BJP inaugurates exhibition depicting PM Modi's journey of nation-building

JAMMU: J&K BJP President Sat Sharma (CA) inaugurated an impressive exhibition under the ongoing "Seva Pakhwada" at Royal Orchid Banquet Hall in Jammu, to mark the 75th birthday of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The exhibition drew the participation of a large number of prominent leaders, party functionaries, and

Among those present were BJP National Secretary and MLA Dr Narinder Singh, Former Dy. CM Dr Nirmal Singh, Vice-Presidents Bharat Bhushan (DDC Chairperson), and others.

The exhibition was organised under the supervision of Munish Khajuria, All Cell Co-Incharge,

Speaking on the occasion, Sat Sharma informed that J&K BJP



has inaugurated an exhibition which will continue for 3 days. He said that the exhibitions under Seva Pakhwada are being planned across all organizational districts of Jammu & Kashmir. He also said

that these exhibitions will portray the inspiring life journey of PM Modi, his childhood struggles, and his rise as a worker who devoted his entire life to public welfare and nation-building.

en by PM Modi since 2014 have strengthened the nation in every sphere, be it economic reforms. infrastructural growth, national security, or empowerment of the marginalized. His vision has not only brought about transformative changes in India but also earned the country global recognition," he

Sat Sharma emphasized that the exhibition is not merely a tribute to the Prime Minister but also a source of inspiration for the younger generation. He said that crores of people, especially youth, will draw motivation from Modi Ji's life, which reflects perseverance, service, and selfless dedication to the motherland. His journey is a call for all of us to contribute to the strengthening of the nation and the prosperity of the people, he added.

DDC Chairman, DC visit flood-hit areas in Bheja



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BHADERWAH: District Development Council (DDC) Chairman Doda, Dhananter Singh Kotwal, along with Deputy Commissioner Harvinder Singh on Thursday visited flood affected

Bheia village in Bhaderwah. The visit aimed to review the ground situation and extend immediate relief to the affected families.

During the inspection, the delegation interacted with local residents to understand their grievances and the scale of damage caused by the floods. The Deputy Commissioner assured that measures are on to restore services, rehabilitate the affected families and initiate necessary steps for long-term flood mitigation in the region.

MC conducts enforcement drive

REASI: Municipal Council (MC) on Thursday carried out an enforcement drive against the use of single-use plastics in the town.

A MC team, led by Executive Officer Mohammad Ajaz, recovered a fine of ₹7,000 from shopkeepers found violating the ban. The Pollution Control Department also extended its support to the Municipal Council during the drive.

The enforcement action was taken as part of the "Sewa Parv 2025" campaign aimed at promoting environmental protection, cleanliness and public awareness.

Alongside the enforcement drive, cleanliness and sanitation activities were conducted across the district. A special drive was carried out at the 1 CTU legacy waste site, while an awareness program under PM SVANidhiwas was organized at the bus stand to educate vendors about government schemes.

Additionally, the door-to-door awareness was conducted under PMAY 2.0 Angikaar initiative to sensitize citizens about the flagship housing scheme.

Seva Parv 2025: DC Ayushi inaugurates plantation drive at cremation ground

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SAMBA: As part of the ongoing Seva Parv 2025, Deputy Commissioner Samba Ayushi Sudan inaugurated a massive plantation drive at the Cremation Ground, on Thursday. The initiative was taken by the District Administration Samba in coordination with Lions Club

At the inaugural ceremony, the DC planted three saplings of spiritual and medicinal value, symbolizing both ecological responsibility and cultural rev-

Officials from the district administration and members of Lions Club also participated by planting trees across the premises of the cremation ground.

Speaking on the occasion, the DC highlighted the importance of community-driven green initiatives, stressing that



plantation drives not only en- reflect a commitment towards hance the environment but also

sustainable development and

collective responsibility.

The tree plantation is one of the important components of Seva Parv 2025, which began yesterday focusing on Seva (service), Swachhta (cleanliness) and Samarpan (dedica-

The plantation drive at the cremation ground was envisioned as a model to converge environmental conservation with cultural and social values, encouraging citizens to actively take part in greening efforts.

The drive witnessed enthusiastic participation from officers of the district administration, members of Lions Club Samba and locals making it a collective step towards a cleaner and greener tomorrow.

Prominent among those present were ADC Jagdish Singh, ACR Ajay Bharti, GM DIC Gurpreet Singh, CEO MC Yodhraj, officers, members of Lions Club and locals.

