

CBSE organises national conference on ‘Inclusive Education’



Glimpses of National Conference on Inclusive Education organized by CBSE in collaboration with CoE Chandigarh and Jammu schools at Teachers' Bhawan, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu.

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JAMMU: Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) in collaboration with CoE Chandigarh and Jammu schools organized a National Conference on Inclusive Education on 21st and 22nd Oct 2022 at Teachers' Bhawan, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu.

The two day-long conference aimed at Inclusive Education focusing that all students, irrespective of any changes they may have, are placed in age-appropriate general education classes to receive high quality instruction, interventions and support that enable them to meet success in the core curriculum. The programme began with the kindling of the auspicious lamp of knowledge and wisdom, the students of Jammu Sanskriti School presented the Saraswati Vandana followed by a welcome song by

the students of Model Academy School, Jammu. The inaugural session commenced with the welcome address by Dr Ravi Shankar, Director Training CBSE. He, in his address welcomed the Chief Guest, the chairperson CBSE Nidhi Chhibber, Ravinder Kumar Sinha, the Vice Chancellor SMVDU Katra, as the Guest of Honour, Dr Ravi Shankar Sharma, Director School Education Jammu (DSEJ), Renu Gupta, Director MIER Group of education, all the teachers and heads of various schools across the country, briefly introducing the elaborative audience about the two day long programme. Opening remarks were delivered by the Chairperson CBSE Nidhi Chhibber, who, highlighted the importance of Inclusive Education (IE) which is a

new approach towards educating children with disability and learning difficulties with that of normal ones under the same roof. She stressed upon bringing all students together in one classroom and community regardless of their strengths or weakness in any area, and sought to maximize the potential of all students. Ravinder Kumar Sinha, Vice Chancellor SMVDU Katra in his key note address enlightened everyone on successful inclusive education that happens primarily through accepting, understanding, and attending to student differences and diversity, which can include physical, cognitive, academic, social and emotional. Dr Ravi Shankar Sharma DSEJ addressed the gathering appreciating the thought of CoE Chandigarh and Jammu

Schools in collaboration with CBSE on inclusive education which is the need of the present society. Present on the occasion were the other dignitaries, namely, Anjali Chhabra, Head CoE Chandigarh, Sandeep Jain, Jt. Sec Training CBSE, the members of the core committee Jammu Schools, namely, Pramod Kumar Shrivastava, Principal Model Academy, Kunal Anand, Principal DPS Udhampur; Rohini Aima, Principal Jammu Sanskriti School; Ranju Malhotra, Principal DBN Amarvillla and Puneet Kaur, Principal APS Jammu Cantt. The Programme commenced with a video presentation by Dr. Kunal Anand Principal DPS Udhampur on HOL and Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav which included various cultural and digital activities. He also presented a beautiful

fully composed video by the students of DPS Udhampur depicting the oneness in the culture of Jammu and Kashmir. Various schools across the country presented the papers on Inclusive education, removing Physical and Attitudinal barriers, Parental involvement in Inclusive education, differentiated instructions, universal design for learning, Psychological assessment in classrooms, Response to intervention and Capacity building of teachers for inclusion. It focused on the school and classroom operate on the premise that students with disabilities are as fundamentally competent as students without disabilities. Therefore, all students can be full participants in their classrooms and in the local school community. A Panel of Experts comprising a Counsellor, a CBSE official, a Principal from the organizing committee gave their scientific reviews and an expert comment on all the papers that were presented. The second day commenced with cultural events to relate all the delegates from different parts of the country to the cultural aspect of the Jammu region. The students of DBN Amarvillla school, Jammu presented a Dogri Folk Song. It was followed up by a folk dance of Jammu presented by the students of APS Jammu Cantt. A video presentation on Inclusive Education was presented by Rohini Aima, Principal Jammu Sanskriti School. To throw more light on the same, various eminent personalities like Dr Rohnika Sharma, Manpreet Kour Sodhi, Bhanvi Sharma, Ashish Anand and Shriya Abrol were in the panel discussion moderated by Dr Chand Trehan. This panel highlighted upon use of assisted technology for Inclusive Education. An array of eminent speakers from different professions having rich experience and achievements shared their expertise with the participants. More than 400 trs and heads joined across various states to witness the programme on the second day too. The Chief Guest for the valedictory function was Ramesh Kumar, Divisional Commissioner Jammu and the Guest of Honour was Rajesh Rathore, President, Jammu Sahodaya & Principle JK Public School, Kunjwani. The Chief Guest Ramesh Kumar, in his speech, asserted the supreme power of knowledge, unity, collective thinking and cultural sharing. All the paper presenters were felicitated followed by the panelists and the core committee members in the valedictory session. Anjali Chhabra, Head CoE Chandigarh in her vote of thanks thanked all the heads of the institutions, paper presenters, experts, counsellors, panelists and the teachers who travelled across various parts of the country to make this conference a great learning platform where all the participants learnt from each other and shared their best practices in Inclusive Education. She specially mentioned the effort of the Organizing committee for taking up the initiative of organizing CBSE National Conference in its vicinity.

SKUAST-J launches phase-IV of Back to Village programme with Jan Abhiyan



KVK Jammu officials and others during an awareness programme.

