

SR College holds interaction with IAS Suchiter



IAS Suchiter Sharma interacting with students.

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JAMMU: The SR College of Competitions (SRCC) held free workshops on General Studies and various Options for the civil services aspirants in the College premises at Gandhi Nagar here on Sunday.

Suchiter Sharma who qualified 2021 Civil Services examination interacted with the aspirants preparing for Civil service

es. He dealt with the nature and structure of the exam comprehensively.

All the aspects including the scheme and pattern of the exam, approach for Prelims and Mains, sources of material and the books required, use of online resources and the relevance of newspaper reading in preparing the current affairs and writing test series for both prelims and mains were covered thoroughly and to the satisfaction of the students. He took up lot of questions from the aspirants and answered the same in detail.

Separate workshops were organised for Zoology, Political

Science, Public Administration and Philosophy Options in which the entire syllabus, the focus areas and the previous years' questions papers were also discussed. Aspirants were also guided about the CSAT and Essay papers.

Aspirants were also suggested to at least attend one comprehensive test series for both Prelims and Mains examinations. The College has already started a test series for General Studies Mains and Options test series is going to start from Wednesday.

The attendees included the aspirants preparing for IAS 2023 and JKAS 2022 and also undergraduates who will be eligible in a couple of years.

"SR College has planned a series of free workshops and interactions with the IAS officers, KAS toppers and various subject experts for the benefit of civil services aspirants of Jammu and Kashmir and this workshop was one in the series" informed Office Coordinator, Shikha Sharma.

Month-long Mahotsav under Gandhi Jayanti-2022 culminates



Director SEJ, Dr. Ravi Shankar Sharma and others paying tributes to Mahatma Gandhi.

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JAMMU: The month-long Gandhi Mahotsav to mark the 153rd Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi concluded at Teacher Bhawan with the arrival of Shanti Yatra which was received by Director School Education Jammu, Dr. Ravi Shankar Sharma.

Flagged off by Advisor, Rajiv Rai Bhatnagar on September 7, 2022, the Shanti Yatra covered a distance of more than 1000 kilometres over 10 districts of Jammu Division taking a halt at 502 different Govt. Schools and inspired many on their way back to Teacher Bhawan. More than 48,000

students witnessed the power of truth and non-violence as the Shanti Chinah moved with great glory and honour receiving a warm welcome from administrators and commoners throughout the Jammu Division.

The Directorate of School Education Jammu organised Divisional Level Competitions in Painting, Essay Writing, Slogan, Writing, Speech/Declamation and Poem Recitation on the theme of truth, peace, non-violence, swachhata and philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi on the occasion of Gandhi Mahotsav. Fifteen winners from Jammu Division further participated in the UT

level competition at Srinagar on September 30, 2022.

Winners of UT Level competitions include Nirbhika from GHS Nonial Jammu got the first position in the Essay writing competition, Prachi from GHSS Kieran (Kathua) got the first position in the Slogan writing competition, Damapreet from GGHS Shastri Nagar Jammu got the second position in the Painting competition, Sahil Kumar from GHSS Muthi, Jammu got the second position in Seminar competition, Sonia Sharma from GHSS Doda got the third position in the Poem recitation competition, Shipriya Chopra from HSS CHAK Jammu got the third position in Slogan Writing Competition.

TR Gupta Public Charitable Trust organises medical camp

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JAMMU: TR Gupta Public Charitable Trust, on Sunday organized one day free medical camp particularly for poor & needy patients. The camp was arranged under the guidance of the Chairman TR Gupta.

The doctors who gave special consultation, treatment and medicines to the beneficiaries/patients include Dr. Ashok Kumar Gupta (children specialist), Dr. R.K. Mengi (Eye specialist), Dr. Ved Prakash Gupta (Physician & Diabetologist), Dr. Govind Sharma (senior physician), Dr. S.S. Padha (Bones & joints), Dr. Rajneesh Anand (orthope-

dic specialists), Dr. Tilak Raj Gupta (Ayush), Dr. Nitika Gupta (ENT), Dr. Aseem Gupta (Physiotherapist) and Dr. Rishabh Sharma (Skin

Specialist). In the camp patients were provided free tests for hemoglobin and sugar (Diabetes). Large number of patients who got the benefit of free medical camp highly applauded and hailed the benevolence of the Trust for the service to the suffering people.

Doctors who provided the selfless service in the camp eulogized the gesture of the trust and offered their services in such like future events also.

The trustees of the Trust present besides TR Gupta were M.M. Gupta (Session Judge Retd), Dr. Ashok Gupta, Naresh Gupta, K.B.



Doctor examining a child during the camp.

Jandial LAS (Retd), S.K. Sharma IRS (Retd), K.K. Langar, Yash Pal Gupta, Ajay Sabharwal and Rajendra Motial.

AAI starts cleanliness drive at Jammu Airport

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JAMMU: Special Campaign 2.0 for disposal of pending matters and cleanliness drive from October 2 to 31, 2022 was started on Sunday at Jammu Airport by Airports Authority of India (AAI).

