

## JUICCASH organises awareness session on 'Prevention of Sexual harassment at Workplace'

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JAMMU: The Jammu University Internal Complaints Committee against Sexual harassment (JUICCASH) organized an awareness and sensitization session on 'Prevention of sexual harassment at workplace' at Brig. Rajinder Singh Auditorium, University of Jammu.

The session was conducted with an aim to sensitize students from various academic departments of the university regarding the issue.

Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Registrar presided over the session as Chief Guest. Prof. Jasrotia in his expert remarks emphasized how behaviour of parties can be used as a piece of apt evidence in complaints proceedings.

Prof. Alka Sharma, presiding officer, JUICCASH in her introductory address briefed the participants



Prof. Arvind Jasrotia, Registrar JU posing with faculty members.

about the internal complaints committee and its mandate.

In her keynote address, Adv. Meenu Padha, through a PowerPoint Presentation, apprised the student-participants regarding the background of the PoSH legislation.

She further highlighted Jammu University's policy against sexual harassment was also specifically highlighted.

The procedure of filing

complaints and provisions related to further proceedings were also covered in the presentation.

The vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Monica Narang, Member, JUICCASH.

The proceedings of the session were conducted by Ratul Dhiman, Student member, JUICCASH. The session was also attended by Prof. Satya Pal, Dr. Sumita Sharma, Dr. Ginny Dogra, members of JUICCASH.

## Special Winter Camp of NSS unit of GCET Jammu concludes



NSS volunteers carrying out cleanliness drive.

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JAMMU: The three-day Special Winter Camp which was started by NSS unit of GCET Jammu under Clean India Campaign, an initiative of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports to commemorate Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav- Celebration of India's 75 years of Independence culminated on Friday.

As on the last day of the camp NSS volunteers visited and cleaned the waterbodies (Pond) in the adopted Village Chak of Tehsil Bhalwal.

NSS volunteers with pro-

gramme Officer collected all the litter from the banks and lanes surrounding the pond. All the water clogging were removed effectively.

The entire activities were performed by observing all the COVID precautionary measures. They advised the locals that they should not litter near these water bodies rather they should plant more and more trees in the catchment areas of these waterbodies.

The volunteers also educated the locals about cleanliness and hygiene and asked them to discourage the prac-

tice of open dumping.

The principal of the college Dr. Sameru Sharma applauded the sincere efforts of team NSS. She said that the volunteers of the college are doing a tremendous job under the guidance of NSS programme officer Dr. Raman Gupta. They are always ready to do any sort of social work assigned to them. NSS programme officer also congratulated all the volunteers for their selfless service and said that they have already played a crucial role during COVID times and now they are playing an important role in society by imparting awareness of various programmes among common masses.

The volunteers who managed and organised the camp are Mandeep Singh, Sakshi Bhat, Vijay Rathore, Paras Gupta, Mohd. Sami, Nikansh Panotra, Sunidhi Sharma and Jaanvi Sharma.

## Maruti Suzuki Super Carry sales cross 1 lakh milestone

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NEW DELHI: Maruti Suzuki Super Carry, the country's most powerful mini-truck has recently achieved the record milestone of 100,000 cumulative unit sales in just 5 years of its launch. The only mini-truck in India that offers a 4-cylinder engine, Super Carry serves the versatile requirements of the commercial customers who need an efficient goods carrier.

Available in both petrol and CNG option, Maruti Suzuki Super Carry was developed specifically for India, keeping in mind the unique requirements of Indian mini-truck customers. Maruti Suzuki forayed into the commercial segment in 2016 with the introduction of Super Carry in India. Within a short span, Super Carry has won widespread appreciation from customers for its best-in-segment power, excellent mileage, easy maintenance, comfort and enhanced storage capacity, which helps enhance their profitability.

