

Modi committed to rebuild Naya J&K: Khatana

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ANANTNAG: MP Rajya Sabha Er. Gulam Ali Khatana expressing dismay over the lack of basic facilities during past seventy years of Cong, National Conference and PDP rule said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi is committed to bring in an era of peace and development and rebuild a Naya Jammu and Kashmir. He said that two families have only filled their own coffers while people are struggling for basic amenities. Addressing a massive gathering at Kokernag in South Kashmir today, Er. Gulam Ali Khatana said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has vowed to usher in an era of peace and development and rebuild a Naya Jammu and Kashmir free of corruption and dynastic politics. He said that two families have destroyed the erstwhile state and built only their own empires.

Jammu and Kashmir is rich in natural resources including



MP Rajya Sabha Er. Gulam Ali Khatana addressing a gathering.

water and minerals and we have a potential of generating more than 25,000 MW of electricity yet we are facing power crisis. The potable drinking water is still a distant dream in many of the area, though Central government has been pumping in billion of rupees in the erstwhile state, he said adding all these funds were gobbled up by the dynastic leaders and their cohorts.

Khatana said that now the central government has started to bring in accountability and transparency in the public life and dynasts are facing the heat

from both public and the government. "These parasites spent exchequers money worth crores on bedsheets and carpets and swindled the funds of Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association as their personal property, but everything will be accounted for and dynasts would face the wrath of law," he assured.

He said that government has gone tough against Pakistan sponsored terrorism and results are encouraging. Youth are now indulging in productive activities, stone pelting incidents have become negligible and

tough action is being taken against anti-social elements.

Prominent among others who spoke were Sheikh Bashir, Choudhary Roshan Hussain, Sajad Hussain, Manzoor Khan, Lal Hussain Lodha, Nazir Ganie, Dr Amin, Mushtaq Ahmad Khanday, Imran Rasool, Bilal Ahmad and Mushtaq Ahmad.

Prominent among those present were: Advocate Sayeed Wajahat district president Anantnag, Aabid Hussain Nengroo, youth leader Ab Majeed Hajam District secretary.

AYUSH J&K begins 10 days course on Arogya Vidya in GCoE Jammu

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JAMMU: AYUSH Directorate of J&K on Tuesday inaugurated 30hr Value Added Course on Health Promotion and Health Education through AYUSH, in Government College of Education (GCoE), Jammu.

The programme is being done under the aegis of Department of Health and Medical Education and Aayurvedic Hospital Jammu.

The program began with a formal welcome address and statement of objectives of the Value Added Course on Arogya Vidya by Dr. Rajinder Kour, Course coordinator, followed by keynote address by Prof. Aekta Gupta, Principal of the College. In her address, she stressed upon the fact that Education and health are integral to each other; after the onslaught of COVID, the world has come to the realization of importance of



Course Coordinator, Dr. Rajinder Kour posing with students and faculty members.

Ayurveda and being future teachers and teacher educators, it is imperative upon us to train and propagate the idea of holistic health.

In the inaugural session, Dr Rakesh Raina, Assistant Director from the Directorate of AYUSH J&K, highlighted the importance of spreading the message of holistic living through Ayurveda across the nation and since teachers are the real stakeholders in education that is why the focus is on

training the teachers. Dr Vandana Dogra, Medical Superintendent, Dr Aruna Bhat, Deputy Medical Superintendent from AYUSH were also present on the occasion. Dr. Arun Gupta, Medical officer, Directorate of AYUSH, was the resource person for the day one training. He stressed upon the fact that a healthy nation cannot be imagined without healthy and health enabled children, a teacher should also be a model of health

promotion and indigenous knowledge of the country.

Under this programme, a batch of 30 students of M.Ed. and B.ED. shall be trained.

The programme was conducted by Prof Shalini Rana. The students who managed the programme were Shahu Khajuria, Monali, Mansi, Sonakshi and Sumaina Kapoor.

All the faculty members were also present on the occasion.

Disability Camp held at CHC Sohanjana



Doctors examining patients at a camp.

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JAMMU: As per directions from the higher authorities, under the expert supervision of Director General, Health and Family Welfare, Dr. Saleem-ur-Rehman, Chief Medical Officer, Jammu Dr. Harbaksh Singh and Block Medical Officer, Sohanjana Dr. Sumir Koul on Tuesday, a Disability Camp was held at CHC Sohanjana under the banner of Azadi ke Amrit Mahotsav. People from all different areas attended the

disability camp.

The consultants from CMO Office provided consultations for disability camp. Doctors from medicine, orthopaedics, ENT, ophthalmology, Pediatrics visited the camp.

In total 120 people attended the disability camp from which 75 disability certificates were issued to them.

The vote of thanks was presented by Block Medical Officer, Sohanjana, Dr. Sumir Kaul.

KPs hit out at Israeli film-maker Nadav Lapid, demand his immediate deportation

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JAMMU: Kashmiri Pandits, whose parents were killed by terrorists in the Valley, lashed out at Israeli film director Nadav Lapid on Tuesday for terming Bollywood movie "The Kashmir Files" a "propaganda movie" and "vulgar".

