

# Gear-up for elections, expand party base: Shakti

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BASOHLI: Shakti Raj Parihar, Ex Minister and former Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) MLA has asked the party workers and activists to expand the party base at booth level and gear up for the upcoming Assembly elections.

The senior BJP leader stated this while chairing BJP Shakti Kendra Pramukhs' meet here on Saturday. He was accompanied by Jewan Lal Pahari Zila BJP President and Col Mahan Singh (Retd) District Development Council (DDC) Kathua Chairman.

## GDC Ramnagar organises online lecture on 'Email Phishing Attacks'

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RAMNAGAR: IQAC team in collaboration with Department of Computer Applications of GDC Ramnagar organized an online lecture on 'Online Phishing Attacks' as part of Cyber Jagrookta Mission of the Government.

It was organized under the patronage of Dr. Udhey Bhanu, Principal GDC Ramnagar and guidance of Prof. Suresh Kumar Dogra, HOD Physics.

At the outset, Dr. Udhey exhorted the participants to spread the awareness about the online fraud in their family and localities.

Prof. Aditya Sharma, College Nodal Officer of Cyber Jagrookta cell and resource person for today's lecture, introduced the participants to the Email Phishing Attacks and their consequences.

Prof. Brinder Kumar, Convener IQAC, concluded the session by highlighting important points of the session. The proceedings were coordinated by Rudrika Kalsotra, Organizing Secretary of the event. Among others who were present in the session included Dr. Hari Singh, Prof. Mushtaq Ahmed, Dr. Mohd Riaz, Dr. Monica and Parveen Sharma.

## DDC Rajouri reviews functioning of FCS&CA Department

### Asks for intensifying market checking to curb unfair trade practices

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RAJOURI: District Development Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal on Saturday reviewed the functioning of the Food Civil Supplies and Consumers Affairs Department here at a meeting of the concerned officers.

The meeting was attended by Assistant Director FCS&CA, Arief Lone and Tehsil Supply Officers.

The meeting held a detailed discussion on stock, supply position, distribution system, grievance redressing system and other related matters.

At the outset, the Assistant Director FCS&CA informed the meeting that sufficient

## 640 vaccinated, 4,203 samples collected in Ramban

Enforcement teams recover Rs 40,200 fine from violators

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RAMBAN: As per District Immunization Officer, Ramban, Dr. Suresh the Health Department on Saturday administered vaccine doses to 640 people including 421 children in the 15-17 years age group in the district.

Continuing the enforcement drive to implement Covid protocol across the district Ramban, the Enforcement teams today fined scores of violators for roaming without wearing face masks and not maintaining physical distance.

The enforcement teams, during the inspection in their respective jurisdictions, recovered a fine of Rs. 40,200 taking the total amount fined since April 1, 2021 to Rs. 85, 91, 450. The Enforcement officers urged the people to wear face masks and maintain physical distance besides taking Covid vaccination doses at their nearest CVC.

As per daily bulletin issued by the Chief Medical Officer, Ramban, Dr. Mohammad Fareed Bhat, the Health Department has collected 4203 samples including 761 RT-PCR and 3442 RAT samples besides administering Covid vaccine to 640 persons at various dedicated Vaccination Centres in the district.

## Reasi Admn retrieves 590 Kanals 13 Marlas prime land

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REASI: District Administration Reasi on Saturday retrieved 590 Kanal 13 Marlas prime land in continuation of its anti-encroachment drive.

On the direction of Deputy Commissioner, Charandeep Singh, an anti-encroachment

drive was carried out in different tehsils and 590 kanal 13 Marla state land, which includes 169 kanal 02 marlas bearing khasra no. 291/34, 292/34 in village Baldhanoo and 217 kanals 18 marlas bearing khasra no. 775/745/733/503/1 in village Jij of Tehsil Thakrakote, and 203 kanal 13 marlas in village Talwara of Tehsil Reasi. under the illegal possession of encroachers was retrieved by the revenue department.

Pertinent to mention here that Deputy Commissioner Reasi has already issued strict instructions for carrying out anti encroachment drives and to retrieve state land illegally occupied in different Tehsils of District Reasi & to make this drive a regular affair of the department.

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Former BJP MLA, Shakti Raj Parihar and others during a meeting.

Parihar emphasized on strengthening the party organization and expanding party base in the region. He asserted that party workers should always remain pre-

pared for the elections as the same could be announced anytime after completion of the delimitation process.

Stressing upon the importance of Sashakt Mandal

and proactive booth functioning, Parihar desired that all the organization posts must be filled at Mandal level and a minimum 100 youth should be shortlisted

for every booth.

He asked the party workers to make an appeal to the supporters to ensure micro donations and involve themselves for forthcoming party foundation day celebrations which will be held right upto the booth level.

He directed the party cadre to personally remain present with people to listen to PM Narendra Modi's Mann Ki Baat on 30th January 2022.

Col Mahan Singh asserted that LG led UT administration stands fully committed to the development of tourism infrastructure in the hilly region of Kathua.

