

Regional Vedic Conference: J&K Dharmarth Trust welcomes 'Ved Sandesh Yatra'

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JAMMU: The J&K Dharmarth Trust on Friday warmly received the 'Ved Sandesh Yatra,' organized by the Ved Mandir Committee Jammu, as part of the three-day Regional Vedic Conference, at the historic Raghunath Ji Temple in Jammu. This auspicious occasion was marked by the gracious presence of officials from the J&K Dharmarth Trust at the revered Raghunath Ji Temple. Pertinent to mention here that the Regional Vedic Conference, taking place from October 6th to 8th, 2023, in Jammu, is a collaborative effort between Maharaja Partap Singh Ved Vidyalaya, Ved Mandir Committee Jammu, and Maharshi Sandeepani Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan in Ujjain. This event is proudly sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Government of India. The conference has drawn participation from eminent



Grand Shobha Yatra 'Ved Sandesh Yatra,' taken out at Raghunath Ji Temple.

traditional Vedic scholars from all corners of the country and features a vibrant array of Vedic processions, recitations, enlightening lectures, and culturally enriching programs. On the first day of three-day long Regional Vedic Conference, a grand Shobha Yatra titled 'Ved Sandesh Yatra,' embarked from Ved Mandir, passing through Panjtirthi, Jain Bazar, Kanak Mandi and Raghunath Bazar, culminated at the famous Raghunath Ji Temple. The divine occasion saw the presence of luminaries

such as Swami Hridayanand Giri, Akhileshwar Mishra from Ujjain, Dr. Shiv Prasad Raina, Vipin Sharma, Dipendra Gautam, Raman Suri, Rajesh Sharma, Mahant Raj Kumar, and other revered scholars. Together, they performed the Aarti, invoking blessings at the sanctum sanctorum of Shri Raghunath Ji Temple. The 'Ved Sandesh Yatra' witnessed spirited participation from over 200 students representing five Sanskrit schools, including Maharaja Partap Singh

Ved Vidyalaya, Shri Mata Devika Ved Vidyalaya Purnmandal, Shri Narsingh Ved Vidyalaya Khoon Akhnoor, Shri Choodamani Sanskrit Mahavidhyala Basohli, and Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Gurukul Katra. Accompanied by distinguished Vedic scholars, this Yatra added an aura of reverence and devotion to the regional conference. The renowned Vedic scholars also chanted Vedic Mantras in the premises of Raghunath ji temple followed by the Parikrama of the whole temple. Speaking on the occasion,

Swami Hridayanand Giri informed that nearly 200 vedic scholars from across the country will perform the Ved Path which will purify the whole atmosphere of Jammu and Kashmir. He said it's an honour for us to organise such pious three-day long Sammelan. He appealed to the people of Jammu to participate in this holy Sammelan.

Welcoming the 'Ved Sandesh Yatra,' Brig R.S Langeh, President of J&K Dharmarth Trust, in his message, expressed profound gratitude for the divine presence of scholars, dignitaries, and participants in this sacred journey. He emphasized the significance of preserving and promoting our Vedic heritage and extended his best wishes for the success of the Regional Vedic Conference.

Ashok Kumar Sharma, former IPS Officer and Trust's Secretary has made adequate arrangements for the 'Ved Sandesh Yatra'.

Chanakya IAS Academy Jammu felicitates JKAS qualifiers

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: The prestigious Chanakya IAS Academy Jammu celebrated a momentous occasion as it felicitated the accomplished candidates of the Jammu and Kashmir Administrative Services (JKAS) examination.

110 students got selected from Chanakya IAS Academy Jammu centre among 4 in top 10 which includes Saurav Rank 2nd, Akshay Parihar Rank 3rd, Aditi singal Rank 7th and Anie Vaid Rank 9th among others.

The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Chief Guest B.R. Sharma, (State Chief Election Commissioner) distinguished bureaucrat, and Owais Ali Bhat, the Director of Chanakya IAS Academy Jammu. A K Mishra (MD, Chanakya IAS Academy), a renowned figure in the field of education, few more dignitaries also joined the event to honor the high-achieving candidates.

Chief Guest B.R. Sharma, a luminary in the field of admin-



An IAS qualifier receiving award from B.R. Sharma, State Chief Election Commissioner.

istration, praised the candidates for their remarkable accomplishments and encouraged them to serve the people of Jammu and Kashmir with dedication and integrity. He emphasized the significance of public service in contributing to the development and progress of the region.

Owais Ali Bhat, the Director Chanakya IAS Academy Jammu, expressed his pride in the achievements of the students and highlighted the academy's commitment to nurturing talent and preparing aspirants for a successful career in civil services. He lauded the dedication of the faculty

and staff in guiding and mentoring the candidates.

The felicitation ceremony was marked by moments of pride, inspiration, and optimism for the future of Jammu and Kashmir. It served as a testament to the unwavering commitment of the candidates, the dedication of Chanakya IAS Academy, and the support of eminent personalities like B.R. Sharma, Ak Mishra, and Owais Ali Bhat, KB Jandial (former member JKPCS), Subhash Gupta (Retd Judge & former member JKPCS) M M Gupta (Retd Chief Engineer) Sameer Bharti (Rtd IFS and Former member JKPCS).

