

# J&K witnessed real dev under PM Modi: Koul

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DODA: Jammu and Kashmir BJP general secretary (org) Ashok Koul, alongwith State Vice President Shakti Parihar, District President Vijay Mohan, former MLA Bhaderwah Daleep Singh Parihar, Secretary (org) Vipin Sharma and other senior party leaders, addressed a large public gathering under "Booth Jan Samvad Maha Abhiyaan" at panchayat Paryot A and B, in Khellani mandal of district Doda.

Ashok Koul, while addressing the gathering, said that like other parts of the country, Jammu and Kashmir, too has been benefitted by the development projects and the welfare schemes of BJP government under Prime Minister Narendra



BJP General Secretary (Org) Ashok Koul addressing gathering at Doda on Sunday.

Modi. For the first time in the history of J&K, the people here have witnessed the real development in various fields. Widening of existing roads, expressways, construction of flyovers, extending rail connectivity, upgradation and modernization of railway stations and airports, mega power projects, prestigious educational institutions like IIT, IIM, estab-

lishing premier healthcare infrastructure, medical colleges at district levels, are among large list of what this UT has got from Modi government in less than ten years.

Ashok Koul said that almost every citizen of J&K has been covered under welfare schemes of the Union Government. The poor, women, farmers, youth,

refugees, displaced persons, all have got share in centrally sponsored schemes. Today, there has been a change in the socio- economic status of many sections, he said.

Ashok Koul said that large number of people attending the "Booth Jan Samvad Maha Abhiyaan" programmes and rallies are from among the beneficiaries of welfare schemes. They come to these programmes to express gratitude to the PM for coming forward as messiah and make their lives dignified.

Shakti Parihar, said that the people of hilly and far-flung areas were the worst sufferers for decades together when there were Congress, NC and PDP in power. It is only BJP government under PM Narendra Modi, which treated all

regions, faiths equal in its programmes and policies. Modi government bridged the gap between rural and urban, plain and hilly areas and presented true model of concern for one and all.

Dalip Singh Parihar, spoke on various projects of road connectivity in hilly areas and said that an era of development has begun and better means of communication will go a long way in promoting local business and create employment opportunities.

Later, the party leaders took out a Vijay rally in the town to celebrate the party's recent splendid victory in Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Chattisgarh assemblies. They also distributed sweets and termed the landslide victory as the endorsement of the good governance of PM Narendra Modi.

# Shivya Foundation organises medical camp

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R S PURA: In a commendable initiative, Shivya Modern Ayurveda, in collaboration with Shivya Foundation, organized a free Medical Health Check-Up Camp at Boys Middle School in R S Pura on Sunday. The event aimed at providing essential healthcare services to locals and villagers from nearby areas.

Hundreds of people visited the camp and took benefits of the free camp by getting themselves examined by the team of dedicated doctors, who conducted thorough check-ups, addressing common ailments such as flu, cold, and seasonal fever, along with screening for more serious conditions like diabetes, prolonged pain, and skin problems. The Shivya team distributed free medicines and offered valu-



Doctors examining patient during the camp.

able consultations, ensuring that medical assistance reached those who needed it most.

The event saw the presence and participation of key dignitaries, including the BDO, Sarpanch, and Ward Member, who were honored by Sahil Aggarwal, CEO of Shivya Modern Ayurveda. The residents of R S Pura and surrounding areas expressed gratitude for the Shivya team's outreach to

remote regions, providing world-class treatment and consultations free of charge.

This initiative reflects Shivya's commitment to continue organizing such events not only in Jammu and Kashmir but also in other states. Shivya Modern Ayurveda and Shivya Foundation remain steadfast in their mission to contribute to the well-being of communities and promote accessible healthcare for all.

# Ajeet accuses SWD of harassing pensioners

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KISHTWAR: Jammu and Kashmir National Conference senior leader Ajeet Bhagat has slammed the Social Welfare Department (SWD) in Jammu and Kashmir UT for their wasteful policies. He criticized the social welfare department for providing facilities to blue-eyed persons by some officials.

"Immediate action should be taken against the harassment of pensioners in the name of pension verification by the Social Welfare Department in Jammu and Kashmir: Bhagat said.

Bhagat said that many schemes for the physically challenged have been launched across India, but only a few influential people are being provided facilities in Kishtwar, Doda and Ramban districts of Chenab Valley Zone of Jammu and Kashmir which is quite political. But all the rest are genuine and deserving candidates who are ignored by the schemes.

Bhagat said the government had sanctioned scooties for disabled people who want to study, do business and work - but all such people have been ignored - and only those people have

been provided with scooties. Those interested in office- Bhagat appealed to Lt. Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Manoj Sinha, Chief Secretary J&K Atal Dulloo, Director General of Police J&K R.R Swain and Divisional Commissioner Jammu Ramesh Kumar to take immediate action in this matter and form a team to investigate the matter thoroughly and file a case against all such officers. write. who are involved in this incident. They are also involved in various scams and tarnishing the image of the state government.

# Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra ignites enthusiasm, inspires people for prosperity across Doda District

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DODA: District Doda is experiencing a transformative wave through the ongoing Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra. This initiative, spanning locations such as Marmat, Bhaderwah, Thathri, Bhagwah, Chiralla, Kahra, and Changa blocks, aims to raise awareness about government initiatives for the holistic development of the region.

The yatra left an indelible mark on the people across Roat-A, Barri, Ganika,

Malvaas, N-Karyan, Diggi, Panshai Panchayats in Bhella block, Alingungot-A, Alingungot-B, and Halaran Panchayats.

Residents exhibited overwhelming enthusiasm and passion during the events, featuring vibrant cultural programs, sports activities, and showcases of various government-sponsored schemes on big LED screens.

The Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra not only showcased the rich cultural heritage of the

region but also provided a platform to different government departments to display their flagship schemes and services.

The event, with lively cultural extravaganzas and the participation of esteemed personalities, fostered enthusiasm and active community participation in the nation's progress. Pledge

ceremonies, health checkup camps, and the display of government-sponsored schemes on big LED screens contributed to the yatra's comprehensive outreach efforts.

Panchayat-wise celebrations, including health checkup camps, cultural programs, and pledge ceremonies were held at various

locations, emphasizing the importance of community engagement.

The yatra's success is evident in the active participation of frontline workers, local residents, and beneficiaries of government-sponsored schemes, highlighting its role in fostering development and awareness in District Doda.

# 9,174 aspirants take test for Panchayat Secretary posts in Rajouri; DC inspects arrangements

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RAJOURI: The OMR-based examination for the posts of Panchayat Secretary, conducted by the Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board (JKSSB), concluded smoothly today in Rajouri. The district witnessed a turnout of 9,174 candidates out of 13,248 applicants appearing for the exams across 38 centers.

Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal undertook an inspection of the examination centers across the district. He was accompanied by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Rajiv Kumar Khajuria.

Centers visited by the Deputy Commissioner included Govt PG College Rajouri, Govt. Boys Hr. Sec School Rajouri, Govt Girls Hr. Sec School Rajouri, DS Institution of Education Dhanore Rajouri, MIE



Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal carrying out inspection of an examination center.

Fetehpur Rajouri, and Himalayan Degree College Thandikassi Rajouri.

During the visit, the DC inquired about the facilities made available to the candidates, focusing on essential aspects such as seating arrangements, cleanliness, provision of drinking water and electricity.

The concerned officers informed him that elaborate arrangements have been put in place to ensure the smooth

conduct of the examination at all centers.

The successful completion of the Panchayat Secretary exam in Rajouri is a testament to the meticulous planning and dedicated efforts of the JKSSB and the district administration. The Deputy Commissioner expressed satisfaction over the arrangements made for the examination and commended the stakeholders involved for their hard work and dedication.

# 2,958 aspirants take JKSSB's Test in Kishtwar

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KISHTWAR: The OMR based Objective type written test for Panchayat Secretary conducted by Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board's (JKSSB) concluded successfully in District Kishtwar, today.

Deputy Commissioner, Dr. Devansh Yadav, along with SSP, Khalil Ahmed Poswal; ADDC, Sham Lal; ASP, Rajinder Singh; ACR, Varunjeet Singh Charak besides Dr. Umesh Shan, Representative from SSRB and other senior officers visited all the 13 designated examination centres within the Town and adjoining areas and took stock of facilities and arrangements put in place for smooth and transparent conduct of written examinations.

General Examination Observer/ADDC Kishtwar Sham Lal informed that

out of 4344 registered candidates, 2958 appeared for today's exam.

Deputy Commissioner was apprised by Additional Chief Inspector of the Exam /ACR Kishtwar Varunjeet Singh Charak that all the SOPs were strictly adhered to, besides the Control rooms for every designated centre had been established for the ease of the aspirants and videography had also been ensured in all the centres for the smooth and fair conduct of the examination.

Meanwhile, the DC interacted with the aspirants and enquired from them about the facilities and arrangements made by the district administration and the aspirants showed satisfaction and thanked the district administration over the arrangements made for the convenience of the aspirants.

Certificates were presented to Progressive Farmers to recognize their contribution to the agriculture sector. Sanction letters of old age and widow pensions were also handed over to the deserving applicants on the Spot.

Besides the scheduled activities, the departments highlighted the achievements made by them and also imparted knowledge of different schemes to the public.

# Legal aid, human rights awareness camp held

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BISHNAH: All J&K Sadguru Kabir Sabha in collaboration with Pankh Ek Udaan NGO and stand with humanity foundation NGO organised a free legal aid and human rights awareness camp for General Public on the eve of International Human Rights Day,2023 on Sunday at Kabir Bhawan, Chak-Avtara, Bishnah.

During legal awareness the emphasis was on Rights of Women and Remedies available in Law and during the camp Advocate Pooja Uppal and Manik Uppal also discussed about the rise of cases of Domestic violence, Crime against Women, Matrimonial



Dignitaries inaugurating the camp.

Disputes, various Law and remedies available for women and other laws made for protection of women. Special thanks was given to Pankh team and Manik Uppal (Chairperson) Stand with Humanity foundation,

Akhil Kapoor (President) & Angad Singh (Director) for organizing such events for awareness of the general public. Navneet Kour, Founder Ngo, Priyanka Sharma Vice President were also present during the camp.

