The extremity of these temperatures underscores the severity of climate change and its immediate impacts on human lives, health, and infrastructure. The Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has expressed concern and skepticism about the Mungeshpur reading, prompting an investigation into potential sensor errors. However, regardless of any potential anomalies, the broader pattern is unequivocal: the heat wave is both intense and widespread. In Bihar, the state government has had to take drastic measures to protect its citizens. Schools, coaching institutes, and anganwadi centers have been closed until June 8 due to reports of students fainting from the extreme heat. Such incidents highlight the vulnerability of children and the urgent need for preventive measures. The advisory from the Bihar Disaster Management Department urging people to avoid heat exposure and stay hydrated is crucial but reveals only part of the systemic issues that need addressing. This heat wave is not an isolated event but part of a worrying trend of increasing temperatures and more frequent extreme weather events. The IMD's forecast of continued heat wave conditions in Bihar and a slight respite for northern India due to incoming western disturbances, rainfall, and thunderstorms, offers temporary relief. However, these short-term mitigations do not address the long-term challenges posed by climate change. The records shattered in places like Prayagraj and Rohtak signal that India's current infrastructure and emergency preparedness plans are insufficient. In Una, Himachal Pradesh, and Karwar, Karnataka, records were also broken, indicating that this crisis spans diverse climatic zones, from the northern plains to the southern coast. The country must urgently escalate its climate resilience strategies. This involves both mitigation - reducing greenhouse gas emissions - and adaptation - improving our capacity to deal with the impacts already being felt. Urban planning must integrate heat-resistant infrastructure, green spaces, and better water management systems. Public awareness campaigns on heat safety, hydration, and the risks of heat-related illnesses are essential, particularly for vulnerable populations. Furthermore, the country needs to invest in accurate and widespread weather monitoring systems to ensure timely and reliable data. The controversy over the Mungeshpur temperature highlights the necessity for robust and cross-verified meteorological data to inform public safety measures and policy decisions. The sweltering heat wave gripping northern and central India is a stark reminder of the urgent and escalating threat posed by climate change. It demands immediate and comprehensive action from both the government and the public to mitigate its effects and adapt to its realities. The rising temperatures are not just numbers; they represent a call to action to protect lives, secure futures, and foster a sustainable environment. It is time for India to act decisively, for the heat wave of today could well become the norm of tomorrow.

The dawn of AI: Balancing innovation and prudence

human behaviour. The Encyclopedia Britannica defines AI as the "ability man and machine. of a computer or robot to perform tasks commonly associated with intelligent beings such as perception, critical thinking and decision-making". As far as the human mind is conthe information, analyses the processed information from various angles contrary, AI is a software programme that solely relies on pre-fed comput-In the entire process, the

rtificial Intelligence ered impossible even for (AI) is the ex-novo a machine to perform ogy that essentially deals reality. AI has considerwith developing machines ably brought computers capable of imitating very close to imitating the human mind, thus, diminishing the gap between

Today AI has found its application in a variety of fields such as education, finance, defence, agriculture and healthcare. Leading medical research institutions use AI for expericerned, first, it processes ment, diagnosis, treatment and monitoring of deadly diseases. AI facilitates high-quality tissue sample and finally arrives at a analysis that paves the way logical conclusion. On the for precise prognosis. In this day and age pharmaceutical companies are using AI for drug discover data to answer a query. ery and chemical analysis. With the help of AI doctors computer system behaves and healthcare professionlike a human mind. AI is als can precisely diagnose the order of the day and serious medical conditions admittedly, holds the such as cancer and stroke. potential to bring about In the education sector revolutionary changes in too, AI plays an important communications, defence, role. AI has proved to be

ture. In fact, till recently, to develop study mate- also is a major challenge gence, incredible analysis propel human beings to an the task that was consid-rial, student evaluation, grading and monitoring. Thus, teachers save their precious time which they can utilise in productive academic pursuits as well as engage in meaningful discussions with students. AI-powered virtual educator robots substantially improve teaching and

learning outcomes. Now let us see some of the imminent dangers of AI. The picture is not as rosy as it appears for the AI. Widespread indignant use of AI in almost every sphere of human activity is bound to raise some serious concerns concerning privacy, data security and transparency. Psychological well-being and social issues warrant our immediate attention. Companies are gradually replacing humans with AI-powered robots to perform specific tasks at the workplace. This causes anxiety among employees and adversely affects their mental and emotional well-being. The technical technology and workplacdexterity of computers es. Al's technological dili- These supreme attributes

for humans in the workplace. Of late AI AI-driven Deepfake videos and may lead to huge layoffs. tal than machines. On the online Bots have spread at Consequently, this gives an alarming pace. Deepfake videos and online ately high unemployment jectory, thus, fails to cap-Bots are capable of orchestrating a fabricated consensus and manipulating jected to discrimination perform tasks by adapting public opinion. Fake news spreads like wildfire disturbing peace and leading to social unrest. Another disadvantage of AI is that it a well-defined and com- take over humans shortly makes it extremely tough to distinguish between the original and the fake. AI- of the hour. Some of the nality and innovation. induced human rights vio- measures that help worklations should be stopped at the earliest. AI-powered changing technology land- up-gradation of employee scape has jeopardised data skills through approprisecurity, privacy, dignity, ate training, honing up of the entire human race employment, equality, political rights and secrecy. Experts and sociologists have expressed reservations regarding the detrimental impacts of overreliance on AI and human robots in important sectors like healthcare, law, marketing, accounting, education, management,

rise to a disproportion- and follows a defined tralabourers may be suband disparities and their to a given environment. security may be at stake. To check the AI misuse prehensive technologicallabour policy is the need ers survive in the AI-driven landscape are regular technical skills and developing Soft skills.

that AI is completely devoid of human temperament, comprehension and creativity. The capricious use. human mind is blessed with infinite creative power and Higher Order Thinking Skills (HOTS).

power and the ability to elevated plane and place perform repetitive tasks them on a higher pedescontrary, AI is data-driven rate. Employees and the ture human emotions, perception and the ability to professional and social Since AI is in its nascent stage, therefore, it is too soon to assume that AI can as humans continue to be the fons et origo of origi-

Another threat that scares us is that if ever in the future technologically advanced machines take Man as their enemy then may face existential crises. Pre-empting these dangers Lo and behold! Let's the US and the European not lose sight of the fact countries have taken a locus standi to oppose AI and have taken stringent legal measures to curb AI's

> (The writer is a professor; views are personal)

The US can't be both protectionist and world leader

ANDREAS KLUTH

President Joe Biden likes to call the United States "the indispensable nation." By that he means that America is the only power simultaneously mighty and benevolent enough to preserve whatever is left of a liberal order – one in which rules and multilateral instituthings, a system of relatively free international finance and trade.

But what if the US itself, even under Biden, turns against the system it's supposed to guard, becoming an agent of economic nationalism, international fragmentation and hostile bloc-building?

II. What most frightened Tariffs and Trade, which in the White House. His job was to set rules for "America First" worldview was a throwback to a much earlier US stance of isolationism and nationalism.

The infamous symbol of that older tradition was

Their governments "retalithey only impoverished their own importers out of spite) with tariffs against the US. And so it went, in round after round of "beggar-thy-neighbor" protectionism that made the Great Depression worse and nations more aggressive. Within a decade, the tions govern, among other world was at war. The US Senate today calls Smoot-Hawley "among the most catastrophic acts in congressional history."

With that disaster in mind, US leaders after the war went the other way. With its economic, military and soft power unrivaled, Washington built political institutions such as the Doubts to that effect have United Nations as well as popped up throughout the economic organs such as finance and trade, at least for the free (as opposed to communist) world and parts of the non-aligned (or Third World").

With the US guardthe Smoot-Hawley Tariff ing the system, trade and Act of 1930. Named after its capital flows increased and sponsors, it hiked duties on then soared after the disso-America's trading partners, lution of the Soviet Union. thus making US consumers This heyday of globalizaand importers poorer and tion lifted millions if not policy in keeping with his in the same vein as Trump solar panels, ship-to-shore

foreign exporters angrier. billions of people world- internationalist reputation, in another disturbing way. cranes, face masks or there were also costs: some He even added some: This workers in some countries, month, the US slapped including the US, lost their livelihoods whenever the economics of comparative advantage made production elsewhere in the world more efficient, or when some countries - notably China, even though it joined the WTO in 2001 didn't play by the rules.

These frustrations

caused a protectionist backlash in the US. Some pols and pundits were livid at China in particular and wanted to hit back at its foul play while bypassing the WTO, which in theory has mechanisms to settle such disputes. Others, notably Trump, were irate at almost all of America's trading partners, espe-Pax Americana, the long the International Monetary cially if the US ran current- ages with misleading titles the entire "new Washing- ny," Posen of the Peterson period of US leadership Fund, the World Bank and account deficits with them, such as the CHIPS and Sci-ton consensus," counters Institute told me. "Not: Is that followed World War the General Agreement on as in the case of Germany. ence Act or the Inflation that in this new quasi-Cold the US capable? But: What

and shoes to furniture and electronics, and even on stuff made in Europe and other countries that consider themselves friends.

is what Biden did when the Peterson Institute for he took over. Instead of International Economics. reverting to a liberal trade

tions on Chinese electric vehicles, solar panels and more. On trade, Trump on bilateral and regional and Biden now vie for the trade deals, hoping to hug presidency in nuanced shades of the same protectionist hue: Trump promises to erect huge trade bar- ning at the Stimson Center riers around much of the economy, Biden merely to wall off specific sectors that approach "small yard and high fence."

barriers in fact understates the nationalist turn in US economic policy. Biden conflict" and is reminiscent also willing to deploy its is especially proud of his industrial policy, embedded into legislative pack-Once in the Oval Office, Reduction Act and con- War with China, as in the does it intend to do?" America's friends abroad, in 1995 became the World Trump went full Smoot- sisting of huge subsidies original Cold War with though, was Donald Trump Trade Organization. Their Hawley. He imposed tariffs to American companies. the Soviet Union, security said, "that peoples and on steel and aluminum As with tariffs, European trumps markets. That's governments never have from lots of countries, on and Asian countries are true, up to a point. It would learned anything from Chinese goods from clothes retaliating with their own be naive and dangerous if history." If the US, under industrial policies. "We've the US and its allies, in the Biden or any president, got a subsidies war, which name of free trade, made wants to remain the indisis worse than a trade war, because subsidies are harder to roll back," says dysprosium or semicon-The bigger surprise Adam Posen, president of ductors.

by blocking nominees to its appellate courts and Instead, Biden is betting democracies and snub autocracies. As Mathew Burrows and Robert Manshow, global trade and finance are fragmenting into rival and increasingly the administration calls hostile blocs, one centered on China and extending into the "Global South," Counting only tariffs, another around the US and quotas and other trade other Western countries. This trend, they think, will of the 1930s.

The Biden administrathemselves dependent on, say, Chinese lithium or

But is steel really one of these sensitive "dual-Biden has also continued use" technologies? Are

wide out of poverty. But he kept the Trump tariffs. He's been dissing the WTO many of the other items By all means, the US and its a new round of restric- thus sabotaging the entire allies should, in the argot multilateral trade regime. of the new Washington consensus, "de-risk" their relationship with China. But the suspicion remains that the US, across both sides of the aisle and both presidential campaigns, has turned protectionist.

If so, this shift has frightening implications for the world economy and world peace. Hegemonic Stability Theory, which posits that the world needs a custodian power to maintain order and prosperity, assumes that the global leader is not "increase the likelihood of only mighty enough but might to preserve a liberal system. "It's about benevotion's defense, and indeed lent or malevolent hegemo-

> History teaches, Hegel pensable nation, it better bone up on Smoot-Hawley's ugly history, prove Hegel wrong and once again act like a benevolent

> > **Bloomberg Opinion**

Micromanagement and undermanagement

SAKSHI SETHI

Lmicromanagement and under management reprea spectrum posing significant challenges to organto decreased autonomy, innovation and job satisfaction, under managedirection, motivation and accountability. By underand implementing strategies that balance over-

management and under management represent n the realm of leader- two extremes, each with ship and management, distinct characteristics and consequences for the workplace. In an organsent two extreme ends of isation, if one is micromanaging the team and not giving its employees isational success. While the freedom to work, will micromanagement leads eventually drive away great talent while settling for mediocrity resulting in fostering anxiety and ultiment results in a lack of mately leading to negative impacts on overall organisational productivity and standing the impacts of job satisfaction. Along with these management styles this, decreased employee morale, reduced creativity and innovation, lower sight with empowerment, productivity, increased organisations can foster a stress and burnout, high productive, innovative and turnover, poor perforsatisfying work environ- mance and accountability ment. Micromanagement are some of the impacts of involves excessive control both micromanagement and oversight while under and undermanagement management is character- that can be detrimental ised by a lack of adequate even though they manisupervision and support. fest differently. Various In the spectrum of man-research studies have

ment stifles creativity and

innovation. It is negatively correlated with job satisfaction and positively correlated with stress and burnout. Employees under micromanagement reported lower engagement and higher intentions to leave between micromanagetheir jobs. While on the ment and under manageother hand, the effects of under management found that employees lacking provides appropriate impacts and then impleadequate supervision and oversight while empower- menting strategies to profeedback exhibited lower ing employees. By foster- mote trust, autonomy and agement styles, micro- shown that micromanage- job satisfaction and perfor- ing a culture of trust and effective communication,

mance.

importance to strike a balance between the two by adopting management practices that provide appropriate oversight while empowering employees. Balancing ment involves adopting organisation. By undera management style that standing the causes and a balanced approach to

empowerment; setting organisations can create a clear goals and expecta- more positive and productions; and promoting a tive work environment. results-oriented culture Moving away from microcan help the organisa- management not only tion create a positive and enhances employee satisproductive workplace faction and performance where both managers and but also contributes to employees thrive. There the long-term success and is no denying the fact that health of the organisabalancing micromanage- tion. Micromanagement ment and undermanagement is crucial for creating as opposite ends of the a productive, positive and management spectrum, effective workplace. By both present significant finding the middle ground, challenges to organisamanagers can provide the tional effectiveness and It becomes of utmost necessary support and employee well-being. oversight while empowering employees to take ini-

tiative and innovate. management or under- ment leaves employees management, both can have far-reaching negative effects on both the lead to significant issues employees as well as the within an organisation,

and undermanagement, While micromanagement stifles autonomy and innovation through excessive Remember, be it micro- control, under managedirectionless and unsupported. Both styles can highlighting the need for effective leadership.

