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NOTICE

I, Amita Kumari W/o Vijay Kumar R/o H.No 38 Dogra Hall, Jammu state that my name has wrongly been written as Anita instead of correct name Amita Kumari in my daughter Garistya Lakhnotra Class 7th under Roll No. 19 school record. Now I am applying for correction of the same. Objection if any may be conveyed to Principal S.P Smart School Exchange Road, Jammu within 7 days.

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DC inaugurates Shield Taekwondo Academy in Doda

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
DODA: Deputy Commissioner Doda, Vishesh Paul Mahajan alongwith ACD Doda Fhulail Singh and ACR/ACP Doda Ashfaq Khanji on Sunday inaugurated a fully equipped Shield Taekwondo Academy at Bilal Abad near Sport Stadium Doda under the name of Shield Taekwondo Academy (STA).

Taekwondo Association Junaid Ali Khan. DC Doda Vishesh Paul Mahajan, during the ceremony, congratulated the Founder of the academy, Burhan Ud Din Khan for the launch of this prestigious well equipped academy.

Speaking to the media, the DC congratulated District Taekwondo Association for promoting



DC Doda, Vishesh Paul Mahajan posing with players and others.

The inauguration ceremony was held in the presence of Patron, District Doda Taekwondo Association, Tariq Hussain Malik and President District Doda

Taekwondo across Doda District and he further assured all possible support for the forthcoming National and International Events.

IIT Jammu hosts 3rd Convocation ceremony



A dignitary speaking at 3rd Convocation ceremony of IIT Jammu at the Jagti campus.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: IIT Jammu hosted its 3rd Convocation Ceremony on at the Jagti campus.

On 15th of October, a cultural night was hosted which began with an award ceremony which had Bank of Baroda Achievers Award 2022 for Best Academic Performance, Bank of Baroda Achievers Award 2022 for All-round performance, Prof. S.K. Jain Leadership Award Outstanding Doctoral Student Award, Prof. Ashok K Ahuja Steel Structures Award and Ahummi Award for Best New Initiative. It was followed by Institute app release IRA and Cultural activities including Odissi Dance by Kavita Dvivedi, Gori Folk dance, along with a Dogri play "Sunu Ek Kahani" by Natrang were performed. Director's Tribal Chair Announcement was also done during the event. Director, IIT Jammu, Prof Manoj Singh Gaur announced the set up of Tribal Chair at the institute. The objectives of the Tribal Chair are: to collect, transcribe, digitize, disseminate tribal culture of Gujjars & Bakervals. On 16th of October the institute's Chairman Dr. Sharad Kumar Sarf, Director Manoj Gaur along with Registrar, members BOG and Senators were present at the event. Dr. G Sathesh Reddy who is Scientific Advisor to Raksha Mantri Government of India was the Chief Guest for the event and Hitesh Oberoi who

is Co-promoter, MD and CEO Info Edge India Limited was the Commencement Speaker.

The event began with a tree plantation drive led by the chief guests followed by a welcome message by Registrar Rajkumar Manjhiwal.

The Chairman gave the students the mantras for leading a successful life, Dr. G Sathesh Reddy encouraged the graduating students towards fulfilling the vision of AtmaNirbhar Bharat whereas the director congratulated the graduating students and highlighted all the important events of the past year: A total of 128 candidates of Indian Institute of Technology were awarded Bachelor of Technology Degree, 48 candidates were awarded Master of Technology Degree and 4 candidates were presented by Doctor of Philosophy. The President Gold Medal was awarded to Siddharth Srivastava from Civil Engineering. Director's Gold Medal was awarded to Abhishek Keshri from the Mechanical Engineering department and the Institute's Gold Medal for M.Tech was awarded to Mriganak Jha.

Abhinav Sharma, Mathi Saihemanth, Daksh Chauhan, Rishabh Rajuan, Abhishek Keshri were presented with the Institute's Silver Medal for Bachelor of Technology. Animesh, Parth Dharmendra Kumar Pathak, Navjot Kumar and Vipul Raj were awarded with the Institute's Silver Medal for Master of Technology.

Time to develop integrated models of medical teaching: Dr Jitendra

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

VARANASI: Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh said here on Sunday time has come for India to develop integrated models of medical teaching and added that Banaras Hindu University (BHU), founded by Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya in 1916, offers a unique model of integrated teaching, including integrated medical teaching within one single campus.

