

# DC inaugurates two-day photo exhibition on Nasha Mukh Bharat and Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita

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**UDHAMPUR:** The Deputy Commissioner Udhampur, Minga Sherpa, inaugurated a two-day photo exhibition on Nasha Mukh Bharat and the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita at the Government Higher Secondary School, Tikri. The exhibition aims to take government flagship schemes to the people. The event was organized by the Field Office, Udhampur, of the Central Bureau of Communication, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India. It aims to educate citizens and make them aware of the menace of drug addiction and the importance of the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita. During his visit, the Deputy Commissioner inspected the



photo exhibition. To mark the commitment to a green India, the organizers from the Central Bureau of Communication presented saplings to the Deputy Commissioner and to the Principal of the Government Higher Secondary School, Tikri, Monika Karupia. In his address, the Deputy Commissioner said the exhibition focuses on Nasha Mukh Bharat and the Bharti-

ya Nyaya Sanhita. He lauded the Central Bureau of Communication for taking this information directly to the people. He said drug addiction damages not only the individual but also affects families socially, emotionally and economically. The In-charge of the Central Bureau of Communication Field Office, Udhampur, Gurnam Singh, delivered the welcome address. He gave a

brief overview of the department's role, stating that the Central Bureau of Communication acts as a vital bridge between policy-makers and the people at the grassroots. The Principal, Monika Karupia, spoke on the ill effects of drug addiction and welcomed the replacement of the old laws with the three new criminal laws. She thanked the Central Bureau of Communication, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, for selecting the school for the programme. The session featured an expert lecture on the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita by Advocate Nikhileshwar Singh. He spoke in detail on the three new criminal laws and said they are easily accessible to everyone through digital tools such as e-FIR

and Zero FIR. Police Sub-Inspector Mohit Sharma delivered the keynote address as a resource person on Nasha Mukh Bharat. He said public participation in awareness initiatives, counselling of addicts and rehabilitation would play a key role in curbing drug addiction in society. He urged the youth to adopt a healthy lifestyle and take part in sports to stay away from such practices. Other features of the first day's programme included a painting competition on Nasha Mukh Bharat, theme-based songs by empanelled artists of the Central Bureau of Communication, a skit by the students of the Government Middle School, Bassani and an open quiz on Nasha Mukh Bharat and the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita.

# Municipal Council Udhampur organizes plog run for a clean and green Udhampur

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**UDHAMPUR:** The Municipal Council, Udhampur, Thursday organized a plog run in and around Udhampur town to promote cleanliness and raise awareness about keeping public spaces litter-free. School students, teachers, Municipal Council staff, civil society members and local residents took part in the initiative. The Member of Legislative Assembly, Udhampur West, Pawan Kumar Gupta, flagged off the plog run in the presence of the Additional District Development Commissioner, Jugal Kishore and the Chief Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Udhampur, Saddam Hussain.



The participants collected litter along the route, raised slogans on cleanliness and carried placards with messages on environmental protection and responsible waste management. Addressing the participants, the MLA appreci-

ated the active participation of the students and other stakeholders. He said cleanliness is a collective responsibility and stressed the importance of public participation in making Udhampur cleaner, healthier and more sustainable.

# Group of 20 farmers leaves for 7-day apiculture training, exposure visit to HP



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**DODA:** Deputy Commissioner (DC) Doda Krishan Lal, Thursday flagged off a batch of 20 farmers for a seven-day training-cum-exposure visit to Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Palampur, Himachal Pradesh, under the Apiculture Development Scheme and Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA). The farmers were flagged off from the DC Office Complex Doda in the presence of Chief Planning Officer Manesh Kumar, Chief Agriculture Officer Harbans Singh and other concerned officers. While interacting with the farmers, the Deputy Commission-

er encouraged them to actively participate in the training sessions, interact with experts and progressive farmers and gain practical insights into modern apiculture practices. He emphasized that the knowledge and experience gained during the visit would help enhance honey production, improve quality standards and create better livelihood opportunities for farmers in the district. The exposure visit has been organised with the objective of providing farmers with practical knowledge and first-hand exposure to modern techniques, scientific practices and innovative approaches in apiculture and allied agricultural activities.

