

DDC Rajouri for close synergy between officers & PRIs

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RAJOURI: District Administration Rajouri on Friday organised a series of events in connection with the 'Good Governance Week' campaign organized under 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' to facilitate prompt and efficient public grievances disposal and improved services delivery to people.

District Development Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal participated in mega awareness cum grievance redressal camp at Kalakote.

Among the others, DDC Member Kalakote, Anita Thakur; DDC Member Mougla, Shamim Akhter; BDC Chairperson Kalakote, Babu Khan; BDC Chairperson Mougla, Surekha Kotewal; President KDC Kalakote, Vijay Suri besides PRIs and people in large numbers from all sections of the society attended the program.

Officers who were present during the event include



DDC Rajouri Vikas Kundal handing-over Domicile Certificates to applicants.

ADDC, Pawan Kumar; ADC Kalakote, Krishan Lal; ACD, Sushil Khajuria; GM DIC, Manzoor Hussain; DSEO, Bilal Rashid Mir; CEO RDA, Vivek Puri; CAO, Dr Fazal Hussain; CMO, Dr Shamim Un Nissa Bhatti; DYSSO, Sunil; DSWO, Wakeel Bhatt; ARTO, Shami Kumar besides other District and Sectoral officers were also present on the occasion.

The District Development Commissioner took a round and inspected the stalls set up by the departments for

disseminating information about various welfare and other schemes launched by the Government. The public and their representatives apprised the DDC about a number of issues and demands of their areas including macadamization of roads, upgradation of schools, better health care services, paucity of staff in Government institutions, besides other related issues.

Specific issues included construction of ADC office building, repair of old hand pumps, delay in the execution

of B2V works, revival of coal mines, exaggerated electricity bills, delayed MGNREGA and PMAY payments, replacement of the old worn out water pipes, inclusion of left out beneficiaries under PMAY etc.

Other issues include construction of road from Kalakote to Dali, blacktopping of roads, shortage of staff at PHC Mougla, construction of road from Devlian to Bavlian, sanctioning of a health and wellness center at Ranthal etc.

Some other issues included shortage of staff in veterinary center at Ranthal, dilapidated condition of road from Terayath to Salothi, construction of road from Dali to Ranthal, implementation of Awas Plus, Progress on GDC Kalakote to be expedited etc. The DDC gave a patient hearing and asked the concerned officers to take effective measures to ensure early and quality redressal of all the genuine public concerns in a time bound manner.

DC Udhampur reviews functioning of Childline service at City Advisory Board meeting

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UDHAMPUR: Deputy Commissioner, Udhampur on Friday chaired a meeting of City Advisory Board (CAB) members to review the functioning of the Childline service in the District.

The meeting was attended by Senior Superintendent of Police, Vinod Kumar; Assistant Commissioner Labour, Pradyot Gupta; District Social Welfare Officer, Nawaz Sharief; Chief Medical Officer, Dr K C Dogra; CEO, Arvin Kumar besides representatives of city advisory board of childline.

A threadbare discussion was held on Activation of District Task Force, Issuance of circulars from different departments, Installation of Childline hoarding in Municipality areas, Display of Childline logo (1098) on educational institution and OPD slips, Issues of child begging and rag pickers, Vide publicity of Childline helpline number (1098) through print & Electronic media, Poverty and Orphan child, domestic violence, sexual abuse, children employed in hazardous occupation, domestic helps, Un-educated dropouts, Missing chil-



Deputy Commissioner, Udhampur Indu K Chib chairing a meeting.

dren, Runway child, Child trafficking, Child abuse, and Labour, Child marriage, Abandoned child, Child in conflict with law, Child in need of care & protection etc discussed in detail.

The CMO and CEO were asked to ensure display of toll free Childline help number 1098 in all the educational and health institutions for awareness among the students and general public. The DC emphasized on stakeholder departments viz Police, School Education, ICDS, Social Welfare, Labour, Health etc to ensure displaying of the Childline Helpline no 1098 at prominent locations of their respective institutions.

She exhorted upon all the members of City Advisory Board of Childline to work in coordination and take all possible steps for rehabilitation of children. She called for maintaining close coordination among the different departments and agencies to safeguard the rights of the Child, besides providing them care and protection to those in distress.