UIET organises student induction prog

JAMMU: One-week Student Induction Program aimed at welcoming and orienting new students of academic session 2025-26 was inaugurated at UIET, Kathua, University of Jammu. The first day of the Student Induction Program commenced with the auspicious lamp lighting followed by welcome address by In-charge Principal, UIET, Kathua Campus, Dr. Rockey Gupta.

Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Rector/Coordinator, UIET, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu, congratulated the students and encouraged them to actively participate in the curricular and co-curricular activities throughout their course for their wholistic development.

The resource persons during the inaugural session were Ajay K. Sharma, Chartered Accountant and a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and Er. Ritika Gupta, Assistant Professor, School of Management, UIET, Kathua Campus, University of Jammu.

Ajay K. Sharma delivered a lecture on "Personality Development" emphasizing personality development as the process of refining an individual's unique pattern of thoughts, feelings, behaviours, influenced by a combination of genetic predispositions, environmental factors and personal experiences.

The key aspects of the lecture included self-awareness, emotional control, communication skills, attitude, personal growth, career success, improved relationships

GDC Ramkote organises cleanliness drive

KATHUA: The NSS Unit of Government Degree College Ramkote on Thursday organised a cleanliness drive in the college premises under Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign.

The drive was organised under the patronage of Principal of the college, Dr Rakesh Kumar Koul to promote the importance of cleanliness and hygiene in our surround-

As many as 30 NSS volunteers participated in the drive and cleaned the college playground, lawns and surroundings. The students carried dustbins for waste collection and segregation. Students learnt the meaning of "Cleanliness is Godliness" and pledged to make campus plastic free as cleanliness is most important for physical and mental well being.

Bovine smuggling bid foiled, vehicle seized

JAMMU: Jammu Police, tightening its noose against bovine smugglers under Operation Kamdhenu, foiled a smuggling attempt in the Jhajjar Kotli area. A police team of Police Station Jhajjar Kotli rescued a total of eight bovines during the operation.

One container bearing registration number JK14K-2688, loaded with the rescued bovines, was seized by the police. The driver of the container, Sawan Kumar, son of Kewal Kumar, resident of Lower Simbal, Udhampur, was arrested on the spot.

In this regard, a case FIR number 124/2025 under section 223 BNS/12 PCA Act has been registered at Police Station Jhajjar Kotli. Further investigation into the matter is underway.

Farmers acquainted with latest techniques

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JAMMU: Department of Horticulture Jammu organized a Training / Exposure Visit for farmers of Jammu District to Akhnoor to acquaint them with new techniques and in-Sector. The visit was organised under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) and ATMA.

Horticulture Director Jammu Gul Sayed, Chief Horticulture Officer Rakesh Kotwal, Chief Scientist KVK, R.S.Pura, Dr. Ravneet Kour, District Level SMS Rakesh Kumar Bhagat and other officials of Horticulture Department were also present at the

The Programme drew a large number of farmers in-



cluding former Sarpanches, Lambardars and progressive orchardists from the area. The huge turnout reflected the keen interest among the local farming community to adopt modern practices and value addition techniques in the Horticulture Sector. Interacting with the farm-

ers, the Director acquainted them about the Government schemes launched for

Horticulture Development. He highlighted the benefits offered under Holistic Agriculture Development Programme (HADP), the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) and other Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

port from the department for enhancing capacity building of orchardists through train-

He also assured full sup-

ing and workshops. The Chief Horticulture Officer stressed the importance of skill based trainings and practical exposure for empowering farmers

District Level SMS also provided valuable technical on best Horticulture practices, emphasizing plants propagation methods and effective pests and disease control.

Later, the Director visited the High Density orchards, Demonstration Plots and Mulching component units where farmers were shown practical aspects of better Orchard Management, High Density Plantation techniques and benefits of mulching in conserving soil moisture, suppressing weeds and improving crop productivity.

Panel seeks establishment of medical store, plant nursery treatment of lifestyle-re-

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KISHTWAR: Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar Pankaj Kumar Sharma presided over a review meeting of the District AYUSH Society (DAS) in the capacity of its Chairman.

CEO DAS and District Nodal Officer AYUSH Dr. Vikram Singh Jamwal gave a detailed presentation on the infrastructure and working of the AYUSH Department in the district. The District Nodal Officer briefed the meeting about the role of AYUSH staff in promoting preventive healthcare and

lated diseases. He also discussed the requirement of space for setting up a District AYUSH Medical Store and a Nursery for Medicinal Plants. The Deputy Commissioner assured support by providing rented accommodation for the Medical Store and suitable land for the Nursery. DC directed the District AYUSH Officer to increase OPD services in AYUSH institutions. He assured that the District Administration will extend all possible support to strengthen AYUSH fa-

DC Rajesh gives away cheques worth

Kuljeet Singh qualifies PhD Mathematics, SMVDU.

