

# J&K BJP listens to PM Modi's address on Atmanirbhar Arthvyavastha through virtual mode

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) organized various programmes in Jammu & Kashmir to listen to the Prime Minister Narendra Modi's address on A t m a n i r b h a r Arthvyavastha with the use of Audio-Visual Aids managed by the party's IT Department.

J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina, General Secretary Adv. Vibodh Gupta, JMC Mayor Chander Mohan Gupta and BJP NEM & Headquarter Incharge Priya Sethi were present on the stage in the main programme while General Secretary (Org.) Ashok Koul and other senior leaders were also present in the programme organized at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu. Programmes to listen to the Prime Minister's address were also organized at BJP's District Headquarters at 25 places



BJP J&K President Ravinder Raina during a programme.

which were attended by senior leaders of the party in their respective Districts. Prime Minister focused on the intricate mechanism of the Aatmanirbhar Arthvyavastha vision envisioned in this Union Budget. He deliberated in detail the highlights of this Budget highlighting the needful exercises and stressed areas to make the Nation totally self reliant. Prime Minister said that this Budget will be beneficial to the farmers, youth, students, entrepreneurs,

MSMEs, technology, Defense, health infrastructure, village modernization and other sectors. He said that the Budget will help to construct Brand India boosting the Make in India approach from Defense needs to health infrastructure to high quality Education to everybody. He also focused on the importance of border villages and their residents and their development. He focused on the Social justice and equitable development. PM focused on the

needs of small farmers and organic chemical free farming. He talked of ways to promote Start-Ups and innovation.

Banking in Post offices in rural areas was stressed in his address. He also talked of improved road networks and importance of Logistics in farming and trade & industries.

PM also talked of green infrastructure and Ease of doing business, while prompting all the citizens of Nation to contribute in the development process. Later, Ravinder Raina, thanked all party activists of J&K BJP for attending the PM's address attentively saying that the Budget is pro-poor and friendly to everybody. He stressed that this Budget reflects the constructive approach and commitment of Good Governance of Modi Government towards the residents of this Great Nation.

# Youth Congress protests against Pegasus spyware issue



PYC workers during the protest at Jammu.

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JAMMU: J&K Youth Congress on Wednesday staged protest over Pegasus spyware issue here.

On the directions of Uday Bhanu Chib, President J&K unit, the Youth Congress activists led by Happy Randhawa, President DYC Jammu Urban, assembled near Press Club and raised slogans against the BJP government in the Centre.

Talking to reporters today, Happy Randhawa said "The issue of spying through

Pegasus is a very big one. It is not only about snooping; several other things are involved too. Youth Congress demands an inquiry by a Supreme Court judge into the matter." Randhawa questioned why such an inquiry had not been ordered by the government as yet, considering France had already done so. He accused the government of "treason" and compromising the national security. He said "It's not our phones; it's our democracy which has been hacked! We

# CHILDLINE Jammu provides hygiene kits to inmates of Muskan

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JAMMU: In its efforts to reach out to the children Childline Jammu Nodal organization Department of Law, University of Jammu distributes hygiene kits to inmates of Muskan Child Care Institution.

Personal hygiene and cleanliness are critical for staying healthy and for preventing sicknesses, disease and protection against COVID 19 infection.

The importance of basic hygiene and staying clean extends beyond physical health.

During the interaction with the staff of the CCI they were also urged to take extra care to protect the children from deadly disease of COVID as we are facing the danger of third wave which is more

critical as for as children are concerned. The experts from medical field already provided the warning signal in this regard. The staff members were also aware about the CHILDLINE and its activities. The information with regard to 1098 number and its functioning was shared with the staff members. The event was organized under the supervision of Prof. Satinder Kumar Nodal Director CHILDLINE/HoD Department of Law, University of Jammu. The event was coordinated by Rohit Khajuria Coordinator.

Others who were present on the Occasion Bansil Lal Administrator Muskan CCI, staff members of CCI and volunteer Vaneet Sharma.

# Modi Govt's schemes making women self-reliant: Rekha

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JAMMU: During her visit to Akhnoor in connection with party programmes, Jammu and Kashmir BJP Secretary & District Prabhari Rekha Mahajan, discussed various schemes of Narendra Modi government for women empowerment. She held a meeting with prominent local women activists and stressed upon them to get full information related to these schemes and share the same with the women in their respective areas. They can become self reliant by availing these schemes.

