

# Congress protests against Lakhimpur Kheri violence



Congress workers staging protest against Central Govt.

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R S PURA: A protest was held by the Congress Party at R.S. Pura under the leadership of Mohan Choudhary, Sr. Congress Leader, Suchetgarh (Vice President, DCC, Jammu Rural) in support of the farmers who are protesting against the Lakhimpur

violence.

While addressing the farmers, Mohan Choudhary said that whole world understands that no justice can be given until minister's son is being investigated. We are completely dissatisfied by the manner in which investigations are being conducted. He said that the red carpet arrest of the minister's son who is the main accused in the incident has fuelled anger among the protesting farmers.

Others who were present on the occasion were S. Bhupinder Singh, Ch. Joginder Lal, Ajay Kumar, Gurdyal Singh, Capt. Ranjeet Singh, S. Lakhvinder Singh, Mohan Lal, Chamel Singh, Panch Waryam Lal, Sohan Lal, Kuldeep Kumar and others.

# DDC Chairman inaugurates medical camp

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MAHANPUR: District Development Council (DDC) Kathua Chairman, Col Mahan Singh inaugurated a free medical camp at Mahanpur here on Friday.

The camp was organised by Nidhi Hospital Udhampur with its team headed by Dr RK Nagpal conducted the diagnosis and treatment of the patients quite successfully. The team comprised of a Surgeon, a Physician besides dental surgeon doctors who remained present in day long free camp. Facilities including mobile laboratory, dental check, Anti COVID-19 Vaccination, besides distribution of free medicines were available till the conclusion of the day-long camp.

Speaking on the occasion Col Mahan Singh appreciated the initiative of Nidhi Hospital to organize such event in the remote and far flung area. He lauded the doctors' team for providing succour to the people at their door steps by providing them medicare free of cost.

Asserting that BJP stands committed to provide the best health care facilities to the people across the nation especially those living in the remote and far flung areas, Col Mahan assured every kind of help to the doctors for

## Enforcement teams recover over Rs 15,000 fine from violators

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RAMBAN: Continuing the enforcement drive to implement Covid protocol across the district Ramban, the Enforcement teams on Friday fined scores of violators for roaming without wearing face masks and not maintaining physical distance.

The enforcement teams, during the inspection in their respective jurisdictions, recovered a fine of Rs 15,800. Taking the total amount fined since April 1, 2021 to Rs. 59,50,650.

The Enforcement officers urged the people to wear face masks and maintain physical distance besides taking Covid vaccination doses at their nearest CVC.

District Immunization Officer, Ramban, Dr. Suresh informed that as many as 2240 persons were administered first and second Covid vaccine doses across Ramban district today.

As per daily bulletin issued by the Chief Medical Officer, Ramban, Dr. Mohammad Fareed Bhat, the Health Department has collected 1197 samples including 270 RT-PCR and 927 RAT samples besides administering Covid vaccine to 2240 persons at dedicated Vaccination Centres in the district.

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DDC Kathua Chairman, Col Mahan Singh educating people.

organizing such functions for the welfare of people of different areas in the future too.

Col Mahan Singh said that Bharatiya Janata Party's motto is to serve and reach out to the common people besides providing good governance and the Govt's seriousness about the health issues can be well gauged from the Ayushman Bharat scheme launches that covers each and every family and its members upto a maximum of Rs. 5 lakh for health related ailments and expenditure. He asked the people to avail the benefits through this scheme when required.

Meanwhile plants and saplings were also distributed during the event in order to promote awareness among the people about the significance of clean and

green environment that enables to live a healthy life.

Dr Nagpal, while speaking on the occasion, educated the people about the simple precautions to be followed that can keep diseases at bay urged them to strictly follow Covid SOPs and adopt CAB. He urged them to ensure vaccination against Covid virus well within time. He thanked DDC Chairman and local public for their support and assured that more such camps will be organised by his organization in future as well.

