

JKPGA resents placement of registered Pharmacists in PMJ Aushadhi Kendra

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JAMMU: President, Jammu Kashmir Govt Pharmacist Association (JKGPA), Sushil Sudan shown resentment regarding placement of Govt in-service Pharmacists at PM Jan Aushadhi Kendra.

He said "All pharmacists of Jammu Division condemned the attitude of Govt and showed their strongly resentment by unanimously deciding that no Govt in-service Pharmacists of UT of Jammu & Kashmir work in any PM Jan Aushadhi Kendra of UT of Jammu & Kashmir."

Govt Pharmacist placed at PM Jan Aushadhi Kendra greatly impact their career prospect and patient care because to run the Jan Aushadhi Shop (a Govt run drug shop) are behind their capacities and it will be a clear violation of Govt Pharmacists Job Function order vide no DHS/J/2096-2113 dated February 3, 2008.

It was also informed that



President JKGPA, Sushil Sudan talking to reporters.

till date most of pharmacists are not registered by Jammu Kashmir

Pharmacy council Act 1948 for which we are in struggling.

Sudan said that Govt should amend the policy of deputing Govt in-service Pharmacist at PM Jan Aushadhi Kendra and engage retired and unemployed registered Pharmacists at PM Jan Aushadhi Kendra in place of Govt Pharmacists.

If Govt tries to pressur-

ize the govt pharmacist we have no alternate to go strike, he said.

Those who attended the press conference include Kamal Jit Sawhney, Pawan Kumar, Mahesh Kumar, Madan Sharma, Ved Paul Saini, Sanjay Choudhary, Mahesh Sharma, Romesh Chander, Vikram, Deep Singh, Balkar Singh, Ashwani Kumar Rajinder Sharma, Dheeraj Sharma, Partap Singh, Raj Kumar and Sidharath Sharma.

NHIDCL Regional Office Jammu conducts Swachhta Pakhwada activities

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JAMMU: Regional Office of National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL), a fully owned Public Sector Undertaking of Ministry of Road, Transport and Highways (MoRT&H) Government of India, has been conducting a series of activities for past several days under the aegis of Swachhta Pakhwada.

In addition to infrastructure development, the NHIDCL has been taking part in the various Central Schemes and Initiatives. In line with this, the organisa-

tion has associated itself with the national mission of Swachhta Abhiyan Mission 2.0 launched by the Prime

Minister of India. The NHIDCL RO Jammu under the leadership of its Executive Director (Projects), Colonel Sandeep Sudherais carried out a series of activities under the Swachhta Abhiyan Mission 2.0. The activities started on October 2, 2022 will continue till October 31.

Efforts are also being made to connect common masses of surrounding areas in its area of responsibility right up to Sinthanptop along NH 244 and upto Akhnoor on NH 144A.

It is pertinent to mention here that the cooperation



Executive Director (Projects), NHIDCL RO Jammu, Col Sandeep Sudherais and others during Swachhta Abhiyan.

and support provided by Jammu Municipal Corporation and local citizens has been overwhelming.

NYKS J&K, Ladakh organise 1633 activities under 'Clean India Campaign 2.0'



State Director, NYKS J&K, Ladakh, Nisar Ahmad Bhat, interacting with media persons.

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SRINAGAR: Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS), Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh Region, under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has so far organized 1,633 activities under 'Clean India Campaign 2.0' that was launched on October 1, 2022 by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India.

This was stated on Friday by Nisar Ahmad Bhat, State Director, NYKS J&K, Ladakh region while interacting with the media during a press briefing jointly organized by Press Information Bureau (PIB) Srinagar and NYKS at PIB, Srinagar.

Giving details about the

participation, total collection target and quantity of waste collected during the campaign across the UTs of J&K and Ladakh, Nisar said that 24,945 persons participated in different cleanliness activities across various districts of J&K and Ladakh Region and collected and disposed off 1,71,809 kg of waste.

Nisar said that during the campaign, 535 monuments were cleaned and 414 traditional water sources were renovated and maintained by NYKS volunteers.