BHU, said the Minister, is today possibly the largest residential educational centre, with so many diverse academic streams within the same campus and at the same time also committed to focus on character building and mentoring. All disciplines including life sciences, Medicine, Engineering, Arts, Social Sciences ,technology etc , to mention a few, are there.

Presiding over the Annual Day celebrations as chief guest at BHU , Dr Jitendra Singh said, the Institute of Medical Sciences (IMS) in BHU is a unique medical centre in the University in the sense that it has faculty of Ayurveda as well as indigenous medical systems, Dental Science along with Allopathy and other modern or western systems medicine. It is also planning to intro-



Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh speaking, as chief guest, at the Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University (BHU) on Sunday.

duce Yoga and Ayush studies in the same premises.

IMS ranks among India's top five Medical Institutes, noted Dr Jitendra Singh and said, the Institute in BHU imbibes the spirit of integrated and holistic approach where the students can access all the medical streams in a single campus.

Elaborating further on the integral and unique nature of medical professionals, Dr Jitendra Singh said, India's medical fraternity is being hailed across the world, particularly after the COVID pandemic.

He said, at a time when the medical practitioners across the world were taken by surprise by an unusual catastrophic event in the form of COVID pandemic, it was India's medical professionals who not only geared up

overnight but also commendably reoriented themselves to defeat the challenge in a manner that it has set an example before the rest of the world to follow. Aided by an integrated ecosystem, it was India which not only came out with the first DNA vaccine but also provided it to the rest of the world, he added.

While in the beginning of the pandemic, said Dr Jitendra Singh, the world was apprehensive that a disaster outbreak in a populous country like India would pose threat to other countries as well, it was Prime Minister Narendra Narendra Modi's focussed approach and day-to-day monitoring which helped India perform better compared to several European countries with less than half of India's popula-

tion. Having himself been a teacher and Professor of Medicine for over quarter of a century, Dr Jitendra Singh said, he is highly appreciative of the young Resident Doctors who faced the entire brunt during the pandemic, more so because during the last two decades, the focus of clinical teaching had shifted to non-communicable diseases like Diabetes, hypertension, heart attacks etc and equal priority was not given to the teaching of communicable diseases. But still, the versatile and varied clinical teaching imparted to our medics in India enabled them to instantly rise to the occasion, he said.

Referring to Varanasi as an abode of Lord Vishwanath, the oldest living city and seat of knowledge, Dr Jitendra Singh said, Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya very appropriately chose Varanasi to set up Banaras Hindu University (BHU) much before independence at a time when there were hardly any Universities in India. The Banaras Hindu University, a creation of Bharat Ratna Mahamana Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya Ji was shaped as a temple of learning in 1916, he said.

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Kashmir Premier Mountain Biking Challenge flagged-off



DC Ganderbal, Shyambir flagging of cycle race from Stadium.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

GANDERBAL: Deputy Commissioner Ganderbal Shyambir and Director Tourism Kashmir, Fazlul Haseeb on Sunday flagged off 45 Km off road cycle race from Madri Meharbaan Stadium Ganderbal to Mammer Sonamarg in which around 100 cyclists from different states including J&K, Haryana, Delhi and Bihar participated.

Speaking on the occasion, the DC said Mountain biking as an adventure sport is gaining rapid popularity in J&K and such events have played a vital role in popularizing

this sport. He complemented the organizers for holding 'Kashmir Premier Mountain Biking Challenge' in Ganderbal district which will help to popularize the adventure tourism in the district and assured all support from the district administration in organizing such adventure sport events in the district.

The competition was held in various categories like Mens Elite, Masters and Youth Boys.

The culmination ceremony was held at JKTDC Cafeteria Mammer during which position holders were felicitated by the Deputy Commissioner

Ganderbal and Director Tourism Kashmir.

Waheed Ahmad got 1st position, Dr Akbar Khan got second and Basil Rather got third position in "Mens Elite".

Mohammad Zamin Reshi got 1st Position, Irfan Mir Second and Sajad Yousuf got third position in "Masters".

Adnan Bashir got 1st Position, Parveez Ahmad second and Arsalan was third in Youth Boys category.

