

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Mohd. Soban
Class:- 6th 'A'
D.O.B:- 10-02-2013
JKPS Panjtirthi

NOTICE
I, Sanjeevan Singh (old name) R/o 10 B/B Gandhi Nagar Jammu (J&K) has changed my name from Sanjeevan Singh (old name) to Sanjiwan Singh (new name). I here by assume from this date the name Sanjiwan Singh (new name).

NOTICE
I, Rajesh Kumar, R/o Sehoh, Rajouri J&K, hereby declare that the name of myself has been incorrectly spelled in my daughter official documents. The name "Rajesh Sharma" appears on my daughter CBSE Matriculation and Intermediate of Science certificates and marksheets, while "Rajesh Kumar Sharma" is mentioned on my daughter university certificates and marksheets. The correct spelling of my name is Rajesh Kumar, and it should be considered as such for all purposes. Objection if any may be conveyed to concerned authority within seven days.

NOTICE
I, RAJESH SHARMA, S/O KASTURI LAL, R/O VPO Sehoh Rajouri J&K, has changed my name from RAJESH SHARMA to RAJESH KUMAR. I do hereby assume from this date the name/surname RAJESH KUMAR.

NOTICE
I, Raj Singh S/o Chain Singh R/o Pora Jagir Tehsil Pouni District Reasi have lost my driving licence bearing No. JK2020230000778. Now I am applying for duplicate for the same. Objection if any may be conveyed to ARTO Reasi within seven days.

NOTICE
I, Ranbir Singh S/o S. Harbans Singh R/o H. No. 198 Near New Model Town digiana Camp (Gangyal Jammu) have lost R.C of Vehicle Ford Ikon bearing Registration No. JK02AP-5347. Now I am applying for duplicate for the same. Objection if any may be conveyed to RTO Jammu within seven days.

NOTICE
I, Shawani Devi W/o Sunil Dutt R/o Chilla, Saruinsar Ward No.2 state that my name & DOB has wrongly been written as Shani Devi instead of Shawani Devi & DOB 01-02-2000 instead of 09-05-2002 in my Aadhar Card bearing No. 902372678055. Now I am applying for correction of the same. Objection if any may be conveyed to concerned authority within seven days.

NOTICE
I, Umanshu Sudan, S/o B h a r a t B h u s h a n, R/O Brij Nagar, Miran Sahb, Jammu have applied for the correction of my mothers' name which has been wrongly written as Lalita Devi instead of correct name Lalita Sudan in my Secondary School Examination, 2020 Marks Statement-Cum-Certificate under Roll No. 13218862, Regn. No. C120/04459/0003, Date of Birth 09/08/2004 and Senior School Certificate Examination, 2022 Marks Statement-Cum-Certificate under Roll No. 13621881, Regn. No. C222/235190079 issued by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE). Objection if any may be conveyed to concerned authority within a week of publication of this notice.

DDC Chairman launches Watershed Yatra Campaign-2025 at Panchayat Ghar Berarru in Doda

STATE TIMES NEWS
DODA: The Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP), under the aegis of Department of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, J&K, today organized the Watershed Yatra Campaign-2025 here at Panchayat Ghar Berarru, Block Bhalla, District Doda. The initiative aims to promote sustainable water conservation techniques, watershed management, and the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY 2.0) to improve irrigation efficiency. The campaign was chaired by District Development Council (DDC) Chairman, Dhananter Singh Kotwal, who emphasized the importance of watershed management in enhancing agricultural productivity and

improving rural livelihoods. The DDC Vice Chairperson Sangeeta Rani, Assistant Commissioner Panchayat (ACP) Musharraf Haf and other government functionaries and local residents were present at the event. They highlighted the need for community participation in preserving water resources and adopting modern irrigation techniques. Experts from IWMP and the Rural Development Department briefed the locals on scientific watershed planning, soil conservation measures, and the significance of rainwater harvesting in water-scarce areas. Farmers and panchayat representatives were encouraged to actively engage in watershed projects to ensure long-term environmental sustainability and improve groundwater

