

# Secretary reviews functioning of Revenue Deptt in Doda



Secretary, Revenue, Dr Piyush Singla chairing a meeting.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
DODA: Secretary, Revenue, Dr Piyush Singla on Saturday reviewed working of Revenue Department in the district. The meeting was attended by Additional District Development Commissioner, Pran Singh, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Dr R K Bharti, ADC Bhaderwah Chowdhary Dil Mir, SDMs and Tehsildars besides other concerned officials. Dr Singla stressed upon the officers for holding regular/ monthly interaction pro-

grams with the Lumberdars and Chowkidars to ensure speedy redressal of local issues. He emphasized complete switch-over to online mode to ensure assured service delivery to citizens with minimum human interface. Dr Singla instructed the officers to strictly adhere to the timeline of Public Services Guarantee Act (PSGA) for greater transparency, accountability and timely service delivery to the public. During the meeting, Secretary also reviewed and discussed in detail the implementation of Online JK Revenue Plus Services, status of CLU cases, status of Land Acquisition, Revenue Court cases pendency, finalisation of seniority lists, departmental promotions, staff position, training of staff, RDAs, accommodation for officers and offices in the district, progress on SVAMITVA and other important issues. Dr Singla expressed satisfaction over working of Revenue Department in the district and exhorted officers to take forward online services and digitization of revenue record in a mission mode. He impressed upon the officers to work with commitment and zeal while serving the people and maintain highest degree of transparency and integrity while delivering through online mechanisms.

# Army conducts women empowerment training

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
MENDHAR : In a significant move towards women empowerment, the Indian Army has initiated a skill training program in Tain Village, Mendhar Sector. The programme, which includes tailoring, knitting, and embroidery classes, aims to uplift and empower resident women by providing them with valuable skills and opportunities for financial independence. Ten resident ladies from Tain Village have been selected to participate in this training programme, which has already garnered strong community support. The presence of the Sarpanch of the village at the event underscores the importance of this initiative. The Army's efforts have been met with heartfelt gratitude from the local community. The initiative is seen as a celebration of "Nari Shakti" (women's power) and is poised to make a positive impact on the lives of these women by equipping them with marketable skills. This skill training programme reflects the Indian Army's commitment to community development and its recognition of the vital role women play in society. By empowering resident women, this initiative not only enhances their economic prospects but also fosters a sense of self-reliance and community cohesion.

# Modi Govt committed to uplift marginalised sections of society: Col Mahan

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
BASOHLI: Continuing the spirit of Seva Pakhwada, Colonel Mahan Singh (Retd), Chairman of the District Development Council (DDC), undertook a series of visits to habitations primarily inhabited by Scheduled Caste community residents at Rehan, Kundera, Pathiyara, Plakh, Khaloo Plassi, Jandrota, Marta, and more. These visits were conducted as part of the ongoing Basti Sampark Abhiyan, initiated under the guidance of the Party High Command. During these visits, Col Mahan Singh interacted with local community and provided them with a comprehensive understanding of various Central-sponsored schemes and their associated benefits. He placed particular emphasis on schemes such as the Garib Kalyan Yojna, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), Ayushman Bharat, Old-age Pension, Ladli Beti Scheme, and Jal Jeevan Mission Rural, among others. Col Mahan Singh also expressed his appreciation for the multitude of development projects executed by the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and the DDC Council within the region. He highlighted the vital role played by these institutions in the overall development of the area. He said that Modi Government has committed to uplift the weaker sections of society through the welfare schemes initiated by it. Col Mahan Singh shed light on the Basti Sampark Abhiyan initiated by the Modi Government, emphasizing the importance of direct communication with residents to better understand their needs, address concerns, and ensure that they are aware of their rights and privileges.



