

Jammu Newspaper Editors Guild honours journalists, photographers



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JAMMU: The Jammu Newspaper Editors Guild (JNEG) hosted a landmark event on Saturday at the Lemon Tree Hotel, celebrating the invaluable contributions of working journalists, photographers, and reporters in the region.

President A.K. Sawhney warmly welcomed esteemed guests, including Shiv Kumar Sharma, IPS (DIG Jammu Samba Kathua Range), and K.B. Jandial, IAS (Retd), who graced the occasion. In his address, Chairman Raj Daluja expressed gratitude to the chief guests for their presence and support, emphasizing JNEG's commitment to the welfare of journalists. He assured attendees that

the challenges faced by the media community would be brought to the attention of government authorities for resolution. Daluja congratulated the awardees and reaffirmed the Guild's dedication to organizing similar events in the future to further motivate journalists and photographers. President A.K. Sawhney elaborated on the pressing issues confronting media houses in Jammu, such as

financial constraints and safety concerns. He highlighted the Guild's initiative to foster appreciation for journalists' relentless pursuit of truth and excellence, especially in a rapidly evolving media landscape. Sawhney praised the media professionals for their unwavering dedication, emphasizing that their work often goes beyond conventional hours and requires immense commitment. He underscored the Guild's

initiative to appreciate the journalists' relentless pursuit of truth and excellence in an ever-evolving media landscape. "Our media professionals work tirelessly around the clock, and their contributions deserve recognition," Sawhney remarked. He also mentioned ongoing discussions with the government regarding journalist insurance, which will soon provide coverage for working journalists in Jammu. The chief guests, Shiv

Kumar Sharma and K.B. Jandial, presented awards to distinguished journalists, including Arun Joshi (Senior Journalist), Pardeep Dutta (Editor, Times Now), and Vivek Sharma (Senior Journalist & Bureau Chief, STATE TIMES). Photographers Chami Anand, Inderjeet Singh, and Ashok Baru (Journey Line), along with reporters Anubhav Suri (Bureau Chief, Dainik Saveria), Mohinder Jeet Singh (JK Channel), and

Tanvir Ahmed (Udaan Urdu Daily Newspaper), were also honoured for their exceptional work. The event witnessed participation from notable figures in the media industry, including Iqbal Kazmi (Senior Vice President and Editor, Udaan Urdu), Vishal Chopra (Spokesperson and Editor, Jammu Metro), Vinod Kumar (Editor, Truly Times), Amit Sawhney (Editor, Journey Line), Puneet Arora (Editor, Early

Post), and Abhishek Kapoor (Editor, Daily Reality Speaks). The Jammu Newspaper Editors Guild remains steadfast in its commitment to advocate for the rights and needs of journalists, ensuring their voices are heard and their contributions acknowledged. As the media landscape continues to evolve, JNEG is dedicated to supporting its members and upholding the integrity of journalism in the region.

J&K, Delhi win in Legend Masters 2.0 Inter-state Veteran T20

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir and Delhi registered victories in ongoing Legend Masters 2.0 inter-state Veteran T20 Cricket Championship, organized by Veteran Cricket Association J&K in collaboration with Excise Department J&K, Batra Group, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspecialty Hospital & Horizon Group at MA Stadium, here on Saturday.

In first match, J&K beat Hyderabad by 38 runs. Vivek Suri, Captain of Veteran Cricket Association J&K XI, won the toss and elected to bat first. The team scored 181 runs in stipulated 20 overs losing six wickets. Vikram, Amit and Abhishek scored 49, 27 and 19 runs respectively. For Hyderabad

Veterans, Captain Prakash took three wickets and Venkatesh took one wicket. Chasing 182 runs, Hyderabad scored 143 runs losing seven wickets. Vishwajit and Adi Narayana scored 46 and 32 runs respectively. For VCAJK XI, Nazar picked four wickets whereas

Vivek Suri, Sumit and Kuldeep claimed one wicket each. Nazar was declared Man of the Match for his brilliant performance. In another match played under lights, Delhi Veterans got better of Hyderabad Veterans by six runs. Delhi Veterans, batting first after winning toss, scored 156 for the loss of eight wickets.

