

## BJP worried about outside youths at cost of local educated unemployed: Mir

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JAMMU: JKPCC has hit hard the Centre Govt. and JK UT Administration for the ill treatment to the candidates and aspirants for various ongoing selections and termed it as anti youth policy of BJP Govt. towards the local youth of Jammu and Kashmir.

Reacting strongly to the treatment being given to the large number of aspirants and candidates for different categories of ongoing selections including border battalions of JKP, CISF/BSF as well as other ongoing selections, JKPCC Chief Shri G.A. Mir has said that it is totally unjustified and great injustice with the eligible local candidates of different posts.

The Centre Govt of day is totally indifferent towards the unemployed educated youth, as all selections initiated prior to August 2019 have been withheld and recalled and the candidates are protesting on roads for completion of the process.



Mir said that these candidates who had already applied and undergone some selection process who are being made to wait for three years for facilitating the new eligible candidates from outside J&K, after the re-organization Act 2019.

The BJP Govt. is worried about outside candidates at the cost and interests of local candidates who had already taken part in the selection process. Most of them are waiting for two to three years for the completion of selection process and are getting over-aged.

The J&K Govt has directed the recruiting agencies including PSC and Service Selection Board to withhold all such selection process initiated prior to the J&K Re-organization Act.

This is great injustice to all those who were already in the

process of selections for different categories of posts advertised prior to implementation of J&K Reorganization Act 2019.

The ruling BJP is totally silent over the plight of unemployed educated youth while the Govt. uses police force to suppress the voice of youth agitating for their genuine rights.

He took the ruling party and Centre Govt. to task for the grave injustice to all such categories of candidates and aspirants on roads and condemned the policies of suppression towards the youth.

The BJP top leaders have gone into hibernation after making tall and false promises with the unemployed youth who have been left at the mercy of the police and the administration.

JKPCC Chief expressed solidarity with the agitating youth and said that Congress party stands shoulder to shoulder with the agitating youths.

## Various delegations call on LG Mathur

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LEH: A delegation led by Naib Sarpanch, Shakar-Chiktan, Mohd Shafi, on Thursday called upon the Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, RK Mathur, here.

The delegation comprising Shafi, Nambardar Mohd Mussa and two other villagers- Mohd Amin and Haji Mohd Afzal Begh- briefed LG Mathur of various issues faced by the villagers of Chiktan.

The delegation requested LG Mathur to upgrade the Higher Secondary School, Chiktan, to a Degree College. The delegation also apprised LG Mathur of the various challenges faced by the residents of Chiktan due to the shortage of staff at Community Health Center (CHC), Chiktan. They also briefed LG Mathur that the villagers are unable to avail the facility of the latest technology available at CHC Chiktan such as ultrasound machine due to a lack of doctors. The delegation requested LG Mathur to fill up the vacant posts of doctors at the earliest.

Meanwhile, a delegation led by Sarpanch, Halqa Panchayat, Abran, Zanskar;

Skalzang Lamo also called upon the Lieutenant Governor.

The three-member delegation comprising Sarpanch Lamo, Panch Phumchok Stobgal and member Stanzin Nurboo briefed LG Mathur about various issues about the village. They requested LG Mathur for a survey of Akshow village and a detailed project report (DPR) of the 40-km road from Akshow village in Zanskar till Sumsam village in Kishtwar due to the importance of the road for both people of Zanskar and Kishtwar.

The delegation from Arban also requested LG Mathur for road connectivity from Akshow Drog to Tankar-Toktha and the construction of a motorable bridge to Bakarsay village from Skagam.

The delegation requested LG Mathur for the construction of permanent sheds for nomads as the nomads are unable to construct permanent houses due to constant movement with their livestock.

Lastly, the delegation requested LG Mathur to provide relief to livestock in the form of fodder due to snowfall in the winter.

## Mayor starts construction work of community hall in Ward-3



General Secretary (Org) BJP J&K, Ashok Koul starting construction work of a community Hall.

