

Stay focused, disciplined & committed to academic pursuits: Randhawa encourages students

Emphasizes teacher support for academic excellence

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JAMMU: Senior BJP leader and MLA Bahu Constituency, Vikram Randhawa on Friday exhorted upon students to stay focused, disciplined, and committed to their academic pursuits, reminding them that perseverance and hard work are key to success. He encouraged them to set ambitious goals and work diligently to achieve them.

He was speaking while addressing the students of Government Girls Higher Secondary School (GGHSS) Satwari via video conferencing from Shahdara district, Gandhinagar Constituency



MLA Bahu Constituency, Vikram Randhawa along with faculty and students during the event.

61, Delhi, where he is actively engaged in the upcoming elections in Delhi.

Randhawa complimented the teachers for their dedication and efforts in organiz-

ing a well-planned and heartfelt farewell function for the outgoing students. He acknowledged the role of educators in shaping young minds and emphasized that

such events not only celebrate academic achievements but also strengthen the bond between students and teachers. He highlighted that beyond academics, such initiatives instill values of gratitude, respect, and camaraderie among students, preparing them for future challenges.

Randhawa encouraged the teachers to continue their unwavering commitment to guiding and mentoring students, ensuring that they receive the best possible support in their academic and personal growth.

Earlier, a grand farewell party was organized at Government Girls Higher Secondary School (GGHSS) Satwari under the able guidance of Principal Vandana Gupta. The event, hosted by Class 11 students, was a heartfelt tribute to their outgoing seniors, celebrating their journey and achievements.

A major highlight of the

event was the "Ms. GGHSS Satwari" contest, where 22 contestants showcased their talents. Saima Mumtaz was crowned the prestigious title, while the first runner-up position was secured by a student from the Arts stream, and Malti claimed the second runner-up title.

Principal Vandana Gupta congratulated the winners and extended her best wishes to all students for their upcoming examinations. She motivated them to work hard and strive for excellence in their academic pursuits.

The event also recognized outstanding achievers, as Certificates were distributed to students who cleared the IIT pre-exams held in Madras. Some of the awardees were felicitated by Kumar Love Sir and Principal Vandana Gupta.

The farewell celebration concluded with a joyous lunch, making it a day to cherish for students and faculty alike.

Dogra Brahman Pratinidhi Sabha Channi Himmat organises "Samman Samaroh"



Sabha members honouring a dignitary.

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JAMMU: As a part of the 76th Republic day Celebration Dogra Brahman Pratinidhi Sabha Channi Himmat Organized "Samman Samaroh" function at Vivekanand park, Sector No. 3 in Channi Himmat-posh locality of Jammu. The event brought together students, artists, vedic Scholars, head of various religious and social organizations, poets, prominent personalities, media personnel on one platform. The event was graced by the President DBPS V.P Sharma, Lalit Sharma Retd. IFS, O.P Dubey Retd Chief

Engineer, Soujanya Sharma Retd Municipal Commissioner and Convener of Channi Himmat Unit Sunil Sharma.

Speaking on the occasion Ved Prakash Sharma and others stressed on giving due recognition to the Brahmins who have done a lot for the society and country. Sabha lauded the efforts of the NMC Supermo Subash Shastri, Ashok Khajuria of BVP and Yash Paul Sharma and others for their contribution in the field of upliftment, downtrodden classes and social work.

They were felicitated with the presentation of mementos. Speaking on the occasion Captain Lalit Sharma Retd

IFS lauded the efforts of the Channi Himmat Brahman Sabha for arranging such a colourful "Samman Samaroh" especially with the presence of so many students in particular.

After the address of other speakers Sh. Sunil sharma, convener Channi Himmat Brahman Sabha stressed on propagation of moral values among Brahmins, eradication of Nasha which is rapidly flourishing among youth and celebration of different occasions viz Parshuram Jayanti, National days and Sanskritic events and upkeeping of Dogra Culture and heritage with unity and coordination.

Others included Dr. Vijay Sharma, Bhoomi Chand Sharma, Chanchal Pal Sharma, Diwakar Khajuria, O.P. Sharma, Renowned Poet Girija Sharma, Bhuvneshwari Sharma, Prem Sharma, P. N. Koul, Inder Kumar Sharma, Chaman Lal Sharma, Rajinder Mehta, Rohit Kumar, Vishal Sharma, Sonam Sharma, Yash Paul Sharma, V.S. dubey, Vibhuda Sadhotra were present on the occasion.