> (The writer is an educator; views are personal)

HOME REMEDIES TO LOWER CHOLESTEROL LEVELS

FARHA AKRAM

igh cholesterol levels can cause concern, and it's normal to feel anxious about it. Many worry about the risks associated with high cholesterol, medications' costs, and potential side effects. Your doctor may suggest statins or other drugs to lower your cholesterol if your levels remain high.

Research suggests that those with elevated levels of low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol may benefit from statins, as they have been linked to a lower risk of heart attack and stroke. Nevertheless, these drugs may come with some unwanted side effects. In addition, with so many different cholesterol drug types available, it can be challenging to know where to start.

But you can make a few simple changes to your diet and lifestyle that can be beneficial. For example, using natural methods to reduce your cholesterol may reduce the medication you need to take. Additionally, some ingredients in everyday kitchen items can help reduce high cholesterol levels.

 $Explore \ the \ healthy \ and \ feasible$ home remedies mentioned below to manage your cholesterol for a increased risk of heart disease.

What Function Does Cholesterol

Cholesterol is an essential lipid blood cholesterol levels. found in the body. Typically, the body receives the cholesterol it cholesterol diet, soluble fibre can needs from the liver and animal still help lower cholesterol. Sourcfood sources. Usually, the body es of soluble fibre include oats, excretes any extra cholesterol. legumes, fruits (such as oranges, However, due to various reasons, pears and apples), peas, and psylsometimes, this system doesn't always work correctly or is regulate your blood sugar levels overwhelmed, which can lead to and thus reduces the production increased cholesterol levels in the of additional cholesterol.

You can now check your cho- Consume Adequate Turmeric lesterol levels at home with the HealthifyMe Metabolic Panel. This comprehensive and personalised test shows 85+ other parameters buildup in arteries and has antibacin addition to your blood lipid terial properties. profile. This information can help and progress steadily toward your health objectives.

Cholesterol is necessary for can be damaging. The body needs it to perform several essential functions. These processes include:

It helps build layers around the and exits your cell with the help of these layers.

Aiding the production of bile in kinds of stress. your liver, which is essential for the digestion of food.

mones in your body

Home Remedies to Manage Cholesterol like a Pro

Lowering your cholesterol naturally may seem challenging. Nevertheless, a few simple steps in lifestyle changes make it easier to manage your cholesterol levels.

Increase Your Fibre Intake

A healthy diet should contain both soluble and insoluble forms heart disease. Studies have shown



as the "bad cholesterol" due to its

Dietary fibre acts like a sponge, helping to absorb fat and cholesterol when you eat fatty or cholesterol-rich foods, thus lowering your

Even when eating a low-fat, lowlium. This soluble fibre helps to

For optimal results, you should incorporate turmeric into your meals regularly. It reduces plaque

Studies suggest that having you make more informed decisions curries, vegetable dishes, and sabzi that contain turmeric can help manage cholesterol levels. Additionally, drinking a glass of survival, but having too much of it $\ \$ turmeric milk before bedtime can $\ \ \$ Garlic be beneficial.

Astragalus

Astragalus, a plant commonly cell membranes, which protect the used in traditional Chinese medicells. You can regulate what enters cine, is believed to have an adaptogen-like effect, which means it can help the body withstand various

and antibacterial properties. Addition can significantly reduce total Regular Exercise It assists in producing sex hortionally, research suggests that and LDL cholesterol levels. mones, vitamin d, and other hor- astragalus may provide certain cardiovascular benefits like man- Coriander Seeds aging lipids.

Eat Raw Amla Or Drink Amla Juice

According to a study, consuming one or two amla fruits daily can considerably lower bad cholesterol levels. Amla, rich in vitamin C, is one of the excellent natural therapies for lowering cholesterol. Additionally, it aids in the regeneration and repair of bodily tissues.

According to research, green Fenugreek Seeds that soluble fibre can help lower tea contains catechins and other

LDL (low-density lipoprotein) cho- antioxidant substances that may fenugreek, have been used since lesterol levels in the body and keep ing green tea every day can aid in lowering high cholesterol.

Produced From Fish Oil

Fish and fish oils are excellent sources of omega-3 fatty acids. Particularly abundant sources include herring, sardines, lake trout, ommended daily. salmon, tuna, and other fatty fish.

According to a study, omega-3 Note fatty acids in fish lower the chance of developing heart disease. Therefore, the additional nutrients found in fish can protect your heart health. Furthermore, combining those nutrients plus omega-3 fatty

acids can make it more effective. fatty fish per week may decrease your risk of a heart attack. Omega-3 fatty acid supplements and other meals high in these fatty acids may be helpful if you have heart disease. Walnuts, canola oil, and soybeans are a few examples of good sources.

Garlic is renowned for its health Indian cuisine. It is composed of amino acids, vitamins, minerals, and molecules with sulphur-containing oxygen, all of which are the active components that give garlic its medicinal properties.

It also has anti-inflammatory demonstrated that garlic consump-

Ayurveda uses Dhaniya seeds to treat various illnesses, one of lesterol levels. Coriander seeds as vitamin C, folic acid, vitamin A, and beta-carotene.

your body's good cholesterol (HDL) levels and decrease bad cholesterol levels (LDL).

Methi seeds, also known as Stop Smoking

lesterol levels, often referred to helplower "bad" LDL and total cho-antiquity as a spice, flavouring agent, and medicinal herb. They you feeling energetic. So consum- are rich in vitamin E and possess anti-diabetic, anti-inflammatory,

and antioxidant properties. Research has revealed that the Omega-3 Fatty Acid Supplements saponins and fibre in fenugreek can reduce cholesterol levels and inhibit its production in the liver. Therefore, taking ½ to 1 teaspoon of fenugreek seeds is generally rec-

There is no one-time fix to reduce your cholesterol levels, but continued effort can result in significant progress over the long term. If cholesterol levels are unstable, consider looking into home remedies along with dietary Eating one or two portions of intervention under supervision of qualified nutritionists for high cholesterol. These approaches are generally low-cost, easy to obtain, and may help you achieve your health goals.

Some Lifestyle Modifications to Lower Cholesterol

Living a healthy lifestyle affects your cholesterol balance signifibenefits and has become a staple in cantly. Therefore, it is crucial to be aware of the factors that can have a lasting effect on high-density lipoprotein (HDL) levels.

To positively influence your cholesterol, you should incorporate physical activity and healthy Various scientific studies have eating into your daily routine.

Regular exercise can signifi- Conclusion cantly benefit a person's health, promoting the elevation of good cholesterol and reducing bad cholesterol. Unfortunately, the sedenwhich is reducing harmful cho- tary lifestyle of many people over the age of 40 can be detrimental to contain essential vitamins, such their health, leading to increased cholesterol levels.

To prevent this, it is best to Consuming these seeds first begin each day with a few minutes thing in the morning can help boost $\,$ of mild stretching exercises, such as the cobra stretch, knee to chest, child's pose, and side stretch along with a regular schedule of brisk walking for 20-30 minutes..

Quitting smoking can be challenging, but smoking raises cholesterol levels to a great extent, hence modification of lifestyle is essential for better health.

It is very probable that when one stops smoking, these effects will disappear. In fact, after quitting smoking, HDL levels can begin to increase in as soon as three weeks.

Moderate Alcohol Consumption

Alcohol consumption is a prominent health issue in today's society. While regular drinkers may have difficulty stopping altogether, it is best to limit or avoid alcohol consumption as excessive drinking can increase cholesterol levels and cause other problems.

Get Access to Several Other Strategies with the Pro Support

Frequent medical examinations and awareness of your cholesterol level are paramount to avoiding the potential for severe diseases due to high cholesterol levels.

The only warning sign of high cholesterol may be an acute ailment such as a heart attack or stroke, so it is essential to receive advice on how to keep it under con-

HealthifyMe, the most popular health and wellness platform globally with more than a million users, offers a ground-breaking invention. This HealthifyPro package includes a blood lipid panel test that includes lipid test to monitor cholesterol levels.

Depending on the results, the expert nutritionists help you create a customised plan to combat the condition. The benefit of the Pro package is that it includes another test after three months to monitor your progress

The programme includes several elements to treat lifestyle disorders caused by metabolic irregularities and poor lifestyle choices, which often manifest as being overweight, underweight, or obese.

These include using sophisticated metabolic panel testing to swiftly measure cholesterol levels and trained coaches to help manage any medical disorders to which you may be more prone.

This revolutionary approach combines the expertise of renowned nutritionists and trainers with the latest technology to create customised diet and exercise plans based on a person's metabolic profile. Valuable for anyone looking to make lifestyle changes, this is a priceless tool that utilises both traditional wisdom and modern

With so many people worldwide dealing with cholesterol-related issues, you must take action to prevent them. Adopting a healthy lifestyle that includes nutritious eating and regular physical activity is key to avoiding long-term, potentially deadly complications.

However, don't let yourself be complacent; now is the time to switch from an inactive and unhealthy lifestyle to one that promotes vitality and wellness. Doing so will help you steer clear of cholesterol-related problems and live a long and healthy life.

NEWS

Wearing masks for longer time can even hamper cognitive performance

earing a face mask can temporarily disrupt decision-making in some situations, hampering cognitive performance in certain sports, and professions like language interpreters, performers, waiters and teachers, a new study has revealed.

The University of Queensland (UQ) research, published in Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, analysed almost three million chess moves played by more than 8,000 people in 18 countries before and during the pandemic.

It found wearing a mask substantially reduced the average quality of player decisions.

"The decrease in performance was due to the annoyance caused by the masks rather than a physiological mechanism, but people adapted to the distraction over time," said Dr David Smerdon from UQ's School of Economics.

The data showed masks were more likely to decrease performance in situations where there was a demanding mental task with a high working memory load.

"This is something to keep in mind for occupations in the STEM fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics as well as other professions that demand a high level of working memory such as language interpreters, performers, waiters and teachers," Smerdon added.

Dr Smerdon, an Australian chess Grandmaster, said while mask mandates had helped to curb the spread of Covid-19, almost nothing was known about their impact

on cognitive performance. "At the moment there are no large studies on the impact of mask wearing on the general population,"

he said. The study found that while mask wearing had a negative impact on chess performance, the effect subsided after four to six hours of playing.

"The results suggest that the effect of masks may depend on the type of task, the duration of the task and working memory load," he added.

Understanding the impact of mask wearing on decision-making could help individuals and organisations better evaluate when and how to use them.

Boy with twisted intestines gets new lease of life after surgery

14-year-old boy with malrotation, known as twisted intestines, experiencing greenish vomit and excruciating pain due to blockage in the abdomen, has been successfully treated and saved by a

The malrotation is a rarely found in grown-up children and is a congenital anomaly which results from failure of the GI tract to undergo usual counter-clockwise rotation during embryologic development.

As per the health experts, Malrotation may lead to twisting of the intestines, causing blockage of blood supply to the gut, risk of gangrene and complete loss of the small intestine. The patient who was not able to take his complete

meal because of abnormalities underwent emergency surgery at Faridabad Sarvodaya Hospital by a team of experts. The patient was not responding to any medication, and was brought to the hospital with agonizing pain in the abdomen.

"The child presented himself with fever at the hospital and was diagnosed with typhoid. He had intense abdominal pain, so we suspected malrotation as one of the possibilities. This is a medical condition where the intestines twist upon themselves, leading to blockage. It is a very rare occurrence in this age group. The condition needs emergency surgery once diagnosed," said Dr Anand Gupta, Senior Consultant, Paediatrics.

