

Ayushman Bharat scheme proving boon for poor: Koul



J&K BJP General Secretary (Org.) Ashok Kaul along with Councillor Sanjay Baru during visit to an Ayushman Camp.

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JAMMU: J&K BJP General Secretary (Org.) Ashok Kaul along with JMC Councillor Sanjay Kumar Baru other party leaders visited special Ayushman Camp organized by District Administration, Jammu.

On the occasion, BJP leaders also appealed to the leftover people to visit the camp and get them registered under the scheme. They said that residents of Jammu Urban whose families were not registered in Census-2011 can enroll name of their family members on spot in these Camps.

BJP senior leader Ayodhya Gupta, Mandal President Keshav Chopra, Councillor

ward-31 Sucha Singh, Nodal Officer Royal Bakshi, Ward President Ashok Wazir were also present in special Ayushman Bharat Camp at Luthra Public school, Bohri in ward-41 for registration of left-over beneficiaries under Ayushman Bharat who were not found in census 2011.

Ashok Koul, speaking on the occasion said that the Ayushman scheme is proving to be a boon for poor people as it has provided healthcare facilities to the individual beneficiaries who were earlier not able to afford the costly treatments due to economic constraints but now can avail free health insurance upto Rs 5 lakhs.

He termed it as magnificent

& historical step taken under popular leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi led Union Government to provide genuine service to deserving population. He said that the problems usually faced in these camps have been worked upon for the ease of general public with the focus on completion of process in minimum time.

Sanjay Kumar Baru said that crores of beneficiaries have got themselves registered under Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana-Ayushman Bharat and are seeking its benefits.

He said that now every person can avail treatment in best hospitals across the country which was a dream before for needy people.

He stressed that the success of the programme will require the active participation of several stakeholders including administration, socio-political activists, civil society, NGOs and others.

RK Koul, Rakesh Sharma, Bhubesh Sharma, Arun Dubey, Rajesh Saini and others also visited the Camp along with senior party leaders.

Govt Nursing College G'Nagar observes World AIDS Day



Students and officials during World AIDS Day at Government Nursing College, Gandhi Nagar.

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JAMMU: World AIDS Day was observed at Government Nursing College Gandhi Nagar; here. The programme was organized by students of B. Sc Nursing 1st year and 2nd year of Government Nursing College Gandhi Nagar under the guidance of Poonam Paul, Assistant Professor and Nursing faculty of the College.

The students of nursing college participated in various activities such as rangoli, poetry and street play.

The programme was inaugurated by Rasheed Khajuria (Assistant Director of Publicity and Rajesh Sharma (Assistant Director of Youth Affairs).

Students participated in

week long AIDS Awareness campaign started from November 26 to December 1 at Maternity Hospital Gandhi Nagar in collaboration with JKACS, to spread awareness regarding the theme of World AIDS Day 2021 'End Inequalities, End AIDS, End Pandemics' through various modes of communication such as poetry, speeches, posters, Rangoli, symposium, and street play.

Govt. Nursing College Gandhi Nagar Jammu received first and second prize in poster making competition at MCH Hospital Gandhi Nagar Jammu. college students also bagged third position in Rangoli making competition at Kala Kendra, Bikram Chowk.

CISF restores bag containing Rs 2.53 lakh lost at R K Ashram Metro Station to owner



CISF official handing over lost money to owner.

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NEW DELHI: Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) on Thursday restored a bag containing cash amount of Rs 2,53,545 lost at R K Ashram Metro Station to the rightful owner. On December at about 1640 hrs, the CISF personnel deployed at Karol Bagh Metro Station, noticed an unclaimed bag lying on the output roller of X-BIS machine

"The CISF enquired from the nearby passengers, but no

one came forward to claim the bag. Immediately, he informed his senior and Station Controller, who in turn rushed to the spot and the bag was checked from the security point of view," said an official statement by CISF.

"After ascertaining that there was no dangerous/hazardous item inside the bag, it was opened. On opening the bag, cash amounting to Rs 2,53,545 was found inside the bag. Thereafter, the bag con-

CWS JU organises lectures on 'Sexual Harassment at workplace'

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JAMMU: The Centre for Women's Studies (CWS), University of Jammu organized two special online lectures for the students of the certificate courses, namely Gender Issues and Women and Law, on the topic 'Sexual Harassment at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act 201'.

The lectures were delivered by Prof. Gurpreet Bal, former Dean and Head, Department of Sociology, Guru Nanak Dev University Amritsar.