Faisal Shafi & Tahir Shameem got 1st position, Zulfkar & Ikhlaiq second and Mushtaq Bhat & Abdul Shaqoor got third in Team of Two Category.

Beer at departmental stores part of initiative to discourage high content alcohol: Excise Com

'All liquor licences issued to domiciles of J&K'

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Dismissing accusations about the liquor mafia having taken control of the trade in Jammu and Kashmir after the introduction of e-auction, a top excise official said 100 per cent of the liquor licences for wine shops have been issued to domiciles of the Union Territory with revenue realisation touching an all-time high of 217 crore this year.

Excise Commissioner Pankaj Kumar Sharma also defended availability of beer and other ready-to-drink (RTD) beverages at departmental stores in urban areas, saying "the step is part of a policy initiative to encourage transition from high content to low content harmless alcohol." Talking to PTI here, the official said this year, the J&K excise policy has been issued with major emphasis on facilitating the opening of vends at tourist destinations so that the holidaymakers do not face any difficulty in having access to booze.

"We have issued a total of 655 licences under J&K excise policy and J&K liquor license and sales rules this year; out of which 279 have been issued under J&K EL2, popularly known as wine shops and 250 to bars with restaurants, hotels, banquets and clubs, and at institutions wherever alcohol is used for experimental, scientific purpose or for industrial purpose," Sharma said.

After the introduction of e-bidding and e-auction last year, he said 279 liquor vends were e-auctioned and the highest bidders were given the licences, generating a revenue of Rs 217 crore to the government exchequer against Rs 123 crore the previous year.

"The revenue generated is huge compared to the period before the introduction of the e-auction when only Rs 6 to 7 crore used to be realised on account of the annual renewal fee of the (wine shop) licences," he pointed out.

Over 200 traditional wine shopkeepers of Jammu have

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A series of sports activities were held across the district headquarters of the Jammu division in which hundreds of participants were seen competing with each other. The participants were supported by their family, friends, and sports lovers at almost all the venues.

"Sport is a systematic process through which a child acquires knowledge, experience, wisdom, skill and sound attitude to progress in a lifetime", said Sunaina Sharma, Joint Director of tourism, while addressing the participants of the lawn tennis championship held in M.A Stadium, Jammu.

"The special sports initiative My Youth My Pride has earned national recognition now and this is an acknowledgment of the success of the program at all levels," she added.

Sunaina Sharma presided over the function as chief guest. More than 60 players from different clubs of Jammu district took part in the event which was supervised by Satish Gupta, Manager of the Indoor sports complex.

The chief guest was also apprised about the functioning of 23 indoor sports complexes at the district level besides 40 Khelo India centers and the progress of 948 ongoing sports projects.

Earlier, the welcome address was presented by

Rajiv Sharma, a member of the Sports Council. Others present on the occasion were Deepak Singh Lawn tennis instructor, Vinay Sharma and Divam Gupta, besides players and parents.

Meanwhile, a Tug of War Championship was organized in Government Modern Higher Secondary School, Ramban.

Kewal Krishan Sharma, the Principal of the school along with Dharamveer Singh, District Sports Officer, Ramban attended the function as special invitees.

The participants whose number was fifty were very excited to be part of the event.

The Guests, while applauding the efforts of the Sports Council, appreciated the enthusiasm of the students. The Organizing Committee thanked dignitaries adding a note of appreciation for the beauty of the scenic Ramban and the support of locals for conducting the event smoothly.

A Tug of war event was also organized in Islamia Farida HSS of district Kishthwar.

In other games, a Gatka event was organized in the sports stadium Kathua. Sardar Charanjeet Singh, President of the district Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee, along with Sarpanch Kathua and Dr JS Sodan, Physical Director of Government Degree College

Kathua were special guests on the occasion.

In the day-long competition, Dिल्पreet, Kamalpreet, and Kuljeet won gold, silver, and bronze medals, respectively in the U17 category, while Maanamrit, Harsimran, and Jasdeep bagged first, second and third place in the U19 category.

In the U22 category, Manpreet and Kamaljeet won gold and silver medals, respectively. Ravinder Singh, General Secretary Gatka Association J&K supervised the event technically, while Amarjeet Singh, Lovepreet Singh, Simrandeep Kour, and Taranbeer Singh officiated the matches.

