BJP committed to improve lives of masses: Billawaria

JAMMU: Abhinandan Mangotra, a prominent Young Social activist along with his supporters, joined the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). The event was organised by Kunjwani Mandal in which Former Deputy Mayor Jammu, Baldev Singh Billawaria, Rekha Mahajan, President BJP Jammu South, Prabhari Jammu South Ayodhya Gupta and other senior leaders were

Speaking on the occasion, Former Deputy Mayor Jammu, Baldev Singh Billawaria said that he expected Abhinandan Mangotra Social activist to play an important role in the BJP in the upcoming elections. He informed that Young Abhinandan Social Activist Mangotra along with his supporters entry into the party fold will boost the morale of the youth. Billawaria further said that going by its selfless policies the party is increasing base day by day along the length and breadth of the nation. The Former Deputy Mayor, while welcoming the new entrants, claimed that the people are coming forward in increasing numbers to join the BJP and strengthen the hands of PM Narendra Modi due to the publicfriendly decisions taken by the



Former Deputy Mayor Jammu, Baldev Singh Billawaria, Rekha Mahajan, President BJP Jammu South and others along with new entrants of party.

Prime Minister.

He said that BJP is committed to serving the people and improving the lives of the general public. He stressed that the party is committed to working on the issues that matter most to the public, such as health, education, employment, and infrastructure. He also highlighted the importance of civic engagement in the democratic process and encouraged people to participate in the upcoming elections. Baldev Singh Billawaria, Former Deputy Mayor, Jammu said, "We are working on the slogan of Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas', which means 'Together with All, Development for All'. We strive to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to benefit from the fruits of development.'

Rekha Mahajan, while taking new entrants into party fold said Abhinandan Mangotra entry into the party will boost the morale of the BJP cadre and help us to take the policies of Government to the grassroot level. She also appreciated the efforts of Abhinandan Mangotra in organising various social programmes in the last many years. She said that every worker of the party works with the principle of the nation first in mind and the Prime Minister has himself established the highest benchmark of serving the society and the nation selflessly. Rekha said "The BJP has always acted as a family that respects everybody and cares for everyone". She said the party has always

opened up arms for those who want to serve the nation and society. Young Social Activist Abhinandan Mangotra said that it was an honor to have him join the BJP and he thanked him for his support. He also expressed his gratitude for being a part of the celebration and wished him all the best in his future endeavors. Social Activist Abhinandan Mangotra said that he was inspired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his work and wanted to join the BJP to contribute to the growth of the nation and to help create a better future for all Indians. He believes that Prime Minister Modi is the right leader to bring about the much needed change in the country.

Avodhva Gupta highlighted the soaring popularity of the BJP, asserting its role as the viable replacement for dynastic political parties in J&K. He said that the populace from diverse backgrounds are joining the party, attracted by its transformative nationalistic programs that have positively impacted the country and the union territory. Gupta said. Others who were present on occasion included Kunjwani Mandal president, Ranjit Singh, Rakesh Harbans Choudhary, Sangral, Rajinder Singh (Popi), Suriender Singh and Madan Katal.

BJP will win all five Lok Sabha seats in J&K: Vibodh

JAMMU: BJP J&K General

Secretary and former MLC Vibodh Gupta conducted a meeting of senior party leaders at party headquarters in Trikuta Nagar, Jammu as the party ramps up its campaign for the 2024 Lok Sabha elections in Jammu and Kashmir. Senior leaders deliberated on a host of organisational programmes, people's feedback and the strategy ahead. Addressing the meeting of senior BJP leaders, Vibodh Gupta expressed confidence, stating that the BJP will win over 400 Lok Sabha seats nationwide in the upcoming 2024 Parliamentary elections. He emphasised the party's commitment to securing a third consecutive term with Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the helm and also predicting victory in all five parliamentary seats from Jammu and Kashmir. Highlighting the public's satis faction with the pro-people initiatives of the Prime Minister-led central govern-