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# BJP carries out Swachhta drive at Dansal

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DANSAL: BJP Swachh Bharat team in collaboration with local BJP cadre on Saturday launched a special Swachhta Drive at Main Bazaar Dansal. Swachhta drive was headed by Er. Dil Bahadur Singh Jamwal and Er. T. K Sharma State BJP Convenor and Co-Convenor of Swachh Bharat Mission. The Swachhta drive was launched from Block Office Dansal to Tehsildar office Dansal under ongoing Swachhta Pakhwara Swachhta Hi Sewa Hai. Speaking on the occasion, Er Dil Bahadur Singh Jamwal appealed to the citizens to keep their surroundings, bazaars neat and clean. He further added that Swachhta Hi Sewa campaign is going on and under this campaign it is proposed to clean roads, Railway tracks, Bus stands and Railway stations, underneath bridges, parks and gardens etc. He said that let us all work to make our city neat and clean. Er. T. K Sharma while briefing the media said that The Swachhta mission is a dream project of our popular prime minister Narendra Modi. He added that see change has been witnessed after the launch of Swachhta mission In 2014 by PM Modi. Other Volunteers of Swachh Bharat team present were Er. S. K zailpuri Convenor



BJP leaders carrying out cleanliness drive.

Jammu South, Er VK Gupta Convenor Jammu North, B B Sharma, and sh Madhu Sudan . Local leaders among large no of local youth present at Dansal were Mohd Sadiq Vice President OBC Morcha, Shamsher Singh Mandal president, Munchhi Ram Block Secretary , Divender Kumar block president S C Morcha, Yog Raj Sharma block Secy. Darshan Lal vice president SC Morcha , Yog Raj Sharma General Secretary.

# GDC Samba organises exhibition on 'Earning while Learning'



Faculty and students during the event.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Department of Environmental Sciences, Pt Prem Nath Govt Degree College Samba organized an exhibition on 'Earning while Learning' on the 154th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi which witnessed an enthusiastic participation of students in making hand-crafted products out of the waste material. On the occasion, Students showcased their knowledge gained from the Skill course of 'Green Technology and Solid Waste Management' and presented their creative skills in the form of decorative items, daily utility items, fancy accessories etc. A well explained model of Green Building and Rain water Harvesting was also demonstrated. The whole event was organized under the supervision of Dr Kuldeep Singh (HOD, EVS), alongside Dr. Akanksha Kaushal and Aksha Waqar . Principal, Dr Twinkle Suri applauded the strenuous efforts of the students in their creative display of recycling waste materials paving way towards global cleanliness and a sustainable environment. Alongside, NSS unit of GDC Samba organised a symposium on "Swachhata Hi Sewa". The event commenced with a Pledge taking ceremony on imbibing Gandhian gospels in letter and spirit. This venture is a component of ongoing month-long celebrations in the college to commemorate Gandhi Jayanti. 12 students participated and expressed their views on Swachhata or Cleanliness drive. During deliberations, students enumerated infinite health and social benefits of cleanliness and urged the audience to imbibe clean conduct and behaviour in their life. Dr. Geeta Lakhotra conducted the proceedings of the symposium.

# Army organises awareness drive on no plastic use



Students educating locals.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
KISHTWAR : In an effort to combat plastic pollution and promote environmental sustainability, Indian Army organised awareness drive on No Plastic use at Village Mughal Maidan of Kishtwar District the other day. The initiative aims to generate awareness on harmful impact of plastic waste on our planet and inspire individuals as well as communities to reduce the usage of plastic. The awareness drive on No Plastic use aimed to address this crisis by encouraging responsible plastic consumption and advocating for eco-friendly alternatives. 30 Youths of Mughal Maidan village and nearby areas took active part in drive. This drive was highly appreciated by the Awam which was evident from the overwhelming response.

# JKSOTTO organises presentation on 'Organ Donation, Transplantation'



Officials during the programme at Samba.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SAMBA: J&K SOTTO on Saturday organised a presentation on Organ Donation and Transplantation in Convention Hall at DC Office Complex Samba. Dr Vidhi Bhatyal, Chief Medical Officer, Samba felicitated Dr Sanjeev Puri , Joint Director J&K State Organ & Tissue Transplant Organization (SOTTO). Dr Sandeep presented the welcome address. Dr Sanjeev Puri, Joint Director SOTTO, J&K gave a comprehensive presentation about Organ Donation and Transplantation clearing various myths and misconceptions associated with it vis a vis THOTA 1994, Organ Donation and Transplantation Act implementation in J&K. Anyone could become an organ donor online by Adhaar linked mobile clicking the link <https://notto.abdm.gov.in/>. He motivated the members from various departments including Health and others to register as organ donors. CMO Samba stressed the need to augment general awareness about organ donation. She also appealed to the public to come forward for the cause. She appreciated the efforts of SOTTO for spreading the message. She sworn everyone the pledge for organ donation.