recharge. During the discussions, officials emphasized the convergence of government schemes like MGNREGA and PMKSY to maximize benefits for rural communities. The panel also addressed concerns regarding water scarcity, deforestation, and soil erosion in hilly terrains, suggesting practical solutions such as contour farming, afforestation drives, and efficient irrigation methods. The event concluded with an interactive session, where farmers and local representatives shared their experiences and sought expert guidance on effective watershed management. Additionally, a plantation drive was conducted as part of the campaign. The Chief Executive Officer, IWMP J&K, reiterated the government's commitment to sustainable rural development and water conservation initiatives. The Watershed Yatra Campaign-2025 is expected to raise awareness and mobilize collective action towards improving water resource management across Doda district. The plantation drive was also conducted during the event.

Army, Police enhance operational skills through joint training

STATE TIMES NEWS
NOWSHERA: The Ace of Spades Gunners successfully concluded a joint training program on Map Reading at Nowshera, aimed at enhancing operational coordination and navigation skills. The initiative saw the participation of 7 J&K Police personnel, strengthening inter-agency cooperation. The training covered topographical interpretation, grid referencing, navigation techniques and ter-

reinforced theoretical knowledge, enabling participants to effectively apply map-reading skills in real-world scenarios. The sessions highlighted the importance of precision, coordination and strategic planning, fostering a deeper understanding between the Indian Army and J&K Police. The initiative was well-received, reaffirming the Indian Army's commitment to enhancing joint



Army official providing training on Map Reading at Nowshera.

rain analysis, essential for improving situational awareness in security operations. Practical exercises

operational preparedness and fostering stronger collaboration with civil security forces.

Cashify opens its 2nd Store in Jammu



Dignitaries at the opening ceremony of Cashify outlet in Jammu

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Cashify, India's leading re-commerce platform for pre-owned smartphones and gadgets, is strengthening its foothold in Jammu with the launch of its second retail store in the city in Prem Nagar. Recognizing the rising demand for premium yet budget-friendly smartphones in tier-2 cities, Cashify is expanding to meet the evolving digital needs of consumers. Jammu, a key trade and commerce hub in the region, has a growing base of businesses and industries that rely on technology. With smartphones and electronic devices becoming essential tools for work,

education, and entertainment, the city presents an ideal opportunity for Cashify to provide high-quality, affordable, and sustainable smartphone solutions. The increasing trend of smartphone trade-ins and refurbished device purchases further reinforces the brand's decision to expand its retail presence here. Cashify's newest retail outlet is designed to offer an all-in-one smartphone experience. Customers can sell old phones for maximum value with instant payment for pre-owned devices at competitive market rates; buy certified refurbished smartphones at unbeatable prices; explore a wide range of high-quality

accessories at the best deals; and get instant, reliable phone repairs. Mandeep Manocha, CEO & Co-Founder of Cashify, said, "It's exciting to see how steadily the demand for refurbished is growing. It reaffirms the shift towards smarter, more sustainable tech choices. At Cashify, our mission is to make premium technology both affordable and accessible, and our expansion into Jammu is a step towards bridging the digital divide. With this store, we're not just offering certified refurbished devices—we're building trust, enabling smarter upgrades, and driving a more circular economy for smartphones."

Army unites culture and strength: Pir Panjal festival begins



Army officials posing with students and other dignitaries.