Dr Shweta Kumari Sharma, Consultant, Pediatric Surgery said that the patient was found to have acute intestinal obstruction due to malrotation and midgut volvulus. The child had gone into shock due to falling blood pressure and was having seizure.

nightmare. The three-hour surgery, called Ladd procedure, involved repositioning the intestine to correct the anomaly. The patient's intestine was straightened out the Ladd's bands were divided the small intestine was folded into the right side of the abdomen, and the colon was placed on the left side. Resuming blood supply of the whole intestine through denotation saved the child's life. Quick diagnosis and immediate surgery proved to be game changers," said Dr Kumari.

The doctor said "The patient will have to take only liquid and soft diet for a couple of weeks, as it takes time for the intestine to restore the digestive and enzymatic activity. There will be slow and gradual return to

How to Reduce VLDL Cholesterol the Healthy Way?

PRAGYA SHARMA

few years back, researchers believed high blood cholesterol was the leading cause of heart disease. But modern research shows that this idea was only one part of the

Different particles, such as VLDL, HDL, and LDL, carry cholesterol through the blood, and all have different effects on the body. These particles are together called lipoproteins. Lipoproteins are a combina-

tion of fats (lipids) and proteins in the blood. Since fats do not readily dissolve in the blood, lipoproteins help to transport them. Lipoproteins are categorised based on their density and size.

tein with a very low density and is considered bad cholesterol. This article discusses VLDL, its functions, and ways to maintain healthy levels.

For example, VLDL is a lipopro-

Understanding VLDL Cholesterol

Very-low-density lipoprotein readings in mg/dl or mmol/l. (VLDL) cholesterol is produced by the liver and released into the bloodstream. It supplies fat (triglycerides) to the body tissues.

It is considered "bad" cholesterol because it can contribute Note to the buildup of plaque in your

arteries, which narrows the passage and restricts blood flow. Furthermore, it may result in cardiac disorders, including coronary artery disease and others.

How to Calculate VLDL Cholesterol

The CDC states that high cholesterol has no noticeable signs or symptoms. Therefore, the only way to know if someone has high cholesterol is to get a lipid profile

You will most likely need a

glyceride level. The VLDL will contain the majority of these triglycerides and carry them to levels of VLDL by using triglyceride levels. Your VLDL level is

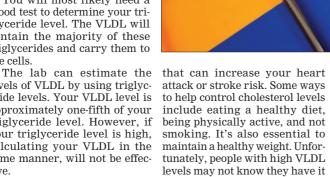
blood test to determine your tri-

approximately one-fifth of your triglyceride level. However, if your triglyceride level is high, calculating your VLDL in the same manner, will not be effec-The test provides triglyceride

Additionally, it is recommended

that people abstain from alcohol

for at least 24 hours before the



attack or stroke risk. Some ways include eating a healthy diet, being physically active, and not maintain a healthy weight. Unforlevels may not know they have it because high cholesterol has no symptoms

Healthy VLDL Cholesterol Levels

The American Association for Clinical Chemistry (AACC) states that the average VLDL level should not exceed 30 milligrams VLDL is a type of cholesterol per deciliter (mg/dl).

Having VLDL levels that exceed this number puts a person at an increased risk of heart disease and stroke. In addition, a study found that women generally have lower VLDL levels than men, resulting in lower overall

Cholesterol

How to Reduce VLDL Cholesterol? To lower your VLDL cholesterol, the primary strategy should be reducing triglycerides. One can lower bad cholesterol by making simple lifestyle changes like losing weight, eating a healthy

diet, and exercising regularly. It is also important to switch

to healthy fats and reduce sugar and alcohol consumption. Medications can also help lower cholesterol levels.

Exercising

Physical activity can help increase HDL levels, or good cholesterol, in the body. HDL can help remove VLDL from the blood, so it can be helpful to follow the American Heart Association's (AHA) recommendations of getting at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic exercise each week. You can try brisk walking, swimming, or cycling—every day, whenever

possible.

Healthy Eating Habits

A heart-healthy diet is low in saturated and trans fats. Therefore, you should avoid or reduce the consumption of sugary and processed foods and minimise your intake of saturated and trans fats. Instead, choose fibrerich foods such as fresh fruits, vegetables, and whole grains.

A study showed that the Mediterranean diet could help lower triglyceride and VLDL-C levels and decrease your risk of heart disease. This diet includes lots of fruits and vegetables, fatty fish, olive oil, and nuts.

Additionally, you should increase your consumption of fatty, omega-3-rich fish. You can talk to an expert nutritionist at HealthifyMe to help create a customised meal plan that can help reduce your VLDL levels

Quit Smoking and Alcohol

A recent study has found that smoking cigarettes lowers good cholesterol (HDL) levels in the blood and increases the likelihood of developing high blood pressure or diabetes.

These conditions can lead to heart attack and stroke. However, smokers can lower their LDL cholesterol and raise their HDL

cholesterol by giving up smoking.

Additionally, quitting smoking can help to protect arteries from damage. Nonsmokers should also avoid passive smoking to protect their health.

Limit your alcohol intake, or don't drink at all. Study shows that alcohol can increase triglyceride and VLDL-C levels.

Losing Weight

The American Heart Association (AHA) suggests that people who are overweight or obese are more likely to have high cholesterol. However, they have noted that if an overweight or obese person were to lose just 5-10% of their body weight, it would help improve their cholesterol levels.

Conclusion

There is no one-size-fits-all answer to reducing VLDL cholesterol, as the best approach depends on the underlying cause.

However, some general lifestyle changes that can help lower VLDL cholesterol levels include eating a healthy diet low in saturated and trans fats, exercising regularly, avoiding tobacco use, limiting alcohol consumption and managing conditions that can contribute to high cholesterol, such as diabetes and high blood

bring revolution: Khatana

JAMMU, MAY 30

In these scorching hot days of summers where power shutdown has become a routine in Jammu, the senior BJP leader and Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha), Gulam Ali Khatana has said that revolutionary scheme launched by Prime Minister, Naren-

dra Modi regarding solar

energy can be a game

changer in this regard.

"Solar power can be used for residential power consumption, commercial purpose in industries and other business organisations and also in agriculture," he said adding: "Solar pumps can be of immense use in irrigating agriculture fields and the tasks at home. officers concerned should aware the public on all leader further said that that load on hydel power such schemes and subsidies linked with these."

only needs the rays of sun nario in Ladakh.



to lit our homes and to cool J&K should display proour rooms apart from per- activeness and ensure that forming other household the facility of solar power

In a handout, the BJP similarly power generat- and other conventional ed from wind energy has sources of energy can be He said that solar power improved the power sce-

"The officers of con-

cerned departments should open their offices at district level to aware the public regarding solar energy scheme of the government and to redress problems and issues in this regard at local level itself," Khatana maintained. He said that solar

power can run motors to irrigate our agriculture fields apart from performing well in industries and there is no smoke or pollution due to this alternate source of energy. "The officers concerned in

reaches to every household as early as possible so reduced," the BJP leader maintained.

Solar power scheme of PM Modi can Captain Anshuman Singh, KC, (P) Memorial Medical Camp organized at LoC in Balnoi

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Balnoi Battalion of the

JAMMU, MAY 30

Indian Army in collaboration with People's Hut Foundation, Diva International Foundation conducted a Free Medical Camp at Balnoi Base, Sub Division Mendhar, Tehsil - Mankote, District Poonch The main aim of conducting this medical camp was to provide essential free health al Foundation. The medicare services to the villagers in the Area of respon- Health Clinic Program" sibility of Balnoi Battalion. The People's Hut Foundation headed by Dr. Rohit Koul is a national level registered NGO registered with Govt of India & Niti Aayog brought together a team of dedicated health Dentistry, ENT, Patholcare professionals who volunteered to offer medical the camp also provided consultations, check-up's free Allopathic Medicines, tor Ayush J&K Dr. Mohan tated by Commanding Offiand treatment. The camp Ayush medicines, basic Singh. Medical camp was cer of the Balnoi Battalion was organised under the health screening and successfully carried out Col. Ashwani Kumar Panoverall supervision of Dr. awareness about Nutri- under the guidance of the dita.



tion. Hygiene and preven- Commanding Officer of Doctors were provided by

Police Hospital Jammu organises "Awareness Session cum Screening

Camp on Hypertension (High Blood Pressure)" in collaboration with

tive care. Medical Camp the Balnoi Battalion Col. catered to all the villages of Ashwani Kumar Pandita. Mendhar including villages The village elders and Exof Balnoi, Dabraj, Sagra, Servicemen of the area of Ghani, Mankote and others responsibility conveyed which are located close to their heartfelt gratitude to the Line of Control and the Indian Army, People's therefore lacks basic med- Hut Foundation and Diva ical facilities. Specialist International Foundation for organising the medical the Directorate of Health camp. The volunteers of Services J&K UT and Ayush People's Hut Foundation, Medicines were provided Diva International Founby the Directorate of Ayush dation, Medical staff and J&K U.T through Direc- other doctors were felici-

Altaf Bukhari grieves over death of 21 pilgrims in Akhnoor road mishap

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, MAY 30

Apni Party President, Syed Mohammed Altaf Bukhari has expressed shock over the tragic road mishap in which 21 pilgrims died, and several others injured at Akhnoor in District Jammu.

As per a press release, Altaf Bukhari expressed deep concern over the tragic road mishap that has consumed the lives of 21 pilgrims and injured several others, when a bus carrying them, skidded off the road and plunged into a gorge at Chungi Morh area in Akhnoor in District Jammu, this afternoon.

The bus was on its way to Shiv Khori area of District Reasi when the road accident happened.

J&K Police pays rich tributes, remembers martyr SI Diljit Singh, at RS Pura, Jammu







JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU 30.5.24

Today on 30-05-2024, and likewise, every year, rich tributes were paid observed his martyr day, to martyr Sub inspector today i.e on 30-05-2024 Diljit Singh, who attained at R.S.Pura, Daljeet Singh martyrdom at Mendher Chowk. On this occa-Poonch.In this regard a sion, Police Officers as function was organised well as huge gathering of at Daljit Chowk R.S.Pura respectable citizens paid and the huge gathering rich tribute to the Martyr including family members SI Daljit Singh. The family along with police remem- members of the martyr bered SI Daljit Singh, SI Daljit Singh were also who gave the supreme present on the occasion. sacrifice of his life in the line of duty on this day attended by SP Headduring the year 1997 with quarters Jammu, SDPO RS the remarks that we must Pura, Dy.SP DAR Jammu never forget the Police and SHO P/S R.S.Pura personnel who have sac- were also present on the

Police is committed to number of respectable always remember sacri- citizens of the society.

fices of their martyrs and do everything to keep their families in comfort

The function was rified their lives for the occasion along with the family members of the Jammu & Kashmir martyr and other large

BJP partially fractured in last six phases of LS polls: Rajesh Gupta

JAMMU, MAY 30

Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) Jammu and Kashmir UT general secretary and media head Rajesh Gupta on Thursday while interacting with a local channel claimed that in the last six phases of the ongoing Lok be complete after the last Sabha polls, the BJP has and seventh phase of the been "partially fractured" Lok Sabha polls". Gupta politically, which will be said," The life of the pres-"complete" after the last ent BJP government at the

The BSP J&K Union Territory general secre- tained BJP's `communal tary also asserted that campaign' was also one of people of the country the several causes behind have already given their mandate against the saf- ity. "By and large, people fron party and its "exit is do not like these things. definite" after the election They see it as an attempt results are out.

phases. This process will comeback.



round of polling on June 1. Centre is only 10 days".

Rajesh Gupta maintheir declining popularto divide the nation on Gupta said "people of communal lines which the country have par- will weaken the country. tially fractured the BJP Therefore, I feel that the politically in the last six BJP is not going to make a

JI NEWS SERVICE medics of AlIMS Vijaypur In furtherance to its aim sonnel and their families and objective to aspire for regarding the silent killer the overall good health "hypertension". The Docof the police personnel tors of the Department of and their families, Dr. General Medicine, AlIMS

Meenakshi Kotwal Medi-Hospital Jammu alongwith the team of Doctors was pleased to organize an Jammu. "Awareness Session cum Screening Camp on Hypertension (High Blood Pres-

to be part of this initiative to enlighten the police per-Vijaypur, were honoured cal Superintendent Police by way of presenting flower pots to them by Dr. Meenakshi Kotwal, Mediof Police Hospital Jammu cal Supdt. Police Hospital,

preet Kour, Asstt. Professor, Deptt. of Medicine, sure)" today in the confer- AIIMS Vijaypur and other ence Hall of DPL Jammu two doctors namely in collaboration with the Dr. Kiran and Dr. Ritu department of General addressed the police per-Medicine, AIIMS Vijaypur. sonnel present during The programme started the camp and gave them with the welcome address a detailed briefing about by Dr. Sanjay Sharma hypertension, its causes, early detection of hyper- of AIIMS Vijaypur before time, they were advised tion of certificate of particiduring which he expressed symptoms and treatment. tension not only helps in the participating police to undergo regular health pation among them by the gratitude toward the team The participants were following the changed life- personnel present during check-up at Police Hospi- Medical Superintendent of doctors and other para-briefed to remain careful style timely but also pre-the camp. Through this tal Jammu which is provid-Police Hospital Jammu.



