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MY DEAR PRIME MINISTER MODI JI!
Have you ever heard of BJP opposing Hindu Bhajans...! That's what happened in Ladakh. Please watch & share DAY 4 OF LADAKH ANSHAN #SaveLadakh #SaveHimalayas #SaveBharat

In History

FIRST USE OF TANK:

The tank was used for the first time in combat, by the British during World War I on this day in 1916.

In Numbers

DIARRHOEA:

In entire union territory of Ladakh, 78.3 is the percentage of Children with diarrhoea in the 2 weeks preceding the survey who received oral rehydration salts (ORS) according to NFHS-5.

Traffic Signs

OVERTAKING PROHIBITED:

With superhighways and advancement in automobile technology speed of vehicles has increased manifold. With this overtaking has come as a maneuver to save time on road. But some place where the roads are narrow, at bridges, at turns Overtaking becomes dangerous. At these place this sign is installed which prohibit overtaking ensuring safety.

ADC Kacho Inaugurates Cancer Society in Kargil, Vows Support in Collective Fight Against Cancer

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KARGIL: Highlighting the urgent need for community action against cancer, Additional Deputy Commissioner Kargil, Kacho Imteeaz (JKAS), inaugurated the Cancer Society Kargil at Syed Mehdi Memorial Hall on Saturday. In his address, he stressed that the initiative aims to ensure no resident of Kargil faces cancer alone and pledged full administrative support for awareness, patient care, and treatment facilitation efforts. The event brought together government officials, medical specialists, community leaders, and civil society in a united effort to combat cancer in the district. Organized by Baqirya Healthcare & Research Kargil, the launch was marked by the presence of senior district officials, including the Chief Medical Officer and District Social Welfare Officer, as well as heads of religious institutions, socio-cultural associations, and senior citizens. Volunteers from Baqirya Healthcare & Research Centre were joined by students of Muthahary Public School and Jamia Fatima Zehra, reflecting broad community engagement. A series of awareness sessions formed a central part of the programme. Dr.



Saqib Banday, Medical Oncologist, highlighted the importance of early detection and provided updates on modern treatment options. Dr. Azhar Jaan Bhutto, Head and Neck Oncological Surgeon from Paras Health, Srinagar, discussed the prevalence of head and neck cancers in the region, emphasizing prevention and available

therapies. In his closing remarks, the President of Baqirya Healthcare & Research expressed gratitude to participants and reaffirmed that the Society will focus on patient support, expand palliative care, organize awareness drives, and facilitate access to specialized treatment.

Army, LAACL Organise ‘Qalaam aur Virasat’ Literary Festival in Kargil

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KARGIL: A literary festival titled “Qalaam aur Virasat” brought together scholars, writers, and cultural enthusiasts in Kargil on Saturday, as the Indian Army joined hands with the Ladakh Academy of Art, Culture and Languages (LAACL) and Government Degree College (GDC) Kargil to spotlight the region’s literary and cultural legacy. The festival opened with a keynote address by State Awardee and former IAS officer Kacho Asfyandar Khan, who underscored the enduring link between Ladakh’s literature and its cultural roots. The event featured interactive sessions with language experts and historians, cultural performances, exhibitions of local crafts, and dedicated stalls showcasing Ladakhi literature. Prominent figures in attendance included Col Sudhir Ranjan Behera, Commanding Officer 5 GARH RIF, author and poet Kacho Asfandiyar Khan Faridoon, Principal of GDC Kargil Diskit Angmo, and LAACL Deputy Secretary

Nazir Hussain Ladakhi. A panel discussion on history’s imprint on Ladakhi literature drew wide interest, with contributions from Sheena writer Raza Amjad Budgami, Balti historian Sadiq Hardassi, Purgi researcher Mohd Issa Sabiri, and Brokskat-Dardi scholar Arif Hussain Ladakhi. Moderated by Assistant Professor of English Nasir Khafi, the dialogue examined how migration patterns influenced Ladakh’s cultural diversity and ethnic identity. Col Behera, who felicitated participants and performers, described Ladakh as a living example of unity in diversity. He urged students to remain rooted in their traditions, champion local languages and culture through digital platforms, and nurture reading as part of their daily lives. He further expressed gratitude to GDC Kargil and LAACL for their collaboration in organising the festival. The gathering concluded with a call to preserve Ladakh’s literary wealth while encouraging the younger generation to carry forward its cultural vibrancy.