DC urged parents, teachers and general public of the District to immediately contact childline help number 1098 in case if they found any case of child abuse and instead of trying to hide child abuse cases help these children to get justice.

DLSA Udhampur celebrates National Consumer Day



DLSA officials along with locals during the event.

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UDHAMPUR: District Legal Services Authority, Udhampur on Friday celebrated National Consumer Day at District Court Complex Udhampur under the overall supervision of Rajni Sharma, Secretary DLSA Udhampur (Sub-Judge). The resource persons of the programme were Adv. Sanjeet Kumar and

Adv. Nikileshwar Singh Jamwal (Panel Lawyers) and was attended by the general public.

Throwing light on the importance of the Day, the resource person Adv Sanjeet Kumar and Adv. Nikileshwar Singh Jamwal informed the gathering about the importance of observance of National Consumer day every year

on 24th of December. They informed the gathering that every year December 24th is celebrated annually in India as National Consumer Rights Day, also called National Consumer Day, to commemorate December 24, 1986, when the Consumer Protection Act received assent of the President of India. The purpose of the day is to make consumers aware of their rights and responsibilities.

Later the resource persons thanked the gathering present in the programme and vowed to support the Rights of Consumers. Similar programs were also organized by TLSC Ramnagar and TLSC Majalota.

BGSBU organises lecture on Consumer Rights

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RAJOURI: Centre for Hospitality and Tourism Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University Rajouri organised an online lecture on Consumer Rights on National Consumer Rights Day. The event was organised in connection with Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations.

Prof. Akbar Masood Vice Chancellor of the University lauded the efforts of the Centre for holding the lecture. In his message Prof. Akbar said that the purposes of celebrating National Consumer Rights Day is to inject knowledge and skills relating to consumer rights among students and to impart knowledge on prod-

uct standards, product quality and about markets, to make them aware of laws enacted for protection and welfare of consumers and enforcement authorities. Dr. Danish Iqbal Raina delivered the online lecture.

In his lecture, Dr. Raina spoke on consumer protection and empowerment, legal framework of consumer protection, Consumer rights and privileges, consumer grievances and redressal system. Bazila Showkat, Student of MBA HTM 3rd semester also shared her views on the occasion. Research Scholar, Students of MBA Hospitality and Tourism and B.Voc travel and Tourism attended the lecture.

GDC Nowshera organises water bodies' cleanliness drive

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NOWSHERA: NSS, NCC Units and Red Ribbon Club of GDC Nowshera organised water bodies' cleanliness drive under the aegis of "Clean India Programme" under the banner of "Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav". During this cleanliness drive, five water bodies - four streams and Manawar River near Nowshera town were cleaned up by volunteers on Friday.

About 100 volunteers from students and staff participated in this drive and cleaned the area around various water bodies. The main motive behind this campaign was to spread awareness related to cleanliness and



Students and faculty carrying out cleanliness drive.

rejuvenation of rivers and water bodies that is one of the objectives of Clean India program. These drives are a wonderful experience for students to motivate them to contribute their bit to society and they are major role players to raise awareness on the importance of cleanliness in one's neighborhood.

Prof. Rajat Bhardwaj,

Prof. Pooja Devi, Lect. Sonika Devi, Lect. Kiran Bala, Lect. Shivali Sharma and volunteers of NSS, NCC and RRC participated in the cleanliness drive with full enthusiasm. The entire drive was carried out by NSS Programme Officer, Prof. Inam Ul Haq and NCC "CTO" Dr. Akhil Khajuria.

Three courses for police officers conclude at SKPA



Mohan Lal, SSP, Dy. Director (Indoor) SKPA handing-over certificate to a participating officer.

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UDHAMPUR: Three courses i.e. two weeks Go's Refresher Course, one week Traffic Regulation and Traffic Management and five days course on Cyber Forensic concluded on Friday at Sher-e-Kashmir Police Academy Udhampur. A total of (60) Police officers from all over the UT J&K attended the training programmes. A valediction function was organised in the Academy. Mohan Lal, SSP, Dy. Director (Indoor) SKPA, Udhampur was the chief guest on the occasion. In his valedic-

tory address Mohan Lal, SSP, informed the audience that organising such courses for capacity building is the vision of our DGP and unrelenting efforts of Director SKPA Udhampur. The speakers from Academia, police units and Faculty of Academy shared their rich experiences with the participants. The courses were co-ordinated by Mohan Lal, SSP, Dy. Director (Indoor/Trg.), Suraj Singh, Dy.SP, Asstt. Director (Trg./R&D), Kewal Kishore, Inspector and Nayeem Abass Hamdani, Cyber Consultant.

