

Mandeep Kaur visits Udhampur; inspects sewerage plant, sites for housing colonies



Comm Secy HUDD Mandeep Kaur interacting with officials during visit Devika Rejuvenation Project.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Commissioner Secretary, Housing & Urban Development Department, Mandeep Kaur, conducted an extensive tour of Udhampur district today. During the visit, Commissioner Secretary inspected work on Devika Rejuvenation Project, Sewerage Treatment Plant 1 and 3 (STP-1 and 3) and Devika Ghat. During her visit, she stressed on maintaining

cleanliness at the Ghat besides ensuring connection of all houses with the treatment plant. She directed the Chief Executive Officer, Municipal Council Udhampur, to ensure door to door collection of garbage besides ensuring proper disposal of the same. Accompanied by Deputy Commissioner, Saloni Rai, Chief Engineer, UEED, Naseer Ahmed Kakroo, Additional District Development Commissioner,

Ghan Sham Singh, Director ULB, Jammu, Puneet Sharma, MD Housing Jammu, Shabir Hussain Keen, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Joginder Singh Jasrotia, Assistant Commissioner Revenue, Rafiq Ahmed Jaral and other officers, the Commissioner Secretary also visited the sites identified for development of two housing colonies. Mandeep Kaur directed the officers to ensure cleanliness and beautification of the urban areas. She emphasised the importance of cleanliness while asking the officers for laying focus on solid waste management, regular garbage lifting, sanitation and beautification of the town. The Commissioner Secretary highlighted the necessity of people's participation in keeping the city clean.

Drug module busted in Sopore, 3 arrested with contraband substance: Police

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SOPORE: Three persons were arrested along with a huge consignment of drugs in north Kashmir's Sopore, police said on Monday. Sub Divisional Police Officer Sopore, Dr Rayees Ahmed Mir said that a Naka was established at railway crossing, following which a truck was interrupted. He said that during checking 3600 capsules of Spasmoproxion plus were recovered from a bag and during investigation driver disclosed his identify as Rameez Wali Rather son of Wali Mohammed Rather of Kralgund Handwara. "During his further disclosure, it came to fore that he had given the consignment to Shahnawaz Ahmed Shah of Dangerpora Sopore, Shah was arrested in a swift

action by the police with 744 Spasmoproxion plus capsules," he said. He added that upon questioning, he disclosed that he has given some quantity to Shabir Ahmed son of Abdul Rashid Mir of Kralgund Handwara, who was apprehended from Dangerpora village along with 792 Spasmoproxion plus capsules. He further said that a case in this regard FIR No 04/2024 U/S 8/21/22/29 NDPS Act was registered in Police Station Amargrah and further investigations are going on. "We are intensifying efforts to combat drug-related crimes with a comprehensive approach, involving strict law enforcement measures and community engagement", he said.

Mahajan Sabha Channi Himmat nominates office bearers



Mahajan Sabha Channi Himmat members during and Executive Committee Meeting on Monday.

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JAMMU: Mahajan Sabha Channi Himmat convened its Executive Committee Meeting under the presidency of Vipan Gupta, bringing together community leaders and stakeholders to discuss key initiatives and future plans. Vipan in his address highlighted the various social welfare activities done by the Sabha under his second consecutive tenure as the President. While discussing the plan of construction of Mahajan hall, he assigned the responsibility to the members to come up with a blueprint of the project. He emphasised the team to escalate the task of data collection, so that a Directory of the Mahajan families of Channi Himmat can be published at the earliest. Senior Vice President Raj Kumar Gupta expressed gratitude for the active participation of its members and

emphasized the organization's commitment to work for the Welfare of the Society from time to time. General Secretary Ashok Gupta discussed the upcoming programmes and events to be performed under the banner of Mahajan Sabha. He extended the invitation to all the members along with families of the Sabha, on the occasion of Flag Hoisting to be held on the Republic Day. Ashok Jandial, Chairman of the Sabha presented the vote of thanks. Pertinent to mention here is that the Management of the Sabha has

distributed Lord Ram ji's Flags to its members as well as the general public on the occasion of Pran Pratishtha. The meeting, held at its Channi Himmat office, witnessed few new nominations. Daleep Gupta nominated as Vice President, Ankit Gupta nominated as Publicity Secretary, Pankaj Gupta nominated as Secretary, Anil Gupta nominated as Joint Secretary whereas Kushvinder Gupta nominated as Incharge Marriage Bureau. Notable attendees included Mohan Gupta Vice President, who shared insights.

