# Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra receives massive public participation



Commissioner Secretary, RDD and Panchayati Raj, Mandeep Kaur speaking during an event at Panchayat Kheral, block Pouni.

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REASI: Commissioner Secretary, Rural Development Department and Panchayati Raj, Mandeep Kaur on Thursday visited Duggar Dhani, Kheral panchayat in Pouni block as part of Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, a nationwide campaign to spread awareness and ensure saturation of flagship schemes of the government.

She presided over a mega event organized under Viksit Bharat Sankalı Yatra besides chairing a public outreach programme aimed at saturating all government schemes and enhancing awareness among the local population.

While addressing the gathering, Commissioner Secretary emphasized the Prime Minister's vision behind the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra (VBSY) of ensuring widespread awareness among rural masses, reaching the unreached population and facilitating utilization of government welfare schemes. She highlighted the transformative impact of VBSY in fostering development, promoting engagement with government schemes, and achieving saturation under citizen-centric schemes.

Commissioner Secretary, along with DDC Chairman and District Development Commissioner, conducted a comprehensive inspection of stalls set up by various government departments. These stalls showcased a wide array of schemes pertaining to agriculture, horticulture, health, animal husbandry, social welfare, handicraft, handloom, and other key sectors.

Mandeep Kaur administered the "Hamara Sankalp Viksit Bharat" pledge to the participants including students, officers, officials, Panchayati Raj Institution (PRI) members, and enthusiastic citizens. KISHTWAR: Government Degree College Chatroo celebrated "Viksit Bharat" ini-

tiative, a comprehensive development program initiated by the Indian government under the esteemed guidance of College Principal Prof. (Dr.) Ved Kumar. Commencing with lighting of the ceremonial lamp by Principal Prof. (Dr.) Ved

Kumar, the event featured a captivating extension lecture by Dr. Haqnawaz Ahmad, a Political Science lecturer at GDC Chatroo.

Dr. Haqnawaz, in his insightful discourse, shed light on the importance of Viksit Bharat and the pivotal role citizens can play in achieving its ambitious goals by 2047. Dr. Mohd Inam Ul Haq, another distinguished speaker, emphasized the fundamental pillars of honesty, dedication, cleanliness, and commitment to social services that the youth must embrace within the context of Viksit Bharat 2047. Prof. (Dr.) Ved Kumar reiterated the significance of Viksit Bharat, underscoring its multidimensional approach encompassing policy reforms and progressive policies for economic growth and social development.

Expressing satisfaction over the event's turnout and enthusiasm displayed by the speakers, Prof. (Dr.) Ved Kumar acknowledged the contributions of Dr. Haqnawaz and Dr. Inam, highlighting the importance of such awareness programs in nurturing responsible citizens. The program's coordination was led by Prof. Ajeet Kumar, with a vote of thanks delivered by Prof. M.M Mattoo. Faculty members present during the occasion included Dr. Ather Hussain, Prof. Musarat Mattoo, and Dr. Vikram

**JAMMU:** A special van under the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra initiative reached panchayat Kharah of block Kharah Balli, where it was greeted by a large gathering of local residents, Swagat Committee members, Panchayat Raj Institution representatives and officials of various departments.

SAMBA: As part of the series of events being organised under "Viksit Bharat@2047 Abhiyan" a run for Viksit Bharat was organised by the NSS Unit (Khidmat) of the college

The run was flagged off by Prof. Anita Jamwal, Nodal Officer Viksit Bharat from the college campus towards nearby village and back to campus. Students of the college and NSS volunteers participated in the run with great enthusiasm, passion and

The event was coordinated by Prof. Ritu Bhagat (Convenor NSS), Dr. Naseem



DDC Chairman Kathua Col Mahan intensifies Viksat Bharat Sankalap Yatra in Dhar Mahanpur Block

Chowdhary(NSS PO) and co-cordinated by Dr. Tisha Singh, Dr. Pooja Gupta, Dr. Priyanka Ganjoo, Dr.GunjeetMahiwal, Prof. Madhu Bala, Prof. Rakesh Kumar, Prof. Mazid Malik and Dr. Jan Mohd. Wani.