STATE TIMES NEWS
POONCH: The Indian Army is orchestrating the Pir Panjal Winter Festival from 09 February to 31 March 2025 in Poonch. This grandiose festival is a testament to the Indian Army's unwavering commitment to youth empowerment, cultural preservation, and social reformation, particularly in advocating against drug abuse. The festival encompasses a diverse array of sports and cultural spectacles, including Under-25 Boys Cricket Tournament, Under-25 boys and Under 21 girls Volleyball Tournament, Open Kho-Kho Tournament (for girls), Gujari and pahari Folk Dance Performances with Music and dance talent hunt, Solo and Group Singing Competitions, and Live Musical Extravaganza by Famous Artist and his ensemble on the grand finale. This initiative serves as a catalyst for fostering sportsmanship, cultural renaissance, and holistic development among the youth, particularly those hailing from remote and marginalized communities of District Poonch. The overwhelming response from the enthusiastic populace of Poonch underscores the profound reverence and camaraderie shared between the community and the Indian Army. Beyond mere festivities, the Pir Panjal Winter Festival embodies a transformative movement, inspiring young minds to eschew the perils of substance abuse and channel their energies toward constructive, life-affirming pursuits.

On this day, reading or listening to the story of Lord Shri Satyanarayan or performing a puja is considered highly auspicious. Worshipping Lord Shri Ganesh, Goddess Parvati, Lord Shiva, and the Moon on Purnima Tithi is also of great significance. According to religious scriptures, on every Magh Purnima, Lord Vishnu himself comes in some form to bathe in the Ganges. Hence, bathing in the Ganges on this day is considered highly significant. Large fairs are organized in places like Haridwar and Prayagraj on this occasion. Apart from these, millions of devotees also gather at the banks of sacred rivers like Narmada, Yamuna, Shipra, and Godavari for a holy dip. Bathing in sacred rivers and

Delhi people outrightly rejected AAP's politics of false promises: Adv. Purnima

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: BJP J&K Spokesperson and former Deputy Mayor, Adv. Purnima Sharma, has stated that the people of Delhi have outrightly rejected Aam Aadmi Party's (AAP) politics of false promises and misleading narratives, choosing instead the visionary leadership and development-driven governance of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). With BJP securing 48 out of 70 seats, the results clearly reflect the people's trust in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's transformative policies. In a press release issued here today, the senior BJP leader asserted that AAP's governance model, built on

propaganda and deception, has been exposed. The voters of Delhi have refused to be misled any further and have given a decisive mandate in favor of BJP, which has consistently worked for the welfare of all sections of society. She added that Delhi's residents have realized that freebies and false assurances cannot substitute for real development, better infrastructure, and efficient governance. Purnima further praised BJP's disciplined campaign, effective outreach, and unwavering focus on key issues that matter to the common citizens. "From ensuring safety and security to providing world-class

infrastructure, the BJP's vision resonates with the aspirations of the people. This victory is a testament to their faith in a government that delivers rather than one that misleads," she said. The former Deputy Mayor also congratulated BJP leaders, karyakartas, and the people of Delhi for this significant victory, stating that this marks the beginning of a new era of governance that prioritizes progress and prosperity. She expressed confidence that BJP will continue its winning streak across the country, ensuring that every citizen benefits from its people-centric policies.

Fire incident at Sonamarg: authorities' assess damages

STATE TIMES NEWS
GANDERBAL: Following the devastating overnight fire incident at the old market Sonamarg, which resulted in extensive damage to several shops, MLA Kangan Mian Mehlar, along with Divisional Commissioner Kashmir Vijay Kumar Bidhuri and Deputy Commissioner Ganderbal, Jatin Kishore, on Sunday visited the site to assess the situation and express solidarity with the affected shopkeepers. During their visit, they interacted with the Shopkeeper Association Sonamarg, extending their sympathies assuring full support from the UT administration. Later a meeting was held with the Sonamarg Market Association, attended by SSP Ganderbal, Additional Deputy Commissioner, SDM Kangan, CEO SDA, and other district officials, to address the concerns of the affected traders. The market association raised several demands, including immediate assistance & permission for reconstruction of shops, and

establishment of fire service station in Sonamarg to prevent such incidents in the future. On the occasion, Div Com directed AD Fire and Emergency Services to station a fire tender at the Youth Hostel Sonamarg and near the Sonamarg Tunnel with adequate manpower as a temporary measure until a permanent fire station is established. DC Ganderbal briefed the Div Com on the damage assessment, confirming that a final report will be submitted promptly to facilitate swift assistance. Furthermore, the Div Com emphasized the need for a Fire Safety Audit of all establishments in Sonamarg to mitigate future risks. He urged hoteliers and shopkeepers to equip their establishments with fire extinguishers as a precautionary measure. Div Com assured that the administration remains committed to supporting the business community in Sonamarg and ensuring their swift recovery from this unfortunate incident.