He further said that NYKS volunteers also organized cleanliness activities across 938 schools, PHCs and other community places.

NYKS J&K, Ladakh

Region organized these activities in close collaboration with district administration, PRIs, Municipalities, Educational Institutions, Civil Society Groups, NSO, Religious Organizations, UNICEF, other UN Agencies, Lion Clubs, Rotary Clubs, SMC & JMC, Shri Nisar added.

Deputy Director PIB, Tariq Ahmad Rather conducted the proceedings of the Press briefing. Besides other officials, Hakim Abdul Aziz, Mohamad Khalil Mir, NYKS Deputy Directors and Wali Mohammad Lone, District Youth Officer were also present in the briefing.

Pertinent to mention that Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) is taking part in month-long nationwide 'Clean India Campaign 2.0' launched by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports on October 01, 2022 for collecting and removing garbage, mainly plastics.

The drive has been taken up to mark Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav on the 75th anniversary of India's independence.

Prof Perkins vouches for replacement of fossil fuel with Renewable Energy

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JAMMU: The Replacement of Fossil Fuel with Renewable Energy not only needs perpetual investment but also change in the investment decisions, said Prof. John H Perkins Member of the Faculty Emeritus, Washington USA.

He was speaking at the Prof. David Pimentel Memorial Lecture during the IES International Conference 2022 on Sustainable Agricultural Innovations for Resilient Agri-Food Systems organized at SKUAST-Jammu, Chatha, here on Friday.

He was also of the opinion that the consequences of climate change will result in decline of food production resulting in high prices, malnutrition and famine.

During the second day of the International Conference three keynote sessions on the themes viz., Agriculture and Forestry on Path Towards Carbon Neutrality; Public Health,



Member of the Faculty Emeritus, Washington USA, Prof. John H Perkins being felicitated in a programme.

Food Security and Safety; Genetics Innovations for Climate resilient Agri-food systems were conducted in which speakers from all over the world deliberated on different topics. Dr. Alice C Hughes from Hongkong deliberated on Exploring synergies between bio-diversity and carbon across scale and endorsed revisit post 2020 biodiversity frame work. Dr. Virender Pal Singh in his talk said that there is a need to have a fresh look at

the research, teaching and extension protocol and to develop new ones to suit the current needs. He further added that a Global bio energy research support facility needs to be established.

Dr. Swoyambhu Man Amatya from Nepal, in his speech, said that the South Asian Countries should take a lead role in identifying carbon neutral agro-forestry practices and implement them as appropriate. He also said that

International commitment needs to be fulfilled in case of agro forestry programmes. Dr. Pratap Singh Birlhal, Dr. Purnima Menon and Dr. Shannon Olsson spoke during the keynote session - III.

They said collaborative approach is the need of the hour for holistic development and Nutritional security should be the top most priority of every nation. Dr. Menon further added that Millets can play a vital role for addressing malnutrition problems but it should be worked along with cereals and not in isolation. Prof. Matin Qaim from University of Bonn, Germany deliberated on Actual and Potential Effects of Genetically Modified Crops; Dr. B. M. Prasanna from CIMMYT delivered his talk on Breeding and deploying climate resilient maize varieties in the tropics.

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JAMMU: Every Year Silk Weavers Expo, by National Weavers Association (NWA), registered with Ministry of Textile organizes highly exclusive exhibition in different states of the country where authentic and pure Silk & Handloom products are available and for the very first time, they are offering greatest deal on the auspicious occasion of Diwali & wedding season in Jammu. Silk Weavers Expo is going to organize a very spectacular and wonderful exhibition, which has selected fabrics and handlooms from 19 states across the country and all the ethnic, artistic and authentic handloom products will be available under one roof.

The main point of attraction is authenticity, high discount rate and direct purchase from the real weavers of Indian textiles across the country and no intermediaries are involved.

Get your products directly



Customers visiting exhibition at Kala Kendra Jammu.

from the weavers & manufacturers. Here no dealer or third party is involved. Hurry up and Grab this splendid offer and take home your all time favourite ethnic wear with paramount quality.

