

# JMC Commissioner chairs ABC/ ARV Monitoring Committee meeting

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Commissioner JMC, Avny Lavasa, on Friday chaired the 3rd ABC/ ARV Monitoring Committee Meeting to review the current status of ongoing ABC/ ARV Programme within JMC limits.

The meeting was attended by the members of ABC monitoring Committee viz. Anil Kumar Masson, Councilor W.No 10, Dr. Sushil Kumar Sharma, MVO, JMC, Dr. Indu Bhushan, VAS, MACC Roop Nagar, Devinder Kour Madaan, Chairperson, SAVE (NGO) and Namrata Hakhoo, Founder/ Chairperson, Hakhoo Street Animals Foundation Trust (Regd.).

During the meeting, threadbare discussions were held on various aspects of ABC/ARV Programme being run by JMC and various



Commissioner JMC, Avny Lavasa chairing 3rd ABC/ ARV Monitoring Committee Meeting.

decisions were taken for better progress of ongoing ABC/ARV programme at MACC Roop Nagar, Jammu. Dr. Sushil presented the current status of ABC/ ARV Programme before the committee members that since the award of contract to the implementing agency i.e. Friendicoes-SECA w.e.f 01-04-21 to 31-01-2022, 5239 stray dogs have been sterilized/ vaccinated with ward wise/ complaint basis catching and all sterilized/ vacci-

nated dogs are relocated in the same area from where they were caught as per the guidelines of the ABC (Dogs) Rules, 2001, promulgated under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animal Act, 1960.

In the meeting, it was decided that the local Animal Welfare organizations in collaboration with JMC shall contribute in counseling of general public through conducting Awareness camps about improving human

behavior towards community dogs and should make diligent efforts to sensitize, inform and educate the community about the effectiveness of ABC/ ARV Programme in helping to reduce dog population as well as in eradicating rabies.

It was also decided that ward wise catching shall be done so that no area will be left uncovered for sterilization and vaccinations within JMC limits.

Commissioner, JMC stressed for better coordination among the JMC authorities, Animal activists/ Volunteers and Animal Welfare organizations operating in the area for making this programme a success, so that dog population can be controlled in a time bound manner as prescribed by the Animal Welfare Board of India. Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

# SKUAST-TAJ, SSTA conduct meet, discuss CAS issue

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: A meeting was held between the office bearers of SKUAST-Teaching Association Jammu (SKUAST-TAJ) and their sister concern teaching association i.e., SKUAST-K Scientists and Teachers Association (SSTA) under the chairmanship of President SKUAST-TAJ, Dr. Vikas Sharma, in which the associations discuss the sole issue regarding the Interviews for CAS of Assistant Professors/Jr. Scientists (Stage-3) and Associate Professors / Sr. Scientists of both the farm varsities of J&K, who are due for Career Advancement Scheme for AGP of Rs. 9000 & AGP of Rs. 10,000 respectively from the last 3.5 years.

Both the associations showed concern that the promotions to the employees are an encouragement for doing better services



SKUAST-TAJ, SSTA office bearers discussing CAS issue of teachers / scientists of SKUAST-J & SKUAST-K.

and if delayed will decrease the efficiency of staff which will affect the progress of the University also.

Dr. Javed Ahmed Mugloo President SKUAST Scientists Teachers Association (SSTA) Kashmir, informed that Hon'ble Vice Chancellor SKUAST-J along with written representations and now he assured that the interviews of teachers / scientists for CAS will be conducted shortly.

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SKUAST-TAJ President Dr. Vikas Sharma pointed out that the matter regarding the CAS of teachers / scientists of SKUAST-J has already been discussed many times with Hon'ble Vice Chancellor SKUAST-J along with written representations and now he assured that the interviews of teachers / scientists for CAS will be conducted shortly.

During the meeting, both the associations, expressed

hope that in the better interest of teaching fraternity of SKUAST-J & SKUAST-K authorities will conclude the process for conducting interviews of CAS shortly as screening of application forms of the eligible teachers / scientists for CAS have already been completed last year and timely promotions will prevent any financial burden on the government on account of arrears and also encourage the staff to do better in future for overall development of the SKUAST-Jammu.

