

BJP will face defeat in elections: Bhalla

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KATHUA: JKPC Chief Vikar Rasool Wani on Monday hit out at BJP government saying that it brought lot of miseries for the common man & each & every section during it's nine years rule and people are prepared to bring change in next elections at the centre and in Jammu & Kashmir.

Addressing a large workers convention of Distt Congress Kathua on Monday, JKPC Chief raised volley of questions on the Modi Government' s nine years rule, blaming it of major failures on various fronts right from economic front , farmers issues,maintaing social harmony besides vitiating political atmosphere, weakening constitutional & democratic institutions,and failure to ensuring social Security to SC, ST, OBCs, women and poor people besides large scale inflation and unemployment.

Accompanied by JKPC working president Raman



JKPC Chief Vikar Rasool Wani, Working President Raman Bhalla and others during workers convention at Kathua on Monday.

Bhalla and other senior leaders ,he addressed a day long convention of DCC led by Dist president Pankaj Dogra which was attended by Th Manmohan Singh,Ved Mahajan ExMLC, Shashi Sharma,Pawan Raina ,Naresh Sharma, Nirdosh Sharma & others local leaders. JKPC Chief raised several questions about the performance of the Modi led BJP' government on various fronts, as it has been in power for more

than nine years but still puts all blames on all the previous regimes including more than twenty years of non Congress governments out of which his own , for about nine & half years. He questioned why there is large escalation & unchecked price rise, and record unemployment, ; rich is getting richer ,poor becoming poorer; the public assets being sold to Modi friends and no body can ask questions. Raman Bhalla said why an

atmosphere of fear being created and politics of division being pursued for vote bank politics. He alleged that Prime minister remains mute over atrocities on women, SCs, STs, OBCs, and minorities and it is maintaining silence on the issue of caste census. He said during nine years of BJP regimethe constitutional & democratic institutions were weakened, the opposition governments were pulled down, while there is political

Vendetta against the opposition ,he added.

Bhalla asked why people of J&K are deprived of their right to have elections and elect the government of the choice. It was in 2014 last election to assembly were held and no body knows when next elections shall be held as B-JP knows it will face humiliating defeat.

Prominent present on the occasion include Naresh Sharma, Rx- Chairman MC Kathua , Nirdosh Sharma, Yog Raj, Narinder Khajuria, Paramjit Singh, Ravinder Pail Singh, Tarsham Pal Saini, Subash Chander, SatPal Bhawani, Kulbushan Kumar, Vinay Kumar, Gurdev, Arun Metha, Sham Lal, Ramesh Kundal, Raman Thapa, Ravi Kumar, KV Jasrotia, Manvir Singh, Sanjay Razadan, Meash Chander, Lokh Nan, Santosh Chand, Vipin Andotara, Yashpal Thakur Dass, Jaswant Singh, Kamaljit Singh and others.

Balsanskar Sammellan held



Children participating in Balsanskar Sammellan in Jammu.

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JAMMU: On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, a Balsanskar Sammellan conducted at Sant Shri Asharamji Babu Ashram Bhagwati Nagar Jammu.

Celebrating Gandhi Jayanti, Ashram organized this two day

Sammellan started from 1st to 2nd October for volunteers who perform the service of Balsanskar Kendra in all the districts of J&K UT where trainers from Ahmedabad namely Vardha Bhai, Kanchan Behan and Gurvinder Behan taught them how

they can guide children in their Bal Sanskar Kendras about the good habits of respecting their elders and becoming a good citizen of the nation. They used various statistical data and videos in their lectures to train the volunteers.

Amar Kshatriya Rajput Sabha holds meet



Sabha members after the meeting at Basohli.

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BASOHLI: A meeting of Amar Kshatriya Rajput Sabha was held in Basohli in which a large numbers of Birdari members participated.

The challenges faced by the Biradari were discussed

in the meeting . After the meeting the team visited the land proposed for Biradari Hall. Abhijeet Jasrotia Gen Seet Amar Kshatriya Rajput Sabha, DDC Col Mahan Singh, Asheesh Katoch, Kulbushan Singh, Kuldeep Singh, Jagdev

Singh, Surinder Singh, Bir Singh, Pardeep Singh, Maan Singh, Dil Badhur Singh, Baljeet Singh. Kartar Singh, Ranjeet Singh. Joginder Singh, Vishal Singh Arjun Singh & huge number of women of Rajput community participated.

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JAMMU: The BJP Government led by PM Narendra Modi is going full throttle to achieve the mission of J&K's all round development with no room left for any kind of prejudice.

This was stated by senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister Kavinder Gupta after the launch of work of renovation and face lifting of the pond here at Chhani Himmat with an estimated cost of Rs 2.5 crore.

