Shrine Board's Gurukul excels at North Zone Youth Festival held at Himachal Pradesh

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KATRA: Students of the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Gurukul have brought laurels to the Shrine Board by winning haul of 11 medals in 08 events during 3-day North Zone Youth Festival held from 28 - 30 November, 2023 at premises of Ved Vyas Campus of Central Sanskrit University Balahar, Himachal Pradesh under the aegis of Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi.

Students of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Gurukul after receiving medals and certificates.

In the mega event around 300 students from Central Sanskrit University and Adarsh Maha Vidyalaya of Sanskrit, along with its various campuses situated in J&K, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand including Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Gurukul, Katra participated in various competitions.

The events organised during the festival included Rangoli, translation competition, Sanskrit News writing, Computerized Sanskrit, Educational Short Film, Solo Sanskrit Song, Group Song & Dance Competition and various sports events like High Jump, 100 / 400 Meter Sprint, Badminton, Volleyball, Kabaddi, Kho-Kho, Chess and Wrestling. As many as 40 students of SMVD Gurukul participated in the event and won 02 Gold medals in Group Song and Rangoli; 03 silver medals in Sanskrit News writing, Yogasana and Wrestling; besides secured 06 bronze medals in the categories of Educational Short Film making, Solo Sanskrit Song, Wrestling and High Jump events. The winning students were congratulated by CEO, SMVDSB for this spectacular performance.

Chairman, SMVDSB (Lt. Governor, JK-UT) Manoj Sinha has been a constant force of encouragement and guidance for the advancement of SMVD Gurukul in the field of Sanskrit based education. Earlier to the commencement of the event, Mahamandleshwar Shri Swami Vishveshvaranand Giriji Maharaj, Chairman, SMVD Gurukul and Member, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board visited the campus at Katra and motivated the students exhorting that they would be serving as an inspiration for the other students and while participating in the forthcoming event should not feel the pressure of expectations and just focus on giving their 100 percent.

Dr. Sunil Sharma, Jt. Chief Executive Officer also Administrator, SMVD Gurukul also extended his congratulations to the participants nurtured at SMVD Gurukul for their commendable performance and wished them best of luck for all their endeavours.

Noteworthy that SMVD Gurukul has not only kept alive the Vedic and Sanatan traditions in the modern era but also providing a supportive and nurturing environment for its students to excel in sports and other extracurricular activities.

DC Udhampur, MD review progress under Jal Jeevan Mission

Deputy Commissioner Udhampur, Saloni Rai chairing a meeting on Friday.

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UDHAMPUR: Deputy Commissioner Udhampur, Saloni Rai, and MD Jal Jevan Mission, Dr. G N Itoo, on Friday conducted a comprehensive review of progress made under the Jal Jeevan Mission in the district. The meeting, held in the Conference Hall of DC Office Complex was attended by Chief Engineer Jal Shakti Department Jammu, Himesh Manchand, Technical Advisor of JJM, Gurcharan Singh, Superintendent Engineer R K Mahajan, DFO Rushal Garg and other key officers. At the outset, Executive Engineer Jal Shakti, Ashok Kumar Sharma, provided an overview of the progress of work under the Jal Jeevan Mission scheme in the district. Detailed discussions were held on different aspects, including the status of works under JJM, procurement of machinery, shortage of technical staff and identified bottlenecks. While reviewing the sub-division wise progress, the emphasis was laid on the need for concerted efforts to achieve the goal of providing tap water to all households within the projected timeline. The mission aims to deliver safe drinking water through individual household tap connections. The executing department was asked to accelerate the pace of work to meet the stipulated time frame and ensure strict monitoring of quality and progress. A deadline of December 31, 2023, was set for the completion of all JJM works, with a focus on timely benefits reaching the targeted populace. The officers were asked to coordinate with other departments to facilitate removal of bottlenecks caused by delay in securing different clearances.

