

'Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere'

JK Public School Panjtirthi organises Mass General knowledge quiz



Glimpses of Mass General knowledge quiz being conducted at JK Public School Panjtirthi.

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JAMMU: General knowledge is an important aspect of education, as it helps kids perceive, analyse and understand the world around them and improve their social and

general awareness.

It is rewarding in many ways : it enriches the minds of children by improving their analytical and thinking abilities, widening their knowledge base and prepar-

ing them for life ahead.

General knowledge helps kids perform well in school examinations and boosts their conversational skills by allowing them to speak on a variety of topics with ease.

This raises their confidence level and puts them one step ahead of others.

With this aim, JK Public School Panjtirthi organised a Mass General knowledge quiz.

The last Mass quiz competition of the session was based on Current affairs and G.K questions drilled during the assembly .

For every class, there were different quiz masters. All

the quiz masters were able to maintain the motivating environment for the students. Students displayed their intellectual skill and posed a tough competition for their rivals.

The winners were awarded with sweets and special gifts .

The Principal said, "To give real service to society we always add something to our curriculum which cannot be bought or measured with

money."

She added that success is a vehicle which moves on a wheel called hard work but the journey is impossible without the fuel called Self Confidence.

Skill development training programme commences

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JAMMU: On the direction of Director Sericulture J&K, Ajaz Ahamd Bhat, five days Skill Development Training programme started in the premises of Talab Tillo Nursery under Capacity Building Activities for Silkworm Rearers/ Farmers under HADP 2023-24.

The programme was started mainly to promote the need for skill up-gradation of Silkworm rearers enabling them to undertake silkworm rearing on modern scientific lines. The department emphasized the need of the issue for ensuring result-orientation. The steps are being taken to organize Regular Capacity Building Programmes for Silkworm Rearers and youth across J&K on the directions of the Director Sericulture J&K.

The department also aims at of strengthening the capacity building activities to



Adtl Director Sericulture Jammu, Ashwani Sharma and others at a programme.

organize exposure visits for Silkworm Rearers and youth in collaboration with Central Silk Board to different states of India to sensitize them about the latest Sericulture techniques being practiced by the Silkworm Rearers outside J&K. The department emphasized that people in general and the unemployed

youth in particular need to be made aware regarding the potential of the Sericulture sector and various schemes of the department to increase their income generation capacity.

The Director Sericulture J&K had also directed the officers of his department to give top priority for the pro-

motion of the entire scheme, particularly utilizing youth under skill development system. Further, such programmes connected with the scheme should be ensured at all District levels for which comprehensive exercise need to be conducted for involving the youth under skilled development project.

The Director of Sericulture has also emphasized that the department also aims to undertake extensive mulberry plantation across J&K and in this regard, various institutes and vacant retrieved land will be covered under the plantation programme so that the abundant leaf reserve will be provided to the Silkworm Rearers in coming rearing seasons.

Speaking on the occasion Additional Director Sericulture, Jammu Ashwani Kumar Sharma shared his valuable inputs and assured that the organization will extend full cooperation in capacity building and Skill development up-gradation of the farmers, Silkworm Rearers and the youth. Kavita Sharma, District Sericulture Officer, Jammu and other Officers of the department were also present on the occasion.

35th J&K UT Junior Volleyball Championship postponed

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JAMMU: Three-day 35th J&K UT Junior Volleyball Championship for boys and girls being organized by Udhampur District Volleyball Association under the aegis of Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK) and in collaboration with J&K Sports Council at Mini Stadium Udhampur from February 21 to 23, 2024 postponed due to inclement weather.

The decision was taken in the meeting of the organizing committee held under the chairpersonship of Deputy Commissioner Udhampur, here on Monday.

It was decided that the next date shall be conveyed later on after consultation with the Volleyball Association of J&K.

