

Modi's initiatives transformed pace of governance across nation: Rekha Mahajan



BJP J&K UT Vice President, Rekha Mahajan speaking at organizational meet-

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SAMBA: BJP J&K UT Vice President and Prabhari for Samba District, Rekha Mahajan, chaired an organizational meeting at Nud block of Samba district today, reviewing ongoing party activities and strengthening grassroots engagement.

District General Secretary Rakesh Samyal, Mandal president Surinder Singh, Senior leaders, local representatives, and booth-level workers participated with enthusiasm, reaffirming their commitment to the party's organisational goals.

Speaking during the meeting, Rekha Mahajan described Sankalp Abhiyan as a powerful platform to bring governance closer to the people and inspire collective participation in nation-building.

She said that the campaign reinforces the spirit of commitment toward development, social responsibility, and public welfare.

"Sankalp Abhiyan strengthens our resolve to work together for cleaner villages, empowered families, and transparent governance," Rekha stated, emphasizing that such initiatives help ensure that the benefits of government schemes reach every household efficiently and fairly.

Rekha Mahajan praised the development-driven vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, stating, "Modi ji's initiatives have transformed the pace of governance across the nation. From welfare schemes to infrastructure expansion, every programme is aimed at empowering the common citizen."

She highlighted that flagship schemes in social welfare, digital governance, women empowerment, border area development, and youth upliftment have received overwhelming public response in Jammu and Kashmir.

Rekha Mahajan also welcomed the BJP's impressive performance in the

Bihar elections, referring to the impact of the "MY factor."

She said, "The people of Bihar have once again shown trust in Modi ji's leadership. The MY factor-Modalities of Youth and Marginalised empowerment-played a major role in this victory. It reflects how inclusive policies and decisive governance win hearts on the ground."

During the meeting, she conducted a detailed review of all ongoing and upcoming organisational activities in Samba district. This included discussions on strengthening booth structures, intensifying outreach campaigns, and ensuring effective implementation of various programmes launched by the Modi Government.

She emphasised that workers must keep the public well-informed about schemes such as Ayushman Bharat, Ujjwala, PM Awas Yojana, Jal Jeevan Mission, Kisan Samman Nidhi, and Skill India.

"Every karyakarta must ensure that the benefits of Modi ji's schemes reach every home. Our responsibility is to connect with people sincerely and communicate the government's achievements clearly," Rekha Mahajan added.

She urged the cadre to continue working with dedication and unity, ensuring the party's growth and stronger presence in every block of Samba district.

NHPC Jammu organises State/UT-Level Painting Competition on Energy Conservation

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JAMMU: The NHPC Regional Office, Jammu, organised the State/UT-level painting competition for the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir on Saturday, aiming to spread awareness on energy conservation.

The event is part of a nationwide campaign initiated by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), Ministry of Power, Government of India, which seeks to encourage young students to understand and promote the importance of saving energy.

The competition is held annually across the country for students in Group A (Classes V-VII) and Group B (Classes VIII-X). This year, the contest commenced at the school level, where shortlisted entries were forwarded to NHPC, and 100 students were invited to take part at the State/UT level.

The event took place at the NHPC Regional Office premises in Narval, where 50 students from Group A and 50 from Group B showcased their creativity through paintings on the theme of "Energy Conservation."



NHPS Jammu officials with winner students.

A total of 26 prizes were awarded, including first, second, and third prizes, along with 10 consolation prizes in each category.

In Group A, the first prize was secured by Rajveer Singh from JKPPS, Miran Sahib, while the second and third prizes went to Virajay Singh of Sai International School, Hiranagar; and Ananya Chauhan of Heritage School, Sainik Colony, respectively.

In Group B, Wamika from Sai International School, Hiranagar, clinched the first prize, followed by Bhavish

Singh Manhas of JNV Gharota in second place and Adarsh Bhagat of JKPPS, Miran Sahib, in third place.

A message from Ram Swaroop, Executive Director, was read during the event, in which he congratulated all participants and highlighted the critical importance of saving electricity, stating that conserving energy is equivalent to generating it.

He appreciated the way students expressed the message of energy conservation through their artwork and urged everyone to make energy-saving a

daily habit.

The evaluation of paintings was carried out by a distinguished five-member jury comprising Milan Sharma, Santosh Raj Tiku, Jang S. Verma, Akram Khan and Rohit Verma, all eminent personalities from the field of art and culture. Satnam Singh, GM (C), and R.P. Maurya, GM (HR) presented the certificates and prize money to the winners. The event was also attended by Rajnish Kumar, Nodal Officer for J&K, NHPC officials, teachers, students, and parents.

