

Wani, Karra, Bhalla meet Incharge J&K Bharatsinh Solanki in New Delhi

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NEW DELHI: CWC Member Tariq Hameed Karra, JKPC President Vikar Rasool Wani and JKPC Working President Raman Bhalla on Monday met Bharatsinh Solanki recently appointed new Incharge J&K and CWC Member and Incharge Jharkhand and additional charge of West Bengal GA Mir in New Delhi today to congratulate him on their appointment and also assuring JKPC full support and cooperation in J&K ahead of forthcoming parliamentary elections in J&K.

The Congress leaders will tomorrow meet AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi along with newly appointed AICC General Secretary Ghulam Ahmad Mir,



CWC Member Tariq Hameed Karra, JKPC President Vikar Rasool and Working President Raman Bhalla meeting with Bharatsinh Solanki at New Delhi.

Incharge J&K-UT Bharatsinh Madhavsingh Solanki and Manoj Yadav AICC Jt Secretary Incharge J&K-UT.

The delegation apprised the Congress Vice President about political scenario and ongoing organizational activities of the party. The leaders put forth their suggestions for strengthening the

party in J&K.

Solanki while addressing JKPC leaders advised to unitedly fight the anti people and anti youth policies of the ruling BJP and defeat their divisive agenda in Jammu and Kashmir, to strengthen the party and gear up their activities keeping an eye on the forthcoming Parliament elections.

He asked leaders to concentrate in their respective areas and be amongst the people to highlight their problems.

Solanki exhorted party leaders and workers to get united to fight the BJP's "wrong and anti-people policies," urging them to strengthen the Congress party at grass roots, as that, it is the Congress Party which has served and shall continue to serve the people.

AICC General Secretary GA Mir said that Centre should accept the demand for restoration of statehood to J&K in the interest of the Constitution and democracy.

Earlier JKPC President said Congress Party is capable enough to fight against the BJP's vendetta politics, it will continue to highlight the price hike, rising unemploy-

ment, lack of development, misuse of agencies against the opponents at every appropriate forum to make BJP accountable and answerable to people.

Bhalla claimed that people want change, as BJP has failed on all fronts of governance especially unchecked price rise, record unemployment besides other anti-employees, anti-trade, anti-politics in J&K.

He said that Congress has been on fore front to oppose the anti-people policies being imposed on the people through back door by the bureaucrats Govt. Having failed to give employment to highest number of percentage of educated unemployed youth, the Centre Govt and UT Administration is beating about bushes and finding faults in the past Govts.

Good Governance Day commemoration on Atal Bihari Vajpayee's Birth Anniversary held

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REASI: The District Administration Reasi celebrated the Good Governance Day, which coincides with the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

The day serves as a platform to enhance awareness among the citizens regarding accountability in governance and government.

Additional District Development Commissioner Jyoti Slathia, speaking on the occasion, emphasized the pivotal role of transparency and accountability in every department.

In her speech, she said that each government department operates with the highest standards of transparency, fostering trust between the govern-



ADDC Reasi Jyoti Slathia and others taking pledge.

ment and the people it serves.

Good Governance Day is a reminder of the principles championed by Atal Bihari Vajpayee, who dedicated his career to fostering a government that is accountable, responsive, and committed to the welfare of the people.

On this occasion, officers are encouraged to reflect on the importance of good governance in building a stronger, more transparent society. The government

remains steadfast in its commitment to promoting accountability and ensuring that every department operates with the utmost transparency for the benefit of the nation.

Later, all the officers and officials took the integrity pledge on the occasion.

ADC Abdul Star, ACP Pardeep Kumar, Xen PWD, Chief Animal Husbandry Officer, Tehsildar Reasi and other district Officers were also present on the occasion.

IGP Jammu conducts inspection of Police Station & SDPO office Bari-Brahmana

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JAMMU: To strengthen the commitment to public safety and enhance the efficiency of law enforcement, IGP Jammu Zone, Anand Jain, conducted comprehensive inspection at Police Station and SDPO office Bari-Brahmana respectively of district Samba this morning.

