

Why Indira Gandhi, Sardar Patel ignored in naming institutions: Congress

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SUNDERBANI: Congress on Sunday blamed the LG administration of dancing to the tunes of BJP and RSS and ignoring the great leaders and martyrs of our nation like Indira Gandhi, Rajiv Gandhi and great stalwart of freedom struggle Sardar Patel in naming institutions after leaders and workers of ruling party and selected martyrs of choice.

Paying rich tributes in an impressive function at Sunderbani, JKPCC chief Spokesperson Ravinder Sharma questioned why no institution is named after Indira Gandhi who was martyred as Prime Minister in office. The Iron lady was a terror for the enemies of India and divided Pakistan thus creating Bangladesh fifty years ago.

Atal Behari Vajpayee gave her the honour of the Avatar of Mata Durga after victory of the country in Bangladesh.

Remembering the contri-



JKPCC Chief Spokesperson Ravinder Sharma and others paying tributes to former PM Indira Gandhi.

The college in Sunderbani is being named after Atal but nothing after Gandhi, who was Avatar of Durga as per Vajpayee. We respect Atal too and no objection to naming of some institution after his name but why ignore the prime minister who was martyred in office. Another prime minister who too was martyred, Rajiv Gandhi, but did not find place in the list while Shyama Prasad Mukherjee finds name for Degree college Kalakote.

He said that ignoring such great leaders and real martyrs is a blunder with the history and fraud with future generations. He said that

there should not any politics on the question of martyrs and recognising the contributions of stalwart.

He cautioned the LG administration to draw a fair mechanism and criteria without any political or other bias and don't be selective in choosing martyrs, gallantry award winners and the eminent persons for naming institutions and placed.

He also questioned why the gallantry award winners in the district Rajouri like Yadvir Singh PVC, Brig Usman MVC, Hav Deputy Lal and others, the first few gallantry awardees of independent India were ignored in the district Rajouri.

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while a local BJP leader of the area finds place for naming a city school.

It is not understandable who takes decisions and how and probably on the list of some BJP/RSS activists. How can the LG administration ignore the real heroes and martyrs who laid down their lives fighting for unity and territorial integrity of the country, he questioned expressing resentment.

The Congress, youth congress and NSUI workers passed a resolution seeking redrawing of the list and naming subderbani college and Higher secondary after Indira Gandhi and Sardar Patel and likewise considering other martyrs, gallantry awardees, and deserving eminent personalities on a fair criteria.

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Senior Citizens Welfare Forum Katra holds monthly General Body Meeting

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KATRA: 84th Monthly General Body Meeting of Senior Citizens Welfare Forum Katra (Regd.) was held at PWD Guest House Katra on Sunday. Meeting was chaired by its President, Shiv Kumar Sharma followed by welcome address and proceedings were conducted by Chanay Ram, Executive Member of the forum.

In the beginning, Immunity boosting Medicines were distributed by Department of Ayush under the supervision of Ravinder Pandita, District officer. Dr. Shadi Lal Pandita And Dr. Dilawar Khan explained the prescription of Medicines.

A team of IndusInd Bank Katra also paid their visit in the meeting. Shivender Gupta, branch manager explained in brief about the working, door step service by bank, rate of interest and flexibility of the loans for different purposes.

Birthdays of four worthy



Forum members celebrating birthday of a member.

members Chanay Ram, Babu Ram Sharma, Chuni Lal and Sobha Ram were celebrated in the meeting by giving warm greetings by the President and presenting them a gift by the senior members and President.

Deepak Dubey (JKAS), Dy. CEO, SMVD Shrine Board was the Chief Guest on this occasion who was honoured by presenting him a Mata Ki Chunari and a Pagri (Turban).

While Ashok Kumar Verma, retired senior bank

manager from OBC bank was also honoured by presenting him a Mata Ki Chunari and Pagri for his noble contribution for providing financial assistance of Rs.12, 000/- per year to Rakesh Kumar, a Paralympian Archer who represented India to play at Tokyo, Japan.

29 members of the forum were present. Meeting was concluded with vote of thanks by Sukhdev Singh vice-president of the forum.

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Besides DDC Chairman, prominent residents to name Capt Harnam Singh, Hoshiai Singh, Angrez Singh, Sher Singh and others were present in large number.

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been allocated during current financial year. The proposed road will facilitate thousands of devotees of Rajamandlik who come from different parts of the J&K and neighbouring state of Punjab and Himachal Pradesh.

The work is being carried out under the supervision of PWD (R&B) Division Executive Engineer, Basohli.

The DDC Chairman said that there was long standing demand of people of Basohli region for blacktopping of road up till the revered Shrine of Baba Rajamandlik near Village Farnot. He said that the project to construct this 500 Mtr Road is under State Plan and Rs 24 Lakhs has

required to fully exploit the tourism potential in the Union Territory.

The DDC Chairman said that religious shrines constitute rich wealth of our cultural heritage. "Jammu region has bountiful places of Gods and deities. It has a vast variety of tourist attraction places having a great potential pilgrimage as well as site seeing tourisms and these places need to be exploited for the tourism," he added.

Recommending expansion of facilities for pilgrims and promoting infrastructure projects to enhance connectivity within the different regions of J&K, Col Mahan said a focused strategy and initiatives were

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Tributes paid to Indira Gandhi

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KATHUA: Senior Congress leader and Former MLC Subash Gupta along with Anant Ram Dogra, Rajiv Gupta, Ramesh Kundel, Narinder Rathor, Rameshwar Sharma Bunti, Ravi Sharma Paid floral tributes to Indira Gandhi Former Prime Minister of India on her 37th Martyrdom at Dayalachak.

Subash Gupta said that

Indra continued to serve the nation fearlessly till the last, her life is source of inspiration for all of us.

He further remembered Indira Gandhi for her long life dedication and service to the Nation. She strengthened the secularism of this country by promoting equality & Justice in governance of this country.

He is working with the agenda of holistic development of all the regions of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, besides putting in concerted efforts to meet the



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