

VC JU visits Reasi Campus

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REASI: Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu Prof. Umesh Rai on Monday conducted a comprehensive inspection of the newly constructed infrastructure at the Reasi Campus and discussed key issues for the seamless functioning of the campus.

During the visit, Prof. S.K Pandey, Director Reasi Campus provided a detailed overview, emphasizing the infrastructural requirements essential for smooth functioning of academic programs and hostels at the new campus site. Prof. Umesh Rai directed officials to address various campus issues, ensuring optimal functionality.

The Vice Chancellor was joined by Vishesh Mahajan, DC Reasi, who assured full support from the District Administration, particularly in providing basic facilities like road connectivity, water, and electric supply to the campus. Prof. Rai, in alignment with the Hon'ble



Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu Prof. Umesh Rai during visit to Reasi.

Chancellor's vision of a green campus, instructed officials to explore renewable energy sources at Reasi Campus.

Prof. Umesh Rai also engaged with the staff and students at Reasi Campus, instructing the Director to identify contemporary certificate and skill development courses, especially catering to the needs of the students of District Reasi. He further urged the establishment of Smart classrooms to facilitate interaction between

Reasi Campus students and senior faculty from the Main Campus of the University of Jammu and other prestigious institutes nationwide.

During discussions with Prof. Meena Sharma, Dean Planning and Development, JU and Prof. Pandey, Prof. Rai proposed the introduction of PG programs in Political Science and Tourism, taking into consideration the topography and tourism potential of the area. He also advocated for explor-

ing courses on lithium exploration, extraction, and its applications.

DC Reasi also pledged support for short-term Skill Development programs at Reasi Campus, reinforcing the commitment to fostering a well-rounded educational environment. He further urged the University to organize training programmes for capacity building in collaboration with District Administration. Dignitaries also planted the

saplings within the campus premises.

Expressing gratitude, the Dean Planning and Director of Reasi Campus expressed gratitude to DC Reasi for the unwavering support provided to Reasi Campus in spite of his busy schedule. Prof. Meena Sharma assured the DC that collective efforts of the University and Government underscore Jammu University's commitment to the excellence, sustainability, and holistic education. Among others who accompanied the Vice-Chancellor include Dr. Neeraj Sharma, Special Secretary to Vice Chancellor; Er. Rahat Gupta, Xen UWD, Irfan Goni, Campuses Development Officer; Er. Akash Bhola and Er. Jevan Singh AEE's of UWD. Besides, locals of village Jadh, other Officers of the University and District Administration were also present on the occasion.

SPPND Govt Degree College, Samba organises Intra-college poster making & slogan writing competition



Faculty members along with students during the programme.

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SAMBA: NSS unit in collaboration with department of Geography of SPPND Govt. Degree College, Samba organized a poster making and slogan writing competition on the theme "Be a Road Safety Hero". The purpose of organizing this event was to highlight the importance of road safety and to aware the young generation especially college students to strictly follow the traffic rules while driving. This awareness activity has great importance in lowering the number of accidents and thus we can save many precious lives in our

daily life. The entire programme was conducted under the guidance and supervision of Prof. (Dr.) Twinkle Suri Principal of the college. Large number of students participated in this event by presenting beautiful ideas in slogans and prepared meaningful posters. The posters and Slogan were judged Prof. Mala Bhasin, NSS advisor and Dr. Papinder Bhagat HOD Department of Economics. In Poster making, first position was secured by Geetika of semester 4th, second position by Richa Sharma of semester 6th and third position

was secured by Tanu of semester 6th. In Slogan writing competition first position was secured by Vineet Sharma of semester 4th, Second position by Taranjeet Kour of semester 2nd and 3rd position was secured by Neha of semester 6th. The participants who secured top three positions were awarded with the certificates.

Prof. (Dr.) Twinkle Suri appreciated the efforts of Prof. Kamlesh Bala, Programme Officer NSS unit and other Faculty members who were involved in this event and made it successful.

Pangotra Biradari congregation on Feb 14, arrangements finalized

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GHAGWAL: A meeting of All India Pangotra Brahman Biradari was held at Pangotra Biradari Kul-Devi Sajyoti Mata Mandir Rai, Tehsil Ghagwal under the Presidentship of Rakesh Sharma in which arrangements were finalized for successful conduction of Biradari congregation on 14th of February 2024, keeping in view the participation of thousand of Biradari people from neighbouring states especially Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Delhi. People of various vil-

lages inhabited by Pangotra Biradari, especially youth were assigned specific duties for serving of Bhandara and Parshad.