KVK Reasi celebrates Kisan Diwas

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REASI: Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Reasi under the administrative control of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology - Jammu (SKUAST-J) celebrated Kisan Divas (National Farmers Day)-2021 here at Paddar village of Thuroo block in Reasi district to mark the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister and farmer leader of India, Chaudhary Charan Singh.

The programme was attended by a large number of farmers, Panches, Sarpanches of the area and officers from line departments. The programme was organised under the dynamic stewardship of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. JP Sharma and guidance of Director Extension, Prof. SK Gupta of SKUAST-J.

Dr. Banarsi Lal, Scientist and Head of KVK, Reasi welcomed the dignitaries and briefed about the significance

of the event. He highlighted the extraordinary contribution of farmers in agriculture and stressed on empowering the farmers with the latest technologies. He said that farmers have pivotal role to raise the economy of the nation by increasing the crops production and productivity. He said that farmers are actively involved in providing the food to the nation and stressed on the need more trainings and technical advice on scientific farming.

He elaborated on the organic agriculture and guided farmers on the micro-entrepreneurship development in the rural areas so that their socio-economic condition can be improved. He also guided the farmers on the organic formulation and suggested them for mushroom cultivation, dairy farming, beekeeping, fruit and vegetables processing, Kadaknath farming etc.

Dr. Suja Nabi Qureshi,

Scientist said that by commercial organic vegetables and fruits cultivation they can generate extra income and employment in the area. He also spoke on entrepreneurship development in horticulture and added that they should adopt the advance technologies in the horticultural sector to enhance their farm income. Anil Thakur, Agriculture Extension Officer, Department of Agriculture spoke on the various schemes implemented for the farmers in the district. Rakesh Kumar, HDO, Sushil Thakur, Hardev Singh and others were also present during the occasion. During the programme the knapsack sprayers and quality animal feed was also provided to the farmers by the KVK, Reasi.

Farmers interacted with the KVK scientists and asked various technical queries which were answered by the scientists in a satisfactory way. The programme was assisted by Manohar Lal.

GDC Neeli Nallah holds lecture on importance of cyber security



A resource person expressing views during the programme.

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UDHAMPUR: Government Degree College Neeli Nallah, Udhampur organized an awareness lecture under the series of "Cyber Jaagrookta (Awareness) Diwas" on Friday. The theme of the lecture was "Importance of Cyber Security". The event was held under the able guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Satinder Kaur, Principal.

Mandeep Kour, Lecturer Education, was the speaker of the event. In her talk, she

deliberated about Cyber Crime and Cyber Security. The lecture was attended by more than 100 students. The students have participated with enthusiasm and got awareness about how to secure themselves from Cyber Crime. The organizers of the event were Prof. Swati Dutt and Dr. Radha Rani. Others present were Prof. Shaista Yasmeen, Dr. Koshika Sharma, Dr. Akhter Hussain, Asif Abdullah and Ab. Qayoom Mallah.

Forest Handicrafts training culminates at Kalakote

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RAJOURI: A one week chir-pine needles handicrafts training camp was successfully completed at Kalakote.

In this training program, 60 women from different villages of Rajouri district participated. During the camp, women were trained to make handicrafts including utility and decoration items using non-timber forest products.

The products were also displayed at "Good governance week" celebrations in which Shri Vikas Kundal DC Rajouri and other department senior officers appreciated the forest department for such innovative livelihood initiatives. During the occasion, Dr. Arshdeep Singh DFO Rajouri stressed the need to promote eco-friendly forest products. All handicraft items made by trainee women participants were sold out completely keeping in view the theme of "Earn while you learn" model envisaged by the forest department.

Eight online revenue services launched in Kishtwar

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KISHTWAR: As a part of ongoing 'Good Governance Week' campaign, Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar Ashok Sharma on Friday launched eight Online Revenue services. Additional District Development Commissioner, Sham Lal and Additional Deputy Commissioner, Kishori Lal Sharma were also present on the occasion.