Transport Unions, Transporters express confidence in Karan Singh Wazir

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JAMMU: Representatives of various transport unions and individual transporters met S. Karan Singh Wazir, son of the late S. Tarlochan Singh Wazir (Chairman A-JKTWA), at his residence to discuss the challenges and difficulties faced by the transport community. During this gathering, several union leaders shared their concerns with the media and highlighted the need for someone to address their issues following the passing of Tarlochan Singh Wazir, who had been a tireless advocate for transporters.



S. Karan Singh Wazir briefing media on Friday.

Union leaders expressed their sentiment that since the demise of Tarlochan Singh Wazir, their issues and problems have not received the same level of attention and resolution. As a result, they felt compelled to approach S. Karan Singh Wazir, the son of their late leader, seeking his support and leadership. S. Karan Singh Wazir, addressing the gathered transporters at his residence, assured them that he would continue his father's legacy and work diligently to address the concerns of transporters.

He acknowledged the significant contributions made by his late father in building a robust transport union system and always standing up for the welfare of transporters. S. Karan Singh Wazir emphasized the need for unity among all transport unions and individual transporters during this critical time to resolve their common issues. He pledged his com-

mitment to serving their interests and working towards the betterment of the transport community. The meeting served as a platform for transporters to come together with a unified voice, and S. Karan Singh Wazir's willingness to take up the mantle left by his father was met with appreciation and hope for the continued support of their community's needs.

CISF inducted into National Fuel Complex, Kota Project

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: In a significant move towards enhancing the security and protection of critical national infrastructure, the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) officially been inducted into the National Fuel Complex, Kota Project, Rawatbhata (Rajasthan). A total of 200 well-trained CISF personnel have been deployed headed by a Deputy Commandant rank officer to safeguard this vital facility.

In a colourful induction ceremony, CISF took over the regular security of the NFC. Yogesh Mehta, Dy Inspector General, CISF, DAE-II, Zonal HQ Mumbai was the Chief Guest on the occasion. P A Pratap, Project Director; NFC Kota and N Vijayaraghavan, Dy Chief Executive, NFC Hyderabad, Officials of NFC, CISF and other dignitaries were present on the occasion. With this induction, total



Yogesh Mehta, Dy Inspector General, CISF, DAE-II, Zonal HQ Mumbai speaking during the programme.

DAE installations under CISF security cover raised to 18 (eighteen) as on date. Now CISF is protecting total 356 Units across the country. The administrative control of this establishment will be under Inspector General, DAE & DOS, New Delhi.

The National Fuel Complex is relentlessly fuelling the nuclear power program of India. To meet the fuel require-

ment of the upcoming nuclear reactors NFC Hyderabad is setting up a new facility, NFC-Kota at Rawatbhata near Kota, Rajasthan. This facility is adjacent to the existing Heavy Water Plant-Kota. The project is spanned in approximate area of 190 hectare with additional township area of 25 hectare. The plant capacity is 500 TPY PHWR fuel fabrication and 65 TPY fuel cladding

and recognizing KK Gandhi's contribution to the field of Visual Arts and society at large makes him a standout candidate, one among thousands of invitations and felicitations in any important events. His artist variants, social relevance, philanthropist, and endeavors to nurture young artists make him an exemplary role model for the entire nation. So the organizers feel honored to write to him for participation in the festival.

2-day Wildlife Week celebrations concludes at CUJ

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The final day of the two-day Wildlife Week Celebrations (5th and 6th October) 2023 was celebrated with great enthusiasm by the Department of Zoology, Central University of Jammu under the patronage of Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sanjeev Jain.

These events were followed by the valedictory function where the winners were announced by Dr. Ashok Kumar Yadav, Head, Department of Zoology. The winners in various categories were Nahila 'Tabassum in 'Mimic like an animal', Shalini Khajuria in 'Wildlife dress up', Manvi and Asma in 'Greeting Card/Bookmark Making', Neha and Diksha, (from department of Botany) in 'Face/Body Painting competition'. Apurva Bhati (Wildlife Sketching), Shalini Gupta and Ananya Mahajan (Quiz competition), Vikas Kumar (Oral Presentation). Akanksha Sharma and Samya (Panel discussion).

Providing best infrastructure facilities to Jammu residents: Billawaria

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JAMMU: Deputy Mayor, Jammu, Baldev Singh Billawaria on Friday visited Chinara Enclave in RS Pura-Jammu South constituency and kick-started the blacktopping work of road there, which was a long pending demand of the people of the area. This development work will be executed under the supervision of the Public works department (PWD).



