

## PM National Apprenticeship Mela organised at Govt ITI Jammu

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JAMMU: Directorate of Skill Development Department on Monday organized "Pradhan Mantri National Apprenticeship Mela" at Government Industrial Training Institute (ITI) Jammu to create awareness among youth and Establishments about Apprenticeship Scheme.

S. Santhimananal, Regional Director/Central Apprenticeship Advisor, J&K and Ladakh; Sudershan Kumar, State Apprenticeship Advisor JK(UT) and Director SDD J&K; Farooq Ahmed Khan Zonal Apprenticeship Advisor; Rajendra Kumar, AAA Nodal ITI Jammu District/Deputy Director SDD; Vivek Sagar- Incharge Apprenticeship Scheme J&K; Rajesh Gupta-Superintendent Govt. ITI for Women Jammu and R. S. Pura; Rajesh Kumar Banotra - Nodal Officer-Apprenticeship scheme ITI Jammu were present on the occasion of the Apprenticeship workshop.

The Apprenticeship mela was e-Inaugurated by Sudershan Kumar- State Apprenticeship Advisor JK(UT) & Director



S. Santhimananal, Regional Director/Central Apprenticeship Advisor visiting a stall.

Skill Development Department J&K. Er. Rajesh Banotra- Vice Principal Govt. ITI Jammu welcomed guests, industry partners/representatives of industries and fresher apprentice trainees to join Apprenticeship Mela in the institute.

Representatives of More & More Care, Coolex, Airtel Payment Bank, Vaid electronics, Kiwi Enterprises, Bayal Tardes, R. K. Electronics, Emeure Pharma, Pice Computers, Choudhary Electronics etc also attended the camp. Er. Rajendra Kumar (Deputy Director, SDD), AAA - Nodal ITI Jammu highlighted the achievements under the Apprentice Scheme recorded by Nodal ITI Jammu. He advised establishments and

trainees to register themselves on Apprenticeship portal to avail the benefits of this National Apprenticeship Mela. He thanked the establishment for their support in providing opportunities to the candidates in this Apprenticeship Mela.

Vivek Sagar- Incharge Apprenticeship Scheme J&K and Avnil Mahajan, Coordinator Apprenticeship Mela Jammu District gave a PowerPoint presentation and highlighted the recent updation in Apprentice Scheme.

As many as 20 contracts were signed by the trainees and approved by the AAA Jammu District on the spot. All dignitaries presented Apprenticeship contracts to the registered apprentice's.

S. Santhimananal- Regional

Director/Central Apprenticeship Advisor, J&K and Ladakh highlighted the benefits of the apprenticeship scheme and opportunities provided by the Govt of India. He urged the establishments registered in the J&K UT and advised the representative of industries to accommodate ITI passouts/trainees under the apprenticeship Act.

Sudershan Kumar, Director, Skill Development Department J&K appreciated the efforts of Rajendra Kumar - AAA Nodal ITI Jammu for benefitting youth of the district through apprenticeship scheme. He advised all the staff members/ industrialists to enable the youth to earn their livelihood and asked industrialists to develop a relationship with ITIs to register trainees as apprentices.

Er. Nazir Ahmed Molvi-Senior Faculty, ITI Jammu highlighted the achievements of ITI Jammu in making this Apprenticeship Scheme successful in Jammu district and assured support in future also.

Vote of thanks was presented by Rajesh Gupta-Superintendent Govt. ITI for Women Jammu and R. S. Pura.

## Ex-Central Paramilitary Forces Welfare Association urges Govt to fulfill demands

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JAMMU: Ex-Central Paramilitary Forces Welfare Association (ECPFWA) today urged the Central Government to restore the pension benefit scheme and martyr status.

Addressing a press conference, D.K Chauhan, General Secretary of the Association, has demanded restoration of the pension benefits scheme (old pension scheme under CCS pension) rules 1972 for post 2004 personnel.

"The Government had introduced the New Pension Scheme (NPS) to the civil employees joining Government service after January 2004 and BSF has also been combined with the civil employees", he said, adding that the duty of the BSF is very tough and deserves restoration of the scheme as applicable to defence service.

He also demanded exemption of GST and functioning of Welfare And Rehabilitation Board (WARB) at district level under supervision of registered pensioners associations.

"Presently WARB is formed which is not effective since the services of the WARB are not



D.K Chauhan, General Secretary ECPFWA talking to reporters.

properly beneficial for pensioners. The duties of the WARB and proposals for pensioners are required to be examined", he added.

