

Celebration of Unity: BAPS Temple inauguration in Abu Dhabi

ABU DHABI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the first



Young Bites Editor-in-Chief Vijay Gupta at BAPS temple Abu Dhabi which was inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi.

Hindu temple in Abu Dhabi at the end of his two-day visit to the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Modi inaugurated Bochasanwasi Akshar Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS) Hindu Mandir, the first Hindu temple in the UAE.

Young Bites Team which is covering the visit of PM Modi also attended the inauguration of the Mandir and had interaction with the devotees who took part in the ceremony. Visitors shared their view and also expressed their support to the policies of Modi who is making Bharat proud.



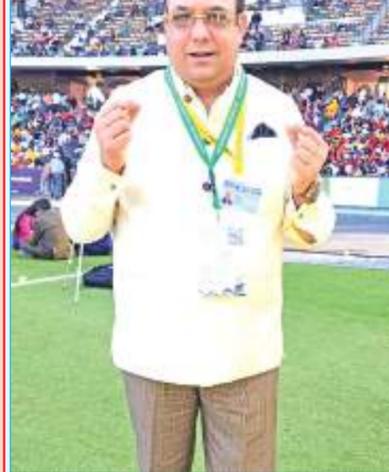
Babu Bhai Patel from New Jersey: It symbolizes a new era of cooperation and understanding between nations, guided by a shared vision of promoting harmony and cultural exchange. We are very thankful to the rulers of UAE and PM Modi for taking up the initiative to build a BAPS Mandir in the kingdom. It's a new dawn for India under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.



A female devotee: I praise Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership and his contribution to India's economic prowess, highlight the broader implications of this event. It signifies not only a religious milestone but also a testament to India's growing influence and prominence on the global stage. The BAPS temple is a landmark achievement and symbol India's spiritual heritage which is now expanding in the world.

Ahlan Modi: Address stirs excitement among Indian diaspora

ABU DHABI: As Prime Minister Narendra Modi embarked on his visit to the United Arab Emirates (UAE), anticipation and excitement brewed among the Indian diaspora residing in the Arab country.



Young Bites Editor-in-Chief Vijay Gupta during the Ahlan Modi event at Zahid Sports City Abu Dhabi.

PM Narendra Modi spoke at Zahid Sports City Abu Dhabi and addressed Indian Community. The air was filled with enthusiasm as Modi addressed one of the largest gatherings in the UAE, leaving an indelible mark on the audience.

In a conversation with Young Bites, several attendees expressed their elation and pride at being part of the historic event. "Today's gathering, where Modi spoke, is historic. It's the first time such an event has been hosted here. As an Indian, I feel proud of the achievements of PM Modi.", said Shalini Sharma.

Sentiment echoed throughout the audience, with many encapsulating their confidence in the slogan, "Modi hai to Mumkin Hai" (With Modi, it's possible).



Young Bites Editor-in-Chief Vijay Gupta with a group of women who attended the Ahlan Modi event.

The prevailing belief among attendees was that Prime Minister Narendra Modi is poised to secure victory in the upcoming Lok Sabha polls in India, driven by his vision to strengthen Bharat economically care shown towards the Indian community.

In particular, he mentioned the special care taken during difficult Covid times when Indian diaspora was provided all possible assistance. Prime Minister also shared his vision for the progress achieved by the country in the last 10 years and expressed confidence that India will become the third largest economy by 2030 on its way to becoming a developed country - Viksit Bharat - by 2047. He also dwelt on India being a "Vishwabandhu" and contributing to global progress and well-being.

The UAE is home to about 3.5 million Indian nationals making it the largest population of Indian citizens anywhere in the world. Preparations for "AHLAN MODI" had been going on for several months to make the event truly memorable.

National Road Safety month concludes with grand valedictory function

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: A Valedictory function of National Road safety Month-2024 (15th January, 2024 to 14th February, 2024) was on Wednesday organized by the Motor Vehicles Department in association with All J&K Transporters Welfare Association Jammu here at Warehouse.

present on the occasion. Besides Rehana Tabassum, ARTO (Headquarters), Esha Chib, ARTO Board of Inspection (Goods), Kuldeep Singh, ARTO, Board of Inspection (Passengers), Neeraj Sharma, ARTO Flying Squad, Teams from Red Cross and Health Department, Jammu and other heads of all Transport Associations (Truck/Bus/Bus/Mini Bus) were also present. Addressing the huge gathering, the Transport Commissioner urged the participants/Drivers and conductors to adhere to the road safety rules.

