

# Jasrotia inaugurates infrastructure projects in Phalote, Nagri Parole

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**KATHUA:** MLA Jasrotia today inaugurated two significant infrastructure projects in Phalote B Block, Nagri Parole, aimed at enhancing the quality of life for local residents. The projects include newly constructed lanes and drains in different wards of Panchayat Phalote B Block Nagri Parole worth Rs 22 lakhs and PWD Road under the Cities & Town scheme, specifically the Macadamization of Circular Road (Tandiyari Stadium Channi-to-Basian Link Road, Railway Link-to-Panjaboo -Moh include Shamshan Ghat Link Road), worth ₹30 Lakh.

The dignitaries present on the occasion include DDC Nagri Sandeep Majotra, BDO Nagri Pardeep Singh, Mandal Pradhan Mukesh Kumar Roni, Sarpanch Kaka Gupta, Naib Sarpanch Abhishek, HariSham, Momu, Panch Sham, Pawan Kumar, Ashok Kumar, and Nasib Singh, Gopal Sharma, Vijay Singh, Bodh Raj, Shumm, Master Malwinder, Balraj Singh, Sonu Punia,



MLA Jasrotia Rajiv Jasrotia inaugurating infrastructure projects.

Lambardar Bindu Singh, Dinesh Bawa, Naib Sarpanch Yogesh, Sonu, Mohd Noor, Shokat Ali, Gourav Sharma, Neetu Devi, and Goldy.

Addressing the gathering, MLA Jasrotia emphasized the importance of infrastructure development in improving the living standards of the people. "These projects are a testament to our commitment to the people of Phalote B Block. We are dedicated to ensuring that our roads, drains, and other essential facilities are developed to meet the growing needs of our community," he said. Union government is

committed to preserving our rich cultural heritage promoting sustainable agriculture, and creating job opportunities for local youth. We're working to restore historical sites like Jasrota Fort and develop museums showcasing our traditional art forms. I'd like to thank our community for their support and trust. Together, we can build a brighter future for Jasrota. Let's work together to make our constituency a model for development and progress, said Jasrotia.

MLA Jasrotia expressed gratitude to the people for their support and trust in his leadership. "I am committed

to working tirelessly for the welfare of our community, and I am confident that with the support of the people, we can achieve this goal," he said. Over the past one year, we've worked tirelessly to bring progress and prosperity to our community, and I'm proud to see these efforts bearing fruit. PM Modi government has prioritized infrastructure development, healthcare, and education, and today we're taking another step forward. These projects will not only improve the quality of life for our residents but also create opportunities for economic growth and employment, said Jasrotia.

area. We've pushed for the construction of roads under PMGSY and water supply schemes under JJM. The proposed projects will significantly boost connectivity and commerce, added Jasrotia.

MLA Rajiv Jasrotia assured the gathering that he is working tirelessly to make Jasrota a model constituency, focusing on infrastructure development and community welfare. "I am committed to transforming Jasrota into a shining example of progress and prosperity, and I am confident that with the support of the people, we can achieve this goal," he said. Over the past one year, we've worked tirelessly to bring progress and prosperity to our community, and I'm proud to see these efforts bearing fruit. PM Modi government has prioritized infrastructure development, healthcare, and education, and today we're taking another step forward. These projects will not only improve the quality of life for our residents but also create opportunities for economic growth and employment, said Jasrotia.

# Mohan Lal inaugurates development works worth Rs 6.5 Cr



MLA Akhnoor Mohan Lal Bhagat starting development work.

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**AKHNOOR:** MLA Akhnoor Mohan Lal Bhagat inaugurated and kickstarted various development projects worth Rs 6 crore 55 lakh under multiple departments across Akhnoor Assembly Constituency.

The MLA inaugurated macadamization of roads worth ₹1 crore under the Public Works Department (PWD) in Gurha Jagir, Bomal, Kaink Jagir, and Sungal areas. He also kickstarted the blacktopping of a major road under NABARD in Sungal-Sumah, amounting to ₹5 crore 16 lakh.

In addition, the MLA launched several works under the Rural Development

Department (RDD) in Gurha Jagir and Pangri Panchayats, aimed at boosting rural connectivity and improving basic infrastructure.

