

DPS Udhampur organises inter-school competition 'Akal Abhinay Meri Kahani Meri Zubani'

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

UDHAMPUR: Delhi Public School (DPS) Udhampur, a 5 star Rated school, on Tuesday organized a unique Inter School competition for the students of class V 'Akal Abhinay Meri Kahani Meri Zubani' a unique inter school story telling competition where 21 schools and 42 participants drawn from various schools of Chandigarh, Jammu, Kathua, Samba, Udhampur and Akhnoor participated. The program began with the welcome of the Chief Guests, Dr. J.C Gupta Pro-Vice Chairman of the School and Dr. Pramod Kumar Shrivastava, Principal Model Academy School Jammu and President Jammu Sahodaya Schools Complex and Guest of Honour Rajesh Rathore, Principal Shri Ram Universal School Jammu. Other dignitaries who attended the opening ceremony were MD of the School, Vivek Gupta,



DPS Udhampur faculty and others during an event.

Director Academics, Sucheta Gupta and Principal, Dr. Kunal Anand. Judges of the day were Shashi Rattan, Vice Principal JKPS Jammu and Nishi Koul former coordinator Seared Era Experimental School Udhampur. Opening ceremony began with formal welcome by Shivani Koul, Head Mistress Jr. School followed by lighting of lamp ceremony by all dignitaries. Dr JC Gupta applauded the team DPSU for this unique

concept and congratulated the team for organizing such level of competition. Dr Pramod K Srivastava said that wining & loosing are the 2 sides of the same coin, but participation is more important. He encouraged all the participants to participate whole heartedly in such competitions. The Zest full dancers of DPS Udhampur presented cultural performances on 'Aisa Desh Hai Mera' and 'O Re Chiraiya' that was appreciated by all the guests.

Dr. Kunal Anand inspired students by emphasizing importance of Hindi. The first position was secured by Aniket Sharma from APS Akhnoor; second position was shared between Kavya Kour of Jammu Sanskriti School Jammu and Anushka Meena, Delhi Public School Udhampur. Third position was bagged by Niharika Sharma from APS Akhnoor and Sanvi Rajput from RMG International School. First consolation prize was shared among Rijas M Rao of ST Joseph School Chandigarh, Manan Malgoria of DPS Udhampur and Aarush Verma of APS Dhar Road Udhampur. Second Consolation was shared by Samrathak Mahajan of Shri Ram Universal school Jammu and Shaurya Singh Rana, APS BD Bari. The vote of thanks was presented by area In-charge Siloni Anand.

Govt officials attain superannuation



Kuldeep Bhat

Deepti Nath

Tara Chand

Rajan Sharma

Rajeev Verma

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The staff of Primary Health Center, Purkhoo, Phase-I accorded a warm farewell to Kuldeep Bhat, who attained superannuation on Tuesday. During his 36 years long tenure, Kuldeep Bhat served the Department at various posts. He was very much active towards in highlighting issues of employees and also remained as General Secretary (Migrant Cell) of J&K Government Pharmacist Association. Speaking on the occasion, the senior officers lauded the dedication and sincerity of

Kuldeep Bhat towards duty and wished him a healthy and joyful post-retirement life. Meanwhile, a warm farewell was accorded to Rajan Sharma, Joint Director Agriculture (Extension), who is proceeding on superannuation after rendering services for more than 36 years. The officers participated in the farewell with due adherence to social distancing. Director of Agriculture Production & Farmers Welfare Jammu, K. K. Sharma wished the retiring officer a very happy, healthy and prosperous post retire-

ment life. He lauded him for his valuable and exemplary services at different levels for the welfare of the farming community. Warm wishes were also extended to Rajeev Sharma, Agriculture Chemist who proceeded on superannuation on 31st October, 2021. Others who wished the Retiring officer a very happy retired life include Joint Director (Inputs), A. S. Reen, Joint Director (SLUB/Farms), Rajinder Sharma, Joint Director Agriculture (Marketing), Mahesh Verma, Joint Director(Apiculture & Mushroom), Iqbal Singh,

DSSO, Subash Sharma, besides senior officers of the department. Mementos were presented to the retiring officer during the farewell programme on behalf of the Department as a mark of honor and affection. Sandeep Dogra, SCA (I & P) conducted the proceedings of the programme and presented the vote of thanks. Horticulture Department on Tuesday accorded warm farewell to Deepti Nath Sharma, Administrative Officer who attained superannuation today after rendering more than 41 years of service in the Horticulture

PIL regarding restrictions on vehicles in Pahalgam: DB seeks details of steps being contemplated to ease-out traffic

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: In a petition filed by Himalaya Welfare Organization espousing public interest and is seeking implementation of the executive instructions passed by authorities so that environment of Pahalgam Tourist Resort is protected and there is restriction in movement of vehicles inside local area of Pahalgam.

A Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir High Court comprising Chief Justice Pankaj Mithal and Justice Mohd Akram Chowdhary directed the Deputy Commissioner, Anantnag to file an affidavit as to the steps which are being contemplated to ease-out traffic flow in the area. The affidavit may be filed within a month, the Court directed.

Department.

Tara Chand, Horticulture Technician was also accorded warm send off on the occasion. He attained superannuation after rendering more than 39 years of service in the Horticulture Department.

Director Horticulture Jammu, Ram Savak and staff of Horticulture Department wished both the retiring employees a happy and prosperous post retirement life. Meanwhile, officials of Jal Shakti (PHE) Department City Division-I organised an impressive function to bid farewell to Rajinder Kumar, Field worker who retired on attaining superannuation on Tuesday. The function was attended by Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division-I Jammu Vijay Kumar Gupta, Technical Officer Ram Kumar Jandial and other senior officers and officials who wished the retiring official a very happy and healthy post-retirement life.

Power shutdown

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL Jammu on Tuesday informed that the power supply to Sunderpur, Part of R.S Pura, Badyal, Qazian, Dablehar, Chowalla and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on December 01 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Rangarh, Rangoor and adjoining areas shall remain affected on December 01 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Suhagpur, Kotli, Jabowal, Part of Arnia, Trewa, Pandoriyan, Rehaal and adjoining areas shall remain affected on December 01 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Badyal Brahmana and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on December 01 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Gadigarh, Dhrap, Indra Nagar and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on December 01 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Lakad Mandi, Patoli,

Janipur Colony, Pamposh colony, Ambredhar Nagar, High Court, Daily Exceelsior, Statistical Office, Part of Talab Tillo, Kabir Colony, Basant, Vihar, Manorma Vihar, Hazuri Bagh, Col. Colony, Poonch House, Priya Darshani Lane, Top Paloura, Part of Barnai and adjoining areas shall remain affected on December 01 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Billawar, Parnala and adjoining areas shall remain affected on December 01, 03 and 05 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Meanwhile, Superintending Engineer (Distribution), JPDCL, O&M Circle, Kathua has informed that the power supply to Marheen, Sanji Morh, Chack Nathal, Bobbyia, Manyari, Muthera Chak, Blasa Khoo, Gayal Wand, Hore and Khanwal shall remain affected on December 01 and 03 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Logate, Palli, Nihalpur and Lachipur shall remain affected on December 01 and 02 from 9 am to 2 pm.

Charge-sheet produced against three in fraud case

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Crime Branch Kashmir has produced charge-sheet in FIR No. 35/2014 under sections 420, 467, 468, 471, 109, 120-B of RPC registered at Police Station Crime Branch Kashmir, before the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Handwara against accused persons namely Nazir Ahmad Dar (the then Advance Clerk J&K Bank Handwara), his sister (working in Revenue Department) and Shabir Ahmad Sheikh (the then Advance Manager J&K Bank Handwara) for fraudulently and dishonestly transferring sanctioned loan amount into their accounts, instead of complainant.

As per case, complainant applied for a housing loan to the tune of Rs 6 lakh from JKB Handwara in 2011 and in pursuance of it, Bank authorities obtained 6 cheques from the complainant. The above-mentioned accused persons, in criminal conspiracy with each other, dishonestly and fraudulently credited these cheques into bank accounts of sister of prime accused Nazir Ahmad Dar.

