

# 119th Syndicate meeting held at University of Jammu

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JAMMU: The 119th Syndicate meeting of University of Jammu was held under the chairmanship of Prof Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu. In his opening remarks, Prof Umesh Rai extended a warm welcome to Prof J.P Pandey, Vice-Chancellor, Madan Mohan Malviya University, Gorakhpur, Sh Shadi Lal Pandita, Director General Codes, Finance Department, J&K, Sh Abdul Majid Butt, Director (Finance), Higher Education Department, Sh Rakesh Kumar Badyal, Special Secretary to Govt, Higher education Department, J&K & other members of the Syndicate for their wholehearted support to University of Jammu. Prof. Rai in his address elaborated on recent initiatives of the University particularly in creating an ecosystem of Innovation and Entrepreneurship. He informed that University is envisaging to establish a sustainable Diagnostic Research Centre in Public Private Partnership mode wherein the Scholars and students from Biotechnology & Microbiology etc while doing their Internship can also learn and earn. In order to enhance the global visibility



VC JU, Prof Umesh Rai chairing 119th Syndicate meeting.

of the University and to attract faculty, experts, professionals and researchers from diverse fields to contribute to the emerging needs of the University and to enhance the quality of teaching, research, the syndicate meeting unanimously adopted UGC guidelines for empanelment of Adjunct faculty/distinguished visiting Faculty/Professors of Practice in the University. The revival of the Master Degree Programme in Defense and Strategic Studies under Choice Based Credit System in the Department of Strategic and Regional Studies, University of Jammu was approved by the Syndicate. The revival of Gandhian Studies Centre at the University of Jammu was also endorsed. The five year integrated B.Com LLB Programme at Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu was also endorsed by

the University syndicate. The Four-Year Integrated Course in B.Pharm (Bachelor of Pharmacy) at Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu with the objective to train the students about various drugs and their formulations and to maintain a standardised quality of people's health and living was also endorsed by the Syndicate. Introduction of Four Year BCA (Data Science) Programme under NEP-2020 from academic session 2022-23 in the Bhaderwah Campus was endorsed by the Syndicate. The Statutes Governing Four Years Under Graduate Programmes (FYUGP) as per National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 from the Academic Session 2022-23 onwards was endorsed by the University Syndicate. The Syndicate endorsed the introduction of a Master of Performing Arts (self-sup-

porting) in the Institute of Music and Fine Arts, University of Jammu with the following disciplines i.e Hindustani Classical Vocal Music, Hindustani Classical Sitar Instrument, Hindustani Classic Violin Instrument, Hindustani Classic Tabla Instrument and Indian Classical Dance Kathak. To upgrade the existing infrastructure and other allied services concerning to effective and smooth functioning of the Guest House, the constitution of the management committee for the effective and smooth functioning of the Guest houses of the University was approved. The item with regard to the adoption of Intellectual property Rights Policy of the University of Jammu was also endorsed by the University Syndicate. The members of the University Syndicate endorsed the introduction of

M.Com. & M.A. (English) online programmes in the Directorate of Distance Education, University of Jammu, Jammu from the Academic Session 2022-23 onwards, as per UGC (Open & Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and change of nomenclature of the Directorate of Distance Education to the Directorate of Distance and Online Education (DD & OE). The Syndicate meeting was attended by Prof Chandra Bhushan Sharma, Department of Education, IGNOU, Prof Sunita Singh Sengupta, Department of Management Studies, Delhi University, Prof Jasbir Singh, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof Seema Langar, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, Prof Anwar Hassan, Dean, Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences, Prof Aneesa Shafi, Head, Dept of Psychology, University of Kashmir. Dr Vishal Sharma, Principal, Govt Degree College Bani, and Dr M. Abbas Shah, Principal Govt Degree College, Marwah, The meeting was coordinated by Dr Neeraj Sharma, Special Secretary to Vice-Chancellor, and Dr Imran Farooq, Incharge Coordination section.

# AIIMS organises 4-days health camp at MVIS

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SAMBHA: MV International School (MVIS) in collaboration with AIIMS, Jammu organised a four days Health and Well-Being Camp for students and staff of the school.

Teams of doctors along with nursing staff visited the school to conduct health awareness sessions to make students aware about good health, well being, basic life skills and volunteer blood donation.

The programme was organised with the vision of Professor (Dr) Shakti Gupta, Director AIIMS Jammu, to raise awareness among the masses so that proper cautions could be taken while giving first aid to victims and hence saving their lives.