New Bharat Shoe Co. open new branch in Channi Himmat



President JCCI Arun Gupta inaugurating the store.

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JAMMU: New Bharat Shoe Co. has officially opened a new branch in Channi Himmat, Jammu, located opposite ICICI Bank near Surya Chowk.

The grand ribbon-cutting ceremony was attended by Arun Gupta, the President of the Jammu Chamber of Commerce and Industries, marking a significant milestone for the brand.

This new store complements the company's flagship location in Raghunath Bazaar, Jammu, expanding its footprint and enhancing customer

access to quality footwear across the city.

"The expansion is part of New Bharat Shoe Co.'s strategy to cater to a growing demand for premium footwear while ensuring convenience for its loyal customers," Surinder Gupta, owner of the outlet, said.

"The brand is known for its wide range of high-quality shoes that combine style, durability, and comfort, and the new location will allow even more customers to experience these offerings firsthand," he said.

"As the company continues

to grow, this new branch exemplifies its dedication to providing top-notch products and services to the community. With its strategic placement and customer-first approach, New Bharat Shoe Co. aims to become a leading name in the footwear industry in Jammu. The opening of this new store further solidifies its position as a trusted brand for footwear needs," Surinder Gupta said.

Arun Gupta commended the company for its commitment to quality and customer service, highlighting the positive impact the new store will have on the local economy.

"It is always encouraging to see businesses like New Bharat Shoe Co. expand and offer more convenient options for customers. This new location is not only a step forward for the brand but also a testament to the growing retail landscape of Jammu," Gupta stated.

He also praised the company for its focus on providing durable and stylish footwear, making it a preferred choice for many in the region.

ANTF J&K accords farewell to SI Muneer Ahmed



ANTF team bidding farewell to SI Muneer Ahmed.

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JAMMU: A farewell function was organized at Anti-Narcotics Task Force (ANTF), J&K under the supervision of SSP ANTF J&K, Raj Kumar to honour retiring officer, SI Muneer Ahmed, son of Mohd Din,

resident of Poonch after superannuation, here on Friday.

SSP Raj Kumar praised SI Muneer Ahmed for his dedicated service and wished him well for his post-retirement life. Raj Kumar also emphasized

Muneer Ahmed's continued responsibilities towards the department and society.

The event was attended by other officers and officials. The retiree was presented with welfare gift and was honoured with flower garlands and gift.

JU Cultural Contingent flagged off for Inter-University North Zone Youth Festival

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JAMMU: Dean Students Welfare, University of Jammu (JU), Prof. Prakash C. Antahal flagged off a 52 Members contingent from the University for 38th Inter-University North Zone Youth Festival to be held at Panjab University, Chandigarh from February 1 to 5, 2025.

The team comprises of students from the University and its affiliated colleges, who first excelled at the Zonal Level Display Your Talent and later at the Inter-Zonal Display Your Talent organized at the University of Jammu. The North Zone Youth Festival is being held under the aegis of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU).

The flag-off ceremony was held in the presence of Chairperson, Campus Cultural Committee, Prof. Monika Chadha, along with faculty members and university officials. Addressing the students, Prof. Prakash C. Antahal lauded their achievements and emphasized the importance of cultural and literary events in shaping well-rounded individuals.



Dean Students Welfare, JU Prof. Prakash C. Antahal flagging off contingent.

als. "Participation in such prestigious platforms provides students with an opportunity to showcase their talent, interact with peers from different participating universities, and gain valuable exposure. I am confident that our students will make the university proud with their performances," he remarked.

He also encouraged them to uphold the spirit of sportsmanship, and represent the university with dignity.

Prof. Monika Chadha, Chairperson, Campus Cultural Committee, extended her best

wishes to the participants.

The contingent, led by Dr. Abdul Rashid Manhas and Dr. Tsering Yangzom, will compete in various cultural and literary events during the festival. They are accompanied by Sumeet Sharma (Drama Instructor), who is looking after the coordination.