LSC-12133 GGM Science College conducts induction meet programme for July 2025 learner's batch

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JAMMU: The Induction Meet Programme for the July 2025 learner's batch of the Indra Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) was conducted at GGM

the platform for continuous learning and skill enhancement.

Following this, Dr. P. S. Thakur, Coordinator of LSC-12133, provided a detailed introduction about the centre

also interacted with the students, meticulously addressing and catered to their queries, ensuring clarity and guidance for the new batch. Dr. MaqemAnsari, Assistant Coordinator also



Principal GGM Science College, Prof. (Dr.) Romesh Kumar Gupta posing with students and Dr. Sandeep Gupta, Regional Director of IGNOU.

Science College, LSC-12133, marking the beginning of the academic journey for new students.

The event was graced by the presence of Dr. Sandeep Gupta, Regional Director of IGNOU, who presided as the Chief Guest.

At the outset, Prof. (Dr.) Romesh Kumar Gupta, Principal of GGM Science College, Jammu, presented the welcome Address to the newly admitted learners.

He extended his best wishes and motivated them to utilize

and its functions. The proceedings of the programme were efficiently coordinated by Prof. Vishal Sharma, Assistant Coordinator of IGNOU LSC-12133.

The Chief Guest, Dr. Sandeep Gupta, delivered an inspiring speech where he interacted with the students and made them thoroughly aware of the working mechanisms of IGNOU, including its flexible learning approach and academic structure.

Dr. Asha Upadhyay, Deputy Regional Director,

Others who were present during the successful induction meeting included Prof. Sanjay Kumar and Prof. Rohit Bhardwaj, all of whom contributed to the informative session.

The induction meeting was attended by more than 150 learners across different districts of Jammu and Kashmir union territory. The formal programme concluded with the vote of thanks, which was presented by Prof. Vishal Sharma.

HPS shines at 15th National Level Speedball Championship



HPS faculty felicitating winner students.

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SAMBA : Students of Humanity Public School (HPS), Bassi Kalan, achieved remarkable success by showing exceptional skills and determination, emerging as the deserving winners in the recently concluded 15th National Level Championship 2025 organised by Speedball Association, Delhi recognised by Delhi Olympic Association at Govt. Indoor Stadium, Lok Vihar, Pitampura, Delhi.

The total number of participants who participated in the competition were three. It was an unparalleled achievement since 3 medals were won by the school.

Natiek Attri of Class 10th won the gold medal. The student who received the silver medal was Zakir Hussain of class 7th whereas Aryan Sharma of class 7th bagged the bronze medal. All the participants received participation certificates.

The students of the school

who participated in this tournament were well received in the school premises by Principal, Gaurav Charak, Vice Principal, Anku Charak, Incharges of distinguished wings and Staff members. A special assembly was organised to felicitate the winners where Principal Gaurav Charak lauded the relentless efforts of the coach, Anju Parihar as well as Sports Incharge, Mahan Singh and said that school management is leaving no stone unturned to promote physical education and sports in school. He also congratulated the participants and wished them good luck for their upcoming tournaments.

APS Samba ignites athletic spirit at Annual Sports Day 2025

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SAMBA : Army Public School (APS) Samba celebrated its Annual Sports Day with great vigour and enthusiasm on Saturday, turning the school ground into a vibrant display of athletic energy and youthful exuberance. The event began with the welcome of the Chief Guest and a melodious welcome song presented by the students.

The ceremonial highlight of the morning was the impressive March Past, where contingents marched in perfect synchrony. After the March Past, the Chief Guest, Chairman APS Samba declared the meet open by releasing white pigeons into the air, symbolising peace, hope and the true spirit of sportsmanship. As the pigeons soared high, the field echoed with the sports oath taken by young athletes who pledged to uphold integrity, discipline and athletic excellence.



Winners students with APS Samba faculty.

A thrilling line-up of track and field events kept the audience cheering throughout the day. Students enthusiastically participated in the 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m Races and the Three-Legged Race. Young athletes showcased their agility and vigour in the Skipping Race, 50m Race, 200m Race, 4x100 Relay and Slow Cycling.

Cultural vibrance blended seamlessly with the sporting spirit as students presented spectacular performances including Bhartiya (VI-

VIII), energetic Bhangra (IX-XI) and a captivating Sword Dance (VII-IX), winning applause from all.

The Annual Sports Day culminated with the Prize Distribution Ceremony, where winners were honoured for their achievements by the Chief Guest.

With the National Anthem bringing the ceremony to a dignified close, APS Samba celebrated a day that transformed potential into performance and effort into triumph.

