

Congress Fact Finding Team visits Rajouri, interacts with workers

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RAJOURI: The Congress Fact finding team headed by Ravinder Sharma & accompanied by Former Dy Chairman Jahangir Mir, former Legislators Ved Mahajan & Dina Nath Bhagat Ex-MLA visited Rajouri and held day long interaction with large number of functionaries of party. The committee held detailed deliberations with the contesting candidates of the party, senior leaders and other functionaries and grass root leaders of the party to know about the outcome of results and measures to be adopted to strengthen the party in the twin Districts. District President Shabir Ahmed Khan, MLA Rajouri Iftikhar Ahmed, DDC Sain Rasheer, Ex - Chairman MC Thanna Mandi Shakeel Mit Former General secretary PCC Parveen Sarwar Khan



Congress Fact finding team headed by Ravinder Sharma during visit to Rajouri.

from Poonch, Chairman Pahari Cell Sajad Tariq, Rajinder Prasaad and other senior leadership were present. The party workers appreciated the initiative of the party leadership to constitute Fact finding team of senior leaders to reach out to the grass root party workers & discuss measures for strengthening party at grass root levels. The candidates and workers shared their views and

experiences of the elections and suggested way forward for strengthening the organization. The workers expressed confidence that party is strong force and can emerge futher stronger and counter the communal and divisive forces if certain corrective measures are taken. The people have high hopes from Congress party which is only secular & demoratice force in the region. The high powered commit-

tee appreciated the party workers who are committed to party's ideology and have remained steady and strong during difficult times. They appreciated the party workers for the victory of party candidate in Rajouri defeating BJP while Thannamandi seat was lost due to division of coalition votes and few other reasons. The party workers obeyed the decision of the congress high command with discipline and commitment, at the

cost their own individual interests. The committee indicated that some major initiatives are in the offing to revamp and strengthen the party at grass roots levels in the entire region as the party leadership is very serious to take corrective measures in this regard. The committee assured the large number of grass root workers to apprise the leadership about their issues and suggestions. Earlier the committee held deliberations with party workers and block presidents at Sunderbani and appreciated their commitment to the party. Block Presidents NC Sharma, Sdr Ajit Singh and Tirth Ram Sharma besides Puran Chand, chuni Lal Sharma, Yog Raj, Capt Joginder Singh, Kasturi Lal, Om parkash, Mohindet Singh, Kundan Lal Khajuria also spoke.

Commitment to resolve people's issues on priority basis: Mohan Lal

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AKHNOOR: MLA Mohan Lal took a significant step towards improving public amenities by laying the foundation stone for a new passenger shed at the Akhnoor Bus Stand. He was joined by former Municipal Committee President Sanjay Saraf, along with a team of esteemed councillors, including Rakesh Malhotra, Surinder Sharma, Karan Singh, Baldev Kumar, Ranjeet Gupta, Anil Sharma, KD Sharma, Ashok Sharma, DN Abrol, Vinay, Ballu, Nisha, Sudershan, Tikku Pardhan, Abhishek Verma, Vishal Sangral, Surinder Singh, Rakesh Kumar, Babbi, and others. Speaking on the occasion, Mohan Lal emphasized his commitment to resolving the issues faced by Akhnoor town on a priority basis. He highlighted ongoing and upcoming projects aimed at boosting local business in the town's bustling markets. Among the planned initiatives is the creation of designated rehri (street vendor) zones, designed to alleviate traffic congestion and ensure smoother mobility for residents and visitors alike. He appealed to shopkeepers and local residents to actively cooperate in maintaining the town's cleanliness and addressing encroachments. According to the MLA, these efforts would not only



MLA Mohan Lal laying the foundation stone for new passenger shed at Akhnoor.

enhance the town's aesthetics but also contribute to the growth of local businesses. Mohan Lal also shared his vision of transforming Akhnoor into a prominent religious and heritage tourism destination. By attracting visitors from across India, he hopes to stimulate the town's economy and create new opportunities for the local community.

