BJP celebrates Atal ji's birthday as Sushasan Diwas across J&K

JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Jammu & Kashmir, celebrated the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister, Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee as Sushasan Diwas (Good Governance Day) at booth level at various places across Jammu and Kashmir.

BJP district Jammu led by its President Parmod Kapahi paid floral tributes at the statue of Atal ji at Atal Chowk, Panjtirthi, Jammu in a programme organized by former Dy. Mayor Purnima Sharma.

MP Jugal Kishore Sharma, former Dy. CM Kavinder Gupta, former Minister Sat Sharma, party vice-Presidents Sham Lal Sharma & Anuradha Charak. General Secretaries Adv. Vibodh Gupta & Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal, former Minister Bali Bhagat, former MLADevender Singh Rana, former MLC Charanjit Singh Khalsa, former Mayor Rajinder Sharma, Chander Mohan Rajeev Singh Charak, Veenu Khanna, Anju



Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

Dogra, Ayodhya Gupta, Dr. Pardeep Mahotra, Dr. Tahir Choudhary, Parduman Singh and others were amongst the prominent present in pro-

Jugal Kishore, while paying warm tributes to former Prime Minister and Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee, said that Bharat Mata will always remember his services for the centuries to come. He said that Atal ji was a friend of everyone and tried to create friendly relations even with neighboring, nation Pakistan. Kavinder narrated the life

Vibodh Gupta said that good

instances and the significance of virtues of Atal ji. He also mentioned the high social and political values. Atal ii had imbibed in the Nation.

Sat Sharma said that today, Prime Minister Narendra Modi is progressing with the same principle in mind, which ensures benefit to the last person standing in the last line in society. Sham Lal asked all to imbibe the spirit of strong nationalism in their hearts. He added that Atal ji was a dedicated politician, poet and social activist.

governance was the vision of Atal ji which provides governance embedded with virtues of dedication and discipline.

Dr. Devinder Manyal said

that Atal ji enjoyed the faith of other governments even when he was the leader of opposition. Ashok Koul, General (organization), BJP J&K, led the programmes in Kashmir at BJP State office in Jawahar Nagar, Srinagar. The programme witnessed the enthusiastic participation of various wings of the party and members. Simultaneously, a medical camp was organized at Natipora, Srinagar, in presence of Ashok Koul, underscoring the BJP's commitment to community welfare. Ashok Koul said that

Vajpayee ji's principles of governance and their enduring is of much relevance in today's context. He reiterated the party's dedication to upholding Atal Bihari Vajpayee's legacy of good governance, development, and inclusive growth for all sections of society. The events served as a testament to the BJP's unwavering commitment to the ideals cherished by the late states-

BJP State Mahila Morcha led by Morcha State President Sanjita Dogra accompanied by General Secretaries Reema Padha, Neha Mahajan, Anita Gandotra, Vaishno Devi, Neeru Anand, Prerna Nanda, Poonam Gupta, Geetanjli Mahajan Suman Raina, Monika Khosla including Mahila Morcha members of Kashmir held a programme at party office, Kachi Chawni,

Nirbhay Bharat Foundation celebrates Tulsi Pujan Diwas



STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Tulsi Pujan Diwas was celebrated by Tarun Uppal, founder of Nirbhay Bharat Foundation under the guidance of Mahamandaleshwar Shri Mahant Shri Rameshwar Das Ji Maharaj at Kameshwar Temple Akhnoor. A large number of Tulsi plants were distributed among the devotees visiting the temple

Many dignitaries were present in this program including Mahant Ram Simran Das, Rajan Gupta (Pradhan Sarv Shakti Sena), Ranjit Singh

District President Akhnoor), Prabhat Singh, Narendra Singh, Ravindra Singh and many others.

Addressing the program, Tarun Uppal said Tulsi is known as one of the holiest and most sacred plants in India since ancient times. It is considered auspicious to perform Tulsi puja every day and seek blessings. Every year on December 25, Tulsi Pujan Diwas is celebrated across the

According to the Hindu scrip-Goddess Lakshmi resides in the holy Tulsi plant and is the Goddess of happiness and prosperity. It is also believed that the Tulsi plant is very dear to Lord Vishnu and the ones who perform Tulsi Pujan are blessed with Lord Vishnu's blessings.

