

# Madan Lal Sharma Charitable Trust holds monthly meeting

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KHOUR: A monthly meeting of Madan Lal Sharma Charitable Trust was held at village Pangali of Khour on Friday which was chaired by chairperson of the trust Satish Sharma. The meeting was in continuation of the monthly meetings through which trust focuses on providing financial assistance to widowed women and to provide sports material to the Youth. Hundreds of people joined the meeting despite heavy rainfall. Speaking on the occasion different speakers shared their views about the social welfare works



Trust Chairman Satish Sharma and others during meeting.

undertaken by the trust and also memorized the works that Madan Lal Sharma used to do.

Speakers in meeting apprised Satish Sharma of

the problems being faced by the people of villages adjoining line of control. Puran Chand Sharma former lecturer joined the trust as executive member and asked the

trust members to work for welfare of common people.

During the programme, financial assistance was given to some people including Rs 10,000 to Gopal Dass whose son is suffering from kidney ailment, Rs 2000 each were given to Shashi Devi, Sapna Devi, Kamala Devi, Pooja Devi, Gharo Devi, Bimla Devi and Parshotam Singh. Sports kits were also distributed amongst the youth and children of the area. Satish Sharma urged them to devote more time in sports to make a healthy society and stay away from the menace

of drugs.

Prem Singh, Vikram Singh, President J&K youth Congress Uday Bhanu Chib; Ricky Dalgotra Vice President Pradeshi Youth Congress, Rano Devi, Gittan Singh, Dr. Sita Ram, Vijay Singh, Narpat Rai, Vishal Buvra, Ashwani Sharma, Ram Dayal, Ex Panche ratan Singh, Ex Naib Sarpanch Ashok Singh, Kuldeep Singh, Jeevan Singh, Kashmire Singh (Captain), Jyoti Parkash, Vikram Manhas, Bhawani Dev Sharma, Deepak Singh, Govind Manhas were also present.

## Cooperate with PDD to avoid power-cuts: JE urges people

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POONCH: Junior Engineer of Electricity Department, Jagmeet Singh had requested people to cooperate with the department ensuing winter season as most of the high altitude areas are covered in white sheets due to heavy snowfall due which electricity system has also been affected at many places. "Our personnel are making day and night efforts in fixing the electricity in the harsh winter, even in the areas of heavy snowfall", he said adding that cooperation of the common people is needed during the winter days. The consumption of electricity and the load increases in such a situation and there is often a problem in electricity, due to which the department and the common people have to face problems.

## Arrangements for R-Day celebrations finalised in Pargwal

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JAMMU: Tehsildar Pargwal, Manjeet Singh on Friday chaired a meeting of the concerned officers to discuss and finalise the arrangements for the smooth celebration of Republic Day 2022.

Officers present in the meeting included BDO Pargwal, Meenakshi Jasrotia; Principal Govt. Hr. Sec. School Pargwal, BMO Pargwal,

## ADDC Kishtwar reviews COVID containment measures in District Hospital

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KISHTWAR: Additional District Development Commissioner, Kishtwar Sham Lal on Friday reviewed the COVID mitigation measures in the district hospital during an inspection.

He was accompanied by Medical Superintendent, Dr Parvez Iqbal Wani, Deputy CMO, Dr. Balbir Singh, Account Officer, DC office, Imran Ahmed Kichloo, Secretary District Red Cross Society Asgar Ali Sheikh besides concerned medical officers and officials.

During the visit, the ADDC inspected the COVID care centre established in the district Hospital and reviewed the arrangements put in for the effective management of the COVID positive patients.

He inspected 17 bedded COVID-ICU and inquired about availability of Oxygen and stock and supply position of medicines to deal with any unprecedented situation.

He also checked the attendance registers and directed the concerned to display the duty roster of officials on the notice board and said that any kind of laxity shall not be tolerated.

Meanwhile, free face masks were distributed among the patients and their attendants by the Red Cross society.

## Expedite construction of Dhar-Mahanpur road: Col Mahan

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KATHUA: DDC Chairman Kathua Col (Retd) Mahan Singh on Friday urged Principal Secretary to the J&K Government Shailendra Kumar to expedite the construction of Dhar Mahanpur road under PMGSY claiming that the same serves as backbone for the densely populated Mahanpur area.

In a memorandum submitted to the Principal Secretary, Col Mahan has expressed grave concern over inordinate delay in the construction of the aforesaid road and asked for his intervention to bail out people of the area from the difficult situation arising out of dismal condition of the afore-

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RAJOURI: District Development Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal on Friday asked for the timely allotment of all the tenders for the expeditious completion of works in the district.