Shri Pandit Prem Nath Dogra Govt Degree College Samba organized a one day International Seminar on the topic Empowering Youth for a Sustainable Future: A Vision of Viksit Bharat@2047 on 21st December, 2023, under the age of IQAC. The programme was inaugurated with the lighting of the traditional lamp, followed by presentation of mementos to the dignitaries. Prof. (Dr.) Yasmeen Ashai, Director Colleges JK UT was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

**DANSAL:** The Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, an initiative dedicated to spreading awareness about government schemes and development, arrived in Kanyala RAMBAN: Continuing its successful journey, the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra,

guided by the dynamic leadership of Deputy Commissioner Baseer-Ul-Haq Chaudhary, entered 24th day in Ramban.

A remarkable milestone was reached as the Yatra covered 128 Panchayats, paving the way for its mission to include all 143 Panchayats in the district.

KATHUA: The ongoing Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra reached a significant milestone with a monumental event held at Mearth Panchayat in Kathua. The event was presided over by Kavita Garg, Joint Secretary at the Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India, designated as the Prabhari Officer for Kathua district.

Others present at the event were DC Kathua Rakesh Minhas, BDC Chairperson Barnoti Brijeshwer Singh PRI members besides district and sectoral officers

**KATHUA:** Bhupinder Singh's journey from sales struggler to becoming a thriving entrepreneur in Kathua is a testament to resilience and the transformative power of financial support being offered by the government through its numerous schemes. His tale unfolded as part of the "Meri Kahani, Meri Zubani" feature during the ongoing Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, capturing the essence of grit, determination, and the impact of government schemes on individuals.



Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra enters 24th Day in Ramban

progress in Rajouri District by spearheading the implementation of the government schemes and fostering comprehensive development. The VBSY IEC vans today traveled through the panchayats of Loorkote, Agrati-S, Dhanwan, and Agrati-N of Doongi block in Rajouri district.

**UDHAMPUR:** Department of Political Science, Government College for Women (GCW) Udhampur in collaboration with the committee on "Viksit Bharat@2047" organized "Poster making Competition" on the theme "Viksit Bharat @2047 -Vision for India" for college students.

The entire event was organised under the patronage of the Principal GCW, Udhampur, Prof Anjali Mahajan and overall Convenorship of Dr. Sanjeet Kaur, (Viksit Bharat @2047 committee). Dr Shivani Suri, Assistant professor in English, Dr. Anita Kumari, Department of Zoology, GCW Udhampur were the jury members for the event.

The programme consisted of the inaugural, poster competition and prize distribu-



International seminar on Viksit Bharat held at SPPND GDC Samba.

tion. The program commenced with the formal welcome address by Convenor, Dr Sanjeet Kaur, "Viksit Bharat @2047" Committee where she explained in detail on the theme of the event 'Viksit Bharat@2047-Vision for India"

**MAHANPUR:** In an inspiring display of leadership and community engagement, District Development Council (DDC) Chairman Kathua, Col Mahan Singh spearheaded the Viksat Bharat Sankalap Yatra across the remote Dhar Mahanpur Block. The Yatra, signifying a pledge for a progressive India, was conducted with great fervor and participation in the villages of Sananghat, Barighat, Kholi Talai,

Col Mahan Singh led the Yatra accompanied by several notable personalities including Navdeep Saberwal, Block Development Officer of Dhar Mahanpur; Capt Harnam Singh, a Senior BJP Functionary; Gian Batadia, BJP Mandal Pardhan; Shushma Thakur, BDC Chairperson; along with other distinguished members of the

# Yasha reviews progress on SSR of Electoral Rolls in Ramban



Commissioner Secretary Cooperatives, ARI & Trainings Departments, Yasha Mudgal chairing a review meeting.

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

RAMBAN: Commissioner Secretary Cooperatives, ARI & Trainings Departments, Yasha Mudgal, who is also the Electoral Roll Observer, conducted her second visit to Ramban to evaluate the strides made under the Special Summary Revision-2024 of Electoral Rolls in the

Deputy Commissioner, Baseer-Ul-Haq Ramban, Chaudhary, provided a comprehensive briefing on the ongoing works related to SSR of Photo Electoral Rolls in the district.