Among others present on the occasion were Sohan Lal Gupta Sarpanch, Parmod Singh, Mansa Ram and respectable citizens besides patients along with their attendants in large numbers were present.

# Neelam Langeh lauds SFs for giving befitting reply to terrorists

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RAMBAN: Expressing grief over loss of lives of the nation's security personnel during various encounters with terrorists, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader and former MLA Ramban, Neelam Langeh has lauded the Security Forces (SF) giving a befitting reply to the terrorists despite sudden spurt in terrorist attacks in Kashmir Valley.

Expressing grief over the martyrdom of soldiers including one JCO in Poonch, Langeh said that our security forces are strong enough to handle any adverse situation. He specifically lambasted the Kashmir based politicians for overtly and covertly supporting anti-nationals by giving mindless statements in the section of media which only mislead the people in the valley thus aggravating the situation further. He also condemned Pakistan for its continued support to terrorism and facilitating infiltration of terrorists into the Union Territory to create mayhem and panic here.

Saluting the sacrifice of the army personnel, the former MLA said that the whole nation stands with the families of these martyrs sharing their grief in the hour of great distress. He asserted that the nation shall ever remain indebted to the martyrs and their families.

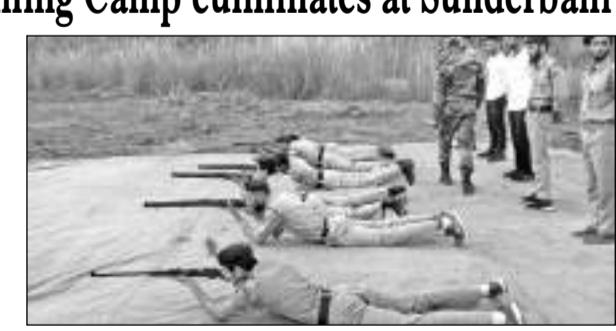
The BJP leader reiterated that the Modi Government is fully committed to establish peace and normalcy in the Kashmir region and the day is not far when people of Jammu as well as Kashmir regions will live peacefully maintaining the centuries old tradition and ethos of communal harmony and brotherhood.

# NCC Annual Training Camp culminates at Sunderbani

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JAMMU: NCC Annual training Camp organised by 5 NCC J&K Battalion culminated with cultural programme at NCC Camping Ground, Sunderbani (J&K). This annual training camp are conducted for NCC cadets who are required to undergo the training before becoming eligible for B' & U' certificate exam.

281 cadets of all divisions/wings of NCC participated and successfully completed their training. The camp was organised, managed and supervised by CO, 5 J&K Battalion NCC and his team of Officers, JCOs and Other Ranks. The camp training included motivational talks/lectures by civilians dignitaries of medical department of Sunderbani and security forces who visited the camp site and motivated the cadets by sharing their own experiences.



These camp are unique as they provide opportunity to NCC cadets to learn and shape up their physical, mental and intellectual skills in an organised manner under the supervision of trained Army PI Staff. It also provides a platform for cadets to showcase their individual skill and talent and group activities. This training forms the foundation for cadets to participate at National level camp and RDC parade.

# Dussehra celebrated with religious fervour



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BHADARWAH: The celebration of Dussehra festival was held in Additional district Bhadarwah with religious fervour on Friday evening after two years of simplicity due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Like other parts of the country, Dussehra festival which marks the victory of good over evil, was celebrated with great enthusiasm, gaiety and religious fervour by both communities (Hindus and Muslims) of Bhadarwah where effigies of Ravana, Kumbhakarna and Meghnath were burnt.

The main religious function was held at Historical Seri Bazaar Bhadarwah, where people watched the burning of sky high effigies of demon king Ravana, his brother

Kumbhakarna and son Meghnath to mark the culmination of good prevailing upon evil.

DDC Chairman Doda Dhananter Singh and Janta Dal (S) State Vice President Mast Nath Yogi also participated in the programme of Dussehra also known as Vijaya Dashami.