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JAMMU: Mayor, Chander Mohan Gupta, presence of Ashok Koul General Secretary (organization) BJP J&K, Advocate Purnima Sharma Deputy Mayor JMC, Narotam Sharma, Councilor of Ward No 3, Yudhvir Sethi Vice President J&K U.T BJP, Vinay Gupta District President BJP Jammu on Thursday started the construction work of a community Hall within the premis-

es of Laxmi Narayan Mandir situated at Dhakki Sarajan near link Road Jammu of ward No 3. Besides this, Management committee members of the mandir; prominent inhabitants of the ward as well as R. K Mahajan Executive Engineer; Vijay Kumar Koul, Asstt Executive Engineer; Shabir Ahmed Junior Engineer & other supervisory staff of works Division -I were also remained

present there during the function which was organized in a very simple manner.

Mayor directed the concerned engineering wing accompanied with him to keep strict vigil on the quality of this work started today on a routine basis and get it completed within the stipulated time frame so that locals and devotees of this historical temple situated just in the heart of old Jammu city can take full benefits of this community hall.

## Balwant launches book 'Bollywood & its Global impact' in Mauritius

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PORT LOUIS (MAURITIUS): Balwant Thakur- the cultural diplomat of India to Mauritius who is currently heading world's biggest cultural centre here launched the book entitled 'Bollywood the global impact' by Dr. Ouma Seebaluck at the Mauritius Gymkhana Club, Vacoas.

On the occasion Balwant Thakur said that Bollywood is India's magical soft power and this book is a strong endorsement of this fact- a robust and compelling case that demonstrates the vast extent to which Bollywood has contributed to advancing the image, reputation and brand of Republic of India. 'Bollywood the global impact' poignantly captures the multifaceted phenomenon and global force that is Bollywood. The book successfully highlights the cultural mores, values, and tra-



Balwant Thakur releasing book 'Bollywood the global impact' by Dr. Ouma Seebaluck at Mauritius Gymkhana Club, Vacoas.

ditions of India, while at the same time critically chronicling how Hindi film industry has managed to project the diverse cultural and social fabric of India to millions world over.

The book gives a convincing account of the evolution and transformational change that Bollywood has brought about to India's

global image.

The high profile function of the launch of 'Bollywood the global impact' was graced by Lady Sarojini Jugnauth (Mother of the Prime Minister of Mauritius), Barlen Vyapooree (Former Vice President of Mauritius), Dr. Alya'A Samir Borhan Ambassador of Egypt and Arvind Boolell MP, Mauritius.

## 11 Auto-rickshaws, 9 passenger vehicles fined for violations

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BANDIPORA: Acting on the directions of Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora and taking cognizance of the complaints received from various adjoining areas of main town, a checking squad of motor vehicles department was constituted by ARTO Bandipora to verify the grievances and to curb the exorbitant rates charged by the autorikshwas and passenger Vehicles.

11 Autorickshaws were challaned and blacklisted for over-charging, overloading and misbehaviour with passengers during the course of action. 9 vehicles were challaned for wrong parking at various locations in main town and were held responsible for traffic congestion. ARTO Bandipora said that aggrieved persons can contact on helpline number 9596051716 for complaints/grievances regarding over-charging by autorickshaw.

## Reslovio Foundation launched in J&K



J&K Resolvio Foundation members during launching ceremony.

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JAMMU: With the mission of creating a future full of opportunities, tolerance and social justice, with community well-being at its core, a first-of-its-kind NGO dedicated to development and welfare of the J&K was launched here, on Thursday, aligning with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals including Education, Gender Equality, Health & Well-Being, Economic Growth, Peace, Justice, & Strong Institutions, Poverty, and Climate Action. Resolvio Foundation has been registered under the Sec 8 of

Company Act and is registered with Government of India.

The Director of the foundation Suresh Kumar said the NGO is committed to work in different domains which will help in giving back to the society.

The NGO was formally launched by Dr. Rohit Koul Director and CEO of People's Hut Foundation along with Tarun Uppal Chairperson Nirbhay Bharat Foundation, Amardeep Singh Managing Director of Vinayak Institute of Nursing and Paramedical Sciences and

## 'Blue' Economy crucial for India's future: Dr Jitendra

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NEW DELHI: According to Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh, "Blue" Economy from ocean resources will be crucial to India's future.

In reply to a question in the Rajya Sabha on Thursday, Dr Jitendra stated that under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Government of India's Vision of New India by 2030 enunciated in February 2019 highlights "Blue" Economy as the sixth dimension of its vision.

Rs. 150 crore was provisioned during 2021-22 for Deep Ocean Mission, he added.