Eye Screening camp for cataract surgery conducted



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SUNDERBANI: Free Eye Screening for Cataract Surgery Eye camp under Ayushman Bharat concluded successfully in which about 140 patients were Screened at Ambika Diagnostic Centre Sunderbani. In camp, free eye check-up, free consultation, blood sugar test, were organized by Ambika Diagnostic Center Sunderbani by the specialist doctor Dr Khalid Ahmed Sheikh MBBS DOMS, Consultant Eye Surgeon & Ex. Consultant Dr. K.D Eye Hospital Jammu.

KVK Reasi educates farmers on Azolla Farming

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REASI: Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Reasi under the aegis of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology-Jammu (SKUAST-J) educated the farmers for Azolla cultivation here at KVK Reasi campus under the dynamic leadership of Vice Chancellor, Prof. B.N. Tripathi and able guidance of Director Extension, Prof. Amrishi Vaid of SKUAST-J. Dr. Banarsi Lal, Chief Scientist and Head of KV, Reasi said that Azolla is a multifaceted aquatic resource to ensure ecosystem sustainability in the hilly



KVK Scientist guiding farmers.

areas. He further said that KVK has provided Azolla to the farmers so that they can establish Azolla units in their farms and feed Azolla to

their poultry and dairy animals. He said that it is a free floating, fastly growing aquatic fern on the surface of water.

He said that farmers can cultivate Azolla cheaply at their farms by establishing Azolla units in their farms and they can feed their animals and poultry birds as it has multifarious uses. He informed that Azolla helps in nitrogen fixation as it lives with the blue green algae which fixes atmospheric nitrogen for the rapid plant growth and it can be used to grow the organic paddy. He informed that dry Azolla contains 25-35% protein, 10-15% minerals and 7-10% of amino acids, bioactive substances and biopolymers. He further said that Azolla is very rich in pro-

teins, essential amino acids, vitamins (vitamin A, vitamin B12, BetaCarotene), growth promoter intermediaries and minerals including calcium, phosphorous, potassium, ferrous, copper and magnesium. He further added that Azolla is a multi-animal feed, biofertilizer and is helpful in improving the livestock health in an organic way. He expressed that Azolla is highly productive plant and it doubles its biomass between 3 and 6 days depending on conditions. He informed that Azolla is an excellent alternative source of concentrates, fodder and feed, easily digestible

and provides a sustainable feed for livestock. He said that it contains most of the nutrients which are required for all classes of livestock, including poultry and fish. He expressed that it contains easily digestible high protein content, vitamins and minerals and low carbohydrates and fat which is suitable feed for livestock. He narrated that Azolla is a good source of Nitrogen for paddy crop and it mitigates green house gas emission through agricultural. By observing the successful results of Azolla many new farmers are showing keen interest towards this technology.

GCW Udhampur felicitates DYT winners

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UDHAMPUR: A felicitation ceremony was organised on Saturday at Government College for Women (GCW) Udhampur to honour the achievements of the achievers of Devika Zone Display Your Talent (DYT) organised at Udhampur Campus of University of Jammu from November 12-13, 2024. Principal of the College Dr. Nalini Pathania felicitated the participants of Display Your Talent competition of Devika Zone (Udhampur and Reasi Districts) who participated excellently in One Act Play, Mime, Mimicry, Skit, Folk Dance, Indian Group Song, Light Vocal Solo, Western Group Song, Debate, Painting, Speech, Cartooning, Quiz and Rangoli. Dr. Nalini Pathania appreciat-



ed the tireless efforts of the Cultural Committee, Literary Committee, DSW Committee and all the programmes in-charge. She urged all the students of the college to participate in such programmes in the near future and bring laurels to the institution.