On the first day, team of doctors comprising of Dr. Meeta Gupta, Dr. Renu Sharma, Dr. Natasha Gupta & Dr. Harleen Kour conducted separate sessions for girls and boys of classes 9th & 11th.

Topic for the girls session was - Adolescent Health & Menstrual Health. This session was conducted in august presence of Vice Chairperson of school Savita



Team of AIIMS Jammu doctors along with MVIS faculty at a camp.

Abrol and Director Prep Wing Aakriti Abrol; whereas with the boys, discussions were held to aware them about different diseases, stress management, PCOD, drug abuse and adolescent life.

Second day's team of doctors comprised of Dr. Sunaina Gupta, Dr. Kanika Gupta, Dr. Heena Saini and Dr. Sandeepika Dogra.

Topic of session for students of class 10th was - Basic Life Support in which presentations and hands on experience was given on cardiac arrest, CPR, chest compression, infant choking, burn injury and fractures.

The third day's session for students of class 12th was

followed by the fourth day's session for the teachers in which Dr. Urveshi Kotwal and Dr. Sushant Kumar Menia raised consciousness for volunteer blood donation, its need and importance. Doctors made students and staff aware about why we all should donate blood and motivate everyone to do so.

Director of the School, Gourav Abrol and the Principal, Kundan Lal Dogra thanked the team of doctors and authorities of AIIMS Vijaypur for conducting such fruitful sessions and hence motivating the student community to render help to anyone who is in need of emergency care.

# MAM College celebrates National Energy Conservation Day

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JAMMU: National Energy Conservation Day was celebrated jointly by Department of Physics and Electronics in Collaboration with Inft. Unit of 2 J&K Boys Bn NCC and IQAC of Maulana Azad Memorial (MAM) College, Jammu under the aegis of My Town My Pride. The purpose of the event was to create awareness among the students and Faculty about the impact of energy usage on the environment, biodiversity, Global Warming, Climate change and promote ways of saving energy resources and various sustainable measures. The celebration was organ-

ized under the Supervision of Maj. Dr. Karan Singh HOD Physics and Associate NCC Officer of the College.

A welcome note of the event was given by Dr. Karan Singh. He said about the measures which we should take in our daily routine like adjust your day-to-day behaviors, use smart power strips, use energy efficient appliance etc.

The event was started with the Power Presentation given by Prof. Poonam Angotra, Prof. Physics MAM College.

The key notes which she described in the presentation were Energy Types, Why to Conserve?, Energy Conservation in India,

Bureau of Energy Efficiency(BEE), what can we do? and How will it Help.

NCC cadet Purab Kumar gave a speech telling about the history of National Energy Conservation Day and its importance.

The whole event was organized under the patronage of Dr. G S Rakwal, Principal MAM College.

He expressed his views that Nuclear Energy is the safest energy in the world and for future.

The other Staff members present on the occasion were Prof. Neeraj Sharma, Prof Shiv, Dr. Monita Bhat, Dr. Palvi Gupta, Dr. Ankita, Prof. Rajesh Gupta.

# Randhawa calls for building 'Atmanirbhar Bharat'



Former Legislator, Vikram Randhawa interacting with a delegation from Gadigarh.

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JAMMU: Former Legislator and senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader; Vikram Randhawa has called for building 'Atmanirbhar Bharat'.

The Former Legislator was interacting with a delegation from Gadigarh area of RS Pura Jammu South Assembly Segment, which came to meet him to discuss some issues pertaining to the 'Atmnirbhar Bharat'.

The residents of Gadigarh area are promoting 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' mission of Prime Minister Narendra Modi by doing own businesses, but are facing issues due to some department, which are harassing them on one pretext or other.

"Let us build a strong, stable, peaceful and prosperous India where there will be no poverty, illiteracy, gender and social discrimination," he said.

Randhawa also highlighted the importance of evidence-based policymaking to ensure that governance is responsive to the changes and disruptions. He also called for constant rethink and readjustment of policies and programs as per

emerging needs and requirements. Former Legislator underlined that the country holds tremendous potential and opportunities for entrepreneurs and investors. "To bring about the desired change, it is important that the government and private sector work together and build a better and stronger India," he said.

"Reforms are a political process. Reforms should be appropriate for implementation at the ground level, must generate resources, and have the legitimacy and administrative capacity. Accountable and efficient governance should reach the last person," said Randhawa.

