

BJP Jan Samvad Campaign culminates with groundbreaking success: Yudhvir

Asks party workers to gear-up for impending Lok Sabha polls

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JAMMU: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) celebrated the triumphant conclusion of its Jan Samvad campaign, marked by resounding success and widespread public engagement across the Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory in general and Jammu's East constituency in particular.

This was stated by Yudhvir Sethi, J&K BJP Vice President while addressing the Samapan Samaroh of 'Booth Jansamvad Abhiyan' of Jammu East Mandal (District Jammu) at Mahajan Hall, Shalamar Road, here on Friday. Today's programme was arranged by Parveen Kerni, President East Mandal.

Addressing the party workers and general public, the senior BJP leader expressed immense gratitude for the overwhelming support and participation from the general public. Yudhvir also lauded the role played by the party workers of East constituency for



Yudhvir Sethi, J&K BJP Vice President addressing the Samapan Samaroh of 'Booth Jansamvad Abhiyan'.

making this campaign a great success. Through diligent door-to-door campaigns, active community engagement, and enthusiastic participation in local events, our party cadre played a pivotal role in elevating the program to new heights.

He expressed profound appreciation for the workers' proactive approach, acknowledging their instrumental role in establishing meaningful connections between the party and the citizens.

Highlighting the significance of the campaign, Yudhvir Sethi emphasized the party's commitment to inclusive governance and a people-

centric approach. He highlighted the transformative policies and programs initiated by the Modi Government for the welfare and development of the country. He provided insights into the comprehensive efforts undertaken to address the diverse needs of the citizens, focusing on inclusive growth, economic development, and social well-being.

Yudhvir highlighted that alongside the successful implementation of economic reforms, including the Goods and Services Tax (GST), which played a pivotal role in establishing a transparent financial ecosystem, the Modi Government's noteworthy

achievements, such as the abrogation of Article 370 and the construction of the Ram Temple in Ayodhya, are hailed as the most inspiring milestones.

"We have embarked on a journey of progress and prosperity, leaving no one behind. The Jan Samvad campaign has been instrumental in understanding the aspirations and concerns of the people, guiding us towards more effective governance," added Sethi. Priya Sethi, National Executive Member, BJP, and former minister, in her address, has expressed profound admiration for Prime Minister Narendra Modi, commending him for the transformative development witnessed in Jammu and Kashmir since the abrogation of Article 370.

She underscored the positive impact of the historic decision to revoke Article 370, emphasizing the rapid strides the Jammu and Kashmir has taken towards progress and

prosperity under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi.

"The abrogation of Article 370 was a watershed moment that marked a new era for Jammu and Kashmir. Under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Modi, the Union Territory has experienced a paradigm shift in development, fostering inclusivity and paving the way for a brighter future," she added.

Arun Sethi, General Secretary East Mandal, conducted the proceedings of the programme.

Rajesh Gupta, District General Secretary and Prabhari East constituency, Narottam Sharma and Anil Masoom, former Councillors, Kuldeep Khandari District General Secretary, Brijesh Gupta, Vice President & Prabhari East Mandal, Ashok Naidu and Anil Angral Vistaraks, Parveen Kerni, President East Mandal, Arun Sethi and Vipin Sharma General Secretaries East Mandal.

Zorawar releases devotional track "Bhajman Pyare Sita Ram"

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JAMMU: BJP leader and Chairman Team Jammu Zorawar Singh Jamwal along with Mahant Rajesh Sharma here on Friday released devotional video track "Bhajman Pyare Sita Ram" sung by fourteen year old budding singer Harihans.

The album has been presented by The Waves of Art and film by Yogi Studioz. The music composition has been created by noted flute master Rakesh Anand with DoP by Yogi Singh.

Jamwal congratulated the entire team of video album and hoped that this will make waves in music industry besides is liked by netizens and people across the country.

He described the formal release of devotional video track by young Harihans as contribution in the ongoing countrywide celebrations on the occasion of



Chairman Team Jammu Zorawar Singh Jamwal and others releasing devotional video track at Jammu.

"Praan Prathishtha" of Shri Ram Temple to be held on January 22 at Ayodhya in UP.

While extending greeting, Team Jammu chief said that Jammu and Kashmir government must open its door to the world of music industry besides film industry and ensure its presence felt here in a big way.

He said that there is dire need to provide a platform to budding singers to fur-

ther harness their talent.

He said that the video track made by young Harihans is the greatest example of his intellectual, creative and latent ability that needs to be harnessed for their optimal self-actualisation.