Unauthorised constructions in residential area: DB grants three days to SMC for filing better compliance report

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir High Court Srinagar wing comprising Chief Justice Pankaj Mital and Justice Mohd Akram Chowdhary, while hearing a petition on converting a residential building into commercial affecting privacy of residents of Gogji-Bagh area of Srinagar, directed Srinagar Municipal Corporation (SMC) to file a better compliance report pursuant to Order dated October 5, 2020, clearly responding to all shortcomings which have been pointed out by aforesaid order. DB also

directed that compliance report should be supported by the affidavit of the Commissioner SMC.

He will also indicate the action which was taken on the complaints received by neighbours or residents of the area regarding unauthorised construction being raised. While going through the status report, DB observed, "We are at pain to say that the status report filed on behalf of SMC on August 16, 2021, is not up to the mark and it fortifies the fact as indicated in the order dated October 5, 2020, that officers and staff of SMC are in league with the some

respondent". It is worthwhile to mention here that on October 5, 2020 the Division Bench while hearing PIL on converting a residential building into commercial affecting the privacy of residents of Gogji-Bagh area of Srinagar, directed that the construction on the spot be stopped and in the meantime a team by SMC be deputed to take photographs and video of present construction in question without any delay. "The exact measurement of construction and status thereof in the building shall also be noted," DB added.

CRIME REPORT

Bike-lifter gang busted, five arrested

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Police on Tuesday busted a gang of bike-lifters and arrested five accused.

Giving details SP City North Mohita Sharma said that var-



ious cases were registered at Police Station Nowabad regarding vehicle thefts from different areas. On this, a special team under supervision of Dy SP Hqrs Swati Sharma was constituted. The team led by SHO Nowabad Insp Rajesh Khajuria assisted by Incharge Police Post Canal Road SI Ravinder Singh, after analysis of CCTV footages of the area along with technical assistance, finally rounded up a suspect namely Rahul Sharma alias Bibu, son of Vijay Kumar Sharma, resident of HN0 175, Near Police Post, Gujjar Nagar. During sustained questioning, the accused confessed his involvement in various cases and on his disclosure names of other vehicle lifters were also revealed. On this police team rounded up a chain of suspects. On intensive questioning, they accepted their involvement in various vehicle theft cases. Other four arrested accused were identified as Rakesh Kumar, son of Sham Lal, resident of Ramnagar Udhampur; Mohd Tareef, son of Mohd Aslam, resident of Katra Reasi; Nikhil Goswami, son of Mohinder Pal, resident of Baba Basti Gujjar Nagar, Jammu and Mohd Ishfaq, son of Mohd Sharif, resident of Vidhata Nagar Bathindi.

With their arrest and disclosure three different cases; FIR No. 154, 171, 183, under section 379 of IPC at Police Station Nowabad have been solved.

The recovered vehicles include Activa Scooty Black Colour (JK02BA 9769, Engine No JC44E-2177753); White Colour (JK02BF 1555); Hero white Maestro (JK02BF 7048, Engine No JF32AAEGA28935, Chassis No MBLJF32ABEGA33885); Activa Scooty Colour (JK02BV 8754, Engine No JF5DE-7-5-124381); Engine No JC44E0265555, Chassis No ME4JC446J98014326; Activa Grey Colour (JK08C 6081, Engine No JC44E1819061 Chassis No ME4JC448AC8708231); Activa Black Colour (Engine No JF50E70032559 and Chassis No ME4JF501AD7033084); Activa Red Colour (JK02BC 1475 Chassis No ME4JF501FD8287703); Activa Black Colour (Engine No JF50E70032559 and Chassis No ME4JE505BG 7047717); Activa White Colour (Engine No JF50E-8-5158649 and Chassis No ME4JF507JH8158637 without No); Activa Scooty Grey colour (JK02BU 6664, Chassis No ME4JF507BH7116107 and Engine No JF50E-7-5116154); Activa Scooty white Colour (Chassis No ME4JF504EF7109865 and Engine No JF50E-7-2109901); Motor Cycle Pulsar Red Colour (JK02AB 7800); Activa Scooty (JK 02 BA 8646) and Activa Scooty (JK02 BP 9694). The overall arrest and recoveries were made under the supervision of SP City North Mohita Sharma.