# Training of Enumerators, Supervisors for Census-Phase II begins across Kishtwar

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**KISHTWAR:** On the directions of the Principal Census Officer (Deputy Commissioner), Kishtwar, Pankaj Kumar Sharma, the training programme for Enumerators and Supervisors for the second phase of Census-2027 commenced across district Kishtwar. The training is being conducted simultaneously at three major locations in the district, including DIET Kishtwar and the Sub-Div-

isional Headquarters of Chattroo and Dachhan to ensure effective capacity building and timely completion of the training programme. At DIET Kishtwar, the training programme was formally inaugurated by Additional District Development Commissioner Vinod Kumar Behal in the presence of Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Pawan Kotwal, DSEO Suresh Sharma, Principal DIET Tirath Lal and other concerned officers and trainers.

The district administration has made elaborate arrangements for imparting training to more than 700 Enumerators and Supervisors in different batches. The training focuses on familiarizing the field functionaries with the concepts, procedures, field methodology, digital tools and protocols to be followed during the Population Enumeration exercise of Census-2027. Addressing the trainees, the ADDC emphasized that

Enumerators and Supervisors constitute the backbone of the Census operation and that their role is crucial in ensuring the accuracy, completeness and credibility of the Census data. He urged them to undergo the training with utmost seriousness, actively participate in practical sessions and thoroughly understand the prescribed procedures before undertaking field duties. The ADDC further stressed the importance of accurate data collection, proper ver-

ification, adherence to the prescribed schedule, confidentiality of information and courteous interaction with the public. The trainees were also encouraged to promptly clarify any doubts during the training so that they are fully equipped to discharge their responsibilities effectively in the field. The district administration has put in place a comprehensive training mechanism under which the field functionaries are being trained in batches at dif-

ferent locations, keeping in view the vast geographical spread and challenging terrain of District Kishtwar. The administration expressed confidence that with the dedicated efforts of the trained Enumerators, Supervisors, Field Trainers, Charge Officers and other stakeholders, the Population Enumeration phase of Census-2027 in district Kishtwar would be completed successfully, efficiently and in accordance with the prescribed timeline.

# ADDC inaugurates PMEGP-backed venture at Talwara



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**REASI:** Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC) Reasi, Krishan Lal, Thursday inaugurated a newly established restaurant at Zero Morh, Talwara, set

up by beneficiary Bharat Bhushan under the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) through the Khadi and Village Industries Board (KVIB), Reasi. The restaurant has been

established with financial assistance of Rs 20 lakh under the PMEGP scheme, aimed at promoting self-employment and entrepreneurship among local youth. The ADDC highlighted the importance of govern-

ment schemes in creating sustainable livelihood opportunities and encouraging entrepreneurship. He urged eligible youth and aspiring entrepreneurs to come forward and avail themselves of the benefits of PMEGP and other self-employment schemes being implemented by the government. The ADDC appreciated the efforts of the concerned departments in facilitating the establishment of the unit and called for wider awareness so that more people can benefit from such schemes and become self-reliant. CPO Narinder Kumar, District Officer, KVIB, Narayan Dass, concerned officers and senior citizens were also present on the occasion.

# DLSA, MVD organize awareness camp on Safety, Comfort of Women in public transport



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**RAMBAN:** District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Ramban, in collaboration with the Motor Vehicles Department (MVD), Thursday organized an awareness programme on the safety and comfort of women commuters in public transport at Community Hall, Ramban. The programme, held under the supervision of ARTO Varun Bhasin, focused on sensitising public transport drivers, conductors, helpers and the general public about the safety and rights of women commuters, particularly regarding earmarked seats for women in public transport and adherence to relevant safety measures and provisions. During the programme, participants were sensitised about the im-

portance of ensuring a safe, respectful and comfortable travelling environment for women. Emphasis was laid on strict observance of designated seats for women and responsible conduct by drivers, conductors and helpers while providing public transport services. The awareness initiative also aimed at spreading legal and safety awareness among commuters and encouraging greater public cooperation in ensuring the safety and dignity of women using public transportation. The officials from both the departments highlighted the importance of continued awareness programmes and coordinated efforts between concerned departments and the public to promote safer and more women-friendly public transport services in the district.