6 injured after being attacked by wild boar in Kulgam

STATE TIMES NEWS
KULGAM: At least six people were injured after being attacked by a wild boar in the main town of south Kashmir's Kulgam district on Monday. An official at DH Kulgam told that the wild boar appeared in the market and injured six people. "The hospital has so far received six injured people who were attacked by a wild boar. They are being treated and vaccines have been administered to them," he said. The Wildlife Department and Kulgam police rushed to the spot and after strenuous efforts, they captured the wild boar in a bathroom," the official said.

Illegal Narghile use in Nagrota prompts action by Admin

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Officials in Nagrota have acted swiftly against unauthorised possession and consumption of Narghile (Hookah) in two well-known establishments in the area. The action followed multiple complaints and tip off from the reliable sources, leading to an immediate response from the concerned authorities. Tehsildar Sumit Kohli, accompanied by Naib Tehsildar and a police team led by SHO Nagrota, conducted a late evening visit to the premises on January 21, 2024. The inspection revealed that Narghile (Hookah) was being kept without proper permission, violating Section 133 Sub-section (b) of the CrPC. Considering the health risks associated with the unauthorised use of Narghile (Hookah), four units - two from one establishment and two from another - were seized on the spot. The seized items were handed over to SHO Nagrota for further action. The establishments involved were also directed to provide an explanation for why legal action should not be taken against them for the violation.

A4 Graphics Lab outlet inaugurated at Dogra Hall



Parents of the owner Akash Solanki inaugurating A4 Graphics Lab at Dogra Hall, Jammu.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: A4 Graphics Lab outlet of one of the top graphics designer of Jammu Akash Solanki inaugurated at Dogra Hall, near Patrol Pump here on Monday. The Graphics Lab outlet was inaugurated by the beloved parents of the owner Akash Solanki, Adv. Abhimanyu Kumar Singh & Rajmani Singh in the presence of other family members and friends.

When asked, Akash Solanki, who has 15 years experience in Graphics designing, said "I want to help business through eye-catchy design. The Jammu is a big market for me and I am used to communicate with my customers online so that they can directly communicate with me. This will help both our customers and me in understanding the task." Emphasizing customer

support as the top priority, he added "We never ever take chances on customers. To us service comes first then revenue. This is why we open this office to make the customer service more and more smooth." Giving details of service to be provided in the outlet, Akash Solanki said besides other services he shall provide services for brand promoting, digital promotion, video presentation, logo designing, pamphlet product, packing concept designing, wedding card, box interactive, media & communication, create books, magazines, letterheads, brochures, business cards, invoices, poster, hoarding, flax & banner, business notes, envelopes, graphic patterns, newsletters, booklets, offset printing, glass printing, website designing etc.

Special prayers performed at several temples in Kashmir to mark Ram temple consecration

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Special prayers were performed at several temples, including the Shankaracharya temple here, in Kashmir on Monday to mark the consecration of the Ram temple in Ayodhya. The devotees from the minuscule Hindu population and the tourists visited the Shankaracharya temple on the Zabarwan hills here to participate in the special prayers organised for the consecration of the Ram temple in Ayodhya, officials said. The prayers were followed by a langar for the devotees, they said. Special prayers were also held at the Hanuman temple on the banks of Jhelum river in Amirakadal area of the city here. The temple has been decorated to mark the consecration of the

Ram temple in Ayodhya. A havan was organised at the Sun temple at Mattan in Anantnag district to celebrate the consecration ceremony as the devotees prayed for return of complete normalcy in Kashmir. "We have been performing havan here since last night and we pray to Lord Ram that brotherhood and communal harmony prevail between various communities in Kashmir as before 1990," the organiser of the special prayer said. A special prayer is scheduled to be held later this evening at the historic Ghanta Ghar in Lal Chowk area. Thousands of lamps will be illuminated across the temples in Kashmir to mark the consecration of the Ram temple in Ayodhya.