The students participated in all the different categories of Inter-collegiate/Departmental competition under Display Your Talent where the participants from GCW Udhampur won first prize in Folk Dance, Western Group Song, One Act Play, Skit, Mime, Indian Group Song and

Painting. In the individual category, Kanchan Jamwal won the first prize in mimicry and Santoshi Devi won the second prize. Apart from this, second and merit certificates were also given in light vocal solo. Besides in Debate, quiz elocution, Rangoli and cartooning adjudged 3rd prize respectively. Others present on the occasion included Dr. Seema Sharma, Convener Cultural Committee, Indu Kahjuria Associate Professor Chemistry, Dr. Mool Raj Head Department Urdu, Prof. Swarna Devi DSW, Prof. Meenakshi Jamwal, Dr. Shalini Jasrotia, Prof. Shama Rani, Prof. Yash Kumar (Incharge Theatre Event), Anita Sharma, Surinder Kaur, Karuna Majotra and Manisha Kumari.

Preparedness for SSB Examination reviewed in Kathua district

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KATHUA: Chairperson J&K Services Selection Board, Indu Kanwal Chib on Saturday reviewed the preparedness of District Kathua for the Constable Examination here at a meeting held in DC Office, in presence of Deputy Commissioner, Rakesh Minhas, Additional Deputy Commissioner Ranjit Singh and Under Secretary JKSSB, Peunika Marwaha. Detailed deliberations were held with District Administration regarding the necessary arrangements/security protocols

sensitisation as well as training of the supervisory staff. The Deputy Commissioner said that the preparedness for the exam is being evaluated proactively and reaffirmed full cooperation to JKSSB for smooth and successful conduct of the examinations. The Chairperson JKSSB emphasised on taking care of the convenience of the candidates appearing in the examination, while ensuring all security parameters were in place for utmost transparency and impeccable fairness of the examination.

To achieve this, necessary instructions must be imparted to the Centre Superintendents/Invigilators, Observers and all other staff deployed for this Exam by the District Administration. Later, the Chairperson JKSSB also visited several Examination Centres and took a detailed review of the Existing Security apparatus. She directed the concerned Heads of Institutions and other staff to be proactive and cooperate with the District Administration for successful and transparent conduct of the Examination.

Two weeks 'GO's Refresher Course' at SKPA concludes

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UDHAMPUR: Two weeks "GO's Refresher Course" which commenced at SKPA culminated on Saturday. Twenty three (21) officers of the rank of Dy. SsP attended the course. The course was designed to acquaint the participating officers with the role of supervisory officer who are responsible for the management of concerned sub-divisions/sub-units. To achieve the objectives of the training programme, the renowned guest faculty from different areas whether it be Police, Universities etc. which, Dr. Ekta Manhas, Department of National Security Studies Central University of Jammu, Dr. Savita Nayyar, Department of Law University of Jammu, Dr. Kavita Suri, Former Director Department of Lifelong Learning University of Jammu Dr.



Shalni Sharma, Member Juvenile Justice Board Jammu Ex. Chairperson Child Welfare Committee Dr. Rashi Taggar, Dr. Sarita Sood, Dr. Ranjan Sharma, Sheikh Zulfkar Azad, JKPS, SSP faculty from Cyber Police Station Jammu, and Nayeem Abass Hamdani, Cyber Consultant were invited with the motive to inculcate the technical knowhow and refresh them about the subjects of utmost importance like Terrorism- threat Mitigation Strategies, Border Security issues, Tunnels, Drones etc. A valediction function was organized in the Academy. Rajesh Bali, SSP, Dy. Director SKPA was the chief guest on the occasion. In his valedictory address, while addressing to the participants of GO's Refresher Course, Gupta laid stress to be more visionary in building trust among the seniors and subordinates in their

respective workplace. He also stressed to the participants that as the rate of change in any situation is very fast in the society and as such situational settlement skills is very important for supervisory level officer; he added that there is need to update the officer with the latest techniques of Investigation and hope that the officers shall definitely observe and implement the important tips in the field as Supervisory officers which they learned during the course and hoped that after undergoing this course all of them shall work with dedication for the betterment of the Police while dealing with the emerging challenges like Law & Order, Terrorism, Narcotics, Cyber Crime etc. The course was coordinated by Rakesh Sambhal, CPO, assisted by ASI Dhian Singh member faculty SKPA.