JU organises career counselling programme for students of GHSS Paloura

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JAMMU: Employment Information Cum Advisory Bureau (EIAB), Department of Lifelong Learning, University of Jammu (JU) in collaboration with Govt. Higher Secondary School, Paloura organised a one day career awareness programme on Communication Skills and careers after 10+2. The programme was held under the overall supervision of Dr. Priyanka Sharma, Director, DLL, University of Jammu and Shikha Malhotra, principal of the school. The principal of the school inaugurated the programme. Dr. Rewa Khajuria coordinated the programme. She also apprised the students about



JU faculty with students of GHSS Paloura at career counselling programme.

importance of career counselling. The special resource persons were Dr. Yashpaul Khajuria, Assistant Professor, School of Biotechnology, University of Jammu and Dr. Shubhra Jamwal, Assistant Professor, Govt. College of Education, Jammu. Dr. Yashpaul

Khajuria informed the students about the significance of career counselling especially in the present scenario. He talked about career options in sciences and allied fields after 10+2. Dr. Shubhra Jamwal spoke about basic skills of communication, conversation starters and verbal

and non verbal communication. About 64 students of the school attended the programme. Akshara Salotra student of the school conducted the programme. Bhavna coordinator of the career counselling cell of the school presented formal vote of thanks.

JKCA squad to depart for Kolkata today for Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 Trophy

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JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA) has announced its 25-member contingent, including ten officials, set to depart for Kolkata tomorrow to participate in the prestigious Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 Trophy.

Led by opener Shubham Khajuria, the Jammu and Kashmir side will begin its campaign in the national T20 championship from November 26, 2025.

The squad features a balanced mix of experienced players and emerging talents, reflecting JKCA's continued emphasis on nurturing young poten-

tial while maintaining a competitive edge.

The team lineup comprises Qamran Iqbal, Shubham Khajuria (Captain), Vivrant Sharma, Musafij Ajiz, Abdul Samad, Yawar Hassan, Kanhaiya Wadhawan (Vice-Captain), Abid Mushtaq, Vanshaj Sharma, Ashwin Murugan, Yudhvir Singh, Aquib Nabi, Umran Malik, Nasir Lone and Sunil Kumar.

Former India international Ajay Sharma will accompany the squad as Head Coach, spearheading the technical and tactical preparations for the tournament. The supporting staff includes P. Krishna Kumar (Bowling

Coach), Dishant Yagnik (Fielding Coach), Hilal Ahmed (Manager), Ravi Sharma (Co-Manager), Sunny Kumar (Trainer), Susheel Pajnu (Video Analyst), Chirag Pandya (Physiotherapist), Naresh Kumar (Masseur) and Manoj Kumar (Side-Arm Expert).

The JKCA Administrator, Brig Anil Gupta has expressed confidence in the team's preparations and morale, highlighting that the blend of youth and experience, coupled with strong coaching and support infra, positions Jammu and Kashmir as a formidable competitor in the upcoming tournament.

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SpiceJet	11:10 AM - 12:00 PM
Air India Express	12:50 PM - 1:40 PM
Air India Express	1:35 PM - 2:45 PM
IndiGo	1:55 PM - 2:35 PM
IndiGo	6:40 PM - 7:20 PM
Srinagar to Jammu	
IndiGo	11:45 AM - 12:35 PM
Air India Express	12:10 PM - 1:05 PM
SpiceJet	12:35 PM - 1:30 PM
Air India Express	2:20 PM - 3:35 PM
IndiGo	3:15 PM - 4:05 PM
IndiGo	5:20 PM - 6:10 PM

FIND TRAIN SCHEDULE	
11078 Jhelum Express	
Departure	: 23:35 from Jammu Tawi
Arrival	: 11:15 at New Delhi
12426 Jammu Tawi - New Delhi Rajdhani Express	
Departure	: 21:25 from Jammu Tawi
Arrival	: 05:55 at New Delhi
12446 Uttar Sampark Kranti Express	
Departure	: 21:50 from Jammu Tawi
Arrival	: 06:55 at New Delhi
Train 26401 - Katra to Srinagar (Morning Service)	
Departure	: 8:10 AM from Katra
Arrival	: 11:10 AM at Srinagar
Intermediate Stop	: Banihal at 9:58 AM
Fare:	
Chair Car (CC):	715
Executive Chair Car (EC):	1,320
Booking:	Available on IRCTC
Train 26403 - Katra to Srinagar (Afternoon Service)	
Departure	: 2:00 PM from Katra
Arrival	: 05:00 PM at Srinagar
Fare:	
Chair Car (CC):	660
Executive Chair Car (EC):	1,270
Booking:	Available on IRCTC

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