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In the Bhavishya Nidhi Award function, Rizwan Uddin received the award in the presence of other dignitaries which included Rameshwar Teli, Minister of State, Labour and Employment, Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India, Arti Ahuja, Secretary (Labour and Employment), Neelam Shami Rao, Central Provident Fund Commissioner (EPFO), Rajendra Kumar, Director General (ESIC), Manju Kumar, Chief Postmaster General (Delhi Circle, India Post), Dagmar Walter,

Minister for Labour & Employment, Bhupender Yadav presenting award to Regional PF Commissioner, Rizwan Uddin.

Rizwan Uddin expressed his gratitude to all the stake-

Other innovative measures

Team members of EPFO RO Jammu under the leadership of Rizwan Uddin, RPFC - I, who made contributions towards this accomplishment include Ajit Mishra, RPFC - II, Harinder Singh, RPFC - II, Vijay Choithani, EO/AO, Shiva Murthy T, EO/AO, Jagpreet Singh Cheema,

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JAMMU: As a token of appreciation for their services to the Department the Director General of Police J&K Dillbag Singh has sanctioned retirement gift of rupees 68 Lakh in favour of sixty eight Police personnel of J&K Police who retired from active services yesterday after attaining superannuation or on voluntary retirement. Sanction has been issued vide PQJ J&K order No.3642 of 2022 in favour of six gazetted officers, forty four non-gazette, seventeen lower subordinates and one follower. The personnel belong to different units and wings of the department. Retirement gift of rupees one lakh each is sanctioned to police personnel from the Contributory Police Welfare Fund at the time of his/her retirement. The gift serves as a token of appreciation for his/her services rendered to the department.



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UDHAMPUR: A meeting of Sub Committee of Jammu Central Zone was held at Udhampur on Tuesday to finalise the list of delegates for Zonal and District Committee which was chaired by Tara Chand, Ex Dy CM and attended by RS Shib Gen Secy DAP, Jugal Kishore Sharma Ex Minister, Anoop Khajuria and Varun Magotra District Udhampur was represented by Brij Mohan Sharma, Ashwani Khajuria, Neeraj Thapa,

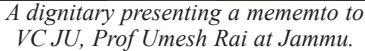


Sanjeev Dubey , Amar Singh , Mohd Abbas and Rajan Sabharwal. The leaders from Distt

Corruption curse for any society, stagnates growth of nation: Prof Umesh Rai

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Speaking on the occasion, Prof Umesh Rai said that corruption is a curse for any society and it hampers the growth of the nation. He advised the gathering to imbibe the ideals of Kabir to prevent corruption. "Bura jo lekhan main chala, Bura na miliya koi, Jo dil khoja apapana, Mujhase bura na hoy (When I went searching for evil in this world, I could not find anything bad. When I looked into my mind, I found that there is nothing worse than me). If we follow this ideal of Sant Kabir, I do not think we need to observe any such awareness programmes," said Prof Umesh Rai, adding that teachers have to play a pivotal role in shaping society. He said organizing such events at University is important



Director Anti Corruption Bureau, J&K Sh Anand Jain IPS said that corruption is invasive and has plagued every element of the society. "Educational institutions, especially universities, have a special responsibility to lead from the front to eradicate this menace," he said and added that he believes this is the right place to organize such

Abhishek Sharma,
Superintendent of Police
(ACB) also threw light on

Others present on the occasion included Registrar, Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Jasbir Singh, Director, Dean Students Welfare, Prakash Antahal, Chairperson Campus Cultural Committee, Prof. Vishav Raksha, Dean, Placement Cell, Prof Vinay Chauhan, Prof Sandeep Tandon, Sports and Physical Education, Dr Daud Iqbal Baba, faculty members, Officers, Scholars, Students from various departments of the University and staff were also present on the occasion.