They demanded that Lapid be immediately deported from the country.

Calling Vivek Agnihotri's movie as the 'Schindler's List' of India, they sought to know from Lapid whether he, as a Jew, thought the same about the American movie based on the genocide of Jews.

Lapid, viewed as an anti-establishment filmmaker, had described 'The Kashmir Files' as a "prop-

aganda movie" and "vulgar" at the closing ceremony of the 53rd International Film Festival of India (IFFI) on Monday. He was the jury chairperson.

"The Kashmir Files unmasked the 30-year-old propaganda designed to hide the truth on the exodus of Kashmiri Pandits," Vikas Raina, son of principal Ashok Kumar Raina, who was killed by Hizbul Mujahideen, said.

"Does he know my pain? I lost my father when I was a child. My father, along with two of his lecturers, were brought down from a bus and sprayed with a volley of bullets," he said.

"The Kashmir Files is India's Schindler's List. It is our truth," he said.

Sandeep Kaul, whose grandfather Radha Krishen and father Shiban were dragged out of their house and killed by terrorists in South Kashmir's Kulgam district, demanded an apology from Lapid for "mocking the tragedy" depicted in 'The Kashmir Files'.

"His remarks have reopened my old wounds. It has brought pain to me and my mother," Kaul said. Ravinder, whose father was killed by terrorists and his body chopped into pieces, said it is shameful on Lapid's part to make such a comment.

"I want strict action against him for terming the film vulgar and propaganda. He should apologise", Ravinder said.

Anti-Encroachment Drive: JDA demolishes five illegal pacca structures

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JAMMU: In a major move against the encroachers, Jammu Development Authority (JDA) on Tuesday demolished five illegal pacca structures and some plinths constructed on JDA land.

An anti-encroachment drive was carried out in village Majheen of tehsil Jammu by JDA under the supervision of Vice Chairman, JDA.

The drive was conducted successfully by the concerned Tehsildar JDA with active police coordination led by SHO Nagrota and Patwari Ramesh Sharma, Balwinder Singh, Sartaj Singh GQ and Naib-Tehsildar Kasturi Lal.



JCB demolishing illegal pacca structures.

During the drive were demolished and possession of 12 Kanal (approx.) land was taken over by the JDA upon JDA sign boards and barbed wire fence were also fixed during the drive.

"Out of the demolished illegal structures, four structures and three plinths were illegally constructed

by a notorious JDA land grabber against whom the JDA has already lodged 03 FIRs," Tehsildar JDA said.

The drive was a major success against the encroachers conducted by JDA under the control of Director Land Management JDA and overall supervision of Vice Chairman JDA, he added.

he said that a clear message was given by JDA to all such persons to refrain from encroaching/trespassing into JDA lands else they will have to face strict action against them from the JDA.

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JAMMU: The Academic Council of University of Jammu met under the Chairmanship of Prof Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu on Tuesday. At the outset, Prof Rai welcomed all including the new members and expressed his sincere gratitude towards the outgoing members who wholeheartedly supported the various academic initiatives.

M A Defence & Strategic Studies started, B Com LL.B (5 Year) & B Pharmacy introduced at Udhampur Campus, MA Programme in Performing Arts (IMFA-UoJ), PG Diploma in Culture and Heritage Tourism in Jammu Region also started and Gandhian Study Centre revived. Name of Directorate of Distance Education is changed to Directorate of distance and Open Learning. Under NEP-2020, Department of Lifelong Learning took new initiatives as hands on learn-

ing initiative under the Course of Rural Development and Management.

Prof Rai, exuding confidence that University of Jammu will touch new milestones in academic excellence, exhorted upon University fraternity to use all modes of technology, which enable University to touch new milestones. Prof Naresh Padha, Dean Academic Affairs congratulated all for their support and hard work for implementation of NEP-2020 at Under Graduate Level from the current Academic Session.

During the meeting, around 25 Agenda Items were presented by Prof Arvind Jasrotia, Registrar, University of Jammu. Threadbare discussions were held on each of the agenda items along with the Action Taken Report on the resolutions of the last Academic Council.

The Council unanimously resolved to start M.A Defence & Strategic Studies started,

B.Com.LL.B (5 Year) & B.Pharmacy at Udhampur Campus, MA Programme in Performing Arts (IMFA-UoJ), PG Diploma in Culture and Heritage Tourism in Jammu Region in University of Jammu. Gandhian Study Centre was also revived. Name of Directorate of Distance Education is changed to Directorate of Distance and Open Learning. Various other important academic matters of the University related to admission, examination, research etc were also discussed in the Academic Council meeting, which was attended by Deans of various Faculties, Rectors/Directors of the Offsite campuses, Heads of the Departments, Conveners of Boards of Studies, College Principals and other officials of the University. Dr Sumita Sharma, Deputy Registrar presented the vote of thanks.