He was chairing a meeting of the concerned officers to review the physical and financial achievements of the RJD sector under various schemes.

Officers who attended the meeting included ACD, Sushil Khajuria; CPO, Mohammad Khurshid; ExEn REW, Bashir Ahmed and Block Development Officers.

The meeting held detailed discussion on a number of

points including Persons days generation, PMAY, MGNREGA, timely payment, tendering of works, aadhar seeding, bunkers, FTOs generation etc.

Taking stock of progress achieved under mandays

generation, the DDC sought a detailed report from the concerned officers in this regard who in turn briefed about the same. He asked the concerned officers to achieve the yearly target of PDs generation by 21 January, 2022.

black-topping of the road which was to be completed by December 2019', he said adding that approximately 75 percent of the sanctioned work has not been completed till date and the road continues to be in a dilapidated condition resulting in huge resentment among around 30,000 population of Dhar Mahanpur Block.

He said that different departments have approached him citing this burning issue and thus it is responsibility of the government to give due focus to the issue and ensure construction of this road as early as possible.

The DDC Chairman apprised the Principal Secretary that he held numerous meetings and discus-

sions with concerned Chief Engineer, Supdt. Engineer and Executive Engineer over the issue but to no avail. He said that the concerned Contractor engaged for the project namely "Walia & Sons" has been continuously delaying the work and is indifferent towards this significant issue. He said that the 8 KM stretch which the aforesaid contractor had completed in 2017-18 was of poor quality and the same got damaged within few months of the construction.

The DDC Chairman said that the staff on ground i.e AEE, AE and JEs have been

eriting their constraint as the concerned firm is non cooperative and not interested in

completing the aforesaid work.

work as the same has adopted dillydallying policy in the matter. "As the road serves as a backbone in terms of connectivity in this region since there are numerous other PMGSY/PWD link roads coming up in the area and the potential of these roads cannot be fully utilized unless the road between Ghagrore and Dhar Mahanpur is fully functional", Col Mahan said, adding that it is necessary to pace up work on this road so that people of the area can avail benefit of development to the hilt. He also demanded that the concerned contractor should be penalized/ black listed and department should float new tender to expedite the aforesaid work.

Questioning the ruling party at the centre and UT administration for failure to release the required funds for the mega project, sanctioned and initiated in the year 2014 by UPA government, JKPCD Chief Spokesperson and former MLC Rabinder Sharma said that their slogans of doubling farmers income by 2022 proved another jumla.

However the work was abandoned after spending crores of rupees on the Completion of power station and digging of two kms of main canal, which has only added to the great suffering of the farmers, whose animals get trapped in the canal, told the farmers to the visiting Congress Leader during his tour of the area.

Sharma regretted the attitude of the BJP government and the UT administration for neglecting the farmers interests as the project of immense benefit of border area has been abandoned half way. On one hand crores of rupees has gone down the drain while farmers hopes have been belied.

The hollow slogans of BJP government and ruling leaders towards farmers welfare are fake and hollow and claims of big development are exposed. Senior Congress leader has underscored the need to proactively resolve the issues of the public and advised the concerned officers to undertake regular field visits to address issues and concerns, if any, of the people at the grassroot level.

## KVK Reasi organises training programme for rural youth

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REASI: Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Reasi of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu organised training programme on "Commercial floriculture" at KVK, Reasi campus which was attended by the number of floriculturists and aspiring entrepreneurs of the distt.

The programme was organised under the ARYA (Attracting and Retaining Youths in Agriculture) project. All SOPs pertaining to COVID-19 pandemic were strictly followed while conducting the programme. The programme was organised under the dynamic stewardship of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor

Prof. JP Sharma and able guidance of Director Extension, Prof. SK Gupta of SKUAST-J. Dr. Banarsi Lal, Scientist & Head of KVK, Reasi started the programme with the warm welcome of the participants. He briefed the objectives of the ARYA project and discussed on the agri-entrepreneurship development among the rural youths. He said that ARYA project is an opportunity for the youths to showcase their creativity through agri-entrepreneurship. He spoke in detail on the significance of commercial floriculture to enhance the income and employment of rural youths of hilly areas. He motivated the trainees for commercial floriculture and guided them about the scientific cultivation of marigold. He also guided them on Integrated Nutrient Management in marigold and guided them about the balance doses of fertilizers/manures required in marigold crop. Dr. Suja Nabi Qureshi, Scientist guided the participants on nursery raising techniques, Integrated Pest and Disease

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