

Jal Jeevan Mission: Workshop on Community Level Training concludes at Kishtwar

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KISHTWAR: The four day Community Level Training Workshop under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) ended, here at Tourism Reception Centre Kishtwar.

A simple but impressive valedictory function with Deputy Commissioner, Dr Devansh Yadav as the chief guest, marked the end of the event.

At the outset, DC Kishtwar was welcomed by staff and Executive Engineer Jal Shakti besides resource persons with bouquet of flowers.

The Jal Jeevan Mission workshop was held from December 28 to December 31 at the Tourist Reception Center, in which Gram Panchayat Patnazi A, Dharjikul, Keva, Nali, Binool, Jwalapur, Gawadi, Chandali,



DC Dr Devansh Yadav along with organisers during the programme.

Pora, Karool, Agral, Ladsa, Sigdi, Chatroo A, Drabshalla, Ghan, Nali, Kurul C, Bhagran, Tipri, Patnaji B, Pora, Hidyul, Lower Chatroo, members of Village Drinking water and sanitation Committee (VWSC), Sarpanches, Anganwadi workers, ASHA, and Jal Shakti Department staff participated. During the workshop, the

participants were educated about the aims, objectives and responsibilities of PRIs, Pani Samitis and Nodal persons in the implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission.

The participants were trained by the Chief Instructor of KRC Dev Rishi Education Society, Dehradun and his team including MM Doval, Kishore Kumar OpWagdikar,

Anoop Chauhan, Pankaj kumar Pandya, under the mentorship of Programme Director of the Society, Nitin Jagtap.

The resource persons imparted training about Sujal and Swachh Gaon, Introduction of Jal Jeevan Mission, Village Water Committee, Village Action Plan, Brown Water Management, Water Source Conservation, Monitoring and Evaluation, Water Quality Management, Social Audit, Information, Education and Communication etc.

Speaking on the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner observed that the workshop will be very helpful for the effective implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission in the district.

He urged PRIs and Jal Shakti Department to coordinate with each other to ensure that the objective to provide tap water to each household through JJM is executed and completed in set timeline.

Highlighting the role of Village Water Committees and Monitoring teams constituted under JJM in the district, the DC said that these committees will be instrumental in judicious and rationalised execution of Water Supply Schemes and in the effective implementation of JJM throughout the district.

Executive Engineer Jal Shakti Department, Ajay Talwar, Assistant Executive Engineer, Rohit Sharma and Junior Engineer, Abhay Singh coordinated the whole workshop.

AHD organises mega awareness camp, cattle show

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DODA: Mega awareness camp and Cattle Show was organised by Animal Husbandry department in Bhalla area of Doda.

The event was held at Southa Panchayat of Block Bhalla in District Doda under the supervision of Chief Animal Husbandry Officer (CAHO) Doda Moind-Din.

DDC chairman Doda Dhananther Singh Kotwal was the chief guest on the occasion and the camp was attended by a large gathering of farmers.

Dr Mudassir VAS Malothi, Dr Waseem Raja VAS Kilar, Dr Naveed VAS Ghat, Dr Ajaz LDO Bhadarwah, Dr Sahim Goni VAS Tensna and other were present on the occasion.



Dignitaries being honoured during the camp.

While speaking on the occasion CAHO Doda Mayan-ud-Din said that participants were given awareness about different schemes of the department for development of dairy and poultry sectors. Beside farmers were aware about animal nutrition, Vaccination and others.

Among others, officers

and officials of animal Husbandry department Doda and more than 100 people were present on the occasion.

Beside more than 150 cattle were presented in the event, in which cattle of Amar Nath of Bhara, Hem Raj of Gondo and Gudoo Kumar of Larote stood 1st, 2nd and 3rd respectively.

Sadguru Kabir Sabha holds general body meeting

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BISHNAH: A meeting of JK-UT, General body of All J&K Sadguru Kabir Sabha comprising Distt President/Block President and other prominent personalities of the Sabha was held on Sunday at Kabir Bhawan, Chak Aytara, Bishnah. Agenda of the meeting was to finalize the dates for the upcoming election for the post of President of the Sabha & the arrangements for this year Kabir Nirwan Divas.

The election committee finalised the dates of election for the post of President of the Sabha as the tenure of the sitting body is already completed as per the constitution of the sabha. The election for the post of President and General Secretary shall be conducted on 22.01.2023 at Kabir Bhawan, Chak Aytara Bishnah. The Chairman of election committee requested and appealed to all the members of biradhri of Jammu and Kashmir to come forward and participate in large, for electing their President and General Secretary on the scheduled date and time at the said venue. Other Office bearers



Sabha members along with meritorious students.

shall be appointed by the President after General Election of Sabha. The general election of Sabha is to be conducted for giving opportunity to all members to elect the Person of their choice for the better upliftment of the community and overall development of the society in general. This is purely a Socio-religious organization working in almost all the districts of Jammu province to watch and ward the interest of whole Community under the banner of Our "Sadguru Kabir Sahib Ji".

