

JK Public School Kunjwani celebrates 77th Republic Day with patriotic zeal, inspiring Inter-House Tableaux



Glimpses of 77th Republic Day celebration with patriotic zeal at JK Public School Kunjwani.

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JAMMU: JK Public School, Kunjwani celebrated the 77th Republic Day of India with great feelings, patriotic fervour and cultural splendour. The school campus echoed with national pride as students, teachers, management members and distinguished guests came together to commemorate the ideals of the Indian Constitution.

The programme commenced with the ceremonial hoisting of the National Flag, followed by the National Anthem, formally inaugurating the Republic Day celebrations. The occasion was graced by the august presence of the Chief Guest, Mohd. Faisal Qureshi, SSP (Crime) Jammu, whose distinguished presence added dignity and significance to the event. The celebration was fur-

ther honoured by the presence of eminent dignitaries and members of the school management including Raj Daluja, Chairman, JK Educational Society; Shashi Chaudhary, Director, JK Educational Society; and Members of the Management Sidharth Daluja, Sara Daluja and Gautam Daluja, whose presence encouraged and motivated the young learners. A major highlight of the

programme was the Inter-House Marching Tableau competition, which showcased students' creativity, discipline and deep sense of national consciousness. The tableaux reflected powerful themes aligned with India's values and future aspirations. Tilak House presented tableau on the theme "Spirit Strength and National Character". Tagore House, highlighted the

theme "Today's Youth, Tomorrow's India". Whereas, Bhagat Singh House brought forth several aspects pertaining to the given theme "Nari Shakti". Radhakrishnan House brilliantly showcased the theme "Developed India @2047". The visually striking tableaux, accompanied by their disciplined formations and meaningful narration, captivated the audience and beautifully conveyed the

spirit of unity in diversity. The programme was further enriched by a band performance, march past, patriotic songs and cultural dance presentations, adding vibrancy and emotional depth to the celebration. The Chief Guest, Mohd. Faisal Qureshi was formally felicitated and in his address, he emphasized the importance of constitutional values, discipline and integrity. He urged students

to grow into responsible citizens committed to serving the nation with honesty and dedication. The results of the Inter-House Tableau Competition were announced with Tilak House securing the First Position, Bhagat Singh House achieving the Second Position and Tagore House bagging the Third Position. Keeping in consonance with the theme of this year's Republic Day "Vande

Mataram" the soul-stirring strains of the national song resonated through the air as the Principal JKPS Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore along with the school choir, rendered a heartfelt rendition of Vande Mataram. The powerful invocation of the motherland filled the campus with an atmosphere of reverence, pride and patriotic fervour; setting a brilliant culmination of the entire celebration.

Republic Day: Full dress rehearsal held at M A Stadium



Div Com Jammu, Ramesh Kumar hoisting Tricolour.

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JAMMU: The full dress rehearsal for celebration of 77th Republic Day 2026 was held at M A stadium Jammu amidst patriotic fervour, enthusiasm and spirit of unity in diversity. Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar hoisted the tricolor, inspected the Parade and took the salute at the impressive March Past. The parade consisted of men and women contingents from Army, BSF, CRPF, SSB, IRP, JKP, JKAP, UTDRF, Fire &

Emergency Services, J&K Forest Protection Force, Excise & Taxation Departments, Ex servicemen, NCC cadets, Bharat Scouts and guides, JK and different school students from Jammu. Pipe and Brass bands of BSF, JKP, JKAP, Army and school students played tunes to the march past. Tableaux on themes "Operation Sindoor", "Mission Yuva", Road Safety: "A shared responsibility, awareness saves lives", "Nasha Mukta Jammu Kashmir", "Shram Ko