Tiny Stars of DPS Leh Shine in Fancy Dress Competitions

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LEH: The Pre-Primary Wing of Delhi Public School, Leh, organized a vibrant Fancy Dress Competition on 13th September 2025, celebrating creativity, imagination, and confidence among its youngest learners. The programme commenced with an inspiring address by the Director of DPS Leh, Retired Major General Mohinder Sagoch, who warmly welcomed the parents and emphasized the importance of early childhood exposure to creative and activity-based learning. He appreciated the efforts of teachers, parents, and students in making such events a success and encouraged children to continue exploring their talents beyond the classroom. The tiny tots then captivated the audience with their colorful costumes and enthusiastic performances, portraying a



variety of characters such as community helpers, freedom fighters, national leaders, animals, and fairy-tale figures. Their innocent dialogue delivery and charming stage presence won hearts, filling

the atmosphere with joy, laughter, and applause. The event not only provided a platform for children to showcase their talents but also played a vital role in building stage confidence,

enhancing communication skills, and fostering cultural awareness. Parents and teachers were delighted to witness the confidence and creativity of the budding performers. The occasion also highlighted with pride that DPS Leh has taken the lead in implementing the Foundational Stage under the National Education Policy (NEP), which emphasizes play-based, activity-oriented, and experiential learning to ensure holistic development in the early years. The programme concluded with a Vote of Thanks by the Principal, Ms. Sonal Mediratta, who expressed gratitude to the parents for their presence and support, appreciated the efforts of the teachers, and congratulated all the young participants. The day was indeed a memorable one, leaving lasting impressions of joy, learning, and celebration in the hearts of all present.

Parents’ Day Observed at Middle School Merak Administration, Teachers and Parents equally responsible in Strengthening Schools: Stanzin

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MERAK: “The role of parents is vital in strengthening schools, the administration must ensure monitoring, and teachers should deliver their best,” remarked Councillor of Chushul, Konchok Stanzin, while addressing Parents’ Day celebrations at Middle School Merak today. The programme was organised in collaboration with the Village Education Committee and local parents to promote collective responsibility in shaping education at the village level. Councillor Stanzin underlined the importance of children studying in their own villages under the guidance of parents and grandparents, noting that such an upbringing fosters respect for tradition, resilience and



adaptability. He also spoke of ongoing infrastructure projects in his constituency under various schemes, assuring that schools would see improved facilities in the coming years. Appreciating the efforts of the teachers led by the Headmaster, he lauded their contribution to academic results and student development. He further pledged financial support for school infrastructure and acknowledged the role of

NGOs in extending support. The occasion was graced by Zonal Education Officer of Durbuk, Manzoor Ali, as Guest of Honour, who assured full cooperation from the administration and reiterated the commitment to strengthening schools in the zone. Nambardar of Maan Pangong A, headmasters of Merak and Maan, teachers, villagers and parents were also present. Members of the Vil-

lage Education Committee expressed their satisfaction with student performance and extended gratitude to teachers for their dedication. The Headmaster of Middle School Merak presented an overview of the institution’s activities during the academic year, highlighting its progress. The event concluded with vibrant cultural performances by the students, which were warmly received by the gathering.

Youth Receive Hands-On Entrepreneurial Training at ITI Leh

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LEH: A week-long training programme on enterprise creation, designed to nurture entrepreneurial abilities among students, concluded today at the Industrial Training Institute (ITI), Leh, under the banner of Enterprising Ladakh. The initiative, steered by the Department of Higher Education and implemented by the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII), Ahmedabad, brought together more than seventy trainees from varied trades. The sessions, which began on September 8, sought to cultivate skills in ideation, business plan-

ning and financial management while also exposing participants to government support systems and funding avenues. The programme was conducted under the guidance of the Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, supported by Chief Secretary Dr. Pawan Kotwal and Secretary of Higher and Technical Education and Skill Development, Smt. Bhanu Prabha, IAS. At the core of its design were EDII Director General Dr. Sunil Shukla and Director of Projects (Government) Dr. Amit Kumar Dwivedi, who envisioned a platform where technical education could be blended with entrepreneurial practice.

The six-day exercise featured interactive sessions and group work facilitated by faculty from EDII alongside local entrepreneurs and subject specialists. Participants were introduced to opportunity sensing, business model development and preparation of Detailed Project Reports. The inclusion of awareness modules on government schemes and mentoring mechanisms further anchored the sessions in practical application. Local business leaders offered first-hand perspectives. Mr. Tashi of Ladakh Herbs and Mr. Stanzin of Silk Route Energy spoke of their ventures, underlining both challenges and oppor-