IGP Jammu Zone meticulously examined the overall functioning of the Police Station and SDPO office Bari-Brahmana, focusing on key areas such as crime prevention strategies, community engagement initiatives, and the overall well-

being of the police personnel.

The objective of this inspection was to ensure that the police station/SDPO office is operating at its optimal capacity to serve and protect the community.

IGP Jammu Zone interacted with the Police Station office personnel, discussing their challenges, achievements, and future goals.

He reviewed the crime data and statistics for the jurisdiction, assessing the effectiveness of on-going initiatives and identifying areas for improvement.

IGP Jammu expressed satisfaction with the overall performance of the Police Station/SDPO office while acknowledging the hard work and dedication of the personnel.

The visit served as an opportunity to motivate and inspire the team to continue their tireless efforts in upholding law and order.

The visit by IGP Jammu reflects the department's dedication to ensuring that every Police Station and SDPO office operates at the highest standards to meet the evolving needs of the community.

Col Mahan takes swift action to resolve Pathiara Panchayat issues

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KATHUA: Colonel Mahan Singh, DDC Chairman Kathua, visited the Pathiara Panchayat in Basohli to address the concerns of local youth and residents.

The ongoing construction of stadium in Pathiara village, was initiated in 2016, faced delays due to the pandemic. However, a commendable development transpired as the government recently sanctioned Rs 80 lakh for the project. This funding will facilitate the creation of stadium boundaries and a synthetic volleyball ground.

During his visit, Col Mahan interacted with the community, listening to their grievances. The primary issue raised was



DDC Chairman Kathua, Col Mahan Singh at public meeting at Pathiara Panchayat.

the obstruction caused by the stadium's construction to the Pathiara Plakh road, affecting around 30 families who rely on this route to reach their homes. He contacted relevant authorities, including ADC Basohli and XEN Sports Council, to address this concern and ensure the timely relocation of the stadium boundaries.

Furthermore, Col Mahan highlighted the achievements accomplished in the past 2.5 years through the collaborative efforts of the three-tier system, emphasizing the pivotal roles played by DDC, BDC, and

Sarpanch. To enhance the utility of the stadium and better connect the region, Col Mahan Singh pledged to improve the overall accessibility of Pathiara by establishing bridges that connect Pathiara with GDC

Basohli, Batada Basohli, and Plakh to Basohli Granole Nala.

The visit underscores Col Mahan Singh's commitment to community welfare, efficient problem-solving, and the development of infrastructure to uplift the lives of the residents in Pathiara (Plahi Panchayat). The sanctioned funds and proposed connectivity initiatives reflect a proactive approach toward fostering progress and prosperity in the region.

DDC Chairman was accompanied by BDC Chairperson Basohli Sushma Jamwal, Sarpanch Poli Devi, Subedar Yubkaran and others.

Empowering Farmers: Kissan Conference Marks Good Governance Day

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DODA: To mark the celebration of Good Governance Day, which coincides with the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, the Department of Agriculture Production and Farmers Welfare Doda on Monday organized a One-Day Kissan Conference under the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) scheme.

The conference was managed by Anil Gupta, Chief Agriculture Officer, under the guidance and direction of District Development Commissioner Harvinder Singh. The event was inaugurated by District Development Council Chairman Dhananther Singh Kotwal and DDC Vice Chairperson Sangeeta Rani amid enthusiastic participa-



DDC Chairman Dhananther Singh Kotwal and DDC Vice Chairperson Sangeeta Rani visiting a stall.

tion from the farming community.

The conference aimed to promote progressive agricultural practices and enhance the welfare of farmers, aligning with the government's commitment to good governance. The gathering witnessed a large turnout of farmers, reflecting their keen interest in the proceedings.

The event featured departmental stalls that showcased innovations and advancements in agriculture. Farmers had the opportunity to explore these stalls, gaining valuable insights into modern farming techniques and technologies. The farmers having grown exemplary agro-products were awarded in the programme. Some

beneficiaries of the Horticulture department were given sanctioned letters under UT Capex Budget 2023-24 for establishing their own Processing Units and Water Sources.