F C Bhagat, President of the Sabha also greeted the members and put forth the agenda for deliberations and after through discussion, it was unanimously decided that this year Kabir Nirwan Divas shall be observed on 12.02.2023. Besides some children from

J&K who participated in National and International singing & dancing competition held in Mumbai & Nepal were also greeted and felicitated by the Sabha. Satish Bhagat who represented India in the International competition held in Nepal and awarded with 3rd position was also sponsored by the Sabha.

Prominent personalities of the sabha who attended & gave their view points on the occasion were G.R Bhagat (IAS Retd) Sr' Vice President of the Sabha, Gaur Bhagat, DDC Member (EX-MLA), Bodh Raj (S.E PHIE), Manhor Lal, General secretary, Tirth Ram, Dr. Om Bhardwaj, Dr Gurdass Bhagat Chairman, Litigation committee, R K Bhagat, Surinder Bhagat, Subhas Bhagat, Ashwani Kumar & other.

TBS, Bhadarwah Campus organizes induction function ‘PRARAMBH-22-23’

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BHADARWAH: The Business School, Bhadarwah Campus, University of Jammu organized an induction function 'PRARAMBH-22-23' for the newly inducted batch of MBA program.

The function started with a floral welcome of the guests by the faculty members of The Business School.

Professor Umesh Rai , Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu was the chief guest on the occasion.

In his enlightening speech, Vice Chancellor motivated the students to leverage faculty expertise, creativity and enthusiasm to achieve their professional goals.

He discussed the Business School's independent policy for curriculum design as per requirement of native societal needs and emphasized the need for live projects, online courses, reading and business communications to enrich their curriculum vitae to enhance their employability.

Professor Rahul Gupta, Rector Bhadarwah Campus formally welcomed all guests, fellow faculty members and MBA students.

He congratulated all the students for making the right choice to choose The Business School,



Chief Guest being honoured during the programme.

Bhadarwah Campus for their career where faculty is making its honest efforts to impart the best training to its budding managers.

Further, he ensured The Business School, Bhadarwah Campus and particularly to the students for all sorts of academic and administrative help for the smooth conduct of the programme.

Dr. Mohammad Avais, Head of the Business School gave a detailed presentation about the achievement of the department. He informed the august gathering that the business school is producing young minds that are successful in academics as well as the corporate world. The objective of this programme was to acclimatize the students to the new environment and get them acquainted with the

institution's culture.

The programme commenced with a warm session by Kanika Sambyal, Senior HR Head at Chenab Textile Mills. She emphasized that apart from the academic knowledge, smart work, creativity and out of box thinking shapes the students into able individuals strong enough to face the reality of the corporate world. An influential speech was delivered by Rishi Gupta, CEO, Money Value Added Pvt. Ltd.

He briefed the students about the relevance of practical knowledge and training programmes and discussed some vital points considered by organizations, while hiring employees for summer training and final placements. He said, there is no dearth of jobs in the market but

we need the right people with the right skills. Followed by the corporate session, an ice-breaking was conducted for all the newly admitted MBA students and were given induction kits as a token of love and blessing by the invited guests.

Professor Sameer Gupta, Director, The Business School was the guest of honour in the function. He graced the dais and enriched the audience with his valuable academic and administrative experience. He encouraged the students to develop corporate ready skills-sets to cope up with the complex and challenging working environment of business houses.

All the faculty members including Dr Sunil Bhardwaj, Dr Rohit Bhagat, Dr Umesh Chaudhary, Dr Atif Javed Qazi, Dr Surekha, Amit, Rajinder, Sonia Sharma of The Business School, Bhadarwah Campus University of Jammu, were present on the occasion.

The event was conducted by Dr Raashidah Qazi and Dr Meenakshi Nargotra, both lecturers in The Business School, Bhadarwah Campus University of Jammu. In the end, Dr Rohit Bhagat, placement coordinator, Bhadarwah Campus, gave concluding remarks and presented a formal vote of thanks.

JKAEA bids farewell to president NA Qadri, nominates Tantray as new President



Members of JKAEA during the event.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Jammu & Kashmir Accounts Employees Association (JKAEA) accorded farewell to its outgoing president Niyaz Ahmad Qadri on his superannuation at Jammu.

M.Y Itoo, DG Budget, Mahesh Dass, DGAT & S.L Pandita, DG Codes, were the special invitees on this occasion.