Besides, a Medical Camp was also organized by Sharp Sight Eye Hospital who conducted Free Eye Check up. Around 150 eye check-up were conducted on spot with the help of modern equipments. Dr. Om Bhardwaj (Physician Chest Diseases) & Dr. Shalini Bhagat (Consultant Gynecologist) also attended the Camp and gave their views on various medical issues. The doctor made the women aware about their health issues and strongly recommended to take care of female hygiene. She further appealed the gathering that she is going to organize such free camps on monthly basis and needy person can contact her.

The President of All J&K Sadguru Kabir Sabha Sh. F.C Bhagat while addressing the gathering said that in future such Medical Camps shall be organized by the Sabha on regular intervals. He further assured the such patients who require further treatment shall be supported by the Sabha and will make sure to carry out any operations which are required for such patients free of cost under the Ayushman Health Scheme of GOI.

Among others who also attended & spoke on the occasion were Sh. Garu Ram Bhagat DDC, Bihari Lal S.P Retd, Sham Lal (Advocate), Abid Hussian SHO Bishnah, Sh. Gurdass Bhagat, Chaman Lal & all the office bearers.

# GDC Thannamandi celebrates International Human Rights Day

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THANNAMANDI: The NSS Unit in collaboration with Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Govt Degree College Thannamandi celebrated International Human Rights Day on Saturday.

On this occasion a seminar on the theme "Freedom, Equality and Justice for All" organized under the patronage of College Principal, Prof. (Dr) Farooq Ahmed in which Dr. Ashaq Malik, Convener, IQAC and Head, Department of Botany of the college was resource person whereas Prof. Asif Ajaz Lone, NSS Programme Officer in College coordinated the event.

Through the PPT presentation, Dr. Ashaq Malik, explained at length about history, evolution, values, characteristics, generations and classification of human rights and relevance of celebration of 75th year of Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) adopted on December, 10, 1948 by UN General Assembly. He read the message of the UN Secretary general on this day and briefed about 30 articles enshrined in UDHR, the most popular document translated into over 450 languages. Dr. Ashaq also underlined the fundamental rights and duties and elucidated how unity in diversity can address the ideals of UDHR, fundamental rights and duties.

Prof. Farooq Ahmed, in his message, emphasized upon the adhering to duties which in turn will not only safeguard the rights of every citizen

but also ensure justice as well as inclusive and equitable development of all everywhere. Unless we fulfill our duties diligently, human rights will continue to be violated, hence there is an urgent need to realize our responsibilities towards fellow beings, our natural environment, the nation and world at large for upholding high esteem of human rights and values, he added.

Dr. Nazakat Hussain, Head Department of History and Prof. Mudasir Majeed, Head, Department of Islamic Studies in the College also spoke on the occasion. Dr. Nazakat highlighted protection of rights at community level whereas Prof. Mudasir gave Islamic perspective of human rights and how religion, if implemented in our lives, can play a role in promotion and protection of human rights.

Prof. Asif Ajaz lone conducted proceedings of the programme. Prominent among others present on the occasion were Dr. Naseem Ahmed, Prof. Fatima Parveen, Prof. Supriya Gupta, Prof. Altaf Hussain, Dr. Gulshan Rashid Bhat, Dr. Shiraz Ahmed, Dr. Jumaid Ahmed, Waqar Ahmed (Chief Librarian), Dr. Mohd Ibrahim, Dr. Ather Aziz Raina, Prof. Rummy Dar; Dr. Nisar Ahmed Bhat, Zahid A. Lone, Dr. Anzar Hussain Shah, Dr. Mohd Arshad, Dr. Wahid Ahmed, Dr. Sarfaraz Hussain, Dr. Sajjad Ahmed Bhat, Mr. Sheikh Zubair Ul Islam, Dr. Nazarat H. Bhatti, Mohd Latief and Sarfaraz Ahmed.

# VBSY Van reaches Panchayat Deherian and Budwal of Block Khour, spreads message of PM Modi

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JAMMU: As part of the ongoing Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, a special IEC van reached Panchayat Gigerial and Platan of Block Khour, today amid warm welcome by the members of the Swagat Committee, PRI Members in presence of Ex. MLA Krishan Lal Sharma, Block Development Officer Khour and officials of line departments and local

public. The VBSY Van, aims to spread the message of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his vision of making India a developed nation by 2047.

The van displayed a video message of the PM, urging the people to take a pledge to work for the progress and prosperity of the country. The people present at the event took the Sankalp, pledge, and expressed their commit-

ment to the cause.

Earlier, the event began with the National Anthem and was followed by the cultural performances by the students of GHS Gigerial and Library Building Platan, who showcased their talent and enthusiasm through songs, dances and skits.

The audience appreciated the performance of the young artists and encouraged them with applause. Representatives of the

line departments presented their stalls and explained the process of availing various schemes and programmes run by the government for the public welfare. They also distributed pamphlets and brochures to the people and responded to their queries.

At the event, the public availed free health care services under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana.

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