Almost all the office-bearers of Sajyoti Mandir Rai Management Committee were present which included Rakesh Sharma President, M.L. Toofan Convener, Mangal Dass Dogra Senior member, Bodh Raj Vice-president, Sanjay Sharma Secretary, Tarseem Pangotra Cashier, Ram Paul Sharma, Yash Sharma, Ram Lal and some other prominent persons of Biradari.



Members of Biradari after the meeting.

Anti Crime Bureau team organises Langar



NGO members serving Langar.

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JAMMU: On the holy day of Moni Amavasya, Anti Crime Bureau, NGO organized Langar for the Devotees at Uttarbeni Dev Sthan, this program was organized by Anti Crime Bureau Chairman Sham Lal Gupta in which members of his team were also present. Chairman Gupta told that his organization does social work from time to time, his organization believes in

doing good work for the people and provides wedding items to the daughters of poor families.

Gupta also thanked Police Station Incharge Ajay. Other Members present were Councilor Sahil Gupta from Municipal Committee Bishnah and Team members Anchal Sharma, Rakesh Kumar, Tushar Digna, Rohit Kumar, Vansh Kumar, Ayan Mehra, Suraj Kumar and Bunty Kumar.

GOC White Knight Corps reaffirmed peace & stability in region

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POONCH: GOC White Knight Corps accompanied by GOC CIF(R) reaffirmed the Army's commitment to community engagement. His visit in Poonch- Rajouri was aimed at fostering unity and collaboration for strengthening peace and stability.

The Corps Commander encouraged continued cooperation between the populace and security forces, highlighting the crucial role community support plays in maintaining peace and security. The legitimate concerns and aspirations of the populace of Pir Topa, Pangai and adjoining villages were also given a patient hearing and their redressal by the Indian Army and the civil administration was assured.

The General Officer



GOC White Knight Corps interacting with prominent citizens.

Commanding, White Knight Corps felicitated few individuals with disabilities with wheelchairs and also honoured individuals from the civil society, who have made commendable contributions in the fields of education, sports, and literature, further strengthening the bond between the armed forces and

the populace. The Corps Commander's visit underscored the Indian Army's dedication to promote peace, harmony and security in the area. Besides a large local gathering, the interaction included functionaries of Civil Administration and J&K Police, religious leaders and renowned personalities.

DC Rajouri reviews progress of work on JJM Works

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RAJOURI: Deputy Commissioner Rajouri Om Prakash Bhagat on Monday chaired a meeting to assess the progress of the Jal Jeevan Mission schemes, aiming to ensure clean drinking water access to rural communities.

During the meeting, the DC emphasized the crucial aspects of high-quality work, timely project completion, and effective supervision to achieve the



Deputy Commissioner Rajouri Om Prakash Bhagat chairing a meeting.

goals of the Jal Jeevan Mission. The discussion highlighted significant advancements in Rajouri, with 298 JJM schemes having 660 components with estimated cost of Rs 1974.77 or have been sanctioned in the district.

Regarding component-wise status of the implementation of the JJM works, it was informed that out of 205 borewells, the work on 196 borewells is completed. As for the dugwells, out of 24, work on 2 is completed, while the rest are in progress. Additionally, out of 107 rapid sand filtration

plants, work on 99 has been initiated. Furthermore, under Overhead Tanks (OHTs), out of 9, 5 have been completed.

To accelerate the implementation of these schemes, the Deputy Commissioner directed officers to adopt a results-driven approach, adhering to strict timelines. Through focused efforts and dedicated work, the mission is rapidly transforming into a reality, promising a healthier and happier life for the residents of the region.

For the schemes where

the work has not been started yet, the Deputy Commissioner directed officers to promptly address issues hindering the initiation of work on such schemes. Ensuring a swift resolution, he emphasized the need for immediate action to kickstart the projects at the earliest.

The DC emphasized the need for a holistic approach towards water management, emphasizing that it is not just about providing access to clean drinking water but also about preserving and sustainably utilizing these vital resources.

