

Basohli to be developed as Heritage Town, Aroma StartUp destination: Dr Jitendra

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BASOHLI: Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology, MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh on Sunday said, Basohli is to be developed as Heritage Town and Aroma Start-up destination in coming years.

Dr. Jitendra said this while addressing a public meeting. On the occasion, a Lavender Awareness program was also organised.

Dr. Jitendra said, Basohli was always neglected by the previous governments, thus the development deficit is still seen in this Kandi Area. After Prime Minister Narendra Modi took over in 2014, the priority has been to bring the left out areas into the development mainstream so as to end the development deficit syndrome in these areas.

Reiterating the vision of Prime Minister of India to create a Viksit Bharat & Viksit Jammu and Kashmir, Dr. Jitendra said, the government is focussed on the Poor, Farmers, Youth and Nari Shakti. The Poor, Farmers, Youth and Nari Shakti have been empowered through various government welfare schemes as this government



Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh addressing a public meeting at Ramlila Ground, Basohli on Sunday.

believes in 'Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas' mantra, said Dr. Singh.

In terms of road and highway development, Dr. Jitendra said, North India's first ever Cable-Stayed Bridge Atal Setu, J&K's first inter-State bridge at Keerian-Gandyal etc. have been the cornerstones of development never imagined by anyone. Dr. Jitendra said, had Narendra Modi not become the Prime Minister of India in 2014, the Shahpur-Kandi Project would not have been resumed that was stalled from the last 70 years. Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave the highest priority to this project as it is the lifeline of this area in many ways, and has the potential to irrigate 4000 acre agricultural land of this area, Dr. Singh emphasised.

Aroma Mission has been

started by our neighbouring states like Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh. As this constituency has been the birthplace of Purple Revolution in India, Basohli must not shy away from starting the lavender cultivation here as this can increase the income of agriculturists of this area manifold.

Prominent among others present were Col. Mohan Singh, Chairman, DDC Kathua, Tajinder Singh, Reeta Thakur and Narayan Dutt Tripathi (All DDC members). Earlier, Dr. Zabeer Ahmed, Director, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu in his welcome address said that CSIR-IIIM, Jammu besides doing cutting edge Science has been actively involved in the CSIR Aroma Mission and CSIR Floriculture Mission which have far reaching

impact on the economic development and rural prosperity. In the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, assuring full support from CSIR-IIIM, he appealed the

farmers, who are real stakeholders of these missions to effectively join with the institute to take forward the activities under such societal projects.

In the technical sessions coordinated by Dr. Suphla Gupta, Nodal Scientist Aroma Mission and Dr. Saurabh Saran, Principal Scientist also provided valuable guidance on cultivation techniques, timing, and potential uses and practical insights into planting techniques and cultivation practices. Dr. Rajinder Bhanweria, Dr. V.P.Rahul, Er. Ankush Varma also delivered expert talk in the technical session.

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Yudvir seeks people's support to continue development spree in J&K

Urges people to strengthen hands of PM Modi in upcoming Lok Sabha polls

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JAMMU: Yudhvir Sethi, Vice President of Jammu and Kashmir Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), called upon the people of Jammu and Kashmir to unite and strengthen the hands of Prime Minister Modi in the upcoming Lok Sabha polls with an aim to sustain the ongoing development spree in the union territory.

He emphasized the transformative impact of recent developmental initiatives and highlighted the need for collective support from the citizens.

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Sethi urged people's support to continue the development spree in Jammu and Kashmir is a testament to the party's unwavering commitment to the progress and well-being of its citizens. By actively involving the people, the party aims to create an environment that fosters growth, prosperity, and overall socio-economic development in Jammu and Kashmir, he added.

Yudhvir also appreciated the efforts of Preeti Sharma for her dedicated work towards the community. He acknowledged her initiatives for taking up the matter of people's issues for starting the development works in various areas of East constituency. He commended her unwavering commitment to improve the lives of the people and create a positive impact on society.

Sethi highlighted the importance of individuals like Preeti Sharma who actively contribute to the development of their communities and inspire others to do the same.



BJP J&K Vice President, Yudhvir Sethi interacting with people.

Morcha East Mandal, Ajeesh Sharma, Ward No Convenor, Nitu Shakti Kendra Pramukh, Ramesh Gupta, Ruh Gupta and Rani Gupta.

Sethi urged the people to actively participate in initiatives aimed at enhancing infrastructure, bolstering socio-economic opportunities, and creating a conducive environment for overall development in Jammu and

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SRINAGAR: On the recommendations of Departmental Promotion Committee constituted for assessing the suitability of eligible Constables for their elevation to the next rank, vide ZPHQ

Kashmir order No. 562 of 2024 dated February 13, 2024, IGP Kashmir V. K. Birdi has approved the promotions of 716 Constables having their lien and seniority with Kashmir Zone to the rank of SgCts.