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JAMMU: Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu (SKUAST-J) through their Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) at district level has initiated Jan Abhiyan and series of mass awareness programmes across Jammu region. Prof J P Sharma, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST Jammu briefed that mass awareness programmes on various themes covering almost hundred

Panchayats across ten districts of Jammu region for the welfare of the farming community by the farm university. Prof Sharma also advocated regarding maintaining the self-pride of the farmers viz.a.viz practicing extension beyond production for attaining sustainability and self-sufficiency in agriculture and allied sector. He further instructed all the KVK's to actively work in coordination with all line department for improving the overall

socioeconomic upliftment of the farming community. Prof S K Gupta Director Extension SKUAST Jammu said that Jan Abhiyan, which is being observed from October 15 to 26, is the preparatory phase of the fourth phase of the government's Back to Village carrying forward its mission of Outreach, Transparency, and Delivery and is aimed at energizing Panchayats and directing development efforts in rural areas through community participation.

Nexas felicitates Rajinder Sharma for taking-over as Mayor JMC

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JAMMU: Nexas, an association of Sainik School Nagrota alumni, organized a function to felicitate Rajinder Sharma for becoming Mayor of Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC). Mayor Rajinder Sharma, who attended the event along with all his corporators, was accorded a warm welcome by his batchmates and colleagues. A number of members, who studied with or were senior to Rajinder Sharma, shared many anecdotes and memo-

expressing gratitude to Nexas for organizing the function, said that most of the fellows who came out of Sainik School are sitting at prestigious positions and doing a lot of work for the country as well as society. "JMC Jammu is working on many projects for the betterment and development of people. All the corporators are doing good work. We are working towards developing Jammu & Kashmir and especially Jammu city as 'Honest Jammu, Brilliant Jammu' and for this we have full con-



Sainik School Nagrota alumni felicitating JMC Mayor Rajinder Sharma.

ries of school time. On the occasion, Mayor Rajinder Sharma, while

confidence that you will join us in development journey," he added.

Addressing people's issues priority of BJP Govt: Kavinder



Senior BJP leader, Kavinder Gupta inaugurating a tube-well at Taxi Stand in Ward 51.

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JAMMU: Kavinder Gupta, senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, on Sunday reiterated the BJP Govt's commitment to address the issues of every section of the society in every nook and corner of the nation. He expressed this while addressing a gathering during a function in which he inaugurated a tube-well at Taxi Stand in Ward 51 here with an estimated cost of Rs. 40 lakh. Raj Kumar Chairman Health and Sanitation Committee, Jammu

Corporation (JMC); Vinay Gupta Jammu District BJP President; Narinder Koki, Jagdish Raj Sharma, Kehar Singh Charak, Ballu Sharma, Pappu Gujjar, President Taxi Union, Executive Engineer Anil Gupta, Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) V K Trikha and Junior Engineer (JE) Vivek Kohli were also present on the occasion. Kavinder asserted that addressing the problems of the common people has always been the priority of the Bharatiya Janata Party Govt led by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Centre

as serving the people of the nation is the core of BJP's unmatched ideology. Kavinder stated that Prime Minister Narendra Modi led Govt stands commitment to the overall development of all the areas so that all the areas move ahead in consonance at par with each other. Kavinder said that under the incumbent BJP Govt at the Centre and the Union Territory Administration led by Lt Governor Manoj Sinha great strides are being taken in development thus transforming the entire landscape and scenario of this Union Territory.

1st Nubra Sports & Adventure Festival 2022 concludes

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LEH: First edition of the five-day long Nubra Sports and Adventure Festival concluded at Thurtim Tongstat in the presence of Chief Guest Chairman, LAHDC Leh, Adv Tashi Gyalson and the Guest of Honour, Member Parliament, Ladakh, Jamyang Tsering Namgyal. Deputy Chairman, Tsering Angchuk; EC Minority, Ghulam Mehdi; Councillor Panamik Tsering Sangrup; Councillor Tiger Rigzin Lundup; Councillor Hunder Kunzang Lotus; Councillor Khatise Lobzang Sherab; Councillor Lamayuru Dr Morup Dorjay; Joint Director, DYSS; Chief Planning Officer Leh;



Chief Guest Chairman, LAHDC Leh, Adv Tashi Gyalson presenting trophy to winners.

SDM Nubra; Chairperson BDC Diskit, Panamik; HoDs and a large number of people attended the festival. Addressing the gathering, CEC Gyalson and MP JTN lauded the efforts of the organising committee and all the stakeholders and supporters including local associations and the army for successfully conducting

the festival at different venues in Nubra this year. They emphasised the need for developing a healthy society by ensuring good platforms for the youths in the field of sports and adventure. They also assured to assist in promoting adventure sports and tourism, especially in far-flung regions of Ladakh includ-

ing the Nubra region. As informed, the main motive behind conducting this festival was to motivate and encourage youths especially women to participate in sports such as rock climbing, cycling, archery etc. Accordingly, a large number of women's participation was witnessed in each and every sporting activity.

PoJK Displaced Persons Forum remembers martyrs of tribal attack

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JAMMU: In order to pay tributes to the martyrs of 1947, who lost their lives in tribal attack, PoJK Displaced Persons Forum organized a function at Master Devi Chand Municipal Park Jammu on Sunday under the leadership of Arun Mahajan. The programme, which was attended by a number of people and PoJK DPs, started with Hawan at 9 AM, wherein rich tributes were paid to martyrs of 1947 who laid down their lives for saving their motherland from the invasion of Pakistani forces in guise of Kabalis, who looted and murdered innocent people. Renu Bhatia, Chairman,



PoJK members during a programme at Jammu.

Haryana State Women Commission, was the Chief Guest on the occasion and paid rich tributes to the martyrs. Eminent among those who paid tributes to mar-

tyrs included Arun Chowdhary (President), Arya Pratinidhi Sabha Jammu & Kashmir) and an executive member of Visthapit Sewa Samiti, Jammu and Kashmir, Arun

Khanna Councilor and Anu Bali Councilor, Ramesh Gupta (Ex-member PSC Punjab). The program concluded with distribution of refreshments among participants.