Floral tribute was paid to Former Prime Minister of India, Atal Bihari Vajpayee on his birth anniversary, which is celebrated as Good Governance Day across the country. Other prominent persons present in the function were SP Headquarters Doda, Chief Planning Officer (CPO), Chief Horticulture Officer, Chief Agriculture Officer, District Information Officer, District Sheep Husbandry Officer and Fisheries Officer. Several other officers and officials also graced the occasion, demonstrating the collaborative effort to support the agricultural community.

In his address, the DDC Chairman urged the stakeholder departments involved in farmers' welfare to create mass awareness about the intervention schemes launched by the government for the betterment of the farming community. He advised the farmers to use the latest technology, high yielding variety seeds, and scientific management to improve their earnings. He also advocated for composite farming.

The conference served as a platform for farmers to interact with key stakeholders, exchange ideas, and stay updated on the latest developments in agriculture. Overall, the successful event underscored the importance of community engagement and government initiatives in fostering agricultural growth and rural development.

Sehaj Path Bhog ceremony performed



Participants of Sehaj Path being honoured with certificates.

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KATHUA: In the martyrdom of Char Sahibjady Sehaj Path Bhog ceremony performed at Gurudwara Singh Sabha Kathua under the supervision of S. Parveen Singh General Secretary of District Gurudwara Parbandhak Committee Kathua. He provided the Pothi Sahib to the interested sangat to do the Sehaj Path individually.

He said DGPC Kathua is ready to take every necessary action to connect the sangat with Gurbani. In this connection we have already provided

an opportunity to the sangat to learn Gurbani Kirtan and Gurbani Path. The classes to learn 'Tabla', 'Harmonium' is

going on at Gurudwara Singh Sabha Kathua. The participated Sangat in the Sehaj Path ceremony appreciated the efforts of Committee and thanked for providing such type of facilities through which we can recite and understand Gurbani easily.

All the participant of Sehaj Path honoured with certificate by S. Parveen Singh General Secretary. Prithipal Singh, Bhupinder Singh, Kamal Singh, Joginder Singh, Tarlochan Singh, Satpal Singh and other were also present.

54-members shooting squad leaves for National School Games



Shooters team leaving for National School Games.

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir will have a strong representation at the 67th National Shooting School Games for All Age Group scheduled to be held under the aegis of School Games Federation of India (SGFI) from December 27 2023 to January 1, 2024 at Bhopal (MP). Congratulating the selected 54 shooters taking part in the School Nationals Games at Bhopal, Director DYSS, Subash C Chhibber shared his best wishes with the players. Vishal Bharti Physical Teacher (YSS), Rehber e Khel Teachers Muzammil, Atul Sharma, Ashutosh Sharma, Arekha Thakur Coaches Rajesh Virldhy (AIM 10X Shooting Academy), Aman Singh (Mission Olympics Shooting Academy) and others were also among the part of the team going to Bhopal.

NSSO organises Internal Training Programme for launch of Second Time Use Survey

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JAMMU: National Sample Survey Office (Field Operations Division), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India, Regional office, Jammu organized Internal Training Programme (ITP) for the launch of Second Time Use Survey in the Meeting Hall of Office premises of Regional Office, Jammu.

The training was attended by the officers and the field staff of NSSO (FOD) Regional office Jammu & Sub-Regional Office, Udhampur.

Time Use Survey (TUS) provides a framework for measuring time dispositions by the population on different activities. Time Use Survey can capture time disposition



on different aspects of human activities, be it paid, unpaid or other activities with such details which is otherwise not possible in other surveys.