CEO LDB interacts with MAITRI workers

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JAMMU: An interactive session with special invitees of Rashtriya Gokul Mission for Republic Day Celebrations 2024 was organised on Monday in the office of Chief Executive Officer, Livestock Development Board Jammu. The event was hosted under the supervision of Dr. Shubhra Sharma, Director, Animal Husbandry Department Jammu. Fifteen MAITRI workers have been nominated who will visit New Delhi from 23rd Jan to 27th Jan 2024 to participate in Republic Day Parade 2024. Dr. Raman Kumar Gupta, CEO, LDB Jammu and Dr. Naveen Kumar, Veterinary Assistant Surgeon and the Nodal Person who would accompany the MAITRI candidates to New Delhi, interacted with them. MAITRI candidates were also given opportunity to share their experience for being nominated as special invitees for RD parade 2024 participation.

Shri Ram Consecration Ceremony: Religious functions held in Jammu

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JAMMU: Amidst the chants of 'Jai Shri Ram', the temples in Jammu on Monday turned 'Rammai' with religious functions, jhankis and recitation of Bhajans held to celebrate the Ram Lalla consecration at Ayodhya Temple. Thousands of people since morning visited the temples in the city. As the nation participates in Pran Pratishtha Ceremony for the revered Bhagwan Shree Ram at his birthplace, the holy land of Ayodhya, a mesmerising function was held at the



Fruit and Vegetable Association, Narwal Mandi members and other dignitaries at celebration of consecration ceremony.

The ceremony was graced by members of the Fruit and Vegetable Association, including President Surinder Singh Kala, Vice President Vishal Kohli, Jr Vice President Rajinder Singh, General Secretary Ankur Anand, Secretary Anil Sharma, and Cashier Tarsem Gupta. The Association took pride in hosting distinguished guests, senior BJP leaders Yudhvir Sethi and Priya Sethi, Sham Lal Langar, Convenor BJP Trade Cell, J&K, Convenor, and Balwant Singh Billawaria. Yudhvir Sethi, Priya Sethi, Sham Lal Langar, and Balwant Singh Billawaria inaugurated the Bhandara organised by the members of Fruit and Vegetable Association at Kalika Temple in Narwal Mandi. Yudhvir Sethi and Priya Sethi emphasized the cultural and spiritual importance of the Ram Temple, highlighting its role in fostering unity and preserving India's rich heritage. Sham Lal Langar, Convenor of BJP Trade Cell, Jammu and Kashmir, conveyed his heartfelt gratitude during the Consecration Ceremony, acknowledging that Prime Minister Modi has fulfilled the cherished dreams of millions of people across the country with the construction of the Ram Temple in Ayodhya. Surinder Singh Kala expressed his gratitude to all participants and contributors who made this celebration a memorable and harmonious occasion.

He said that the Association remains committed to fostering community spirit and participating in significant cultural and religious events that bring people together. Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI) organized a remarkable function at Chamber House to celebrate the historic Pran Pratishtha ceremony of Lord Rama in Ram Temple at Ayodhya. At the outset, CCI Office bearers performed Pooja of Ram Darbar. The Pooja was also attended by a large number of members and representatives from All Bazars and Industrial areas in spite of the fact that separate function were organized in every Bazar and Industrial areas. After Pooja Archana, Prashad was served among the participants. Speaking on the occasion, CCI Members thanked PM Narendra Modi and said today after the struggle of centuries



CCI office bearers celebrating Pran Pratishtha ceremony of Bhagwan Rama in Ram Temple at Ayodhya.

we got our Ram Mandir and it not less than Diwali for all

Indians. They said that whole world was waiting for the "historic" Ram temple consecration ceremony, and appealed to people to celebrate this as Diwali and light Diyas in their houses.

