

# JK Public School Panjtirthi celebrates Diwali with fervour

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: JK Public School Panjtirthi celebrated Diwali by illuminating everyone's heart with joy and fervour. The online Diwali celebration comprised a bunch of exhilarating activities and performances by the Jakiians. The students of Class 7th heralded the festival of lights by presenting a skit with a lot of enthusiasm where in the students set the mood of the festivity by invoking the blessings of Lord Ganesh, Goddess Laxmi and Lord Ram. An inspiring skit was also dramatized to apprise the students about the hazardous effects of bursting crackers. Jakiians also depicted the story of Lord Rama and his return to Ayodhya after conquering Ravana through a wonderful skit thus spreading the message of victory of good over evil. Jakiians made colourful Rangolis also to add beauty and colour to the celebration.



Students of JK Public School Panjtirthi performing different activities during Diwali celebration.

The Principal of JKPS Panjtirthi, Suman Banbahi said, "The festival provides

an opportunity to experience the joys of life, belongingness, love, and universal

brotherhood. Diwali symbolizes the triumph of light over darkness, and of good over

evil. It is the festival of positivity and happiness." She applauded the efforts

of the children and urged them to celebrate a clean, green and safe Diwali.

# JKOA announces Rangil Singh Award for Sports Excellence

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Olympic Association (JKOA) on Wednesday announced Rangil Singh Award for Sports Excellence for the sports season 2019-20 after the scrutiny of nominations submitted by Award Committee. "The selected awardees will be honoured with cash reward memento, JKOA Tie and Cap as also certificate in a glittering ceremony in near future. All the awardees are requested to send their bio data along with contact details (Mobile No. and e-mail ID) at the earliest," informed President of the JKOA, Dushyant Sharma. Pertinent to mention here that the award ceremony, which has been delayed due to COVID-19 Pandemic, selected achievers for the year 2019-20. And, the names for the same award for 2020-21 shall be invited shortly by the JKOA, a handout issued by the JKOA mentioned. **Awardees** **PLAYERS:** Rajesh Anand, Roller skating; Suvidha Sarin, Roll Ball; Tejpal Kour, Gymnastics; Iqbal Singh, Basketball; Mohd. Shafi Nari, Football; Adil Mohiuddin Bhat, Kayaking and Canoeing; Arushi Kotwal, Chess; Abhinav Kundal, Athletics; Mohd. Tariq, Fencing; Gourav Sharma, Handball; Radhey Kumar, Athletics; Ram Singh, Mountaineering; Abdul Samad, Cricket; and Rakesh Kumar, Archery. **COACHES:** Bhupinder Singh Tirthi, Kho-Kho; Rajesh Virdhi, Shooting; Rachna Jamwal, Fencing; Pawan Kumar Sharma, Hockey; Anil Gupta, Yoga; Suraj Bhan Singh, Judo; Kuldeep Kumar Vedwan, Archery; Ramesh Kumar Sharma, Athletics; and Om Parkash Sharma, Wrestling. **SPORTS JOURNALIST:** Sanjeev Sharma, Sportsline.

# Jammu Bar felicitates Judo players



Jammu Bar members felicitating Judo players.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The J&K High Court Bar Association, Jammu, organized a function to felicitate judo players namely Rakshind Mehak and Vishal Khajuria and their Coach Suraj Bhan Singh, who represented the India in World Deaf Judo Championship held at Parries Versailles, France, in which Rakshind Mehak won 5th

position in the Individual Championship and 3rd position in the Team Championship. President JKHCBAJ, Senior Advocate M.K Bhardwaj congratulated them on winning the medal for India and also appreciated their hard work and tenacity. They personify the best of sporting talent and sportsmen spirit, Bhardwaj said and

# Bypoll results clear indication of change as people got fed-up with BJP rule: Congress

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir unit of the Congress on Wednesday claimed that the bypoll results in Himachal Pradesh and other states are a clear indication of change as people are fed up with the BJP-led government at the Centre. The BJP and its allies won 14 assembly seats on Tuesday, while the Congress bagged eight out of 29 seats in the latest round of bypolls, with results mostly favouring ruling parties in the states except in Himachal Pradesh, where the BJP lost all three assembly seats and the prestigious Mandi Lok Sabha constituency to the Congress, and Telangana. Celebrating the victory of the party candidates, the J&K Pradesh Congress Committee (JKPCC) said BJP national president J P Nadda has badly lost his home state. "The people of Himachal Pradesh besides other states have given a clear indication of

change as people are fed up with the performance of the BJP government at the Centre, the JKPCC said in a statement here. It said the writing is on the wall as the BJP national president and the "double engine government in Himachal Pradesh have been totally rejected". "The winds of change are blowing in the country because of large scale unemployment, unprecedented price hike and the dictatorial policies of BJP. The BJP will face the same music in Jammu also as people of Jammu have seen the real face of BJP and its leaders," it said, asking the local cadre to be ready for the "big battle". The JKPCC leaders congratulated the national leadership, including party president Sonia Gandhi and former president Rahul Gandhi, for the victory.