Thereafter, Dr. Tarancheck-ups, especially after the age of 40 years, even if a person feels fit and healthy. It was stressed upon the participants that

the Department of General Medicine, AIIMS Vijaypur

ous damage caused to the body if such disease gets unnoticed.

understanding of the dis-

veyed that repeated negligence of patients towards such disease sometimes to be strictly followed to the disease. Dr. Meenakshi Kotwal, MS Police Hospital Jammu during her address other vital organs of the stressed upon the partici- hypertensive and were pants to strictly act upon In order to have better visiting doctors and also carry the message forward the camp the Doctors and ease of hypertension, a and share the same with skit was also performed their family members and by the paramedical staff co-workers. At the same lunch followed by distribu-

skit, the message was coning the services round the clock to rule out any health issues.

Thereafter all the parlands them into serious ticipants (police personproblems/complications nel who had come from which can prove deadly/ different units of JKAP/IRP fatal. As such it was reiter- Bns. of District Jammu) ated that the prescribed got medically checked/ treatment of the doctor screened by the visiting and proper diet plan needs doctors of AIIMS Vijaypur in a very disciplined avoid the serious fallout of manner. During such screening out of the total number of 99 police personnel 56 were found advised with proper treatthe advice given by the ment and regular follow up. Towards the end of paramedical staff of AIIMS Vijaypur were served with

Bhalla, Sharma visit hospital, meet injured

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, MAY 30

JKPCC Working President Raman Bhalla along with Senior Vice President & Chief Spokesperson Ravinder Sharma visited hospital today on hearing about the bus tragedy and enquired about the condition of injured in the accident admitted in GMC hospital.

They enquired from requested for specialized treatment to the seriously injured by airlifting to outside hospitals, as required.

appeal to the people.



They expressed sym- the culprits including the the doctors about the pathies with the injured contractor and owner of treatment and offered to and assured all help to the the bus including suspenrender all possible help to pilgrims. Some of the passion of permit after prelimithe hospital authorities and sengers told them that the nary enquiry. bus was heavily overloaded which is one of the cause of

Later talking to report- the deceased and ten lac to The authorities sought ers, Shri Bhalla expressed seriously injured. They also help of the society for deep shock over the huge appealed for blood donaarranging blood for which loss of precious lives and tion by the youth to save the leaders also issued an demanded a time bound precious lives. exemplary punishment to

The party demanded adequate compensation of twenty lac to the families of

Rohit Shastri expresses shock over death of passengers in Bus accident at Kalidhar

JI NEWS SERVICE $\operatorname{JAMMU},\operatorname{MAY}30$

On Thursday, a major road accident occurred at Tungi Mor near Akhnoor on the Jammu-Poonch National Highreported deaths of 21 people

tri, President of Shri Kailakh recovery of the injured." Trust their condolences.

Jyotish avim Vedic sansthan members, including Professor Trust, issued a press release J.P. Sharma, Advocate Pawan expressing his condolences, Khajuria, Prabodh Sharma, stating, "The news of the Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Profesdeath of numerous people in sor Sharad Chandra Sharma, the road accident is very sad. I Deepak Gupta, R.K. Chhibber, pray to Shri Bawa Kailakh Dev Ajay Sharma, Nigam Gupta, way (144A), resulting in the Ji to grant eternal peace to the Sunil Sharma, Uttam Chand departed souls and to provide Sharma, Naresh Raina, Jagdev so far. Approximately 40 pas- the strength to their families, Singh Chib, Ankush Sharma, sengers are said to be injured, followers, and admirers to Rakesh Gandotra, Pandit Dev with 20 referred to GMC endure this moment of grief. Dutt Shastri, Vijay Seth, and Jammu. Mahant Rohit Shas- I also wish for the speedy others, have also expressed

Jammu Police, successfully traces 3 missing persons, reunites them with legal heirs

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achieved a commendable heirs on 22nd May 2024. feat by successfully traccers in ensuring the safety his family by PP Narwal. and well-being of the community.

Jammu was reported miss- heirs within 24 hours by citizen.

persistent efforts of PP

In a swift action one

ing at PP Gadigarh.The Police Station Satwari. SP South Jammu

Gadigarh, she was located expressed gratitude for The Jammu Police have and reunited with her legal the relentless efforts of the police teams involved and In another case, Vishal reiterated the commitment ing and reuniting three Kalra, son of Rajinder of the Jammu Police to the missing persons with their Kumar from Narwal Bala, safety and security of the families. This remarkable Jammu, who was report- community. He encoursuccess showcases the dili- ed missing on 6th March aged the public to report gence and commitment of 2024, was successfully any information about our law enforcement offi- traced and handed over to missing persons to the police immediately.

Jammu Police remains more lady who was report steadfast in its mission to On 21st May 2024, one missing was found and protect and serve, ensurlady (name withheld)R/o reunited with her legal ing the well-being of every

Azad expresses grief over Akhnoor accident

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU MAY 30

Chairman of the Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP), Ghulam Nabi Azad, expressed deep sorrow over the tragic ment to provide imme- take strong measures to all passengers.



diate compensation to control these accidents.'

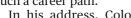
Jammu. The unfortunate ensure the best possible the urgent need to address incident claimed 21 lives treatment for the injured." these issues to prevent and left 69 individuals Azad highlighted the grow- such tragedies. "Overloadinjured. In his statement, ing issue of road accidents ing and rash driving on Mr. Azad said, "I am deeply in the Jammu region, stat- highways must be curbed saddened by the tragic ing, "Road accidents are to prevent such tragic bus accident in Akhnoor, on the rise in the Jammu incidents," Azad added. Jammu, that claimed 21 region. There is a lack of Azad called for stringent lives and injured 69. My accountability and strict measures to improve road heartfelt condolences go enforcement against rash safety and prevent future out to the families of the driving and overloading. accidents, ensuring the victims. I urge the govern- The government must safety and well-being of

Colonel Adhiraj Singh, Commanding Officer of **Intelligence Unit, White Knight Corps motivates** NCC Cadets at NCC Training Academy, Nagrota

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NAGROTA, MAY 30

The National Cadet Corps (NCC) Training Academy at Nagrota had the privilege of hosting Colonel Adhiraj Singh, Commanding Officer of the Intelligence Unit of White Knight Corps, for an enlightening lecture. The event saw the active participation of Group, currently undergoate. Colonel Adhiraj Singh and elucidating the myriad benefits associated with such a career path.





500 cadets from the 5 J&K nel Adhiraj emphasized towards the development Battalion NCC of Jammu that serving in the Indian and advancement of Army Army transcends the Officers and Jawans. He ing their Annual Training mere profession of arms; underscored the abun-Camp under Jammu Kash- it embodies a way of life dant opportunities that a mir & Ladhak Director- deeply rooted in patrio- career in the Army offers, tism, honor, and humandelivered a captivating ses- ity. He reiterated the time- with patriotism, advension titled "INDIAN ARMY: less ethos encapsulated ture, and the fulfillment A WAY OF LIFE," engag- in the Chetwode saying, of leading an honorable ing the NCC cadets in an the bedrock principle of existence. interactive dialogue. The the Indian Military Acadlecture primarily focused emy, that the honor of the moment one steps into on illuminating the career nation always takes precethe Army, the person has

Adhiraj shed light on the 90 days of leave in a year, a profound sense of duty In his address, Colo- made by the government opportunity to excel in

promising a life brimming

He said that the prospects within the Army dence, without exception. a job satisfaction, is finan-Furthermore, Colonel cially stable, gets 80 to substantial investments live in clean cantonments, towards our nation.

fields of adventure, sports, games, serving in United Nations Missions in foreign countries, admission of his or her siblings on highly reputed Army Public Schools, Sainik Schools, RIMC and various intitutions to pursue Engineering, MBBS, Dental, MBA, Law and various courses. He inspired the NCC cadets that they have opted for NCC while being in School or College and they will outshine the majority of children in their professional life, when it comes in their life.

The session proved to be an invaluable opportunity for the NCC cadets to gain insights into the multifaceted dimensions of a career in the Army. Colonel Adhiraj Singh's impassioned discourse not only inspired the cadets but also instilled in them

Vice Chancellor CUJ, releases First Issue of Devika Magazine

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JAMMU, MAY 30

On the occasion of its 11th Board of Studies Meeting, the Department of Educational Studies, Central University of Jammu (CUJ), Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sanjeev Jain released the first issue of a bi-annual Magazine - 'Devika (The flow of Knowledge)'.

On this occasion, the Head, Department of Educational Studies, Prof. Asit Mantry, Prof. Rajeev Rattan Sharma, University of Jammu, Prof Laxmidhar Behera, RIE Bhubaneshwar, Prof. GK Rout, IGNTU, Amarkantak, Prof. Suram Singh, Prof. J. N. Baliya, Prof. Ritu Bakshi, Dr. Uday Pratap Singh, Dr. Kiran, Dr. Aman, Dr. Ravi Vanguri, Dr. Yad Ram, Dr. Mohan and Dr. Jai Bhawani Singh from CUI were prominently present.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, ment as well as the Univer-





great enthusiasm and interthe Devika is a platform rial board, and the editoest in the department.He that reflects the academic rial team. He invited more further emphasized such strength and creative spirit Prof. Sanjeev Jain, said that platforms where the stu- of the students, scholars, short stories, essays, paintthe initiative of releasing dents can get the oppor- and faculty. It serves as ings, dialogues, poems, Devika Magazine is a proud tunities to showcase their a medium for sharing etc. of creative works of moment for the Depart- talents in various forms. innovative ideas, critical students, scholars, and fac-Prof. Asit Mantry, Head analyses, and educational ulty members for the next

plished in future with the tional Studies, stated that

to the broader discourse in the field of education. It will not only foster the intellectual capabilities of our students, scholars, and faculty but also will reinforce our commitment to academic excellence and The faculty editors - Dr.

Kiran, Dr. Aman and Dr. Ravi Vanguri said that the issue of Devika is a testament to the collaborative efforts of scholars, students, faculty, and the editorial team. The magazine displays a diverse range of creativity in the shape of different poems, articles, short stories, essays, paintings, etc. written by scholars and students of the department. In the end, Prof. Mantry congratulated and thanked the patronage of the magazine, the advisory board, the editoand more original articles, sity. It should be accom- Department of Educa- insights that contribute issue of the magazine.

Dr Pawan Kotwal Reviews Annual Action Plan for Watershed Development Component-PMKSY 2.0

LEH, MAY 30

The Advisor to the Union Territory of Ladakh and Chairman of the Union Territory Level Sanctioning Committee (UTLSC), Dr Pawan Kotwal, chaired of the Rural Development review and approve the ment, Ladakh, Syed Sajjad Annual Action Plan for the Qadri. Watershed Development 2024-25 at Civil Secretar-

meeting, the Administra- expenditure reports were water conservation efforts tive Secretary of the Rural provided, showcasing the and ensure the sustainable Development & Panchaya- utilization of funds and management of water ti Raj Department, Ladakh progress in various proj-resources across Ladakh. Amit Sharma, gave the ects, including the Micro the WDC-PMKSY 2.0 to Kargil and Leh under WDC the Advisor. Followed by 1.0. a comprehensive Powering the projects and funds Development Team (WDT) year 2022-23 and achieve- prehensive proposal for ments under the Water- fund allocation for activi-Kisan Sinchayee Yojana 2024-25 was presented. 2023-2024 by the Director Kotwal highlighted the the Commissioner/Sec-



The presentation high-Component-Pradhan lighted the key activities the existing water bodies. Mantri Krishi Sinchayee and phases of the WDC-Yojana 2.0 (WDC-PMKSY PMKSY 2.0 projects, 2.0) for the fiscal year emphasizing the pro-

importance of transpar- retary of the Planning ency and adherence to Development & Monitorguidelines in all schemes. ing Department and the He directed officials to pria significant meeting to & Panchayati Raj Depart- the promotion of both traditional and modern systems of water conservation and preservation of

Dr Pawan Kotwal urged the District Magistrates of Leh and Kargil to take procurement process for the active measures in implerelease of installments for menting these directives At the outset of the the current year. Detailed to enhance the efficacy of

The Administrative Secintroductory speech on Watershed Projects in retary Amit Sharma gave assurance to the Advisor Dr Pawan Kotwal on the The roles and respon- efficiency of water conser-Point presentation outlin- sibilities of the Watershed vation, preservation, and sustainable management sanctioned for the fiscal were outlined, and a com- of water resources and WDC-PMKSY 2.0.

