

# DC inspects Dist Central Record Room building

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
POONCH: To ensure timely completion of verification and scanning of revenue related records in the District, the Deputy Commissioner Poonch, Vikas Kundal on Sunday undertook a visit to the Central Record Room here at fort building.

The Deputy Commissioner was accompanied by all the Tehsildars of District to check physical verification of scanned record available on Land record information system.



DC Poonch, Vikas Kundal interacting with officials during visit to Central Record Room.

The Deputy Commissioner inspected the progress of verification and scanning of revenue records under implementation of Land Records Modernization Programme.

The DC was informed that

the process with regard to scanning, preservation of revenue documents, data entry of latest Jamabandi and updation with latest mutation records besides digitization of maps with latest data is going on at a fast pace.

While interacting with the Revenue functionaries, the DC stressed them to complete the task of digitization of records in a time bound manner to ensure better land record management, minimize land disputes and enhance the overall land

record maintenance system in the District.

During the visit, DC Poonch, Vikas Kundal, engaged in a meaningful dialogue with the tehsil office staff, emphasizing the pivotal role they play in ensuring smooth governance and prompt service delivery to the citizens.

The DC exhorted upon the Officers to adhere to the timeline of settlement targets and contribute in the preparation of reliable revenue records.

# Nanak Academy concludes cricket tournaments

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
POONCH: Nanak Academy Poonch, a well-known educational institution, has long been committed to the holistic development of its students.

Apart from its focus on academics, the academy regularly organizes sports and co-curricular activities, providing a platform for students to showcase their talents.

In line with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which emphasizes the importance of extra-curricular activities for students' overall development, Nanak Academy has once again proven its dedication to the cause.

In continuation of its efforts, Nanak Academy recently hosted Cricket Tournaments for both boys and girls, which concluded with exciting final matches held at the Pritam Stadium, near the Natu Auditorium, here on Sunday.

The tournament was organized under the supervision of Gurbaksh Singh, Chairman of Nanak Academy, and Manmohinder Kour, Principal of the institution. The event was directed and managed by Amandeep Singh, with the active cooperation of Dhania Sharma, the Physical Education Teacher, and other faculty members.

The boys' tournament saw four teams competing in the semifinals: Nanak Challenger, Nanak Panthers, Nanak Rising Stars, and Nanak Daredevils. The final match was played between Nanak Panthers and Nanak Rising Stars.

Nanak Panthers won the toss and opted to bowl first. Nanak Rising Stars batted first, posting a total of 159/10 in their allotted 20 overs.



Winner team receiving trophy.

Captain Shoib Khan was the standout performer with a brilliant 56 off 42 balls.

In reply, Nanak Panthers chased down the target in just 16.2 overs, with Mandeep Singh playing an outstanding knock of 105 in just 60 balls. Panthers won the match by 7 wickets. Mandeep Singh was declared Man of the Match, while Shoib Khan was awarded Man of the Tournament for his consistent performance throughout the competition.

The girls' final saw the 9th class team winning the toss and opting to bat first. They managed to score 43 runs in 10 overs, with Ridhima contributing 22 runs.

The 10th class team chased down the target in just 8 overs, with captain Sukhpreet Kaur scoring an unbeaten 28 runs, leading her team to victory. Sukhpreet Kaur was named Woman of the Match for her match-winning knock.

The winning teams were honored with mementos and medals, while the runner-up teams also received medals for their efforts. The Chief Guest, Manmohan Singh, Officiating Principal of DIET, and Nirdosh Sharma, Volleyball Coach and In-charge of Sports Stadium, graced the event as Chief Guest and Guest of Honour, respectively.

The guests, along with Chairman Gurbaksh Singh, distributed the prizes to the participating teams.

In his address, Manmohan Singh praised the role of Nanak Academy in promoting education alongside its focus on sports and co-curricular activities.

He highlighted the importance of sports for students' physical fitness and all-round development, urging students to actively participate in such activities. He also lauded the institution for organizing girls' tournaments, which, he believes, will boost the confidence of young girls and encourage them to pursue sports.

Nirdosh Sharma also expressed his appreciation for Nanak Academy's initiatives and assured full support for future sports events.

Chairman Gurbaksh Singh, in his address, promised continued support for students and players, announcing that the school management would bear all expenses for the welfare of students and would organize similar events in the future. He thanked the guests, school staff, and all the participants for contributing to the success of the tournament.

# MLA Udhampur starts blacktopping work



MLA Udhampur West, Pawan Gupta starting blacktopping work.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
UDHAMPUR: MLA of Udhampur West, Pawan Kumar Gupta, on Sunday kick started the blacktopping of the road from Town Hall to MH Chowk in Udhampur, covering an area of 4.4 square kilometers at a cost of Rs 38 lakh.

This road was in a deplorable condition, filled with potholes and uneven surfaces, making it hazardous for two-wheelers and pedestrians, especially after the execution of the Devika Sewerage

System. The Public Works Department (PWD) of Udhampur executed this project, with officers like Rohit, AEE, overseeing the work.