Any person who applies dripping water from Tulsi leaves on their forehead, is equivalent to a holy bath in the river Ganges. It is believed that worshiping Tulsi Mata gives happiness and prosperity. During this, Tarun Uppal also wished happiness and prosperity in the country.

Vajpayee gave Country a corruption free government after decades of loot by Congress: Darakhshan



Chairperson Waqf Board Dr Darakhshan Andrabi paying tributes to former Prime Minister Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee at Srinagar.

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: BJP National Member Chairperson Waqf Board Dr Darakhshan Andrabi on Monday paid tributes to former Prime Minister & founder of BJP, Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee on his birth anniversarv at Srinagar. BJP Media Head Kashmir Sajid Yousuf Shah & IT Incharge Er Suhai

Bashir Bhat also attended the event of tributes. Many party activists and the security personel also paid floral tributes.

While speaking to media on the occasion, Dr Andrabi said that Vajpayee Ji had predicted the rise of BJP in India and the country was indebted to him for nourishing highest political values in India. He was a visionary and his policies have led the country to great excellence. Dr Darakhshan said that Vajpayee Ji was the epitome of

peace & nationalism in India. "We celebrate this day as Good Governance Day because Vajpayee gave the country a clean corruption free inclusive government after decades of corrupt anti democratic practices of Congress and it's allies". said Andrabi

Winter Theatre workshop inaugurated at Natrang Jammu STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Natrang's most sought-after Winter Theatre workshop for Children -2023 was inaugurated here today at Natrang Studio Theatre with the lighting of traditional lamps by Natrang President and founder Padmashree Director Balwant Thakur.

In his inaugural address, Balwant Thkaur said that this unique camp would provide an opportunity to children to enable them to explore their immense inner creative and artistic abilities. The timings of the camp will be 3:30 pm to 5.30pm daily and the children will have the occasion to get trained under professionally trained directors including accomplished actors/directors like Neeraj Kant, Anil Tickoo and



Sumeet Sharma who considered as one of the most accomplished theatre trainers and directors of children theatre.

Sunny Mujoo will be the dance director of the workshop. The workshop is being coordinated by Mohd. Yaseen National Scholarship and Fellowship

holder in the field of Theatre. Every year Natrang gives an opportunity to children to creatively utilise their winter break with learning beyond the textbooks. Similarly this year too, Natrang is having a 15 day winter camp for children where they will work on personality development, confidence building, sharpen-

acting, play making process and much more with the help of highly innovative creative games and theatre exercises. Theatre is a sophisticated expression of basic human Those who attended the

ing of communication skills.

inaugural session of Winter Theatre Workshop included

Advik Sharma, Mehak Chib, Araiya Shan, Anadika Pandoh, Soujanya Shekhar. Ruhaan Chandan, Samrat Supria Gorka, Sharma, Aarjav Jain, Adeesha Singh. Javaditva Singh, Prial Ashok Gupta, Deshna Jain, Niddha Mahajan, Hriday Vashishth, Haardik Vashishth, Sahil Narwalia, Dheeraj Kotwal, Suneha Angural, Priya Kumari, Palshin Dutta, Singh Jasrotia, Muskaan Sharma, Arun Sharma. ?Amit Rana, Arun Dev Verma, ?Vansh Pandotra. Vanshika Thakur, ?Radhika Sushant Singh Sharma, Charak, Sanket, Vishal Dhar. Sharma, Deepshikha Sharma, Sunaina Sharma, Parul

Sharma, Sneha Mukesh and

Delegation of FTII meets MP Khatana, list issues

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A delegation from the Federation of Trade & Industry of India (FTII), led by its president Dr. Sanjay Bansal, met BJP MP Rajya Sabha (Nominated), Er. Gulam Ali Khatana, to extend their heartfelt congratulations for his dedicated efforts in raising pertinent issues concerning Jammu and Kashmir during the recent Parliament session.

Delegation comprised of Sandeep Mengi, Vice president $\Delta \cos 2\pi v_{2}$ Parshant Singh

their appreciation for MF Khatana's commitment to advocating for the welfare and development of the region. Dr. Sanjay Bansal, President of FTII, acknowledged Er. Gulam Ali Khatana's proactive stance in addressing key concerns that impact the trade and industrial sectors in Jammu and Kashmir.