Bukhari vows equitable dev in all regions of J&K

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JAMMU: Apni Party President Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari, who is on a three-day visit to Uri, on Tuesday said that Apni Party, after getting people's mandate to serve, will ensure equivalent development to all regions in Jammu and Kashmir. As per a press statement issued on Tuesday, Bukhari visited Dumping Boniyar Baila Migrant Camp, Trikranjan, Dlundhran, Dlundhran Kohi Kohinaka, Madan and other places on the second day of his tour.

"This border region has been left underdeveloped and people have been deprived of even the basic facilities here. Uri's infrastructural deficit and lack of development clearly indicate that the politicians, who remained at helm during past 75 years, have deceived the people and neglected this region completely," said Bukhari.

HC quashes FIR in rape case

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JAMMU: Justice Rahul Bharti of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court quashed FIR 23/2022 registered at Police Station Majalata in a rape case with observations that without knowing province of investigation is bane of police investigation, thereby proving as failure in bringing successful prosecution of criminal cases in courts of law. According to case, FIR no. 0023/2022 dated 17.03.2022 was registered by a complainant at Police Station Majalta, district Udhampur for registering a complaint against petitioner and accordingly a case was registered.

Justice Rahul Bharti after hearing Sr Adv Abhinav Sharma with Adv Abhimanyu Sharma for applicant observed that feeling concerned by the state of facts and circumstances, a perception can't avoid to gather a sort of confirmation that while Police Investigation acts with relish to exhibit its harassment bearing power of investigation aiming more to quick fix facts into its view point of accusation but faintly knows the province of investigation out of which full facts are to be drawn out to prove the script of the crime in all its details. Court observed that in name of the investigation in the present case, only an empty formality has been carried out by the Investigation Officer/s leaving the truth of the case a casualty.

"In fact, the very FIR on the face of it pointed towards a fact that its latent objective was to force the petitioner to part with the marriage related documents and photographs for acting as per dictate of her parents. Thus FIR and so called investigation are act of abuse of process of law aimed against petitioner and others named therein and as such, both, deserve to be quashed and are accordingly so quashed," the Court observed.

PIL seeking establishment of Industrial area: DB directs SMC to file affidavit within four weeks

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JAMMU: In a Public Interest Litigation filed by Inhabitants of Hill view Colony Old Air alleging that on account of establishment of an industrial area, they are facing health hazards due to discharge of effluents from industrial units as there is no proper arrangement for treatment of the waste and effluents, the Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Chief Justice Ali Mohammad Magrey and Justice sanjay Dhar, observed that in terms of order passed on 31.05.2022, the counsel appearing for Srinagar Municipal Corporation was directed to file an affidavit, indicating the steps to remove the deficiencies as pointed out in the order.

It is worthwhile to mention here that on May 31, 2022, Division Bench observed that, as per letter dated 02.09.2020 of inhabitants addressed to the Chief Justice of High Court of

Jammu and Kashmir, the PIL was registered in context with the cleaning of the industrial area. Regional Director J&K Pollution Control Board, District Officer PCB, Budgam, had pointed three deficiencies and had recommended that the CETP (Common Effluent Treatment Plant) needs to be made operational and the treating water needs to be channelized for irrigation purposes; the drains in the industrial estate are required to be cleaned and cleared regularly to ward off blockage/choking; and solid waste generated within the industrial estate should be channelized to some municipal body for scientific disposal and all aforesaid jobs have to be taken care of by the Srinagar Municipal Corporation.

Accordingly, DB directed Moomin Khan, counsel appearing for Srinagar Municipal Corporation to file an affidavit indicating as to the steps taken by it to remove deficiencies within a month.

Randhawa starts blacktopping work of road, says BJP working to mitigate people's sufferings

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JAMMU: Moving ahead with the slogan 'Sabka Sath, Sabka Vishwas' given by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Former Legislator and senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader Vikram Randhawa kick started much-awaited blacktopping work at Bhour Camp area of Panchayat Chatha of RS Pura Jammu South Assembly Segment.

Former Legislator Vikram Randhawa was accompanied by Sarpanch Avtar Singh, Councillor Dr Yudhvir Singh, Surjeet Singh, Bharat Sharma, Pawan Sharma, Sachet Sharma, Mitu Sharma and others.

"BJP under the leadership of Prime Minister, Narendra Modi is working on the theme of 'Sabka Sath Sabka Vikaas' and is committed for the overall development of Jammu and its people",



Former Legislator Vikram Randhawa starting blacktopping work of road at Bhour Camp.

Former Legislator said, adding that "and give them respite from miseries which they are facing for the last over 70 years".

He said instead of talking about big things the BJP leadership is focusing on local issues which can make a big difference in the lives of people.

Former Legislator said that BJP is working with the best possible approach to meet the expectations of

local residents.

Randhawa said that the present development work is being executed on the demand of local people as they were facing difficulty in day-to-day movement. He informed that the present work will be executed at an estimated cost of Rs 20 lakh.

Randhawa requested the locals to lend a hand in monitoring the quality of the blacktopping work presently going on.