The MLA directed the concerned staff and contractors to upkeeping the quality of work and ensure all specifications are laid down under law during carried out. MLA also ensured that the patches left behind shall also be blacktopped in a regular manner shortly in near future.

# Skill development is essential for earning livelihood: Col Mahan

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
BASOHLI: Col Mahan Singh (Retd.), Chairman DDC Kathua, today inaugurated a Tailoring and Cutting Centre at Plahi near Basohli. The centre, to be operated by Good Deed Foundation, New Delhi-an NGO associated with Shahi Exports India Ltd.-is being funded under the CSR initiative by NHPD SEWA II Project Mashka.

The event witnessed the presence of prominent dignitaries including Madan Lal Sharma, General Manager SEWA II Hydro Project; Deputy General Manager SEWA II; BDC Chairperson Sushma Jamwal; BDO Basohli Rakesh Kumar; Sulekha Sharma, BJP Mahila Morcha President Pahari Zila; Poli Devi, Sarpanch; Punki Jasrotia; Tripta Devi; Yubkaran Singh; along with trainers, trainees, media personnel, and female youth in large numbers. Speaking on the occasion, Col Mahan Singh revealed that three such Tailoring and Cutting



Col Mahan Singh (Retd.), Chairman DDC Kathua and others at inauguration ceremony.

Centres will be established-one each at Plahi, Draman, and Hutt-benefiting 70 students at each centre. The training, comprising a minimum of 400 hours, will culminate in certification for the trainees. The total cost of the three batches is estimated at Rs 35 lakhs, funded under the CSR initiative in the Basohli Sub-District. He emphasized that the skill development training provided through these centres will equip students with essential stitching skills and also enhance their soft skills.

During his visit, Col Mahan Singh inspected the training hall, which is

equipped with more than three high-tech electric sewing machines for practical training. Stitching kits were distributed to the trainees on the occasion, and a group photograph was taken with all attendees.

GM SEWA II reiterated NHPD's commitment to improving the living standards of residents in this remote region through CSR initiatives. The Manager of Skill Development at Good Deed Foundation assured trainees of excellent learning sessions, adding that all willing candidates would be recruited by Shahi Exports at the conclusion of the course.

# Dr Rameshwar extends financial assistance for marriage of underprivileged girl

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
BANI: In a heartfelt gesture of support and compassion, MLA Bani, Dr. Rameshwar Singh donated Rs. 50,000 along with essential ration supplies to assist in the marriage of a girl from an underprivileged family. The contribution was made in collaboration with social worker Pushpinder Singh (Nitti Shah) and Mahroof Malik, reflecting a collective effort to bring relief to the family in need.

The mother of the girl had approached Dr. Rameshwar Singh during the election campaign, seeking financial assistance for her daughter's marriage. Staying true to his promise, Dr. Singh ensured that the family received the required aid to make the occasion special and stress-free.



MLA Bani, Dr. Rameshwar Singh donating cash and essential ration supplies to assist in marriage of a girl.

This act of generosity has also inspired many NGOs and members of the public to come forward with additional support, showcasing the spirit of unity and empathy within the community.

Dr. Rameshwar Singh said, "Helping those in need is a moral responsibility, and I am committed to

standing by my people in their times of difficulty. I am grateful to all who joined hands to make this possible."

This noble initiative has been widely appreciated by the residents of Bani, further strengthening the bond between the elected representative and the community.

# International Peer-Reviewed Journal on 'Cross-Domain Possibilities in Music' released

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
HIRANAGAR: A landmark publication, the International Peer-Reviewed Journal on Cross-Domain Possibilities in Music, edited by Dr. Bharat Bhushan and Prof. Roopali Jamwal from GLDM Government Degree College, Hiranagar, was released on Sunday by Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State for Science and Technology.

This prestigious journal, which has an impressive impact factor of 8.627, is a significant addition to the academic and cultural landscape, offering a platform for interdisciplinary research and dialogue in the field of music.

The journal features research papers from across the country, delving into the dynamic interaction between



Union Minister, Dr. Jitendra Singh releasing International Peer-Reviewed Journal on Cross-Domain Possibilities in Music.

music and diverse disciplines such as mathematics, science, philosophy, and psychology. Highlighting the transformative potential of music beyond its artistic

roots, it emphasizes its role as an educational and spiritual science. This interdisciplinary approach enriches Indian music, offering new dimensions and possibilities

for students, researchers, scholars, and music lovers alike. Pandit Vidyadhar Vyas, former Vice Chancellor and Executive Director of the ITC Sangeet Research Academy, West Bengal, commended the journal, stating that its exploration of music's interaction with other fields recognizes it as more than an art form-it is also a profound medium for education and spirituality.

Dr. Pragya Khanna, Principal of GDC Hiranagar, congratulated the editors, reviewers, and contributors for their efforts in producing a publication of such academic significance. She remarked on the journal's potential to inspire further research and collaboration across domains.