loan amount is approximately Rs 2.12 crore (21,250,000), with a subsidy of Rs 74.37 lakh (7,437,500) to be provided to the beneficiaries. The establishment of these units is expected to generate new employment opportunities, contributing significantly to Kishtwar's economic growth and providing livelihood support for local residents. The meeting was attended by LDM Harsh Rawal, and representatives from RSETI, JKEDI, Polytechnic, JK Bank Cluster Office Kishtwar, as well as delegates from ITI Kishtwar and other stakeholders.

Magh Day, night Purnima fast on Feb 12: Mahant Rohit

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Magh Purnima holds special significance in Sanatan Dharma. Regarding Magh Purnima, Mahant Rohit Shastri, Jyotishacharya, and President of the Shri Kailash Jyotish avim Vedic Sansthan Trust, explained that the full moon day (Purnima) of the Shukla Paksha in the month of Magh is known as Magh Purnima. This year, the full moon date of the Shukla Paksha of the Magh month will begin on Tuesday, February 11, at 6:56 PM and will end the next day, Wednesday, February 12, at 7:23 PM. Therefore, the Magh Day and Night Purnima fast will be observed on Wednesday, February 12. This year, the Udyapan (MOKH & completion) of the Magh Purnima fast can

also be performed on Wednesday, February 12. On this day, reading or listening to the story of Lord Shri Satyanarayan or performing a puja is considered highly auspicious. Worshipping Lord Shri Ganesh, Goddess Parvati, Lord Shiva, and the Moon on Purnima Tithi is also of great significance. According to religious scriptures, on every Magh Purnima, Lord Vishnu himself comes in some form to bathe in the Ganges. Hence, bathing in the Ganges on this day is considered highly significant. Large fairs are organized in places like Haridwar and Prayagraj on this occasion. Apart from these, millions of devotees also gather at the banks of sacred rivers like Narmada, Yamuna, Shipra, and Godavari for a holy dip. Bathing in sacred rivers and

reservoirs on Magh Purnima is considered especially auspicious. If, for any reason, one is unable to bathe in sacred rivers or reservoirs, they should mix Ganga water in their bathing water at home and take a bath. Additionally, donating to the needy in one's surroundings is essential, as it is believed to bring the blessings of Lord Vishnu. According to the scriptures, one should avoid consuming any tamasic (impure) foods on this day, observe celibacy, and refrain from alcohol and other intoxicants. Such acts not only affect the body but also have adverse consequences for the future. On this day, only sattvic (pure) food should be consumed. Wednesday, February 12, also marks the celebrations of Shri Guru Ravidas Jayanti and Shri Lalita Jayanti.

District level Sports Meet organised by NYKS concludes

STATE TIMES NEWS
POONCH: The 2 days District Level Sports Meet organised by Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt of India successfully concluded today at Poonch. The program was held under the aegis of MY Bharat (Mera Yuva Bharat) an initiative of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. A total of 6 Sports Events were organised under the Meet in which the winners of 6 clusters level sports meet participated. The cluster level meet were held in the months of December, 2024 and January 2025 in Poonch, Mendenhar, Surankote and Mandi. In the Volleyball Mens Group event, Chandak youth club emerged victorious while the Makhdoomi Youth Club Mandi emerged runner up. In the Kho Kho Women's

Round, HSS Seri khawaja emerged victorious while Mendenhar MM was the Runner Up. In the Badminton Singles Women Round, Shabnam secured First and Second Spot while Rozia Nazir was third. In the Skipping Rope Women Round, Neha secured the top spot while Nazish Fareed were the runner ups. In the 100 Metre Men's Event, Sajid Rafiq, Azeem Khan, Rafiq Ahmed secured first, second and third prize respectively. In the Men's Shot Put Event, Mohd Hans, Sajid Rafiq and Mohd Hans secured first, second and third prize respectively. Pankaj Sudan JKPS DySP Hqrs Poonch, Dr Shameem Ahmed Bandy HoD Zoology GDC Poonch and Aijaz Choudhary DySP Ops Poonch graced the tournament as Guests.

