

Ved Mandir Committee celebrates 106th Annual Day

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JAMMU: Ved Mandir Committee, a registered society running a orphanage at Ved Mandir Jammu, on Wednesday organized its 106th Annual Day.

The function was started with lighting the lamp by its President, invited Swami of Kailash Ashram Chinoor and other dignitaries followed by chanting of Ved Mantras by the students from Ved Vidhyalya and Bal Niketan.

After paying obeisance to its founder Swami Champa Nath Ji, all the members and children present sung and chanted Shree Hanumaan Chalisa Path.

Shiv Raina, Patron of Ved Vidhyalya, welcomed the guests and highlighted series of events about the formation of Ved Mandir Committee.

He stated that about 106 years ago Shree Maharaja Pratap Singh, the then Ruler of Jammu and Kashmir, donated a 85 Kanal piece of land for spreading the novel cause of Vedic culture to



Swami of Kailash Ashram Chinoor lighting a lamp.

Swami Champa Nath who was a great Vedic Scholar of the time.

Swami Ji by putting great efforts to spread Vedic culture among the general mass and creating this a religious movement to help the poor this place became an ideal galaxy where number of social organizations are functioning presently, he said adding that this organization has now become an ideal philanthropist in the Jammu and Kashmir and working exclusively for the welfare of

orphan children with the help of donations from public.

The Secretary rendered a detailed note on the ongoing works being taken up by the Ved Mandir and further informed about the start of construction work of two storey on the existing Balika Niketan Building .

Swami Ji of Kailash Ashram Chinoor lauded the work of Ved Mandir Committee for their selfless services being rendered for the welfare of the orphan children and other social works.

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SAMBA: The Junior Wing of Humanity Public School celebrated its 42nd Annual Day cum Prize Distribution Function at General Zorawar Singh Auditorium Complex, University of Jammu amidst great zest, vibrancy and elation on Wednesday.

All the dignitaries welcomed with bouquets by Meera Charak (Chairperson, HPS, Bassi-Kalan, Bari-Brahmana), Gaurav Charak (Principal) and Anku Charak (Vice Principal) along with Incharges Akash Deep Raina, Keshav Raj Sharma, Parsidh Singh, Mahan Singh, Ajay Sharma, Namrata Sharma and Vandana Sharma.

Dr. Ravi Shankar Sharma (Director, School Education Jammu) was the Chief Guest and Gulchain Singh Charak former Minister presided over the function.

Dr. Vivek Gupta (Senior Radiologist, J&K Health



Students posing with chief guest, faculty members and other dignitaries.

Services) was the Guest of Honour while other dignitaries including Jaswant Singh (Chief Education Officer, Samba), Jodhraj (Executive Officer) Municipal Committee, Bari-Brahmana, Deepti Padmanabhan (Asstt. Administrative Officer, Dhanvantri Library), Gurdeep Singh (General Secretary, Mastogi-do-Federation of India), Capt. Bachan Lal (Chairman, Municipal Committee, Bari-Brahmana) were present during the event.

The function started with

lighting of traditional lamp by the Chief Guest and other dignitaries in the presence of the Chairperson, Meera Charak, Principal and Vice Principal.

Ankit Tandon, Head Boy of the school welcomed all the guests followed by Saraswati Vandana by the students of Primary Wing.

Principal, Gaurav Charak presented the Annual Report and gave a brief description about the students, their achievements and future plans etc.

The entire Auditorium

reverberated with the energy and superb theatrics of the actors through an array of dances.

The Chief Guest appreciated the school management for rendering valuable services to the people of the area by providing quality education to the students and enabling them to make successful career in various walks of life. The guest of honour appreciated the students and staff for their excellent efforts in making the event successful.

The whole function was carried out under the guidance of Vice Principal of the Institution Anku Charak.

Later Gaurav Charak felicitated the guests with the mementoes. The stage was managed by Namarata Sharma, Aradhana Bhagat, Pooja Jamwal & Aparna Charak.

Finally, the vote of thanks was presented by Angel Gupta of seventh standard.