Sagar, GS Harry and Rakesh scored 38, 35 and 32 runs respectively. For Hyderabad Veterans, Alhuri Sridhar took two wickets whereas Prakash, Sanjeev and Venkatesh grabbed one wicket each. Chasing 157 runs to win, Hyderabad Veterans was restricted to 150 runs in 20 overs. Vishwajit, Nayeem and

Adi scored 55, 24 and 21 runs respectively. For Delhi Veterans Rakesh and Shekhar claimed one wicket each. Rakesh was declared Man of the Match for his brilliant performance. In today's matches, Gourav Gupta, BJP Spokesperson was Chief Guest and Kashish Khosla, Marketing Head SMVDNSH Katra was Guest of Honour. Speaking at the occasion, Gourav Gupta appreciated the efforts of Veteran Cricket Association J&K in organizing such a tournament and giving a platform to Veteran players. He also added that such tournaments will motivate young players to grounds away from drugs but also proves that age is just a number.

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Winner teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries at Jammu on Saturday.

SSP Samba inaugurates T-20 Cricket Tournament

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SAMBA: SSP Samba Virinder Singh Manhas, on Saturday inaugurated T-20 Cricket Tournament at District Police Lines Samba under Civic Action Programme. SSP Samba was accompanied by Addl. SP Samba, DySP Hqs Samba, SDPO Vijaypur, DySP Oprs Samba and DySP DAR Samba. The Cricket Tournament will be played on knock out basis. In the tournament, 20 teams are going to participate. The inaugural match was played between Aryan Cricket Club

Samba and Chichi Mata Cricket Club Samba which was won by Aryan Cricket Club Samba. SSP Samba in his message urged upon the participating teams to play their matches with high spirit of professionalism. Such sports activities being organized by J&K Police provides a better platform for the sports persons to explore their talents and channelizing their energy in right directions, he said. Besides Cricket tournament, Volleyball & Football Tournaments will also be played during the ongoing Sports Festivals.

Senior Tennis tourney from Feb 24

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Lawn Tennis Association (JKLTA) is organizing J&K UT Open (Men and Women) Championship from February 24 to 26 at MA Stadium Tennis Courts, here. The entries will be closed on February 22 at 4:00 PM, a handout issued by the Association here on Saturday informed. Those interested in participating are advised to contact Jammu and Kashmir Lawn Tennis Association (JKLTA) office at Anqaf Commercial Complex, Gandhi Nagar between 10.30 am and 6 pm. or Khushboo Thaploo (9103029212) or Tennis coach, Amar Jyoti Sharma (7006241811).

Prize Distribution Function and Free Medical Camp organized at Lord Shiva High school



Senior Journalist, Vishal Chopra with other dignitaries and students at a programme.

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JAMMU: The Annual Prize Distribution Function and free medical camp were organized at Lord Shiva Day Boarding High School, Gho Manhasanm, here on Saturday. The event was graced by chief guests, including Vikrant Gupta, Ex-Protocol Officer of the J&K High Court, Vishal Chopra, Senior Journalist, and Rajesh Bali, along with Abhishek Kapoor, Editor of Realty Speaks. Other notable attendees included Ashok K. Magotra (Director of the school), Indu Bala Magotra (Director), Sakshi Sharma (Principal), Sushely Sharma (Vice-Principal), Aditya Ashok Magotra (Coordinator), and Shri Kuldeep Bakshi (Principal of Lord Shiva Day Boarding High School Shamachak). The ceremony began with the Annual Prize Distribution, where students excelling in academics, sports, and extra-curricular activities were honored. Chief guests Vikrant Gupta and Vishal Chopra presented awards, commending the students for their dedication and hard work. They also encouraged students to actively participate in such events alongside their studies, emphasizing that a balanced approach to academics and extra-curricular contributes to overall success. Both guests highlighted the importance of health, with Vikrant Gupta stressing that "health is our greatest wealth." He encouraged students to make use of the medical camp, learn about proper hygiene, and adopt a balanced lifestyle for a brighter future. Dr. Jatinder Kumar, Zonal Head of Ayush, also spoke about the critical role of education and health in nation-building. The event concluded on a high note, with participants expressing gratitude for the initiative, recognizing its importance for both academic and physical well-being.