This meeting was a testament to the commitment of the District Administration to implementing the Jal Jeevan Mission effectively, ensuring that rural areas have access to a basic necessity - clean drinking water.

Overall the meeting was a constructive platform for officers to share their experiences, exchange ideas, and find solutions to the challenges facing the implementation of the Jal Jeevan Mission. The Deputy Commissioner directed them to continue working with dedication and commitment to achieve the mission's objectives.

CPO, Mohammad Khurshid; SE Hydraulics, Bharam Jyoti Sharma; XEN Jal Shakti Nowsheera, Vipin Kumar; EXEN Jal Shakti Mechanical, Manoj Gupta and AEEs of the Jal Shakti Department attended the meeting.

CRIME REPORT

Crackdown on illegal mining continues, 3 vehicles including excavator seized

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SAMBA: Continuing crackdown on illegal mining, Samba Police in successive day seized three more vehicles including one excavator in the jurisdiction of Police Post Supwal which were being used for illegal transportation/mining of the construction material.

A Police party of Police Post Supwal headed by Incharge Police Post Supwal along with Mining Department Samba has seized one JCB bearing regd. No. JK21G-0078, Tractor trolley bearing regd. No. JK21H-0078 and one Tractor Trolley without registration No. for illegal mining in Chak-Jawala, Supwal area.

The above mentioned vehicles have been seized by Samba Police and handed over to Geology & Mining Department, Samba for further action.

4 bovine smugglers arrested, 11 bovines rescued, 3 vehicles seized

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SAMBA: Police on Monday foiled three bovine smuggling attempts in early morning hours, arrested four bovine smugglers, rescued eleven bovines and seized three vehicles in the jurisdiction of Police Station Samba and Police Station Ghagwal.

A Police party of Police Station Samba during vehicle checking duty at naka MansarMorh Samba, intercepted two Mahindra load carrier vehicles bearing registration Nos JK14J-0739 and JK22C-4529 for checking which were coming from Samba side and moving towards Udhampur side via Mansar road. During checking of both the said vehicles, three bovines in each vehicle were found laden inside and were being transported illegally without any valid permission. All the six bovines have been rescued and both the vehicles have been seized.

The bovine smugglers identified as Junaid Ahmed, son of Mohd. Munshi, resident of Thill Roun Tehsil and district Udhampur; Farooq Ahmed Malik, son of Abdul Aziz Malik, resident of Chamalwalas Banihal district Ramban and two women have been arrested.

A case FIR No 42/2024 U/S 188 IPC and FIR No 43/2024 U/S 188 IPC have been registered at Police Station Samba and investigation started.

Similarly, a Police party of Police Station Ghagwal during vehicle checking duty at naka NHW Tapyal, intercepted a Mahindra load carrier without regd. No. coming from Kathua side for checking. During checking of the vehicle, five bovines were found laden inside the vehicle which were tied in a cruel manner and were being transported illegally without any valid permission. However, driver of the vehicle managed to escape from the spot taking advantage of the darkness.

All the rescued bovines have been shifted to a safer place and the vehicle used for the transportation of bovines has also been seized.

A case FIR No. 18/2024 U/S 188 IPC, 11 PCA Act, has been registered at Police Station Ghagwal and investigation started.

Two narco smugglers nabbed; heroin, cash recovered

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REASI: In the war against Drugs Abuse, Reasi Police arrested two narco smugglers & recovered 10.67 gm of heroin and cash Rs 3.06 lakh on the disclosure in Serwad Katra.

As per details, On 9th of February Munish Kumar, son of Prem Kumar and Prem Kumar, son of Majuru Ram both, resident of village- Serwad, Katra, were arrested and police recovered 49.43 gm Heroin from their possession. In this regard case FIR No. 43/2024 under section 8/ 21/22/29 NDPS Act was registered against him at Police Station Katra & investigations initiated.

During a further course of investigations, accused Munish Kumar was put under sustained questioning by officers during which he Confessed that he had hidden cash and weighing machine at his residence. On this Reasi Police constituted a special team headed by a senior Police Officer who raided & made searches at suspected places including the house of accused Munish Kumar, in the presence of Executive Magistrate Ist Class Katra. The police team recovered cash amounting to Rs 3.06 lakh and two digital weighing machines.