While addressing the gathering, MLA Mohan Lal Bhagat said that the government is committed to ensuring all-round development of Akhnoor and its adjoining areas. He assured that every pending work related to road connectivity, water, and sanitation will be completed in a time-bound manner. He further stated that the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi to develop every village as a model village is being implemented on the ground with full dedication. Prominent among those

present were DDC Member Smt. Sharda Bhanu, Mandal President Jourian Neeraj Sharma, Mandal President Sohail-Sungal Shamsher Dass, and former Sarpanches Varinder Kumar, Kishori Sharma, Ram Pal Sharma, Mahesh Chander, Anju Sharma, Rajni Sharma, Kuldeep Singh, Darshan Chib, Sanjay Sharma, Jagdish Singh, Bhagwan Sharma, Ganesh Sharma, Krishan Bhagat, Mahesh Sharma, Sham Lal, and KD Sharma.

From the PWD Department, XEN Sanjeev Sharma, ABE Sunil Baogia, JE Deepak Gupta, JE Rakesh Radhe, and JE Sourav Sarangal were present on the occasion.

# DC Rajouri reviews functioning of Revenue Department

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**RAJOURI:** Deputy Commissioner, Rajouri Abhishek Sharma today chaired a meeting of the Revenue Department at the DC Office Complex Rajouri to assess the progress of key initiatives and streamline revenue-related service delivery across the district.

The meeting discussed in detail the status of digitization of the Jamabandis and geo-referencing of cadastral maps, which are crucial components of modernizing land records and ensuring transparency in the revenue administration.

The Deputy Commissioner also reviewed the implementation of service delivery under the Public Services Guarantee Act (PSGA) and emphasized timely disposal of applications by Tehsildars through the JK Revenue



Portal and Service Plus Portal. He directed officers to ensure that all services are delivered strictly within the prescribed timelines to enhance public satisfaction and accountability.

While reviewing the update of revenue records and completion of revenue buildings, the DC instructed

ADCs, SDMs and the ACR to ensure timely completion of these works with close supervision at all stages.

To improve administrative monitoring, the DC directed officers to conduct regular inspections of records and submit weekly progress reports. He also called for

expeditious redressal of public grievances received on the JK SAMADHAN and asked officers to encourage public registration on the platform for effective grievance management.

The Deputy Commissioner reiterated that the Revenue Department plays a vital role in public service delivery and must function with transparency, efficiency and accountability to uphold public trust.

The meeting was attended by ADC Kalakote, Tanvir Ahmed, ADC Kotranka, Dilmir Chowdhary, ADC Rajouri, Chandrak Prakash, ADC Nowshera, Pritam Lal Thapa, ADC Sunderbani, Ramkesh Sharma, ACR, Mohd Jahangir Khan, SDM Thanamandi, Abid Hussain, besides Tehsildars and other sectoral officers.

# Vibrant Day 3 of 'Vande Mataram-Week' celebration fills Ramban with patriotic fervour

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**RAMBAN:** Continuing the celebration of the 150th anniversary of India's National Song "Vande Mataram", the District Administration Ramban, under the guidance of Deputy Commissioner, Mohammad Alyas Khan, organized a series of patriotic and National Song singing events across the district today.

At T-Chowk Ramban and several other locations, the atmosphere came alive with enthusiastic participation in singing and creative performances depicting India's freedom struggle and the historic contribution of "Vande Mataram" to national unity and pride.

The Police and Revenue Departments, in collabora-



tion with the Information Department and the media fraternity, showcased vibrant exhibitions and cultural presentations, highlighting the spirit of nationalism and India's glorious past.

The event witnessed spirited participation from

students, teachers, senior citizens, and community members, led by Tehsildar, Ramban Deep Kumar and SHO Ramban. Their collective involvement strengthened the emotional bond with the National Song and its timeless message of unity and devotion

to the motherland.

A special highlight of the day was the live singing performance on Drum Beat, which deeply resonated with the audience and evoked sentiments of pride and reverence. The melodies of "Vande Mataram" inspired all to reflect upon the sacrifices made for India's freedom and the enduring legacy of the National Song.

