

Bahu residents welcome new nomenclature of Bahu Assembly segment

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The residences of Bahu Fort expressed gratitude of Delimitation Commission constituted for realignment of Jammu and Kashmir's assembly segments for including Bahu segment in arrangement.

A joint press conference were held at Saryara Sabha Bahu Fort, Rajeev Charak, President Bahu Fort Development Committee along with Bahadur Lal President of Sabha, Karun Chhetri, President Gorkha Sabha, Th. Nasib Singh Farmer President Dogra Sabha, Manohar Lal General Secretary Saryara Sabha, Joginder Paul, President Mahasha Sabha, Vivek Patiyal, Surinder Patiyal, Ramesh Dalotra, Manohar Lal Dalotra, Darshan Kumar and other prominent personalities.



President BFDC, Rajeev Charak talking to reporters.

Speaking on the occasion Charak termed the draft report as historical and appreciate the working of delimitation commission, which begins its work in March 2020.

Charak said despite COVID pandemic the Commission work overtime and come up with historical draft.

On including Bahu

Assembly segment after rearrange Gandhi Nagar constituency, Charak said it was historical blunder that Bahu Fort was ignored.

He said Bahu remain the oldest seat of Dogra rule. The Wazir commission also recommend district status of Bahu but it was ignored by the successive governments. However, after more than seventy years

the Bahu got recognition. Charak further said that the assembly segment is tribute to Raja Bahu Lochan, who built historical Bawe Wali Temple and give unique identity to Bahu Fort area.

Pertinently, Delimitation Commission done realignment of all assembly constituency and deleted nomenclature of Gandhi Nagar constituency of Jammu district. Jammu district got Bahu, Jammu South, Jammu North, Nagrota - Balwal, Khour, Akhnoor, Bishnah, R S Pura, Jammu West, Jammu East segments.

The Bahu Fort residents also welcomed nomenclature of Mata Vaishno Devi Assembly segment saying such names gives true identification to the Jammu and Kashmir.

DPS Jammu organises webinars for students

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Delhi Public School (DPS) Jammu organized several webinars on prime-time issues like Cyber Bullying, Career Competency and Changing Trends and Careers for the students of class X-XII from 3rd February, 2022 to 5th February, 2022 wherein 800+ students took actively participated and cleared several notions about the terminologies.

The webinars were conducted under the initiative taken by PRATHAM- a unit of International Institute of Financial Markets (IIFM).

The prime objective of the webinars was to provide an interactive platform for the participants to know themselves better in terms of aptitude and inclination, professionalism and leadership.

Students of class XII attended the webinar on Changing Trends and Careers, conducted by Praveen Khanna, a life men-

tor and a government certified Business Communication Specialist and a Certified Training & Development Manager whereas Students of class XI were active participants of the webinar on Career Competency conducted by Binit Binod who brings along with him a set of rich mentoring experience across diverse levels of competitive exam.

On the other hand, Class X students attended the webinar on Cyber Bullying conducted by Ashish Garg, a T3 certified trainer from British Council.

The resource persons emphasised over the need to follow the various changing trends in career options, dire need for awareness in terms of Cyber Bullying and various communication and interpersonal skills required to work towards the organizational goals. They also focussed on self-learning skills and breaking the

stereotype or mundane of choosing the regular career paths with restricted options of expansion.

Each webinar was followed by a question-and-answer round with the students and the teachers and towards the end of each session, the Resource Persons gave certain standard guidelines to students in their best interest.

The programme was coordinated by Umesh Kumar Sharma, Chief Coordinator/ Dy Head Master, DPS Jammu.

Principal DPS Jammu, Ruchi Chhabra thanked all the resource persons from IIFM for sparing their valuable time to train and guide the teachers and the students.

President RCT, Ajatshatru Singh, Pro Vice Chairperson, Ritu Singh and Director S.S Sodhi also wished good luck to the students for their future endeavours.

NSUI condemns withdrawal of posts from PSC, SSB

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Condemning the recent decision of UT administration for withdrawing vacant posts referred to JKPS & JKSSB, prior to October 31, 2019, the National Students Union of India (NSUI) J&K has asked UT administration to revoke the illegal and arbitrary order at the earliest.

While speaking during a meeting held under the leadership of NSUI J&K President, Sunny Parihar and attended by all office bearers, the participants termed the aforesaid decision as arbitrary and illegal. He asked UT administration to withdraw the order within 10 days and fill-up all vacant posts for which youth are striving hard, failing which administration will have to face unexpected consequences.