COLLEGE ON WHEELS-DAY 13

Rekha Devi of JU affiliated college tops in Onboard Charkha Competition

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BHOPAL (MP): Rekha Devi from affiliated colleges of University of Jammu topped in the well spirited finals of Charkha Completion, held onboard College on Wheels on Friday, while Sauliha of Islamic University of Science and Technology (IUST) Awantipura and Sapna from JU clinched respectively the second and third slots.

J&K student Rekha Devi and others after receiving prize.

Dr Shardha, Dr Kounsar Jan, Dr. Saleem and Dr. Pankaj Sharma were the Judges while Dr. Daud, Supervisor and Supriya, Observer were the overall incharges of the Charkha competition. Vice Chancellor JU Prof Umesh Rai hailed the onboard competition and appreciated the competitive spirit of the participating students. The students selected from various universities showcased their skills after rigorous preliminary rounds, adding a vibrant and competitive end to this transformative journey.

Day 13 witnessed onboard the critical evaluation of student projects focused on diverse themes. The selection process, based on major themes such as Women's Safety and Health, Multicultural experiences and Cinema, and others, resulted in the short listing of 700 girls for a transformative two-week train journey.

Throughout the journey, students diligently worked on their projects, collecting data, conducting interviews, and submitting daily reports to mentors. Today marked the thorough analysis of the project presentations by supervisors, with reports set for submission to relevant officials for further evaluation. Projects showing potential will be considered for incubation and startup opportunities. The project assignments aimed to foster independent exploration, hands-on research, and problem-solving skills. The objectives included encouraging innovative thinking, interdisciplinary collaboration, and addressing real-life challenges. This initiative sought to equip students with the skills to identify market opportunities and navigate the complexities of innovation. The initiative aimed at empowering women by promoting personal growth, self-confidence, and leadership development. Cultural exchange, unity, and mutual respect were emphasized to create a rich environment for educational enrichment, exposing students to India's historical, geographical, and cultural diversity. The College on Wheels initiative united students from various universities and colleges of J&K for an educational journey that transcended traditional boundaries. By fostering experiential learning, the program aims to shape well-rounded individuals ready to contribute meaningfully to society.

Nagaland Foundation Day celebrated at LG Secretariat

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LEH: The Foundation Day of Nagaland was celebrated with full fervour at the Lieutenant Governor's Secretariat in the presence of Member of Parliament from Ladakh, Jamyang Tsering Namgyal; Deputy Chairman, LAHDC Leh, Tsering Angchuk and Advisor to HLG, Dr Pawan Kotwal. Member of Parliament from Ladakh, Jamyang Tsering Namgyal appreciated the visionary initiative taken by the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, in the form of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat to inculcate a sense of unity and oneness among the people of different states of India and the celebration of Foundation Day of all states/UTs of India in all Raj Bhawans/Raj Niwas. He stated that Nagaland is a diverse state rich in culture, traditions, cuisine and biodiversity. Jamyang spoke about the Naga Tribe Movement and informed about the Hornbill Festival held in Nagaland, in which musicians from across the country take part. He wished the best to Nagaland on their Foundation Day and hoped to see Nagaland becoming developed in future. Deputy Chairman, Tsering Angchuk, congratulated the people of Nagaland on their Formation Day. He stated that it is due to the initiative taken by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi to celebrate the Foundation Day of the states/UTs in all the Raj Bhawans/ Raj Niwas to acknowledge and understand the rich cultural diversity of different states/UTs of India under EK Bharat Shreshtha Bharat programme. Shri Angchuk said that the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, Brigadier (Dr) BD Mishra (Retd) took the initiative to send students from Ladakh to all states/ UTs to celebrate the UT Foundation Day of Ladakh as the region's ambassador to showcase Ladakh's rich culture and heritage.

Advisor to LG, Dr Pawan Kotwal, stated that Nagaland is rich in cultural diversity and shared experiences of his visit to Nagaland, including the visit to the memorial of Captain Neikezhakuo Kengurüse MVC.