39th Annual Day EUPHORIA 2024 celebrated at New National Public Higher Secondary

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NOWSHERA: The Annual Day celebration of NNPHSS took place on 16/11/2024 at the school premises. The event brought together students, teachers, parents, and distinguished guests to celebrate the achievements of the year and showcase the talents of the students. The day was filled with vibrant performances, annual report, award ceremonies, and speeches that highlighted the school's growth and commitment to holistic education. The event began at 11 am with a warm welcome address by the Principal Anchal Raina who expressed gratitude to the parents, teachers, and students for their continuous support and dedication. The Vice principal Deepak Sharma present-



Faculty members along with students during the event at Nowshera.

ed a comprehensive and insightful annual report. The Chief Guest, ADC Babu Ram Tandon delivered an inspiring speech on the importance of education, character-building, and the role of extracurricular activities in shaping young minds. The chief guest was then invited to formally inaugurate the event. The students showcased a

variety of performances, including dance, music, drama, and skits, all of which were a reflection of the hard work and talent nurtured by the school. The cultural program included: Group Dance Performances showcasing folk, classical, and contemporary styles. Skits and Dramas that delivered moral lessons and entertained the crowd.

The highlight of the evening was the award ceremony, where students were recognized for their outstanding academic achievements, sportsmanship, leadership qualities, and contribution to extracurricular activities. The awards were presented by the Chief Guest, the Principal, and other dignitaries. Some of the major categories included Best

Academic Performance, Best Sports Personality and Excellence in Arts and Culture. The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by the chairman Sh. Prithvi Raj khokhar who expressed heartfelt appreciation to the guests, parents, teachers, and students for making the day memorable. The Annual Day celebration was a resounding success, reflecting the vibrant spirit of New National Public Higher Secondary School. It was a day that celebrated not only academic excellence but also the diverse talents of the students. It provided a platform for the students to shine and for the school community to come together in support of the school's mission of fostering well-rounded.

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GDC Thannamandi celebrates International Day for Tolerance

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THANNAMANDI: The Department of Botany in collaboration with the Literary Committee and Department of Islamic Studies of Government Degree College Thannamandi celebrated International Day for Tolerance as part of Viksit Bharat Abhiyan @2047 on Saturday. On this occasion a simple but impressive programme on the theme 'Promoting

Respect and Understanding Worldwide' organized under the guidance of Dr. Nazakat Hussain, Vice Principal of the College in which Dr. Ashaq Malik, Coordinator, IQAC was resource person. Dr. Abdul Haque Naimi, Convener, Literary Committee and Dr. Nazar Ul Islam coordinated the event. In his comprehensive talk, Dr. Ashaq Malik gave an historical account of the

establishment of this day on the 50th anniversary of UNESCO in 1995 under UN resolution 51/95. He explained how the United Nations came up with this idea in order to emphasize the value of tolerance as a fundamental principle for building peaceful and inclusive societies. This day was declared to encourage global dialogue and cooperation to counter intolerance, discrimination and violence. This declaration comprising

6 articles emphasized that tolerance is not just a moral duty but a legal and political binding for peace and social harmony, he added. Dr. Nazakat underlined the need for tolerance at every level for a more peaceful and inclusive society. Students and youth can be agents for positive change to combat negativity, discrimination and violation of human rights by adopting principles of tolerance, equity and nonviolence, he said.

Earlier, Dr. Nazar Ul Islam introduced the audience about the programme and conducted the proceedings whereas Dr. Abul Haque Naimi presented the formal vote of thanks. Prominent among others present on the occasion were Dr. Ather Aziz Raina, Prof. Rummy Dar, Dr. Nagina Kouser, Prof. Rizwana Kouser, Dr. Abdul Shakoor, Dr. Showkat Ahmed and Sarfraz Ahmed.