Kishtwar: DLTFC approves 27 JK-REGP Cases

STATE TIMES NEWS
KISHTWAR: The District Level Task Force Committee (DLTFC) for the Jammu and Kashmir Rural Employment Generation Programme (JK REGP), implemented by the J&K Khadi & Village Industries Board, has approved 27 loan proposals to support local entrepreneurs in Kishtwar. The decision was taken at a meeting chaired by the ACD Phulail Singh. The Committee meticulously scrutinized applications for seeking loans for kiriyana shops, commercial vehicles, and other business units and approved 27 proposals. The total approved

Awareness camp on PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana organized

STATE TIMES NEWS
SUNDERBANI: On the directions of Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Abhishek Sharma, an awareness camp to promote the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana was today organized at PWD Dak Bungalow, Sunderbani, with the participation of various departments. The camp, held under the supervision of Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC), Dr. Raj Kumar Thapa witnessed the presence of ADC Sunderbani, Rajeev Magotra, ACD Vijay Kumar Verma, along with other district and sectoral officers. The awareness camp aimed to educate the public about the benefits and implementation of the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana, which promotes the installation of rooftop solar panels to provide free electricity to households. The officials elaborated on the eligibility criteria,

financial assistance, and procedural guidelines for availing the scheme. Beneficiaries were encouraged to take advantage of this initiative to reduce their electricity expenses and contribute to sustainable energy practices. The ADDC emphasized that the successful implementation of this scheme on the ground will be a revolutionary step towards achieving energy self-sufficiency and promoting renewable energy. He urged all stakeholders to actively participate in ensuring the scheme reaches its intended beneficiaries. The initiative aligns with the government's vision of promoting renewable energy and ensuring affordable power access to all households. The administration urged citizens to come forward and register for the scheme to reap its benefits.

Bharat Darshan Tour 2025 organised by 139 Bn BSF Trehgam concludes

STATE TIMES NEWS
KUPWARA: The Bharat Darshan Tour 2025, organized by 139 Bn BSF, Trehgam, Kupwara, Kashmir, under the Ministry of Home Affairs' Bharat Darshan Programme, concluded. The tour, which took place from February 2-7, 2025, was attended by 15 Kashmiri students and a teacher from Government Higher Secondary School Keran and Government High School Mandian, located near the Line of Control. Upon their return, the group was warmly received and addressed by Brigadier Manish Dutt Upadhyay, DIG SHQ BSF Kupwara, Kashmir Frontier, and Anil Kumar Guleria, Commandant

139 Bn BSF. The students enthusiastically shared their experiences and learnings from the tour, which included visits to historical and cultural landmarks in Ahmedabad, Gujarat. The students visited major tourist attractions in Ahmedabad, including the Sabarmati riverfront, Adalaj stepwell, Science City, Narendra Modi stadium, Ahmedabad, and the Statue of Unity, Sardar Sarovar dam in Kevadia. They explored the statue of Unity, Jungle Safari, Cactus garden and surrounding area, and enjoyed activities like the mirror maze and valley of flowers. They witnessed the multicultural and multi-

lingual diversity of India and carried the message of love and peace from the Kashmir Valley to the rest of India. The Chief Guest presented the group with a photo album containing their tour memories, followed by tea and snacks. The participants appreciated the Bharat Darshan Tour 2025 and the arrangements made for them, including accommodation, food, transport, curriculum, and quality of items issued. This tour provided the students with a unique opportunity to experience India's rich culture and gain firsthand knowledge of various developments across the country.

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