District Police Jammu launches crackdown on Drug Mafia at Rajiv Nagar

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JAMMU: District Police Jammu under the supervision of SSP Jammu Dr. Vinod Kumar, has launched a special drive to make Jammu a drug free district.

As a part of this drive, special teams have been formed for targeting this menace especially in Rajeev Nagar-Qasim Nagar area, police spokesperson said.

In last two months, these teams have managed to apprehend eight notorious inter-state drug peddlers and have recovered 200 grams of heroin, spokesperson said adding that these drug peddlers were primarily dealing in Rajiv Nagar area.

It is pertinent to mention that during the year 2023, out of 44 NDPS FIRs registered in this area, 16 FIRs of NDPS Act have specifically been registered against 20 drug peddlers operating from Rajiv Nagar area.

Moreover, one very notorious lady drug peddler Seema alias Khairi has been booked under PITNDPS Act and more such detentions are likely.

"District Police Jammu is making every possible effort to curb the menace of drug peddling by taking both preventive and punitive measures and the drive shall continue vigorously," spokesperson said. Public is also requested to come forward and report any incident of drug abuse to nearest Police unit.

Rajan Badyal qualifies Ph.D

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KATRA: Rajan Badyal has been declared qualified for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in the School of Business, Faculty of Management by Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU).

The candidate has worked on the topic, entitled "A Study of Economic and Managerial Implications of RTI Act 2005, in Jammu and Kashmir" under the supervision of Dr. Ashutosh Vashishtha, Associate Professor, School of Business, SMVDU and Prof. Sudhir K. Jain, Adjunct Prof. & Former HoD, Department of Management Studies, IIT Delhi.

Rajan Badyal has published research papers in high-impact factor international journals ranked in the SSCI, SCOPUS, and ABDC.

Badyal also had the privilege of presenting his research findings at numerous national and international conferences. At present, the candidate is working at Central University of Jammu.

The scholar expressed his gratitude to the School of Business, SMVD University, for providing all necessary facilities and support during his research.

Prof. (Dr.) Pragati Kumar, Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU, and other committee members congratulated Rajan Badyal wished him a bright future.

Acute water scarcity betrays claim of covering 75 PC J&K households under JJM: Sadhotra

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir National Conference Additional General Secretary and Former Minister Ajay Kumar Sadhotra on Friday expressed grave concern over acute shortage of drinking water across the Jammu Region and reacted sharply to the claims of 75 percent coverage of households in Jammu and Kashmir under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), saying the ground realities betray the administrative bragging. He took stock of the arrangements made by the Zone Committee Reasi-Udhampur Zone for the Zonal Convention at Tikri.

He visited the venue of Convention. While speaking in the meeting, convened to finalize the arrangements of One Day Convention, being organized by Zonal President Abdul Gani Malik, Former Minister and his team, to be addressed by Jenab Omar Abdullah, Vice President Jammu and Kashmir National Conference on 3rd of December 2023.

Sadhotra further said "Har Ghar Nal Hai Par Jal Nahin, there are taps but not water", adding that scarcity of water has become a new norm and even districts of Udhampur, Reasi, Katra and other districts of the Jammu Region face shortage of drinking water.

SHe referred to the acute water shortage even in Jammu district. Moreover, areas of so called Jammu Smart City like Muthi, Barnai, Roop Nagar, Janipur, Chinore, Keran, Thather, Paloura, Domana people are getting water after weeks time and that too for short duration, and rural areas of the Jammu North Assembly Constituency like Karwanda, Kanger, Bhalwal, Taawa, Domana, Mishriwala, Pandorian, Pakhian, Assarwan, Badani are facing shortage of drinking water, these are the peripheries of Jammu City, one wonders what must be the situation in the Rural areas.

