

# JK Public School Panjtirthi observes Martyrs Day



Students of JK Public School Panjtirthi expressing their views on freedom-fighters and Mahatma Gandhi on Martyrs Day.

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JAMMU: To pay reverent homage to the patriots who fought and sacrificed their lives for the freedom, welfare and progress of India, JK Public School Panjtirthi observed Martyrs Day virtu-

ally.

Martyrs Day is observed on 30th of January every year as on the same day Mahatma Gandhi was assassinated.

Jakians expressed that Mahatma Gandhi was a great freedom fighter. To pay

tribute to the great leader, students presented a power point presentation on the life of Mahatma Gandhi showing his trials and tribulations and relentless efforts in the Indian freedom struggle, besides his contribution to

nation building that conveyed the message of selfless love sacrifice and humanity which is the guiding light for generations to come.

Jakians also prayed to God to spread brotherhood and restore peace among nations.

A short documentary on his life was also shown.

Poems to motivate the viewers were also recited by students.

Jakians sang the song "Raghupati Raghav" in the remembrance on Mahatma

Gandhi.

The students and staff also observed a silent prayer to pay tributes to other martyrs.

Principal of JKPS Panjtirthi, Suman Bambah applauded the efforts of the

students and urged them that Indians should always follow Gandhi's Principles-Simple Living, High Thinking and not to follow the seven social sins: Politeness without principles, Commerce without morality, Wealth without

work, Pleasure without conscience, Knowledge without character, Science without humanity and Worship without sacrifice".

She concluded her words by saying that the blood of the Martyrs is the seed of nation.

## JU VC releases Sadaket Malik's book 'Bhalessa's cultural history & heritage'

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JAMMU: A book on Bhalessa- its culture, Education, history and tourism and language authored by an eminent writer Sadaket Malik was released today by Prof Manoj Kumar Dhar, Vice-Chancellor (VC), University of Jammu (JU).

The book has been written by the author to focus on multiple aspects of Bhalessa (Doda).

The book titled "Bhalessa-Cultural history and heritage" consists of eight nostalgic chapters and is a remarkable piece of work. It



VC, JU, Prof Manoj Kumar Dhar and other dignitaries releasing Sadaket Malik's book.

will give you an insight into the area. The best part of this book is that all his claims and beliefs are supported with a proof, tables, classification, and justifications.

The chapter "culture" will stimulate one to know more and more about the region. It introduces you to various dialects and languages spoken there, and also to various festivals like Kod,

Pounayo, Konchochoth, Bason and Rang that are celebrated there besides Madersa reforms and unidentified tourism sites.

There are no words to explain Bhalessa's versatile culture; the book has done justice to the subject.

The book has been forwarded by Rafiq Masoodi Ex ADG Doordarshan and Ex-Secretary, J&K Academy of Art Culture and Languages.

The book has a focus on the two sub-dialects of Bhalessa that comprised of Bhalessa, one spoken in the South, the centre of which is the village Kilhotran Changha, the other spoken in the North, the centre of

which is the village Jakyas.

Speaking on the occasion Vice-chancellor appreciated the author for the superlative efforts that he put in for the popularisation of composite cultural, heritage, local languages and unexplored areas like Bhalessa in Doda.

Prof Dhar laid stress on the promotion of composite cultural heritage. The book release function was attended by Aseer Kishtwari (Sahitya Academy Awardee), eminent Journalist Sohail Kazmi, Dr Imran Farooq PRO to Vice-Chancellor, eminent poet Fozia Naseem Mughal, Dr Rahul Kait and Dr Ashiq Hussain.

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## PHQ bids farewell to DySP Inderjeet Singh

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DGP, J&K, Dilbag Singh in presence of other police officers presenting memento to DySP Inderjeet Singh on his superannuation.

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Police Headquarters on Monday bid farewell to the Deputy Superintendent of Police (DySP) Inderjeet Singh on his superannuation.

DGP, J&K Dilbag Singh, ADGP Headquarters PHQ, M. K. Sinha, ADGP Coordination PHQ Danesh Rana, IGP CIV, PHQ, Alok Kumar, AIsG and other

worked with dedication throughout his career.

He praised the outgoing officer for his contribution to the department in various capacities.

DGP congratulated him for having a successful career and wished him health and blissful post retirement life.

Inderjeet Singh, while speaking on the occasion, thanked the DGP, J&K and other police officers for their guidance and support during his service career. He said that he was proud to be a member of J&K Police.

ADGP Headquarters gave the resume of the officer's

service record in the department. He hailed the officer for completing such a long service in the department with sincerity and dignity.

A Science graduate Inderjeet Singh joined the J&K Police in the year 1993 and rose to the rank DySP.

He has been decorated with the Police Medal for Meritorious Services and Jammu Kashmir Police Medal for Meritorious Services in the year 2017 and 2021 respectively for his dedication and professionalism. He has also received the DGPs Medal in the year 1995.

## RASC gifts books to IPLNP in Brazil

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JAMMU: To promote reading habit among masses and especially youth who can't afford to buy books, Roller Athlete Skating Club (RASC) Jindrah (J&K) from India gifted more than 350 books and 60 classic DVDS and CDs to Instituto Projeto Ler Na Praça (IPLNP), Bahia, Salvador, Brazil under the directions of Club President Arya Vir Singh Jamwal.

Speaking on the occasion, Lazaro from Instituto Projeto Ler Na Praça shared that they are working for last 20 years and had distributed millions of books among needy. He further expressed gratitude towards RASC Jindrah club for supporting their organisation.