Speaking on the milestone, Shashank Srivastava, Senior



Executive Director (Marketing & Sales), Maruti Suzuki India Limited said, "In a very short time, Super Carry has received a phenomenal market reception and has found wide acceptance among customers. Through Super Carry, we have been able to cater to a diverse range of goods carrying customer requirements to enable them to be more efficient and profitable. The S-CNG variant of Super Carry has helped businesses enhance their profitability with its excellent mileage of 21.55km/kg. Super Carry has proven that mini-trucks can be powerful, comfortable to drive, easy to maintain and profitable

for the owner and that is the reason why customers vouch for its quality. We thank our customers for bestowing their trust in us and making Super Carry, the second best-selling mini truck in the light commercial vehicle space."

Maruti Suzuki Super Carry, the country's first 4-cylinder powered mini-truck, delivers upto 54kW@6000rpm of Power and 98Nm@3000rpm of Torque ensuring a smooth pickup. It comes with an array of safety and convenience features like reverse parking sensors, seat belt reminder, a lockable glovebox, a mobile charging socket, and a light steering

wheel for better maneuverability. Super Carry is the only mini-truck in the country with a dual fuel S-CNG variant with a 5L Petrol tank. The country's reliable light commercial vehicle, Super Carry, offers a deck area that is 2183 mm long and 1488 mm wide, along with a payload capacity of upto 740 kg. The Super Carry offers a ground clearance of 175 mm, while suspension duties are performed by reliable MacPherson struts at the front and a rigid axle with leaf springs at the rear. Super Carry is sold through Maruti Suzuki's dedicated over 335 Commercial outlets spread across more than 237 cities in India. Established on the values of partnership, reliability, efficiency, transparency, and ingenuity the commercial channel is backed by a wide service network of 3800+ Maruti Suzuki service centers across India. Along with Super Carry, the commercial channel also retails EECO Cargo and Tour Range (Tour H1, Tour S, Tour M and Tour V) of Maruti Suzuki cars.

## HCMCT Manipal Hospital doctors to visit Jammu today

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JAMMU: In a continuous effort to offer world-class healthcare services to people across the country, top doctors from Delhi-based HCMCT Manipal Hospitals in association with Maharishi Dayanand Hospital and Medi-Trust Super speciality Clinic, Jammu will be visiting Jammu tomorrow for a special OPD to offer treatment for people suffering from heart disease and cancer.

In association with Maharishi Dayanand Hospital and Medi-Trust Super speciality Clinic, Jammu surgeons Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Consultant Cardiac Surgery and Dr. Anadi Pachaury, Consultant Onco Surgery will conduct OPDs respectively from December 18 (Saturday) from 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM.

## Morchas are backbone of BJP: Priya Sethi

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party, Jammu & Kashmir conducted a meeting of its all Morchas at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, here.

The meeting was addressed by BJP NEM & Headquarter Incharge Priya Sethi, BJP All Morcha Incharge Munish Sharma and Office Secretary Tilak Raj Gupta.

SC Morcha State President Prof. Gharu Ram Bhagat, Mahila Morcha State President Sanjita Dogra, OBC Morcha State President Brahmjot Satti, Kissan Morcha State President Omi Khajuria, ST Morcha State President Haroon Choudhary, Moreha General Secretaries and other prominent Moreha leaders participated in the meeting.

Priya Sethi stated that the meeting was organized to finalize the road map for the upcoming Combined Working Committee Meeting of all Morchas of BJP to be conducted in January 2022.

She said that the Morchas



BJP NEM & Headquarter Incharge Priya Sethi chairing party workers meeting.

form the backbone of the party as they are the main feeders of the party.

She stressed on the lists being finalized of the delegates to be present in the meetings. She also stressed on the road map to conduct this combined working committee meeting. She said that the Resolution of each Morcha will be passed in their individual meetings in which further roadmap to strengthen the party at grass root levels through these Morchas will be conveyed.

Munish Sharma stressed on the active participation of Morcha leaders from all districts of Jammu and Kashmir in this upcoming combined

working committee meeting. He said that a minimum of hundred delegates from each Morcha will take part in the combined working committee meeting. He stated that Central leadership along with state bodies will ready a strategy to strengthen the Morchas in order to further strengthen the party.