Three narco smugglers arrested with heroin

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Continuing a drive against drug trafficking and substance abuse, Jammu Police achieved major success by recovering 44 gm heroin from three different drug peddlers. As per details, a team of Police Station Gangyal led by SHO Gangyal Insp Pardeep Sharma under supervision of SDPO City South P K Mengi rounded up a suspect at Sehara road Bandhu Rakh, who turned suspicious on seeing police. On search, 10 gm heroin was recovered from possession of suspect later identified as Nitish Sharma alias Gorn, son of Sanjeev Sharma, resident of Kartholi, Bari Brahmana.

Similarly, on another Naka at Digiana Camp, a police team rounded up two suspects travelling in a vehicle (PB46AF8463) who turned suspicious on seeing police. The accused were identified as Karan Jeet Singh, son of Baljinder Singh, resident of Kotli Basawa Singh, Tarantaran, Punjab and Jaswinder Singh, son of Nishan Singh, resident of Kotli Basawa Singh Tehsil Patti, Distt Tarantarn, Punjab and during search 34 gm heroin was recovered from them. On this, two different FIR Nos 172 & 173/21 under sections 8/21/22 of NDPS Act respectively were registered against trio at Police Station Gangyal.

The overall arrest and recoveries were made under the supervision of SP City South Deepak Digra. Further investigation of case is going on.

Two bootleggers nabbed with 107 bottles of illicit liquor

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Police on Tuesday nabbed two bootleggers with 107 bottles of illicit liquor.

As per details, a team of Police Station Domana led by SHO Domana Insp Mahesh sharma assisted by PSI Anoop Kumar while on patrolling duty in Machine Domana area and Muthi area, rounded up two suspects who turned suspicious on seeing police. During search, total 107 bottles of illicit liquor i.e., 54 bottles at Machine Domana area and 53 bottles at Patyale Chak area, were recovered from them. The duo was arrested and 2 different FIRs under relevant sections got registered at Police Station Domana respectively.

The accused were identified as Pawan Singh, son of Kashmir Singh, resident of Machine Domana and Baldev Raj, son of Chaman Lal, resident of Patyale Chak Teh Marh, Distt Jammu The overall arrests and recoveries were made under the supervision of SDPO Domana Sunil Singh.

Notorious gangster booked under PSA

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Notorious criminal, who was evading arrest since long, has been detained under Public Safety Act by Police Station Bakshi Nagar Jammu on Tuesday.

As per details, a notorious criminal namely Rajesh Dogra alias Mohan Chher, son of Ved Parkash, resident of Reasi, at present Talli Moor, New Plot who was booked under various FIRs but was evading his arrest since lodge of FIRs, has finally been arrested and booked under Sec 8 (1) (a) of J&K Public Safety Act 1978. Jammu Police was looking for the above mentioned accused, finally intelligence was generated and on a tip off, a team of Police Station Bakshi Nagar under supervision of SHO Bakshi Nagar Insp Ravi Kant assisted by Incharge Police Post Sarwal PSI Satyajeet, with strenuous efforts, arrested the accused.

It is pertinent to mention that accused is a notorious criminal and having habitual criminal activities not only in Jammu

district but also in another districts of J&K UT. He was also involved in various criminal cases such as murder, attempt to murder, possession of illegal weapons etc. by using dangerous weapons against peaceful and law-abiding citizens. Moreover, 7 criminal cases had been registered against him and he was also history-sheeter of Bakshi Nagar Police Station and has been using his contacts to build a new network for organized crime in Jammu region along with his old associates. Accused have been involved in different cases which include FIR No. 77/1993 under sections 307/302/34 of RPC, 3/25 A. Act at Police Station Pacea Danga; FIR 201/1996 under sections 307/302/147/148/34 of RPC, 4/25 A. Act at Police Station Pacea Danga; FIR 56/1998 under sections 307/148/149 of RPC, 3/25 A. Act at Police Station City Jammu; FIR 147/1998 under sections 302/34 of RPC 3/25 A. Act at Police Station Udhampur; FIR 89/2006 under sections 3/25 A. Act at Police Station Gangyal; FIR 140/2006 under sections 302 of RPC 3/25 A. Act at Police Station Bahu Fort Jammu and FIR 79/2020 under sections 4/25 A. Act at Police Station Gharota Jammu. Finally PSA has been executed by Police station Bakshi Nagar.

Plastic factory gutted in Pulwama

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: A plastic factory was gutted in a devastating fire at Industrial area of Lassipora in Pulwama on Tuesday.

