

DC, SSP Doda inspect registration camps under PMJAY SEHAT



DC Doda Vishesh Paul Mahajan, and SSP, Abdul Qayoom during visit to fair price shops.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
DODA: To review the service delivery mandated under ongoing Jan Abhiyaan, Deputy Commissioner Doda Vishesh Paul Mahajan along with SSP, Abdul Qayoom visited various Fair Price Shops at Ghat, Arnora, Govt Sales Depot Doda, Tondwa and Khelani. It is

pertinent to mention here that today AB-PMJAY SEHAT registration camps are being organised at all Food Stores of CA&PDS department across the district to achieve the 100% registration of the beneficiaries.

AD Food civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Rahul

Sharma accompanied them during the inspection.

The DC informed the media that district administration is holding special camps at Fair price Ration shops across the district for generation of Golden Health Cards of the left out families/ individuals. He added that this is a golden chance and not getting the cards may be of loss to them and their families.

"The camps for the registration under AB PMJAY SEHAT shall be held at all Fair Price Shops and till 28th of October and on 29 at all Police stations, Chowkis and minority pickets" he informed. He appealed to the left out beneficiaries to avail this opportunity and get registered for better and free health care up-to Rs. five lakh.

JKPSA celebrates Accession Day



JKPSA members paying tributes to Maharaja Hari Singh.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
UDHAMPUR: District President of Private Schools R.P Sharma organised a programme to celebrate Accession Day of J&K in a grand way at Gole Market(Near Fuara Chowk) Udhampur. On the occasion General Secretary of JKPSA, Jammu, Ajay Gupta was a special invitee who narrated the untold history which was hidden and skewed by the nefarious elements of erstwhile state and Govt. of India before the abrogation of Article 370. He appealed to the government of JKUT for establishing

a mechanism for the celebration of this pious occasion in all schools like that of 15th August and 26th January. The members who attended this celebration included Vineet Gupta, Parshant Salaria, Ankush Verma, Siddheshwar Sadotra, Kuldeep Singh, Thomas Oomen, Rakesh Gupta, Sandeep Khajuria, Pankaj Kerni, Arun Kumar Gupta, Mukesh Banathia etc.

BJP holds convention, discusses public issues



BJP leader speaking during the convention.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
POONCH: Bhartia Janta Party on Wednesday organised a public convention at village Draba in Surankote, under the leadership of Mandal president Surankote Rakesh Datta and supervision of State Coordinator Jammu and Kashmir Bhartia Janta Minority Morecha S Gurdeep Singh Khalsa.

In this meeting hundreds of party workers, PRI members and locals took part, where speaking with the gathering Khalsa imparted awareness among the general public regarding public welfare schemes run by union government. He said, Narendra Modi lead BJP government has achieved

many goals in development, Jammu Poonch National Highway is a major gift which PM has gifted us. He said, BJP government is working on the slogan and mission "Sabka Sathi, Sabka Vikas and Sabka Vishwas" it is because BJP has become the world's largest public supporting political party. Khalsa was accompanied with other party leaders

including Ravinder Kumar Bitta, Amrit Pal Singh, Sunil Kumar Sharma and others who speaking on the occasion expressed party developmental targets and appealed to the people to work to strengthen party on grass root level. Locals of the area have assured party leadership that they will support the party and strengthen it on grass root level.

Jan Abhiyan going on at far-off places of Udhampur & Ramban districts

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

UDHAMPUR: As part of the ongoing Jan Abhiyan under B2V4, Thakur Sher Singh, CEO Patnitop Development Authority visited Udhampur and Ramban Districts along with officials from PDA and Tourism Department, J&K. During the visit, the officials visited Gandhitop, Basantgarh, Dudu of Udhampur District, and Pogal, Ukral of Ramban District, where they held meetings and interacted with DDC Chairperson(s), DDC members, PRIs, Stakeholders and Civil Society members. Roadmap for promotion and development of these offbeat destinations was discussed in detail with all PRIs and local stakeholders present on the occasion.



Thakur Sher Singh, CEO PDA during visit to Udhampur District.

the participants of the Jan Abhiyan about Homestay policy, Tourist Guide Registration and other avenues and policies of the Union and UT Government and Tourism Department.

Similar programmes were organised at Gool and Bhalair, and interactions were held with local stakeholders and PRIs.