Prem Kumar was also put under sustained questioning by officers during which he Confessed that he had hidden more illegal drugs at his residence. On this Police raided and made searches in the presence of EMIC Katra and recovered 10.67 gm Heroin.

Further investigation into financial transactions in the illegal trade in the case is being explored to unweave the illegal network of drug peddling by the accused & his associates.

Auto driver, associate nabbed with intoxicating tablets

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REASI: Continuing the drive against drug abuse launched by District Police Reasi, while performing routine naka duty at Puria, Pouni area where an Auto bearing Regd. No. JK20-4275 which was coming from Pouni side towards Puria, Domail was stopped for checking.

During checking of the said vehicle, 18 strips of novotram and 45 strips of Denpinol P wrapped inside an orange colored polythene bag were recovered from the dash board of the vehicle. On enquiry, the driver of the vehicle disclosed his name as Gopal Krishan, son of Mohan Lal, resident of Bharakh Tehsil Pouni District Reasi and co-driver disclosed his identity as Rakesh Singh alias Raju, son of Chatur Singh, resident of Pouni. Both of them failed to give any satisfactory reply regarding the possession of tablets.

On this, a Case FIR No 11/2024 U/S 8/21/22/29 NDPS Act got registered at Police Station Pouni and investigation initiated.

Drug peddler arrested; contraband substance recovered

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BARAMULLA: Continuing its efforts to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, Police have arrested a drug peddler in Baramulla and recovered contraband substance from his possession.

A Police party headed by IC Police Post Delina at a checkpoint established at Khaitangan Baramulla intercepted a persons who tried to flee after noticing police party but was apprehended tactfully. He has been identified as Mohd Asif Akhoo son of Mohd Mustafa Akhoo resident of Khaitangan Baramulla. During his search, officers were able to recover 15 grams of Brown Sugar from his possession. He has been arrested and shifted to Police Station Baramulla where he remains in custody.

Accordingly, a case under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Baramulla and investigation has been initiated.

We urge the common masses that if you witness drug peddling or any other crime anywhere near you, feel free to contact nearest police establishment or dial 112. People are requested to cooperate with police in curbing the menace of drugs from the society. We reassure the community members that police will act tough against the criminals as per law.

Notorious drug peddler arrested with 900 banned tablets, heroin

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RAJOURI: Under the aegis of "Operation Sanjeevani" JKP in District Rajouri arrested a youth following a recovering of consignment of banned drugs/tablets and Heroine like substance from his possession.

A team of police headed by SHO Rajouri intercepted a youth at Sheema Crossing, Rajouri and recovered 90 strips of banned drug (tramadol/ tependadole) and Heroine like substance weighing as much as 07 grams from his possession following which he been arrested.

The apprehended accused person has been identified as Sikandar Mirza, son of Mohd Jahangir Mirza, resident of Ujhaan, Rajouri.

A formal criminal case under FIR No. 55/2024 U/S 8/21/22 NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station Rajouri.

Hardcore criminal wanted in 17 FIRs arrested

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BARI BRAHMANA: Police on Monday arrested a hardcore criminal namely Kapil Sharma alias Jimmy, son of Kamal Sharma, resident of Chaudahi, Sainik Colony, Jammu.

Police has arrested the above-named criminal under Case FIR No. 11/2024 U/S420/323/342/506 IPC of Police Station Bari Brahmna.

It is informed that PS Bari Brahmna had registered FIR 11/2024, on basis of complaint alleging incessant violence, illegal confinement and cheating in fraudulently run drug de-addiction centre in Birpur, Bari Brahmna. Post registering FIR, police party was immediately dispatched and 15 victims of violence were rescued and reunited with their family members. However, the main accused Kapil Sharma alias Jimmy was absconding.

Sustained efforts of Police Station Bari Brahmna finally led to arrest of absconding criminal today. This arrest was executed by police party comprising of PSI Nirmal Singh, Sgdt Tavinder Singh led by SHO Sumeet Sharma of Police Station Bari Brahmna.

It is informed that the accused is wanted in 17 FIRs in Jammu and Samba districts, with involvement in heinous offenses such as attempt to murder, peddling narcotics, illegally carrying weapons, snatching etc. This arrest adds to the continuous efforts of Samba Police to bring criminal elements to justice. It also sends a strong signal to anti-social elements that, there will be absolutely zero tolerance for any criminal activity in Samba district.



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