Rajkumar Tarkhan, former Chairman JMC and Corporator Ward No.51 Channi Himmat also accompanied the former deputy Chief Minister during the inauguration of the aforementioned work.

Kavinder said unlike NC,



Former Deputy Chief Minister Kavinder Gupta starting development work at Channi Himmat.

PDP and Congress parties which seek mandate using divisive tactics, the BJP has taken the 'development route' to become popular among the masses. 'It has set the goal of serving the society without distinction

and discrimination of region, religion or linguistic contours.

This is the reason that people of all hues and ethnic groups have started showing undaunted faith in the party which earnestly believe in

IIM Jammu commemorates Gandhi Jayanti, Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti

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JAMMU: Jammu: Indian Institute of Management Jammu (IIM) Jammu observed Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti with a heartfelt tribute to the legacies of these two stalwart leaders. The event, held on Monday at IIM Jammu's state-of-the-art-campus Jagti, was a harmonious blend of reverence, culture, and artistic expression.

The event commenced with the offering of floral tributes to Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri by the Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director of IIM Jammu, Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics, IIM Jammu, Dr. Ashish Kumar, Chairperson, Student Affairs, Dr. Ateeque Shaikh, Chairperson, IPM, Dr. Baljeet Singh, Co-Chairperson, Placements and Cmdr. Kesavan Baskaran (R), Chief Administrative Officer, IIM Jammu and other faculty, officers, staff and students at the Institute. Their participation underscored the institution's commitment to upholding the values and



Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director of IIM Jammu lighting ceremonial lamp on Monday.

principles cherished by these iconic freedom leaders. The inaugural address was delivered by Dr. Ashish Kumar, Chairperson Student Affairs at IIM Jammu. Dr. Ashish Kumar's enlightening words emphasized the enduring relevance of the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri in today's world. His address served as an inspiration to the students and the audience alike. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu says, "Non-violence, truth, and sacrifice

are the basic doctrines of the Gandhian and Shastri Ji's philosophy.

Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics, IIM Jammu mentioned that "Today is a great day for all of us as its birthday of two stalwarts from the freedom struggle, as rightly mentioned by Mahatma Gandhi, "Be the Change you want to be", on this momentous occasion, I urge everyone out here to imbibe the learnings from both these iconic leaders and implement it in your own lives. The cultural extravaganza featured mesmerizing music perform-

ances by the Bandish Club, IIM Jammu which showcased the rich musical heritage of India. The audience was enthralled by the melodies that echoed the soul of the nation. Adding to the vibrancy of the celebration, the Groove Club, IIM Jammu presented captivating dance performances that seamlessly fused traditional and contemporary dance forms. Their energy and grace left the audience spellbound. The Dharohar Club, IIM Jammu in a spectacular display, portrayed the diverse cultural tapestry of India. Through art, music, and traditional attire, they transported the audience on a colourful journey across the nation, celebrating its cultural richness.

This event was a testament to IIM Jammu's commitment to holistic education, nurturing not only academic excellence but also fostering an appreciation for culture and values. The event was attended by the students, faculty, officers, and staff of the Institute and was followed by dinner.

Donating blood a significant service to society, mankind: Ritika

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JAMMU: "Blood donation is a noble cause and deeply ingrained in our rich culture and tradition of Seva and Sahyog. I implore and call on all citizens to come forward and donate blood as part of the countrywide Raktdaan Amrit Mahotsav.

Donating blood is a significant service to society and mankind in addition to fulfilling the requirement for the country." This was stated by Chief Spokesperson BJP Mahila Morcha J&KUT Ritika after donating blood during blood donation camp at Gandhi Nagar Govt Hospital organized by management of Amar Ujala. Councillor Rahul Kumar Ward 20, Ward President Satbir Singh, District Executive Member Sandeep Gupta Media Incharge and senior BJP member Vijay Verma also accompanied Ritika to blood donation camp.

Accentuating the importance of blood donation and Raktdaan Amrit Mahotsav, Ritika said, "In



Chief Spokesperson BJP Mahila Morcha J&KUT Ritika Trehan donating blood.

India, the demand for blood transfusion arises for every 2 seconds. On an average, 14.6 million blood is needed every year and there is always a shortage of 1 million. Besides lack of understanding and awareness, several myths and facts are associated with a blood donation that could be discouraging healthy people from turning into blood donors. Patients like Cancer patients, Sick cell anemia and Thalassemia patients,

require blood frequently. In every two seconds, someone in India needs blood and one out of every three of us will need blood in our lifetime, she stated.