On the occasion, a victory march was taken out in the Bazaars with tableau of Lord Rama, depicting the scenes and characters from Ramayana, to mark the return of Lord Rama after killing the demon king. Thereafter, the tall effigies of Ravana, Meghnath and Kumbhakarna were set on fire, amidst bursting of loud fire crackers.

Muslims also greeted their Hindu Brethren on the occa-

sion and participated in large numbers to give message of

communal harmony and brotherhood in the area since decades.

Security arrangements were beefed up in all areas. SHO Bhadarwah Jatinder Singh Rakwal said that in view of celebrations, tight

security arrangements were made in and around the venue of celebration.

Meanwhile, army celebrated Dussehra and organised a Bhandara (Community Kitchen) at Asan and Battal villages in Sunderbani, Akhnoor Sector of UT of J&K. Theme of the event 'The Victory of Good over Evil'. The event provided a platform for villagers to interact and socialise with the Indian Army and celebrate the auspicious day together. An approximate strength of Indian Army and 300 villagers from all nearby

great religious fervor and gaiety.

A jhanki in the guise of Ram, Laxman, Hanumjan, Sugriv, Vibhushan, Angad and others was taken out from Historical Raghunath Mandir Nowshera under the supervision of President Sanatan Dharan Sabha Jagdish Chander Sahani took a round and passed through Kali Mata Mandir, Gujral Chowk, Thakurdwara, main Bus stand, Jhangar chowk and reached Mandir Ground.

The effigy of Ravana was burnt amid bursting of crack-



villages attended the event. The Awaam appreciated Indian Army's efforts for organising such events.

Prominent among those present include Subhash Kapoor, president Beopar Mandal, Ravikant Gupta, Gopal Sharma and others.

# KVK Reasi celebrates Mahila Kisan Diwas

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REASI: Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Reasi of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology - Jammu (SKUAST-J) celebrated Mahila Kisan Diwas on Friday at Gunn village of Pouni block in Reasi district of J&K which was attended by a number of farm women of the area. The programme was organised under the guidance of Director Extension of SKUAST-J, Prof SK Gupta.

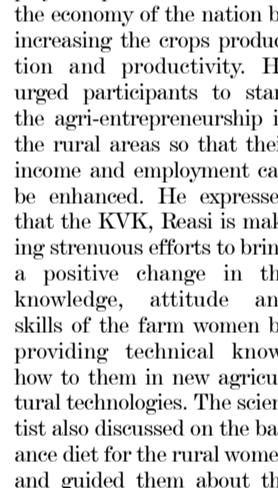
All SOPs guidelines pertaining to COVID-19 pandemic were strictly followed while conducting the programme. The programme was initiated by Dr. Banarsi Lal, Scientist and Head of KVK, Reasi with the warm welcome of the participants. While addressing the participants, he briefed about the significance of the event and highlighted the multi-dimensional role of farm women in agriculture and allied sectors. He spoke in length on women empowerment and women nutrition. He said that KVK, Reasi is making strenuous efforts to bring a positive change in the knowledge, attitude and skills of the farm women by providing technical know-how to them in new agricultural technologies. The scientist also discussed on the balance diet for the rural women and guided them about the balanced dietary pattern for

hour. He informed that about 80 per cent of field operations are performed by the women farmers and they play the pivotal role to raise the economy of the nation by increasing the crop production and productivity. He urged participants to start the agri-entrepreneurship in the rural areas so that their income and employment can be enhanced. He expressed that the KVK, Reasi is making strenuous efforts to bring a positive change in the knowledge, attitude and skills of the farm women by providing technical know-how to them in new agricultural technologies. The scientist also discussed on the balance diet for the rural women and guided them about the balanced dietary pattern for

their good health. He also guided the women for organic vegetable cultivation, mushroom cultivation, dairy farming, fruit and vegetables processing, turmeric cultivation etc. He discussed on the importance of nutri-gardens and educated them on nursery raising techniques in vegetables. He also spoke on gender mainstreaming and highlighted the Beti Bachao, Beti Padao campaign and said that there is dire need to control the declining sex ratio in the society. He emphasized on the female literacy and asked participants to provide quality education to their girl children. He highlighted number of services supportive for women's socio-economic empowerment such as Self-Help Groups (SHGs),

Producers Organizations (FPOs), Pardhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana, Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women (STEP) etc.

