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Surgeons from all over the world, including the USA, UK, Australia, Europe and Dubai.

He said that the latest advancements in the fields of reconstructive and aesthetic surgery will be deliberated upon in the meeting.

There will be masterclasses, hands-on workshops and surgical video workshops for the benefit of trainee Plastic Surgeons, he said adding that more than 400 research papers

on various aspects of Plastic Surgery will also be presented.

Dr. Avtar Singh, Chief Orthopaedic Surgeon and Director of Amandeep Hospital, said that it is a matter of great pride for Amandeep Hospital as well as the city of Amritsar that such an event of National level is being held at Amritsar with the efforts of Dr. Ravi Mahajan & his team of Plastic Surgeons at Amandeep Hospital.

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# Dogra Law College organises awareness lecture against corruption

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JAMMU: Dogra Law College in collaboration with Motor Vehicle Department, J&K organized lecture on the topic "Integrity, Transparency and Awareness to fight against Corruption" under the banner of Vigilance Awareness Week being held from October 31 to November 6, 2022.

A welcome address was presented by Principal Incharge, Shuchi Sharma. The students of the Dogra Law College presented papers on the aforesaid topic.

The key note speaker on the occasion was Gansham Singh, Regional Transport Officer, Jammu. He emphasised on promoting



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ethical business practices and fostering a culture of honesty and integrity; not to offer or accept bribe; commitment towards good corporate governance based on transparency, accountability and fairness; adherence to relevant laws, rules; adopting a

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The meeting had a detailed discussion on the Prime Minister's Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PM-FME) for food processing of Agri based products which will be supported by the Government of India under Atma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan.

The meeting was attended by ADC, Harbans Lal Sharma, GM DIC Ravinder Anand, Chief Horticulture Officer, Anil Gokha, Chief Agriculture Officer, Dr. Ashwani Sharma, Area Marketing Officer, Sunil Bakshi, District Officer, NRLM and various concerned officers.

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The DC directed the District Officer, NRLM to formulate a group of women to supply meals to offices and other establishments as tiffin service

to provide a good job opportunity to the women folk of the district.

During the meeting, the CHO gave a detailed presentation on the PM-FME scheme. He also informed the chair that the Horticulture Department has sponsored 5 cases under the scheme.

The DC exhorted the officers to monitor the sanctioned project closely and extend handholding to the beneficiaries in getting access to credit, procurement and installation of the infrastructure along with branding and marketing of products for successful implementation of the scheme.

The DC also called for launching a robust publicity campaign to encourage the grassroots level stakeholders to take the benefits of the scheme. "We must also focus on proper Branding, Marketing of our products," the DC asserted.

The Deputy Commissioner laid emphasis upon all the officers to work in a coherent manner and remove all the bottlenecks to facilitate early sanctioning of cases under the PM-FPE scheme.

# Preparations for winter season, recreation activities in Gulmarg discussed

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GULMARG: Director, Tourism, Kashmir, Fazlul Haseeb, who was on a day's visit here, reviewed the preparations by the Department for the coming winter season and other arrangements put in place at the world famous resort.

The team that stood first shall represent our state at the Regional level Program at Bhatinda (Punjab) on 13th of November.

Result of NGSC: 1st Position goes to Manu Shiksha Kendra Higher Secondary School Rajbagh Kathua, 2nd prize goes to Army Public School Jammu Cantonment & Presentation Convent School Gandhi Nagar Jammu, 3rd Prize goes to SD Tarupuri High School Last Morth Gandhi Nagar Jammu.

The program was jointly conducted by Narinder Mishra State General Secretary and Seema Sharma. Other prominent persons attended the function include S.N. Sharma and Dr. Santosh Gupta both State Patrons, Amita Sharma & Gopal Sharma both Regional Secretaries, Arun Sharma, Regional Joint General Secretary, Vijay Sharma State Vice President, Rajesh Gupta State Organising Secretary, Trishla Gupta

organizing such activities for the welfare of the students community. The adjudicators of this cultural extravaganza are well known dignitaries in the field of music Sh. Brij Mohan, Surinder Singh Manhas and Suraj Singh. Vote of thanks was given by Bharat Bhushan Sharma, State Finance Secretary.

of visitors to the resort are enhanced. The Director Tourism also inspected various works like baby lift, baby slope etc being undertaken by the Department at the resort and impressed upon the engineering staff to complete the left over parts at the earliest. He also visited the Church and took an on the spot review of the works being undertaken there. Later, the Director Tourism held a meeting with



representatives of service providers like snowmobile owners, sledge owners etc and impressed upon them to make the coming winter season at the resort a success in terms of satisfaction and variety of services to the visitors. MD, J&K Cable Car Corporation & CEO GDA, Ghulam Jeelani Zargar, senior officers and engineers of Tourism Department and other officials were present on the occasion.

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# JSS Jammu commences inter school bilingual turncoat

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JAMMU: Jammu Sanskriti School (JSS), Jammu hosted a 'inter-school bilingual turncoat on present day distractions-addictions or stimulations' under the banner of Sahodhya School Complex, Jammu in school premises, here on Saturday. Director Telecommunications J&K Police, Shridhar Patil was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Dr. Rajni Bala, Prof & Head Hindi Department, University of Jammu and Dr. Rupali Sharma, Lecturer GDC Udhampur

were Adjudicators. Harpreet Singh Anand, Chairperson, Sonakshi Anand, Director Operations and other dignitaries were also present.

The function commenced by presentation of saplings followed by lighting of lamp and invocation of Goddess Sarawasti.

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The vote of thanks was presented by Prabjot Kour (Headmistress of the School), who congratulated the participating students for their academic zeal and research abilities in preparing for the debate and guests for sparing their precious time and gracing the occasion.

Rohini Aima, Principal cum-Vice Chairperson conveyed her gratitude to the Chief Guest, Adjudicators and all the dignitaries for their presence.

He said that the people are demanding to convert the park into a paid