

Jammu's Got Talent Season 10: Spectacular showcase of local talent

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JAMMU: The grand finale of Jammu's Got Talent Season 10 took place at Aquaplex, Bahu Fort, and proved to be an unforgettable celebration of the region's untapped creative potential. The event brought together individuals from diverse backgrounds, each displaying remarkable passion, skill, and creativity in a variety of performances. The evening kicked off with a traditional Vandana, followed by an introduction from Bhanu Pratap Singh, the visionary behind the event, who shared his journey with the audience. The



Winners of Jammu's Got Talent Season 10 posing with dignitaries.

ceremony was graced by esteemed dignitaries, including Chief Guest Ajay Verma, President of Swarnkarsangh Jammu, and VIP guests such as Brigadier Anil Gupta, President of JKCA, and former Indian cricketer Mithun Manhas, all of whom highlighted the importance of celebrating local talent. The event also saw a star-studded lineup of celebrity guests, including Bollywood editor Balu Saluja, producer Vinod Bachchan, TV personalities Saisha Gupta and Dr. Ankur Sharma, and many more. Their presence added prestige and excitement to the proceedings. The competition, divided into three categories—Modeling, Dancing, and Singing—was sponsored by notable local brands, including Nice Gems, NIFD, and Lakme Academy, and received media management support from Sampark North PR Agency.

Singing-saw participants competing fiercely for the top spots. The modeling segment featured innovative designs, highlighting sustainability and fashion-forward thinking, with creations by NIFD students. Winners of Jammu's Got Talent Season 10 included Krishna Jammu (Dancing), Ashish Gupta (Modeling - Male), Jharna (Modeling - Female), and Mehak Sharma (Singing). The event was sponsored by notable local brands, including Nice Gems, NIFD, and Lakme Academy, and received media management support from Sampark North PR Agency.

Constitution Day celebrated in DHS Jammu

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JAMMU: Constitution Day under the campaign "Hamara Samvidhan, Hamara Swabhimaan" was celebrated with enthusiasm by Health Department Jammu Division on Tuesday under the supervision of Director Health Services Jammu Dr. Rakesh Magotra. The day is observed to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India on 26th November 1949 as well as to honour and acknowledge the contribution of founding Fathers of the Constitution. This year signifies the completion of 75 years of adoption of Constitution. In Directorate of Health



Director Health Services Jammu Dr. Rakesh Magotra and others at Constitution Day celebration.

Services Jammu, preamble reading ceremony was held led by Dr. Rakesh Magotra which was attended by all officers and officials of the Directorate and adjoining offices. Constitution Day was also observed in health institutions of all Districts and Blocks of Jammu Division with active participation of Chief Medical Officers, Medical Superintendents and Block Super Officers along with other Officers & Officials of respective Districts and Blocks.

Constitution Day celebrated at JU's Department of Law



Students and faculty of Law Department JU celebrating Constitution Day.

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JAMMU: The Department of Law at Jammu University (JU) celebrated Constitution Day today with an insightful session led by guest speaker, Justice Subhash Gupta (Retd.), former District and Sessions Judge. The event was held in the presence of distinguished faculty members and students, marking a significant occasion in the academic calendar. Justice Subhash Gupta delivered an engaging lecture on the importance of the Constitution of India, highlighting its evolution from the pre-independence era to modern times. He discussed the profound impact of the Constitution in shaping India's democratic framework and governance. His speech emphasized the need for understanding and upholding the values enshrined in the Constitution to maintain justice, equality, and liberty in society. The session was inaugurated with a warm welcome by the Dean of the Faculty of Law, Prof. Satinder Kumar, and Prof. Manju Jamwal,

Head Department of Law who felicitated Justice Gupta with a bouquet and a planter in appreciation of his valuable contributions. The event was attended by Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Prof. Seema Nargotra, Dr. Mohd Arif, Prof. Sanjay Gupta and Dr. Kartika Bakshi of the Department of Law along with students. The lecture was followed by a dynamic interactive session where students had the opportunity to engage with Justice Gupta, asking questions and discussing key constitutional issues. The event concluded with a group photograph, marking the successful celebration of Constitution Day at the university. The Department of Law continues to foster a deeper understanding of the Constitution, encouraging students to explore its significance in today's socio-political landscape.

IIIM celebrates Constitution Day



Dr. Zabeer Ahmed, Director, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu leading the preamble reading.

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JAMMU: The CSIR-Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (IIIM) Jammu, has celebrated the 75th Constitution Day with fervor and enthusiasm here on Tuesday. As part of the celebrations, Dr. Zabeer Ahmed, Director, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu led the preamble reading celebrations where in large number of scientists, staff members, research scholars and students participated actively. Speaking on the occasion, the Director emphasized that by celebrating this significant day, we are recognizing and paying tributes to the founders of our Constitution. He stressed that it is our sincere duty and obligation to uphold the values of justice, liberty, equality and dignity for all citizens as enshrined in our Constitution. Prominent among others were also present during the event Er. Abdul Rahim, Chief Scientist & Head, RMBD&IST, Vikram Singh, Senior Controller of Administration and Heads of the various divisions.

