

JU's Baderwah Campus organises Introductory Session for BCA students

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BHADERWAH: The Department of Computer Science, Baderwah Campus, University of Jammu, today organized an introductory session to welcome the fresher students of the Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA) program. The event was attended by faculty members of the department, along with students from MCA 1st and 3rd semesters and BCA 3rd and 5th semester.

In a congratulatory message, Rector Baderwah Campus, Prof. J P Singh Joorel, extended his warm welcome to the new students. He encouraged the students to excel in their academic journey and become ambassadors of computer science. Prof. Joorel emphasized the importance of maintaining discipline within the campus to foster a productive learning environment.

Dr. Jatinder Manhas, former Head of the MCA



Faculty members along with students during the programme.

Department and Associate Director of the 'Design Your Course' Program, also shared his thoughts with the students. He encouraged them to take full advantage of the experienced faculty and resources at the department. He highlighted the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between the Department of Computer Science, Baderwah Campus, and iHUB Divyansampark, IIT Roorkee, which aims to enhance collaborative opportunities in

the field of technology and innovation. Dr. Abid Sarwar, In-Charge Head of the Department of Computer Science, Baderwah Campus, provided an overview of the facilities available to the students, urging them to work hard and make both the department and the campus proud. His motivational speech resonated with the students, setting the tone for the academic year ahead. Faculty members Dr. Neeraj Kumar, Ms. Bablu Sharma, Ms. Shalalu Kotwal and Waseem

Akram also addressed the students, offering words of encouragement and guidance for their academic pursuits. The event saw the presence of notable attendees, including Waseem Akram, Yasar Ali, Arham Saba, Chander Deep, and Parvesh Singh. The introductory session was a valuable opportunity for new students to familiarize themselves with the department, its faculty, and the resources available to them as they embark on their journey in computer science education.

DEO Kishtwar interacts with Media Persons on reporting guidelines for Counting Day

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KISHTWAR: District Election Officer (DEO) Kishtwar, Rajesh Kumar Shavan held an interactive session with media persons, sensitizing them on the Do's and Don'ts of reporting during the upcoming Counting Day.

He emphasized the importance of adhering to ethical standards and maintaining transparency in journalism to ensure that accurate and authentic election results are conveyed to the public in a real time manner.

The DEO stressed that media professionals must strictly follow all guidelines issued by ECI in letter and spirit to preserve the integrity of the election process.

Shavan also informed that a dedicated Media Cell has been established within the premises of the Counting Venue. The cell will provide real-time updates on election results,



DEO Kishtwar, Rajesh Kumar Shavan chairing a meeting.

Assembly Constituency-wise, ensuring the public stays informed through various media channels.

Regarding Counting Day preparations, the DEO assured that all arrangements have been made for the smooth counting of votes across Kishtwar's three Assembly Constituencies. He briefed the media about the com-

prehensive logistics set up at Kendriya Vidyalaya, including proper seating arrangements, a public announcement system, and a robust three-tier security system in line with election guidelines. He further urged all candidates and their agents to gracefully accept the people's verdict with smiling faces in consonance with the slogan of the

District Election Authority "Catch the Smile" whether the result is in their favor or not.

He further advised the counting staff to maintain a positive demeanor while performing their duties, reinforcing the message of professionalism and composure throughout the day and maintaining complete neutrality.

DLSA Samba celebrates "International Day of Elderly" at Muskan Foundation Vijaypur



DLSA officials along with foundation members.

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SAMBHA: Under the insightful directions of Chairperson District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Samba an awareness programme on "International Day of Elderly" was held at Muskan Foundation, Vijaypur.

This programme was organized under the Chairmanship of Chairman DLSA Samba, Ravinder Nath Watal and under the

supervision of Secretary DLSA Samba, Sandeep Singh Sen.

The programme was attended by Medical Officer and his team of Vijaypur Hospital as well as members of the Muskan Foundation, Officers of LADCs, staff and PLVs of DLSA.

The resource person for the programme was Nisha Rani, Deputy Legal Aid Defence Counsel DLSA Samba, who

threw light on different schemes organized by Government of India.

Secretary DLSA in his speech highlighted the values of elders in our home and aware the participants about the theme of this day which is "Ageing with Dignity: the importance of strengthening Care and Support systems for older persons world-wide" and also the goal of the International Day of Elderly. Proceedings of the programme was conducted by Versha Anthal, Assistant Legal Aid Defence Counsel, Samba.

Beside this, DLSA Samba also organize a Medical Camp in collaboration with Govt. Medical Hospital Vijaypur in which the medical team of Doctors did basic check up of the participants and gave them necessary First Aid medicines.