Among others present on the occasion included Mahant Rajeshwar Giri, Surinder Singh Kuku, Vikram Mahajan, Sanjay GiriKotwal, Sonia Bhaarti and Sahil Mahajan.

POWERGRID wins SCOPE Meritorious Award

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GURUGRAM: Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID) a Maharatna CPSU under Ministry of Power, Govt. of India, has been bestowed SCOPE Meritorious Award for CSR & Responsiveness.

It was presented by Jagdeep Dhankhar, Vice President of India and received by R. K. Tyagi, CMD POWERGRID in a ceremony held at Vigyan Bhavan.

The SCOPE awardees were selected by a panel of eminent jury under the Chairmanship of Justice TS Thakur, former Chief Justice of India.

Corporate Social Responsibility is embedded into POWERGRID's business model. POWERGRID has been consistently contributing to the field of social development in and around its busi-



Vice President of India, Jagdeep Dhankhar presenting award to R. K. Tyagi, CMD POWERGRID in a ceremony held at Vigyan Bhavan.

ness establishments spread across the country. Adopting a 360-degree approach towards implementation of CSR interventions, the Company consults and engages with all its stakeholders.

It also emphasizes on community participation by way of effective collaboration, capacity building and sustainability aligned to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

As on 31st December 2023,

POWERGRID has commissioned and operating 276 Sub-stations and more than 1,76,531 ckm transmission lines and 5,17,861 MVA of transformation capacity. With the adoption of latest technological tools and techniques, enhanced use of automation and digital solutions, POWERGRID has been able to maintain average transmission system availability of 99.86%.

With massive public support, BJP will sweep LS Polls in J&K: Raina

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Jammu & Kashmir, President Ravinder Raina, has insisted that with the ever-growing massive public support, BJP will sweep the upcoming Lok Sabha (LS) Polls in J&K. Raina was speaking at a day-long meeting of all Morechas at Eden Garden, Akhnour Road, here on Friday.

Seh-Prabhari J&K Ashish Sood, General Secretary (Org.) Ashok Koul, MP Lok Sabha Jugal Kishore Sharma and General Secretary Adv. Vibodh Gupta addressed the joint meeting of all Morechas.

Ravinder Raina stressed the grave injustice done to the various communities like STs, OBCs and others by the governments led by Congress, NC and PDP. He said that disillu-



BJP J&K President Ravinder Raina speaking at a programme.

sioned with the family-based and self-centric politics of these parties, people in large numbers are consistently joining the BJP with a vision to strengthen the socio-economic status of the needy people and to strengthen the nation. He appreciated the Morcha leaders and the activists who along with the main party cadre have taken the ideology of the party to the remotest areas of the Jammu & Kashmir.

Ashok Koul shared the forth-

coming Morcha programmes, while informing that the 'Rashtriya Maha-Adhiveshan' will be soon held in which the Morcha activists from Jammu & Kashmir will participate in massive numbers.

35 Infrastructure Development Projects inaugurated by Raksha Mantri: Project Sampark



Maj Gen Shailendra Singh, of Staff HQ 16 Corps during inauguration of the Balini Bridge.

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JAMMU: 35 Projects were inaugurated by the Raksha Mantri on Friday at Dhak Bridge site in Uttarakhand. The Dhak Bridge was physically inaugurated by the Hon'ble Raksha Mantri, while the other projects were inaugurated virtually by establishing online connection to each of balance 34 sites.

In line with government policy of providing last mile connectivity, project Sampark has embarked on rapid development of infrastructure in Poonch, Reasi & Rajouri districts. Out of 35 Infrastructure projects inaugurated,

Project Sampark dedicated 10 newly constructed bridges costing approx 64 Crores to the Nation on Friday that include Jotha bridge at Basoli-Bani-Bhaderwah road; Kannha bridge at Kappagala-Battal road; Balini bridge at Jammu-Srinagar highway; Sharthi bridge at Basohli-Bani-Bhaderwah road; Sharad bridge at Basohli-Bani-Bhaderwah road; Kargi bridge at Akhnour-Jourian road; Jaglanoo bridge at Rajouri-Kandi-Budhal road; Nagrota bridge at Rajouri-Kandi-Budhal road; Mohagala bridge at Pouni-Siar-Rajouri road; and Matka bridge at

Pouni-Siar-Rajouri raa.

The inauguration of the most of above bridges took place virtually. Maj Gen Shailendra Singh, SM, Chief of Staff HQ 16 Corps inaugurated the Balini Bridge at Km 15.66 on road Jammu- Srinagar.