BJP asks Educational Institutions to hold tributes on Veer Bal Diwas

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JAMMU: Appreciable decision taken by Central Government of declaring martyrdom day of Sahibzadas of Shri Guru Govind Singh as 'Bal Diwas' is huge stride towards honouring and remembrance of two sons of Guru Govind Singh who sacrificed their lives rather than surrendering before tyrants. Day falls on 26th December when Sahibzadas Zorawar Singh and Fateh Singh were martyred by sealing them in wall.

Chief Spokesperson of Jammu and Kashmir Bhartiya Janata Party, Sunil Sethi called upon educational institutions particularly in private sector to hold discussions, seminars and tributes to pay homage to Bal Martyrs who preferred to lay down their lives than succumbing to dictate of Nawab Khan to convert to Islam. The option before children of great Guru was to convert or to die. They chose later smilingly.

He said that in their martyrdom the Sahibzadas have taught greatest lesson to whole humanity of remaining steadfast in resolve and beliefs and not to be afraid of oppressors.

"It's their shining example of extreme sacrifice which lays foundation of Indian society. Though less in age but they were high in commitment and belief in God. The whole nation is indebted to Supreme Sacrifice," Sethi said.

Sunil Sethi called upon education Institutions as also NGOs to help in inculcating the high moral values in the children by following example of Sahibzadas to make Country and religions proud.

The tribute paid by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to Sahibzadas and their supreme sacrifice is reflective of mood of whole nation. Veer Bal Divas is singularly most important event in the making of New India.

All J&K POJK 1947 SIF deputation meets Chairman NCM, submits memorandum

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JAMMU: A deputation of All J&K POJK 1947 Sharnarhi Intellectual Forum under the Presidentship of Advocate Amrik Singh and Secretary Surjit Singh met with Iqbal Singh Lalpura, Chairman, National Commission for Minorities (NCM), and submitted their charted of demands related to Sikh community to him.

The deputation demanded inclusion of J&K Sikhs in Minority status, proper rehabilitation of POJK 1947 Displaced Persons and registration of their leftout property in POJK, release of their comprehensive package of balance amount of Rs 24.50 lakhs, accord Punjabi as official language in J&K UT, nomination of a Sikh member in J&K Public Service Commission and Service Selection Board, appointment of an educated and honest Sikh member as Member of State Minority Commission for J&K, implementation of Wadhwa Commission Report in toto, etc.

The Chairman listened the Forum patiently and assured to look into all the demands sympathetically and will be also put up before the Union Govt. for its positively consideration.

The members who participated include Kuldeep Singh Vice President, Nasib Singh, Jagjit Singh, Manjit Singh and others.



Deputation of All J&K POJK 1947 SIF calling on Iqbal Singh Lalpura, Chairman NCM.

Rekha announces team for BJP Mandal RS Pura-Miran Sahib



District President Jammu South Rekha Mahajan with new team of RS Pura -Miran Sahib Mandal.

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) President RS Pura -Miran Sahib Mandal, Vikram Sandhu in consultation with District President Jammu South Rekha Mahajan, Incharge Jammu-Poonch Parliamentary Constituency Vibodh Gupta and Prabhari Ayodhya Gupta on Wednesday announced BJP Mandal RS Pura-Miran Sahib team members.

Shashi Uttam has been

nominated as Vice President, Roshan Lal as Vice President, Tilak Raj and Anju Bala as Vice Presidents, Ravinder Sharma as General Secretary and Rajinder Kumar as General Secretaries, Surinder Choudhary, Vijay Sharma, Ram Lal Kali, Ashok Kumar and Darshna Devi as Secretaries, Sandeep Sharma as Spokesperson, Kishore Sharma as Cashier, Anju Bala as Office Secretary, Hardev

Raj as Publicity Secretary, Kartik Sharma as Media Secretary, Priyansh Sharma and Parveen Kumar as IT Cell Incharges, Ramesh Kumar as SC Morcha President, Ramesh Kumar Panch as Kissan Morcha President, Harmeet Sharma as Yuva Morcha President, Sonia Memotra as Mahila Morcha President, Gurshanpal Singh as Minority Morcha President whereas Lucky Verma nominated as OBC Morcha President.