The meeting was attendshed Development Com- ties under WDC-PMKSY ed by the Commissioner/ ponent-Pradhan Mantri 2.0 for the financial year Secretary of the Forest Ecology & Environment SKUAST Kargil, and con-(WDC-PMKSY) 1.0 for The Advisor Dr Pawan Department, Ladakh; cerned officers joined the

Agriculture/Animal Sheep oritize the construction of Husbandry & Fisheries check dams over water Department, Ladakh; the reservoirs which must Administrative Secretary be sourced by harvesting of the Rural Development water and he emphasized & Panchayati Raj Department, Ladakh; District Magistrate/CEO, LAHDC, Leh; Director, DIHAR, Leh; Director, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Ladakh; Director, Animal Husbandry, Ladakh; Director, Horticulture, Ladakh; Chief Agriculture Officer, Leh; Superintendent Engineer of PHE/I&FC, Leh; Under Secretary of the Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Department, Ladakh; representative of SKUAST, Leh; and Nodal Officer of Watershed Management Project, Leh, while District Magistrate/ CEO, LAHDC, Kargil; Assistant Commissioner Development, Kargil; Director, DIHAR, Leh; Director, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Ladakh; Chief Agriculture Officer, Kargil; Senior Scientist of

Opposition must get ready for 'shock' on June 4 as BJP's victory becomes inevitable: Kavinder



Expresses shock over loss of lives in Kalidhar Bus accident

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, MAY 30

Senior BJP leader and former deputy chief minister, Kavinder Gupta on Thursday asserted that all the opposition parties should get ready for a big shock on June 4 as the Saffron Party's resounding victory has become inevitable with people transforming their support into votes for the party.

The BJP stalwart leader was addressing a public meeting at Qadian Assembly Constituency in district Gurdaspur and later held door to door campaigning for party candidate Dinesh Singh Babbu contesting election from Gurdaspur Lok Sabha seat.

Kavinder declared that

able after considering the overwhelming response from Kashmir to Kanya-

development initiatives that have brought unprecedented progress and stability across the country. From infrastructure projects to social welfare schemes, the impact of BJP government's policies is visible in every corner of the country", he said, adding that people are of the country to ensure that the development and goodness into their lives unlike the regimes steered and morass for all.

Later, the senior BJP the opposition, especially functionary from J&K have been left behind to the India Bloc, will receive interacted with traders grapple with this immense a decisive reply on June 4, and representatives of tragedy.

the day of counting, as a various market associathumping majority for the tions seeking support for BJP has become foresee- the party to pace-up progress of the country by propelling things in a positive of the electorate starting direction. He said that Gurdaspur is BJP's bastion and therefore the people "Modi government has here should ensure that implemented numerous security deposits of the opposition candidates

must be forfeited. Meanwhile, Kavinder Gupta expressed profound grief and shock over the tragic bus accident near Kalidhar area of Akhnoor that claimed the lives of 21 people and left more than 50 others injured. He conveved his prudent and therefore deepest condolences to supporting BJP in all parts the bereaved families, expressing the profound sorrow that has gripped stability continue to add the community in the wake of this devastating loss. He offered his heartby opposition parties in felt prayers for the eterthe past, leading to misery nal peace of the departed souls and extended his sympathy to those who

BFCC Club Fosters Leadership and Cycling Culture in Kathua Schools

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, MAY 30

In line with its ongoing drive to engage school children in District Kathua, the Bicycle For Change Club (BFCC) has successfully launched a series of initiatives aimed at promoting oratory skills and leadership among students. The club members have visited several schools, including DAV School, Learning Temple School, Kids Heaven School, and others, engaging students

pertinent topics. The students participated in discussions on themes such as "Kathua - 'is', 'was', and 'will be'" and "The Importance of Cycling." Based on their views and oratory skills, students were designated as President, Vice President, General Secretary, and Media Spokesper-

through discussions on

promotes leadership but Club now serves as a

participation in cyclingrelated activities.

Commander Amit Khajuria, a leading figure in BFCC, along with Sunil Sharma, President of BFCC, and Sh Deep building a healthier and Kumar, Secretary, spear- more active generation, headed these visits. Their steering children away BFCC's dedication to fostering a healthy, drug-free brighter future.

lifestyle among the youth. This structure not only Each school's Bicycle cause.

also encourages active platform for students to develop leadership skills, promote cycling, and contribute positively to their community.

BFCC's initiative is a significant step towards collective efforts highlight from the dangers of drug abuse and towards a

General secretary The response from the BFCC Deep sharma schools has been over- appreciated the support whelmingly supportive, of Satpaul mansotra with administrators eager General secretary JK prison of their respective to collaborate with BFCC vate school association school's Bicycle Club. in engaging the children. for this social and noble

Rattan Lal expresses grief over loss of lives in tragic bus accident near Kalidhar

Jammu region, emphasizing

the slow pace of work on the

JI NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU MAY 30

Rattan Lal Gupta, Provincial President of J&K National Conference Jammu, has expressed profound sorrow and grief over the tragic bus accident near Kalidhar in Akhnoor that resulted in the loss of 21 lives and left 52 others injured.

The unfortunate incident occurred when a bus carrying pilgrims to Shiv Khori plunged into a deep gorge in Kalidhar area Jammu Poonch National Highway on Thursday.

"My heartfelt prayers Poonch-Rajouri districts are medical facilities promptly.

go out to the families who also in a pitiable state, neceslost their loved ones. May sitating urgent attention of the Almighty give them the authorities sitting at the strength to bear this irrepahelm of affairs. rable loss. I am also praying for the speedy recovery of

"I urge the government to complete the ongoing roadthose injured in this tragic works on a fast-track basis. accident," Gupta said in a The safety and well-being of statement issued here today. our citizens must be the top The senior NC leader priority, and improving road raised serious concerns over infrastructure is crucial to the deplorable condition of prevent such tragic incidents roads in the hilly areas of the in the future," he stated.

The Provincial President called upon the governfour-laning of the Jammu- ment to provide all possible Poonch National Highway. assistance to the bereaved He highlighted that the roads families and ensure that the in the Chenab Valley and the injured receive necessary

Bali Bhagat expresses deep condolences on tragic bus accident near Kalidhar

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, MAY 30

Bali Bhagat, senior BJP leader and former Minister, has expressed his heartfelt condolences on the tragic bus accident near Kalidhar in Akhnoor that resulted in the loss of numerous lives and left many injured. The unfortunate incident occurred on Thursday when a bus carrying pilgrims to Shiv Khori plunged into a deep gorge on the city outskirts.

In a statement issued here today, the senior BJP leader said "I am deeply saddened by the tragic bus accident near Kalidhar in Akhnoor. My thoughts and prayers are with the families who have lost their loved ones in this heartwrenching incident. I pray to God to give strength to the bereaved families to bear this irreparable loss.'

He also extended his prayers for the speedy recovery of those injured in the accident. "I pray for the quick recovery of all those injured and hope they receive the best possible medical care and support," he added.

Bali Bhagat urged the authorities to take immediate steps to ensure the safety of passengers on such routes and called for a thorough investigation into the incident to prevent future occurrences. "We must prioritize the safety and well-being of our citizens and take all necessary measures to prevent such tragedies. My deepest sympathies are with the affected families during this difficult time," he concluded.

Grievance redressal meet at Gundna, Doda

JI NEWS SERVICE DODA, MAY 30

Indian Army organised a Grievance Redressal Meet at Gundna on 29 May 2024 to interact with the

Ex-servicemen, and Veer Naris residing in Gundna, district Doda to resolve their pension anomalies and grievances. Six Exservicemen and one Veer Nari attended the event. The event was aimed at providing a platform for veterans to share their experiences and to connect with each other and to show appreciation for the contribution and sacrifices made by them. The Indian army's dedication to the welfare of Ex-servicemen is a testament to its commitment to serving and protecting the nation. The army is proud of its veterans and is committed to providing them with the support they need to lead fulfilling lives after their service to the nation. The gathering was also briefed about the various welfare and financial schemes launched by Indian Armed Forces/Central Government/J&K Government in recent times and welfare schemes by Zila Sainik Board and ECHS department. In addition, they were also educated about functioning of ESM Help Line, ECHS and Pensioner benefits including to the post retirement schemes. This kind of meet stand as a testimonial to the veterans and Veer Naris that the organization cares for them and always stands

for them.

NEWS

Bhaderwah Campus hosts Students of JU's Buddhist Studies Department



BHADERWAH, MAY 30

Bhaderwah Campus University of Jammu today their faculty, engaged in stated. a fruitful interaction with

invaluable for exchangversity of Jammu as part committed to facilitating

the significance of such his gratitude to the Rector all participants.

interactions, highlighting of Bhaderwah Campus, as their mutual benefits for well as the teaching and both students and faculty non-teaching staff, for members. "These visits are organizing the interaction. "The students from the warmly welcomed stu- ing views and enhancing Buddhist Studies Departdents from the Buddhist educational experiences. ment are fortunate to Studies Department, Uni- Bhaderwah Campus is have this opportunity to visit Bhaderwah Campus. of their week-long educa- similar visits in the future Such interactions enable tional tour. The visiting to promote academic and them to exchange ideas students, accompanied by cultural exchanges," he and gain new perspectives by engaging with our "Bhaderwah Campus faculty and students," Dr. the faculty and students of looks forward to continu- Sharma remarked. The vis-Bhaderwah Campus and ing to host such educa- iting delegation from the visited all the wings of the tional visits, fostering an Buddhist Studies Depart-Campus. Dr. Kuljit Singh, environment of learning ment of the University of Academic Coordinator of and collaboration," Aca- Jammu included Dr. Rajesh Bhaderwah Campus, greet- demic Coordinator added Sharma, Dr. Rohit Sharma, ed the visiting students Dr. Vivek Sharma, Aca- and Dr. Akta. Their presand faculty from the Bud- demic Coordinator Kathua ence facilitated a robust dhist Studies Department. Campus who is accom- exchange of knowledge In his welcome address, panying the students to and ideas, enriching the Dr. Singh emphasized Bhaderwah, expressed academic experience for

Rekha lauds journalists for their contribution as fourth pillar of democracy

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, MAY 30

In the realm of democracy, the media stands as the fourth pillar, with journalism serving as the conduit through which we are kept up to date on the state's as well as national and global current affairs. This was stated by BJP District President Jammu South Rekha Mahajan while honoring the journalists namely Anubnied by District Vice Presi- country. dent Narinder Gupta Koki,

the country for about 198 added. Rekha Mahajan their mother tongue.



years. On May 30, 2024, asserted that media plays

hav Suri, Kamal Kundal, Hindi Journalism Day will a critical role in highlight-Naveen Koul, Ropesh Raj be observed to honor the inggovernment policies to and Amit Kumar. On the contribution of Hindi jour- the people and in changoccasion of Hindi Patra- nalism and the journalists ing their lives, and she karita Divas (Journalism who toil day and night to remembered its contri-Day) today, May 30, Rekha provide correct informa- butions in popularizing Mahajan was accompation to the citizens of the initiatives of the Modiled government like the Rekha Mahajan said this 'Swachh Bharat Mission' District Secretary Rohiin newspaper was instru- and 'Beti Bachao Beti Chandan, Mandal Presi- mental in raising aware- Padhao' schemes and dent Bharat Bhushan, ness about the country's other multiple schemes Treasure Rajesh Gupta freedom struggle. At that that were beyond the and Publicity Secretary time, Hindi was the pri-political domain. Rekha Pardeep Sharma were mary medium of com- Mahajan said that Hindi present on the occasion. munication in India, and Journalism Day is a signifi-During the Samman 'Udant Martand' played a cant milestone in the his-Samaroh on Patrakarita crucial role in disseminat- tory of Indian journalism. Divas, Rekha Mahajan ing information across the It is an opportunity to recsaid journalists tire- nation. The ability for citi- ognize the contributions lessly ensure prompt zens to comprehend cur- of journalists who work delivery of news right rent events in their own tirelessly to provide news to our doorsteps on all tongue has been made and stories to the masses media platforms. The possible by vernacular in Hindi, thereby promot-BJP leader emphasized journalism, which makes ing democratic values that Hindi Journalism sure that information and strengthening the Day is observed annu-reaches every home in the fabric of Indian society. ally on May 30 in India. nation. Hindi Journalism Every year, Hindi Journal-She added that this day Day commemorates the ism Day is celebrated to honors the launch of the birth of Hindi journalism, commemorate the beginfirst Hindi newspaper, which has made it possible ning of Hindi journalism, 'Udant Martand', which for Indians all around the which has resulted in debuted on May 30, 1826. country to obtain trust- people throughout the Rekha Mahajan said Hindi worthy information in country having access to journalism has existed in their native tongue. Rekha reliable information in

M.K Ajatshatru mourns demise of pilgrims in tragic bus accident in Kalidhar, Akhnoor

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, MAY 30

accident occurred.

M.K Ajatshatru Singh, issued here today, M.K immense loss," he said. senior BJP leader and Ajatshatru Singh conveyed

in district Reasi when the may the Almighty give strength to the bereaved In a heartfelt statement families to endure this

M.K Ajatshatru Singh former minister, has his sorrow and sympathy also extended his prayers expressed his deep condo- to the bereaved families. for the speedy recovery of lences over the tragic bus "I am deeply saddened by those injured in the acciaccident near Kalidhar in the tragic loss of lives in dent. "I hope and pray for Akhnoor, which claimed this accident. My heart- the quick recovery of all the lives of 21 pilgrims and felt condolences go out to the injured. They must left 52 others injured. The the families who lost their receive the best medical pilgrims were on their way loved ones. May the depart- care available to aid in their to the Shiv Khori Shrine ed souls rest in peace, and recovery," he emphasized.