Rekha informed them that among many schemes launched by Modi government, for the first time after independence, included providing free gas connections to women and construction of toilets for them, opening their Jan Dhan accounts, giving newly constructed houses in their own names, speaks of the concern for their socio economic upliftment.

Rekha further asked them to go through the salient features of this year's budget, which has continued with taking more care of the women empowerment. She said that under Mission Shakti, one scheme named 'Sambal' is aimed at strengthening safety & security of women and another scheme named 'Samarthya' is dedicated towards empowerment of women, as pronounced in Aatam Nirbhar Bharat Ka Budget. This mission will give ensure holistic welfare development of women. Over 5.5 crore tap water connections were provided in past 2 years and now 3.8 crore more households will get tap water in 2022-23, which will enable Ease of Living for women,

# NC Minority Cell seeks roadmap for KPs' return; strict implementation of Immovable Property Act 1997

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JAMMU: Seeking humane approach towards resolving the issues confronting to over six lakh displaced Kashmiri Pandits, Jammu and Kashmir National Conference Minority Cell today exhorted the Centre to chalk out a time-bound roadmap for their safe, honourable and dignified return as per the aspirations of the stakeholders.

"The forced and painful exodus of the microscopic minority community continues to haunt the nationalist KPs who continue to be refugees in their own country for the past over three decades", the Charter of Demands adopted at a high level of the community functionaries under the Chairmanship of Provincial President Mr Rattan Lal Gupta at Sher-e-Kashmir Bhawan here stated, reminding the present dispensation

at the Centre to keep up the promise of facilitating dignified return of the Kashmir Pandits, who had leave all their movable and immovable property behind during the painful and forceful displacement from the Valley.

NC Minority Cell President M K Yogi highlighted the key points of the Charter of Demands amid overwhelming applause from the participants from camp and non-camp migrant dwellings.

The Provincial President Rattan Lal Gupta described the migration of Kashmiri Pandits as a blot on the glorious ethos of Jammu and Kashmir which is known the world over for its inclusiveness and harmonious co-existence.

He also enumerated the measures taken by the National Conference during its various spells of governance for ameliorating the lot of the displaced community.

Gupta hoped that the administration will take a call

# DPS Jammu, Nagbani, Katra management honour frontline educators



DPS management members and faculty members during a programme at Jammu.

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JAMMU: To acknowledge the role played by all Frontline Educators of the Delhi Public School (DPS) Family and to condole the loss of the family members of their staff during the COVID-19, the Management of DPS Jammu, Nagbani & Katra organized a virtual felicitation and condolence programme on Wednesday. The occasion was graced by Ajatshatru Singh, President R/T, Founder Chairman Trustee & PVC-DPS Nagbani, Founder Chairman Trustee-DPS Jammu & DPS Katra, Ritu Singh, PVC, DPS Jammu,

Founder Trustee-DPS Nagbani & DPS Katra, Rajkumar Ranvijay Singh, Member Trustee and S.S Sodhi, PVC-DPS Katra and Director-DPS Jammu and DPS Nagbani. Around 100 educators of the schools joined the online event. The event began with a poignant tribute to the mother of S.S Sodhi, Surjeet Kour, followed by the other family members of the school staff who lost their lives during pandemic. The support and cooperation received from the parents for online teaching and virtual activities were also appreciated. The role played by the teachers, particularly the

frontline educators was applauded. The Appreciation Certificates for the frontline educators were also displayed and distributed digitally. Ajatshatru appreciated the dedicated and committed efforts of the frontline staff during these unprecedented times. He also expressed his concern for the children who have been attending virtual classes from home for almost two years now and hoped that their physical classes would resume soon. Ritu Singh expressed appreciation and heartfelt gratitude for each Frontline Educators. Sodhi emphasized the significance of the teaching fraternity

and their families in supporting the online education for 6000+ students of DPS Jammu, Katra & Nagbani. Also, present were Ruchi Chabra, Principal-DPS Jammu, Raj Kumar Verma, Principal-DPS Nagbani, Manikarnika Sharma, Vice Principal-DPS Katra, Meenu Gupta, Headmistress, Ravi Kumar Kotroo-Examination Incharge/Headmaster, Umesh Kumar Sharma-Dy. Headmaster, Rimpi Sharma-Dy. Headmistress, Mrignaini Pathania-Coordinator, R.C Gupta-CAO, Karandeep Singh-Snr Manager Operations, among others.