The students selected for the North Zone Youth Festival underwent rigorous training sessions after their success at the Inter-Zonal Display Your Talent, ensuring they are well-prepared to compete at the Zonal level.

The events are organized under the stewardship of Prof. Prakash Antahal, Prof. Monika Chadha, Dr. Sarika Manhas Co-Campus Cultural Committee, Dr. Pritam Singh (Associate Dean SW), Dr. Harleen Kaur & Dr. Ripudaman Parihar (Assistant Deans SW), Mansi Mantoo (Officer Incharge, SW), Sumeet Sharma (Drama Instructor) & Ifra Kak (Cultural Officer), Kulbhushan Thakur, Balwant Singh, Arif Paul, Sachin Sharma, Jatinder Singh, R.P. Singh and Jasbir Singh.

PM Modi recognized contribution of Sikhs towards society, nation: Sat

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JAMMU: Sat Sharma, President of J&K BJP, lauded the Sikh community's immense contribution to society and the nation, recognizing their selfless service and sacrifices. While addressing a deputation predominantly from the Sikh community at the BJP party headquarters in Trikuta Nagar, Jammu, Sharma emphasized how Prime Minister Narendra Modi has taken significant steps to honor and uplift the community. He highlighted several initiatives taken by the Prime Minister, such as the opening of the Kartarpur Sahib Corridor; the establishment of the Shree Guru Nanak Ji Chair at a British University, and the declaration of Sultanpur Lodhi as a heritage city. Additionally, PM Modi's decision to dedicate December 26 as Veer Baal Diwas to honor the Chhote Sahibzadas, sons of Guru Gobind Singh, was also praised.



Sikh community members honouring Sat Sharma, President of J&K BJP.

Sharma also mentioned the efforts of PM Modi in ensuring the safe return of the holy Shree Guru Granth Sahib from Afghanistan to India. He reiterated the government's commitment to recognizing the Sikh community's contributions through these tangible steps.

During the meeting, a group of social activists and prominent citizens led by Kamalpreet Singh from Sainik Colony, Jammu, congratulated Sharma on being elected BJP state president. The deputation presented a range of con-

cerns, including the need for a community hall for senior citizens, a cremation ground, and a hospital in Sainik Colony. They also raised issues related to infrastructure such as lane maintenance, drinking water supply, and road security.

Sharma acknowledged the deputation's concerns and assured them that the government would prioritize these issues. He reiterated the Modi government's guiding principle of "Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas," emphasizing its commit-

ment to the welfare of all communities, with a special focus on those previously overlooked.

The prominent members of the deputation included KS Manhas, Balwinder Singh Babu, Gandharv Singh, Anil Kumar Sharma, Dr. Satvir Singh, Dr. Vinod Singh, Ranjit Singh Jasrotia, Ajay Singh, Sher Singh, Inderjir Singh Wazir, Aya Singh, Satish Manhas, S. Gurdeep Singh, Kamaljit Singh (Raju), Joginder Singh, Kamaljit Singh (Dimple), Tirath Singh, Suraj Sharma, and others.

CAT directs to promote petitioner as Inspector in police from 2022

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JAMMU: A Bench of Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) Jammu comprising Rajinder Singh Dogra Member (J) and Raj Mohan Johri Member (A) quashed the Order No. 110 of 2020 dated February 1, 2020 passed by the respondent No. 3 whereby the representation of applicant for fixation of his seniority with the Sub-Inspectors of Batch 2010-11 has been rejected. The respondents are directed to reckon the appointment of the applicant as Sub Inspector in J&K Armed Police notionally w.e.f. the date on which the other selected candidates of the same selection process initiated vide advertisement notice dated January 29, 2009 were appointed.

On the promotion of Suresh Kumar as Inspector w.e.f. January 28, 2022 i.e. the date on which the persons figuring at serial Nos. 52 and 53 of the final seniority list dated December 26, 2019 have been so promoted.