Ban on raw materials required for construction projects should be lifted; Says **J&K Contractors Coordination Committee**

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, MAY 30

Jammu and Kashmir Contractors Coordination Committee Chairman Ghulam Jeelani Purza said that the government's ban on raw materials required for construction has created a crisis situation for Develpoment work in Kashmir province.

press conference, the pace. chairman of the Jammu and Kashmir Contractors Coordination Committee said that the raw materials obtained from Wuyan Pampore for the construction works, especially for the construction of bridges and road macadamization etc. Due to such construction mate- many schemes, projects and contractors.



rial is available from there. but also adversely affects As a result, work on many the livelihood of contracconstruction projects has tors and workers. been completely stopped while work on many proj-During an emergency ects is going on at a slow

Wuyan Pampore which used to supply raw materials for construction of Wet Mix Macadam (WMM), Water Bound Macadam (WBM) and Stone Aggre-

He further said that most of the contractors have also taken loans from various banks and other There are sources and financial institutions. units of raw materials in Appels LG Manoj Sinha, Chief Secretary to intervene in this matter so that the ban on raw materials imposed by the Geology Department and other concerned departments is gate etc. Materials are not lifted and the stalled conavailable, which has not struction project can be the ban by Geology and only affected the ongoing resumed to provide relief Mining Department, no construction work under to the common people

Vikar Rasool expresses deep shock over death of 21 passengers in a road accident, near Kalidhar Temple

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, MAY 30

President JKPCC Shri Vikar Rasool Wani has expressed deep shock over the death of 21 passengers in a road accident, near Kalidhar Temple on Jammu Poonch highway, today.

PCC Chief and Several Senior Congress leaders have expressed deep shock over the loss of precious lives of 21 pilgrims of Hathras, U.P. in the bus accident and serious injuries to several others. They urged upon of the injured. the Govt. to provide immediate special medical help to the survivnext kin's of deceased to is matter of serious con- (Babloo) and others.



the tune of ten lakh each and Rs. five lakh to the injured. They conveyed heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families and prayed for early recovery

Congress party strongauthorities for slow

dents occur on this highway. Further the party also demands strongest action on the concerned firm engaged for the widening of the Jammu-Poonch highway. Signatories to the statement included Vice President PCC Shri Vinod Sharma, General Secretaries Shri Narinder Gupta (Org), Narinder Sharma, Secretaries Sahil Sharma, Vijay Kumar Shastri, Chairman Congress Seva Dal Vijay Sharma, Pradesh Youth Congress Incharge HQ Ricky Dalotra, Chairman RTI Cell Adv Bhavishya ly condemned NHAI Sudan, Vice Chairman Minority Cell Nassar ing passengers and also pace of work on Jammu- Masih, Varinder Singh financial help in favour of Poonch highway which Manhas, Camres David

cern as frequent acci-

Langer expresses shock over loss of lives in Kalidhar bus accident

JI NEWS SERVICE JAMMU, MAY 31

Sham Lal Langer, Convener of the BJP Trade Cell in J&K, has expressed profound grief and sorrow over the tragic bus accident near Kalidhar in Akhnoor. The devastating incident, which occurred when a passenger bus skidded off the road and plunged into a deep gorge, resulted in the deaths of 21 people and left 52 others injured.

In his statement issued today, the senior BJP leader expressed deep shock over the accident and underscored the need for specialized medical treatment to be provided to the injured individuals. He conveyed his heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved families who lost their loved ones in this tragic mishap. He emphasized the importance of offering adequate compensation to all the victims of the accident, acknowledging the severe emotional and financial impact on the affected families.

Furthermore, Sham Lal Langer called for a coordinated effort between the Transport Department and Traffic Police to investigate the root causes of such accidents. He stressed the urgency of identifying the underlying issues that lead to these tragic incidents to prevent their recurrence in the future. He believed that a thorough investigation is crucial for understanding and addressing the factors contributing to road accidents in hilly terrains. Additionally, Sham Langer highlighted the

to adhere to traffic rules and tragedies.

importance of raising public regulations, emphasizing awareness about road safety, that increased awareness and particularly among the youth. careful driving practices are He urged the general public essential to preventing such

Vikramaditya Singh expresses deep grief over tragic bus accident near Kalidhar

JI NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, MAY 30

Former MLC, Sh. Vikramaditya Singh today expressed profound grief over the tragic bus accident near Kalidhar in Akhnoor, which resulted in the loss of 21 lives and left 52 others injured.

In a statement issued here today, the former MLC conveyed his heartfelt con-victims. "It is crucial that dolences to the bereaved the injured receive the families and prayed for highest standard of medithe eternal peace of the departed souls.

"My thoughts and prayers are with the fami- for their loss," he added. lies who have lost their rable loss," he said.

offer adequate compensa- the lives of our citizens,' tion to the families of the he stated.



cal treatment and that the families of the victims are adequately compensated

Sh. Vikramaditya Singh loved ones in this tragic emphasized the need for accident. May the depart- stricter enforcement of ed souls rest in peace, and traffic regulations to premay the Almighty give vent such tragic incidents strength to the bereaved in the future. "We must families to bear this irrepa- ensure that only roadworthy vehicles and qualified Sh. Vikramaditya Singh drivers operate commeralso urged the government cial vehicles. Strict enforceto provide the best medi- ment of traffic regulations cal care to the injured and is essential to safeguard

Bharti Airtel appoints Sharat Sinha as CEO of Airtel Business

JI NEWS SERVICE

JAMMU, MAY 30

Bharti Airtel ("Airtel"), India's leading telecommunications services provider has appointed Sharat Sinha as the CEO of Airtel Business effective 3rd June 2024. In this role, Sharat will report to Gopal Vittal and will be a part of the Airtel Management Board.

Sharat joins Airtel Busimany of the world's leadalso worked with Palo cies". Alto Networks, Cisco, and VM Ware in various lead- to Airtel Business, Sharat ership roles. His early Sinha said "Airtel Business experiences in Ericsson is a leader in the B2B space and VSNL have also given offering marquee soluhim a sound telecom back- tions to enterprises and I ground.

Announcing appointment, Gopal continue to steer towards Bharti Airtel said, "I am ship with future-ready confident that Sharat's technology innovations broad global experience in and solutions that deliver product management and greater value to custombusiness leadership across ers".

ness from Checkpoint ing technology companies Software Technologies will provide tremendous Limited, where he served fire power to Airtel's ambias President of Asia Paciftions in rapidly growing ic. A seasoned technology our portfolio across conprofessional, Sharat has nectivity and adjacen-

On his appointment am delighted to join this the passionate team as they Vittal, CEO and MD - enhancing their leader-

UNION TERRITORY OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER JAL SHAKTI DEPARTMENT PHE MECHANICAL DIVISION SOUTH JAMMU **NOTICE INVITING TENDER**

e-NIT PHEJ/MS/12 of 2024-25 Dated 28-05-2024

Executive Engineer PHE Mechanical Division South Jammu, on behalf of Lieutenant Governor of Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, invites tenders by e-tendering mode from registered/ reputed firms

Name of the Work	Name of the Division	Cost of Tender Document/Tender Fee(In Rs)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Validity of Rates
1	2	3	4	5
Replacement of components to LT Control panel of 65 HP Submersible motor at Tubewell Rani Talab Digiana under Non Plan	PHE Mech. Division South Jammu	Rs. 200.00 (Non-Refundable) In the shape of e-challan/single window challan of JMC pledged to Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Mech. Division South Jammu/tender fee receipt through online payment through the JMC link http://www.jmcjammu.org/online-payment.html	@ 2% of estimated cost/ tender value In the shape of CDR/FDR pledged to Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti PHE Mechanical Division South Jammu	Bid shall be valid for 180 days

- Bid documents can be seen at and downloaded from the website http://jktenders.gov.in from 29-05-2024 (12:00 PM) and uploaded from 30-05-2024 (10:00 AM) to 06-06-2024 (1:00 PM). The complete bidding process will be online http://jktenders.gov.in.
 Bids must be accompanied by EMD and cost of Tender Document as specified in column 3 & 4 of the table.
- The bid shall remain open for acceptance for a period of 180 days from the date of opening of bids. If any bidder/ tenderer withdraws his bid/ tender before the said period or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid, the tenderer shall be debarred from participating in tendering process for a period of 1 year.
- The Technical Bids of the tender document received shall be opened online in the office of **Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Department PHE Mechanical Division South Jammu on** 07-06-2024 at 3:00 P.M or any other day convenient to the Ex. Engineer in the Office chambers of Executive Engineer, PHE Mechanical Division South Jammu. The Financial Bids of the tender document of the qualified bidders shall also be opened online in the office of the
- Cost of bidding document in shape of e-challan/single window challan of JMC pledged to Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Mech. Division South Jammu/tender fee receipt through online payment through

Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Department PHE Mechanical Division South Jammu during office hours and shall be

http://www.jmcjammu.org/online-payment.html The original instruments in respect of cost of document, EMD in the shape of other relevant document of L₁ bidder will be required to be submitted to the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Mech. Division South Jammu within 05 days after opening of financial bids on line. No separate intimation about opening of financial bids will be sent by this office / by the tender opening authority. In case the original documents are not submitted by the L₁ bidder within 05 days after opening of financial bid, the tender will be cancelled and the bidder will not be allowed to participate in any further / future tendering process in the division for a period of one year.

Other details can be seen inside the detailed tender document.

No: PHEJ/MS/782-86 Dated:- 28-05-2024

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Date: 30-5-24

A.E.E Sub Div-I



Army in C/Jat village Nowshera



JI NEWS SERVICE

NOWSHERA, MAY 30

nized an Essay Competiminds in constructive of the Competition was appreciation and encour- of the future.

tion under aegis of Tith- Primary wing, middle Nowshera, wal bde at Govt School wing and High school.

to Promote and encour- agement for the students' age Creative Thinking.In hard work and creativity. the essay competition a The essay competition The Indian Army orgatotal no of 53 students conducted by the Indian actively participated of Army in C/Jat Village,

was a resounding suc-Pukharni, Nowshera, School teachers, village cess. It provided a meanfor the students of Class Sarpanch and Number- ingful opportunity for 1 to Class 10. This event dar also appreciated the young students to engage was a significant initia- efforts of Indian Army in intellectual pursuits, tive to engage young for grooming the local improve their writing youth. The highlight of skills, and express their activities and enhance the event was the prize ideas on various importheir writing skills. It distribution ceremony, tant issues. Such initiaprovided a platform for where the best essays tives play a crucial role students to express their were awarded. These in the educational and ideas and thoughts on prizes included station- personal development various topics, fostering ary items, books and of children, preparing creativity and critical educational materials, them to be thoughtful thinking. The objectives which served as tokens of and responsible citizens

Azam Khan sentenced to 10 years imprisonment in Dungarpur case

AGENCIES

RAMPUR (UP), MAY 30

Senior Samaiwadi Party (SP) leader and former Minister Azam Khan was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment along with a penalty of Rs 14 lakh by a special court here on Thursday for vandalising houses in the Dungarpur area, prosecution sources

Prosecution sources said that the second accused,

a fine of Rs 6 lakh.



Barkat Ali, who was the condistrict convicted former Azam Khan, who is curtractor, has been sentenced cabinet minister Azam rently lodged in Sitapur jail, to 7 years imprisonment and Khan last Wednesday and appeared through a video reserved its verdict. The conference from the jail The MP MLA Court of the former minister, Azam itself.

Khan, was convicted in the Dungarpur case by the court of Special Court (Session Trial) Judge Dr. Vijay Kumar.

The prosecution sources said that the special court sentenced Azam to 10 years imprisonment and a fine of 14 lakh rupees. Also, the second accused, Barkat Ali Thekedar, has been sentenced to 7 years imprisonment and a fine of 6 lakh

It may be noted that

Essay Competition conducted by Indian Note that objective view is emerging in Pakistan: India on Sharif saying they violated Lahore Declaration

NEW DELHI, MAY 30

India on Thursday said it has noted that "an objective view based on reality is emerging in Pakistan", in response to former Pakistan PM Nawaz Sharif admitting that Islamabad had violated the 1999 Lahore Declaration signed between him and former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, as a few months launched the Kargil war.

MEA spokesperson ing". Randhir Jaiswal, answerstatement made on Tuesday, said: "You are aware



in Pakistan as well, on this particular matter."

Speaking in Hindi, he later then Pakistani said: "We are seeing that Gen Pervez Musharraf in Pakistan a perspective based on reality is emerg-

Former Pakistan PM ing a question on Sharif's Nawaz Sharif on Tues-Islamabad had "violated" of our position on this an "agreement" signed objective view is emerging reference to the Lahore the ruling party.