The Minister stated that a Draft Policy document on Blue Economy has been prepared by the Ministry of Earth Sciences taking into consideration the reports of the Expert Working Groups which emphasizes holistic development and growth of India's Blue Economy.

The following thematic areas or pillars are identified: National accounting framework for the blue economy and ocean governance; Coastal Marine Spatial Planning and Tourism; Marine fisheries, aquaculture and fish processing; Manufacturing, Emerging industries, trade, technology, services and skill development; Logistics, infrastructure and shipping, including trans-shipments; Coastal and deep-sea mining and offshore energy; Security, strategic dimensions, and international engagement.

The Modi Government had approved the Deep Ocean Mission (DOM) in June, 2021 to be implemented by the Ministry of Earth Sciences at a total budget of Rs. 4,077 Crore for 5 years.

## AOI marks World Cancer Day 2022

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JAMMU: World Cancer Day is observed on February 4, every year. It is an initiative under which the entire world unites to fight against the global cancer epidemic. Cancer has become one of the primary causes of death in India.

The cancer cases in the country are likely to increase to 15.6 lakhs by 2025 - a 12% increase from current estimated cases - based on current trends, according to the National Cancer Registry Programme Report 2020.

This World Cancer Day, American Oncology Institute (AOI), South Asia's leading chain of cancer hospitals launched a campaign to bring out a crucial and important aspect of Cancer journey.

Through this campaign AOI is highlighting the

importance of mental support needed to the cancer patients to make them feel that they are not alone in the fight against Cancer. When family, friends, and the treating experts rally around the patient, it gives them the emotional strength to cope and get on faster to the road to recovery.

"It is crucial to team up, lend a shoulder, say an encouraging word, while our technological superiority, clinical excellence, and passionate service help the patient to fight back Cancer. AOI's specific treatment regimens are based on each patient's need.

To reduce the global burden of cancer, American Oncology Institute (AOI), South Asia's leading chain of Cancer hospitals, stands at the forefront of treatment excellence offering

precision Cancer care. We journey with the patient!" said Dr. Jagrag Singh Gujral, Group CEO, South Asia, CTSI.

Many of the cancer patients during their Cancer journey lose hope and are demotivated. Therefore, it is important to come together and constantly motivate them by showcasing that life does not stop when cancer strikes.

Dr. Vijay Kumar Vemuri, Group Chief Operating Officer, CTSI, commented, "Cancer care cannot slowdown in any situation. Precision in cancer care is largely dependent on the type of technology that is used for treating cancer. AOI understood the changing needs and has led the fight against Cancer with a modified approach in the tough times.

## Power shutdown

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JAMMU: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL, Jammu on Thursday informed that the power supply to Gho Manhasa, Marh, Gajansoo and adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 07 from 10 am to 10.30 am and 3 pm to 3.30 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Gangoon, Fallore, Karloop, Shazadpur, Chowana Chowk and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 07 from 10 am to 3 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Medical College, Bakshi Nagar, Rajpura, Gurha, Rehari, Sarval and adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 05 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Roop Nagar, Lower Roop Nagar, Housing Colony, Chinor, Durga Nagar, Buta

Nagar and adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 04 from 9 am to 3 pm. Likewise, the power supply to Raghunath Bazar, Residency Road, Wazarat Road, Kanak Mandi, Rajinder Bazar and adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 05 from 10 am to 2 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Badyal Brahmana and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 05, 07 and 08 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Channi Himmat, Channi Rama, Vidhata Nagar, parts of Chowadi, Marble Market and adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 07 from 10 am to 2 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Suhagpur, Kothi, Jabawal, Part of Arnia, Treva and its adjoining areas shall remain

affected on February 04 and 07 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Bishnah, Badhu Rakh, Kunjwani parts of Gangyal and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 08 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Lalyana, Salehar and adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 06 and 09 from 9 am to 3 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Gadigarh, Dhrap, Indra Nagar and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 07 from 9 am to 3 pm. Similarly, the power supply to Langer, Greater Jammu and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 04 from 9 am to 3 pm. Likewise, the power supply to Majouri, Basantgarh and Shiv Gali shall remain affected on February 05 and 07 from 10

am to 4 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Sangaldan, Thatharka and Dharam etc shall remain affected on February 06 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Likewise, the power supply to Mandal, Chatroo, Dachean, Padar, Dool, Machail and adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 05, 07, 09 and 11 from 10 am to 3 pm. Similarly, the power supply to Kishtwar Town and adjoining areas shall remain affected on February 06, 08, 10 and 12 from 10 am to 3 pm.