Prominent among participants were JKAEA Jammu Province headed by its president K.S Pathania, Rouf A. Bhat, President of Civil Secretariat Employees Union, LA Wani, Director (B), Shafaat Yehyaa JD(B), Sonika Arora DD Codes, Annudeep Kour, DD,DGAT, Vivek Attri CAO Estates and Dalawar Singh

TO. All the members of J&K Subordinate Accounts Service from Civil Secretariat, DGAT, Treasury Civil Secretariat, Jammu including office bearers of JKAEA-Sanjay Sadhu, Raghubir, Syed Naseem, Shah Imetyaz, M. Yousuf, G.M Dar, M. Akram, Shahnawaz Qadri, Maajid Babar, Gopal, Kulbir Singh , R.S Koul, V. Dogra, Shash Paul, Sudesh and others were part of this grand ceremony.

The contributions of Qadri were highlighted and appreciated by one and all. In the meantime G.N Tantray has been nominated as new President of the association from Civil Secretariat, J&K along with team.

JKTJAC holds monthly meeting , raises issues of teaching fraternity

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UDHAMPUR: Jammu Kashmir Teachers' Joint Action Committee (JKT-JAC) held monthly meeting at Udhampur under the leadership of UT President Vinod Sharma and District President Lekh Raj Parihar. The meeting was attended by the JKTJAC representatives from all the zones of the district.

While speaking on the occasion Vinod Sharma highlighted burning and genuine issues of the teaching fraternity and sought the attention of the LG administration and education department for the resolution of the same.

Demanding provision of comprehensive transfer policy in favour of teachers appointed under ReT scheme , he said that these teachers have been working in the same schools for last more than 20 years even after the

clear directions from Hon'ble High Court and CAT that after their regularisation as General Line Teachers ReT teachers be transferred within the district but still they are not considered for transfer and thus making suffer thousands of these teachers including females. He also demanded implementation of Old Pension in favour of NPS employees of the UT as NPS scheme is not employee friendly . Other demands raised in the meeting were:

Allocation of substantive posts to the teachers Grade II as per their seniority , Consideration of mutual transfer cases of 3rd teachers, ReTs appointed under Order No. 635 , ReTs appointed under clear vacancies like that of Teachers Grade II/III; DPC of teachers to masters as same hasn't been done since 2014 thereby leading stagna-

tion, Regularisation of ReTs who have completed 5 years ReT period and conversion of RRETs to Teachers Grade II/III, Regularisation of Headmasters as same hasn't been done since 2012, Conversion of head-teachers posts into non plan posts of masters to resolve the salary issue of the masters, Provision of release of more than two years arrears of Teachers/ masters as same couldn't be released in the last financial year as permission in this regard was awaited from the finance department; Meanwhile offering full support to the banner of JKMOPS for the restoration of old Pension Scheme and condition less benefits of SRO-43 , Vinod Sharma appealed all the employees of various departments including teachers to participate in one day convention at Jammu on 8th of January 2023 .

Speaking on the occasion Lekh Raj Parihar demanded release of MDM dues for 2022-23 which the teachers have managed from their own pockets.

Others who also spoke on the occasion were: Sukhdev Singh Sumbria, Suresh Khajuria, Ashok Seth, Pritam Goswami, Ravinder Singh Rathore, Bhushan Khajuria, Shamsher Singh, Jagdish Chander Sharma, Suresh Sharma, Sandeep Sharma, Rekha Thakur, Raman Sharma, Ranjit Singh, Amit Gupta, Parkash Singh, Yash Paul, Amar Dev Singh, Parshant Sharma ,Binder Kumar, Pama Chand , Sudesh Kumar, Sushma Kumar, Mohd Mustafa, Raghubir Singh, AjitSingh, Anuradha Sharma, Sanjay Sharma, Deepankar Sharma, Ravi Kumar, Vidhi Lal , Beerbajan , Ankush Sharma, and others.

Former minister Sunil tours far flung areas of Marwah, Dacchan in Kishtwar

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KISHTWAR: Former minister & J&K BJP General Secretary Sunil Sharma conducted 3-day tour of far flung areas of Marwah & Dacchan in Kishtwar.

Sunil Sharma concluded his tour of far flung areas of Marwah & Dacchan of Kishtwar as part of the party's public outreach program to review progress of various Central Sponsored Schemes (CSS) and to get feedback from people about other developmental works.