Speaking on the occasion,

Dr. Rakesh Minhas, DC Kathua wished the editors the very best in their future projects.

Applauding the editors, Dr. Jitendra Singh praised their commitment to promoting academic excellence and fostering a multidisciplinary approach to education. He emphasized the importance of such endeavors in creating a broader, more inclusive platform for intellectual exploration.

This journal is a testament to the evolving role of music as a bridge between disciplines, creating opportunities for enriched experiences and groundbreaking research. It represents a beacon of academic and cultural progress, making significant contributions to both the scholarly and artistic communities.

# GMC Doda organises series of events to mark World Antimicrobial Awareness Week-2024



Participants displaying posters during an event.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
DODA: To commemorate World Antimicrobial Awareness Week 2024, the Department of Microbiology Govt Medical College Doda hosted a series of awareness programmes from 18th-24th

November 2024 under this year's theme, "Educate, Advocate & Act Now".

The programmes/events to commemorate the week were conducted under the patronage of Principal GMC Doda Prof Dr Rakesh Bahl and under the guidance of HOD Department of Microbiology GMC Doda Dr Safia Khan.

The programmes organized during the week were aimed to raise awareness about the growing concern of antimicrobial resistance, emphasizing responsible and rational use of antimicrobials.

Speaking on the occasion, HOD Micro GMC Doda Dr Safia Khan emphasised the significance of responsible antibiotic use, stating

Antimicrobial resistance is a pressing global concern, threatening our ability to treat infections effectively. As healthcare professionals, it is our responsibility to promote judicious antibiotic use and develop strategies to combat resistance.

The week featured different events held by the MBBS and Nursing students besides staff of the concerned department viz marathons, mehendi competition, poster making competition, slogan writing and rangoli making events followed by signatures for prescribed pledge, creating awareness about the Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), where the staff have shown their full participation by signing the pledge on judicious use of antibiotics.

Pertinent to mention here that every year, World Antimicrobial Week is observed from November 18-24 under different themes. The theme stressed on the global community to educate stakeholders on AMR, advocate for bold commitments and take concrete actions in response to AMR.

# Army organises motivational lecture on highlighting local achievers



Faculty and students at a programme.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
RAJOURI: Indian Army organized an event at Gambhir Brahmana Government High School.

It was conducted as an interactive Lecture on Local Achievers and their contributions which aimed to highlight the role of local personalities through actions in inspiring the younger generation. The session was attended by 80 civilians fostering a sense of unity and inspiration within the community.

During the event, Indian army personnel as well as community leaders delivered a lecture on the achievements of local figures to include elders of Gambhir who have made significant contributions in various fields. The speakers emphasized the importance of hard work, dedication, and community service.

This lecture not only helped the children learn about local heroes but also motivated them to pursue their goals with perseverance and a sense of responsibility towards society.

The interaction between the Indian Army personnel and the local community was an enriching experience for all participants. The children were especially engaged, learning from the real-life examples of local achievers. The event ended with a sense of pride and motivation, reinforcing the importance of community spirit and the role of individuals in shaping the society.

This event, with its blend of education and inspiration, served as a reminder of the power of local role models in influencing positive change.

# Ananya Sharma of GDC Neeli Nallah wins gold medal in boxing championship

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
UDHAMPUR: Ananya Sharma, student of B.A Sem 1st, of Government Degree College Neeli Nallah won gold medal in Boxing Championship 2024 held at Jammu University, Sports Stadium.

This Inter-Collegiate Tournament was organised by Directorate of Sports and Physical Education Jammu. The Championship was co-ordinated by the Boxing Association J&K under the banner of J&K Sports Council.

The organizer of the event was Harvinder Singh. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from teams representing Jammu divisions, showcasing the sportsmanship and talent of young athletes from across the different colleges of Jammu division.

Around 200 students from different colleges and schools participated in the championship. Ananya Sharma won the gold medal by defeating three players in the below 50 kg weight category in Women category. She displayed exceptional skills, determination and



GDC Neeli Nallah faculty felicitating winner Ananya Sharma.

sportsmanship throughout the competition.

The final match was particularly thrilling, demonstrating a combination of technical expertise and unwavering grit to secure a knockout final victory of Ananya against Neema Devi (GDC Basohli). Ananya,

Principal of the college Dr. (Prof.) Seema Arora congratulated Ananya Sharma on her achievements and dedication, thereby, reflecting hard-work and discipline which she has put into training and this has brought ultimate laurels to our college in the field of sports. She underscored the significance of sports in the holistic

development of young minds. She emphasized that, "sports not only enhance physical fitness but also contribute to mental well-being. Furthermore, sports play a crucial role in imparting essential life skills, such as teamwork, discipline, resilience, and leadership and we look forward to seeing more such achievements in the future."

Sports Convenor, Prof. Shaista Yasmeen, thanked the Principal of the college for constant support and encouragement, and she also congratulated PTI of the college Dr. Muntazir for his dedication to prepare students for the competition.

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