Constitution Day celebrated at District Court Jammu

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JAMMU: A significant event was held at the Conference Hall of the District Court Complex, Janipur, Jammu, to commemorate Constitution Day. The event was organized under the supervision of Principal District and Sessions Judge, Y.P. Bourney, and with the guidance of Smriti Sharma, Secretary of District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Jammu. The program marked the adoption of the Indian Constitution on November 26, 1949, and emphasized the core values enshrined in it. The event began with a welcome address by Anil Sharma, Chief Legal Aid Defence Counsel, followed by the reading of the Preamble of the Constitution by Y.P. Bourney, along with judicial



officers, staff, panel lawyers, and Para Legal Volunteers (PLVs). In his address, Y.P. Bourney highlighted the importance of Constitution Day, urging all present to reflect on the ideals of justice, equality, and liberty. Amit Gupta, a member of the Bar Association Jammu, emphasized that justice must be a right, not a privilege. Haq Nawaz Zargar, Special Judge (Anti-Corruption Jammu), underlined the Constitution as the foundation of Indian democracy and the cornerstone of citizens' rights and duties. The event concluded with a quote reinforcing the Constitution's enduring relevance: "The Constitution is not a mere lawyer's document; it is a vehicle of life." Additional awareness programs were also held in TLSC Bishnah, TLSC R.S. Pura, and TLSC Akhnor.

DIG JSK Range review security in border areas

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JAMMU: The Deputy Inspector General of Police (DIG) of Jammu-Samba-Kathua (JSK) Range, Shiv Kumar Sharma, on Tuesday conducted a comprehensive security review in the border areas of Arnia, Bishnah, and R.S. Pura in Jammu district today. The visit, accompanied by SP Headquarters and SDPO R.S. Pura, focused on enhancing security measures and strengthening coordination between various security agencies. During the visit, DIG

Sharma met with police officials and members of the Village Defense Groups (VDG) in sensitive areas such as Aik Nallah, Phaghu Nallah, Chakroi, and Sai. He also held discussions with Border Security Force (BSF) authorities at key Border Outposts (BOP) including Sai Harpal, Suchetgarh, and Bakarpur. The aim was to improve border management and establish joint checkpoints for enhanced security coordination. The DIG also visited the Border Police Posts at Dewangarh, Hara Pir



DIG JSK Range, Shiv Kumar Sharma interacting with cops at border area.

Checkpost, Sai Kallan, and Chakroi. During these visits, he directed the in-charge officers to address public grievances in a timely manner and to remain extra vigilant, especially during the night hours. He emphasized the need to strengthen night-time surveillance and ensure all nakas (checkpoints) are operational to prevent the movement of anti-social and anti-national elements. DIG Sharma urged the general public in these areas to provide timely information to the police and maintain vigilance to help safeguard the region. The visit reinforced the importance of community cooperation and heightened security vigilance at border posts.

Col Pathania urges Separate Union Territory for Jammu Region

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JAMMU: Col. S.S. Pathania, Chief Convener and President of the Saimik Samaj Party (SSP), Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory (JKUT), has called on the Union Government to create a separate Union Territory for the Jammu region, which comprises 10 districts. Pathania emphasized that the people of Jammu have long suffered discrimination and exploitation under Kashmir-centric politics, supported by successive governments. He further highlighted the issue of demographic imbalance in Jammu, particularly during the tenure of Mehbooba Mufti as Chief Minister.



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He argued that Jammu should be made a separate UT to safeguard local jobs, land, and cultural heritage under the provisions of Article 371. Furthermore, Pathania criticized the ongoing neglect of Jammu's infrastructure, such as the non-functioning Doordarshan station and incomplete road projects like the Natha Top to Sanasar road. He urged the people of Jammu to unite and demand the creation of a separate Jammu UT, securing a better future for the coming generations.

Dr. Vishal Tandon awarded NAMS Fellowship at AIIMS Jodhpur

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JAMMU: Prof. Dr. Vishal R. Tandon was honoured with the prestigious fellowship of the National Academy of Medical Sciences (NAMS) at a convocation ceremony held at AIIMS, Jodhpur. The event was graced by the Vice President of India, Jagdeep Dhankhar, who was the Chief Guest. During the ceremony, the Vice President invited the newly elected Fellows and council members to Rashtrapati Bhawan to form a group of medical experts capable of driving improvements in India's healthcare system.



Prof. Dr. Vishal R. Tandon being honoured with fellowship of NAMS at convocation ceremony held at AIIMS, Jodhpur.