In a brief statement issued here, Sharma said that he met a series of public delegations, public representatives and civil society members regarding their respective demands. He said that he took review of CSS going on in the far flung areas of Marwah and Dacchan of Kishtwar where people also

apprised him about issues related to roads, drinking water, electricity and public transport. Sharma gave a patient hearing to people of the twin area and assured

them all the support and immediate grievance redressal. He said that development of remote villages and good road infrastructure are some of the important priorities of the Modi Government and he will leave no stone unturned to ensure that these are properly implemented on the ground.

Sunil Sharma added that unprecedented development is being witnessed in the recent years in these remote areas. While interacting with the PRIs, he asked them to take keen interest in the initiation of new projects both at the micro and the macro levels. He said that they should also educate the local youth for taking the benefits of schemes promoting entrepreneurship in various local trades.

District President BJP Kishtwar Chuni Lal Shan, State Secretary BJP Tariq Keen, Ravi Parihar and other Senior leaders also accompanied the former minister.

Winter Camp held at GCW Kathua

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KATHUA: The volunteers of NSS Unit GDCW Kathua on Sunday took initiative for watering the trees which were planted yesterday. 5 different teams pruning the area of the newly planted trees in the

college campus and there after the huge Swacchta Rally was organized at adopted village changran. The rally was flagged off by Romesh Kumar respected Sarpanch of the village changran in presence of Dr Arun Dev Singh NSS programme officer of Government Degree College for Women Kathua, the local people and the NSS volunteers. He spoke on the occasion that the rally would definitely affect the mind of the common people regarding the Swacchta Abhiyan and it's importance in their respective area where they reside.

He also said that the NSS unit always conduct such programmes in this village to aware the villagers

regarding many issues like Nasha Mukht , Swacchta ,waste management, vermi-compost , organic farming, digital awareness, awareness of many schemes of government and distribution of books, stationery & confectionery items among the poor people.

Dr Arun Dev Singh also spoke on the occasion and extended his special thanks & gratitude to the sarpanch of the village and the local people on behalf of Dr.Sangita Nagari esteem principal of GDCW kathua. He appreciated that the Sarpanch and the local people who always ready to listen the NSS volunteers patiently and follow them practically in their life. He also conveyed to our corre-

spondent that The NSS volunteers who are participating in the camp and joined on the 5th day in the Swacchta Rally with play cards of different slogans which gave a clear message among the people of the village for managing the waste management into the dustbins properly. During the rally the volunteers inspired the local people and appeal them to come forward with them for making the village a better place of living and set an example of cleanliness and pollution free society. They also emphasize that with their positive efforts in the field of Swacchta can also play an important role to bring a revolution in the field of well-being of the society. The moto of the

rally was to spread the message of Government of India & NSS family among the people.

During the culmination of the rally Dr. Arun Dev Singh disclosed that the NSS volunteers along with Sarpanch of the village covered the every nook and corner of the entire village which is comprising of 1000 families living over there and aware them about the importance of cleanliness and hygiene which is the dire need of the society and he also emphasize that we have to follow the concept of Reuse , Reduce and Recycle ?and take pledge to make the village free of diseases , pollution and promote healthy atmosphere in the village.

KVK Reasi promotes strawberry cultivation

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REASI: Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Reasi under the administrative control of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu (SKUAST-J) is promoting the scientific cultivation of strawberry in Reasi distt. of J&K. KVK, Reasi has laid the Front Line Demonstrations (FLDs) of strawberry crop of Chandler variety at the farmers' fields and all the technical guidelines regarding the scientific cultivation of strawberry are provided to the farmers. According to Sr. Scientist & Head of Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Reasi, Dr. Banarsi Lal KVK, Reasi is endeavoring to enhance the income and employment among the farmers by the introduction of new ventures in

the district and farmers are guided regarding the new innovations in agriculture. He said that strawberry is rich in proteins, calcium, phosphorus, potassium and vitamins such as A, B1, B2 and C and is considered as the natural source of antioxidants. He added that strawberry crop has ample scope in the district and farmers can improve their livelihood by its commercial cultivation. He narrated that KVK scientists are upgrading the knowledge of the farmers on natural farming and guiding them on the preparation of organic formulations such as Jeevanrit, Beejanrit, Panchgavya etc. so that they can get quality crop production by reducing the cost of cultivation. He further said that KVK is also promoting the use of mulching materi-

al in strawberry cultivation so that the moisture, weed management and quality of fruits can be improved. He expressed that better quality of fruits can help to find more marketing channels and thus the farmers can generate more income. He said that KVK is also guiding the farmers on intercropping to get more returns. He informed that many new farmers of the area are showing the keen interest in the strawberry cultivation and are ready to adopt the technologies demonstrated by KVK, Reasi. He added that KVK scientists are acquainting the farmers on disease and insect-pest management, and quality improvement in strawberry crop. He informed that by the value addition in strawberry farmers can fetch more money.

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