

Ayush institutions playing key role in providing medi-care facilities: Advisor Bhatnagar

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JAMMU: Advisor to Lientenant Governor, Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar on Sunday remarked that Ayush institutions are playing a pivotal role in providing medical care facilities in far flung areas of Jammu and Kashmir.

The Advisor made these comments while speaking during the 7th National Ayurveda Day (Dhanvantri Trayodashi or Dhanvantri Jayanti) celebrations at Govt. Ayurvedic Hospital, Indira Chowk here.

The theme of this years National Ayurveda Day is 'Har Ghar Har Din Ayurveda'.

Speaking on the occasion, Advisor Bhatnagar appreciated the role of Ayush during the Covid 19 pandemic for their outreach in mitigation and management efforts of



Advisor, R.R Bhatnagar speaking at 7th National Ayurveda Day celebrations at Govt. Ayurvedic Hospital, Indira Chowk, Jammu.

Government during the pandemic. He also highlighted that the Ayush institutions situated in far flung areas are providing fundamental health care services to the people of these areas.

While speaking on different contours of Ayurveda, Advisor Bhatnagar urged upon the Ayush doctors to provide Ayush services and remain available for the service of public every time. He

highlighted that the demand of Ayush medicare is increasing and people are generating trust in Ayush health care.

The Advisor on the occasion also underlined the importance of Ayurveda health education and said that Ayurveda health education must be part of Yoga sessions and included in the school curriculum.

Later, the Advisor also

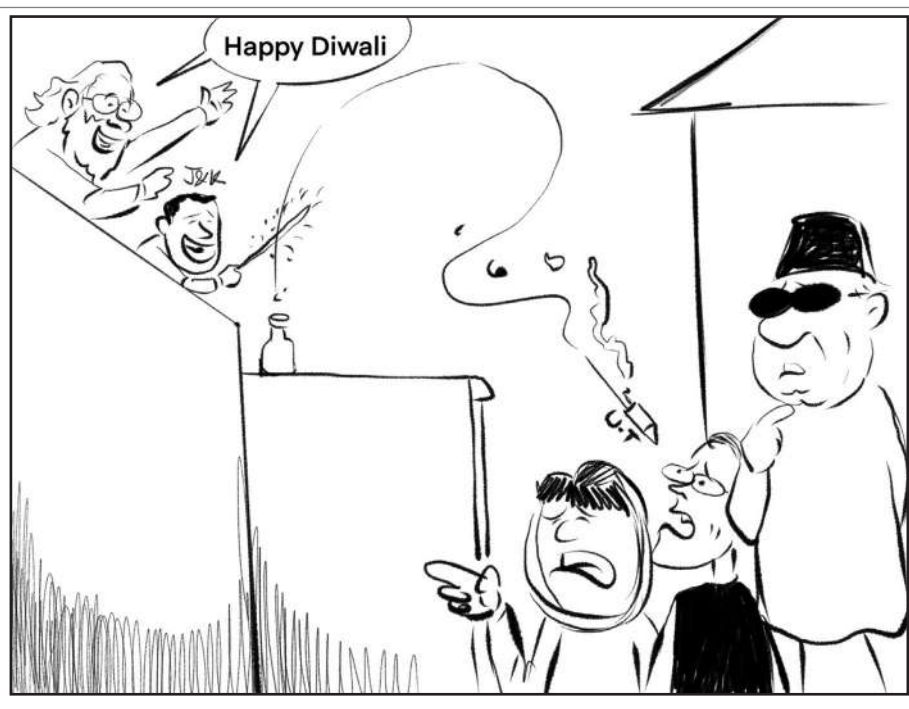
inspected various sections of the Govt. Ayurvedic Hospital and interacted with the medical officers, paramedical staff and patients with regard to the services being provided by different sections of the hospital.

As part of the National Ayurveda Day celebrations, Advisor Bhatnagar also planted sacred tree in the Arogya Vatika of Govt. Ayurvedic Hospital.