Various stakeholders of Jammu Airport under the leadership of Airport Director participated in this cleanliness drive.

Area of solar panel installed at first floor of building was cleaned by AAI staff and other stakeholders.

Speaking on the occasion, Sanjeev Kumar Garg, Airport Director, emphasized that the surroundings of the Airport reflect



Jammu Airport staff carrying out cleanliness drive.

the face and soul of the city and to keep the areas free from garbage is pertinent.

They also remembered

Chairman J&KICS pays tributes to Mahatma Gandhi

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JAMMU: Gandhi Jayanti was celebrated with large participation by the members of J&K Intellectual Civil Society, New Delhi, led by their Chairman, S.S. Sodhi who paid floral tributes to Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri, amidst rendering of favourite 'Gandhi' bhajans on the occasion.

Addressing the gathering, Sodhi recalled that Gandhi's timeless teachings of truth and non-Violence had the power to shake the world out of its slumber, and now it is time for us, especially the youth, to translate the vision and dreams of Bapu into reality for progressive Bharat.

Sodhi further advised the youth, students and all educationists of J&K UT to follow the path and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi and Shastri and spoke about the movements led by Gandhi



against social evils, and the timely slogan of 'Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan', given by Shastri, which instilled confidence in both 'Jawans', and 'Kisans', in this country.

He further added that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has also brought each citizen of India on the global map, and we as Indians should be proud of our these guiding forefathers and stalwarts of our beautiful nation for their contribution in making us the proud citizens of a free nation.

Randhawa flags-off rally on Valmiki Prakat Diwas

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JAMMU: Valmiki Samaj celebrated Valmiki Prakat Diwas with religious fervour here in Sunday.

On the occasion, a rally was organised by Bhagwan Valmiki Shobha Yatri Committee, which was flagged off by former Legislator and senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader, Vikram Randhawa.

Hundreds of people including women and children took part in the rally. Councillor Rahul Kumar and prominent persons of the Valmiki Samaj and many others were present.

Randhawa said that sixty-five years after their arrival in Jammu and Kashmir as "sanitary workers" on the request of the then Government, the members of Valmiki community are finally hopeful of a bright future for their children as they are being granted domicile certificates.

"The revocation of provisions of Article 370 of the Constitution has given a



Senior BJP leader, Vikram Randhawa at a rally organised by Bhagwan Valmiki Shobha Yatra Committee.

new lease of life to over 3,000 Valmiki community members who live on the land that was allocated to their ancestors when they shifted to Jammu from Punjab's Gurdaspur district on the invitation of the erstwhile State government in 1957", Randhawa said, adding that the ancestors of the Valmiki community had come to Jammu on the "invitation" of the then State Government headed by Chief Minister Bakshi Ghulam Mohammad to work as sanitary workers in

the Jammu municipality.

"They now live in one of the many Valmiki colonies such as Christian Colony, Bakshe Nagar, Dogra Hall, Resham Ghar, Valmiki Colony and Gandhi Nagar areas of Jammu city", Randhawa said, adding that despite owning land in Jammu and having lived there for all their lives, they were deprived of other rights, including the right to vote, right to higher education, right to get State scholarship and right to State jobs.

BMO Katra flags-off Prabhat Pheri on seventh Navratri

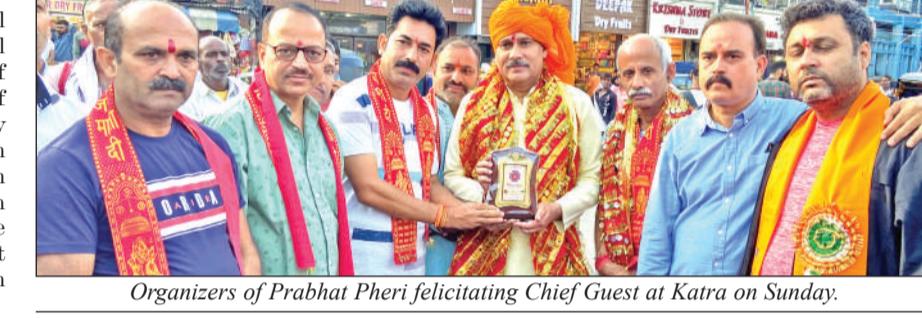
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KATRA: Block Medical Officer (BMO) Katra, Gopal Dutt, on seventh day of Navratri Festival, flagged off Prabhat Pheris being jointly organized by J&K Association of Prabhat Pheri in association with J&K Tourism Department, SMVD Shrine Board Katra and District Administration Reasi in Katra.

Ashwini Katoch an eminent educationist, Babu Ram Dubey former chairman of Hotel and Restaurant Association of Katra were also present during flagging off ceremony.

Today's prabhat Pheri depicting Jhankis of Maa Kaalratri and Maa Kali, Maa Laxmi and Maa Sarswati.

Maa Kaalratri is one of the terrifying forms of Goddess Durga and is also referred to



Organizers of Prabhat Pheri felicitating Chief Guest at Katra on Sunday.

as Maa Kaal.