Samman, Adhikar Ek Saamaan" "Sashkat Shramik", "GST Reforms 2.0: Benefits Unwrapped for Citizens" and Food Safety-Sahi Bhojan, Behat Jeevan" highlighted initiatives and achievements of the Government. School children and artists of J&K Academy of Art Culture and Languages presented a colorful cultural programme featuring theme based presentations on "Aaj Ka Hindustan", "Itihaas Ki Goonj" and "Vande Bharatam". The cultural items depicted national integration, unity in diversity, harmony and composite culture of Jammu Kashmir UT, besides National song "Vande Matram", folk music and dance. Dare Devils of Jammu and Kashmir Police mesmerised the audience by their spectacular and thrilling Motorcycle Aerobatics Display. Senior officers from UT administration, Nodal officers and the in-charges were present.

BJP reiterates stand on united J&K; rejects demand for separate Jammu statehood

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JAMMU: BJP on Saturday reaffirmed its commitment to a united Jammu and Kashmir, firmly rejecting demands raised by some of its party MLAs seeking separate statehood for Jammu after its separation from Kashmir.

The BJP leadership clarified its stand on the sidelines of a day-long workshop organised by the party for its legislators ahead of the Budget session of the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly which is scheduled to start on February 2. "BJP believes in a fully united Jammu and Kashmir, including the parts under the illegally occupied by Pakistan. BJP remains firmly committed to equitable and holistic development of the entire Jammu and Kashmir; ensuring welfare for every citizen without any discrimination based on religion, or any other divisive consideration," BJP national general secretary, incharge JK, Tarun Chugh told reporters. He was responding about the BJP stand on the demand



BJP Senior leaders at a workshop in Jammu.

recently raised by party MLA Sham Lal Sharma and supported by several other leaders including legislator Vikram Randhawa. Chugh accused National Conference and PDP of propagating "divisive narratives" to create a wedge between the two regions and also claimed that Omar Abdullah government has miserably failed to deliver on its promises made to the people of the Union Territory. Prominent among others who attended the workshop included BJP J&K president Sat Sharma, former Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh Jairam

Thakur, Speaker of the Delhi Legislative Assembly Vijender Gupta, JK Leader of the Opposition Sunil Sharma, a party spokesman said. He said the workshop was conducted over multiple structured sessions aimed at enhancing legislative competence, ideological clarity, and organizational coordination among the elected representatives. Chugh said BJP conducts such workshops at regular intervals to ideologically and organisationally strengthen its office bearers and elected representatives. "These interactions are cru-

cial to align leaders with the party's policies, programmes, and vision, while also equipping them to effectively respond to the prevailing socio-political challenges," he said. Addressing the workshop, Thakur who is also LoP in Himachal Pradesh, reflected on his long-standing emotional and organisational association with Jammu, recalling his formative years as a party whole-timer. Presenting a detailed and practical roadmap for MLAs focusing constituency-centric development, he said the MLAs must act as solution-oriented representatives who raise public issues effectively while maintaining the dignity of democratic institutions. JK BJP president also reiterated that his party considers JK as a single unit and said time is ripe for bringing back Pakistan-occupied Kashmir. "The politics of NC and PDP is Kashmir centric but we stand firm in our stand that the entire JK including the parts under illegal occupation of Pakistan is a single unit," he said.

He said the upcoming budget session is likely to be stormy as his party MLAs will highlight the alleged failures of the NC government to meet the expectations of the people. Interacting with reporters, Leader of Opposition in JK assembly Sunil Sharma also asserted that his party is not in favour of division of the two regions of J&K. Asked about the recent remarks of the chief minister against him for raising Jammu statehood demand, he said no BJP worker dreams of becoming the Chief Minister. "I have come from a poor and an ordinary family, and for me the nation, religion and society are supreme. The Chief Minister's post is not a big thing... In the NC, only members of Abdullah's family can become Chief Minister. Leaders like Ali Mohd Sagar, Abdul Rahim Rather and Mohd Shafi Uri, who gave their lives to the party, saw their aspirations crushed. "In the NC, only the Abdullah family can dream of holding the CM's post," he said.