This time National weavers Association is giving precedence to the weavers and customers only on this festival and wedding season with 50 per cent curtail in rates.

This time Silk Weavers Expo has come up with a great offer especially for women in Jammu, here they can shop for all kinds of beautiful and really awesome scarfs, dupattas, Sarees, Stoles with 50% discount offer. Along with this, jewellery will also be available and much demanding products

for women. The products on display will be large variety of exclusive and attractive silk & cotton sarees, dress materials, suits, stoles, dupattas, Kurtas & Kurties along with fashion jewellery & artifacts for home decor that are sure to entice one & all to get hold of an item of their choice. Thus all in all the exhibition is all about the use of traditional handloom lifestyle products all under one roof. So make the most of this golden opportunity to enrich your wardrobe for the festive season and re decorate your sweet homes with attractive home decor items.

The regional & state's specialties include a host of varieties like Bhagalpuri Tassar, Kosa &

Khadi Silk of Bihar, Lucknow Chikan, Jamdani & of course Banaras Silk from Uttar Pradesh, Chanderi & Maheshwari Silk of M.P. Patola, Bandhini & Kutch Embroidary from Gujarat, while Rajasthan presents Bandheni, Block Print & Sanganeri Print, Karnataka has Bangalore Silk & printed crepe, Kanjaram & Cotton from Tamilnadu whereas Eastern State of West Bengal will offer Balucheri, Kantha, Tangail & Jamdani, Chattisgarh's Kantha, Kosa Silk & Tribal work sarees of Dharmavaram, Gadwal, Venkatgiri, Mangalgiri, Uppada, Kal-kari & much more to display for sale with 50% discount in Jammu this year.

This time it's all about styling your personality and home by coming at Kala Kendra, Bikram Chowk, Jammu every day from October 9 to 22 starting at 10:30 AM till 8:30 PM, where entry fee is absolutely free and all Debit & Credit cards accepted.

Kavinder calls on Union Minister Shantanu, discusses development scenario in J&K

Says people in J&K see a saviour in persona of PM Modi

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JAMMU: A delegation of senior BJP leaders led by former Deputy Chief Minister and senior BJP leader, Kavinder Gupta on Friday met Shantanu Thakur, Minister of State for Ports, Shipping and Waterways and discussed several issues regarding development scenario in Jammu and Kashmir. Pertinent to mention here that Shantanu Thakur has arrived in Jammu to visit Samba District tomorrow morning under the Public Outreach programme to take stock of public issues as well as development programmes.

The deputation comprised of senior BJP leaders Sat Sharma, Chander Mohan Gupta, Surjit Singh Salathia, Sham Lal Sharma, Ajay Bharti, Venu Khanna, Purnima Sharma, Arvind Gupta, Munish Khajuria, Naresh Singh, Karan Sharma, Rajesh Gupta, Ajay Manhas and Ashok Kumar. The BJP stal-



Former Dy CM, Kavinder Gupta led BJP delegation calling on Shantanu Thakur, MoS for Ports, Shipping and Waterways.

wart leader from the UT apprised Shantanu Thakur about the issues being faced by border dwellers and MGNREGA workers. He also apprised Shantanu Thakur about the vast scope of religious tourism in the Samba district as the two major Shrines Utterbehni and Purmandal falling under the Samba district and people from across the country visits both the shrines throughout the year. He also laid stress for proper development of both the shrines as due to lack of vision of suc-

cessive governments headed by NC and Congress the Jammu region was always discriminated.

"The scrapping of Article 370 has been seen as removal of major hurdle in the development and now the people are expecting colossal development in the UT with services and facilities reaching at their doorsteps", Kavinder said, adding that all eyes in J&K are on central dispensation to relieve them from the morass of decades together because in PM Narendra Modi's personal-

ity they see a saviour and well wisher. Consequently, the Union Minister reassured that the Central Government is committed to the welfare of the residents of Jammu and Kashmir and will take all the necessary steps for promoting the religious tourism in the Union Territory. He also ensured equitable, balanced and sustainable socio-economic development of the region.