The Deputy Commissioner informed that the initiative of online delivery of eight revenue services has been rolled out in the district on the direction of LG of Jammu and Kashmir

UT. Under the initiative, eight revenue services including issuance of income certificate, EWS Certificate, Marriage Certificate, OBC/RBA/ALC Certificate, SC/ST Certificate, Dependent Certificate, Legal Heir Certificate and character certificate shall be provided online from now onwards.

He informed that people can log on to service online.gov.in/Jammu/ and obtain various certificates.

The Deputy Commissioner asked the revenue officers to play proactive role for implementing the basic indicator of

Good Governance.

He also informed that 709 applications have been received so far on the Kaushal Pebhan Application across the district from aspiring youth seeking job in various Hydro Electric Power Projects. He said these initiative will help the district Administration to reach out to the people at their door step through online mode.

It will ease the hardships of the people who had to visit offices regularly to get these certificates. He said the applicants can now apply online without physically visiting the office.

The DC said the initiative was launched as part of "Good Governance Week" as it provides us an opportunity to march rapidly to create a transparent and efficient Public Delivery System and to further improve governance.

He emphasized upon all district officers to set examples for other people by focusing on what good can be done for the welfare and benefit of people. He stressed the need for abiding by broader guidelines laid under the initiative of Good Governance.

Govt GLDM Degree College Hiranagar celebrates National Consumer Day

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HIRANAGAR: Department of Education, Political Science and Sociology, Govt. GLDM Degree College, Hiranagar Celebrated National Consumer Day on Friday on the Theme "Know Your Consumer Rights" in collaboration with NCC unit and IQAC under the Aegis of Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav. On this occasion a Road-Show was flagged off by the principal of the College Prof. Suresh Kumar Sharma

The Road-Show started from the college and culminated back to the

college travelling via main Chowk, Hiranagar. Students of NCC and Departments mentioned above displayed placards on the various consumer rights viz. right to information, right of consumer education, right to be heard, right to be protected against marketing of hazardous goods, right to be assured, right to seek redressal against unfair trade practices. Dr. Davinder Kour HOD. Education, Prof. Ritika HOD. Political Science, Dr. Arun Kumar HOD. Sociology and Dr. Sukhdeep Singh Sasan,

ANO emphasised the importance of knowledge regarding consumer rights in day to day life of the individual.

Prof. Suresh Kumar Sharma, Principal of the College appreciated the efforts of faculty members and students in organising such events of Public importance. Prof. Sujat Khan, Coordinator IQAC also briefed the importance of Consumer Rights and appreciated the organisers of the event. This programme has been organised in collaboration with legal meteorological JK (UT) Jammu.

GDC Banihal organises 'River Festival'

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BANIHAL: NSS Unit of Government Degree College Banihal in collaboration with Department of EVS and Debates and Seminar Committee of the college organized River Festival as part of Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav on the theme "Importance of Rivers and Water bodies" under the overall supervision of the Principal Dr. Manohar Lal.

The event was made possible with the efforts of Prof. Ajay Kumar (NSS Programme Officer), Prof. Ram Parkash (HOD Mathematics), Deepak Kumar (PTI) and Prof. Sajad Ahmed Sultan (Convener, College Debates and Seminar Committee). On this occasion, an essay writing competition was held on "Importance of rivers and water bodies" in which various students partici-

pated with zeal. Students also sang patriotic songs. NSS volunteers visited the nearby rivulet in village Asher/Lamber where they talked with local community for ensuring the cleanliness of water bodies for keeping the environment clean and healthy. In the end, all the collected litter and waste was disposed off in an appropriate manner.

Kour BDO Samba, Narender Sharma President Municipality Nowshera, Zakir Mirza DSP Nowshera, Rajesh Jasrotia SHO Nowshera, Fr Sujith Mathew Principal, Head Girl Jasneet Kour and Shivia Sharma addressed the gathering. All together cut the cake with Santa Claus.

Children exhibited their talent through songs and dance performances. The students enthralled the audience by enacting the scene of Nativity. They emphasized the importance of caring and sharing and spreading goodness all around. The children spread cheer with their smiles and lovely attire.

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