BJP J&K General Secretary Vibodh Gupta conducting meeting of senior party leaders.

ment, particularly the abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A, Vibodh Gupta asserted that these bold initiatives ushered in an unprecedented wave of development. steering Jammu and Kashmir towards peace and prosperity. Sewa, Sushashan and Garib Kalyan (service, good governance, welfare of the poor) has been the theme of Prime Minister Narendra Modi led central government which has won the heart of Indian voters, he added. He also noted the intensified efforts of party

workers in preparation for the Lok Sabha election, with significant outreach programs on the horizon. The senior BJP leaders who engaged in the meeting included Priya Sethi, Sham Choudhary Munish Sharma, Ashwani Sharma, Omi Khajuria, Rekha Mahajan, Pramodh Kapahi, Sunil Dutt, Dr. Krishan Lal, Suraj Singh, Nand Kishore, Ajay Sharma, Surinder Kumar, Suneet Ravi Sharma, Raina, Pushpinder Singh, and Akash

TEDx GMC Jammu 2024 held

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JAMMU: In a spectacular display of inspiration and motivation, TEDx GMC Jammu 2024 unfolded today at GMC Jammu amongst spell bounded faculty and medicos as its audience. The independently organised event, licensed by TED not only lived up to its reputation as a platform for "ideas worth spreading" but surpassed expectations, leaving attendees inspired and invigorated. The collaborative efforts of the speakers, organizers, and sponsors made this event a resounding success, reinforcing the belief that dialogue and exchange of ideas are catalysts for positive change. The diverse range of topics covered during TEDxGMCJammu provided attendees with a panoramic view of innovation, inspiration, and the power of ideas to shape our

This year's event comprised a distinguished array of speakers who shared their unique perspectives and transformative ideas on the

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JAMMU: A meeting of Jammu

Kashmir Teachers Forum was held under the chairmanship of Ganesh

Khajuria after the teachers aspi

rants for promotion as Masters

called on him and seek his interven-

tion for the early conduct of DPC. The main agenda of the meeting was

to discuss thoroughly the issue of

conduct of DPC of Teachers to

Masters which is pending since long

time. All the Central, Provincial

hodies. District and Zonal

Presidents of Jammu and Kashmir,

aggrieved Teachers who are in the

consideration zone were present in

the meeting and expressed their

grave concern over the delaying tac-

tics adopted by the higher authori-

ties on the one pretext or the other

While speaking on the occasion all

District and Zonal Presidents

Chairman JKTF to approach the

higher authorities with a strong

demand to conduct DPC of Teachers

to masters in order to safeguard the

interest and seniority of the Teachers

falling under the promotion zone.

Ganesh

on promotion issue.

appealed

Dignitaries during the event at GMC Jammu.

theme "Quest for cause". The event started with guest speakers Dr Bella Mahajan, an eminent Microbiologist and Dr Amita Gupta an eminent Gynaecologist who spoke on their journey as a young medico to a passionate teacher. Invited speaker, Dr Anand Mani, shared his journey from being a medico to an edtech startup entrepreneur and making a huge impact on present day medicos. The engaging talks continued with Dr Pragva Singh a Dentist who delved into insightful rollercoaster of life events with passion and expertise in AI. A creatively conducted act on Mental Health with fusion of Poetry & Music by Ritik

Kaste, Radhika & Rijula was followed by a real-life experience sharing by Dr Rakesh Bahl, Professor at GMC Jammu who delved into the art of perseverance. Dr Anuj Pachel spoke on the ideology of 'positive prescription' followed by Dr Farhat Umar who gave a powerful delivery on 'holistic optimism'. Each speaker brought a distinct voice and vision to the stage, collectively contributing to the intellectual vibrancy of the event.

Principal, GMC, Jammu Dr Ashutosh Gupta inaugurated the event and motivated the medicos to dream, dare and get inspired during this great opportunity of undergoing MBBS.