During the meeting, the delegation highlighted several pressing issues, including the delay in the establishment of a dry port in Jammu concerns related to turnover incentives,



Delegation FTII calling on MP Er. Gulam Ali Khatana.

leased land, and the establish-

granting freehold rights on facility at a centralized location Er. Gulam Ali Khatana assured the FTII delegation

that he would actively take up these crucial matters at the appropriate forums. He emphasized the significance of addressing these challenges to foster economic growth and industrial development in the

The interaction concluded with a mutual commitment to collaboration continued between the Federation of Trade & Industry of India and Er. Gulam Ali Khatana to work towards the resolution of these es and promote the overall Jammu and

Devotees take out Ram Jhanki in Old City

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Dozens of devotees led by Narotam Sharma former Councillor JMC and BJP leader on Monday organised Ram Jhanki in old city Jammu. Ram Jhanki is being organised to celebrate Kalash Staphna ahead of inauguration of Lord Ram Temple in Ayodhya on 24th of January next year. Narotam informed that two Kalashs have been placed in old city one in Ram Ashram Peer Kho and another in Laxmi Narayan temple Dhakki Sarajan. He also



Devotees led by Narotam Sharma former Councillor JMC taking out Ram Jhanki in old city Jammu.

visit these two shrines and pay their obeisance to the Kalash.

The prominent people who lso attended the procession include Vidya Devi, Dhan Saroop Gupta, Sarooj Gupta,

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Suresh Gupta, Anuradha Sharma, Ramesh Sudan, Rattan Kumar, Sanjay Abrol, Satnaul Raina and

Dr. Nirmal Singh listens to public grievances

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir BJP senior leader & former Deputy Chief Minister, Dr. Nirmal Singh, along with BJP Secretary Arvind Gupta, listened to public grievances at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, here on Monday.

A large number of people and deputations from different areas had reached the party headquarter to seek help of the BJP leaders in getting their problems resolved.

Dr. Nirmal Singh, while

uals and the members of deputations, said that the BJP has always been at the service of the people at every level. The party leaders and the cadre remain in touch with the public at distriet, block, panchayat, ward, booth levels and devotes time in educating them about the welfare schemes and development projects as well as extending best possible help in case of any problem. Dr. Nirmal Singh further said that BJP is not only a political party to seek votes of the people but it is a mis-

sion to serve the nation and people. The BJP believes in the principle of reaching the last man in the queue and standing with him in joy and sorrow, which makes it different from other political parties.

The people who had reached party headquarters to narrate their problems belonged to Kishtwar, Reasi, Jammu City, Muthi, Samba and other areas. The BJP leader gave patient hearings to them and took most of the issues at the appropriate plat-

Double engine Govt betrayed J&K refugees: Sadhotra

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Ajay Kumar Sadhotra, Additional General Secretary of Jammu & Kashmir National Conference and former Minister, has accused the double engine government, led by the BJP, at the Centre of betraying the refugees of Jammu and Kashmir, particularly those Pakistan-occupied from Jammu and Kashmir (PoJK).

The meeting was Presided by Parvinder Singh President Gandhi Nagar, Chander Mohan Sharma President Jammu

JKNC Addl General Secretary, Ajay Kumar Sadhotra and other party leaders addressing public rally.

apprised the senior functionaries about the problems being faced by the people of Block No 3 Gadigarh with regard to shortage of basic amenities like scarcity of power, water, roads, and medical facilities and civic amenities, etc. Addressing a

meeting at Block No 3, Gadigarh area here today, the senior NC leader stated, "The PoJK refugees have been feeling deceived. The commitment made to them by the BJP-led Central Government has not been fulfilled. Despite our gov-

Abdullah's leadership identifying over 36,000 refugee families in Jammu and Kashmir, their plight remains unaddressed." "Our government recommended a comprehensive compensation of Rs 25 lakh per refugee family for one time settlement. This was further bolstered by a Parliamentary panel's recommendation of Rs 30 lakh per family. The senior NC leader assured that if voted to power, the National Conference would strive to provide the remainder of the compensation to the refugees by

Mehra were also present. **Anita Thakur** condemns terrorist

attack on Army vehicles STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: General Secretary Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP), Anita Thakur condemned the recent attack on Army vehicles in Bafliaz area, in which 5 soldiers were martyred

and others wounded.