"Despite the technological advancements, there remains no alternative to blood and 1 unit of blood can save as many as three lives', Ritika noted. Raktdaan Amrit Mahotsav aims to increase awareness regarding regular non-remunerated voluntary blood donations and ensure that blood or its components are available, accessible, affordable and safe.

Debunking myths surrounding blood donation, Ritika stated that "Blood donation doesn't cause weakness, this is a misconception.

A person has 5 - 6 litres of blood in their body and can donate blood every 90 days (3 months)." Body can recover blood very quickly. No weakness comes from this, on the contrary, people have to understand that before donating blood, a blood checkup is done before that, and you cannot donate blood before 3 months, blood donation is very important.

Emphasizing on the fact that we need to create awareness about blood donation, Ritika said, "We should understand and teach our future generation about the importance of blood donation and organ donation. She also appealed to the people of the world to donate blood. She also mentioned that we need to spread awareness about debunking the blood donation myths in rural areas, as people in rural areas are still more surrounded by these myths."

GCW Parade celebrates Gandhi Jayanti

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JAMMU: 30 NCC cadets of 2 J&K GIRLS BN NCC Jammu from GCW Parade Ground, Jammu, along with ANO Lt Suman Lata and PI staff of 2 J&K Girls Bn NCC celebrated 154th birth Anniversary of the Mahatma Gandhi by presenting Nukkad Natak at Satwari Chowk and paid Swacheharjali to Mahatma Gandhi. The main objective of the Nukkad Natak

There the cadets took a cleanliness drive and took oath under the Azaadi ka Amrit Mahotsav and G20 Presidency. They also interacted with the general public and local shopkeeper/vendors to spread awareness on the littering and its adverse effects on the environment.

NCC cadets along with Principal Dr SP Saraswat and ANO Lt Suman Lata take oath



NCC cadets of GCW Parade paying tributes to Mahatma Gandhi at Satwari Chowk.

was to told about the importance of keeping their surrounding clean.

It also seems to educate locals and sensitise them about "swachh bharat abhiyan"

We must take pride in 'Swachhta Hi Sewa Hai' campaign: BJP leaders



Er Dil Bahadur Singh Jamwal State BJP Convenor and others during Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

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JAMMU: Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, the nationwide cleanliness campaign initiated by the central government has been making significant strides in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, said senior BJP leaders.

Er Dil Bahadur Singh Jamwal State BJP Convenor and Er T.K. Sharma Co convenor of Swachh Bharat Mission while speaking at the cleanliness drive initiated at Ghrota and Agore in Mandal Amb Ghrota and Mathwar in Nagrota Assembly constituency appreciated the Modi Govt's

initiative for on-going Swachhta Pakhwara "Swachhta Hi Sewa Hai".

Speaking on the occasion Er Dil Bahadur Singh said "on this auspicious day of Mahatma Gandhi's 154th birth anniversary, also celebrated as Gandhi Jayanti and International Day of Non-Violence, we must take pride in highlighting the remarkable progress of this cleanliness drive in the region."

This initiative has garnered widespread support and participation from citizens, NGOs, local authorities, and government agencies across

the country, including of Jammu and Kashmir, he added. Er. Dil Bahadur said Swachh Bharat Abhiyan has encouraged active participation from the public, schools, colleges, and local communities. Citizens have come forward to clean public spaces, plant trees, and promote green initiatives.

Speaking on the occasion Er TK Sharma said the commendable efforts of individuals, organizations, and local bodies have been recognized and rewarded, further motivating them to continue their contributions to the cleanliness

drive. Prominent among others who were present on the occasion included Sh Omi Khajuria District President Jammu North, Er. S. K Zailpuri Convenor Jammu South, Er VK Gupta Convenor Jammu North, Er Suresh Sharma, Sh BB Sharma, Er Umesh Gupta , Raj Kumar, Madhu Sudan besides Ashok Kermi Mandal President Amb Gharota, Narinder Singh General Secretary Vipin Sharma General Secy, Kuldeep Singh Chib, Vijay Sharma Vice president and Kuldeep Singh ZEO (Retd).

Cleanliness drive organised at Vijay Mohalla, Sarwal

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JAMMU: A cleanliness drive was organized on Monday on the occasion of Birth Anniversary of the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi at Vijay Mohalla, Lane No 1, Ward No 18, Sarwal Morh under the supervision of Corporator Dinesh Gupta. The residents

of the ward also took part.

On this occasion, the speakers hailed the contributions of Mahatma Gandhi and pledged to abide by his message of cleanliness. President of the Mohalla Welfare Society Subash Gupta thanked the Corporator for carrying out such drives.



Corporator Dinesh Gupta along with locals residents carrying out cleanliness drive at Ward No 18.