Dr. Tandon, a distinguished medical scientist, researcher, and academician, received the fellowship in recognition of his immense contributions to medical education, research, patient care, and drug safety. His selection was based on a peer-reviewed evaluation of his academic excellence and professional achievements. The ceremony was attended by prominent figures, including Prof. Dr. Vishal R. Tandon, Secretary of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Dr. Shiv Kumar Sarin, President of NAMS, Dr. Rajesh S. Gokhale, Secretary of the Department of Biotechnology, and other esteemed members from India's medical community. Dr. Tandon's award reflects his commitment to advancing medical education, promoting rational drug use, and raising public awareness on health-related issues. This rare distinction acknowledges his outstanding contributions to the medical field and his continued efforts to enhance healthcare standards in India.

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SSP Doda reviews law and order, operational preparedness

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DODA: Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Doda, Sandeep Mehta, on Tuesday chaired a comprehensive review meeting at the District Police Lines (DPL) to assess the law and order situation and the operational preparedness of the police department. The session was attended by senior police officers, including Addl. SP Hqrs. Doda, Addl. SP PC Doda, Dy. SP Hqrs. Doda, and key personnel involved in law enforcement. The primary focus of the meeting was to evaluate the current security scenario, review the district's operational readiness, and ensure that the law enforcement



SSP Doda, Sandeep Mehta with other officers.

agencies are effectively maintaining peace and order. SSP Mehta stressed the need for heightened vigilance and quick response capabilities to tackle any emerging security challenges. He called for improved coordination among various security agencies and encouraged fostering strong community-police relations to ensure the safety of the public. During the session, the SSP also emphasized the importance of regular training programs to enhance the skills of police personnel, particularly in areas such as crowd control, counter-insurgency operations, and managing law enforcement in sensitive areas. He further directed officers to strengthen their crowd control capabilities and improve the overall law and order strengths. The review also involved an inspection of law and order equipment on display at DPL, and discussions were held on strategies to enhance training programs in collaboration with sister agencies. Concluding the meeting, SSP Mehta reiterated the commitment of the police force to maintaining peace, security, and harmony within the district while upholding the rule of law.

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Celebrating 75 years of Indian Constitution: IIT Jammu hosts inspiring event

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JAMMU: The Students Literary Club (Abhivyakt) and Ek-Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Club, IIT Jammu, jointly celebrated the 75th anniversary of the Indian Constitution. The occasion brought together students, faculty, and staff to reflect on the Constitution's significance and its role in shaping India's future. The occasion featured Dr. Nitin Sharma from The Law School, Jammu University, delivered a thought-provoking talk, emphasizing the Constitution's dynamic nature, likening it to a "living tree." He highlighted judicial activism and landmark Constitutional amendments, inspiring attendees to appreciate the document's evolving relevance. The event featured a reading of the Preamble, led by Dean-Student Affairs, fostering unity and constitutional awareness. The Central Library showcased books related to the Constitution and a calligraphed copy, providing a unique opportunity for engagement. "We are proud to commemorate this milestone," said Dr. R P Prajapat, AR-Student Affairs.

Arpita of HPS brings laurels by winning prize at UT level painting competition



Humanity Public School faculty felicitating a winner student.

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SAMBHA: Arpita, a student from Humanity Public School Bassi Kalan, Bari-Brahmana, brought immense pride to her school by winning a cash prize of Rs. 9500 and an appreciation certificate in the UT-level painting competition organized by NHPC Jammu. The competition, held at NHPC Office Complex, JDA Commercial

Complex, Narwal Jammu, focused on themes like energy conservation and the environment. Arpita participated in Group A (Classes 5th to 7th) with her stunning artwork on the topic "Save Energy." Her art, which captured the essence of the theme, was the result of her hard work and the guidance of her Art and Craft teachers, Vikas and DAVEET Kour. The competition featured children from various schools in Jammu and provided a platform for creative expression. Principal Gaurav Charak and Vice-Principal Anku Charak congratulated Arpita during the morning assembly and wished her continued success in future endeavors.

SSP ANTF highlights dangers of drug abuse



SSP ANTF Raj Kumar with students and faculty during an awareness programme.

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JAMMU: As part of the Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan, the Anti-Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) team Jammu organized an awareness program on drug abuse at Saint Xavier Higher Secondary School, Barnai, Jammu, on Monday. The event saw the participation of around 250 students and staff members. SSP ANTF Raj Kumar led the session, highlighting the dangers of drug abuse and emphasizing the importance of staying drug-free. The program aimed to educate the public about the harmful effects of drugs and promote preventive measures like engaging in sports activities. Participants were encouraged to report drug peddlers and smugglers to law enforcement agencies. Students were also advised to spread awareness among their peer groups to help tackle the drug menace in society.