Time Use Survey (TUS) will be an important source of information on the time spent in unpaid care giving activities, unpaid volunteer work, unpaid domestic service producing activities of the household members. This will also provide information on time spent on learning, socializing,

leisure activities, self-care activities, etc. by the household members. The ITP was inaugurated by Kishore Kumar Deputy Director General National Sample Survey Office, (Field Operations Division) under Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI), Government of India. In his inaugural address he highlighted the role of National Sample Survey Office in developing a sound

Statistical Database for the use by planners and policy makers, researchers and various other agencies at the National and International level and outlined in detail the significance of present Survey. Kumar requested the people of the State to give full cooperation to the field Officers/ Officials of the NSSO, (FOD), Government of India and provide correct & reliable information. In the welcome address R. K. Sharma Kumar, Assistant Director NSSO (FOD), Regional Office Jammu gave a brief detail about NSSO Survey carried out by the field officials of the NSSO field staff. Sharma also highlighted the importance of these surveys for nation building. Training Programme will pro-

vide an insight of various terms, concepts, procedures and definitions used in various schedule of Time Use Survey. Training will be devoted to the discussions of concepts and definitions, various technical terms and contents of schedules to be canvassed in the survey also discussion on data entry in CAPI.

Officers and field staff of

NSSO(FOD), involved in the process of data collection will get benefits from this training programme.

The overall Coordination & Comparing was done by Sunil K. Khar, NSSO (FOD), Regional Office Jammu. Khar also imparted training to the field staff of Regional Office Jammu & Sub-Regional Office Udhampur.

BJP Minority Morcha holds Veer Bal Diwas programme in memory of 'Chaar Sahibzaade'

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Jammu & Kashmir Minority Morcha led by its President Ranjodh Singh Nalwa organized a 'Veer Bal Diwas' programme in the memory of 'Chaar Sahibzaade' at party office Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

Former Dy. CM Kavinder Gupta, former Minister Sat Sharma, General Secretaries Adv. Vibodh Gupta & Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal, former MLCs Ashok Khajuria, Vikram Randhawa & S. Charanjeet Singh Khalsa and BJYM Prabhari Munish Sharma along with Ranjodh Singh Nalwa were amongst the prominent to speak on the occasion.

A pictorial representation of 'Chaar Sahibzaade' was also presented in the programme.

Kavinder Gupta spoke on



the strong will of 'Chaar Sahibzaade' to protect innocent people from persecution. He said that these greats preferred death instead of deviating from the noble principles of Dharma

Sat Sharma spoke on the bravery and courage of 'Chaar Sahibzaade' and the need to remember their sacrifice in our daily life.

Vibodh Gupta recited a beautiful poem in the remembrance of 'Chaar

Sahibzaade', laying emphasis on their sacrifice.

Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal said that the significance of the supreme sacrifice made by the 'Chaar Sahibzaade' is unmatched.

Munish Sharma spoke about the exceptional history and genuineness of the sacrifices hidden in our great past.

Ashok Khajuria condemned the previous governments for propagating wrong

history and praising the invaders.

Vikram Randhawa said that the programme aimed to preserve and promote the rich cultural and historical heritage associated with the martyrdom.

Ranjodh Singh Nalwa thanked Prime Minister Narinder Modi for declaring 'Bal Diwas' in the memory of 'Chaar Sahibzaade' of Guru Gobind Singh Ji. He emphasized the importance of remembering and cherishing the sacrifices made by the 'Chaar Sahibzaade' in the pursuit of justice.

Sanjeev Bali, Dr. Surjeet Singh, Bhupinder Singh, Rajinder Singh, Harpal Singh Bali, Balvinder Singh, Santokh Singh, Pawanjit Singh, Gurmeet Singh Rocky, Joginder Singh Raju and others were also present on the occasion.

Jammu Police receives participants of 24th Rashtra Katha Shivar

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JAMMU: Jammu Police under Civic Action Programme organised a reception for the 82 students (32 from Jammu and 50 from Kashmir) who participated in 24th Rashtra Katha Shivar conducted by Shri Vedic Mission Trust at Rajkot Gujarat.

The students were received by Rannish Gupta SP Hqrs at Jammu Railway station and thereafter the contingent was received at conference hall DPL Jammu by Shakti Pathak DIG who interacted with the participants.

The tour was flagged off by Dr Vinod Kumar SSP Jammu accompanied by



committee members constituted by ZPHQ Jammu at NGO' Mess Jammu Gulshan Ground Jammu.

While interacting with the students, inspector Kunal Jamwal caretaker shared his experiences about the

shivir/programme.

Shakti Pathak underlined the importance of acquiring knowledge through experience to bring change in the society and also wish them for their bright future.