# District Price Fixation Committee reviews rates of essential commodities in Kishtwar

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**KISHTWAR:** On the directions of the Deputy Commissioner of Kishtwar, Pankaj Kumar Sharma, a meeting of the District Price Fixation Committee was held under the chairmanship of the Additional District Development Commissioner of Kishtwar, Vinod Kumar Behnal, to deliberate on the regulation of prices, quality and availability of essential commodities, particularly mutton, chicken, milk, vegetables, fruits and other food articles. The meeting also addressed

the maintenance of hygiene, prevention of adulteration, use of prohibited polythene and protection of consumer interests in the district. The ADDC emphasized that the rate lists approved during the meeting shall be given wide publicity and strictly adhered to. He directed the associations concerned to ensure that the decisions are conveyed to every member and shopkeeper under their respective associations. The approved rate list must be displayed prominently at a conspicuous and readily visible place in shops and



establishments. He directed the President of the Butcher Association and the President of the Chicken Dealers Association to ensure personally that all their members are apprised of the approved rates and other directions issued during the meeting.

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They were further directed to impress upon their members that no deviation from the approved rates, hygiene requirements or prescribed food safety standards shall be entertained. He directed the District Food Safety Officer, Kishtwar, to ensure daily checking of butcher and chicken shops and to undertake sampling and inspection of other food establishments, including milk vendors, bakeries and sweet shops. The District Food Safety Officer was further directed to initiate action against offenders without delay.

He directed the Assistant Controller, Legal Metrology, Kishtwar, to intensify checking of electronic weighing machines and to curb short weightment and manipulation of measurements effectively. He further directed that the use of electronic weighing machines shall be mandatory for all vendors concerned dealing in commodities sold by weight. He also directed that every vendor shall provide the consumer with a bill slip for every purchase. Any vendor failing to issue a bill slip shall be liable for action under the law.

# MVD, district police e-challan 36 vehicles in Ramban during special joint enforcement drive

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**RAMBAN:** Intensifying enforcement measures in accordance with the directions of Deputy Commissioner Ramban, Mohammad Alyas Khan and Senior Superintendent of Police, Arun Gupta, the Motor Vehicles Department (MVD), Ramban, today conducted a special joint enforcement drive across the district to ensure strict compliance with the provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act. The enforcement drive was conducted in coordination with the District Police, keeping security concerns in view, under the supervision of ARTO Varun Bhasin. A special checking operation was carried out at Maitra, Ramban, to check various traffic and document-related violations. During the drive, a total of 137 vehicles were inspected, of which

36 vehicles were e-challaned for various violations of the Motor Vehicles Act. The violations included overcharging, overloading, operating without a valid permit, use of curtains in vehicles and operating without a valid fitness certificate. The expected penalty amount from the e-challans is Rs 40,500. Additionally, two driving licences (DLs) have been recommended for suspension and two vehicles were seized for serious violations. Vehicle owners and operators were advised to comply with all provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act and keep their documents valid to avoid penal action. The Department informed that such joint enforcement drives will continue across the district to strengthen security, enhance road safety, ensure passenger convenience and promote disciplined traffic management.

# ADM Jammu reviews Eid Milad-un-Nabi preparedness

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**JAMMU:** The Additional District Magistrate, Jammu, Ansuya Jamwal, Thursday chaired a meeting to review the district administration's preparedness for the celebration of Eid Milad-un-Nabi. Imams and representatives of various religious bodies attended the meeting, along with senior officers from the line departments concerned. The meeting was informed that five major religious processions are planned to be taken out across Jammu district on August 26. The routes and timings of these processions have already been finalized to ensure their smooth and peaceful conduct. The Additional District Magistrate emphasized the need for foolproof security and effective traffic management along the procession routes



and at important congregation points. She directed the Jammu Municipal Corporation to carry out special sanitation and fogging drives across the city ahead of the festival, particularly along procession routes, Eidgahs

and other prayer venues. Traffic and security deployment plans were reviewed in detail. The Additional District Magistrate issued directions to the officers concerned to ensure adequate deployment of personnel for the maintenance of law and order and smooth vehicular movement. She directed the Power Development Department to ensure regular and uninterrupted power supply during the celebrations and to keep adequate contingency ar-

rangements in place to address any technical exigency promptly. The deployment of health teams along the procession routes and at major congregation points was also reviewed to ensure timely medical assistance to devotees, if required. The Additional District Magistrate also sought feedback and inputs from the religious representatives present, which were noted and discussed in detail for incorporation into the final arrangements. Among those present were the Assistant Commissioner (General), Sania Haq Khan; District Health Officer, Dr Sophia Jan; Additional Superintendent of Police (Traffic), City Jammu, Arvinder Singh Kotwal; Health Officer, Jammu Municipal Corporation, and other officers of the district administration.