Meanwhile, Superintending Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL O&M Circle, Kathua has informed that the power supply to Gho Brahmana, Raika, Kothey Pathania, Swanka, Rara shall remain affected on February 04 and 05 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Jammu.

Recently, Sharma has published a book on the title 'The Piggy Bank Billionaire' that is a financial guide to help individuals understand their financial goals in a most prudent manner and plan them with utmost seriousness.

While speaking on the topic, Sharma stressed upon the rising need of entrepreneurs in present scenario and discussed in detail the characteristics of a successful entrepreneur.

He talked in detail regarding startups and suggested the students to bring forward innovative ideas.

He emphatically draws attention towards Government's step in supporting StartUps as the Budget 2022 included exemption of tax for StartUps for another one year. He motivated students by quoting number of

examples of entrepreneurs who have build from the scratch.

He said the innovative minds have magnificent possibilities in India. He also focused on the need of creating smart goal settings in life and keep a track of fixed goals every 6 months. He pondered over the idea of power within each of us that propels us in the direction of our current dominant thoughts.

Professor Sushel Kumar Sharma, Coordinator, UIET and President, IIC, University of Jammu expressed his gratitude towards the resource person for his great endeavours in providing awareness to the students. He emphasized the importance of such webinars for the upliftment of the students, especially during the present pandemic scenario. He also lauded the efforts of

the members of IIC, University of Jammu and UIET faculty for organizing the activity. Further, he assured that more such activities shall be undertaken in near future to promote innovation in the University Campus and to consolidate the collaboration between Academia and Industry.

Dr. Sourabh Shastri, Start-Up Activity Coordinator, IIC, University of Jammu thanked the resource person for having enlightened the students with his vast and valuable knowledge and also presented the formal vote of thanks whereas Rakshit Khajuria, NIFR Coordinator, IIC coordinated the whole activity.

Dr. Savita, Dr. Rocky Gupta, Dr. Neeraj Sharma, Dr. Meghna Dhar and faculty members of UIET, University of Jammu were also present during the webinar.

## IGNOU launches several new programmes

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JAMMU: Indra Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) and the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), Government of India, signed an MoU for linking vocational education and training to higher education for trainees attached to National Skill Training Institutes (NSTI), ITIs, Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKK) and Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) for their upward mobility. Under this MoU, 32 NSTIs, 3000+ ITIs, 500 PMKKs and nearly 300 JSS will be associated with IGNOU as Registration Centres, Examination Centres and Work Centres for hands-on training. Students will get an opportunity to join the three-year degree programme of IGNOU and shall have easy access to attain higher education.

The IGNOU has also launched several new programmes like Master of Arts (Corporate Social Responsibility) (MACSR) programme which is meant for CSR professionals across India and for graduates/post-graduates interested in pursuing a career as a CSR Professional. Master Degree programmes in Jyotish and Urdu have also been launched. The programmes are MA Jyotish (MJY) and MA Urdu (MUD). A certificate pro-

gramme in Saral Sanskrit Bodh has also been launched. The programme is Certificate in (Communicative Sanskrit) Saral Sanskrit Bodh (CSSB). The School of Extension and Development Studies has launched MA in Urban Studies. This programme will be extremely useful for those graduates who are interested in pursuing a career in the urban sector. Moreover, it will strengthen the capacities of urban local bodies. The School of Sciences is in the process of launching the MSC Physics and M.Sc. (Geography) programmes in the ODL mode in 2023.

"The Jammu Regional Centre of IGNOU has consistently shown growth in enrollment over the years and around 27,500 students have enrolled themselves for fresh and subsequent years/semesters in the recently concluded July 2021 admission session which is a significant achievement", said Dr. Vikram Singh, Regional Director I/C.

Keeping in view the difficulties being faced by the prospective students in registering themselves during the present time of pandemic and harsh weather conditions, the University has further extended the last date of admission upto 10th of February, 2022. The admission is carried out in online mode only for which the complete details are available on the University website.