IGP Kashmir has felicitated the promoted officials/their families and expressed the hope that they will strive to work hard for maintaining of public peace, tranquillity and law & order in the Union Territory of J&K.

Nari Shakti is real power of India: Dr Darakhshan

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SRINAGAR: Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM) J&K organised Yuvti Sammelan (Young Women Leaders Convention) on Sunday at Amar Singh Club Srinagar in which Chairperson of Jammu & Kashmir Waqf Board & National Executive Member of BJP Dr Darakhshan Andrabi participated as the Chief Guest.

A huge participation of young women leaders of Bharatiya Janata Party participated in the convention.

Arpita Aparajita Badahena (National VP, BJYM) & Amandeep Singh



Chairperson JKWB Dr Darakhshan Andrabi and others at a Yuvti Sammelan.

(National Media Secretary, BJYM) were special guests. BJYM J&K President Arun Prabhat and National Executive Member BJYM Bilal Parray were also present.

Young women leaders of BJYM spoke about their experiences in public life.

The speakers threw light on their contribution as the change makers of the society.

Speaking in the function Dr Darakhshan Andrabi applauded party's Yuva Morcha for providing this unique platform to the women power.

"Celebrating Young Women Leadership in India is the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. We have seen unprecedented empowerment of women in the country during the past ten years. Nari Shakti is the real power of India and after August 2019, J&K has also started on the same pace as that of other parts of the country and our young women have excelled in every sphere of life", said Dr Andrabi.

She asked the young leaders to come forward with more confidence and vision to serve the people and be part of the growth story of India.

Social determinants of health-Next forefront of reducing the enormous burden of CVD: Dr Sushil

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JAMMU: In view of very less awareness regarding the social domain of cardiovascular health among masses Head Department of Cardiology GMCH Jammu Dr Sushil Sharma held a day long Cardiac awareness cum health checkup camp at Panchayat Panj Grain, Block Nagrota, Jammu in order to enlighten people about the social equality and its long term impact in reducing cardiac morbidity and mortality. While interacting with the people, Dr Sushil stated that cardiovascular disease (CVD) is the leading cause of mortality worldwide. Addressing social determinants of health may be the next forefront of reducing the enormous burden of CVD. SDOH can be defined as any social, economic, or environmental factor that influences a health outcome. Comprehensive evidence of the role of Social Determinant in CVD is lacking, nevertheless. There has been increasing recognition that social determinants of health (SDoH) significantly contribute to morbidity, mortality, and health inequality.

According to the World Health Organization, SDOH are any situation or circumstance in which individuals are born, grow, live, work, and age. SDOH can also be described as any environmental factor that affects a person's health, quality of life, or the progression of a disease in a complex and interconnected manner.

He elaborated that despite significant advancements; gross inequalities continue to persist over space and time. Although increasing at different rates worldwide, the magnitude of increase in the prevalence of various cardiovascular risk factors has shifted research efforts to study the causes



HoD Cardiology GMCH Jammu, Dr Sushil Sharma and his team examining patients.

of the risk factors (ie, the 'causes of the causes'), which include the social determinants of health.

The social determinants of health reflect the impact of the social environment on health among people sharing a particular community. Imbalances in the social determinants of health have been attributed to the inequities in health observed between and within countries.

He added that the issue of social determinants is especially necessary to assess in women of diverse races and ethnicities, as racial and ethnic diversity is currently lacking in patient data registries where data for CVD assessment is gathered.

Dr Sushil Sharma, while sharing his opinion, told that there is overwhelming evidence that SDOH are important contributors to CVD and CVD mortality. There is consistent evidence that economic circumstance and early childhood development themes play a role in CVD and CVD mortality. Specifically, childhood adverse events, childhood abuse or neglect, childhood SES, neighborhood SES, violence, environmental attributes, education, income, occupation, food insecurity, homelessness, composite SES, social role, social

isolation, loneliness, ethnicity, and discrimination play roles in CVD and CVD mortality. He further elaborated that detecting and addressing SDOH will likely benefit CVD risk factors and outcomes. This evidence should be used to inform CVD prevention policies and interventions through each stage of development, including selection of targeted subpopulations. Given that the identified SDOH factors are interconnected with each other and other CVD risk factors.

Prominent members of the area Thoru Ram (Sarpanch), Ramesh Singh (Panch), Prem Nath (Panch), Yashpal (Panch), Kishore Kumar (Panch), Davinder Singh and Ram Gopal appreciated the efforts of Dr Sushil and his team for conducting cardiac awareness cum health checkup camp in their locality for the welfare of people and the society. Others who were part of this Camp includes Dr Yashwant Sharma and Dr Devinder Singh. Paramedics and volunteers includes Kamal Sharma, Raghav Rajput, Rajkumar, Rajinder Singh, Mukesh Kumar, Gourav Sharma, Jatinder Bhasin, Vikas Kumar, Rohit Nayyar, Arun Singh, Maninder Singh, Rahul Vaid, Amish Jamwal and Aman Gupta.

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