Sadhotra said the poor Public Health Engineering Infrastructure and delivery system gives credence to Rs. 13000 Cr scam alleged by a senior J&K IAS officer, which has been astonishingly put under the carpet. Such a huge scam in Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) under the nose of the Lt Governor appears to be root cause for perpetual woes of the people. Normally the tap water supply in Jammu city under Smart City Project should have been dependable, given the hype of the administration but the end results on ground speaks something different, he added. Sadhotra asked why no CBI enquiry has been ordered into the scam flagged by a very senior officer and who the government was protecting at the cost of public sufferings.

The Former Minister sought accountability of the Jal Shakti Department in abiding by their so-called schedule and ensuring the smooth supply of drinking water to the areas suffering for weeks together.

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Fresh e-NIT No: 923 dated: 23-11-2023 (3rd Call)

For and on behalf of the University of Jammu, the Executive Engineer, University Works Department invites:-

S.No.	Name of the Work	Estd. Cost
1.	Expression of Interest for Engagement of Architectural and Design Firms/Consultants (Having expertise in Remodeling/ Renovation of State of Art Auditorium) in respect of the work pertaining to Remodeling/Renovation of General Zorawar Singh Auditorium Complex, University of Jammu, Jammu	To be Quoted by the bidder

Note : 1. Detailed e-NIT & BOQ is available on the website **www.jktenders.gov.in** and the same can be downloaded/ submitted online from 1600 hours on **23.11.2023 to 04.12.2023** (1400 hours).

2. The bidders are requested to go through the e-NIT thoroughly prior to submission of the bid.

No. UWD/2023-24/3779-86
Dated : 23-11-2023

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, PWD (R&B)
Gandhi Nagar & I/c University
Works Department, University of Jammu

DIP/J-4272-P/23

Government of Jammu& Kashmir

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J&K SPORTS COUNCIL, Jammu

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

Tender Notice: E-NIT No: 63 of 2023-24 DATED: 28-11-2023

For and on behalf of Lieutenant Governor, UT of Jammu & Kashmir, e-tenders are invited on percentage basis from the registered contractor with PWD (R&B), CPWD, railways, MES/MSME & Other State/ Centre Govt. of the following works:

S. No.	Name of work	Adv. Cost (Rs. In Lacs)	Earnest Money (Rs. in lacs)	Class of contract	Cost of Tender documents	Time of completion
1	2	3	4	6	5	7
1	Repair of Basket ball Court at Subash Stadium Uhampur.	Rs. 1.43 lacs	2%/-	D	200/-	1months

Position of AAA: Accorded Position of TS Accorded

Major Head of Accounts:- M&R Head under Revenue budget 2023-24

The Bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility Criteria, specification, bill of quantities (B.O.Q).Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/ downloaded from the departmental Website **www.jktenders.gov.in** w.e.f. 28.11.2023 to 04.12.2023 upto 5:00 PM.

No.:-SC/CDJ/3304-06
Dated:-28.11.2023
DIP/J-4245-P/23
Dated:- 01-12-2023

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Construction Division Jammu,
J&K Sports Council.

THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR BOARD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION REHARI COLONY, JAMMU

NOTIFICATION

It is hereby notified for information of all the concerned that the below mentioned candidates of Secondary School Examination (10th Class) Session Annual Private/Bi-Annual, 2023 and Deferred cases of Higher Secondary Part- II (Class 12th), Session Annual (Private)/Bi-annual, 2023 and Jammu & Kashmir State Open School (JKSOS) 10th Class, Session Annual/Bi-Annual 2021-22 of UT of Jammu & Kashmir, who are alleged to have resorted to the use of Unfair means/Misbehavior in the Examination Centres, are hereby directed to present themselves before the Committee for scrutiny and disposal of Unfair means/Misconduct cases, strictly as per following schedule in the Office Chambers of the Joint Secretary, Secrecy, JD at their own expenses to defend themselves against the charges leveled against them, failing which, it shall be presumed that they have nothing to say in their defence and decision taken by the Sub-Committee on the basis of available record/reports shall be final and binding upon them.

Venue:-JKBOSE, Rehari Colony Jammu

Date	Shift-1 (Morning)		Shift-II (Evening)	
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Joint Secretary
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