During the program, a video documentary "Ayush Utkarsh- Development Story of Ayush Sector in J&K" was also showed which emphasized upon the various treatment procedures and operations of Govt. Ayurvedic Hospital and how Ayush is changing the lives of people.

The Students of Govt. Ayurvedic Medical College also presented a skit on Ayurveda as well as a yoga demonstration was also exhibited on the occasion.

Director Ayush J&K, Dr. Mohan Singh; Medical Superintendent Govt. Ayurvedic Hospital, Medical officers, paramedical staff, students, Ayurvedic organizations and representatives of Regional Research Institute of Ayurveda also participated in the programme.



ADGP Jammu greets people on Deepawali

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JAMMU: Additional Director General of Police Jammu Zone, Jammu, Mukesh Singh, on Sunday extended Deepawali greetings to the people of Jammu province, all ranks of J&K Police and security forces, families of martyrs and Police personnel. He wished a blissful festi-



In his message, ADGP Jammu said the Deepawali festival symbolizes victory of light over darkness and good over evil. He has expressed hope that the festival will bring joy and happiness to the people of UT of J&K

He also appealed to the people to take utmost precautions and safety measures while celebrating the festival.

Chief Postmaster General, Ajatshatru Singh release 'Pictorial Cancellation' on Raghunath Temple



CPG, J&K Circle, Niraj Kumar in presence of Ajatshatru Singh, Trustee JKDT, Ritu Singh releasing Permanent Pictorial Cancellation on Raghunath Temple Jammu.

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JAMMU: Department of Posts, Jammu and Kashmir Circle on Sunday released a Permanent Pictorial Cancellation on Raghunath ji Temple Jammu in the premises of the Raghunath ji Temple in presence of a substantial gathering of locals, philatelists and postal staff. The Permanent Pictorial Cancellation was released by Niraj Kumar, Chief Postmaster General, J&K Circle in the presence of Ajatshatru Singh, Trustee

J&K Dharmarth Trust, Ritu Singh, Ajay Gandotra President J&K Dharmarth Trust and Dr Shikha Mathur Kumar, GM Finance West Bengal Circle.

Speaking on the occasion, Niraj Kumar extended best wishes to the people of Jammu on the eve of Deepawali and said that the Department of Posts today gave Deepawali gift to the public of Jammu.

He informed that outgoing unregistered and registered articles as well as speed posts letters and parcels booked

from Jammu will be impressed with the impression of this Permanent Pictorial Cancellation and the people receiving the articles in other parts of the country will have holy Darshan of Raghunath ji Temple Jammu at their homes.

Ajatshatru in his address said that the Department of Posts has done an excellent job by commemorating Raghunath ji Temple.

Ajay Gandotra said that the entire administration of Raghunath ji Temple is happy with the release of Pictorial Cancellation by the Department of Posts, J&K Circle.

Niraj Kumar said that in the coming days, all the important future heritage buildings, famous personalities belonging to the Jammu region will be commemorated by the Department of Posts by releasing special covers and pictorial cancellations.

LG, Advisor, CS extend Deepawali greetings

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SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, his Advisor, Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar and Chief Secretary Dr Arun Kumar Mehta have greeted the people on the auspicious occasion of Deepawali.

In a message, the Lt Governor said that the festival of lights, Deepawali, is a harbinger of joy, happiness and prosperity, celebrates the victory of good over evil, of knowledge over ignorance and inspires us to fight darkness in all spheres of life.

"May this festival of lights bring joy, happiness, peace and prosperity to all and illuminate the path of progress and well-being," the Lt Governor added.

In his greetings, Advisor Bhatnagar said that this festival symbolises tri-

umph of good over evil and inspires us to fight darkness in all spheres of life.

He added that this festival will strengthen the bonds of friendship, goodwill and communal harmony between the people of our country for which we are known across the globe.

The Advisor also prayed for peace, progress and prosperity of entire Jammu and Kashmir.