Valeria Penfold from RASC Jindrah said that the club is on a mission to share joy of reading and knowledge with people as we believe that without literary skills, the society can't progress. The members of club further



RASC Jindrah Club President, Arya Vir Singh Jamwal gifting books to Lazaro of IPLNP.

said that they would perform sports activities in other parts of Salvador especially where there are such no such activities for youth.

## ABVP holds protest against TN Govt for suicide of student



ABVP activists raising slogans during a protest.

really heartbreaking. "We are in the fight for justice for victim and stand with bereaved family," he added. He further said that to ensure that institutional evangelism is not practiced, a proper regulatory framework to separate Churches and Masjids from schools should be strictly enforced. Forced Conversion should be made a punishable offence, he asserted, demanding a proper and transparent enquiry into the matter for booking all the culprits.

Prominent among those who were present on the occasion included Rammik Sharma, Chahat Anand, Abhishek Sharma, Meetali Sharma, Naresh Dalmatra, Anit Singh, Kannu, Ashita, Anjali, Priya, Vikrant, Shivani, Vikrant, Abhishek and Anubav.

## DFSS demands retrieval of encroached lands

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JAMMU: A number of activists of Dogra Front & Shiv Sena (DFSS) led by its President Ashok Gupta held a protest on Monday demanding removal of all types of encroachments from state land.

Speaking during the protest, Gupta said that all type of encroached land, which belongs to Government, must be retrieved from encroachers besides initiating legal action against violators. He further said that there are some reports regarding encroachment of 23 Kanals & 9 Marlas land in Ghaink village, Tehsil Bhalwal by Ex-

school staff which pressurized her for converting to Christianity. On January 24, 2022 the teenager committed suicide. Condemning the tragic incident, ABVP demanded a fair and transparent investigation into the case. Speaking on the occasion, ABVP J&K State Secretary Mukesh Manhas said that suicide of a girl student due to pressure of conversion is

Deputy Chief Minister and former Social Welfare Minister in Roop Nagar.

He appealed to Div Com Jammu & VC JDA that the land in Ghaink, Bhalwal is not being claimed by anyone; as such JDA should put its board there to resolve the issue. "Land in Roop Nagar must be allotted to allottees and all encroachers must be removed from land so that law of the land can prevail," he added. Those who were present during the protest included Sushil, Deepu, Arjun, Kalu, Naresh, Sidhant, Chaman and Lovely.

## SPF resents hollow promises made by administration with Sikhs

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JAMMU: Resenting hollow

promises made by LG J&K UT with Sikh community of J&K, Sikh Progressive Front (SPF) has threatened to

launch a mass agitation at grass root level to get justice. While addressing a press conference on Monday, Balvinder Singh President SUF along with other members namely Surinder Singh Wazir, Manjot Singh and Rajinder Singh

Sudan recalled their meeting with LG of J&K UT held on March 14, 2021 during which a memorandum consisting ten demands was submitted to him. After discussing demands in detail, LG assured the visiting delegation that a few demands out of ten mentioned in the memorandum shall be addressed immediately like constitution of Minority Commission, installation of statue of Baba Banda Singh at Kunjwani Chowk, taking initiative for promotion of



SPF President, Balvinder Singh talking to reporters.

Punjabi language in JKUT, implementation of Anand Marriage Act passed by Parliament on June 7, 2012 etc.

The visiting members further highlighted issue of debarring of non-migrant Sikh youth of valley from availing benefits under Prime Minister Special Employment Package by amending J&K Kashmiri Migrants (Special Drive) Recruitment Rules 2009 of SRO-412 dated December 30, 2009 vide SRO-425 dated October 10, 2017 whereby the

discriminatory towards interest of Sikh Community of Kashmiri who didn't migrate from valley, but suffered the same miseries even during peak of terrorism and more than 150 Sikhs were killed during three decades of terrorism."

He further said that it is unfortunate that despite lapse of considerable time no action has been taken by J&K UT administration to address grievances of the community to adopt path of agitation for their legitimate rights. SPF further urged entire Sikh community of J&K to get ready for launching a mass agitation to get justice.

Others present on the occasion included Babu Singh, Jatinder Singh, Janak Singh, Paramjit Singh, Sharanjit Singh, Nirman Singh, Ravinder Singh, Mamohan Singh, Jasbir Singh, Jasmeet Singh and Ramandeep Singh.

Consumer Affairs. It was emphasized that there is dire need for similar action at all district headquarters of Jammu Province. The CWA urged all district administrations of Jammu province to form flying squads comprising concerned officials from FSS&CA and IMD to conduct surprise market checks for ensuring that reasonable rates commensurate with quality of goods/ services are charged from consumers besides initiating action against all such profiteering

sellers who charge exorbitant prices. It was highlighted by CWA members that consumers are already facing hardships due to ongoing COVID pandemic situation and miseries are further compounded with steep price rise of essential commodities. Those who attended the meeting included Chander Prakash, M S Jamwal, Rajinder Prasad, Joginder K Khajuria, Ashok Kaul and S N Kaul.

EPFO Jammu settles 13 pension cases in January

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JAMMU: Pension is very important for ensuring social security for employees and their family members in times of need and eventualities. EPFO Regional Office, Jammu has initiated the process of settling pension claims from offices of Jammu and Kashmir. The office has settled 13 pension claims in January 2022 besides settling several other cases as well. It is pertinent to mention here that monthly pension is available to members if they have ten or more years of service under Employees' Pension Scheme 1995 in one or more establishment(s). The eligible members may avail superannuation pension by applying online claim through their UAN login after attainment of 58 years of age.

Provision of monthly pension is also available to family of EPS members in case of unfortunate demise of member while in service. The family member(s) may avail monthly pension by applying offline through employer of deceased.

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