She extended heartfelt condolences to the families of brave soldiers and urged upon the Administration to review, strengthen and enhance security grid so that militants don't go unpunished and they are eradicated.

Delphic Council of J&K distributes appointment letters to newly appointed Advisors, Directors, Dy Directors

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Delphic Council of J&K under the Presidentship of Er. Ashok Singh distributed appointment letters amongst the newly appointed Advisors, Directors and Deputy Directors of the 6 Art Categories of Jammu & Kashmir. The Advisors of the Delphic Council are Ankush Sharma, Shabir Mujahid, Vijay Puri and Prof. Manzoor Ahmed Bhat whereas, the Directors of the Council are Dr. Sushma Rajput, Dr. Anila Singh Charak, Vinod K Verma, Prof. (Dr.) Shabeena Kuttay, Shaikh Tahir, Er. Nirmal S Chauhan and Dr. Gharo Choudhary while Deputy Directors are Er. Yash Pal Singh Choudhary, Surinder Singh Jamwal,



Delphic Council of J&K President Er. Ashok Singh and other members at a meeting.

Naseer Ahmed Mir Santoor Player and Sheetal Verma for Social

Communication. Dr. Ayash Arif Vice President, Er. Narrinder Nath Thussu Treasurer and Bishan Dass attended the first Meeting of the Delphic Council after registration of

the Council as Society. The Delphic Council is an International Organization having the headquarters at Greece, from where even the Olympic Games had started.

Er. Ashok Singh informed that "The Delphic Council of Jammu and Kashmir is working for the unsung heroes from the remotest parts of Villages of all Districts of J&K and will provide them with the National

and the International platform to show case their talent which will in turn become the source of lively hood for the Artisans as well.

Er. Ashok, who is also the Secretary General of Delphic Council (India), apprised the Artists of the J&K that the Council is working in various Districts of J&K since more than 02 years for promoting Art, Culture and Handicrafts so that the Artists who have no access to the outside world, living in the Village, Town, Block, Tehsil and Districts are being given the National and International Platforms for their lively hood.

The Members pledged to move to the Villages for organizing State Games in the States

DBPS celebrates Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya's 162nd Birth anniversary Bhartiya, Dharam Parchar



DBPS Members paying rich tributes to Bharat Ratan Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya on his 162nd Birth Anniversary.

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Dogra Brahman Pritinidhi Sabha (DBPS) on Monday celebrated Bharat Ratan Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya's 162nd Birth anniversary by organizing a function in the premises of the Sabha here. Senior BJP Leader Chander Mohan Sharma who was Chief Guest of the function called for emulating values and principles of great freedom fighter Bharat Ratan Pt. Madan Mohan

Malaviya's nationalism simplicity and social reform which Malaviya's pursued through-

out his life. President DBPS, Ved Parkash Sharma said that Uttar Pardesh in particular and nation as the whole cannot forget the services of Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya's who function as its vice chancellor of the Banaras Hindu University from 1919 to

Senior Member of the Sabha

Advocate P.C. Sharma highlighted on the life of Malaviva's that said Malaviya's was one of the founders of that Malaviya's was one of the founders of Bharat Scouts and Guides.

He also said that he founded a highly in fluently English Newspaper. He was also the chairman of Daily Hindustan Times from 1924 to 1946 Retired DC B.S.Jamwal,

Prominent social activist Shastri, Subash Akhil

Sewa Samiti convener Sunil Sharma while paid rich tribute to Malaviya's and described him as a great patriot and recalled his contributions in different capacities. Sabha office bearers namely

Pt. V.M. Magotra, N.C. Sharma, M.L. Sharma, Satvanand Sharma, Soujanya Sharma, M.L. Padha, Shiv Ram Sharma, Jagan Nath Sharma, K.L Davinder Sharma (Baboo), S.S. Baru, Barita Ram Sharma, Gurdass Sharma, Sat Paul Sharma, Raman Sharma, Rajesh Bargota, Prem Balotra, Ritiz Khajuria, Shiv Chander Sharma, Arnav Khajuria, Balwinder Singh Bhatia, Ravi Sharma, Kanav Sharma District President (BJYM) also paid tributes to Late Bharat Ratan Atal Behari Vajpayee on his 99th Birth Anniversary.