# DC Rajouri leads swachhata drive in educational institutions

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
RAJOURI: Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal on Saturday led the ongoing Swachhata Pakhwada initiative by spearheading massive cleanliness drives in various educational institutions. The drive was conducted in Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University (BGSBU), Boys Higher Secondary School Rajouri, and GMS Mehra Nagrota, underlining the commitment of the administration to promote cleanliness and hygiene in the region. At Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University, the zeal of the participants was worth seeing. Their enthusiasm and dedication to the Swachhata drive set an inspiring example for the entire community. At Boys Higher Secondary School Rajouri, the Deputy Commissioner was joined by Sultana Kouser, Chief Education Officer, Auqil Nuavid, DPO, along with enthusiastic students and dedicated faculty members. Similar efforts were mirrored at other locations, where students and faculty members actively participated in the cleanliness drive. Deputy Commissioner, Vikas Kundal, expressed his appreciation for the strong community involvement and urged everyone to participate wholeheartedly in this noble endeavor. Together, we can transform Rajouri into an exemplar of cleanliness and hygiene that will inspire generations to come. The District Administration fervently urges all residents to participate wholeheartedly in this noble endeavor. Together, we can transform Rajouri into an exemplar of cleanliness and hygiene that will inspire generations to come. The success of this campaign ultimately rests in the hands of each citizen, and together, the community can achieve remarkable results in the journey towards a cleaner and more sustainable future.

# CBC organises 'Swachhta Hi Seva 2023' awareness programme

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DODA: The Central Bureau of Communication, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Government of India, in yet another significant step towards promoting cleanliness and hygiene, organized an impactful programme on "Swachhta Hi Seva" at Govt. Higher Secondary School Ghat, as part of the nationwide campaign. Mohammad Ashraf Wani, District Information Officer was the Chief Guest. The event in Ghat, Doda, witnessed enthusiastic participation from the local community and students, who actively engaged in various activities aimed at promoting a cleaner and healthier environment. Vice Principal GHSS Ghat, Tahir Ashraf Wani, Bhushan Lal senior lecturer GHSS Ghat, Mohd. Ilyas Wani and Ramesh Kumar, were esteemed guests at the event. They also contributed as resource persons and shared their insights and encouraged the participants to actively engage in cleanliness initiatives. Resource persons delivered expert lectures on various aspects of cleanliness and hygiene, educating the audience on best practices and the importance of a clean environment. In-charge CBC Doda Circle, Vikram Uppal briefly highlighted the department's vital role in facilitating communication between the government and the public. The Central Bureau of Communication is committed to bridging the gap between government initiatives and the citizens they serve, ensuring that important programs and campaigns, such as "Swachhta Hi Seva," reach every corner of society. The Chief Guest lauded the Central Bureau of Communication for its tireless efforts in driving the message of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. He encouraged the students to become torchbearers of cleanliness in their communities. He also emphasized the importance of instilling cleanliness habits from an early age and empowering communities to take ownership of their surroundings. He emphasized the pivotal role of such initiatives in creating a cleaner, healthier, and more prosperous India. Participants enthusiastically joined a cleanliness drive, actively cleaning the school premises and its surroundings Sports Ground. This hands-on approach demonstrated the commitment of the community towards a cleaner and greener future. To facilitate waste segregation and disposal, dustbins were distributed among the attendees, ensuring that waste management practices improve in the area. Students and teachers worked hand in hand, exemplifying the importance of teamwork and community involvement. This collaboration pro-

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https://notto.abdm.gov.in/ The meeting was attended by District Health Officer, Dr Anju Bala, Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Dr Sanjeev Gupta among other Officers and staff along with SOTTO team, Anshu Sharma, Media Consultant, Irfan Ahmed, Transplant Coordinator and Nisha Kumari, Programme Assistant. Dy CMO presented a vote of thanks. Many members registered online to become organ donors.