DIG U-R Range reviews security of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Katra

Police to conduct verification of migrants, pony operators in Katra

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KATRA: Mohd Suleman Choudhary DIG Udhampur-Reasi Range conducted security review meeting of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine at Katra on Wednesday.

Meeting was attended by Amit Gupta SSP Reasi, Commandant CRPF, SP Katra, SDPO Katra, DySP Bhawan Officers from Army, CID, Traffic and district special branch. The Officer reviewed each and every security drill of the SMVD Shrine, yatra route, safety and security of pilgrims visiting to pay obeisance to the holy shrine on daily basis.



DIG U-R Range, Mohd Suleman Choudhary chairing security review meeting at Katra.

Deputy Inspector General of Police further directed to conduct joint security drill with CAPF and other intelligence agencies for security of the shrine. He further

stressed upon verification and census of migrants in and around Katra town, pony porters and others in the towns to check the entry of any suspicious element in the

area. He further directed to conduct regular checking of the hotels and other residential accommodations on randomly basis for verification of character and antecedents of the person visiting there.

The officer also reviewed the attempts to revive the militancy in parts of district Reasi, directed all concerned officers to revisit the list of OGWs of the Police Stations, monitoring of social media sites including Facebook, Whatsapp etc to curb the new pattern of radicalization.

Officer especially stressed upon the safety and security of huge numbers of pilgrims going to visit the shrine in coming days and on 31st of December in view of new year and directed the officers and officials to work with cooperation and coordination to avoid any untoward incident.

Meeting ended with the note on coordination and cooperation between all the security forces and intelligence agencies deployed for the safety of pilgrims and security of the Shrine.

Be aware of suspicious, spurious food products: FDA J&K

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JAMMU: To trace the wrong doers so that malpractices may not left unabated, on Wednesday early morning on specific inputs the team of Food and Drugs Administration (FDA) (Food Wing) on the directions of Commissioner FDA J&K raided in two shops of Fruits and Vegetable Mandies of Jammu, where the wholesalers were found selling suspicious food items like fat spread coping butter and cream making the public convinced with the detailing of Butter of fat spread



(Better D lite & Light) which is a deception without any standards and specifications.

The team expressed that these types of suspicious or spurious products are not only risk

to human health but a big challenge for Food Regulatory System too. To avoid such incidences, the Food Regulators needs the co-operation of professional registered marketers and the citizens/consumers .

During the raids two samples of fat spread coping butter and one sample of cream has been collected from the sellers and sent to lab for analysis under FSSAI. The team draw attention of the public to be aware of such public health risks and in case of suspicious situation toll free no.104 is available for consumer safety.

NMC Chairman discusses Sikh community issues



Chairman NMC. Iqbal Singh talking to reporters.

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JAMMU: Chairman National Minority Commission (NMC) Iqbal Singh and the office bearers of District Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (DGPC) Jammu addressed a joint press conference in connection with the issues of the Minority Community of Sikhs of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory at Gurdwara Baba Fateh Singh, Jammu today in the presence of large number of Sikh Sangat.

President DGPC Jammu Ranjeet Singh Thhra who welcomed the NMC Chairman, highlighted the step motherly

treatment meted out to the Sikh Community by the successive Governments in Jammu and Kashmir. The Office bearers of DGPC including Balvinder Singh Vice President, Surjit Singh Gen Secretary, Charanjit Singh Bholla President DGPC Kathua, Gurmeet Singh member DGPC Samba and Ranvir Singh Jt Secretary also addressed the Press Conference and highlighted that additional ex-gratia to be paid to the NOKs of those killed in 1989 anti Sikh riots in Jammu, to take up steps for implementing Punjabi in Schools and to issue

necessary instructions for the promotion of Punjabi in JKUT, implementation of Anand Marriage Act in JK UT, Installation Baba Banda Singh Bahadur at Kunjwani Chowk, grant OBC status to Sikhs living in Kashmir Valley, Bhatra Biradri and Shikligar Biradri of JKUT, to extend 27% OBC quota in JKUT to Lubana Biradri, already granted to them by the Central Government and is implemented in various other states of the country.