Dr Mehta, in his message said that Deepawali is a unique symbol of our culture that symbolizes fraternity, harmony and unity.

He wished that this festival may remove the darkness from peoples' life and illuminate every household with joy, hope and prosperity. He appealed to the people to have a safe and eco-friendly Deepawali.

For younger generation, we need to ensure peace & tranquillity: Bukhari

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SRINAGAR: Apni Party President Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari said that peace and tranquillity in Jammu and Kashmir is imperative for a better future to the young generation.

He said, "The political narratives and emotional slogans that the traditional political parties have been promoting here over the years have caused huge losses to J&K and its people."

He was addressing a party convention in Manigam Devsar area of south Kashmir's Kulgam district on Sunday.

Maintaining that Apni Party believes in the politics of truth and justice, Bukhari said, "We do not believe in the politics of lies and deception. We will always tell the truth to our



Apni Party President Syed Mohd Altaf Bukhari speaking at a convention.

people even if the truth is bitter. We cannot deceive our own people, especially the youth by promoting false promises and emotional slogans. We want a better future for our youth and the coming generation. And, for a better future, we need to ensure a peaceful environment here."

He added, "Apni Party's

key agenda is to work for the peace, prosperity, and development in Jammu and Kashmir because people here have been suffering hugely for the past more than three decades. We have seen deaths and destruction here and we cannot afford to continue with the same situation, thus we need to ensure peaceful atmosphere

here."

He further said, "New Delhi may or may not necessarily require peace in Jammu and Kashmir, but people are in dire need of restoration of peace because unless we have a peaceful atmosphere in J&K, we cannot have growth and development here. And, we cannot afford one more generation to turmoil and bloodshed."

He said, "I assure you that we will ensure prosperity, development here, and job opportunities for the youngster. We know how to create a system to ensure justice and equal opportunities for all."

Taking a dig at the traditional political parties, Bukhari said, "J&K's traditional political parties and their leaders have been promoting and endorsing

deceptive politics for their own political and personal gains during the past 75 years. They have been exploiting people, especially the youth by coining emotional slogans, which eventually caused death and destruction here. The deceptive narratives and emotional slogans have made thousands of youngsters land either in jails or in the graveyards."

He advised people not to fall prey to the same political narratives and emotional slogans anymore.

"The traditional politicians will come to you again with bogus slogans, but you should not fall into the trap of their tall talk and fake promises this time. Let them know enough is enough. Don't allow them to exploit you further for their political gains," he cautioned.

Kishtwar North India's power hub, exclusive power plant for Machail: Dr Jitendra

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KISHTWAR: Kishthwar has emerged as North India's power hub under the Modi government with a series of active power projects, in total expected to generate more than 6000 Mega Watt of electricity. The latest addition would be an exclusive 1 Mega Watt Solar Power Plant for the holy spot of Machail which would be a great boon for the pilgrims in the Machail yatra.

This was stated here today in the DISHA meeting of district Kishthwar convened by Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh to review progress on various Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) being implemented in Kishthwar district.

The meeting was attended by DDC Chairperson, Pooja Thakur; President Municipal Council Kishthwar Sajjad Ahmed Najjar; Deputy Commissioner, Kishthwar Dr Devansh Yadav, BDC Chairpersons, DDC members and nominated members of DISHA committee besides District and Sectoral officers of different departments.

Commissioner gave a Power Point presentation on the achievements and progress recorded under different Centrally Sponsored Schemes besides status of various iconic/development projects being executed by different departments and agencies in the district.

Deputy Commissioner apprised the chair that large number of works taken under different CSS have been completed and the rest are at different stages of execution in the district.

Besides, DC Kishthwar gave a detailed insight about the action taken report of various issues highlighted in the previous DISHA meeting.

On enquiring about the status of Air strip taken up under Civil Aviation Ministry GOI, DC Kishthwar apprised that the various codal formalities of the project has been completed and on visit of the technical team, the project will be finalised.