"Unprecedented climatic conditions constrained us to postpone the 35th JK UT Junior Volleyball Championship at Udhampur," Chief Executive Officer (CEO), VAJK said and expressed thanks to organizers especially all VADU members for leaving no stone unturned in making this championship a grand show but our efforts could not yield tangible results due to abnormal cli-



matic conditions

"We express gratitude to the leadership of Saloni Rai, DC Udhampur and Chairperson of the Organising Championship and her entire team for meticulously making all arrangements of over 400 players of J&K for the championship at Udhampur," he said.

"We deserve such gestures in future for energising youth towards sports & in the National building," he said.

Free health check up camp organized at Uppal Neuro and Multispeciality Clinic



Dr. Ashok Uppal, founder of Uppal Neuro Hospital at a camp.

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JAMMU: A free Mega Health Checkup camp was organized by Uppal Neuro and Multispeciality OPD Clinic, Kaluchak, Jammu.

In this campaign free consultations has done related to Neurology, Neurosurgery, Orthopaedics, Cardiology, Psychology, physiotherapy,

Speech Therapy, Dietetics. Patients had avail the 30% discount in all available tests at the Centre.

Dr. Ashok Uppal, founder of Uppal Neuro Hospital, has given information and said that on the occasion of serving healthcare services from last 1 year at this clinic, we have organised this Free health check up camp at Uppal Neuro and Multispeciality Clinic Jammu. In this campaign Dr. Salil Uppal (Neurologist), Dr.

Shikhil Uppal (Neurosurgeon), Dr. HP Singh (Orthopaedic), Dr. Abid Hussain (Cardiologist) and other specialists has examined the patients. A large number of people participated in this campaign to took the advantage of the camp. Dr. Ashok Uppal also said that Uppal Healthcare has main objective to provide the best healthcare services to the people in all fields. Hospital has an edge that is the state of the Art facilities in the field of Neurosciences and people can take the advantage of the experience that we have earned in the field of Neurosciences from so many years work.

He said that world class facilities of Neuro and Spine Surgery, Neuro Intervention, Cardiology, and Ortho are available in Uppal Neuro Hospital Amritsar, now the people of Jammu and Kashmir will be able to avail the benefits of it at affordable rates.

BJP betrayed J&K youth, pushed them to wall: Sadhotra



Ajay Kumar Sadhotra, Additional General Secretary Jammu and Kashmir National Conference with new entrants in the party at Udhewalla Jammu North Assembly.

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JAMMU: National Conference Additional General Secretary and Former Minister Ajay Kumar Sadhotra today lashed out at the BJP for betraying youth and pushing them to wall by shrinking job avenues and failing in filling up the existing vacancies accumulated over the years across

Jammu and Kashmir:

"BJP's tall claims of generating two crore jobs for youth every year across the country has proven yet another Jumla", he said while addressing a public meeting at Udhewalla in Jammu North Assembly Constituency, where hundreds of youth joined National Conference, led by Sahil Singh

Chib. Sadhotra further added that by that account 20 crore jobs should have been provided in the past 10 years of BJP rule.

Sadhotra accused the so-called double engine government of failing in bringing a job policy and said unemployment continues to be a biggest challenge, especially for industrially

underdeveloped Jammu and Kashmir. The insensitive dispensation is yet to appreciate this phenomenon as a result of which frustration among educated unemployed youth is growing and they feel pushed to the wall during these times of acute inflation. The hapless youth have nowhere to go for seeking sustenance with many of them facing the prospect of getting overaged for jobs, he added.

Sadhotra exhorted the workers to generate awareness about anti-youth and anti-people policies of the BJP government, which instead of focusing on governance and development is indulging in antagonizing different segments of society, especially the youth to divert the attention from real issues. He said the BJP has miserably failed in fulfilling promises made to the people before and after the elections.

On the occasion, several public spirited activists, youth joined the National Conference.

