

SSP Doda reviews ongoing investigations; stresses result-oriented approach in UAPA, NDPS cases

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DODA: Senior Superintendent of Police Doda, Sandeep Mehta, chaired a comprehensive review meeting at the District Police Office (DPO) Doda to assess the progress of ongoing investigations and cases currently under trial. During the meeting, SSP Doda emphasized revisiting and adhering to directives issued by the Police Headquarters regarding the investigation of UAPA cases. He called for expedited and result-oriented investigations aimed at dismantling the ter-



ror ecosystem operating in any form within the district. Highlighting the need for a more serious and strategic approach, SSP Mehta directed officers to ensure timely

filing of chargesheets and the identification and prosecution of all individuals involved in supporting or facilitating terrorist activities not just the direct perpetrators. He further instructed that stringent action be taken against Over-Ground Workers (OGWs) and other support networks, including the seizure of properties belonging to accused persons under relevant legal provisions, and the declaration of absconders as proclaimed offenders where applicable. The SSP also urged supervisory officers to thoroughly

review UAPA, NDPS, and cases registered under NCL, particularly those falling within the 60/90-day timeline, ensuring that investigations are conducted with sensitivity, precision, and adherence to deadlines. He emphasized the need for swift investigations, meticulous trial preparation, and foolproof evidence collection to enhance conviction rates. To strengthen the legal follow-up process, Pairvi Cells have been established at multiple levels. Officers have been directed to closely monitor and supervise their func-

tioning to ensure effective coordination and improved conviction outcomes. The meeting was attended in person by Addl. SP Hqrs Doda Mohd Aslam, Addl. SP Ops Doda Davinder Singh Bhandral, Dy. SP Hqrs Ajay Anand, SDPO Bhaderwah Shoket Ali, Dy. SP DAR Doda Adil Rishu, SDPO Gandoh Raj Kumar, Dy. SP PC Doda Vishal Manhas, SHO PS Doda, and IC PP DH Doda. All other supervisory officers and investigating officers of all Police Stations and PPs participated virtually.

Rajesh Gupta meets DC Ramban, reviews post-rain relief measures

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RAMBAN: Senior National Conference leader Rajesh Gupta met Deputy Commissioner Ramban, Alyas Khan, to review post-rain relief measures following the extensive damage caused by the August rains across the district. DC Khan informed that most roads affected by landslides had been restored and compensation to affected families was being disbursed promptly as per norms. Appreciating the administration's swift and transparent response, Gupta praised DC Khan's proactive approach and dedication, stating that Jammu and Kashmir needs such officers to strengthen public trust in governance.



IRP-19th Bn Kathua flags off Bharat Darshan tour

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KATHUA: A Bharat Darshan tour, organized under the Civic Action Programme-2025, was flagged off today by Atul Sharma-JKPS, Commandant IRP-19th from Battalion Headquarters Kathua in the presence of officers and officials of the unit. A total of 34 students from various Government schools of District Kathua accompanied by their faculty members under the supervision of police personnel of the unit shall visit Delhi, Agra, Mathura and Vrindhavan from 24th to 28th October, 2025. The tour aims to acquaint students with the rich cultural heritage, unity, and diversity of the nation, thereby fostering a spirit of national integration. Tour kits and refreshments were also distributed to the participants



Commandant IRP-19th, Atul Sharma flagging off tour.

on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, the Commandant emphasized that such initiatives under the Civic Action Programme strengthen the police-public relations and promote youth engagement and empowerment in nation building. He also encouraged students to utilize this opportunity to improve their academic ac-

men.

The tour is fully sponsored by J&K Police, covering all logistics including boarding, lodging, transport, and guided visits. Parents and students expressed their gratitude to the J&K Police for organizing the tour and providing students with a platform to explore and learn beyond classrooms.

DC Udhampur reviews progress of developmental works taken up under District Capex Budget, SASCI, RDD sector

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UDHAMPUR: Deputy Commissioner Udhampur Saloni Rai today chaired a meeting here in the Conference Hall of DC Office Complex to review the physical and financial progress achieved under the District Capex Budget 2025-26, including the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment and RDD in the district. The meeting was attended by Additional District Development Commissioner Jugal Kishore; Chief Planning Officer Uttam Singh; Assistant Commissioner Development Om Parkash and officers from across the line departments.