Pertinent to mention here

that Basantgarh, Dudu, Nathatop, Ukhral, Pogal-Paristan, Gool and Bhagair are some of the offbeat Tourist Destinations notified by the UT Government. Sarnad Hafeez, Secretary to the Government, Tourism Department J&K, has directed the officers to visit tourist destinations of the UT with special focus on

offbeat Tourist Destinations, have meetings with PRIs, Stakeholders and others, make them aware about the various schemes of the UT Government and Tourism Department, identify new and virgin Tourist destinations and identify new trekking routes and explore all possibilities for promotion of adventure tourism.

Cooperatives Department educates people about Govt schemes



Officials of Cooperatives Deptt and locals during the camp.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

NOWSHERA: An awareness cum training camp was organised by Cooperative Department under the supervision of Puneet Sharma Assistant Registrar and Ankush Khokher supervisor of block Nowshera. Various ongoing schemes of the Cooperative Department under different disciplines were elaborated among the members by the staff members. Special emphasis was laid on Yuva Sahakar and Ayushman Sahakar scheme and motivated the youth to come under

cooperative front and strengthen the movement. Also the basic training of cooperative such as registration of cooperative, membership and maintenance of accounts of the cooperative, voting rights etc was given to the members. Along with secretary MPCOS sh. Khoja Ram, prominent members were also present in the camp especially sarpanch sh. Balwant Raj who also spoke about the aspects of the cooperative in the camp and motivated members to register new cooperatives in the area.

Vibodh hits back at Mehbooba Mufti over 'minority' jibe

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

RAJOURI: BJP Jammu and Kashmir General Secretary and former MLC Vibodh Gupta lambasted former Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti and top Congress leader Shashi Tharoor for their communal and irresponsible remarks after the elevation of Rishi Sunak as UK's new Prime Minister while speaking in a party function organized to welcome new party entrants at BJP headquarter Rajouri. Vibodh questioned the failure of the National Conference and PDP to elevate any Hindu to the post of Chief Minister in Jammu and Kashmir in the last 7 decades and asked them to support a Hindu for J&K's CM in the next assembly election.

"India, which had a Sikh Prime Minister for 10 years, 3 Muslim Presidents and one Sikh President, minorities in the defense of the country and in top judicial positions need not to learn about diversity and integrity from any other country," he added. Retd. AD Handloom Gulam Nabi Kamlak, Retd. Lecturer Mohd Rashid Khan, Panch Mushtaq Khan, Mohd Rafiq, Sarfraz Khan, Khadim Hussain, and Mohd Rashid Mohd along with dozen of their supporters joined BJP. Vibodh Gupta while welcoming the new entrants into the party fold said that it was the people-oriented policies of Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led BJP government that

have won the hearts of all the people cutting across the country. District President Rajinder Gupta also welcomed the new entrants into the party fold. He asserted that people from different backgrounds are joining Bharatiya Janata Party as leaders from all walks of life are impressed by the vision of Prime Minister Narinder Modi and want to contribute to his mission of New India. He also highlighted various projects and public-friendly schemes launched by the central government. Other senior BJP leaders who spoke on the occasion were Bharat Bushan Vaid, Subash Sharma, Ranjit Tara, Koushal Gupta, Qayoom Mir, AG Shawl, and Jahid Ahamad.

KVK Poonch organises awareness events under Back to Village programme

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

POONCH: As part of Jan Abhiyan programme, Krishi Vigyan Kendra Poonch of SKUAST-Jammu organized a Mega Awareness programme on Natural Farming at various Panchayats viz., Nangali sahib, Gundi and Banwat of district Poonch under "Back to Village (B2V2)" programme. The programme was held under the auspices of Directorate of Extension,

SKUAST-Jammu with able guidance of Prof. J.P. Sharma, Vice Chancellor Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Jammu. Farmers, farm women, rural youth from nearby villages along with public representatives participated in the event. On the occasion, Dr. Muzafar Mir Scientist KVK Poonch highlighted the institute's contributions in the transfer of

technologies and skill development of rural youth in the district and stressed upon the need to adopt Natural Farming principles and practices on the field and its healthy effects on the environment. Dr. Mir also provided detailed awareness to the orchardists and others concerned about the various aspects of the High Density & Ultra High Density Apple Cultivation. He shared his experience about various

dimensions of Horticulture with regard to use of fertilizers, pruning, soil health, marketing and other related aspects. The participants thanked the KVK Poonch for conducting such an important programme at the said village and assured that farmers will adhere to the recommendations and guidance communicated by KVK Scientists for increasing the productivity of various crops in the area.

Kishtwar Admn gears up for Back to Village phase fourth activities

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

KISHTWAR: District Administration Kishtwar has braced up for smooth conduct of Back to Village phase fourth activities in the district under the overall supervision of District Development Commissioner Kishtwar, Dr. Devansh Yadav.