He also demanded martyr status. "Martyr status is not being given to CPMF's so far. All facilities should be provided to CPMF's at par with Army and equal incentives", he added.

He said that it is the time to restore status of BSF for OROP as the BSF personnel are performing their duties for the security of nation at par with other security forces.

Others present in the press

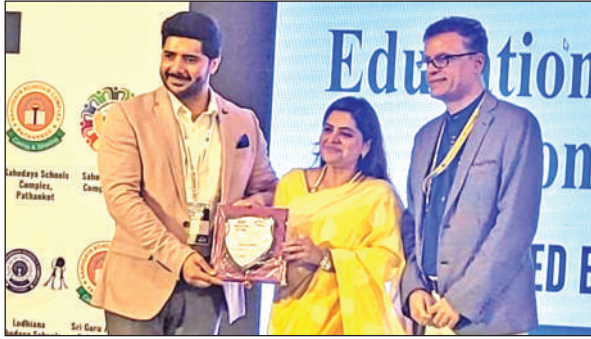
## Four-day Virat Vedant Sammelon to start on Nov 17

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JAMMU: A Virant Vedant Samelon is being organized in Niranjan Vedant Sanyas Ashram Patti Gaon, in district Samba from 17 to 20 November, 2022 under the supervision of Mahamandleshwar Shri Shri 1008 Swami Aksharanand Giri Ji Maharaj in which A c h a r y a s , Mahamandleshwar and Musicians from all over the country are coming.

The management committee has given an open invitation to one and all to participate with families.

## Ritesh Kapoor felicitated with 'Outstanding Principal of Year-2022' Award



Ritesh Kapoor, Principal ASN Higher Secondary School, Channi Himmat, Jammu being felicitated with 'Outstanding Principal of the Year' Award-2022.

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JAMMU: Ritesh Kapoor, Principal ASN Higher Secondary School, Channi Himmat, Jammu was felicitated with 'Outstanding Principal of the Year' Award-2022 during Education Excellence Conclave organized by Elk Updesh Media & CED Foundation on November 12, 2022 at Hotel Park Plaza, Chandigarh.

Ritesh Kapoor while speaking on New Education Policy-2020-Challenges and way forward highlighted that Education being in the concurrent list of the Constitution, there are bound to be some resistance from a few states. Multiplicity of boards and total inequality in their content and standard are other major obstacles. But biggest challenge is going to be formulation

of revised curriculum and pedagogy at each of the four (4) stages of education and its actual delivery at ground level. Considering the fact India has one of the biggest diverse school educations in the world with more than 1.5 million schools and around 250 million students with dissimilar background, this is going to be a nightmare. Changing the mindset of around 10 million school teachers many of whom are from rural background is going to be another major obstacle. Lack of accreditation at school level currently is the other issue of quality check that needs to be tackled.

Intention of the government may be serious and good with lofty idea to take India to the next orbit but making it happen is going to be the real challenge.

## LFO-BHF celebrates Children's Day with under-privileged children



LFO-BHF members distributing stationary items among under-privileged children.

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JAMMU: In an attempt to bring this positive change, Live For Others- Being Helpful Foundation (LFO-BHF) launched a Project-Make All Kids Educated under theme "Mission Make" in a shun at Birma Pull, Udhampur and Hazurbagh Talab-Tillo, Jammu educating less fortunate children free of cost. The volunteers of LFO-BHF committed in providing basic education and healthcare to underprivileged children. Under Mission Make, LFO-BHF today donated stationery kits among the needy children at Birma Pull and Jammu and also share their thoughts and benefits of education. Vivek Parihar, CEO and Founder of LFO-BHF said,

"Our NGO is committed for education for under-privileged children who are under difficult circumstances, such as child labour, children of poor parents, street and runaway children, children with rare disabilities, disaster struck children and slum children. Special emphasis is given on girl education and women education, so that they and their families get empowered". Navya Vice President (Jammu Province) of LFO-BHF said, "Our vision is to work as a catalyst in bringing sustainable change in the lives of these children with a life cycle approach to development".

Other members present were Shubam, Vidit, Manvi, Abhinandan, Neha, Sahil, Vishal, Samar and Abhishek.