The lectures were spread over two sessions per day covering both theoretical and conceptual clarification and the implementation supported with various case studies.

The special lectures began with welcome address by Prof. Vishav Raksha, Director CWS. She gave the brief overview of working of the Centre as well as of the two courses run by the Centre. Prof. Gurpreet Bal gave details about Gender aspects related to gender and violence and highlighted the



status of women in the patriarchal society who are facing various type of harassment at both private and public sphere.

She also focused on the principles related to patriarchy given by Andrea Dworkin highlighting the ideology of male supremacy in the form of physical power, power of terror, owning, naming, money and culture of silence.

She further dwelt on the Vishakha Guidelines and gave insights about the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act 2013. She also shared her personal experiences as

chairperson of ICC at GNDU, Amritsar and averred on the importance and working of Internal Complaint Committee in the institutions of higher learning and at workplace to address the challenges of harassment and its prevention. The lectures were attended by other students and research scholars as well.

Both the sessions were very interactive and students raised many queries and shared their observation and experiences.

The formal Vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Saranjit Kaur, faculty of the CWS.

Div Com inaugurates Amar Restaurant at Amar Singh Club



Div Com Jammu, Dr Raghav Langar inaugurating the renovated Amar Restaurant at Amar Singh Club.

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JAMMU: Divisional Commissioner Jammu and Vice President of the Amar Singh Club, Dr Raghav Langar on Thursday inaugurated the newly renovated Amar Restaurant at Amar Singh Club, here.

Dr Raghav Langar was accompanied by Anil Kapahi, Secretary of the Club and other executive members of the Club.

Dr Langar appreciated the renovations carried out

in the Amar Restaurant. The Secretary, Anil Kapahi apprised the Divisional Commissioner of the renovations and other activities carried out by the Club.

A meeting of the Executive Committee followed the inauguration where the Secretary of the Club apprised the members present about the various activities carried out by the Club. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Batwal community deputation meets ADC Jammu

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JAMMU: A deputation of Batwal Community met the Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) , Jammu, Ramesh Chander today and submitted to him DDC Chairman's letter accompanying an estimate prepared by the Block Development Officer, Marh proposed to be incurred on the tile work near Sri Guru Gyagi Ji Ashram, Shahzadpur Kothi Panchayat Dhatreyal for release of funds to the tune of Rs 4.62 lakh out of Special Component Plan to Block Development Officer, Marh in order that the said work could be executed on the ground. The Additional Deputy Commissioner assured the deputation that he would place the demand in the Plan on priority. Deputations comprised R.L Kaith, Rachpal Kaith, Duni Singh Motten and Tilak Raj.

Prof Youshvir kick-starts development works



Corporator Ward No-73, Prof Youshvir Singh inaugurating work to cover deep drain at Bhori Pind.

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JAMMU: Fulfilling a long pending demand of resident of Ward No-73, Gadigarh, Corporator Prof Youshvir Singh inaugurated work to cover the deep drain at Bhori Pind, near Peer Baba lane.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof Youshvir Singh said that Nalha was to be covered earlier but due to certain technicalities, the work was deferred for some time, but now same has been initi-

ated and would be completed at the earliest.

Expressing gratitude towards the Corporator, people present on the occasion accepted that they have got an active public representative after a long time, who has solved their various problems. "The Drain was constructed about 10 years back but could not be covered due to apathy of different public representatives, inspite of overwhelming support of people. But now,

Disaster Preparedness training held on eve of International Day for PwD at Bemina



Official speaking at a training programme.

Disaster Response Force (SDRF).

The training was attended by the Staff members of CRC, Students undergoing various para-medical courses at CRC, Parents of patients having disabilities, who undergo treatment and physiotherapy at CRC Bemina.

During the training the

participants were given practical sessions on Search & Rescue, Fire Fighting and First Aid by the expert instructors of SDRF led by Abdul Gaffar and Aijaz Ahmed.

Composite Regional Centre (CRC) Bemina has been established for Persons with Disabilities of J&K, by the Department of

Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India.

The objective of CRC is to build an inclusive society in which equal opportunities are provided for the growth and development of Persons with Disabilities, so that they can lead productive, safe and dignified lives.

The Centre also provides rehabilitation to Persons with Disabilities and assists in creating an enabling environment that provides such persons with equal opportunities, protection of their rights, and enables them to participate as independent and productive members of society.