Enroute the devotees from Delhi, Gurgaon, Banaras and Patna also joined the Prabhat Pheri. Central Bureau of Communication officers Durga Dass and Ritu Sharma along with their staff members also participated in the Prabhat Pheri.

Prabhat Pheri started from Bus Stand Katra and after passing through Ban Ganga Road reached at Darshani Deodi and then came back via main bazaar to Bus Stand Katra. The locals as well as pil-

grims danced to the tunes of Bhajans and Kirtan performed by Vijay & party S and Rajni Kant and party of Rajasthan. School students thoroughly got involved in Bhajans while participating in the Prabhat Pheri.

CRPF personnel received the procession at Yog Ashram and served the Parshad to the participants under the supervision of CRPF commandant of 6th Battalion Yaad Ram Bunker.

President, J&K Association of Prabhat Pheri, Raj Kumar Padha informed that in the next two days grand Prabhat Pheries shall be taken out.

He appealed the locals and the visiting devotees to come in large numbers to Prabhat Pheri and get the blessings of Maa Vaishnodevi.

The members present on the occasion were Ajay Sharma, Aman Mahajan, Manoj Sadhotra, Ajay Verma, R.S. Manhas, Rattan Chand, Rajesh Gupta, Pawan Kumar, Murlidhar, Remoji Dhar, P.N. Kaul, Sanjay Tickoo, P.C. Rana and Rohit Kumar.

Gandhi Jayanti celebrations culminate at PSPS GCW G'Nagar



Faculty and students paying tributes to Mahatma Gandhi.

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JAMMU: To commemorate the relevance of Gandhian thoughts and vision on the 153rd Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi Ji, a series of activities were organised in collaboration with NSS (Unit 1) and 2J&K Girls Bn NCC of Padma Shri Padma Sachdev Govt. PG College for Women Gandhi Nagar Jammu from 21st September to 2nd October, 2022.

The celebrations started with cleanliness drive followed by Slogan writing Competition

, Poster-making Competition, Quiz Competition, Symposium, Plantation drive, Awareness Rally, Essay writing, Pledge on Non-violence and concluded with Floral tributes to the Father of Nation.

A total of 63 NSS Volunteers and Cadets of 2J&K Girls Bn paid reverence to Bapu ji on 2nd October, 2022.

The celebrations started with a soulful Bhajan 'Raghupati Raghav Rajaram' presented by the students of the Music Department. Prof. Rahul from

the Music Department mesmerized the audience with his soothing Bhajan. Ishani Jandiyal, the NSS Volunteer recited a poem on this occasion.

Prof. Sujata Sathia, the officiating Principal of the College congratulated the students and staff on this day and deliberated upon the importance of Gandhi Ji's teachings and how we can inculcate them in our daily lives.

The programme concluded with Pledge on Non-violence and National Anthem.

Johny Sufi, Ananya enthralled audience at devotional song competition

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KATRA: All India Devotional Song Competition entered in sixth day late evening as a part of Navratri Festival 2022 with the lighting of a traditional lamp by Bhawani Rakwal, Regional Director Land Survey of Jammu, who was Chief Guest on the occasion, in presence of Babila Rakwal DC Reasi, Anreg Singh Sub Divisional Magistrate Katra, Special Invitee and renowned singer Johny Sufi, Rakesh Wazir Chairman Devotional Song Committee, former winner of All India Devotional Song Competition Ananya Sharma and Swami Yoganand Maharaj. In this last preliminary round of competition, Narinder Singh Jammu was adjudged as first, Ritika Kakkar from Jammu stood

second and third position was shared jointly by Sunny Salim from Kathua and Nitin Mahi from Jammu among the 11 auditioned participants and were provided with the cash prizes of Rs 10,000, Rs 5,000 and Rs 3,000 respectively. Johny Sufi and Ananya Sharma mesmerized the audience with their Bhajans. The Devotional Song

Competition was adjudged by the panels of experts in music including Singer Johny Sufi, Dr. Surinder Kumar Sharma HOD Govt. Degree College Sumi Shimla and Dr. C.L. Verma Ex. Chairman Post Graduate University of Himachal Pradesh.

The proceedings of Competition were conducted by Rakesh Wazir.



Winner singers posing for a photograph with organizers.



J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina interacting with a police officer at Baramulla.

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BARAMULLA: J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina accompanied by other senior leaders of the party visited Baramulla to finalize the arrangements for the upcoming 5th October rally of Union Home Minister Amit Shah.

J&K BJP General Secretary (Org.) Ashok Koul, General Secretary Sunil Sharma, Anwar Khan, GM Min MM War, Altaf Thakur, Arif Raja, Raja Waqar, Mir Mushtaq Asif Masoodi, Billal Parray and other senior leaders of BJP also accompanied

Raina at Baramulla Sports stadium. Raina asked the management teams to ensure the best possible arrangements for the rally. He said that the rally is going to witness a massive enthusiastic crowd.

He said that the people of J&K are thankful to the popular Prime minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah who have done away with the menace of poverty, terrorism and other social evils and are promoting unprecedented development in the region of Jammu & Kashmir.

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