A Training-cum-Orientation programme

for the Officers deputed for "Back to Village" programme phase-4th B2V4 starting from 27th October 2022 in the District was today held here at Conference Hall DC Office Complex. The orientation session was organised by the Department of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj under the supervision of ADDC, Sham Lal. As many as 70 visiting officers were sensitised about their role and responsibilities.

During the training programme, ACP /Provincial Master-Trainer Zakir Hussain Wani highlighted the aim and objectives of the ensuing B2V4 programme. He informed the participants that one Gazetted officer has been deputed to assess the requirements of each



DDC Kishtwar, Dr Devansh Yadav chairing a meeting.

Panchayat where he would spend 2 days and 1 night.

The District Master Trainers, including ACD, Atul Dutt Sharma, DPO Kishtwar, Sunil Bhutyal, Senior Lecturer DIET, Riaz Ahmed Butt, provided important information viz purpose of visit, instructions and guidelines to be followed, Action points during the visit and collection of

data under Key deliverables of each department for the successful conduct of the UT flagship programme for officers.

The visiting officers were asked to provide the information in a pre designed format for the allocated Panchayat.

Speaking on the occasion, the ADDC Kishtwar stressed upon the officers to work with sincerity and dedication to make "Back

to Village programme" a grand success by laying main focus on issues of public importance.

He impressed upon the Officers to play a pivotal role to strengthen the Panchayati Raj institutions and record the aspirations of people and finalisation of plans in the Gram Sabhas by involving PRIs and locals.

The ADDC asked the visiting officers to ensure

that PRIs and field functionaries are roped in the program for making B2V4 meaningful.

He asked the officers to assess the functioning and the empowerment of the Panchayats. The Officers were asked to capture the Panchayat and sector wise data under Back to village. He further asked them to hold detailed deliberation in the Gram sabhas about the issues and follow up action taken on Back to village I, II and III the same by the District administration and the various local departments.

The ADDC said that all the issues raised during B2VI, B2V2 & B2V3 are consolidated and categorised sector wise and Panchayat wise and put in soft term, midterm and long term categories.

AIF pays homage to martyrs



AIF members paying tributes to martyrs.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

UDHAMPUR: Tributes were paid by activists of Aware India Foundation (AIF) to Martyrs who laid down their lives for the sake of mother land. AIF District president Vimal Sharma said that by organizing such celebrations, certainly it creates a atmosphere of patriotism and inculcate spirit of dedication towards nation among youths.

AIF District President Vimal Sharma said that in order to remember those who have sacrificed their lives while fighting with counter insurgency and cross border terrorism sponsored by neighbor country, candles and Deepak were lit on Martyrs memorial at Domail Chowk in Udhampur.

Prominent among who present on the occasion were Provincial executive member AJKPA, Rajinder Kumar, Surinder Kumar, Parvez Ahmed, Atique Mohd, Er. Rohit, Er. Mohit, Basu Sadotra, Subash Chander and many more.

Cattle farmers in Banihal suffer heavy losses due to Lumpy Skin Disease: Sajjad

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

BANIHAL: National Conference leader and district president Ramban Sajjad Shaheen has castigated Jammu and Kashmir Administration for not taking note of the damage that the 'Lumpy Skin Disease' had been causing in the region as the disease had proved to be fatal for dozens of bovines in Banihal and its adjoining areas and has demanded a compensation of ₹50 thousand per animal to mitigate the burden on the farmers.

He further said that the "Lumpy Skin Disease is ravaging livestock in several villages of district Ramban as dozens of bovines have died and scores of animals are severely infected by this contagious disease that is causing enormous economic loss to our farmers and dairy owners but Unfortunately, the Administration has failed to take timely measures to control the spread of the virus", he added.

Shaheen said that there is

no let up in the viral animal disease in entire Banihal and it's adjoining areas including Gool as the disease has wrecked havoc in many areas of Banihal resulting into death of N number of Animals in Khari, Trigam, Mahu-Mangit, Sarachi, Nowgam, Amkote, Thachi, Dardahi, Sarbagni, Chaka, Neel, Sumar, Pogal-Paristan, Tankar, Chamalwas, Chaknarwah and other areas.

He further said, "Looking at the contagious nature of the disease, if the mitigation measures are not effective enough, farmers may incur heavy losses and the milk production can also suffer."

Shaheen appealed to the LG lead Administration to consider mass vaccination of cattle to contain the rapid spread of the highly contagious Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) in the district. He has also appealed to the Government to compensate the farmers whose cattle have died due to Lumpy Skin Disease.

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