Reviewing the progress under the District Capex budget, SASCI and RDD, the DC directed the concerned departments to expedite the pace of work and ensure completion of all projects as per the given timeline. The DC reviewed the status of ongoing work on the Government Medical College campus taken up at a project

cost of Rs. 3.25 crore. She directed the XEN PWD to seek necessary approval for the construction of a multi-storey parking facility near Gole Market in the town. She further instructed the concerned officers to undertake drilling of borewells near the Old Age Home and Devika along with other allied works for augmentation of the water supply sys-

tem. The DC also reviewed the progress of procurement of auxiliary components for the installation of smart meters and the construction of a new 3.15 MVA, 33/11 KV receiving station at Damnote in the Panheri area and Nallah Godian in Block Ghordi. The DC further reviewed the progress achieved under DDC/BDC/PRI Grants,

ADP, Untied grants and ABDP as well as labour budget performance under MGNREGA. The Department-wise performance of sectors such as Irrigation, PHE, PWD, RDD, Health, Education and JPDCL was also assessed. Emphasizing timely execution and judicious fund utilization, the DC instructed all departments to achieve 100% allotment of works at the earliest and accelerate the utilization of released funds. She also directed the Block Development Officers to prioritize the completion of pending projects in mission mode and to initiate billing of completed works without delay.

Career Counselling Programme inspires students at Hari Memorial Modern Public Academy, Poonch

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POONCH: Hari Memorial Modern Public Academy, Poonch, organized an inspiring Career Counselling Program aimed at guiding students toward making informed career choices and developing essential professional skills. The event was graced by Mohan Sharma (Addl. SP, Poonch) as the Chief Guest, and Dr. Nitin Sharma as the Guest of Honour. The session featured Sourab Bali, HR Head of a reputed multinational company, who shared his professional expertise and career insights with the students. During his address, Sourab Bali emphasized the



Addl. SP, Poonch Mohan Sharma along with faculty during the programme.

importance of setting career goals, developing communication and leadership skills, and staying updated with modern industry trends. He guided students on how to prepare for future challenges and encouraged them

to focus on continuous learning and personal growth. Chief Guest Mohan Sharma motivated the students with his inspiring words, highlighting the value of discipline, hard

work, and dedication in achieving success. He urged students to make positive contributions to society while pursuing their dreams. Guest of Honour Dr. Nitin Sharma also shared valuable thoughts on education,

career development, and the importance of maintaining a balanced approach toward academic and personal life. The Managing Director of the school, Adv. Sanjeev Sharma, and the Principal, Manju Sharma, appreciated the initiative and encouraged students to take full advantage of such programs for shaping their future careers. The school presented mementos to the Chief Guest and Guest of Honour as a token of appreciation. The school extended heartfelt thanks to all dignitaries, staff members, and students for their contribution in making the event a great success.

DDC Poonch reviews progress of restoration works; directs for completion before start of winters

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POONCH: District Development Commissioner Poonch Ashok Kumar Sharma today chaired a meeting to review the permanent restoration of PWD, JPDCL, Jal Shakti and Education sector assets damaged due to incessant rains and floods in the month of August. The DDC emphasized the need for prompt restoration of all affected infrastructure to ensure uninterrupted delivery of public services. He instructed the concerned departments to expedite the restoration works and ensure their completion at the earliest in view of the limited working season and



the approaching winter months. The District Development Commissioner asked departments to adhere to quality standards and timelines, adding that delay in execution would not be tolerated. He also directed officers to maintain inter-department coordination for efficient utilization of the approved funds and timely completion of all projects.

Five-day course on 'Investigation of Cyber Crime' begins at SKPA Udhampur

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UDHAMPUR: A five-day course on "Investigation of Cyber Crime" commenced on Friday at the Sher-i-Kashmir Police Academy (SKPA) Udhampur with the objective of enhancing the professional competence and investigative skills of police officers in addressing the growing challenges of cyber-related offences. A total of 19 officers from various units of the Jammu and Kashmir Police are participating in the course. Rajinder Kumar Gupta, SSP, Dy. Director (Indoor/Training) was the Chief Guest on the occasion. In his inaugural address, Gupta highlighted the increasing prevalence of cybercrime in today's digital age and emphasized the importance of continuous upskilling of police personnel to effectively investigate and prevent such crimes. He lauded the efforts of SKPA Udhampur for organizing specialized training programmes aimed at strengthening the technological and investigative capabil-



ities of the police force.