The meeting was attended by Dr. P.K. Rai Joint Secretary SKUAST-TAJ, Dr. Rajeev Bharat Treasurer SKUAST-TAJ and Dr Aflaq Hamid General Secretary SSTA, Kashmir.

## YAS distributes ration amongst needy



YAS members distributing ration among needy persons.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Canal Road Talab Tillo, Youth At Service (YAS), a Jammu based NGO took the initiative of distributing ration to the needy.

Youth at Service, is a young organisation run by the youth which aims to work for the welfare of the society.

It's a group of teenagers working upon the basic idea of serving the ones in need who believe in creating community free from social injustices and dream for a better future for all.

With alike minds and their goal in front of them, Sumedha Manhas, a class 10 student, the founder of this organisation along with three

other volunteers contributed masks, sanitisers along with everyday necessary utility ration items to the ones in dire need during these COVID times.

Youth At Service aims to contribute to the society through spreading awareness amongst the people, fundraising and taking up various initiatives and encouraging volunteers throughout the country to join hands, she said.

In the ethos of giving back to the world, Youth At Service wishes to use their privilege and power of being the 'next generation' to help and create the future we aspire to see.

## Dist Committees of NC Women Wing constituted Gupta, Satwant exhort women functionaries to intensify booth level public outreach

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: National Conference on Friday constituted the District Committees of Women Wing for Kathua (Urban), Kathua (Rural A), Kathua (Rural B) and Udhampur (Rural) districts. Announcing the office bearers of these committees, Provincial President NC Women Wing Satwant Dogra hoped that the women functionaries will galvanise their respective units to reach out to the people at the grass roots level in a big way. Provincial President Rattan Lal Gupta lauded the huge contribution of women wing functionaries in further strengthening the party at the grass roots level and preparing the cadre for meeting challenges faced to the state. Expressing anguish over the acid attack on a 24 years old victim from Srinagar, Dogra called for societal response in a big way to stop such barbaric and inhuman acts against the women. She said the attack has generated a shock wave across the state and people want stern punishment for the culprits.

The nominated District Committees Women Wing are: Neelam Sharma of Kathua as District President Kathua (Urban) whereas Kousar Parveen Bhatti of Chack Ram Chand as District Secretary. Anita Sharma, Asha Rajput of

Sonthal, Jagjeet Kaur, Manjeet Kaur, Pusha Rajput of Ward No. 14 and Vaishno Devi as Vice Presidents, Nisha Verma of Ward No.12 as Joint Secretary and Neelam Sharma of Ward No.11 as Cashier. Vijaya Sharma and Manjula Sharma both from Ward No.9, Surishta Rajput from Ward No.11, Renu Sharma from Ward No.09, Reetpal of Ward no.14, Gurdeep Kaur; Lata Chowdhary of Ward No.4, Anita Kumari Ward No.13, Arti Gupta of Ward No. 5, Ruchi Gupta of Ward No.6, Arehana Devi of Bhallad and Bindu Sharma of Ward No.08 are nominated as Executive Members.

Ashu Rajput, as District President Kathua (Rural A) whereas Shoba Devi of Kandhrano as District Secretary.

Kanu Balotra of Bani, Krishna Devi of Nagrota Gujroo, Nek Biwi of Bani, Bala Devi of Juthana, Surishta Devi of Basohli and Reena Devi of Machedi as Vice Presidents. Binla Devi of Budhi, Shamim Akhtar of Basohli, Samily of Barwah and Pooja Devi of Barwah are elected as Joint Secretaries. Soma Devi, Ex- Corporator from Hiranagar as District President, Kathua (Rural B) whereas Rajni Devi of Pajoke Chack as District Secretary.

Gogi Rani, Shakuntla Devi and Jyoti Devi as Vice Presidents, Puja Devi, Puro

Devi and Sunita Devi of Koota as Joint Secretaries. Anjali Devi of Koota is nominated as Cashier and Jyoti Devi of Khanpur; Guddo Devi of Baddali and Shashi Sharma of Pheru Chack as Executive Members. VD Surishta, Ex-Sarpanch & Noted Dogri Singer as District President Udhampur (Rural) whereas Shakuntla Devi, Sarpanch of Rannagar as District Secretary.