Khelo India Korfbal Center along with Sports Council conducted the Korfbal event under My Youth My Pride at the sports stadium Samba in which team Vijaypur prevailed over team Samba.

Additional Superintendent of Police Samba, Surinder Choudhary presided over the function as the chief guest. The event was supervised by a team headed by S.P Singh, Manager of MAM Stadium, Jammu, and Manjeet Singh KIC korfbal coach officiated.

A Kabaddi competition was also held at GHS, Kund Kanyari, Reasi in which more than 70 participants from different classes of the school participated.

which is sent to different parts of the country and abroad as well. Beer worth more than Rs 700 crore is exported from the Union Territory.

The commissioner said J&K Special Whisky continues to register the highest sale with over 1.06 crore bottles sold by September this year; followed by over 53 lakh bottles of Indian made foreign liquor (IMFL).

Asked whether the department plans to open more liquor vends at tourist destinations amid a record footfall of 1.62 crore visitors this year; he said, "We have to facilitate the tourist destinations... to ensure that there are no complaints of non-availability of liquor from the visitors." "Jammu and Kashmir is home to the world class tourist destinations like Gulmarg, Pahalgam, Sonamarg and Patnitop...As far as tourist destinations are concerned, we are little liberal and we are ready to facilitate those who want liquor licences at such destinations," he said.-(PTI)

SR College conducts JKAS Mains Test Series

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: SR College has started a test series for the aspirants preparing for the 2022 J&K Combined Competitive Mains Examination conducted by the JKPSOC in the college at Gandhi Nagar.

SR College of Competitions has been guiding civil services aspirants since the year 2000 and a number of students coached by the college have made their

entry into the final lists of various coveted services like IAS, IFS, IPS, IJS , IFoS , JKAS ,JKPS, KCS and many other national and state level services. The test series for Mains 2022 comprises 10 sectional and 04 full mock tests of General Studies and 4 sectional and 2 full length tests for each Optional .The students are also being provided with explanations and doubt clearing classes by the evaluators and

the strategy to complete the paper in time and to put more content in less time by resorting to flow charts and diagrams.

"The response was very encouraging and the tests are scheduled every Sunday and Wednesday. Further Full Mock Tests at the end will help the aspirants in getting their preparation assessed and evaluated," said Neha Sharma, Office Coordinator.

Transportation and Logistics: Place your trust in next growth engine



After reaching a peak in October 2021, the Indian stock markets have remained below that level for an entire year so far.

The rising inflation all over the world and geo-political developments like the Russia-Ukraine war has taken a severe toll on the markets across the world.

Such situations are a good occasion for investors to look for newer or under-explored opportunities for investments. These could be companies or sectors having a promising future, once the global headwinds pass. One such sector is the transportation and logistics sector. Let us understand the potential of this theme.

Transportation likely to see a boost: The government of India is increasing its focus on infrastructure development. And improvement

in infrastructure directly impacts other parts of the economy. For example, better roads translate into more people buying better vehicles, or travel time coming down which results in improvement of supply-chains.

The other area of growth for the vehicle manufacturers is likely to come from export of vehicles. The government's focus on 'Make in India' is already resulting in vehicle exports from India growing sharply in the last few years. When the vehicle manufacturing sector grows, the supporting industry of auto ancillaries like batteries and other auto parts also benefits from the growth.

The potential in Logistics: Improvement in infrastructure and better transport facilities result in improving supply chains. For example, enhanced railway connectivity has a positive impact on economic movement across the country, of people as well as that of goods. Moreover, the rapid digitisation and

the expected roll-out of 5G connectivity in the country will only aid the ecommerce sector and make many smaller businesses capable of reaping benefits. This could boost sectors like e-commerce, as it can lead to more and more unorganised segments like smaller artisans and merchants to come into the organised space and enhance their reach.

While it is clear that the transportation and logistics sector is likely to be the next sunrise sector, as an investor the universe of major companies operating in this space is reasonably large. In such a scenario, the best option is to opt for a mutual fund scheme that focuses on the theme of transportation and logistics.

ICICI Prudential AMC has recently launched ICICI Prudential Transportation & Logistics Fund and the NFO period is open from Oct 06 - Oct 20, 2022.

Rishi Gupta, Mutual Fund Distributor.