The event was organised by MBBS students Lavanya Talwar, Arush Rasyotra, Ritik Kaste, Pragti Sharma, Lavanya Gupta, Shraddha Gupta, Atabik Hassan, Hamza Ashraf & Chehek Jamwal and Jagandeep who were guided by Dr Sandhya Arora, Professor HOD Forensic Medicine and Dr Sandeep Dogra, Professor & HOD Microbiology. The TEDxGMCJammu sponsored by P Mark and co-sponsored by Shree Toyota Batra group, Angira Sharma Makeup & Rakesh Jewellers. The event was supported by Headmasters, Kaushivi decors, Hadenorbis Pvt. Ltd. and Jammu three sixty.

'F seeks DPC of teachers to masters

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JAMMU: Budget 2024-25 is a progressive budget aimed to achieve "Viksit Bharat" with a vision for the next 25 years, stated Jugal Kishore Sharma, Member Parliament from Jammu-Poonch parliamentary constituency.

MP Jugal Kishore, accompanied by BJP Office Secretary Tilak Raj Gupta and Media Incharge Dr. Pardeep Mahotra, was addressing a press conference at party headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu. While addressing the media persons, Jugal Kishore Sharma hailed the Union budget presented by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and pronounced it as very progressive. He said that this budget will help in fulfilling the Modi government's vision for 'Viksit Bharat' and a "prosperous Bharat" which is in harmony with nature, with modern infrastructure, and providing opportunities for all citizens and all regions to reach their potential.

Jugal said that for the Modi government, there is always the policy of "Nation first" and this budget aims to strengthen



the country with a whooping 6.2 lakh crore rupees for 2024-25 and added that this is for the first time that the allocation for the defense will cross Rs 6 lakh crores. Jugal said that Jammu and Kashmir has been allocated Rs 37,277.74 crore in the interim union budget for 2024-25. He said in this budget, states will be encouraged to undertake the development of iconic tourist centers to attract business and promote opportunities for local entrepreneurship. In Jammu too, the development of the local tourist places and the tourist circuits with the development of a modern railway station with two gates is coming up along with other local projects. He counted on the

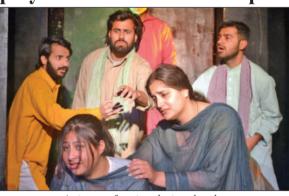
development of a modernized Airport in Jammu with an improved facility for night flying. He also shared that the talks are going on for the Metro rail facility up to the AIIMS. Jugal said that the 40,000 modern rail coaches on the pattern of Vande Bharat are being deployed in other trains on different routes to enhance the travelling experience of the common population. He also emphasized on the improved road network around the nation and mentioned that now the travel experience of Jammu Poonch and Jammu-Srinagar Road has improved in terms of quality and the reduction in travel

Sharing the focus on women Budget 2024-25.

Budget 2024-25 is a progressive budget to develop India: Jugal empowerment, Jugal said that the Modi govt is committed to the upliftment of women folk, and financial assistance up to one lakh will be provided under the Lakhpati Didi scheme for women. In the health sector, he said that the focus is to encour-Cervical Vaccination for girls (9-14 years), Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0, Mission Indradhanush, Ayushman Bharat scheme.

Jugal further said that this budget lays emphasis on the empowerment of lower and middle classes and referred to the income tax remissions provided in this Budget. He also talked of improving the electricity with the promotion of Rooftop solarization and 'Muft Biili'. Jugal thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for heading a government that has kept its focus on improving the socio-economic status of the needy and the poor in the last about 10 years, Union Home Minister Amit Shah for strengthening the nation and Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman for presenting a progressive and visionary

Natrang showcases Hindi play 'Mera Ghar Mera Sapna' Pardeep Kumar, Subash Chander.



Artists performing during the play.