Quality seeds of marigold and zinnia flowers were also provided to the women farmers during the programme. Women farmers interacted with the KVK scientist and asked various technical queries which were answered satisfactorily by the scientist during the interactive session. During the programme, awardee woman farmer, Anita Devi was also present who shared her experiences with the other participants. The programme was concluded by Dr. Banarsi Lal with formal vote of thanks.



# RSS celebrates Foundation Day

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BHADARWAH: To mark the occasion of Vijaydashmi and 96th foundation day of RSS, a Shashtra Pujan programme was organized in Bhadarwah in which a number of Swayamsevaks took part.

Speaking at the event, RSS Doda Vibhag Sangchalak, Ashok Kotwal urged the Swayamsevaks to actively participate in the nation building process.

While addressing, he said that plan of Sangh is to raise good Swayamsevaks in every village, in every street, who has his own character and treats the whole society and country as its own.

He appealed the Swayamsevaks to extend the Shashtra work to each village. Due to Covid, the annual full dress route march was not organized but the Swayamsevaks in full dress exhibited physical exercises including Surya Namaskar, Samta etc, and Shashtra



Pujan program was performed. Other present on the occasion were Zila Sangh Chalak Shakti Prasad and Zila Pracharak Anil.

# Army launches plantation drive

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POONCH: Army focusing on the environmental concerns and its adverse effect, took an initiative of plantation drive at location Check, in District Poonch (J&K). To further foster a culture of responsibility towards nature, Indian Army along with Awaam of villages in remote locations near LoC in Poonch region dedicated the day towards "Green Future". This plantation drive focused on "Plant Trees, Save Life" as part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. This rewarding initiative witnessed a mass participation of the villagers, which included children and staff of the local educational institutions and members of social organisations. Appraising the gathering, the officials high-



lighted the environmental issues of afforestation in the present scenario of global warming. Officials appreciated the participants for their overwhelming contribution in the plantation drive. It re-emphasised the need of importance of respecting and protecting our 'Forest Wealth', rich flora and fauna for our future generations. The event concluded with the collective resolution of carrying out such initiatives in future and also ensuring the growth of the previous planted saplings as part of plantation drive.

age and marketing, 100 Pkts of mushroom have been distributed to the youth in the villages Chhatri sub division. Seeing it as a boon, local youth expressed their gratitude towards Indian Army for the noble initiative and displayed enthusiasm for cultivation of this aromatic crop in the area.

## Commemoration of Swarnim Vijay Varsh at GDC Bhadarwah

BHADARWAH: To mark India's 50th year of victory in 1971 Indo-Pak War and as a tribute to martyrs who have sacrificed their lives in Indo-Pak War, Indian Army is commemorating "Swarnim Vijay Varsh" from 16 December 2020 to 16 Dec 2021. On 12 Oct 21, Army conducted various activities on the occasion of "Swarnim Vijay Varsh" at Govt Degree College, Bhadarwah in District Doda (J&K). The event commenced with a lecture on achievement of Indian Army in 1971 Indo-Pak War and a presentation on battles fought by Indian Army in 1971 War. Family members of martyred soldiers also graced the occasion. A large number of Ex-servicemen from the area, representatives of civil administration and media personnel were present to commemorate the event. A total of 50 persons including faculty, students and media persons were present on the occasion. People expressed their unflinching faith in Indian Army which has always stood firm and committed to safeguard the Nation against all odds.