Army conducts gender awareness lecture

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POONCH : Gender parity in terms of survival and education is essential to equitable economic development and a cornerstone for ensuring basic human rights. Woman constitute almost half of the population of the world. Education for a woman is the best way to improve the health, nutrition and economic status of a household that constitute a micro unit of a nation's economy. The importance of women in overall development of the society and in taking country to future glory cannot be ruled out. Indian Army in its efforts to generate awareness about Government welfare schemes intended for girls, organized a lecture on 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' at

Secondary School Chhatral. The emphasis of the lecture was to understand the importance of women and providing the opportunities and equal rights to them not only in terms of career growth but also in personality building. The overall growth of the society is equal to the opportunities provided to the women. Various programs of the Central Government focusing on 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' were also briefed to the attendees. To further motivate the audience, the achievements of popular women from India, who have left an indelible mark on the world arena was also highlighted. The awareness drive encouraged the students to strive for excellence to become independent and confident members of the society.

DEO Udhampur holds meeting with contesting candidates, political representatives ahead of counting process



DEO Udhampur, Saloni Rai chairing a meeting.

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UDHAMPUR: In preparation for the upcoming counting of votes scheduled for October 8th, the District Election Officer, Udhampur, Saloni Rai along with SSP Amod Ashok Nagpure held a key meeting with contesting candidates and representatives of various political parties from District Udhampur.

During the meeting, DEO Udhampur briefed the candidates as well as representatives on the detailed layout and procedural aspects of the counting process, emphasizing that it will be conducted in a smooth, transparent manner as per the guidelines set by the Election Commission of India. She assured them of full cooperation from the district adminis-

tration throughout the process. She urged all present to maintain discipline, law & order on the day of counting, emphasizing that no entry into the premises will be permitted without valid identity cards. The DEO called upon the candidates and party representatives to cooperate fully and ensure a fair and peaceful counting process.

GDC Vijaypur celebrates World Habitat Day 2024

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VIJAYPUR: Department of Environmental Sciences in collaboration with Department of Geography of Government Degree College (GDC) Vijaypur celebrated World Habitat Day 2024.

The Programme started with the welcome address by Poonam Kundan, Head, Department of Environmental Sciences, and elaborated on the theme, discussing how youth engagement can drive innovation and foster social change.

She encouraged students to actively participate in discussions about urban development and to contribute ideas for improving their environments.



A resource person delivering lecture.

The event aimed to inspire the younger generation to take initiative and lead efforts towards building a sustainable urban future. Students of the college actively participated in the Slogan Writing Competition on the theme "Engaging Youth for a Better Urban Future."

First position was achieved by Ranjit Kaur of

B.Sc. Semester III, Second position was attained by Palak Panotra of BA Semester III and third position was secured by Avijeet Kumar of B.Sc. Semester III.

The competition was adjudged by Prof. Mamta Gupta (HOD Commerce), Dr. Anoop Bhagat (HOD Sociology) and Prof. Ritu Bhagat (HOD Education).

Dr. Vandana Verma, Principal of the College, highlighted the vital role that young people play in shaping sustainable cities. She emphasized that empowering youth to participate in urban planning and environmental initiatives is essential for creating vibrant, resilient communities. Dr. Vandana appreciated the efforts of the students for their active participation.

The whole event was coordinated by Prof. Poonam Kundan (HOD Environmental Sciences) and Prof. Meetu Sharma (HOD Geography) and co-ordinated by Prof. Ritu Bhagat (HOD, Education) and Dr. Naseem Choudhary (HOD, English).

Orientation cum training workshop on Adult BCG vaccination held

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DODA: Under the guidance of Chief Medical Officer Doda Dr Om Kumar, a one day block level orientation cum training workshop on Adult BCG Vaccination of healthcare professionals of Block Ghat District Doda was held at Conference Hall, CMO Office Doda on 07-10-2024.

The training session was aimed with the ongoing initiative of the department to trained all healthcare professionals about the new concept of Adult BCG Vaccination.

Dr. Nasir Masood Indrabi, Sh Surinder Singh PMA Supervisor and Sh C K Shan were the key speakers



A resource person delivering lecture.

(Trainers) who imparted the training to the participants in a comprehensive manner, briefed all the aspects, management, criteria, measures and all requirements need to start this newly launched project of GOI to curb

Tuberculosis. The training session was also attended by BMO Ghat Dr Abdul Gafoor, who graced the occasion and gave a brief introduction about this new initiative of GOI to launch Adult BCG vaccina-

tion. The Adult BCG vaccination is a programmatic study aimed at vaccinating vulnerable populations by the end of 2024 and is designed to target individuals aged 18 years and above, focusing on various criteria such as TB history, age, smoking habits, diabetes and Low BMI. Mashhood Latif, BM&EO NHM Ghat coordinated the training programme, which ended on a successful note.