ADGP Armed felicitates J&K Police Central sports team medal winners at APC Channi

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JAMMU: Anand Jain, ADGP Armed J&K on Saturday felicitated various sports personnel of J&K Police Central Sports Teams who have recently won various medals and brought laurels to UT of J&K in general and J&K Police in particular by performing extraordinarily at various events and Championships at International/national levels. The felicitation ceremony was held at Armed Police Complex Channi Jammu today. ADGP Armed congratulated the medal winners and highlighted their extraordinary performance during the aforesaid events. While emphasizing the need to improve the fitness level among the personnel, the ADGP stressed for inclusion of sports calendars at battalion level to garner sports talent and to give opportunities to the budding players. The ADGP impressed upon the players to work hard in order to achieve more heights in their respective sports arena. J&K Police Central Sports Team have made remarkable achievements in various sports championships at National and International



Anand Jain, ADGP Armed J&K felicitating a sports person of J&K Police.

levels notably BRICS Games-2024-25. In the recently held National Games and All India Police Games, players of J&K Police won 18 Gold, 13 Silver and 21 Bronze medals in various sports categories. In 16th All India Police Badminton Championship 2024 held at Hyderabad w.e.f.17 to 23 March, 2024 J&K Police won 03 silver medals. In 72nd All India Police Volleyball Cluster 2024 held at Nagpur the J&K Police won 04 Bronze Medals in GO's Category w.e.f. 26th February to 2nd March 2024. In 38th National Games held at Uttarakhand from 28th January to 28th February, 2024 J&K police Won 01 Gold medal 02 Bronze Medals. In BRICS Games 2024-2025 held at Kazan

Russia J&K Police Won 01 Silver Medal. In 9th All India Police Judo Cluster 2024-25 organised by Assam Police from 24 to 30th June, 2024 J&K Police won 1 gold and 1 Bronze Medal in Wushu. In Pencak Silat J&K Police Won 05 Gold, 03 Silver Medals and 04 Bronze Medals. In Judo J&K Police Won 1 Silver Medal. In 73rd All India Police Wrestling Cluster 2024-25 organised by SSB at SAI Stadium Lucknow & KD Singh Babh Stadium Lucknow J&K Police won 1 Bronze Medal. In 1st All India Police Weightlifting Cluster 2024-25 organised by Chhattisgarh Police at Bhillai Distt w.e.f. 23rd to 27th September, 2024 J&K Police won 1 Silver Medal. Among others the event was also attended by Vinod Kumar, DIG, Armed Police Jammu, Mohd Aslam, CO, IRP-24th Bn, Ramesh Chander Kotwal, SSP CO Women 1st Bn, Abrar Choudhary, CO IR 14th Bn, Sanjeev Khajuria, SSP CO JKAP 7th Bn, Rajinder Singh, SSP, APCR, Jammu, Achyut Singh, CO 7th SSB Bn., other GOS/NGOs of the battalions stationed at Armed Police Complex Channi, Jammu.

Two-day national seminar on 'Roadmap for Revamping Higher Education through NEP-2020' concludes

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JAMMU: The two-day National Seminar on "Roadmap for Revamping Higher Education through NEP-2020," organized by the School of Teacher Education (SOTE) and the School of Social Sciences at Cluster University of Jammu (CUJ), in collaboration with the Government College of Education, Jammu, concluded on Saturday. The seminar aimed to foster discussions on the future of higher

education in India under the framework of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The event began with a welcome address by Dr. Jyoti Parihar (Co-Convenor- National seminar), Principal, Government College of Education, Jammu. The Chief Guest of the occasion, Abdul Majid Bhat, Director Finance, Jammu and Kashmir Higher Education Department, graced the event, along with the

Guest of Honor, Ankur Mahajan, Registrar of Cluster University of Jammu. Other notable figures included Dr. Mohd. Zubair (Convenor-National Seminar), Dr. Satinder Kour, Dr. Ranvijay Singh, Dr. Romash Chander, Dr. P.K Sharma, and Dr. Vishal Sharma (Co-Convenor-National Seminar), who were present during the valedictory ceremony. The seminar comprised five insightful sessions, each led by eminent speak-

ers and session chairs, including Prof. Ekta Gupta, Dr. Rajinder Kaur, Dr. Seema Arora, Dr. Monika Sharma, Prof. Archana Koul, Dr. Shalini Rana, Dr. D.K. Bangotra, and Dr. Jai Pal Singh. Over 60 papers were presented during the seminar, both in online and offline formats, by scholars and experts from distinguish states like Jammu & Kashmir, West Bengal, Punjab, Delhi, Gujarat, Andaman & Nicobar islands, Karnataka, Utter Pradesh

and Uttarakhand of Dr. Ravail Singh, Assistant Professor, SOTE, provided an overview of the seminar proceedings, underscoring the key discussions and contributions from the sessions. The seminar concluded with a formal vote of thanks by Dr. Niharika Panda, Assistant Professor, SOTE. The event was meticulously conducted by Dr. Neetu Kumari and Dr. Roshni Charak, who ensured its smooth flow.