

Div Com inspects progress on Chenani Sudhmahadev road, Yoga Centre in Mantalai

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UDHAMPUR: Divisional Commissioner, Ramesh Kumar on Friday conducted an extensive tour of Chenani Sub division of the district Udhampur and inspected progress on Chenani Sudhmahadev road and International Yoga Centre in Mantalai.

The Div Com was accompanied by Director Tourism Jammu, Vivekanand Rai; Deputy Commissioner, Udhampur Krittika Jyotsna; Chief Engineer PWD, PC Tanoch; Chief Engineer, Jal Shakti Department, Himesh Kumar; Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mohammad Syed Khan; CEO PDA, Sher Singh; SDM Chennai and other officers of different departments.

En-route, the Divisional Commissioner inspected the 16 Kilometer Chenani-Sudhmahadev NH-244 Road being executed by NHIDCL.

The officers of NHIDCL apprised the Divisional Commissioner about the present status of work on the



Divisional Commissioner, Ramesh Kumar during extensive tour of Chenani Sub division.

16.6 km road. It was informed that over 75 percent work on the road has been completed, while work on major bridges was in progress.

Later, the Divisional Commissioner visited the International Yoga Centre and took a round of all the components and inspected the progress of work.

He also chaired a meeting of concerned officers and reviewed the progress of the International Yoga centre under construction at Mantalai Udhampur. The Project Manager, NPCC, K. R. Rana briefed the Div Com about the latest progress on

DC also paid obeisance at the holy shiv mandir at Sudhmahadev and prayed for peace and prosperity of the UT.

Meanwhile, Earlier, the Div Com, Director Tourism and

the prestigious project.

He informed that the project consists of 23 components which includes the tourist Facilitation Centre, Yoga wellness spa & Ayurveda complex, dining centre, eco-log huts, meditation enclave etc. He further apprised the Div Com that the work was in its final stages and would be completed soon.

The Div Com asked the Project Manager, NPCC to engage additional Men and Machinery and expedite the ongoing work for its completion within the given time frame. He further stressed to maintain the quality of work leaving no scope of further delay in the completion of the project.

The Div Com asked the DC to monitor and follow up the ongoing work on daily basis and take fortnightly review meetings for smooth and early completion of the International Yoga Centre.

The PMGSY department was directed to ensure all the patchwork of the PMGSY

road from Sudhmahadev to Mantalai should be completed at an earliest.

He also reviewed the facilities for tourists in the area and directed for further up gradation of the facilities.

Meanwhile, a deputation of PRIs including local people led by BDC Chairman, Chenani met with Div Com at Mantalai and raised several issues related to the main entry gate. They demanded construction of alternate roads for inhabitants of Mantalai, expediting the process of JJM tendering, establishment of KV school in the area, appointment of Safai Karamcharis at Sudhmahadev and Mantalai, augmentation of water power supply etc.

The Div Com gave a patient hearing and passed on the spot directions to the concerned officers for resolving the issues. He also assured the public/ PRIs that all their genuine demands would be redressed as per norms in a time bound manner.

BGSBU organises symposium on India's G20 Presidency

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RAJOURI: Baba Ghulam Shah University organized a symposium on India: A role model for the world through its G20 Presidency on Friday.

The symposium was the first in the series of events the University has planned regarding India's G20 presidency.

Dr. Danish Iqbal Raina, Deputy Director, Centre for Hospitality and Tourism, BGSBU delivered the lecture on the theme of the symposium.

Dr. Danish said that it was a watershed moment in the history of our country when we have assumed the presidency of the G20 group. Dr. Danish said that the world has realized potential India has in leading the globe and provide the best solutions for various global issues.

Prof. Akbar Masood, Vice Chancellor, BGSBU University said that congratulated the countrymen on India assuming the G20's Presidency for one year till November 30, 2023, terming it a matter of pride for every citizen of the country.

Prof. Akbar said India is now chairing a group of countries whose economic potential represents 85 per-

cent of the world's GDP, 75 percent of the world's trade, and two-thirds of the world's population.

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Dr. Raina deliberated on the priority areas, India has chosen during its presidency and mentioned that the entire world is looking at

India to propel its role as an emerging leader in the global scenario, where it will focus on steering global engagement, growth, and development, environmental concerns, digital economy, and infrastructure in the developing world.

A large number of students from the College of Nursing, EVS, Management studies, and other departments participated in the event. Those who were present on the occasion included faculty members and research scholars from various departments. Dr. Parvez Abdulla, Coordinator NSS presented the concluding remarks. The event was organized by the media cell of the University in collaboration with the NSS unit of the University.

Seminar held on communal harmony & national integration

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RAJOURI: 105th seminar for the promotion of communal harmony, National Integration was held in the premises of Govt. High School, Dhok Kangri near the border area of Tehsil Beri Patti Distt. Rajouri with collaboration with school administration. The seminar was arranged by Lekh Raj Raina, a social activist of the area, organizer of Peace and Harmony under the chairmanship of Bimla Sharma, Headmaster of the School.

Staff members and school students, prominent dignitaries, social worker of the area were also present in the seminar. About 5 youth of the school spoke on the subject with their speeches, songs, poems.

Organizer of the seminar Lekh Raj Raina in his address recited a beautiful song for the promotion of



Organiser along with faculty and students.

communal harmony and also stressed that if we want to live in peace we should work for the promotion of communal harmony for unity and brotherhood. Chief Guest Bimla Sharma thanked Lekh Raj Raina for organizing such seminar.

GDC Khour organises Workshop on 'Waste to Art' creation

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KHOUR: NSS unit of GDC Khour organized a workshop on "Waste to Art" creation. The workshop was organized by NSS unit of the college in collaboration with Samast Eco-Alternatives. The resource person for the training programme was Rajat Salgotra founder of the start-up Samast Eco-Alternatives. The theme of the workshop was to create Art out of Waste products primarily

ly Cow Dung. Students were trained how to make different products with Cow Dung like Plant Pots, Incense Sticks, Ganesh Idols, and other decorative items. Forty-Five volunteers from different semesters participated in this training programme. This programme was organized by NSS Programme Officer Gurvinder Kour under the guidance of Prof. (Dr) T K Sharma, principal of the college.

SKPA holds training to enable police officers to be custodian of society



A participant receiving certificate.

growth of an individual. In the brainstorming sessions, they discovered that every interaction with the stakeholder is an opportunity for Karmayogi moment inevitably important to bring peace, happiness in general public. In his valedictory address, speaking at the end of the course, Suraj Singh, Dy.SP, Master trainer suggested to make peer groups back home for large scale differentiation of the Mission Karmayogi.

also merrily sung welcome songs for the visiting guests and tourists.

The visiting guests were received at Larya Top by Sarpanch Sangita Sharma Upper Bhajwal A along with prominent citizens of the area. It is pertinent to mention here that Tourism Department is continuously organizing adventure activities along with publicity events in different regions of Jammu Division. The event concluded with plantation drive at Larya Top. Among those present on the occasion were Ms. Ambika Bali Assistant Director Tourism Rajouri, Ms. Aarti BDO Sunderbani, Sh. Muntaz Ahmed Tourist Officer Rajouri, Sh. Sanjay Sharma Councilor Sunderbani and other prominent citizens from Sunderbani town.

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