Deputy Mayor, Jammu, Baldev Singh Billawaria starting blacktopping work.

directed the concerned department to prepare the estimate of the road of the area and today with his efforts the development work was started. He said that the BJP under the strong leadership of PM Narendra Modi will change

the entire spectrum of development in J&K as it is only a matter of days now when facilities and opportunities will knock the doors of each and every resident of the UT. He further said that the incumbent Union Administration led

by Lt Governor Manoj Sinha deserves full credit for initiating revolutionary measures in every sector including the economic front. The Deputy Mayor appealed to the people to maintain cleanliness and hygiene in their area to

keep the environment clean and green. He also urged the people to follow all necessary safety and health guidelines while the construction work is in progress. He said that for the better development of the city, development works are being done in various areas and appropriate steps will be taken wherever development work is required. Locals of the area have expressed satisfaction that they have heaved a sigh of relief ensured by the developmental works accomplished by the Deputy Mayor. Mandal President Ranjit Singh, Harbans Chaudhary, Satpal Chaudhary, Surjit Kumar, Sunil Sharma, Davinder Sharma, Rinku Kumar and others were present.

Gandhi to display his artworks at 2nd Annual Art Festival, Chandigarh

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Bhartiya Vidya Bhawan Bengaluru and Foundation are going to hold the 2nd Annual Art Festival from the 16th to 23rd October 2023 at Chandigarh. The theme of the festival is Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam - "The World is One Family". The fest will have events like music, theater, arts, dance, and other related activities. The organizer has invited KK Gandhi, one of the region's leading artists, to display his artworks.

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and recognizing KK Gandhi's contribution to the field of Visual Arts and society at large makes him a standout candidate, one among thousands of invitations and felicitations in any important events. His artist variants, social relevance, philanthropist, and endeavors to nurture young artists make him an exemplary role model for the entire nation. So the organizers feel honored to write to him for participation in the festival.



LFO-BHF's Mission R-SAP empowers women across J&K



NGO members along with students during the event at Doda.

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DODA: Live for Others - being helpful foundation in their joint initiative with J&K Bank, "Mission R-SAP (Remove Shyness Apply Pads) distributed 5,00,000 sanitary napkins and conducting 100 awareness seminars, benefiting 50,000 people across all 20 districts of Jammu & Kashmir and remove the taboo regarding menstruation from the society. The first district to successfully complete this

mission is Doda, where more than 25,000 sanitary napkins were distributed, complemented by six impactful awareness lectures. The resource person for first two seminars was Dr. Renuka Katoch & the resource person for rest 4 seminars was Ms. Babita. These activities were carried out in government schools located in peripheral areas, namely Govt. Higher Secondary School Girls, Doda; Govt. Higher Secondary School,

Khellani; Paramount Public Higher Secondary School, Doda; Govt. Higher Secondary School, Trown; Govt. Higher Secondary School, Bhagwah & Govt. Higher Secondary School, Ghat. "We are thrilled with the progress of 'Mission R-SAP' and the positive impact it's having on women's health and hygiene and currently we are looking forward to others districts and our team is simultaneously working on it," said Vivek Parihar,

Founder & CEO of LFO-BHF. LFO-BHF extends their gratitude to the Director School Education Jammu, C.E.O Doda & Principals of all the schools for giving their full support in organising such seminars on this important topic and as well as students for showing their active participation and support. Members who were present were Shubam, Shruti, Kunal, Arun, Karan, Sahil, Rikhil, Irfan, Shubham and many more.

Centre for Women's Studies, JU organises gender sensitization workshop

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JAMMU: The Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jammu organized 4th workshop under ongoing series for the students and scholars of the Department of Sociology on Friday. Dr. Sonia Aneja, Faculty, Department of Law, University of Jammu was the resource person.

At the very outset Prof. Vishav Raksha, Head, Department of Sociology and Director, Centre for Women's Studies after formally welcoming all the participants, and explained the rationale behind the conduct of such workshops. In her address she said that these workshops are an attempt to inculcate the gender sensitivity among the students to make them gender sensitive human beings. Dr. Sonia Aneja, the key resource person for the workshop, spoke about the Legal provisions for women's safety and explained the importance of Gender and Law. In her address, she mentioned



Faculty members along with students after the workshop.

how the status of the women since time immemorial has remained secondary, and even in the contemporary society the situation is no better as women lack legal literacy. Dr. Aneja also spoke about the Constitutional Provisions under various Articles like 14,15,16,19 etc. She also shared few landmark Case-Studies related to Sexual Harassment, Acid Attacks, Land Inheritance, and Rape. She further stressed upon

the importance of Gender sensitization through education, the stringent implementation of laws and rational makeover of stereotypical mindset. Faculty members, Research Scholars and Students of Department of Sociology very actively participated in the workshop and shared their personal experiences and raised many queries on the issues like Women Empowerment, Trans-gender Identity, Dowry, etc.

which were answered to their satisfaction by the resource person as well as the Director, CWS. The workshop was conducted and coordinated by Dr. Saranjit Kaur, and the formal vote of thanks was presented by Kunzang Angmo both Faculty members, Centre for Women's Studies. The Dr. Gopal Sharma, faculty, Department of Sociology looked after the digital modalities of the workshop.