As per details, fire broke out at around 9 PM on Monday in Stalwart Plastics factory at Small Industrial Development Corporation (SIDCO) at Lassipora in Pulwam district and spread quickly into entire complex. On receiving information, fire tenders rushed to the spot and doused fire after 2 hours of hectic efforts. However, no loss of life was reported. The cause of fire was stated to be short-circuit. The fire tenders from nearby army camp were also pressed into the service to douse the flames.

Quake of magnitude 3.7 hits Leh

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

LEH: An earthquake of magnitude 3.7 on Richter scale jolted east of Leh in Ladakh on Tuesday, the National Center for Seismology (NCS) informed. "Earthquake of Magnitude: 3.7, Occurred on 30-11-2021, 04:50:41 IST, Lat: 34.10 & Long: 78.46, Depth: 10 Km, Location: 81 Km E of Leh, Ladakh, India," the NCS tweeted.

Woman killed in mishap

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A woman got killed in road mishap in Jammu on Tuesday. As per the details, Taniya got injured in a mishap and was shifted to GMC Jammu for treatment where she succumbed during treatment. Police has registered a case and started investigation.

Man assaulted; mobile, cash snatched

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A man was assaulted and mobile & cash was snatched from him. As per details, Hamim Raina, resident of Nagrota lodged a complaint with Pacea Danga Police that one Pratap Singh assaulted him in the area and snatched mobile phone and cash from him. Police has registered a case and started investigation.

4 held for stealing iron bars meant for Govt works

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Police on Tuesday nabbed 4 persons who stole iron bars meant for government projects. As per the details, Trikuta Nagar police, on receiving an information, that a driv-

er who loaded iron bars from depot, meant for government projects in his vehicle, didn't deliver same quantity to destination and unloaded a part of it in midway, police started investigation and detained four persons, who were involved in stealing the same.

Pedestrian killed in mishap

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

UDHAMPUR: A pedestrian was killed in a road mishap at Udhampur on Tuesday.

As per details, Somnath, resident of Rathiyan who was crossing the road got hit by a car due to which he died on the spot. Police has registered a case for investigation.

Youth found hanging in forest area

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

REASI: A 19 years old youth was found hanging in forest area of Madi area of Reasi on Tuesday.

As per details, Vijay Sharma, son of Madan Lal, son of Sarundi, Arnas was missing since Monday, was found hanging by his parents in forest area during search. Police was informed which rushed to the spot and shifted the body to morgue for autopsy. It was later handed over to family members for performing last rites. Police has registered a case and started investigation.

Father-son duo attacks youth

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SAMBA: A father-son duo attacked a youth and broke his arm at Ramgarh area on Tuesday.

As per details, Devinder Singh was beaten up by Balkar Singh and his son Basant Singh after they were questioned by Devinder for beating his brother who stopped their car as Davinder was passing his tractor from a narrow lane. Irked over it, father-son duo attacked Devinder with a baseball bat and broke his arm. He was shifted to hospital. Police has taken cognizance in the matter and started investigation.

Youth on way to join terrorism detained

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

RAJOURI: In a major success, police prevented a youth from joining terrorism ranks and detained him in Rajouri district. As per details, the detained youth was reportedly in contact with some terrorists through social media platforms, who called him to Rajouri. "On basis of specific information, police constituted a team and intercepted him. The youth hails from South Kashmir's Shopian district and was travelling to Rajouri district in a passenger vehicle," official said adding that during questioning of the detained boy, he disclosed that he was in regular contact with some terrorists through social media and was all set to join terrorism.

The youth was called to Rajouri from where he was to be given next destination but before he could reach Rajouri, police succeeded in detaining him.

Soldier shoots himself dead

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

BANIHAL/JAMMU: Army personnel allegedly shot himself dead with his service rifle in Banihal area of Ramban district on Tuesday, officials said. Sepoy Tejpal Singh, resident of Uttar Pradesh, was on sentry duty when he fired upon himself inside a camp at Chamalwas late this afternoon, the officials said. They said that soldier was rushed to hospital where he succumbed to injuries. After post-mortem and completion of other formalities, the body was handed over to the unit of deceased for the last rites, the officials said.

It was not immediately known what caused Singh to take extreme step, they said, adding police has started inquest proceedings for investigation.