"Reforms are not a one-stop-shop. Great reforms come from great activism. The Administration should truly look into the administrative capacity to form accountable and efficient reforms, so it reaches the last-mile. There is a loss of legitimacy. Nowadays the important reforms programs are not being discussed," said Former Legislator.

He assured the visiting delegation of taking up their issues pertaining to the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' with the concerned authorities for early redressal.

# 'Congress' victory in Himachal will impact J&K Assembly polls'

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JAMMU: Hari Singh Chib, President District Congress Committee Jammu Rural has asserted that the victory of Congress in Himachal Pradesh will definitely have a strong impact on the upcoming Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory and the people here are waiting for the moment to teach BJP a lesson. He said that it is a clear indication of the fact that the people of Himachal Pradesh have rejected the 'Jumla Party' i.e. Bharatiya Janata Party and reposed their trust and confidence in the grand old Congress party. He expressed this while conducting door to door campaign in Jammu North Assembly segment here today.

The senior Congress leader stated that people of Himachal Pradesh were already fed up with the false promises of the Saffron party which were made prior to elections never to be fulfilled. Therefore waiting for the appropriate time these

people in the Assembly elections punished BJP by ousting it from power in this State making use of the power of ballot. He said that the position elsewhere in most of States and Union Territories including that of J&K is also the same and the people there too are waiting to punish BJP for its utter mis-governance as a result of which the common man continues to get crumble under the miseries. Hari Singh Chib said that only Congress can ensure equitable development across the Jammu and Kashmir and provide succour to the people here. Asserting that Congress Govt in J&K is the only solution to end the woes of the people here, Hari Singh appealed to the people to extend full support to Congress in the upcoming Assembly elections whenever these are announced. He said that the mood and pulse of the people against the BJP is clearly visible on ground and with people's support Congress will display excellent performance in the impending Assembly polls in J&K.

# Business Fest organised at Central University of Jammu

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JAMMU: Department of Human Resource Management, School of Business Studies, Central University of Jammu on Wednesday organised Business Fest "Anubhuti-The Vibe" a student driven event.

Prof Sanjeev Jain, Vice Chancellor has created an enthusiastic environment at the university wherein all the students actively participated in various activities.

The dignitaries present were Sanjeev Garg, Director, Airport Authority of India, Raj Koul, Head, Operational Excellence, Digital Procurement Centre's-APAC Eriiesson, Khurshid Maqbool,



VC CUJ, Prof Sanjeev Jain and others inaugurating business fest.

Deputy Director, CII J&K, Yaseen Kitchloo, SSP, Gaurav Gupta, General Secretary, CCI Jammu, Raman Sharma, Block Development Officer, RDD & PR, J&K, Aman Talla, Managing Director, Talla Jewellers, Arnab and Sanchaita Pradhan,

Entrepreneur, Founder Shilpkari, Bazaar, Tanvir Singh Gujral, CEO TVS Filter Industries, Dheeraj Gupta, CEO, Nivesh, Arti Mahajan Dingra, Lifestyle Influencer, etc.

The fest started with the release of the ticket Anubhuti-

The Vibe. The fest was sponsored by Talla Jewellers and 92.7 Big FM. The event also included Poster exhibition on Harvard Business Review Cases.

The fest covered a number of activities in which nearly 75 students from different Universities / Colleges participated. The winners of the activities were awarded with cash prizes.

Dr. Neelika Arora and Dr. Gowhar Rasool, Assistant Professors, Department of Human Resource Management & Organizational Behaviour organized the event under the supervision of Prof. Jaya Bhasin, Dean, School of Business Studies.

# Dy Mayor starts blacktopping work at Lower Gadigarh

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JAMMU: Deputy Mayor Jammu, Baldev Singh Billawaria, on Wednesday started the blacktopping work for Lower Gadigarh area. Billawaria was accompanied by Ward 10 Corporator Anil Masoom, former Sarpanch Vijay Sharma, Rinku Sharma, Rakesh Sharma, Sarvan Kumar, Bhushan Kumar, Mulkh Raj, Suraj Prakash, Kesar Lal and PWD officers.

"This is an important step and I am confident that it will help improve the living conditions for the people of Lower Gadigarh. I thank the authorities for their efforts and commitment to this work. I am sure that this will be beneficial to the people of Lower Gadigarh



Dy Mayor, Baldev Singh Billawaria after starting blacktopping work at Lower Gadigarh.

and will help improve the quality of life for them," Deputy Mayor said.