Online Faculty Dev Programme concludes at GCET Jammu

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: One week online Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on "Recent Emerging Trends in Electrical Engineering" (RETEE-2022) organised by Department of Electrical Engineering, Government College of Engineering and Technology, Jammu for Faculty and Research Scholars of different engineering institutions of the country concluded, here on Sunday.

The event was held under the patronage of Dr Sameru Sharma, Principal, GCET, Jammu.

During the one week programme, eminent Speakers & academicians of different institutions /organizations who delivered expert talk in their respective fields of research were Dr. Sunanda Sinha & Dr. Ravita Lamba MNIT, Jaipur, Dr. Y.P. Verma & Dr. Manoj Kumar Sharma UIET Chandigarh, Mr. B.A. Landge DRDO Ahmednagar, Dr. Anup Shukla IIT, Jammu, Dr. Prasanna B. S. Joshi, Dr. Kaushal TIET Patiala, Dr. Arvind Kumar Dinghra GNDE Ludhiana and Mr. Swastik Gupta SMVDU

Katra amongst others. Around 60 participants from different institutions of the country participated in the said event. At the end Miss. Monika Mitter proposed the vote of thanks on behalf of the department. The areas covered under programme were Renewable Energy, Smart Grid, Aspects & challenges of micro grids, Energy, Audit & management, Electric Vehicles, Defense Perspective, Solar based advanced direct energy conversion technologies for power generation, Introduction to modeling & simulation of Electrical System using OPAL-RT Simulator, future trends in PV Applications and MatLab application in control systems.

The Principal GCET Jammu appreciated the department for organizing the event, especially the Co-ordination commit-

tee members Dr. Ameesh Sharma, Rahul Khajuria and Monika Mitter. She said that this type of programme not only enriches the minds of faculty & research scholars but also gives them new horizons to work. She stressed on holding such type of events regularly.

Associate Professor & Head Electrical Engineering Department, Rajiv Kumar Bali emphasized upon the importance of FDP in the contemporary times. He said that the main aim of organizing the FDP was to enrich the knowledge of faculties and researchers through interaction with eminent speakers from academia and industries, to improve the teaching learning process.

On behalf of the department he extended his deepest thanks to Dr. Sameru Sharma for her support & guidance in conducting the program.

Dozens join Shiv Sena in Samba, Kupwara



Newly joined Shiv Sena members posing with leaders at Kupwara.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The membership drive launched by Shiv Sena Jammu and Kashmir unit is getting strong support from the public.

Dozens joined Shiv Sena in various programmes organized in Samba district of Jammu and Kupwara district of Kashmir as instructed by the state president Manish Sahni.

According to the press release issued from party central office Jammu, dozens of youth including

Atul Hansa, Rajesh, Shubham, Abhinash, Sagotra, Raman Kumar, Mukesh Chagotra joined the party in a programme organized under the leadership of district president Neelam Singh at party office Samba. Neelam Singh demanded fulfillment of the promise of giving unemployment to the youth of the state.

At the same time, about two dozen activists of different regional parties joined Shiv Sena in a programme organized under the leadership of

Kashmir's working president Ghulam Rasool Lone in Block Malayal of Kupwara district of Kashmir.

Women Wing President Naseema Begum, who was present on the occasion, welcomed the new members with Shiv Bandhan and party symbol.

Sarpanch Muhammad Shafi including Abdul Rashid, Manzoor Ahmed, Muhammad Dalveer, Fiaz Ahmed, Nazir Ahmed, Riyaz and others influenced by the policies and ideas of, joined the party.

Neha Khosa awarded Ph.D

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Neha Khosa, daughter of Geeta Khosa and K.K. Khosa, has been awarded Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in English by Jammu University.



She completed her thesis titled "Social Concerns in the Selected Plays of Vijay Tendulkar", under the guidance of Prof Monika Sethi.

Gul announces new initiatives of JKRDS

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Chairman, Jammu & Kashmir Rural Development Society (JKRDS) Mubarak Gul on Sunday presided over online monthly review meeting of JKRDS functionaries to take stock of the underway activities carried out by the society functionaries in their respective districts. Gul expressed his serious concern over the recent acid attack on a young girl in Srinagar.

While strictly condemning the inhumane act, Gul said "It is the worst example of violence against the women and there is no place in a civilised society for any such acts. Everyone should take a tough stand against such heinous acts as it is a grave concern for every citizen. All the society functionaries stand in solidarity with the victim & her family. We

demand justice for the acid attack victim and demand exemplary punishment to the culprits".