## ADG Western Command BSF Chandigarh felicitates meritorious students

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JAMMU: ADG Western Command PV Rama Sastry, on Monday felicitated the meritorious students of BSF School Jammu who have excelled in academics, national and international sports and have performed brilliantly in the competitive exams in a solemn ceremony held at BSF Jammu Frontier. D.K Boora, IG BSF Jammu Frontier and S.K Singh DIG/PSO graced the event with their august presence. Dr S K Shukla, Principal BSF School Jammu, other officers of the force, parents and students were also present on



ADG Western Command P.V Rama Sastry posing with others during felicitation function at BSF School Jammu.

the occasion. He felicitated and also expressed his happiness to know that for the first time in the history of BSF School Jammu three students have been allotted IIT Kanpur; IIT Roorkee and IIT Mandi and three students are expected to be given admission in Government Medical Colleges.

He also felicitated the illustri-

ous students who have excelled in X and XII CBSE Board Examination 2021-22.

He applauded Principal Dr S.K Shukla and his staff for attaining first position in Jammu and Kashmir and 7th and 10th position at the National level among the High Profile 4000 Schools in Education World India School

Ranking 2022-23 on the 14 parameters including teacher welfare and development, leadership, academic reputation co-curricular and sports education. P V Rama Sastry, in his address, expressed pride in as many as six students of the school who have been selected in prestigious IITs and Government Medical Colleges of the country and expressed his firm belief in the commitment of BSF School in imparting quality education to the future citizens of the country.

He commended all the prize winners and their parents on their grand achievement.

## World Diabetes Day observed at Maternity Hospital Gandhi Nagar

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JAMMU: On World Diabetes Day under guidance of Dr Sashi Sudhan Sharma, Principal & Dean GMC & AHs Jammu, awareness camp and free blood sugar screening camp was organized at Maternity Hospital Gandhi Nagar, here.

Medical Superintendent Maternity Hospital Gandhi Nagar GMC Jammu, Dr Arun Sharma along with all staff members were present to initiate the camp. All pregnant women coming to



MS MH Gandhi Nagar, Dr Arun Sharma and others at a camp.

the hospital are being screened for blood sugar besides general public. Medical Officers and nursing staff is also providing

awareness and knowledge about diabetes.

World Diabetes Day is observed on November 14 every year to bring the

attention of the people to health threats posed by diabetes and how to avoid that. On this day, the enormous achievement of insulin discovery by two outstanding scientists- Sir Frederick Banting and Charles Best, is celebrated. However, World Diabetes Day is not really an occasion for remembering the past but, in fact, to raise awareness around the risks of diabetes, how to address the prevalent challenges and achieve sustainable advanced access to its care.

## Young Bites in Indonesia: G-20 Summit India & Indonesia share cultural, economic ties for centuries: Manoj Bharti

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BALI: Indian Ambassador to Indonesia since January 15, 2021, Manoj Kumar Bharti, a 1988 batch IFS, who did his schooling from Netarhat Residential School, Jharkhand and B.Tech in Electrical Engineering from Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, has said that India & Indonesia share cultural, economic ties for centuries.

He was interacting with Vijay Gupta, Editor-in-Chief Young Bites Newspaper on sidelines of G-20 Summit at Bali.

They discussed various aspects of India-Indonesia relations and future of ties for the economic development of both the nations. Here are some excerpts of the interview:

**Young Bites: Indonesia is conducting the prestigious G-20 summit for the first time, what do you think will be beneficial for India in this summit?**

**Ambassador:** There are various issues of importance for India which will be discussed in this summit.

It will be beneficial for India in coming times as nation is looking to expand economic ties with East Asia. The economic relations are expanding with each passing year.

**Young Bites: What kind of relationship, India and Indonesia share?**



Vijay Gupta, Editor-in-Chief Young Bites with Manoj Kumar Bharti, Ambassador to Indonesia at G-20 Summit at Bali.

**Ambassador:** Well India and Indonesia share a very cordial and loving relationship from centuries ago.

Both countries have social, economic and cultural ties from ancient times and both countries have very strong people to people contact. This needs to be further expanded for the benefit of both the nations.

**Young Bites: What is the position of Indians living in Indonesia?**

**Ambassador:** The Indians living in Indonesia share a very good position and status. Most of the CEOs and CMDs of multinational companies are Indians.

People of Indian origin are seen with much respect. Indonesia has always welcomed people of India and in the economic and social sphere, the relations are being strengthened.

**Young Bites: Indonesia is conducting a G-20 meeting for the first time. Next year India will be conducting the G-20 Summit, what is your view on India handling the summit next year?**

**Ambassador:** India is a country which is famous for its hospitality and protocol. India will be able to conduct the G-20 summit very efficiently.

The whole world will praise India. As India's economy is expanding at a rapid pace, the whole world is looking towards the country.