"The successive Governments in the past have exploited the people, conveniently ignoring the genuine issues confronted by them but now the Centre is keen to give the due rights to the people of J&K and that too in a swift manner", the Union Minister assured, adding that the government is working tirelessly to provide relief to people of J&K, who had seen and passed through the dark era created by the successive governments.

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JAMMU: The Department of English and Department of ICT of Government College of Education (GCOE), Jammu on Friday organised an Online National Webinar on Integrating ICT in Education: Teaching Apps for New Age Teachers.

In the inaugural session, Principal, Prof Aekta Gupta apprised the audience about the objective of the webinar. She said that B.ED College has taken the initiative of implementing the vision of NEP 2020 for integrating new age technology for training the teachers for the future tech-savvy generation and to promote teaching, learning and evaluation through hybrid mode of teaching.

Prof Shalini Rana, organising secretary of the programme,

also asserted that now the teachers will have to keep pace with changing technology and update and up-skill themselves for teaching the future generations.

The Resource Persons for the first session were M. Prasanna Venkateshwaran, ELT Professional, ELTAC Services, Chennai and Prof Vargeesh Vargeesh K.M. from the Department of English of St. Joseph's College, Tiruchy, Tamil Nadu. The resource persons delivered hands-on interactive sessions on Latest Teaching Apps for Teaching Languages and Lesson Plan Apps for Gen Z Teachers. They gave detailed presentations on the use of templates for making Lesson Plans quickly. They also apprised the Pupil Teachers about the use of apps like Nearpod,

Chalk Board, Planboard, Kahoot and other apps available for effective teaching as well as prompt evaluation. The program was convened by Dr Deep K Bangotra, HoD, Department of ICT. In his address, he said that this webinar is just the beginning of a series of programs on integrating ICT in Teacher Education and Training.

The programme was attended by Prof Anju Bala (B.Ed. Coordinator) and Dr Rajinder Kour (M.Ed. Coordinator) respectively and advisory members Dr Jyoti Parihar and Prof Radhika Mahajan. All the faculty members participated in the program. Vote of thanks was presented by Monali. The programme was conducted by Shalini Khajuria, Mukeet and Shriya.

VMC launches admission cum scholarship test VIQ

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JAMMU: Vidyamandir Classes (VMC), India's premiere institute for the preparation of JEE Main & JEE Advanced, NEET, Olympiads, NTSE, & Inspire (erstwhile KVPY), launched its most awaited and biggest admission cum scholarship test of the year - Vidyamandir Intellect Quest (VIQ). Launched on 19th of August 2022, VIQ is a national level online and offline test (to be conducted on 15th and 16th October 2022) for students of Class V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, & XI. Students qualifying this test will stand the chance to secure scholarships (up to 100%) and get admission in their preferred VMC offline / online programme.

"Keeping in line with its one-of-a-kind teaching methodology, comprehensive study material and stellar results, VMC's eagerly anticipated test VIQ is packed with five-point advantage. Be it, from lowest academic fee of the year to highest scholarship on admission, from complimentary live online classes of up to 100 hours for the class student is currently studying in, to free

practice tests and extensive e-material for current session, VMC continues to push boundaries in the pursuit of excellence," quoted Abhishek Sharma, Chief Business Officer, Vidyamandir Classes.

This test is the best gateway for students of class V to XI to get acquainted with their academic potential, scope of improvement, shortcomings, exam temperament & confidence.

"Equivalently, VIQ opens doors for JEE and NEET aspirants of accelerated success and meaningful accomplishment while also making them comprehend their current potential and academic intellect based on the marks obtained. By and large, Vidyamandir Intellect Quest offers an unbounded opportunity for the IIT JEE & NEET aspirants which will surely keep them one step ahead by preparing them to lead in a society driven by cutthroat competition," said Brij Mohan, Co-Founder, Vidyamandir Classes. So, he asked students do not waste time and rush to register for VIQ at www.vidyamandir.com.