Officials and dignitaries lauded the overwhelming participation and the vibrant patriotic spirit witnessed across the district.

The day concluded with messages of gratitude and collective pride, urging all citizens to uphold the values of unity, sacrifice and national devotion throughout the ongoing commemoration week.

# Vande Mataram singing event organised by District Police Doda



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**DODA:** To promote spirit of patriotism and national pride, District Police Doda today organized a vibrant "Vande Mataram" event to commemorate 150 years of India's national song.

The event, held at District Police Lines Doda, witnessed enthusiastic participation from police personnel

and students who came together to sing the iconic song symbolizing unity, devotion and love for the nation.

The programme was graced by the Senior Superintendent of Police

(SSP), Sandeep Kumar Mehta. He appreciated the initiative and emphasized the importance of such events in fostering national integration and patriotic spirit among the citizens.

SSP Doda said that Vande Mataram holds a special place in India's history as it inspired generations during the freedom movement. "Such programmes remind us of our rich cultural legacy and the sacrifices made by countless freedom fighters," he emphasized. He further urged everyone, especially the youth, to contribute positively towards nation-building and to uphold the ideals of peace, discipline and integrity in everyday life.

The programme was graced by the Senior Superintendent of Police

and Convener of the event, who extended a warm welcome to all participants, and dignitaries. The workshop was graced by Prof. (Dr.) Balbir Singh, Dean, Academic Affairs, as the Chief Guest; Dr. Sunanda Gupta, Head, Department of Computer Science and Engineering; Dr. Bajinath Kaushik, Co-Convener and faculty members of School of Computer Science and Engineering. The expert speaker, Pawan Samireddy from SkillDzire, conducted the workshop online and engaged the students in an interactive five-hour session. The first half of the workshop focused on email etiquette, resume writing, for-

matting guidelines, and cover letter preparation, while the second half included mock interviews, STAR answering techniques, body language improvement, and group discussion practice. Mr. Samireddy also provided personalized feedback on students' resumes, helping them identify areas for improvement. Additionally, he shared valuable insights on how to stay motivated, build self-confidence, and maintain a positive attitude during placement drives and professional challenges. His session was highly appreciated for its practicality and motivational approach. In his address, Prof. (Dr.) Balbir Singh

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Bawa, for their assistance in ensuring the smooth conduct of the event. The workshop concluded with an interactive question-and-answer session, wherein participants enthusiastically discussed their learning and experiences. The session received excellent feedback from students, who found it informative, engaging, and inspiring.

# Employability skill workshop held at SMVDU

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**KATRA:** The School of Computer Science and Engineering (SoCSE), in collaboration with the Training and Placement Office of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), organized an Employability Skills Workshop in association with SkillDzire. The primary objective of the workshop was to enhance students' professional skills and prepare them for future employment opportunities through focused training on communication, resume building, and interview preparation.

The session commenced with a welcome address by Anuj Mahajan, Organizing Secretary

and Convener of the event, who extended a warm welcome to all participants, and dignitaries. The workshop was graced by Prof. (Dr.) Balbir Singh, Dean, Academic Affairs, as the Chief Guest; Dr. Sunanda Gupta, Head, Department of Computer Science and Engineering; Dr. Bajinath Kaushik, Co-Convener and faculty members of School of Computer Science and Engineering. The expert speaker, Pawan Samireddy from SkillDzire, conducted the workshop online and engaged the students in an interactive five-hour session. The first half of the workshop focused on email etiquette, resume writing, for-

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SKUAST-J hosts Training program for dairy farmers

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**SAMBA:** Under the dynamic leadership of Prof. B.N. Tripathi, Vice-Chancellor of SKUAST-Jammu, the Division of Veterinary Medicine, Faculty of Veterinary Sciences & Animal Husbandry, SKUAST-Jammu, organized a training program for dairy farmers. The event was held at Village-Dera Ganotra, Samba, as part of the Development of Rainfed Area (Sub-component: Promotion of Livestock) under the HADP. In rainfed areas, agriculture crops are severely affected by a lack of irrigation water, making livestock the main source of income and livelihood for farmers. The training session was attended by more than 50 small dairy farmers. Dr. Neelsh Sharma, Principal Investigator and Professor & Head of Veterinary Medicine, delivered a talk on various aspects of dairy farming. Farmers raised numerous problems related to livestock rearing, health, and management.