The orientation cum training workshop was attended by more than 50 participants including Medical Officers, Paramedical Staff besides Cold Chain Handlers, ASHA Facilitators of Block Ghat (Doda).

Final Randomisation of Counting Staff, Micro Observers held at Kathua



DEO Dr. Rakesh Minhas chairing a meeting.

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KATHUA: The second and final randomisation of counting staff and micro observers was conducted today at the Video Conferencing Room, DC

Office Complex, Kathua, under the supervision of District Election Officer, Dr. Rakesh Minhas.

The process took place in the presence of Counting Officers and Returning Officers from all six assembly segments of Kathua district. The randomisation, which included assigning Counting Supervisors, Counting Assistants, and Micro Observers, was carried out using the dedicated software provided by the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Jammu & Kashmir. The process covered 83 tables for counting EVM votes and 6 tables for postal

ballots. Additionally, a reserve pool of 54 staff members was identified to address any contingencies that may arise during the counting process. The counting of votes is scheduled to be held on October 8 in GDC Kathua for all six assembly segments of Kathua district.

The Counting Observers for 63-Bani Aisha Masrat Khanam, 64-Billarwar, Mahendra Kumar Khinchi, 65-Basohli Md. Ejtaba Hussain, 66-Jasrota Sunil Kumar Yadav, 67-Kathua (SC) Dorje Chhering Negi and 68-Hiranagar Navneet Kumar along with Returning Officers were also present.

GDC Ramgarh organizes documentary screening on 'Life of Mahatma Gandhi'

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SAMBHA: IQAC of GDC Ramgarh organised a documentary screening on "Life of Mahatma Gandhi" in honor of the Mahatma Gandhi's enduring legacy. The event was organised to mark the 155th birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation, which holds great significance in promoting Gandhian values among young minds.

The event was held under the able guidance and supervision of Prof. (Dr.) Geetanjali Andotra, Principal of the College. Speaking on the occasion she highlighted the importance of introducing

students to historical figures like Mahatma Gandhi, from whose life the students can learn about ideals of peace, equality, non-violence & justice. Dr. Aditi Khajuria, convener IQAC, spoke on the impact of Gandhiji on Freedom Struggle of India. The documentary delved into pivotal moments of Gandhiji's life from his role in the Indian Freedom struggle to his philosophy of Truth and Non-violence which has inspired millions not only in India but all over the world.

The documentary screening was attended by all faculty members and students of the college.



Students watching documentary.

ADC reviews Law and Order management ahead of Counting Day in Rajouri

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RAJOURI: On the directions of the District Election Officer (DEO) Rajouri, Abhishek Sharma, a comprehensive review meeting regarding the management of law and order for the upcoming counting day was convened today at Dak Bungalow, Rajouri.

The meeting was chaired by Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Rajouri, Rajiv Khajuria which was attended by Additional Superintendent of Police (ASP) Rajouri Bikram Kumar, all Executive Magistrates along with their police counterparts.

The primary focus of the meeting was to ensure a robust plan for maintaining peace and order during the counting of votes for the General Election to the Legislative Assembly 2024.

ADC Rajiv Khajuria, while addressing the gathering, emphasized the critical role of Executive Magistrates and their respective police teams in ensuring the smooth conduct of counting day activities. ASP Bikram Kumar further



DEO Rajouri, Abhishek Sharma chairing a meeting.

elaborated on the security arrangements, highlighting the need for strict vigilance and proactive measures. He also reviewed the security arrangements at counting centers and surrounding areas, stressing the need for additional security personnel at vulnerable points. He further emphasized strict enforcement of Section 164 of BNSS, 2023 prohibiting the assembly of more than five people near the counting centers, to prevent any gathering that could disrupt the process.

All Executive Magistrates were directed to be present at their designated stations along with their police counterparts throughout the counting

process. Special emphasis was laid on maintaining law and order around the counting centers and ensuring that no untoward incident occurs. The entry and exit of authorized personnel within the counting centers will be closely monitored. All officials were directed to ensure that only individuals with valid passes are allowed inside the premises.

Concluding the meeting, ADC Rajiv Khajuria and ASP Bikram Kumar expressed confidence that with meticulous planning and cooperation between the magistrates and police officers, the counting day proceedings would be conducted without any disruption.

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