The chair asked for collaboration with the concerned to conduct the visit of technical team so that work on the said project of national importance gets started soon.

While reviewing the sector wise



Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh presiding over DISHA meeting at Kishthwar on Sunday.

progress of the district kishthwar, Dr Jatindra singh stressed the administration to give a major flip to the tourism sector in the District. He stressed to lay focus on the potential areas of tourism like the religious tourism, trekking and mountaineering, adventure tourism and upgradation of camping sites in the district to attract the larger tourist footfall in District.

He stressed for bringing the areas of Machail, Sarthal under the tourism circuit on priority basis and linking the tourism sector with the Mission Youth schemes for the larger benefit of youths.

While speaking in the meeting, Union minister also reiterated that Kishthwar district is a hub

of 5 major upcoming Hydroelectric Power Projects with huge power generation capacity which can be of great potential to meet out the needs in power sector in the UT and Country in the coming time. He further added that tapping of solar energy will further augment the power needs in far flung areas of district.

DC Kishthwar apprised him that in this regard , there is a proposal of installation of 1 MVA Solar plant at Machail area of Paddar.

Dr Singh directed to expedite the process of identification of the 40 Kanals of land for said project in collaboration with JAKEDA.

Meanwhile DC, apprised the Union minister about the status of

Jal Jeevan Mission, informed that the works on all 128 schemes out of 129 works have been tendered.

While taking note of slow pace of JJM works, Dr Jitendra Singh enjoined upon the concerned executing agencies to speed up the works and put in concerted efforts so as to realise the objective of 'Har Ghar Nal Se Jal' by providing Functional Household Tap Water connections covering all beneficiaries.

While taking scheme wise review of the projects undertaken by different departments, Dr Singh stressed for timely completion of projects of people's importance within stipulated time frame. He emphasised on elected PRI's to work in tandem with administration to achieve desired development results.

Meanwhile, Union MoS took a comprehensive review of physical and financial achievements of centrally sponsored schemes including PMGSY, MGNREGA, PMAY-G, PMAY-G (AWAAS PLUS), Amrit sarovar, SBM(G), besides scheme under Health, Agriculture, School and Employment etc.

While discussing major road works under execution, Dr Jitendra

Singh reviewed the latest status of projects including Macadamization on Sarthal Road and widening and upgradation of Kishthwar-Palmar-DangDangduran Road.

Dr Singh was also apprised about the issues of critical areas likewise Re-construction of Kundal Bridge at Paddar; separate power grid for Marwah Division, financial encumbrance of Ayush Hospital Kishthwar; paucity of staff in various departments particularly in Health, grievances of Hounzar Cloudburst affected families, telecommunications in Marwah and Warwan, resettlement of under constructed TRC -Sarkoot link Road.

Dr Singh passed necessary directions to the concerned authorities for immediate resolution of these issues.

Dr Singh also called upon the concerned officers to ensure 100% coverage of beneficiaries under IAY and Ayushman-Sehat, further asked PRI's to ensure all deserving people shall entail the benefit of these schemes.

MOS also stressed for exploring the possibilities for the tapping the potential of the Lavender cultivation under Aroma Mission in

the district in Collaboration with the IIIM Jammu and also lay focus on development of Saffron Park in district which can be instrumental in doubling the farmer's income.

DDC Chairperson along with other PRI's also highlighted the issues of compensation for land under PMGSY road, opening of new and completion of sanctioned Kendriya Vidyalayas in Palmar and Paddar, besides other matters. MOS assured them that these issues will be resolve on priority basis in time bound manner. Earlier Union Minister handed over the Keys of Commercial vehicles to beneficiaries under "Mumkin" Scheme of Mission Youth here at DC Office complex Kishthwar.

Besides, distributed Motorised tricycles to Specially abled persons sponsored by District Social Welfare Department and handed over the sanction letters to beneficiaries under different govt sponsored schemes. Sanction letters under "Nikshay Poshan Yojana" for identified TB patients were also handed over to beneficiaries on the occasion.