Expressing deep gratitude towards dedication of ten bridges to the Nation, Brig Neeraj Madan, Chief Engineer Project Sampark assured of giving renewed impetus to the projects under progress which would not only facilitate faster induction of troops into border area, but would also play a major role in socioeconomic deployment of the Nation.

Amit leads participation in India International Science Festival 2023

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FARIDABAD: The Administrative Secretary of Science and Technology, UT Ladakh, Amit Sharma played an essential role at the ongoing four-day India International Science Festival 2023, being held at Faridabad, Haryana (NCR Delhi).

Accompanied by the Deputy Chairman of Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council, Leh, Tsering Angehuk, Secretary S&T Ladakh Amit Sharma participated in a panel discussion moderated by Dr Satish K, Agnihotri, an alumnus of IIT, Mumbai.

Amit Sharma underscored the strategic importance of fostering innovation in Ladakh through the creation of a Bio-Technology



Administrative Secretary S&T UT Ladakh, Amit Sharma speaking at IISF in Faridabad.

Park and the development of a mechanism for start-ups in Aromatic plants.

He articulated a vision that aligned with Ladakh's unique ecosystem, emphasizing the potential for sustainable development in the region.

Amit along with Deputy Chairman of LAHDC, Leh also addressed delegates of various nations regarding

the lead taken by the Union Territory of Ladakh in the field of carbon neutrality and the upcoming step of launching hydrogen-fuel buses there, which shall be first in the nation, which attracted a standing ovation from the visiting international guests there.

Furthermore, Amit along with Dy CEC LAHDC Leh featured prominently in a

parallel meeting with the Director of the Regional Centre for Biotechnology (RCB), Dr Arvind Sahu, and his team.

The discussion centered around encompassing key aspects such as carbon neutrality, the establishment of biotech parks in Ladakh, the promotion of biotechnology start-ups in Ladakh, and the way forward for

Gaurav advocates tough stance on drug peddlers, equates their actions to terrorism

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JAMMU: Gaurav Gupta, former General Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Jammu, expressed deep concern over the rising menace of drug peddling in the Union Territory, seeking stern action against those involved in this heinous act. In a press release issued today, Gaurav Gupta welcomed the recent statement



made by DGP RR Swain, connecting the drug mafia with militancy, highlighting that a majority of drugs are being supplied from Pakistan. He emphasized that Jammu and Kashmir, particularly Jammu, is currently under the grip of drug peddlers, posing a serious threat to the well-being of the community. He asserted that some unscrupulous elements are jeopardizing the future of the youth by enticing them into drug-related activities.

He emphasized that such

persons should be regarded no less than terrorists and treated accordingly. He emphasized the gravity of their actions, asserting that the detrimental impact of drug peddling on society is comparable to the threat posed by terrorists.

He also underscored the urgency of addressing this issue with the same level of seriousness and urgency as counterterrorism efforts, urging authorities to adopt stringent measures against those involved in drug peddling. Gaurav Gupta commended the Jammu and Kashmir Police for their relentless efforts in breaking the backbone of the drug peddling network and intensifying their operations against these criminal activities. Gaurav highlighted that Lieutenant Governor Sinha has unequivocally emphasized the indispensability of public support and participation in the collective fight against the menace of drugs.

He expressed the need for a comprehensive and community-driven approach, acknowledging that without the active involvement of the public, the battle against drug abuse cannot be effectively waged.

Special camp held in Ware House to distribute Labour cards



former Deputy Mayor of Jammu Baldev Billawaria and others during distribution of Labour cards.

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JAMMU: A special camp was organised by Traders Federation Ware House Nehru Market Jammu on Friday and Labour cards were distributed among the labourers working in the market.

On this occasion, former Deputy Mayor of Jammu Baldev Billawaria was the Chief Guest who along with Federation President Deepak Gupta distributed the cards among about

150 labourers.

Former Dy Mayor said that the Modi Government has started many welfare schemes for the people working in the unorganized sector, out of which Labour Card is also an important scheme.

Deepak said that during the Corona pandemic, the workers of Warehouse-Nehru Market had risked their lives so that the ration supply in the state was not affected. So, the

Federation, being a responsible organization, played its duty and got Labour cards made for the laborers working in its market.

On this occasion, Senior Vice-President of the federation Munish Mahajan, General Secretary Sham Langer, former president Rattan Lal Gupta, Rajesh Bhagotra, Raj Kumar Gupta, Kirti Gupta, Ashok Kumar and other senior members were present.