During the training program, various medicines and nutritional supplements were distributed to the farmers to encourage the regular practice of deworming, controlling tick infestation, and improving the reproductive efficiency of dairy animals.

# DC Poonch inspects work progress on Chandak-Mandi Road, patient care services at SDH Mandi

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**POONCH:** Deputy Commissioner Poonch Ashok Kumar Sharma on Sunday conducted an extensive tour of Tehsil Mandi, where he inspected the progress of upgradation work on Chandak-Mandi road and the status of patient care services at the local Sub District Hospital.

During the inspection, the Deputy Commissioner assessed the road condition and directed the Executive



DC Poonch Ashok Kumar Sharma during tour of Mandi.

Engineer (Xen) PWD to ensure the completion of blacktopping work well before the onset of winter and snowfall. He emphasized maintaining quality standards during the execution of the work to ensure durability and smooth connectivity for commuters.

The Deputy Commissioner was accompanied by Tehsildar Mandi, Ashfaq Hussain, Xen PWD Surankote, Intiaz Mir, Xen PWD Poonch, Shakeel Ahmed and other concerned officers during the visit.

Later, the Deputy Commissioner visited the Sub District Hospital (SDH) Mandi to take stock of patient care services. He inspected the hospital wards, interacted with patients and medical staff to get feedback on healthcare facilities being provided to the public. He reviewed cleanliness and hygiene conditions in and around the hospital premises. He directed the hospital administration to maintain proper sanitation and ensure a patient-friendly environment.

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**UDHAMPUR:** To commemorate 150 glorious years of the national song Vande Mataram, the Department of Music, Government College for Women (GCW), Udhampur, under the aegis of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), organized a vibrant and patriotic National Song Singing Competition in the college campus. The event aimed to promote national integration and cultural harmony among the youth through the medium of music.

The programme was graced by Dr. Nalini Pathian, Principal of the College, as the Chief Guest. In her address, Dr. Pathian lauded the Department of Music for organizing the event with great enthusiasm and said that such programmes instill a deep sense of patriotism and belonging among students. She further emphasized the importance of music in preserving India's cultural identity and heritage.

The competition was conducted in two categories - Solo and Group Singing.

In the Solo Category, twelve participants from different

# GCW Udhampur organises National Song Singing Competition



semesters showcased their melodious renditions of National Song, celebrating the spirit of Vande Mataram. Shruti Gupta of Semester V secured the First Position, while Mehak Devi and Tania bagged the Second and Third Positions, respectively, with their soulful performances.

In the Group Category, eight teams presented beautifully harmonized patriotic compositions. Group F - comprising Youshika, Neha, and Mehak - emerged as the First Prize Winner. Group E (Isha, Sonam, Shruti) won the Second Prize, while Group B (Kavita, Neha, and Suman) secured the Third Position.

The competition was adjudged by an eminent panel of jury members: Dr. Mool Raj, Head of the Department

of Urdu; Prof. Yash Paul, Head of the Department of History; and Ms. Anita Sharma, Lecturer in Music, GCW Udhampur. The judges praised the participants for their excellent vocal skills, coordination, and emotional expression.

Certificates of appreciation and merit were also distributed among the winners in both Solo and Group Categories, acknowledging their exceptional performances and contribution to the event.

The entire event was coordinated by Mr. Yash Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Music, under the supervision of Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Head, Department of Music. The proceedings and vote of thanks were conducted

by Youshika Sammotra.

The programme was attended by faculty members including Convener IQAC Dr. Indu Kahjuria (HoD Chemistry), Dr. Monika Gupta (Associate Professor, Chemistry), Dr. Shahid Iqbal (Lecturer, Urdu), and Dr. Tanveer (Lecturer, Political Science), along with other staff members and a large number of students who added enthusiasm and energy to the event.

The event concluded with the singing of the National Song, filling the atmosphere with patriotic fervour. The celebration of Vande Mataram's 150 years served as a reminder of the song's timeless message of devotion, unity, and love for the motherland.

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