Erratic power supply irking people in Valley ahead of winter season

■ **SHAKEELA ANDRABI**

The story this year is no different, as power supply has been disrupted since last week of October. As per officials, interruption is due of transmission line upgradation and branch pruning. But Kashmir is experiencing protracted power outages, which is causing several hardships for local populace. However, Kashmir Power Development Corporation Limited (KPDCL) officials said that outages were primarily the result of works being undertaken to provide a better supply of electricity throughout winter season. Speaking to

reporters, Chief Engineer KPDCL Distribution, Javid Ahmad said that power cuts were due to ongoing works which had been undertaken to augment transmission capacity during peak winter season. "Normally during October, KPDCL conducts exercise of branch pruning to prevent their falling against the transmission lines during winter. In addition to this, two of our transmission lines are under augmentation works," he said, adding, "Transmission lines Wagoora-Zainakote and 132 KV Mir Bazar-Wanpora are offline as augmentation work is being done to increase their capacity. As these lines are situated in places where paddy is grown, we were unable to complete the job earlier and had to wait until harvest was complete." Chief Engineer hoped that Wanpora transmission line would be made operational by

Meanwhile, locals are appalled by the protracted power outages and said that KPDCL could have scheduled this work properly to spare them from sufferings. "Winter hasn't even started yet. One can imagine what will happen during the harsh cold winter months. The government claims to be increasing transmission capacity, but on the other hand, it does not even give good quality power supply," said a local resident of Srinagar.

Is not an era of ‘managed promotions’ to benefit individuals and not the State & her subjects started?

Is not there a need for creating ‘Department Audit for Administrative & Human Resource Evaluation’?

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(1). new posts are created of superior levels of pay scales less out of some must public interest requirements and more for benefitting an individual government employee who after elevation at occasions keeps on working on the same assignment without taking any reasonable additional workload. Government may increase the pay of a officer with time (like the culture of non functional grade promotions) has been started in UK also very recently but that too has been for those who 'intimately follow' with administrative departments or are close to 'Administration' (secretariat). But there is no justification for raising the level of the post which has recurring financial / administrative implications. An intimate look into the files would reveal that occasions posts of higher grades like Director General of Level -

Whereas under order No. 30-JK-(PDMD) of 22-08-2022 issued by Dr.

J&K Government had though SRO - 266 of 30-08-2013 issued by Principal Secretary Finance, by order of Governor in exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Section 124 of the Constitution of Jammu & Kashmir, amended the Jammu & Kashmir Civil Service Regulations Volume -I so as to



JKH&ME Department vide Government Order No.456-JK(HME) of 2022 dated 28 - 06 - 2022 has also extended the benefit of increase in retirement age (62 yrs) which is for a member of the teaching faculty of Government Medical College to three Doctors (said to be holding Degree in Hospital Administration) (i) working as Medical Superintendent, 1GB Pant Children Hospital Srinagar (ii) Registrar Academics, Government Medical College Srinagar , (iii) Managing Director, J&K Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd) in terms of

Need for a departmental review of the said action becomes more immediate the way another G.O 400-JK-HME of 2022 Dated 14-07-2022 has been issued on the recommendations of JK H&ME Deptt for creating a new department (Department of Hospital Administration) in the Medical College Jammu as well as Medical College Srinagar in just 2 weeks of issue of Government Order No.456-JK(HME) OF 2022 D A T E D 28 - 06 - 2022 simply taking refuge under the Guidelines of MCI , which appears to have been issued to cover up the benefit of 62yrs of retirement age retrieved by 3 doctors that could be otherwise given to only a senior member of teaching faculty but the said doctors do not have adequate teaching experience or working as faculty members in any academic institution and may be even nearing retirement. May be the action of granting retirement age benefit will be soon covered up by designating them as faculty members (Lecturer / Asst. Professor in newly opened department) to avoid questions by other doctors

So going by the likes of the affairs as are being conducted in the Administrative Departments these days is not there a need for creating a new Department " Audit for Administrative and Human Resource Evaluation" which is must need for improving the human resource quantity & quality for welfare of the common man and for check on benefit simply going to individual who actually is employed to work for the benefit of common man?

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