# ADGP Jammu inaugurates New Parking slot at ZPHQ



ADGP Jammu, Mukesh Singh speaking during a programme.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Additional Director General of Police (ADGP), Jammu, Mukesh Singh on Wednesday inaugurated newly constructed parking slot in front of GP Fund/Traffic Police Office, at Zonal Police Headquarters, Jammu. In order to curb up problem of parking of vehicles at ZPHQ Complex, a New parking slot has been constructed under the supervision of Mukesh Singh. The said parking lot has been constructed on self help basis with some financial assistance from PHQ J&K. ADGP Jammu Zone also given trophy and commendation certificate along with suitable cash reward to Pioneer Platoon, ZPHQ and other jawans of Armed/DPL Jammu who have continuously work hard and remained engaged in connection with construction of Parking Slot for the more than six months. DIG JSK Range, SSP PCR, Jammu, Staff Officer to DIG JSK, SSP Jammu, SSP Crime, SSP Traffic City, Jammu and Staff Officer to ADGP Jammu Zone and other gazetted officer/subordinate staff of ZPHQ, Crime, Traffic, GPF Office, Jammu were also present during the inauguration function.

# NSS unit of GGM Science College Jammu distributes warm clothes in slums



NSS volunteers and faculty distributing clothes at a slum area.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: NSS unit of GGM Science College Jammu under the patronage of Principal Dr. Ravender Tickoo and guidance of NSS PO Dr. Deepali Mahajan organized warm cloth distribution drive in the adopted slum area Kalika Colony under the aegis of Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav. NSS volunteers collected warm clothes and distributed on the onset of winter season and eve of Diwali. Clothes were sorted out according to size, gender and type and then washed and ironed. Diye Se Diya Jala, a seven day workshop spreading the magic of illumination with the aim be a cause of someone's happiness; filling their lives with the glow of happiness by contributing our little. Such events are an eye-opener for students, teaching them the most important lesson of education i.e. developing the feelings of empathy and responsibility. The smiles, affection and the positivity of the people made us believe none should be left out in our society. The students distributed toffees and sweets to the children and adults and wished them Shubh Deepawali. Reetik Kapahi, Nancy Sharma, Smandini Sharma, Pranav Sharma, Aaghav Arora, Anchal Singh, Neeru Devi, Divya Surnal, Mohammad Ali, Prerna Syal, Shradha, Gulnaz, Shabana Akhtar, Sargam Verma and Sahil participated in the drive.

# 20-member J&K Blind Cricket team named

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Blind Cricketers Association of Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday named the 20-member team for the upcoming 4th edition of the Nagesh Trophy (Ranji) National Cricket Tournament for blinds. The event is scheduled to be held from November 17 at Delhi. Earlier, the those eligible blind cricketers of different categories attended the selection trials and the brief camp at the MA Stadium, here. **The Team:** **Category B1:** Rohit Kumar Sharma (Captain), Wasim Akram, Abdul Raqeeb, Irfan Ahmed Mir, Amarjeet Pankaj Kumar Surjeet Singh Sumbriya Manpreet Singh. **Category B2:** Mohammad Azam, Ajay Kumar (vice captain), Chamandeep Singh, Mohd Azeem, Amir Manzoor, Shiv Sharma, Sahil. **Category B3:** Nikaet Singh, Shubham Matan, Angrez Kumar Padha, Vansh, Rafeeq. "Every eligible cricketer of J&K was given a chance to exhibit his talent before the selection panel. The considering their performance in the trials which took place under the guidance of international cricketer from Haryana, Deepak Malik, the 20 member team has been announced by the Association," General Secretary of the Association, Ajay Kumar said.



Members of J&K Blind Cricket team posing with officials.

**UT Government of Jammu and Kashmir**  
**OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE, KATHUA**

**Subject:-Enforcement of manufacturing, sale & use of banned fire crackers and adherence to timing for bursting of permitted/improved/green crackers – Regarding.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

In reference to J&K, State Pollution Control Board, Jammu's office communication No. JKPCCL/LSJ/21/1936-1982 dated 30-10-2021 and this office order issued vide No. DCK/JC/2021/3206-31 dated 02-11-2021 on the occasion of Diwali and other festivals like Gurupurav, Christmas, New Year celebrations 2021 etc., the general public is hereby informed to adhere the below mentioned directions in letter & spirit during this festive season:-

a) Only green crackers are allowed for sale and use in District Kathua.  
b) The fire crackers with harmful chemicals like Barium salts, Lithium, Mercury, Arsenic, Antimony are strictly banned for all practical purposes in this district. Further, sale and use of joint fire crackers (Laris etc.) is also completely banned.  
c) The timings allowed for bursting of green/improved crackers on Diwali Days or any other festivals like Gurupurav etc, shall be from **05:00 PM to 10:00 PM** only. Further, on Christmas eve and New Year's eve, the use of such permitted fire crackers shall be allowed from **11:55 PM 12:30 AM** only.

Any violation of the above directions will invite legal action under Section 188 of the IPC and other provisions as applicable.

No:- DMK/JC/2021/      Dated:-      -11-2021  
DIP/J-8764/21      Dt.03-11-21

**(Rahul Yadav) IAS**  
**District Magistrate**  
**Kathua**

**J&K Pollution Control Committee**  
**Jammu**

**HAPPY DEEPAWALI**  
**GREEN DEEPAWALI**

**‘Let us celebrate a noise free and pollution free Deepawali’**

Let us celebrate Deepawali this year in true spirit but with a difference by “using Earthen lamps / Deevs and use of only Green Crackers” (from 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm) to avoid adverse impact on Environment and Human Health, especially in COVID-19 times.

Air Quality Index (AQI) of Jammu city is in moderate category (ranging 101-200) as on 1<sup>st</sup> Nov.2021, which may degrade to very poor (ranging 301-400) to severe (ranging 401-500) on Deepawali, if not celebrated in an eco-friendly manner.

**“Let us join hands in celebrating Deepawali as a responsible citizen of the country” and abide by the directions of Hon’ble Supreme Court of India in this regard.**

**DIP/J-4031-P/21**

**Chairperson**  
**J&K Pollution Control Committee,**  
**Jammu**