"There is dire need to counsel the youth and keep vigil on anti social elements in our society and I hope that the society functionaries will play their part as members of social voluntary organization" Gul added.

Gul announced a new initiative of the society namely "Mera Gaon Meri Shaan" for village areas and "Mera Shehar Meri Shaan" for urban areas under which various social welfare activities will be initiated by JKRDS in both the rural & urban areas. Gul impressed upon the society members to intensify efforts at grassroots level for widening scope of education among children and youth, promoting communal harmony, eradicating drug abuse, preventing suicides,

protecting forest, protecting environment and protecting wild life in rural areas.

The online meeting was attended by society's Provincial Chairman Jammu Krishan Lal Abrol, Prov. Sr Vice Chairman Kashmir Mohammad Ashraf Khan, Prov. Sr Vice Chairman Jammu John Willson, Chairman North Kashmir Khwaja Mohammad Shafi, Chief Organiser North Kashmir & District Chairman Baramulla Abdul Majeed Akhoun, Spokesperson Faisal Gul, Prov. Press Secretary Jammu Subash Chander, District Chairman Jammu Braham Dutt Sharma, District Chairman Kupwara Mohammad Sikander Mir, Jatin Bhat, Mohammad Afzal Mir, Hurmat Bilal, Nasir Khwaja, Rajinder Singh and Surinder Thappa.

Basant Panchami celebrated in schools across Jammu

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Directorate of School Education Jammu celebrated the Basant Panchami festival by organizing a host of events at different levels across all the ten districts of Jammu Division. The events showed were cultural variety show, traditional songs, classical dances, poetry recitation, speeches, crafts, drawing & poster-making contests amongst students at schools and offices of Jammu Division via mix mode though majority of the participation was through online mode. Media sharing platforms like Zoom & Facebook were used for presentations & live functions.

The activities were supervised at the district level by the respective CEOs with the help of the members of the team of Cultural & Educational Cells, teaching community, HOIs, ZEOS, ZICCs, & SICC. At

the Divisional level, Cultural & Educational Cell, Directorate of School Education Jammu organized a virtual cultural program which was broadcast live on various social media platforms of the Directorate and was joined in by thousands of viewers in real-time. Director School Education Jammu, Dr. Ravi Shankar Sharma graced the occasion with his presence as the chief guest. He spoke about the significance of Basant Panchami and the importance of learning about culture and heritage in the life of a student.

The Director shared that Basant Panchami is not only associated with prosperity and happiness, it also marks a transition in weather and a shift from negativity to positivity.

He said that inclusion of co-curricular activities along with cultural promotions is the pre-

ferred approach in School Education system according to NEP 2020, so it must be done carefully & diligently.

He said that as the Division has an incredible pool of talent in form of students & teachers, many of whom had already proved their mettle on national & international levels, the stake holders need to take a different approach which not only covers the best performers but should facilitate the average students as well so that they can be trained and be the best at their craft.

The Directorate, with the active and positive association of Districts and zonal level Cultural and Education Cells, is planning to organize at least ten programmes every month to search talent across Jammu Division. Following which the Directorate is also planning to organize a competition on the lines of Kala

Utsav which will prove as a fruitful rehearsal for National Kala Utsav festival, 2022 and provide a platform to the students to display their talent, he said.

A competition both for teachers and students, which will provide platform to both to display their talent is also planned, he added.

He congratulated the team of Cultural and Education cell on their success of program and appreciated and thanked all the stake holders and participants.

He also appreciated the ground level performers, respective teachers who were dealing with the students directly as without them the effective implementation of such programs would not be possible.

The program was moderated by Shiva Padha (ZICC), Baderwah.

NSS unit of GGM Science College starts Pathshala in slum area



NSS volunteers imparting education to slum dwellers.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: NSS unit of Government Gandhi Memorial Science College started an awareness drive 'Pathshala for All' under the patronage of Principal Dr. Ravender Tickoo and guidance of NSS PO Dr. Deepali Mahajan as a part of Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav.

NSS unit in collaboration with Disha Volunteer organization started this drive today in Slum area of Janipur.

Dr. Anil Sharma, Founder

of Disha Volunteer organization emphasized that Education is the key to empowerment.

To promote education, NSS volunteers Anchal Singh, Kartik, Sia, Rinyhim, Jatin, Prarena, Avinash and Sargam mobilized children in slums, interacted with the people to promote education for all.

Under fundamental rights at the age of 6 to 14 year students can take part in this Pathshala.