Commending the District Administration team including Election Officers and team of Booth Level Officers (BLOs), Mudgal applauded their efforts in surpassing targets under SSR-2024. She praised the BLOs for achieving a commendable milestone of registering an additional 6500 female voters, surpassing the set target and contributing towards an improved gender ratio.

Commissioner Secretary reviewed  $_{
m the}$ achieved in the district under SSR-2023. Seeking details about the influx of fresh applications, claims, and objections, she impressed for ensuring a thorough and transparent electoral

Addressing the previous meeting's directives, Commissioner Secretary stressed the urgency for Electoral Registration Officers Assistant Electoral Registration Officers (AEROs) to promptly dispose of claims and objections in accordance with Election Commission of India (ECI) guidelines, expediting the process to

Emphasizing the importance of voter awareness, Yasha Mudgal asked for intensification of Systematic Voters' Education and Participation (SVEEP) activities. She particularly encouraged motivating first-time voters to actively engage in the electoral process, emphasizing their role in shaping the nation's development and

Commissioner Secretary directed the EROs and AEROs to complete the special summary revision with 100 percent enrollment, including addition of new voters and deletion of duplicates, within the extended deadline. She underscored the necessity of successful SVEEP programs in the two Assembly segments of Ramban to enhance voting percentages in the upcoming General Parliamentary elec-

Yasha Mudgal also urged upon all stakeholders to intensify SVEEP activities, emphasizing the importance of every vote and exercising of the right to franchise in a democracy.

Later Mudgal also flagged off an EVM Demonstration Van here from DC Office Complex, Ramban.

# 'Vibrant Bhaderwah Winter Festival' to begin from Dec 27 Community Centre

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BHADARWAH: In its endeavour to give district particularly Bhadarwah its due share and place in the tourism map of the county and to promote rich culture, great potential of adventure activities, religious and ecotourism. District Administration in collaboration with Directorate of Tourism and private stakeholders will be holding a 5day Vibrant Bhaderwah Winter Festival from 27th to 31st of December at different breathtaking locations with Delightful activities and unique cuisines in

Bhaderwah. In this rega

Development Commissioner (DDC) Doda, Harvinder Singh, finalised the activities and arrangements in a meeting with the stakeholders in the meeting hall of Dakbunglow in Bhaderwah. SSP Doda Abdul Qayoom, ADC Bhaderwah Dilmir



Chowdharv,  $_{\mathrm{SP}}$ Sharma, DIO Doda Mohd Ashraf and others were also present in the meeting. While Dy Director Tourism  $_{
m Jabbar}$ Abdul joined through virtual mode.

It was informed that 5at different locations. giving visitors a chance to enjoy in the full length and up to the level of contentment.

On the 27th of December. the festival shall take-off from Bhaderwah Fort. where cultural activities, performance

artists, music, sports activities, local food and stalls showcasing local products shall be centre of attraction.

On day second, 28th of December, the picturesque Jae Valley will be ecoed with day festival will be celebrat- music, fun, and adventure Zipline, Paragliding, ATV ride, Horse ride, Zorbing, Trekking etc.

The third and fourth days (29th and 30th of December) at Guldanda will give tourists a different taste amid A parallel Film Featival has been planned

Bhaderwah, where latest bollywood movies and stories of local heros shall be secreened for the locals and the tourists from 27th to 31st of December, during the festival. Bhaderwah, a well-known

tourist destination that is witnessing the arrival of a huge number of tourists from across the country and abroad, throughout the year has the potential to be promoted as most favoured destinations in the country. Asikini Bhaderkashi

Utsav, New year celebrations, Yoga Festival at Jae Valley, Lal Draman Summer Festival, and Youthon-2023 have proved the worth and potential of the district, when thousands of visitors converged in these festivals.

This year, till now, more than 6.5 lakh tourists have visited Bhaderwah Valley, which speaks a lot about its potential in the tourism industry.

DDC Harvinder Singh has issued directions to ensure safety and convenience, emphasizing the administration's commitment to delivering a memorable and hasslefree experience to the visitors during the festival.