DGP sanctions Rs 70 lakh special welfare relief in favour of NoKs of deceased cops

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JAMMU: Continuing with its endeavour to provide financial assistance to the families of martyred and deceased Police personnel/SPOs, the Director General of Police (DGP) J&K Dilbag Singh has sanctioned Rs 70 lakh special welfare relief for NoKs of deceased police personnel vide different orders of PHIQ. Under an order special welfare relief of Rs 22 lakh each has been sanctioned in favour of dependents and legal heirs of deceased SI Ranjit Singh and Sg.Ct. Mohammad Maqbool who expired due to illness. Rs 20 lakh

has been sanctioned in favour of legal heirs of deceased HC Darshan Lal who expired due to vehicular accident. Under another order of PHIQ, the DGP has sanctioned Rs 6 lakh in favour of dependents and legal heirs of deceased SPO Baljinder Singh who passed away due to road accident during the course of their engagement with the department. Pertinent to mention that Police headquarters has sanctioned over Rs 41 crore as Ex-gratia and Special welfare relief in favour of martyred/ deceased police personnel during this year till today.

JKPYC castigates Govt for 'multiplying' people's woes by price hike, inflation

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JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir Pradesh Youth Congress (JKPYC) has castigated the Narendra Modi led Union Govt for the price hike and inflation having broken all the previous records and leaving the common man to suffer on the aforesaid counts.

In a statement issued to

media here today, Udhay Bhanu Chib, President JKPYC while coming down heavily upon the NDA government said that it is a matter of great concern that the people across the nation who are yet to come out of the trauma of the ongoing pandemic witness their agonies multiplying with each passing day especially

due to the hike in the price of LPG cylinder and the inflation.

Accusing the Modi led government of bringing anti people policies and mishandling the affairs of governance on all fronts, Uday said where are the claims of being Pradhan Sevaks to address people's woes gone today?

DFSS holds protest rally against JMC



DFSS activists raising slogans during a protest.

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JAMMU: A number of activists of Dogra Front & Shiv Sena (DFSS), led by its President Ashok Gupta took out at protest rally in Jammu on Thursday against Jammu Municipal Corporation and some of its officers, who are hell bent to disturb the peaceful atmosphere of Jammu.

Speaking on the occasion, Gupta alleged that some officers of the Corporation

are creating tension and confusion among people. He further said that norms are being openly flouted by erring officers who have no fear of law.

"As per the rules, the consent of house is mandatory for JMC before initiating any action but it is said to say that various actions are being initiated without any information to even local corporator. During last 13 meetings of house,

nothing regarding drawing of yellow lines in front of shops was discussed but now the officers of the Corporation are carrying out the exercise on their whims and fancies," said Gupta, adding that recently at Shivaji Chowk, attempt was made to dismantle a godown and a shop was damaged JMC, without any prior discussion over the matter. Demanding a detailed enquiry in the matter, Gupta said that all such erring officers should be transferred from Jammu so that peace can be restored among shopkeepers.

Others present on the occasion included Chaman Lal, Vijay Kumar, Sham, Dinesh, Bantu, Prem, Vicky, Fauji and Caruso.

NMC demands release of three DA installments, blocked arrears

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JAMMU: President of the National Mazdoor Conference (NMC) Subash Shastri on Thursday appealed to the Prime Minister and Union Finance Minister to release the outstanding three DA installments arrears blocked while releasing the same to its employees and pensioners recently.

Shastri pointed out that it is the fitness of things that financial assistance so accrued by way of rising Dearness Allowance (DA) is release without any further delay.

Shastri further hoped that the Central Govt will consider the burning demand of both Central/States/UTs employees and pensioners in releasing the three DA installments blocked arrears in favour of these employees and pensioners at the earliest.

Apart from this long pending

demand of medical allowance has remained un-addressed, the same should be increased from Rs 300 to Rs 1000 per month which is-in- vogue, Shastri added. Shastri also demanded the regularization the services of daily rated workers working in various departments of JK UT Govt under SRO 64 implementation of all central labor laws in JK UT, enhancing the wages of DRWs at par with Central Government, releasing of all pending wages of DRWs beside setting up of Labor Welfare Board.

Other present on the occasion include Rajan Babu Khajuria, B.S Jamwal, Surinder Kumar, Ramesh Sharma, Mohd Sadeeq, Swarn Bhagat, Mustakh Ahmed, Tarseem Sharma, Darshan Bhagat, Vijay Bhagat, Sukhdev Singh, Ravinder Sharma, J.P Sharma, Girdhari Lal Bhagat and Bachno Devi.