Iqbal Singh Lalpura said that LG Manoj Sinha has expressed keen interest in addressing the above mentioned genuine and legitimate demands of Sikh community at the earliest and some of them within few days. In the concluding remarks Lalpura asked the Sikh Community members to remain in touch with the commission in future also as his doors are always open for the Minority Community for redressal of their grievances.

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JAMMU: A Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh comprising Chief Justice (A) and Justice Rajesh Sekri had clarified that the eviction suits against the tenants can be filed and continued before the civil courts.

This significant order has been passed in an application filed by Lt. Col. L.K Gupta seeking clarification of order dated 13.12.2012. The grievance of the petitioner in the PIL was primarily with regard to the transfer of the disputes under the Residential and Commercial Tenancy Act, 2012 (for short 'the Act of 2012') and the bar of the jurisdiction of Civil Courts, in as much as even the suits or cases already pending before Civil Courts were also transferred to revenue Courts constituted under the Act of 2012. This Court as an interim measure vide order dated 12.09.2012 was pleased to stay the operation of J&K Residential and Commercial Tenancy Act,

2012. Subsequently vide order dated 13.12.2012, the order dated 12.09.2012 was modified providing that the mechanism postulated under the old act shall continue and the suits and appeals which were pending or which have been withdrawn by virtue of the provisions of Section 42 (4) of the Act of 2012 shall continue to be adjudicated by the Rent Controller or Appellate Rent Controller who had been earlier clothed with the power. The withdrawal of the earlier suits or Appeals would be deemed to be restored to the board of the court of competent jurisdiction on filing of appropriate application by the party concerned. Sr. Adv Pranav Kohli appearing for the applicant, seeking clarification of the order dated 13.12.2012 on the ground that the eviction suits which have been filed under the provisions of Act of 2012 after the repeal of Houses and Shops and Rent Control Act, 1966, in the said suit, the tenants are filing the

application under Order 7 Rule 11 CPC for rejection of the complaints on the ground that amended Act has been stayed by the Division Bench of this Court and, therefore, no adjudication can take place under the new Act. During the course of hearing Sr. Adv Pranav Kohli submitted that the applicant has also filed the civil suit for eviction against the tenant before the Civil Court (Sub Judge Court) under the provisions of Act of 2012, under which an application came to be filed by the tenant under Order 7 Rule 11 CPC for rejection of the complaint on the premise that the Act of 2012 has been stayed by this Court in the PIL in hand. He submits that the Court of the learned Sub Judge rejected the application of the tenant/defendant.

The Defendant/tenant has filed a Civil Revision before this Court bearing Civil Revision No. 04/17 titled as, 'Suresh Chowdhary Vs. Lt. Col. L.K. Gupta' in which the interpretation of the orders passed by

this Court has been called in question. It is thus, imperative and inevitable that the order passed by this Court dated 13.12.2012 is required to be clarified on the following two points Whether the operation of the Residential and Commercial Tenancy Act, 2012 has been stayed in terms of order dated 13.12.2012 and Whether the civil courts can try and adjudicate the tenancy disputes under the Residential and Commercial Tenancy Act, 2012 or the same have to be tried under the repealed Act i.e., House and Shops and Rent Control Act, 1966?

DB after hearing Sr. Adv Pranav Kohli for the applicant, clarified that the operation of the Residential and Commercial Tenancy Act, 2012 was stayed by the Division Bench of this Court by virtue of order dated 12.09.2012 and the said order, as a matter of fact, came to be modified in terms of order dated 13.12.2012, by virtue of which, the suits and appeals which were

pending or which were withdrawn by virtue of the provisions of Section 42(4) of Act of 2012 were directed to be continued to be adjudicated by the Rent Controller or Appellate Rent Tribunal, who had been earlier clothed with the power. The said order also provided that the withdrawal of earlier suits or Appeals would be deemed to be restored to the board of the court of competent jurisdiction on filing of appropriate motion by the party concerned and It is manifest from the modification order dated 13.12.2012 that the concerned Rent Controllers or Appellate Rent Tribunals earlier clothed with the power are continued to be vested with the powers to adjudicate the suits and appeals respectively, already pending before the said authorities, which came to be withdrawn in terms of Section 42(4) of the Act of 2012, however, with the assistance of the mechanism/procedure postulated under the old act.