Power shutdown

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JAMMU: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL Jammu has informed that the power supply to Upper Barnai, Lower Muthi, Paloura, JK Colony, Chandan Vihar, PHE Roop Mahar, MES Rajouri Lines, Patoli, BSF Paloura and adjoining areas will remain affected on February 22 from 10 am to 1 pm.

Similarly, the power supply to Purkhoo Camp, Purkhoo Parts of Domana, Mishriwala, Chanuchak and adjoining areas will remain affected on February 22 from 2 pm to 4 pm. Likewise, the power supply to Chatha, Bhour Camp, Peer Baba, Govindpura, Khandwal and adjoining areas will remain affected on February 22 from 10 am to 3 pm. Similarly, the power supply to Keerian Local, Keerian Industry, CTM-1, CTM-2, Kathua-3 GMC and adjoining areas will remain affected on February 22 and 23 from 10 am to 3 pm.

BJP Gandhi Nagar Mandal team conducts camp at Ward 44 on PM Vishwakarma



People registering under PM Vishwakarma Scheme in a camp at Ward 44 on Sunday.

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JAMMU: Surjeet Singh and Vinay Gupta (Vice Presidents Gandhi Nagar Mandal) from Ward 44 along with Rachit Khosla General Secretary Gandhi Nagar Mandal, Aman Goswami

Booth Presidents, Jagit Singh with team organised a camp at Ward 44, Nanak Nagar Jammu regarding PM Vishwakarma scheme.

People gather in large numbers to avail the benefits of Vishwakarma scheme by sub-

mitting form online. It gives cash support to small employees and skilled crafts-people along with training, advice on skill matters, and knowledge of modern techniques.

This scheme benefits those who work in traditional trades, like washermen, haircuts, smiths of gold, bricklayers, and metalworkers.

This scheme aims to help skilled craftsmen who are struggling by giving liquidity and training.

Surjeet Singh extended gratitude to Ward 44 team who made every possible efforts for the smooth functioning of this campaign and made it successful with full dedication and enthusiasm.

Confederation of All Associations of DPs of 1947, '65 &'71 from POJK & Chhamb appeal to PM Modi

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JAMMU: The Convener of the Confederation of All Associations of DPs of 1947, '65 & '71 from POJK & Chhamb, Jammu, J.S. Sudan, appealed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi on his visit to Jammu on February 20 to redress the demands.

He highlighted the plight and demands of the Displaced Persons (DPs) of 1947, particularly those from Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir (POJK) and Chhamb.

"The DPs of 1947 are acknowledged as the first saviors of the Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) state, having fought against

Pakistani Army and Tribal raiders' attacks on October 22, 1947, to defend the state," Sudan said.

He added, "The Hindu and Sikh communities faced genocide, with over 40,000 lives lost. Around 41,119 families were displaced and have been living in refugee camps, facing poverty and misery for the past 75 years."

Despite agitating for permanent Relief & Rehabilitation (R&R) for 75 years, Sudan said, there has been no significant progress in addressing their grievances.

He said that the Department Related Parliamentary Standing

Committee on Home Affairs (DRPSC) and the then State government led by Congress and NC have made recommendations and proposed packages, none of which have been implemented.

Speaking on recent discrimination, Sudan said the allocation of only one assembly seat for DPs of 1947, compared to two seats for Kashmiri Migrants, goes against previous recommendations.

"The recent granting of Pahari Status selectively to certain areas deprives other DPs of their rightful benefits," he added. seeking justice, he

demanding interim relief of Rs 30 lakhs per DP family, Political reservation in the UT assembly proportional to the DP population, proprietary rights for housing plots in refugee camps, reservation for DP wards in higher education and employment opportunities, fresh registration and issuance of UID cards for DP descendants, inclusion of all original Pahari-speaking DPs of 1947 in the Pahari status award and establishment of a Development Board for DPs of 1947 from POJK.

He emphasized the urgent need for delivering justice, stating "justice delayed is justice denied."