The anticipated winter festival aims to draw a significant number of tourists, providing a platform to promote local talent, craftsmanship, and cuisine. The event is poised to feature diverse cultural performances, adventure sports, local handicraft exhibitions, and enticing food

DDC Doda expressed enthusiasm for the upcoming winter carnival He urose both locals and tourists to actively participate and contribute to its success. He further encouraged the tourism department and local stakeholders to make necessary arrangements, ensuring a seamless and enjoyable experience for all attendees.

# Science Club, Utsaah organises interactive talk on Indian Science@ 2047

### **STATE TIMES NEWS** JAMMU: Science Club,

Utsaah organized an interactive talk under the national banner of Viksit Bharat @2047Distinguished Prof. Madan Chaturvedi, Mohan Founder Director of CIC. DU on "Why Should India Follow Its own Innovative Strategies for Doing Research?" Scientific detailing how India should go forward to envision Indian Science @ 2047.

The welcome address was delivered by Prof. Satnam Kour, Chairperson, Utsaah, The clubs, University of Jammu. The event was



Officials and others during the event at Jammu University

hosted in Department of Psychology, University of

Prof. Chaturvedi in his talk stressed upon the traditional knowledge of India in the field of Biology and emphasized that it can show the path to the world.

Indian researchers should have in-depth knowledge of their own roots and confidence to project it to the world with logic and scientific proof.

The highlight of the program was the exhaustive interaction with Prof.

Chaturvedi, students asked and discussed questions about how to reduce the gap between India and rest of the world in Science and Innovation.

Dr Chinmoyee Maharana, Coordinator Science Club organized the event, in her

need of the hour, why students need to engage and challenge themselves for the innovative ideas to vision Indian Science @2047. The program ended with warm vote of thanks to the guests and participants by the coordi-Among the eminent

guests were Dr Sadaf Shah, Dr Rakesh Sharma, Dr Aswin, Dr Amarjeet, Dr Dharmender, Dr Karuna Gupta, Dr Lovely Sabarwal and Dr Mridula Bali. The program was highly appreciated and well perceived by the students.

# SMVDU student presents paper in **Indian Geotechnical Conference** Springer based publica-

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KATRA: Abhivek Singh, a final year student of the School ofCivil Engineering (SoCE), Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University presented a technical paper at Indian Geotechnical Conference, 2023. IGC 2023, which was organised by Indian Society, Geotechnical Roorkee Chapter, isthe annual national flagship

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Society. Geotechnical AbhivekSingh worked under the guidance of Mr. Srijan (Assistant Professor, SoCE) and Mr. Gautam Narula Professor, (Assistant SoCE) to prepare thepaper titled 'Behavioural Study of Reinforced Soft Bed Supporting Embankment: Numerical Analysis'. The presented paper stands a chance of getting published in

Lecture Notes of Civil

Engineering which is a

tion and also Scopus Indexed. This achievement reflects their dedication and the quality of their research, and it serves as a testament to the rigorous academic standards and opportunities provided by the School of Civil Engineering at SMVDU. The School of Civil Engineering at SMVDU continues to nurture and encourage its students to excel in their chosen fields, fostering an atmosphere of innovation and academic growth. The successful participation of Abhivek Singh at the IGC 2023 is a remarkable milestone in their academic journey, setting an example for future students and highlighting the university's commitment to fostering research and scholarly endeavours.

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JAMMU:Bharatiya Janata Party Jammu District South led by its President, Rekha Mahajan along with OBC Morcha State President J&K Sunil Prajapati felicitated newly nominated BJP OBC Morcha team members in the presence of former Deputy CM J&K Kavinder Gupta , State Secretary and Prabhari District Jammu South Ayodhya Gupta, District General Secretaries Akash

# Rekha, Sunil felicitate OBC Morcha District Jammu South team

BJP Jammu District South President Rekha Mahajan along with newly nominated BJP OBC Morcha team.

Chopra and PushpInder Charak, District President South Rampaul.

OBC Morcha

Rekha Mahajan, while felicitating newly nomi-

nated OBC Morcha unit said that they served the party with a mission.

Kavinder underlined that

only BJP is the true representative of all segments of society. Sunil Prajapati said

BJP is committed to the

development and people will see the dawn of development in upcoming years.

He hoped that in the coming time, they will do good work and strengthen the organization further.