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JAMMU: Natrang presented a new Hindi devised and improvised play 'Mera Ghar Mera Sapna' here today at Natrang Studio Theatre in its weekly Sunday Theatre series. The play was devised and directed by Neeraj Kant. Mera Ghar Mera Sapna is based on the plight of labourers who build houses for others but their dream of having their own roof is not fulfilled. throughout their life.

Natrang young artists who performed in the play included Sanket Bhagat, Vishal Chaitanaya Sharma. Shekhar, Vandana Thakur, Kushal Bhat and Mehak Singh. The lights were designed and executed by Neeraj Kant and the music of the play was scored by Mehak Chib. The show was coordinated by Mohd.

DHS inspects night shift services in Sarwal Hospital

Khajuria

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JAMMU: Director Health Services Jammu DrRakesh Magotra paid a surprise visit to Government Hospital Sarwal to inspect health

facilities being provided to the patients during the night shift. The DHS took

round of wards interacted with the patients. The DHS also visited the casualty



DHS Jammu Dr Rakesh Magotra carrying out surprise visit of Sarwal hospital.

section and Labour Room. DHS checked the OPD and IPD register records during his visit. DHS was satisfied with the functioning of the hospital.



Members of JKTF after the meeting in Jammu.

The speakers expressed the resentment over the orders asking the Teachers to produce genuineness certificate of the Degrees from the Jammu, Kashmir, IGNOU and MANU universities and other National Universities recognised by the UGC and DEC, whereas to obtain the genuineness certificate is not in the domain of Teachers but can be in obtained by the DDO's

All the Teachers who are in the consideration zone for promotion as Masters appealed Ganesh Khajuria to vigorously pursue to both the Directorates of Jammu and Kashmir Divisions for holding DPC

before declaration of Model Code Of Conduct. The aspirant Masters are facing a lot of Mental agony and harassment due to delay- dallying tactics inspite of uploading their academic details many a times on Google form as well as in Excel sheets to the concerned DDO's.

After listening the speakers patiently, Ganesh Khajuria assured the aggrieved Teachers that the central leadership will represent the DPC case vociferously to both the Directorates of Jammu and Kashmir Division within two days and every effort will be made to press them to hold the DPC in favour of Teachers upto 15th of Feb 2024,

otherwise the JKTF will be compelled to decide the next course of action after on 15th of Feb to get the Zargar, Ajit Singh, Kishori Lal sharmatter resolved after detailed delib- ma, Sanjeev Sharma, Mohd Amjid, erations with the central leadership and will not hesitate to adopt the path of agitation.

The Senior leadership of the Forum present in the meeting included S.Surat Singh Toofani, Darshan Sharma, Javed Ahmed Malik, J.A Agah, Bashir Ahmed Thokar, S.Ravinder Singh, Rajinder Gupta, Raj Singh, Kuldeep Singh Bandral, Kuldeep Verma, P.D. Singh, Gautam Singh, Bharat Bhushan Sharma, Ravinder Tripathi, Jugal Dubey, Choudhary Rashpal Singh, Pritam Singh, Ashok Kumar Sharma H.M, Pawan Kumar Sharma, Bishan Lal Sharma, Jatinder Singh, Gurbachan Singh, Davinder Singh, Gurmeet Singh, Ravinder Singh, Ashwani Kumar, Subash Chander, Ajay Maini, Charanjeet Kour, Jastinder Kour, Iqvinder pal Singh, Mohd. Qayoom, Dharam pal, Ravinder Singh, Vinod Uppal, Talib Hussain, Mohan Lal sharma, Rajneesh Sharma, Vinay Kumar, Mohd Iqbal,