## Prof Youshvir inaugurates developmental works at Ward-73

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JAMMU: Fulfilling a long pending demand of the residents of ward-73, Gadigarh, Prof (Dr) Youshvir Singh, Councillor inaugurated construction work for a bridge at Bhour Kulian on Friday. The bridge will be completed by PWD R&B J&K UT at an estimated cost of Rs 1.64 crore and work on it was started after a gap of almost 10 years. A large number of people were present on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof (Dr) Youshvir Singh said that the long pending project was initiated with dedicated efforts of AEE Vikram Balloria and JE Suresh Kundal under the overall supervision of Executive Engineer K K Attri. He further announced that a resolution to construct Landoi Choi downstream Jammu Airport has been adopted in General House Meeting of JMC unanimously. Prof Singh thanked all Councillors for realizing gravity of the situation and supporting the resolution in General House Meeting.

Prominent among others present on the occasion included Pawan Bhagat, Vijay Sharma, Amrit Bali, Pawan Bhagat, Vikas Sharma, Harbans Lal Bhagat, Charanjit Singh and Harbinder Singh.

## Reserve 2 assembly constituencies for DPs: JKSCAC

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JAMMU: President Jammu Kashmir Sharnarathi Action Committee (JKSCAC), Gurdev Singh in a meeting held at Lower Gadigarh Jammu on Friday, urged all the MPs being associate members of Delimitation Commission particularly Dr Jatinder Singh and Jugal Kishore Sharma to impress upon the Commission during their meeting to be held on December 20, to reserve at least two constituencies for DPs, till their share of assembly seats are de-frozzed by the Government of India.

## DSS condemns desecration of Raja Jambulochan Memorial

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JAMMU: Th Gulchain Singh Charak, President, Dogra Sadar Sabha (DSS), J&K and former Minister, has condemned, what could be termed as 'sacrilege' of Raja Jambulochan memorial' just under the 'watchful' eyes of adjoining Civil Secretariat, the seat of power in the Union Territory.

Addressing a press conference here on Friday, Charak said that the Raja Jambulochan Memorial is lying incomplete with the all important replica of goat missing from site for last several days, but no notice or inscription has been put up by concerned authorities at the venue for information of the public about why the absence of statue and when it will be reinstalled. Charak informed the press that as a concerned citizen of Jammu, as soon as he



President DSS, Th Gulchain Singh Charak talking to reporters.

had noticed the absence of statue from the site, the matter was enquired and brought to the notice of authorities responsible for its maintenance and upkeep. They informed him that the statue was found damaged and therefore has been lifted from the memorial for repairs, but Charak questioned, "Isn't it the duty of custodians of historical monuments to keep public informed about any such activity, when-

ever undertaken by them," adding that at first sight, the absence of statue from site points towards theft, damage or a sacrilegious act."

He further said, "Removal of the important statue from this sacred space for so many days tantamounts to a sacrilegious act," adding that people, who day in and day out swear in the name of Dogra History, Dogra Culture and Dogra Heritage, are least concerned about sym-

bols of their identity.

Similarly, he alleged that earlier also the replica of the Sword of General Zorawar Singh lay broken at General Zorawar Singh Chowk in Gandhi Nagar, Jammu for several months until he pointed it out to the concerned authorities and got it repaired.

Charak appealed to those who champion the cause of Jammuites, not to remain silent and ignorant about such sacrilegious tendencies towards the symbols that represent identity of Jammu. He made a strong appeal to the Government to restore the glory of these memorials immediately.

Others present on the occasion included Prem Sagar Gupta, Brig M S Jamwal, Gambhir Dev Singh Charak, Chander Mohan Sharma, Janak Khajuria, Balvinder Singh and Kulbir Singh.

## Court frames corruption charges against former Medical Supdt in bribe case

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JAMMU: Additional Sessions Judge Kathua Kamlesh Pandit framed corruption charges against Dr Manoj Bhagat, the then Medical Superintendent Kathua, who was caught red-handed by ACB.