# Two-week long Refresher Course in Life Sciences concludes at JU

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JAMMU: Department of Botany, in collaboration with UGC-HRDC, University of Jammu organized a Refresher Course in Life Sciences for teaching faculty of Life Sciences on virtual mode.

Prof. Manoj Kumar Dhar, Vice-Chancellor of the University and Chief Guest in the valedictory function of this two-week-long academic event said that such events are important for personal development.

Prof. Dhar focused upon the significant role that biologists can play in the current scenario. He emphasized upon the research is oriented towards food security, climate crisis, water management, and sustainable development.

He stressed upon the participants that they should also go for such studies so

that the sustainability goals can be achieved by 2030.

Earlier, Prof. S. K. Pandita, Director UGC-HRDC, formally welcomed all the participants.

Prof. Veenu Kaul, Head, Department of Botany and coordinator of this course said that a total of 32 different lectures on diverse aspects of life sciences were delivered by eminent experts from the country and abroad.

Some of the main topics like sixth mass extinction and its impact on biodiversity by Prof. K.R. Shivanna, Science of COVID-19 by Dr. Sumit Gandhi, Endophytes by Prof. Sanjana Kaul, Biodiversity Informatics by Dr. Gitanjali Yadav, ethnobotany by Dr. Radhakrishnan, research ethics by Prof. Kalpana Pai, Stroke & "The Brain

Attack" by Prof. Anjana Munshi, geo-spatial data by Dr. H. C. Dutt, paleontology by Dr. Varun Parmar, biological invasions by Prof. Zafer Reshi, electron transport chain by Prof. Yash Pal Sharma, sex chromosomes by Prof. Namrata Sharma, behaviour of bees and honeybees by Prof. Somanathan, cancer biology by Dr. Shashank Singh, butterflies by Dr. Neeraj Sharma, biodiversity monitoring by Dr. Pushpinder Jamwal was covered during the course.

Further, Prof Ambarish Vidyarthi, Vice-Chancellor, Bikaner Technical University also delivered a lecture on National Education Policy-2020.

A vote of thanks was delivered by Ranjit Kalra, Teaching Faculty, UGC-HRDC, University of Jammu.

# Rinchen Dolkar appointed as BJMM President Ladakh

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LEH: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Ladakh on Wednesday appointed Rinchen Dolkar as State President of Bharatiya Janata Mahila Moreha (BJMM) Ladakh.

Member Parliament Ladakh Jamyang Tsering Namgyal issued a statement saying that after the appointment of former State President of BJMM Rinchen Lhamo as Member of National Commission of Minority, State President Ladakh Phunchok Stanzin has appointed Rinchen Dolkar as State President BJMM, Ladakh.

Rinchen Dolkar had served the party as District President BJMM Leh and District General Secretary BJP Leh.

"Heartiest congratulations to all the Karyakartas of Mahila



Rinchen Dolkar

Moreha of Leh, Kargil, Nubra and Zaskar as well as the people of Ladakh for having such an educated, dedicated, vocal, sincere and bold woman leadership to lead the BJP in Ladakh," MP Ladakh said in his congratulatory message.

Meanwhile, BJP State President Phunchok Stanzin and State Executive Members congratulated Rinchen Dolkar on being appointed as new President of BJP Mahila Moreha, UT Ladakh and hoped for working towards betterment of the society, especially for women rights.

# ICSI applauds Union Budget 2022

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NEW DELHI: The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) applauded Union Budget 2022, unveiled by the Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on February 1, 2022.

Focusing on the four pillars: Productivity, Climate Action, Financing Investment and PM Gati Shakti plan, Budget 2022 is aimed at growth and sustainability.

The proposal such as Kissan Drone for crop assessment and digitization of land records will be a forward looking step in inclusive development of farming. Besides this, Sovereign Green Bonds, Battery Swapping Policy, Energy Service Company Business model in large commercial buildings etc. are



commendable initiatives on Climate Action.

Giving his insight on the budget, CS Devendra V Deshpande, President, The ICSI said "It is a very progressive budget aiming at inclusive development through incentivising MSME sector and start-ups. It proposes to strengthen the digital payment eco system which will have positive impact on Ease of Doing Business and would promote FDI as well. Besides this, the introduction of Digital Currency is forward looking step and would place India at the International Platform in this arena.