Month long sports activities to promote Nasha Mukt campaign across Kishtwar District

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KISHTWAR: Deputy Commissioner Rajesh Shavan Kumar today reviewed drug control and Road Safety measures in the District at District-Level NCORD Committee and District Road Safety Committee meetings held back to back here today.

He also reviewed the working of the District Red Cross Society at a separately held meeting.

While reviewing anti-drug measures, the $\overline{\text{DC}}$ discussed comprehensive strategies and reviewed the implementation of drug de-addiction measures to counter the menace in the district. At the outset, the DC took a detailed appraisal from the concerned members of the Committee regarding the present scenario of drug-related occurrences, areas of concern, affected age groups, and hotspots of drug abuse in the district.

Deputy Commissioner emphasized intensifying testing across all educational institutions, public places, Panchayats, especially in identified hotspots under surveillance.

SSP informed the meeting that police have adopted a comprehensive strategy to tackle the drug problem from both the supply and demand sides, which is vital for containing drug peddling and breaking the supply chain. He also assured ratus distributed to

stringent action against those involved in the hazardous trade of drugs.

The DC announced hosting of month-long sports activities across all 13 blocks of the district under the aegis of Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyan. Additionally, he directed stakeholders to host awareness camps every Monday in all 156 revenue villages. The DC stressed the need for painting "100% Nasha Mukt" slogans on school boundary walls. He also directed the ATF authorities to submit reports on patients taking medication and conduct periodic surveys of such patients.

A committee was formed, to conduct counseling and awareness programs at project sites. He also warned of strict action on drug abuse at all project sites in the district.

Enforcement agencies, including Police Excise were instructed to ensure 100% technological surveillance installing CCTV cameras for monitoring, computerized billing, containment, and mitigation at educational institutions, pharmacies, medical stores, and public spaces. The DC also reviewed the status of screening of blood pressure appa-

DC Udhampur convenes public outreach camp at Majalta to address local issues STATĖ TIMES NEWS

UDHAMPUR: Deputy Commissioner Udhampur, Saloni Rai conducted a public outreach program today at Manwal in Block Majalta as part of the Weekly Block Diwas initiative.

The program witnessed the participation of District Development Council Member Amit Sharma; Additional District Development Commissioner Rajinder Singh; Assistant Commissioner Development Dr. Ranjeet Singh Kotwal along with other district officers, former PRI members and a large number of locals from the adjoining areas.

During the interaction, the public raised several pressing issues, seeking augmentation of drinking water in the region, establishment of a Forest Depot at Majalta, constitution of Village Defence Committees members, especially in hilly areas, Upgradation of Middle School to High School and High School Thalora to Higher Secondary School level, up-gradation of PHC Majalta to a Sub-District Hospital, inclusion of left-out beneficiaries under the Jal Jeevan Mission, construction of a playground in Block Majalta, development of a proper drainage system in Majalta market area, renovation of Battal-Mansar Road, clearance of pending payments under MGNREGA works etc.

Responding to the demands, the DC emphasized that the primary objective of Block Diwas is to take firsthand assessment of grassroots issues She highlighted that such platforms enable the district administration to understand and resolve multifaceted public grievances through prioritization and optimal resource utilization. The Deputy Commissioner also sensitized participants about key government initiatives, including PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana, JK Samadhan Portal.

Several grievances were addressed on the spot with the intervention of concerned officers. The DC assured the public that remaining issues would be addressed on priority by mobilizing available resources. She directed officers to work with dedication and commitment to resolve genuine public con-

GDC RS Pura organizes awareness campaign on gender inequality, female foeticide

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RSPURA: Women Development Cell, Department of English and NSS Unit of GDC RS Pura organized an Awareness programme cum campaign on gender equality and female foeticide in the college premises under the worthy patronage of Principal Prof. (Dr.) PreetpalKour and supervision of Dr. Neena Gupta Rohmetra, Convener Women Development Cell and Head, Department of English. A short animated film depicting the gender equality and female foeticide was screened for students of the college. The film emphasised the importance of girl child education, job equalities, challenging gender stereotypes, economic empowerment, leadership representation, societal inequalities along with the responsibilities of medical professionals to inform the rural populations about consequences of female foeticide.

The screening of the animated film was attended by more than 100 students with great zeal and enthusiasm. Faculty members present in the event were Dr.ChanchalAngral (NSS, PO), Prof. ShifaliAbrol, Prof. Radhika Mahajan, Dr. Raj Kiran Pathania, ShivaniManchanda, Dr. NeelamKumari, Prof Jai Mala Thakur and Dr. SavleenKour were also present. Principal of the college appreciated the efforts of the organizing committee and also advised the students to disseminate the information among their families and friends and they can also play a pivotal role in transforming the mindset of the society. The session concluded with a formal vote of thanks by Dr. Neena Gupta, Head of English Department.



ASHA Workers and AWWs. While reviewing district road safety, the DC, with a special focus on minimizing road accidents, directed all enforcement agencies to utilize their skills to prevent accidents by conducting

document checks, monitoring over speeding and ensuring compliance with

He directed ARTO to collaborate with different stakeholders for awareness and joint enforcement by

using speed guns and other advanced equipment besides strict action against overloading and over-speeding, frequent fitness and license checks, health camp activities, the establishment of driving institutes, driver

sensitization programs against drug abuse, and general public awareness

regarding overloading. The DC also conducted a detailed review of blind spots, crash barrier installations, and convex mirrors at

black spots. He directed BRO authorities to expedite the process

SSP Kishtwar urged ARTO Kishtwar to conduct random testing of existing license holders.

While reviewing Red Cross activities, the DC emphasized its critical role in saving lives during disasters. He urged participants to amplify public awareness about the society's contributions. He underscored the need for increased collaboration and support from all sections of society to sustain emergency response efforts and assist those affected by calamities, disasters, and other urgent

situations. He encouraged everyone to actively participate in the Red Cross movement. The DC also stressed the need for a comprehensive District Red Cross plan, increased blood donation camps, enhanced hospital services, and first aid train-

The meeting was attended by SSP Kishtwar Javed Iqbal (JKPS), ADC Kishtwar Pawan Kotwal. ACR Kishtwar Idrees Ahmed Lone, ACD Kishtwar Phulail Singh, DSWO Zubair Ahmed, Kishtwar, CEO Kishtwar, Nodal Officer ATF, and



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