Musharraf's Kargil misad- 1999.

nuclear tests. After that Vajpayee Saheb came here day (May 28) said that that agreement...it was our fault," Sharif told a issue. I need not reiter- between him and former of the PML-N at which he their nuclear doctrines, to ate that. We note that an PM Vajpayee in 1999, in a was elected president of avoid any nuclear conflict,

Sharif and Vajpayee signed the Declaration on February 21, 1999, after Vajpayee's historic bus ride to Lahore. But oblivious to them, Pakistani soldiers were in the process of occupying unmanned high-altitude Indian positions in Kargil, Ladakh, which led to the Kargil conflict between the two Declaration and Pervez nations from May to July

In the Lahore Declara-"On May 28, 1998, tion, India and Pakistan Pakistan carried out five pledged to a peaceful resolution of bilateral disputes, including Kashmir, and and made an agreement fostering friendly comwith us. But we violated mercial and cultural relationships. Both sides also agreed to engage in bilatergeneral council meeting al consultations regarding

sons Amir was directed to

switch to pistol shooting

by his unit heads instead

of rifle shooting, posing a

tough challenge for him.

this field of shooting. But

given my talent, diligence

and passion, I managed

to perform it in a more

impressive way as well",

Amir said and added "I

was selected to undergo

five months training for

the Indian Army's marks-

manship unit in Mhow

my shooting career in the

medal in the very first

Amir has earned many

"I made the debut to

He said after completing

pistol shooting".

Indore.

"I was somehow new in

Potable water use banned at construction sites & car washing centres: Atishi

AGENCIES NEW DELHI, MAY 30

Delhi government on Thursday imposed a ban on usage of potable water at construction sites, car washing and repairing centres stating that these establishments will be sealed if found violating the ban.

Addressing the media, Delhi cabinet minister Atishi said, "We are forming 200 enforcement teams of Delhi Jal Board which will check that no borewell is damaged or clogged.

The use of potable water is banned on construction sites and if any construction site is found doing so, that site will be sealed by MCD.

"Delhi government is taking one more emergency measure to prevent water shortage in the national capital. There are many car repair and car washing centres that are using potable water... Delhi Jal Board's drinking water. We are banning the use of drinking water by the Delhi Jal Board from being used in car washing and repair centres," Atishi said.

"From tomorrow, teams of DPCC will conduct inspections of car washing and repairing centres," she added.

She further appealed people to not to misuse water emphasising, "Delhi is facing an emergency situation because of heatwave and water not being released from Haryana."

Three die, thousands rescued as flood wreaks havoc in **Manipur**

AGENCIES

Three persons including a woman have died and thousands were evacuated to safe places since Cyclone Remal hit Manipur Monday.

All the major rivers including Nambul, Imphal, Iril, Kongba, and Nambol were flowing above flood levels. Breaches at various parts of the river banks have led to inundation of the Kangla fort, hospitals, the iconic women's markets, and most roads were not safe for travel. Army, Assam Rifles,

Manipur Police, and officials worked hard to rescue people stranded in their homes. Local organizations have managed to rescue thousands of people using machinery, makeshift boats while Assam Rifles personnel have also rescued more than 1000 people and distributed essential commodities. Thousands of people were living in various relief centres opened by local organizations. Officials said so far three persons including a woman have died in separate incidents and power supplies were cut off in most parts of the state as transformers, power stations were flooded. Manipur government

has also opened helplines and the most affected areas were the low-lying valley districts of Imphal East, Imphal West, Thoubal, Bishenpur, and Kakching districts. Heavy rainfall has also affected the hill districts and landslides were reported in the Ukhrul, Tamenglong, Kangpokpi, Senapati districts.

Army's JCO Amir Bhat to represent India in Paris Paralympic games this year

SRINAGAR, MAY 30

A 29-year-old Amir Ahmad Bhat from Kashmir, who is serving as a Junior Commissioned Officer (JCO) in Indian Army has been selected to represent India in the Paralympic games to be held in Paris in August

Amir is the first Para Shooter in the country who has qualified for the Olympics in less than two years and will represent also. India in P3-25m Pistol mixed at the 2024 Paralympic games to be held at Paris, France from August 28 to September 2024.

Hailing from village Damhall in south Kashthe JCO did his schooling at his native village from the Government Higher Secondary School Damhall where he completed his Matriculation and then moved to Government Higher Secondary School Dialgam to pursue his 10+2 standard.

Despite having so many his graduation through



Open University (IGNOU)

He played a number of national and International events and has ten national and international awards in his kitty including a gold medal in Lima Peru besides a bronze mir's Anantnag district, medal won in the World Sports Shooting Para Sport (WSPS) world cup held in told UNI. Changwon South Korea in March 2023.

Bhat also won a Silver medal in the WSPS World Cup held in Osijek Croatia engagements with his he scored 540 points in of Mhow Indore".

army unit and sports activ- 50mtr free pistol and

and Kashmir Light Infantry (IKLI) as a soldier in the training he was selectthe year 2012 after com- ed as a shooting player in pleting his 12th standard.

"In the Army, I developed a keen interest in shooting sports alongside my assigned duties as a play for national games in soldier and was always displaying my innate talent in month of March 2022 and this unique game", Amir fortunately won a silver

He said whenever he national game", he said. was getting a chance to play it, he used to outper- rewards in his career

the Indira Gandhi National Army's regimental, Jammu agement, due to some rea-qualified for the Olympics.

form. "To the best of my during a short span of luck, I got a chance to play two years during which he in July 2023. Besides he in the trails for shooting represented India at both represented Jammu and sports in March 2021 con- national as well as inter-Kashmir in the Ist Khelo ducted by the Indian Army national level with utmost India Para Games in which in the Marksmanship Unit prestige and honour and

Despite performing Shooter from Jammu and ity, Amir is also pursuing secured the first position. brilliantly in the trials and Kashmir as well as from Amir joined the Indian being hailed by the man-the entire country who has

Agnikul launches World's First Rocket with fully 3D Printed Engine from Sriharikota

SRIHARIKOTA (ANDHRA PRADESH), MAY 30

start-up Agnikul Cosmos launched the world's first rocket with a single members Prof. Satyanapiece three-dimensional its private launch pad in Sriharikota at 7.15 am on Thursday.

has been achieved entirely Founder and CEO, Agnithrough indigenous design and development.

The launch was wit-Goenka, Chairman of INtor (Technical), IN-SPACe, sion. and A Raj Rajan, Director

'Agnibaan - SOrTeD' launch pad called 'Dhapowered rocket launch.

this mission, which is also innovation. Agnikul's first flight, is to

and home grown technologies, gather crucial flight data and ensure optimal functioning of systems for IIT Madras-incubated Agnikul's orbital launch vehicle, the 'Agnibaan'. AgniKul's core team

rayanan R Chakravarthy, (3D) printed engine at Founding Advisor, Agnikul Cosmos and Faculty, Department of Aerospace Engineering, IIT Madras, . This remarkable feat Srinath Ravichandran, Cokul Cosmos, Moin SPM, Co-Founder and COO, Research Organisation tor, Agnibaan SOrTeD, and (ISRO) Chairman Dr S Umamaheswari. K, Project the country.' Somanath, Dr. Pawan Director, Mission-Oland SPACe, Rajeev Jyoti, Direc- also present on the occa-

Congratulating Agni-Demonstrator also has and ISRO congratulates private players who are committed to developing Development (NCCRD), the unique distinction Agnikul Cosmos on the contributing to growing launch vehicles that are IIT Madras, said, "We are of having been launched successful launch of from India's first private 'Agnibaan - SOrTeD'. The success involving many of young innovators and nush' established by Agni- firsts including 3D printed The key purpose of of indigenous design and

Agnikul Cosmos, Saraniya entities for innovation and are committed to support Agnikul - a great inspiranessed by Indian Space Periaswamy, Vehicle Direc- Atmanirbharata to create a these young pioneers as tion for all young students vibrant space ecosystem in

> Lauding the efforts of Agnibaan SOrTeD were the Agnibaan Launch, Dr. Pawan Goenka said, "The Agnibaan SOrTeD is not everyone's reach, aiming Founding Advisor, Agnikul kul on the launch, Dr. just a milestone for Agni-S. Somanath said, "The kul Cosmos but marks a Anywhere, Anytime, of National Centre for India's space sector.

> entrepreneurs who are demonstrate the prowess edge technology such as koti, Director, IIT Madras, to rapidly assemble rockthe world's first 3D print-said, "Sky is no more the ets that is unparalleled." ed semi-cryogenic engine, limit for our startups. Very

they help to propel India to boldly take the entreto a leadership position in the global space arena."

customer needs.

Highlighting the sig-

preneurship route and become employers."

Speaking about the The vision of Agnikul next steps, Prof. Satyanasuccessful launch of the is to bring space within rayanan R Chakravarthy, to enable launches from Cosmos and also the Head world's most integrated

It motivates ISRO to supthat is driving the transinnovative, first time in the sists of over 200 engineers

support of our advisors, Sub-Orbital Technology Department of Space significant moment for Affordably. Agnikul is Combustion Research and mental in turning this proj- ity regardless of location. both affordable and cus- proud to present India's ISRO for their invaluable payloads ranging from 30 Today it is the power tomizable according to first Semi-cryo rocket guidance and support. We kg to 300 kg, ensuring verengine, which is also the are immensely grateful for satility across a wide range kul. It is also India's first semi-cryogenic engine, leading from the front, nificance of this historic single shot 3D printed tion. Agnibaan SOrTeD is semi-cryogenic engine- flight control systems etc. innovating with cutting- milestone, Prof. V. Kama- piece. It signals the ability only the beginning and we flying an orbital mission

The Agnikul team con- cal and Economic growth." is working with customers serve as a test flight, to port the Space startups formation of India's space world, deep core technolo- and is associated with ence on the launch, Sara- from CY 2025. demonstrate the in-house and Non-governmental sector. At IN-SPACe, we gy demonstrated today by NCCRD at IIT Madras. niya said, "Every time

guided by 45 former scien- difficult, I used to remind tists from ISRO who bring myself of believing in invaluable expertise to the myself. This, along with endeavour of democratis- the support of the team ing access to space. Srinath Ravichandran building this complex said, "This is the culmina- vehicle."

tion of 1000s of hours of reviews and hard work by the team. We are blessed been thrilling and invigoto have had the opporturating. This was however nity and the full support possible only because of of IN-SPACe and ISRO to the support and effort of design and build original the entire team. Launchspace worthy hardware in ing a rocket is no small Moin SPM, Co-Founder test results don't meet our

and COO, Agnikul Cosmos, expectations, which can said, "The Agnibaan be frustrating. But believ-SOrTeD project owes its ing in yourself and the success to the unwavering investors, vendors, customers and all well-wish- designed to be compatible ers. Our dedicated Agnikul team members and their called 'Dhanush,' allowfamilies, have been instruing for launch flexibilect into a reality. A Special thanks to IN-SPACe and all stakeholder's contribu- of mission requirements. are hopeful of contribut- towards the end of the ing to India's Technologi- financial year of 2025 and

Additionally, the team is challenges used to look is what took me through

> Umamaheswari said, "The entire process has feat, and sometimes the team throughout is key." The flagship launch

vehicle, 'Agnibaan', is with the mobile launchpad Agnibaan can be configured to accommodate

Agnikul is looking at Sharing their experi- on flights starting regularly

Secretary reviews implementation of RDD schemes in Rajouri

RAJOURI, MAY 30

Secretary, Rural Development Department (RDD) and Panchayati Raj, Dr. Shahid Iqbal Choudhary, today convened a review meeting regarding implementation of RDD schemes in Rajouri district.

The meeting had a detailed evaluation of structing 62,314 houses, progress achieved under 41,372 houses have been sized the significance of the Mahatma Gandhi completed, so far. National Rural Employ-(PMAY-G) and AWAS plus, ment Programme (IWMP) among other initiatives.

tion of MGNREGA, it was tion. informed that out of the target of 2,758,044 personit was revealed that out convergence of all central days for the period ending of 228 projects, the work March 2025, 95,993 per- on 201 projects has been son-days have been generated as of now.

ate the progress to meet REGA. the annual targets. While

of the total target of con- water management.



The Secretary empha-

rural sanitation and asked

the concerned officers to

tain the ODF Plus status.

Regarding the NRLM,

The Secretary exhorted

upon the officers to pre-

pare GPDP plans by involv-

ing all line departments.

He stressed on exploring

schemes to create quality

assets and increase liveli-

The Secretary also

the information that 10

hood of rural assess.

the meeting was informed

that there are 6,415 Self

district.