This order has been passed in a petition filed by Suresh Kumar aggrieved of the Order No. 110 of 2020 dated February 1, 2020 passed by the respondent No. 3, whereby the representation of applicant for fixation of his seniority with the Sub-Inspectors of Batch 2010-11 has been rejected, and of the placement given to him in the final seniority list of Sub-Inspectors of J&K Armed Police, issued by the respondent No. 3 vide Order No. 840 of 2019 dated December 26, 2019, at serial No. 221 as against

his claim to be placed immediately after serial No. 52 therein, the applicant has filed the above titled original application seeking the following reliefs: Allow the instant application of the applicant alongwith costs. Quash the Order No. 110 of 2020 dated 01.02.2020 passed by the respondent No. 3 whereby the representation of applicant for fixation of his seniority with the Sub-Inspectors of Batch 2010-11 has been rejected; Quash the final seniority list of Sub-Inspectors of J&K Armed Police, issued by the respondent No. 3 vide Order No. 840 of 2019 dated 26.12.2019, in so far as and to the extent the same fixes the seniority of applicant at serial No. 221 as against his entitlement to be placed immediately after serial No. 52 therein; Direct the respondents to

notionally treat the applicant to have been appointed in the year 2010 and to, accordingly, fix his seniority amongst, and his pay at par with, the Sub-Inspectors of 2010-11 Batch in the J&K Armed Police. Petitioner also seeking direction to respondents to fix the seniority of applicant amongst the Sub-Inspectors of J&K Armed Police of 2010-11 Batch in accordance with the comparative merit obtained by them in the Basic Training Course and to, consequently, place him between serial No. 52 and serial No. 53 of the final seniority list issued vide Order No. 840 of 2019 dated 26.12.2019.

CAT after hearing both the sides observed that a comparative analysis of the final seniority list dated 26.12.2019 as well as the result notifications of Basic

Training Course for 2010-11 and 2013-14 Batches, as have been placed on record with the original application, would reveal that the seniority of the candidates forming the 2010-11 Batch has been fixed from serial No. 17 to serial No. 202 of the final seniority list and that the persons figuring at serial Nos. 52 and 53 of the final seniority list, namely Abdul Rashid Mir and Abdul Majeed Shahien have secured an overall merit of 1230 marks and 1229 marks in the Basic Training Course. The applicant also having obtained a merit of 1230 marks in the Basic Training Course would, as a consequence of his appointment being reckoned retrospectively w.e.f. the date other selected candidates of the same selection process were appointed, be entitled to be placed between serial

Nos. 52 and 53 in the aforesaid final seniority list dated 26.12.2019 as against the placement actually assigned to the applicant at serial No. 221 therein.

Further, since the aforementioned two candidates figuring at serial Nos. 52 and 53 have been promoted as Inspectors vide order dated 28.01.2022 whereas the applicant has been promoted as Inspector much later on 12.12.2023, the applicant would also be entitled to have his promotion to the level of Inspector reckoned w.e.f. 28.01.2022.

With these observations, CAT allowed the petition and ordered that the Order No. 110 of 2020 dated 01.02.2020 passed by the respondent No. 3 whereby the representation of applicant for fixation of his seniority with the Sub-

Inspectors of Batch 2010-11 has been rejected, is hereby quashed. The respondents are directed to reckon the appointment of the applicant as Sub Inspector in J&K Armed Police notionally w.e.f. the date on which the other selected candidates of the same selection process initiated vide advertisement notice dated 29.01.2009 were appointed. The applicant shall not be entitled to any back wages on the principle of 'no work no pay', however, he shall be entitled to have all other service benefits computed with reference to the date of retrospective appointment to be notionally reckoned under direction (i) above.

CAT further ordered that the final seniority list of Sub-Inspectors of J&K Armed Police, issued by the respondent No. 3 vide

Order No. 840 of 2019 dated 26.12.2019, in so far as and to the extent the same fixes the seniority of applicant at serial No. 221 is also quashed and respondents are further directed re-fix the seniority of the applicant amongst his counterpart selectees of the same selection process in the order of the comparative merit obtained by them Basic Training Course and to consequently place the applicant between serial Nos 52 and serial No. 53 of the final seniority list issued vide Order No.840 of 2019 dated 26.12.2019.

CAT further directed to reckon the promotion of applicant as Inspector w.e.f. 28.01.2022 i.e. the date on which the persons figuring at serial Nos. 52 and 53 of the final seniority list dated 26.12.2019 have been so promoted.