Shri Amar Kshatriya Rajput Sabha J&K UT, Jammu organised a function on the sacred occasion "Rammay



SAKRS members performing Hawan at Jammu.

Ayodhya" at Raj Tilak Bhawan Temple complex, Jammu. A Havan was held in the Sabha Bhawan by eminent Pandits among "Alhutes" and slogan of Jai Shree Ram. The Baridari members appreciated the efforts of Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India to sort out this long outstanding issue. Prominent among others present were Nayaram Singh Former President of the Sabha, Bishan Singh, Mangleshwar Slathia, Sukhdev Slathia, J.S. Rathore, R.S. Jasrotia, Bachan Singh, B.S. Jamwal, B.S. Bandral, Virinder Singh, Pawan Dev Singh, Moti Singh, Jaidev Singh, Dhruv Singh, Lakshman Singh and M.S. Jamwal. To celebrate the Pran Pratishtha of Shree Ram Lalla at Ayodhya a programme was organised by **Narottam Sharma, former Corporator Ward 3.** To commemorate this historical event that led to the construction of Shree Ram Janam Bhoomi Temple at Ayodhya after 500 years thousands of people assembled at Shree Ram



Former Corporator, Narottam Sharma and others witnessing Pran Pratishtha of Shree Ram Lalla.

Ashram, Peer Kho. After performing the Aarti of Lord Rama people prayed for peace and prosperity in Jammu and Kashmir. Narottam Sharma, said "This historical event will usher an era of good governance and self sufficiency in the whole nation and Jammu and Kashmir will emerge as the prosperous union territory". This celebration was attended by many prominent people that include Mahant Keshav Shukla, Yudhvir Sethi, Vice -President BJP J&K, former Deputy Mayor of Jammu Advocate Purima Sharma and her ward team, Booth President Sanjay Sharma, Sanjay Abrol, East Mandal Vice President, Rajesh Nishal, Saroj Gupta, Anuradh and Lucky Mehra were present on the occasion. Thousands of enthusiastic people watched live streaming of the Ram Temple consecration ceremony by Prime Minister Yashasvi Narendra Modi at the historic and heritage **Kol Kandoli Temple in Nagrota-the Pratham Darshan of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Cave Shrine on Trikuta Hills.**

Amid spiritual ambience and chanting of Jai Shree Rama, the devout witnessed the historic moments of the consecration with folded hands-as elderly, young, women and children-attired in traditional attire, had assembled hours before to watch the proceedings on big screen.

The temple precincts wore a festive look with banners, bunting and saffron flags fluttering all around. Senior BJP Leader, Devender Singh Rana also participated in the special prayers held after the consecration ceremony and prayed for peace, tranquility and wellness of all. Rana also paid obeisance at the temples at Ram Temple Amb, Baba Jitto Nath Temple at Ranjan, Shree Raghunath Temple at Agore, Shree Vaishno Temple at Nagrota, Shree Ram Temple at Mohalla Slathia, Nagrota, Narsingh Temple at Gharota and Panch Mandir, Gandhi Nagar. On the historic occasion of the consecration of Shri Ram



Senior BJP Leader, Devender Singh Rana and others performing Pooja at Kol Kandoli Temple in Nagrota.

Temple in Ayodhya, **Mathawar Devsthan of Jammu** district was also seen colourful in the devotion of Bhagwan Ram. More than 300 Ram devotees participated in Mathawar Devsthan. The entire Mathwar city echoed with the chanting of Ram's



Devotees celebrating consecration of Shri Ram Temple in Ayodhya in a programme at Mathawar Devsthan, Jammu.

Mantras. The atmosphere of the city was filled with mesmerizing Bhajans and people were dancing and celebrating happily on the Kirtan of Shri Ram.

Link Road Association President Rajinder Gupta offered 21 kg Ladoo at Hanumaan Mandir, Purani Mandi.



Link Road Association President Rajinder Gupta taking 21 kg Ladoo for offering at Hanumaan Mandir, Purani Mandi.