The five-day training programme will focus on a range of topics including IP and MAC address analysis, Email and social media investigations, Cyber forensic tools and data recovery, Mobile forensics and online

financial fraud detection, and Legal frameworks under the IT Act, 2000 and its 2008 Amendment. The course aims to help participants develop awareness and understanding of various forms of cybercrime, familiarize them with foren-

sic methodologies and SOPs, and enhance their skills in evidence collection, analysis, and prosecution. The course is being coordinated by Inspector Vivek Kalsotra, assisted by HC Randip Singh, both from the SKPA faculty.

DDC inaugurates Donli-Punyala Village Road; highlights importance of rural connectivity, development



DDC Harvinder Singh inaugurating Donli to Punyala Village Road.

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DODA: District Development Commissioner (DDC), Harvinder Singh inaugurated the newly constructed Donli to Punyala Village Road in Tehsil Mohalla of Doda District. The inauguration ceremony marked a significant milestone in improving rural connectivity and infrastructure development in the region. The event was attended by DDC Member Gundana Asim Hashmi; Tehsildar Mohalla; functionaries from PWD (R&B), PMGSY and other officials from the district administration. DDC Harvinder Singh emphasized that the construction of the Donli-Punyala Road

will greatly enhance connectivity, accessibility and overall development of the adjoining villages. He informed that the road project was proposed under NABARD and the DDC grant, ensuring adequate funding and efficient implementation. During his interaction with locals, several delegations from nearby villages put forth demands for the construction and improvement of the link roads in their respective areas. The DDC gave a patient hearing and assured that the public demand for roads would be duly considered and prioritized under the relevant schemes to ensure balanced development across all villages.

SMVDU NCC Cadet selected for Pre-RDC Camp at NCC Academy, Nagrota

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KATRA: NCC cadet Dhruv Gera from Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), Katra, has been selected to attend the Pre-Republic Day Camp (Pre-RDC) at the NCC Academy, Nagrota. The selection marks a significant achievement, as the Pre-RDC is one of the most prestigious and competitive training camps organized under the National Cadet Corps, aimed at identifying and grooming cadets for participation in the Republic Day Camp - 2026, in New Delhi. During the Pre-RDC camp, Cadet Dhruv Gera will undergo rigorous training sessions in drill, cultural activities, personality development, leadership skills, and national integration programs. The camp serves as a preparatory platform for cadets to qualify for the final Republic Day Camp (RDC), where selected cadets from across the



country represent their respective Directorates at the national level. Dr. Varun Dutta, Associate NCC Officer (ANO), SMVDU, congratulated Cadet Dhruv Gera on his selection and expressed confidence that he will perform exceptionally well at the camp. He also acknowledged the consistent support and guidance provided by the Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh NCC Directorate in motivating cadets to excel. Prof. Pragati Kumar, Vice Chancellor, and Ajay Kumar Sharma, Registrar, SMVDU, extended their best wishes to Cadet Dhruv Gera for his upcoming training and appreciated the efforts of the NCC Unit of SMVDU for its continued commitment to discipline, leadership, and national service.

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ITI Udhampur hosts special session on cyber security



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UDHAMPUR: Government ITI Udhampur today organized a special session on Cyber Security to raise awareness about safe digital practices among staff and students. The session was conducted by District Informatics Officer Er. Anish Sharma. He shared valuable insights on the importance of online safety, data protection and

responsible use of digital platforms. The lecture was attended by the Superintendent, Faculty members and trainees. The session focused on current cyber threats, preventive measures and best practices for securing personal and institutional data. Participants actively engaged with the speaker, posing questions and sharing their experiences related to cyber

security challenges. The DIO NIC emphasized that awareness and vigilance are the first lines of defense against cybercrime. The Superintendent ITI appreciated the initiative and encouraged trainees to implement the knowledge gained in their daily digital activities. Drawing Instructor Fareed Ahmed Sheikh presented the vote of thanks.

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