tunities in the region. Food Technology Expert Dr. Tenzin Chodden delivered a special session on possibilities in the food and hospitality sector, which drew particular interest from the trainees. The concluding day saw participants present their business ideas using the Business Model Canvas. Among the projects that stood out were Rustal Drinks, a seabuckthorn-based herbal beverage presented by a group led by Mr. Tswang Namgil; Herbal Tea, aimed at both residents and visitors, by Ms. Tsewang Chuskit; and a proposal for online coaching and tutoring services to strengthen ed-

ucational access. Faculty members of ITI, including Superintendent Sonam Angchok and Instructor Ajaz Ahmed, extended consistent support during the week. Expert contributions from Dr. Diwakar Singh, Abhishake Nandan, Rigzin Wangdus and Mr. Ravikant Bharti of EDII lent depth to the sessions. The programme is being viewed as a fresh step towards building an ecosystem of enterprise in Ladakh. By aligning technical skills with entrepreneurial learning, it is expected to foster self-reliance and encourage the youth of the region to emerge as creators of opportunities rather than seekers of employment.

MY Bharat Celebrates Hindi Diwas

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LEH: Mera Yuva Bharat, Leh Ladakh, in collaboration with Langshed Labrang Choglam-sar, observed Hindi Diwas with active involvement from students, youth volunteers, and community members. The occasion reflected a spirit of cultural engagement and educational dialogue. The gathering was presided over by Gashy Nawang, Director of Langshed Labrang Choglam-sar, who attended as Chief Guest. Addressing the assembly, Nawang described Hindi as a unifying thread across India’s linguistic and cultural diversity. He urged the younger generation to take responsibility for strengthening Rajbhasha Hindi as a medium of expression and a symbol of cultural



identity. The programme featured lectures, interactive sessions, and group discussions, providing a forum for partici-

pants to share views on the contemporary relevance of Hindi. Cultural exchanges further enriched the observance, highlight.

National Lok Adalat in Leh Disposes of Over Two Hundred Cases, Settlement Crosses Rs. 94 Lakh

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LEH: The District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Leh, convened the third National Lok Adalat at the District Court Complex, where a substantial number of disputes were resolved through amicable settlement. The proceedings were virtually inaugurated by Hon’ble Mrs. Justice Sindhu Sharma, Judge of the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh and Executive Chairperson of the Ladakh Legal Services Authority. Justice Sharma, addressing the gathering online, underscored that while the people of Ladakh are inherently peace-loving, the geographical remoteness, extreme climatic conditions, and vast expanse of the region ne-

cessitate the use of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanisms for prompt redressal. She commended the role of legal services institutions in making justice accessible and emphasized the importance of enhancing legal awareness so that the public may fully avail themselves of the benefits of Lok Adalats. The occasion was attended by Manoj Parihar, Principal District and Sessions Judge Leh and Member Secretary, Tsewang Phunstog, Chief Judicial Magistrate Leh, Phuntsog Angmo, Secretary DLSA and Special Mobile Magistrate Leh, Lakshay Badyal, Munsiff Nubra, along with senior prosecuting officers, members of the Bar Association led by its President Mohd. Shafi, Panel



Lawyers, Legal Aid Defense Counsels, Paralegal Volunteers, Court Staff, and Litigants.

Six benches were constituted to hear matters, presided over by judicial officers in association with

advocates and revenue officials. The benches dealt with a range of disputes, including banking recovery suits, matrimonial matters, compoundable criminal cases, civil disputes, and labour-related issues. By the conclusion of the day-long exercise, 267 cases had been taken up, out of which 223 were disposed of through settlement. The total settlement amount reached Rs. 94,82,756, reflecting the efficacy of the forum in bringing litigants together for voluntary resolution. The National Lok Adalat in Leh once again reaffirmed the importance of ADR as an instrument of speedy justice delivery, offering relief to parties without the protracted ordeal of conventional litigation.

Stok Farmers Get Training on Nutri-Cereal Cultivation

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LEH: Farmers in Stok village received hands-on training in nutri-cereal cultivation today as the Agriculture Department organized a workshop under the National Food Security Mission (NFSM). The program focused on improving the cultivation of crops such as buckwheat, millets, and barley, aiming to enhance agricultural productivity in the region. The training session was conducted by District Agriculture Officer Shakeel ur Rehman and included inputs from Sub Divisional Agricul-

ture Officer Mohd Ramzan, Agriculture Extension Officers Kunzang Dolma and Tsering Dolkar, Jr. Agriculture Extension Officer Stanzin Idong, and Dr. Deachen Chuskit. Participants were introduced to modern agricultural techniques alongside traditional crop practices. Demonstrations included the Ladakh Green House package, vermicompost preparation, mushroom cultivation, and natural farming methods. Officials also briefed farmers on various departmental schemes designed to provide support and resources for agricultural development.