Sushma Devi and Babli Devi of Sewna has been nominated as Vice Presidents and Shanti Devi of Marta, Darshana Devi from Dashatchin , Gytari Devi of Anroh, Makhni Devi from Sudhmahadev and Minakshi Devi of Samroli as Joint Secretaries. Rita Devi from Narsoo is elected as Cashier. Shakti Devi of Toldi, Shakuntala Devi of Kulvanta, Savitari Devi of Rannagar; Vidhya Devi of Chenani, Vimla Devi Panch of Sewna and Vimla Devi of Kulosar are nominated as Executive Members.

Prominent among those present on the occasion included Binla Luthra Ex-MLA, Deepinder Kaur Ex-MLC, Vijay Laxmi Dutta, Rita Gupta, Kuldeep Kaur, Daljeet Sharma, Rama Gupta, Sarpanch Asha Devi, Rajni Devi, Dr. Sheikh Amina, Adv. Mehroog, Priyanka Dogra, Charanjit Kaur Deol, Zarina, Hasina Begum.



General Secretary J&K BJP, Vibodh Gupta talking to reporters.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Vibodh Gupta, General Secretary, J&K BJP and Ex-MLC reiterated the words of Prime Minister for his long-term goal of building a Naya (New) Jammu-Kashmir by ensuring justice to all the marginalized sections of the society.

Vibodh Gupta, accompanied by J&K BJP Media Secretary Dr. Pardeep Mahotra, while interacting with Media at party headquarter, said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah, the J&K will see holistic development of all the communities.

"After 5 August 2019 , in New Jammu & Kashmir, Gujjar-Bakkarwals, West Pak Refugees and others neg-

lected sections were ensured justice and soon justice will also be ensured to Pahari Tribe and OBC by BJP government by providing ST status to Pahari Tribe and due reservation to OBCs", Gupta said.

Gupta said that BJP is working for the development of persons belonging to Other backward Classes and Pahari Speaking People, who are also deprived of various welfare Schemes. Earlier, Quota for OBC of J&K was not at par with the other States/UTs, but now equality has been ensured.

He said that, Pahari speaking-people, who live in Rajouri-Poonch, Uri Karnah and other Districts, are being benefitted from the schemes of the Modi Government.

## Book titled 'Planning to Study Abroad?' released



Dignitaries releasing book titled 'Planning to Study Abroad-A Comprehensive Guide' at Jammu.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: A book titled 'Planning to Study Abroad-A Comprehensive Guide' was released on Friday at Model Institute of Engineering and Technology (MIET), Jammu.

It was released jointly by Prof. Ankur Gupta, Director MIET and Prof. K.L Bhatia, Patron, Forum for Awareness of National Security, in the presence of Dr. Sahil Sawhney, Sr. Strategic Manager (MIET).

Thousands of students from J&K plan to go abroad every year after 10+2 or graduation/ post graduation but owing to the exorbitant cost of studies and uncertainty in those countries, most of them have to shelve the plan.

Deepthi Sharma, a Global Counselor from University of California, USA along with two of her academic companions Aarti Sharma, and Prof. SK Sharma realized this aspect

and authored the book giving clarification to all possible doubts of students.

Prof. SK Sharma, a recipient of Ati Vishist Seva Medal from the President of India and also alumnus of colleges in USA and Hungary, besides IISc Bangalore brought out that there are over 11.33 lakh India students currently studying in 99 countries.

Book cover details of 17 countries where over 96% of Indian students are studying. It also gives details of timelines for preparation, visa formalities in these countries and methodology to clear mandatory test like IELTS, TOEFL, GRE, GMAT and SAT have also been covered in details. References of genuine govt. agencies have been given so that students do not fall in trap of any scam by taking admission through fraudulent agents.

## Padma Shri Dr Varma calls on DGP J&K



President GGF J&K, Dr S.P Varma presenting autobiography of Mahatma Gandhi to DGP J&K Dilbag Singh.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Padma Shri Dr S.P Varma, President Gandhi Global Family J&K called on the Director General of Police (DGP) J&K Dilbag Singh here on Friday.