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KATRA: Kuljeet Singh, son of Bhart Singh and Naina Devi, a resident of Village Natna (Draman), Tehsil Rajgarh, district Ramban, has been declared qualified for the award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Mathematics by Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), Katra. He carried out his research on the topic "A study on certain aspects of some curves and surfaces



in Euclidean spaces" under the supervision of Dr. Sandeep Sharma, Assistant Professor, School of

During the course of his Ph.D., he published several research papers in highly reputed SCIE and Scopus- indexed international journals and presented his work at various national and international conferences. He also extends his

heartfelt gratitude to the School of Mathematics, SMVDU, for providing the essential resources and continuous support throughout his research

Rs 10.57 lakh to registered workers

Reviews arrangements for upcoming festivals

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KATHUA: In a significant welfare initiative under Sewa Parv, Deputy Commissioner Kathua Rajesh Sharma on Thursday handed over cheques amounting to ₹10.57 lakh to registered workers under the J&K Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board (JK-BOCWWB) schemes.

The Deputy Commissioner, while handing over the assistance, underlined the government's resolve towards the welfare and upliftment of the unorganized sector workers who form the backbone of infrastructure development. He said that the financial aid extended under JKBOCWWB provides vital support to workers for education of children, health assistance, marriage support, pension benefits and relief at the time of any exigency.

DC further emphasized the need to intensify awareness to bring all eligible workers in the ambit of welfare schemes. He directed the Labour Department to ensure handholding of workers in completing formalities so that

timely benefits are delivered at

their doorstep. Assistant Labour Commissioner Piyusha Khajuria informed that a special registration drive under JKBOCWWB has been launched as part of the fortnight-long SEWA PARV. Meanwhile, DC Sharma also chaired a meeting of officers here at DC Office complex to review the arrangements for the Navratra and Dussehra festivals.

The meeting deliberated in detail, asking the stakeholder departments to formulate Actions Plan for cleanliness, sanitation, drinking water, uninterrupted power supply, traffic regulation and checking of rates of eatables. The Police Department was asked to come out with a detailed deployment plan for ensuring security arrangements in and around the important temples and shrines of the district.

Stress was laid on maintaining security around important shrines and temples besides different venues of Dusherra festival.

DC directed concerned PWD Engineers to start repair and reno-



vation works at Mata Bala Sundri, Mata Sukrala, Doula Mata, Jasrota Mata, Jourian Mata shrines while the local BDOs were asked to repair bridle paths leading to the temples and shrines.

Similarly, the PDD Department was asked to make provision of additional transformers for Mata Jourian and Mata Bala Sundri Shrines to meet any contingency

besides ensuring uninterrupted power supply to all the shrines. The RTO was directed to keep

a check on overloading and overcharging by the transporters on Yatra routes and to take action against the defaulters. The Traffic Police department was asked to ensure effective traffic regulation to prevent congestion during Navratra festival.

Drug peddler nabbed with heroin EARTH NEWS SERVICE Resident of Potha Surankote Poonch.

RAJOURI: Police Party of police post Chingus while on Naka duty at Kallar were doing routine checking of vehicles, when the person in Maruti Ignis coming from Nowshera towards Rajouri, the Naka party acted swiftly apprehended On questioning, he disclosed his identity as Sajad Hussain Shah S/O Sarfaraz Hussain Shah

During his personal search the police re-covered 2.66 grams of heroin-like narcotic substance from his possession. In this regard, a case FIR number 472/2025 under Section 8/21/22/25 NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station Rajouri and further investigation is underway to ascertain his possible links with a larger drug net-

6 vehicles seized for illegal mining SAMBA: Continuing its drive against il-

legal mining, Samba Police has seized five vehicles including three dumpers in the jurisdiction of Police Stations Ghagwal and Purmandal which were being used for illegal transportation/mining of the construction material.

Police teams headed by SHO PS Ghagwal, SHO PS Purmandal, Incharge Police Post Rajpura of PS Ghagwal while performing patrolling duty in their jurisdictional areas, have seized three dumpers bearing registration numbers JK02DA-1997, JK21J-8683, JK02CG-2974, a tractor trolley bearing registration number JK21J-7520 and one tractor trolley without No. which were being used for illegal transportation/mining of the construction material in the area.