# Sarpanch, BDC Chairman start work at Shekh-e-Chak cremation ground

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R S PURA: Tarsem Singh Saroch, Chairman Block Development Council (BDC) Suchetgarh and Surjit Chaudhary, Sarpanch of Panchayat Shekh-e-Chak and Co-Convenor of BJP Panchayati Raj Cell, on Saturday jointly started development work at the crematorium located at village Shekh-e-Chak.

Surjit said he decided to start the work of boundary wall of the cremation ground out of the Panchayat fund. Apart from this, other development works of the crematorium will also be completed with the Panchayat funds, he



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added. Surjit expressed his profound gratitude to the Prime Minister Narendra Modi led government for continuously providing funds for the developmental works at Panchayat level.

Panch Praveen Chaudhary, Devraj Chaudhary and former Sarpanch Swaran Lal were also present.

## GDC Doongi conducts poster making competition

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### KATHUA:

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Kathua is the first district in Jammu and Kashmir where SVEP was rolled out in the year 2016.

The scheme envisages helping the rural poor to come out of poverty by setting up small enterprises and providing support till the enterprises stabilize.

The scheme focuses on creating avenues for sustainable livelihood and self-employment by providing financial assistance and training in business management of soft skills, while creating local community cadres for promotion of enterprises.

The Startup Village Entrepreneurship Programme in block Basohli of district Kathua has been a key contributor in uplifting the socio-economic condition of the inhabitants and so far 1075 females and 478 males have availed the scheme by opening new startups in trade, industry and service sector and treaded towards becoming self-reliant.

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Under the Programme the beneficiaries have started Karyana shops, Commercial Automobiles, Dhaba, Boutique, Beauty Parlor, Bakery etc paving way for prosperity in the lives of rural families through the ambit of self-help groups which in turn also strengthen the resolve of supporting Self Help Group especially women folks who always remained active in prospering rural economies.

The programme has received overwhelming response and as against the funds available to the tune of Rs.2.5 Cr, an expenditure of Rs. 2.93 Cr has been incurred by way of disbursing loans to entrepreneurs. The amount of Rs.43.39 lakh received as interest is also being utilised to extend benefit to more numbers of beneficiaries.

The activity was conducted by Palak Preet Kour, Department of Environmental Sciences.

Shilpa Sharma from B.A sem 1st secured first position, second position was secured by Honey Bala and third position was shared by Rukhsana Kossar and Neha Sharma.

The activity was organized under the supervision of the Principal of the College, Dr. Shamim Ahmed Azad, who encouraged the students to participate in these kinds of activities. Dr. Ashyana Koser, Department of Urdu, Iqbal Rasool, Department of Education and Sapna Sharma Department of Hindi were the judges of the competition.

The others present were Dr. Sajad Ahmed Dar, Prof. Samina Khan and Dr. Mohammed Khaliq.

Prof. Zaheer Abass, Convener Eco-club presented the vote of thanks.

# Army installs solar dryer machine at Budhal



Womenfolk along with solar dryer machine installed by Army.

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RAJOURI: Women are an important part of the society and their contribution is essential towards its progress and prosperity.

To provide an opportunity for self-employment to the women of the rural and backward areas of Budhal, Indian Army installed a Solar Dryer

Machine in the village.

A training capsule was also conducted to enable the women to understand the functioning of the machine and ensure its optimal utilization.

The machine which is simple to operate and maintain, would not only create employment opportunities, but also

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The implementation of the programme in block Basohli has provided avenues of employment to 1372 beneficiaries from general categories, 23 from OBC, 119 from SC, 31 from ST and 8 beneficiaries from Minority class which depicts that the benefit of the SVEP has been derived by every section of the society.

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To ensure that quality ration free from adulteration is distributed among the consumers, it was decided in the meeting that the concerned authorities from the Legal Meteorology Department shall conduct regular checking of the fair price shops and lift the ration samples for quality management purposes.

To curb the overpricing, hoarding and profiteering, he directed the concerned officers to conduct regular market checking to curb malpractices in the district.

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under PRIs to identify the sites where the electrical poles are to be installed so that the work can be started once the tender is allotted.

Responding to the demand for construction of the internal roads, the DDC Chairman asked the concerned officers to expedite the progress on under execution PMGSY projects and project the demands/requirement for new roads.

Regarding the transfer of land for KV School at Doongi, he assured the public that the matter will be taken with the concerned authorities.

Addressing the issue of pending payments under SBM and MGNREGA, he asked the concerned BDO to clear the pendency in ten days. He also asked the social wel-

fare department to redress the issue of the pension cases in consultation with the PRIs.

Similarly, he also assured the public that all their genuine concerns would be redressed in a phased manner with the intervention of the concerned quarters.

Earlier, Block Development Council Chairperson Doongi, Raiz Chowdhury also highlighted various developmental works being executed by different departments in the block.

Later, the Chairman also inspected some internal roads of the area. He also visited PHC Chatyar and health sub centre at Dhara Sawala and took stock of the healthcare services being provided to the general public there