He said that the Government has also identified certain areas in Jammu which will be given priority for road construction.

He also added that the Government is also in the process of creating a database of all roads in the city and the condition of each

one. This will help in proper planning of road works in the future.

Former Sarpanch Vijay Sharma, while appreciating the efforts of the Deputy Mayor, Jammu said that Baldev Singh Billawaria is always ready to provide support to his workers.

Later, Baldev Singh Billawaria, Deputy Mayor, Jammu conducted a tour of

Ward 55, Arjun Vihar. The Deputy Mayor took stock of the development works going on in these areas and listened to the problems of the residents.

He assured the residents that their grievances will be addressed shortly. Local residents thanked Billawaria for visiting them and listening to their problems.

# BJP nominates office bearers, Morcha Presidents of District Jammu Border

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JAMMU: BJP Jammu Border District President Sunil Dutt Shastri in consultation with J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina, J&K- General Secretary Organization Ashok Kaul and other senior leaders nominated office bearers and BJP Morcha Presidents of BJP District Jammu Border.

For Jammu Border District, Bharat Bhushan (Arnia), Jarnial Singh (Grahana), Rakesh Kumar (Powal), Harbans Choudhary (Badyal Brahmana), Vijay Sharma (Brij Nagar), Jai Bharat (Bishnah), Svaran Singh (Bhula Chak), Mamta Malhotra (Kharian) have been nominated as District Vice Presidents; Rinku Choudhary (Chakrohi) and Chander Bhushan (Sallar) as District General

Secretaries; Anita Devi (Badyal Qazian), Sandeep Sharma (Bishnah), Girdhar Gopal (Arnia), Joginder Singh (Chak Mohammad Yar), Rajeev Sharma (Chakda), Rashpaul Singh (Baja Chak), Yashpaul (Rathana) and Som Nath (Jinder Melu) as District Secretaries; Jung Bahadur (Arnia) and Manoj Kumar (Arnia) as District Office Secretaries; Somu Pandit (Arnia) as District Social Media Secretary and Deepak Kumar (Kana Chak) as Addl. Social Media Secretary; Anurag Gupta (Arnia) as District IT Incharge Secretary; Rohit Sharma (Agra Chak) as Press Secretary and Veena Devi (Chumbian Jattan) addl. Press Secretary; Ramesh Pella (Arnia) as Treasurer and Yuvraj Singh (Kalyana) as Addl. Treasurer; Surat Singh Charak (Kalyana

Kotha), Yash Paul (Maralian), Om Prakesh Sharma (Brdila) and Satish Kumar (Badyal) as District Spokespersons; Anil Kumar (Satryan) and Ashu Saini (Kilehpur) as District Publicity Secretary.

For Jammu Border District, Meena Kumari (Lala Chal) has been nominated as President, (BJP Mahila Morcha; Harish Sharma (Khojipjur) as President, Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha; Natha Ram (Balachak) as President, BJP SC Morcha; Ashok Virldhi (Byasapur) as President, BJP OBC Morcha; Ragbir Singh Charak (Changia) as President, BJP Kissan Morcha; Sulkhan Singh (Kotli Arjun Singh) as President, BJP Minority Morcha; Lyakt Ali (Jodhahfarm) has been nominated as President, BJP ST Morcha.

# Apni Party's agenda gained public acceptance in shortest period: Bukhari

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SRINAGAR: An eminent social personality from north Kashmir's Wagoora Baramulla Shabir Ahmad Shah joined Apni Party in presence of Party President Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari and other top leaders prior to the party's convention organized at Wagoora on Wednesday.

The party leaders gave Shabir Ahmad Shah a

warm welcome into the party fold and assured him that the entire leadership will be behind him when he is out there to serve the people in his area.

On this occasion, Bukhari expressed his pleasure over Shah's joining into the party.

He said, "It is a great pleasure to greet people like Shabir Ahmad Shah into Apni Party. He is a well-known personality and

people respect him for his helping behavior; and I am sure that after joining Apni Party he will be more active in terms of serving his people. Also, his presence in the party will strengthen our cadre in Wagoora further. I would like to advise him to start his political activities and public outreach in order to get connected with his people to work for their interests."

He said, "Apni Party has the distinction of being the only party in J&K that gained public acceptance in the shortest period of time after it was established. The way people, mostly reputed political leaders and activists, from each and every corner of J&K have been joining our hands for past more than two years indicates that people trust our clear-cut agenda and policies."