The Secretary also ment Guarantee Act (MGN- reviewed the status of make added efforts to sus-REGA), Pradhan Mantri construction of panchayat Awaas Yojana Gramin ghars. It was informed that out of 38 panchayat ghars, Swachh Bharat Mission the work on 12 panchayat Gramin (SBM-G) and Integhars has been completed. Help Groups (SHGs) in the grated Watershed Manage- He emphasized upon the officers to expedite the remaining construction Regarding implementa- works for speedy comple-

Concerning the IWMP, completed. He also asked to submit the supplemen-The Secretary emphatary DPRs under IWMP in reviewed the construction sized the need to acceler- convergence with MGN- of food grain stores, with

The review of SBM-G food stores are to be contaking note of the delayed activities included dis-structed in the district. He payments under MGNRE- cussion on solid waste also discussed construc-GA, he asked the BDOs to management, door-to- tion of Anganwadi Cen-

Regarding onsite inspection of works, the Secretary emphasized the importance of maximum onsite work inspection to ensure effective implementation of rural development schemes.

The Secretary also stressed the importance of conducting social audits timely to ensure transparency and accountability in implementation of rural development schemes.

Dr. Shahid Iqbal underscored the need for concerted efforts and synergy among stakeholders, advocating for collaborative strategies to maximize the impact and efficiency of rural development programs. He directed the officers to align their endeavors towards the common goal of uplifting the rural communities.

The Secretary was accompanied by the Director RDD Jammu, Mumtaz Ali and Technical Officer PMAY-G, Mohammad

The meeting was attended by DDC Rajouri, Om Prakash Bhagat, ADDC, Raj Kumar Thapa, GM DIC, Fareed Kohli, CPO, Maqsood Ahmed, ACD, Vijay Kumar, DSEO, Sandthrough this convergence. other concerned officers.

DC Bandipora chairs NCORD/ COTPA meeting, directs 100% installation of CCTVs & CBS

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BANDIPORA, MAY 30

The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Shakeel ul Rehman on Thursday chaired a meeting of District Level Committee under NCORD (Narco Coordination) and Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA) at Mini Secretariat, here.

The meeting covered a range of progressive initiatives regarding drug deaddiction and rehabilitation efforts implemented within the district.

The DC conducted a comprehensive review of activities organised by different departments including Drugs Controller, Health Department, Social Welfare, Education, District Drug De-addiction tance. Centre and Addiction Treatment Facility.

He also assessed the actions taken to combat illicit crop cultivation and abuse, offer treatment to de-addiction efforts. its eradication within the

sion, the DC emphasized tion.



the significance of a comtreatment, rehabilitation, and community assis-

importance of imple- the priority of addressing menting effective strate- vulnerable sections and gies to prevent substance specific age groups in drug those requiring assistance, and support their path to Speaking on the occa- recovery and rehabilita- including Health, DDAC, Drug De Addiction Center,

Div Com Kashmir visits Gulmarg; prioritizes

Shakeel ul Rehman also prehensive approach emphasized the imporinvolving prevention, tance of outreach programs to encourage individuals to seek assistance when necessary. Addi-

> He also asked the con-ARTO, Excise, Police, and other concerned.

Social Welfare office, CEO Office, to work collectively and in coordination with district administration.

The DC also urged Padma Shri awardee Faisal Ali Dar to work in coordination with concerned departments and involve Youth Icons, sports icons in awareness programs to encourage youth partici-

During the meeting, the DC asked concerned officers to initiate strict action under rules against retail outlet owners for non-installation of CCTVs and stressed the drug control department to ensure 100 percent installation of CCTVs and computerized billing by all medical shops and Jan Ashudi Kendras.

The meeting was attended by Additional Deputy He highlighted the tionally, he highlighted Commissioner, Umar Shafi Pandit; SP Mohammad Shafaat, DIO Dr. Naseer Ahmad, ARTO, CAO, Tehsildars, MS District Hospital, Padma Shree Faisal cerned departments, Ali Dar, Representatives of

Tourism Sector Regulation & Professionalism ensure timely payment of door waste collection in tres under convergence wages under MGNREGA. Panchayats, community with MGNREGA and asked eep Sharma, DPO, Mohd Regarding PMAY-G and soakage pits, community the ACD to submit the list Nawaz Choudhary, Exec-AWAS Plus, the meeting compost pits, individual of Anganwadi Centres utive Engineers REW and JI NEWS SERVICE zation and oversight. was informed that out soakage pits and greythat can be constructed Jal Shakti Nowshera and BARAMULLA, MAY 30 Additionally, Div Com

In a significant move aimed at boosting tourism and addressing local concerns, Divisional Commissioner (Div Com) Kashmir, Vijay Kumar Bidhuri Thursday undertook a visit to Gulmarg and conducted a series of meetings with various stakeguides and All Terrain

Vehicle (ATV) drivers. region.

Bidhuri emphasized the attract more visitors. importance of collaborative efforts between the related to infrastructure structured approach to infrastructure and proadministration and local maintenance, safety mea-their movements, contrib-moting eco-friendly tour-

holders including hote- thriving tourism sector activities to attract more liers, ponywalas, Tourist that benefits the local tourists. Ponywalas and economy.

The meeting, held at cer, Gulmarg Develop- ties and regulatory meathe prestigious Golf Club ment Authority, Waseem sures to ensure the safety Gulmarg, focused on Raja provided a detailed and satisfaction of visitors. enhancing the tourism briefing during the visit. experience in Gulmarg, He outlined the initiatives Div Com directed the CEO istration's commitment to addressing the challenges to promote eco-friendly Gulmarg Development addressing their concerns faced by local business- tourism and improve the Authority to allocate spe- and working towards the es, and exploring new overall tourist experience, cific routes for ponywalas overall development of opportunities for sustain- including safety protocols, and ATV drivers to oper- Gulmarg as a premier able development in the upgraded facilities and ate on, aiming to enhance tourist destination. He promotional strategies to regulation and manage- also highlighted the gov-

ATV members discussed Chief Executive Offi- the need for better facili-

Secretary Health reviews implementation of

Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission in J&K

emphasized the provision of uniforms and identity cards for registered ponywalas, ATV drivers, and tourist guides, promoting professionalism and accountability within the industry while also facilitating easier identification for tourists. By implementing these measures, the authorities can better monitor and enforce compliance with regulations, thereby promoting safety and integrity within the tourism sector.

Bidhuri assured all During the meeting, the stakeholders of the adminment of their activities. ernment's ongoing initia-Hoteliers raised issues This directive ensures a tives aimed at improving stakeholders to ensure a sures and promotional uting to improved organiism practices.

DC Bandipora chairs DLIC meeting under HADP JI NEWS SERVICE concerned departments to provide

BANDIPORA, MAY 30

The District Level Implementation Committee (DLIC) for the Holistic Agriculture Development Program (HADP) meeting was today held at Mini Secretariat Bandipora.

committee The under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Shakeel Ul Rehman approved 668 cases of agriculture and allied

committee approved 499 cases of agriculture, 85 of Hor-Animal Husbandry, 03 bandry Department. cases of Fisheries, and



ticulture, 65 cases of 16 cases of Sheep Hus- the DC emphasized employment generation Farooq Ahmad and On the occasion, efforts and asked the other concerned.

comprehensive assistance to unemployed youth in the district. He also stressed the importance of meeting the targets

within the designat-

ed timeframe to the concerned departments. The meeting was attended by Chief Planning Officer Mohammad Maqbool; Chief Animal Husbandry Officer,

Officer, Javid Ahmad Samoon; Chief Horticulture Officer,

Gh. Ahmad Lone;

Chief Agriculture

DoWP, WD Kashmir rebuts news item 'Residents protest Wildlife Department's halt on critical road project in Budgam

SRINAGAR, MAY 30

Protection (DoPW), Wet- the Wetland Conservation a field visit jointly with the lands Division (WD), Kashmir today rebutted the news read. item published in local English daily on 30 May, 2024, headlined 'Residents protest Wildlife Department's Warden Wetlands Division, halt on critical road project who in turn immediately tion of the Road with Wetin Budgam'.

In an official statement issued here, the Depart- Road. ment of Wildlife Protection, Wetlands Division Kashmir authorities have clarified that the article has been track of proposed Road was of the Hokersar Wetland published by misrepresent- recorded and converted Conservation Reserve was ing the actual fact.

through the Hokersar Wet- was found to pass through land Conservation Reserve the Wetland Conservation demarcation process. and subsequently asked the Reserve approximately

work till the alignment of length the Road is checked with Reserve, the statement

cerned brought the matter ground truthing of the Maps into the notice of Wildlife joint survey of the proposed

The official communication further mentioned that in the joint survey GPS into KML file, which in turn While the fact is that was superimposed on KML

Wildlife Warden, Wet-Assistant Executive Engi-The Range Officer con- PW (R&B) Department for generated after the first joint survey. The intersecissued the directions for the land Demarcation line was ascertained and various alternative options were

explored It is worth mentioning here that the demarcation jointly conducted during 2018-19 by the Revenue the User Agency i.e Execu- file of perimeter/demarca- Authorities, District Admintive Engineer PW (R&B) tion line of Hokersar Wet- istration, Photo Interpreta-Budgam had started the land Conservation Reserve. tion (PI) Division, Forest construction of a Road Proposed alignment of the Department in coordinaalong the Bund in the vicin- road was found to intersect tion with Wildlife Protecity of the Hokersar Wetland with the Demarcation line tion Department and sub-Conservation Reserve. The of Wetland, mainly at the sequently a demarcation field staff of the Department starting and terminal part Map was generated which, of Wildlife Protection anticiof the Road. The stretch was duly signed by all the pated that Road may pass of the proposed Road that concerned Officers/ officials who were the part of the

On 25 May, 2024 inspec-

User Agency to suspend the measures nearly 1.5 KM in tion of the said Road was Protected area. conducted by the Regional Wildlife Warden, Headquar-Earlier observations made by undersigned were found to stand, wherein, first and Road were found intersecting the Wetland boundaries. Vide this office letter No: WLW(WL)/Estt/2024-25/302-05 Dated: 28-05-2024 User Agency/ Executive Engineer, PW (R&B) Division Budgam was advised to consider the realignment of the Road at the places where intersection was evident. He was es required in the matter.

inside a Forest or Wildlife authority is required.

The allegations leveled by the local inhabitants are The Department of Wildlife respect to the boundary of lands Division conducted ters, J&K on the request of concocted and baseless as it the Wildlife Warden, Wethas been made clear by this lands Division with intent Division time and again that neer and other staff of the to have his expert advice for proprietary rights (if any) the disposal of the matter. of the fringe communities shall be protected, however, land use shall be regulated and governed strictly as the terminal parts of the per the Wildlife Protection Act 1972 and in accordance with the Orders / directions issued by National Green Tribunal (NGT) in the matters of Wetland Conservation. As a matter of record, it is worthwhile to mention here, that as per the directions of NGT land use of Wetlands shall not be sub-

jected to any change. Construction of the further advised that pro- Road through the Hokerposal of the Road can be sar Wetland Conservation uploaded on the PARIVESH Reserve is a clear violation Portal for the due clearanc- of directions of NGT, User Agency Executive Engineer, PARIVESH Portal is a PW(R&B) Division Budgam single window system, for was advised that in case the grant of Forest and Wildlife Road shall pass through the clearances in case a non for- Protected Area, due clearestry work is to be executed ance from the competent

JI NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, MAY 30

Secretary, Health & Medi-

Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) in Jammu and retariat. The Secretary empha-

under ABDM in the UT. He directed all officers and officials to work hard that ABDM is fully imple-He directed the authoriof ABDM ecosystem in medicare across the UT. public and private health facilities throughout the

care delivery, Dr. Abid Mission, encompassing Rasheed stressed on uti- status of ABDM in the lization of technology to UT, manpower in Projcal Education, Dr. Syed expedite and enhance ect Management Unit Abid Rasheed Shah, the quality of healthcare under ABDM, upcoming today reviewed imple- services for patients in infrastructure, targets mentation of Ayushman need. He directed the achieved and operaofficers to identify the tional status of HMIS (JK stakeholders and chal- e-Sahaj) in Public Health Kashmir during a meet- lenges that impede effec- Facilities across J&K. ing held here at Civil Sec- tive adoption of digital health ecosystem. He highlighted the achievealso asked for outlining a ments of ABDM in terms sized creation of a Proj-roadmap to achieve this of Health Professional ect Management Unit vision for all the stake- Registry of Doctors and holders in the ABDM

ecosystem. in order to guarantee sized the necessity for all & Share (QR code-based officers to work in coor- OPD registration Sermented across the J&K. dination to improve the vice), overview on Microprocess of digitalization site project under ABDM ties to expedite the pro- in the healthcare system in J&K, ongoing Capacity cess of establishment of besides elevating the Building trainings and Project Management Unit quality of facilities being IEC in all districts of the under ABDM on sched- given to patients in hos- UT. ule in order to avoid any pitals through this techdelay in implementation nological revolution in meeting was attended

Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission Director, ABDM, Mission, J&K, Nazim Zai FA/CAO, ABDM, Consul-Highlighting the Khan delivered a detailed tants ABDM and other importance of digital presentation highlighting officers of ABDM, J&K.

interventions in health- various aspects of the

Mission Director also Nurses, Health Facility Registry, Digital Health The Secretary empha- Incentive Scheme, Scan

Among others the by various senior officers Mission Director, including the Additional