Sunil Dutt Khajuria, Shafkat Diwan Singh Ashok Kumar Moho Ashraf, Ravi Kumar, Sunil Kumar, Reaz Ahmed, Danish Ahmed, Kartar Chand, Kail Singh Thakur, Bagh Hussain Choudhary, Rajneesh Sharma, Parvez Ahmed, Sudesh Kumar, Bishan Lal, Ram Dass, Ashok kumar, Amjed Shah, Parveen Kumar, Ayaz Hussain, Kali Dass, Subash Chander, Ravi Kumar, Mohd Ayub, Manzoor Ahmed, Kewal Krishan, Tanveer Hussain, Krishan Singh, Nar Singh, Suresh Kumar, Mohd Ashraf, Gurdas Lal, Kulvinder Kumar, Raghubeer Singh, Hilal Ahmed, Ajit Singh, Rajesh Kumar, Narotam Sharma, Ashok Kesar, Vikas Sharma, Devi Dass, Mohd Iqbal Dar, Rajinder Singh, Surinder Singh, Sodagar Singh, Noor Mohd, Jogeshwar Singh, Manir Ahmad, Davinder Kumar, Onkar Chand, Amar Singh, Krishan Lal, Sodagar Singh, Rakesh Kumar, Subash Chander, Jatinder Paul, Bikram Singh, Raj Kumar, Sanjeet Manhas, Khem Raj

BJP Cadre in Jammu and

Kashmir has a long history

of struggle and sacrifices

and has vast experience of

defeating the designs of

anti-national and dynastic

Health talk held on **World Cancer Day**

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JAMMU: Mission Shakti District Hub for Empowerment of Women Jammu in collaboration with Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital, organised a health cum interactive talk at Govt. Industrial training institute, R.S. Pura to mark the observance of World Cancer Day.

Dr. Deepak Bharti, a senior consultant in the department of medical Oncology at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital Katra, with a wealth of experience , informed the students and staff of the college aby the science, symptoms and precautions of various types of Cancers.

Dr. Deepak Bharti delivered a thought provoking lecture

reflecting his vas experience of knowledge. The interactive session was successfully conducted under the guidance of District Mission Coordinator Mission Shakti, (DHEW) Jammu, she also corresponded the message of WORLD CANCER DAY. " Close the Care Gap " which means the process of working together.

Principal of Govt.ITI R S Pura facilitated the whole event and thanked Dr. Deepak Bharti for sharing his valuable experience and DHEW Jammu for organising the talk .During the session Mammography Screening was also done free of cost by the hospital.

Blessings of people are with Modi: Ashish Sood

JAMMU: Gearing up the party's activities ahead of 2024 Parliament Elections, the Jammu and Kashmir BJP held a series of meetings of different teams formulated for the election management at party headquarters, Trikuta

Nagar, Jammu, on Sunday. These meetings were chaired by J&K BJP Seh-Prabhari Ashish Sood and BJP General Secretary (organization) Ashok Koul.

In these meetings, Ashish Sood and Ashok Koul reviewed the progress of the ongoing programmes and also sought the details related to the party's Morchas, new joinings, wall writing, women's self-help groups & NGO sampark



J&K BJP Seh-Prabhari Ashish Sood and BJP General

Ashish Sood, while speaking in these meetings, said that the upcoming Lok Sabha elections are a challenge to every activist of the party as their efforts on the ground will ensure the party's massive victory and show the INDI Alliance its place. He said that although

there is enthusiasm in the

Public to return Modi as PM

for the third term, still we have to work more to register record-breaking win in

ple are with Modi ji and we winning Parliamentary election. But we must leave no stone unturned to win every single vote that we can", said Ashish Sood.

Ashok Koul said that the

forces. He said that in view of the Lok Sabha elections also, every activist of the party is reaching the people at their doorsteps with vari-Secretary (organization) Ashok Koul chairing a meeting. ous schemes of the Modi Government and convincing them to stand with BJP, support it in Polls, and the elections. become part of the progress "The blessings of the peoand prosperity of J&K by bringing BJP and Narendra

> BJP NEM Priya Sethi who coordinated these meetings, stressed on the increased work hours by these teams during the Lok Sabha Polls.

Modi back in power.