He said that the main objective behind observing countrywide National Road Safety Month by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways was to generate mass awareness about safety and security of road users and to minimize the number of deaths and injuries caused due to the road accidents in the U.T of Jammu and Kashmir and the whole Country. The Transport Commissioner also congratulated the whole team of Motor Vehicles Department and Transport Associations for their efforts for holding maximum

awareness/events not only in the Road Safety Month but also during the entire year. The RTO Jammu impressed upon all the transporters, Vehicle Owners, drivers, Conductors, travelers and road users to strictly follow road safety and traffic rules to minimize the number of road accidents. Ajit Singh, Chairman, All J&K Transport Welfare Association emphasized upon all the concerned persons to strictly follow the rules so that safety of passengers can be ensured. ARTOs also spoke on the occasion and high-

lighted the achievements of the Motor Vehicles Department in different fields and initiatives of Government of India. Earlier a pledge on road safety was also administered to the participants. A Medical Health Check-up camp was also organized in association with Health Department and Red Cross. Earlier, the Regional Transport Officer presented the welcome address and formally welcomed all the participants and Transport associations, while the vote of Thanks was presented by ARTO, (Headquarters).

17-year long battle: Consumer Court B'la rules for 2005 earthquake victims

National Insurance Company to Compensate

STATE TIMES NEWS
BARAMULLA: In response to a complaint lodged with the erstwhile State Consumer Protection Commission Jammu on March 27, 2006, against National Insurance Company Limited, regarding deficiency of service and unfair trade practice, the District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (DCDRC) Baramulla/ Bandipora on Wednesday passed a judgment in favour of the consumers after 17 years. The judgment mandates the company to pay a sum of Rs. 6 lakhs towards the complainants along with an

interest of 10 per cent from the date of filing the complaint within 4 weeks time. The judgment also directs the insurance company to pay Rs. 50 thousand towards the complainant for causing mental and physical harassment and litigation charges. The complaint was lodged by residents of Usman Colony, Khawaja Bagh, whose house sustained damage in the earthquake that occurred on October 8, 2005 and was left uninhabitable. The property in question was insured by National Insurance Company Limited for a sum of Rs.13

lakhs against such eventualities but the company failed to fulfill its contractual obligation to compensate the complainants for the incurred losses. The judgment passed by the bench presided by the President DCDRC Baramulla, Peerzada Qousar Hussain and other Member Judge, Nyla Yaseen found the insurance company guilty of unfair trade practices under section 12 of consumer Protection Act 1985, and hence directed them to compensate the complainant according to the set terms within 4 weeks time.

Baba Ballo's birth anniversary celebrated at Mathwar on Basant Panchami



Devotees throng at Baba Ballo Devasthan of Mathwar on the auspicious occasion of Basant Panchami.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Like every year, this time also Baba Ballo Ji's birthday was celebrated with great pomp at Baba Ballo Devasthan of Mathwar on the auspicious occasion of Basant Panchami.

Lakh of devotees of Babaji, from different parts of the Jammu division, thronged the religious place and paid obeisance and sought blessings of the revered saint from morning till 5 in the evening. At 12:30 PM, Hawan was

organized by the scholars with chanting of Mantras. On this occasion, the Head Priest of Mata Vaishno Devi, the priest of Surkala Mata, Mahant Rameshwar Das of Kameshwar Temple, participated in the Yagya and performed Hawan with Baba

Yash Pal followed by Purnaahuti, during which flowers were showered from the helicopter with five rounds of Baba's Devsthan. On the occasion of Baba Ji's birth anniversary, administrative and political leaders also attended Baba's

celebration paid obeisance in Baba's Devsthan. On the occasion, Chief Secretary Jammu Kashmir Atul Dulloo Commissioner General Administration Department Sanjeev Verma, SSP Mohan Lal Bhagat, SSP Crime Sandeep Mehta,

SP South Ajay Sharma, Joint Director Tourism Department Sunaina Mehta, CEO of Shrine Board of Mata Vaishno Devi Anshu Garg, MP Jugal Kishore Sharma, former Deputy Chief Minister Kavinder Gupta, former

Minister Pawan Gupta, former MLA Devendra Singh Rana took blessings of Baba Ji. On this occasion, Baba Yashpal Sharma of Baba Ballo Devasthan, said that like every year, this time also Baba's birthday has been

celebrated with great pomp. Lakhs of people have come to Baba's Devsthan and took blessings from Baba Ji. Baba Ji wishes everyone and fulfill all the wishes of those who come to Baba's Devsthan with true heart, he added.