According to ACB, on December 24, 2014 complainant lodged a written complaint with ACB Jammu pleading therein that he is the owner of the Healthcare Medicos, D H Kathua and the attorney holder of M/s Khajuria Medical Agency, Kathua dealing in whole sale and General supplies to District Hospital Kathua and also authorized by aforesaid firm to collect/contract and deal on it. The firm was supplying medical items to District Hospital Kathua as per the agreement with the then Medical Superintendent after complying with all codal

formalities. It has been further reported that accused herein has joined as Medical Superintendent and started harassing complainant either on one ground or other and ultimately he settled to pay him (accused) a bribe/commission to the tune of 25 per cent for clearance of each bill of the firm. It has been further averred by the complainant that about Rs. 1 lakh approximately was due to him, for which accused was demanding Rs 20,000 for release of the same in his favour and complainant was not willing to pay the bribe and complainant sought legal action against accused. On the basis of written complainant, FIR No.34/2014 under sections 5(1)(d), section5(2) of J&K PC Act 2006 read with section 161 RPC was registered and thereafter trap team was constituted for laying trap for arresting

accused red handed. The trap was laid and accused was caught red handed with bribe money of Rs 20,000. After conclusion of investigation, the charge-sheet was initially presented before the court on August 5, 2017 but the same was returned and now ACB for want of sanction required under law, with liberty to file again with requisite sanction order by the competent authority as accused was a public servant. In consequence of the same, the charge-sheet again landed in this court on November 4, 2019 with the sanction order of the competent authority for his prosecution as provided under Prevention of Corruption Act vide order no. 49-GAD(Vig)of 2019 dated September 27, 2019.

Additional Sessions Judge Kathua Kamlesh Pandit after hearing both the sides observed that while consider-

ing all facts discussed hereinabove and also statements of witnesses and documents of record, it is prima facie proved by prosecution at this stage that accused person was demanding illegal gratification from complainant for clearance of his bills and regarding which successful trap was laid against the accused person for proving demand and acceptance of bribe by the accused and bribe money was recovered from the accused during the trap. "As a sequel to all what has been discussed herein above, this court has no reason to differ with the conclusion arrived at by the investigating officer as there are grounds for presuming that accused person has committed the offences alleged to have been committed by them, so accused person is liable to be charged accordingly," the Court observed.

## JU organises webinar on 'Effective Research Planning, Execution using Scopus & Science Direct'

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JAMMU: A record number of around 560 teachers scholars and students from the University of Jammu participated in the online Webinar on "Effective Research Planning and Execution using Scopus and ScienceDirect", organised by Elsevier in collaboration with the Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance, University of Jammu and Committee for Library as a Learning Resource-NAAC-SSR.

Prof. Manoj K.Dhar, Vice-Chancellor, JU was the Chief Guest. In his address, he emphasized that research can be effectively carried out by planning about the research problem in advance and at the same time using the right tools to publish and reflect the research to the world.

He discussed the various research metrics and the strategies to find the most relevant journals to publish in.

He apprised the participants that the University in its endeavour to improve upon the quality of research has subscribed to the SCOPUS database which is the largest abstract and citation database of peer-reviewed literature: scientific journals, books and conference proceedings.

He, while expressing his satisfaction with the research report of the University presented by Elsevier, emphasized and urged all faculty members and scholars to continue publishing in quality Journals.

He also appreciated the efforts of Prof Rajeev Ratan, the Convenor of the Committee for Library as a Learning Resource (NAAC-SSR) for taking the initiative of holding this webinar in such a short span of time.

Dr. Meenakshi Kilam, Director, Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance said that such webinars can

take research to newer heights. The data can help the researcher to not only develop critical thinking but can also inculcate effective analytical, research skills that are globally sought.

She however emphasized that all disciplines are required to contribute equally in order to promote quality research in the University of Jammu.

Vishal Gupta, Customer Consultant, Elsevier, in his technical session covered in detail the purpose of the SCOPUS database, how the database can be used effectively and efficiently.

Farah Siddiqui, Senior Consultant from Elsevier handled the question/answer session and moderated the whole webinar.

Dr Vikram Singh Sahi conducted the proceedings of the webinar and Dr Meghna Dhar presented the formal vote of thanks.