The DGP complimented Padma awardee for his social services and for making exemplary contributions by spreading the message of peace in J&K.

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## BJP controlled administration shamelessly using oppressive means to gag voice of people: PDP

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JAMMU: Strongly condemning unprovoked brutal lathi-charge on the job aspirants in Jammu, youth wing Peoples' Democratic Party (PDP) on Friday said that BJP controlled administration shamelessly using oppressive means to stifle the voice of people.

"Although every section of the society is bearing brunt of the wrong policies being pursued by the present regime, youth are worst victims because this dispensation to hell-bent to adjust local locals on government jobs", said Varinder Singh Sonu spokesman of PDP youth wing while addressing a press conference here on Friday.

Strongly condemning inhuman treatment meted out to a large number of aspirants and candidates for different categories of ongoing selections including border battalions of JKP, CISE/BSEF as well as



Spokesman of PDP youth wing, Varinder Singh Sonu addressing a press conference.

other ongoing selections, Varinder Singh said the cruel action of the authorities reflects the mindset of those at the helm of the affairs.

He asserted that the youth wing of PDP will oppose oppressive policies being adopted by the J&K as well as the central government to shamelessly suppress the voice of the youth, women, farmers, and other weaker sections of the society.

"This government is shamelessly adopting oppressive means to snub those who are agitating for just and genuine demands", he said and cautioned that the ways being

adopted by the government would be proved disastrous for democracy in a sensitive state like J&K.

youth wing leader also flayed the J&K government for betraying refugees of different categories and backtracking from the earlier made with these refugees by the BJP led government at the Centre.

The leaders who participated in the press conference are Sohlt Sharma District President Jammu Urban, Ranbir Singh Manga, Harmeet Singh, Dimpal Kumar, Neeraj Chandel, Vimal Sharma, Tejinder Singh, Ashok Chib and others.

## BYS members carry out plantation drive

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Senior Yoga expert and BYS Organising Secretary Jambulochan district, Dr. Ranjana Verma on Friday carried out plantation drive along with other participants Santosh Bargotra, Asha, Ashok Gupta from Gayatri Parivar J&K Secretary, Deepak Kumar Corporator and Bablu Chaud at garden of Rama Lane Talab Tillo Jammu on festival of Basant Panchami.



BYS members planting a sapling.

## Natrang presents 'Sarkari Daftar Ka Ek Din'

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Natrang presented 'Sarkari Daftar Ka Ek Din', a play in Hindi at its Studio Theatre here on Friday in Kachi Chawni, Jammu. The play has been written by Laxmikant Vaishnav and was directed by Neeraj Kant. The play portrayed a real life situation of a 'Sarkari Daftar' (Government Office) and highlighted the vices in a very intelligent manner. Natrang artists who performed in the play included Kuldeep Angral, Bhawani Singh Bali, Kananpreet Kaur, Kushal Bhat, Brijesh Avatar Sharma and Sushant Singh Charak.



Natrang artists performing in a play.

The music of the play was operated by Sagar Gupta whereas the lights were operated by Neeraj Kant. The show was coordinated by Mohd. Yaseen.

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## SKUAST-J to extends farmers outreach through community radio station

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Community Radio Station in the name of "Radio Kissan Jammu" sanctioned for Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Jammu (SKUAST-J) at Main Campus, Chatha.

A license in the name of SKUAST-Jammu was issued by Wireless Planning and Communication Wing,

Ministry of Communications, New Delhi recently.

Initially, community radio station will broadcast programmes for audience (radio listeners) for two hours in the morning with repetition of same broadcast in the evening.

Prof. J.P. Sharma, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-J congratulated scientists and farmers for

getting sanction of CRS at Jammu. While highlighting the importance of Community Radio Station, Professor J P Sharma said that community radio station will act as a mouthpiece of the university and compliment the extension efforts and works of the university.

Prof Sharma further informed that the community radio station

will cover a population with an aerial distance of around 15 kms from SKUAST-Jammu, Chatha.

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