

SSH, Nirankari Mission organise cleanliness drive in Nowshera's Changar area

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NOWSHERA: Shiv Sena Hindustan, in collaboration with Nirankari Mission today organized a cleanliness drive in Nowshera's Changar area in presence of Nirankari Mission Head of area Tirth Ram ,Sarpanch Sunil Choudhary and Shiv Sena Hindustan J&K leadership including Vice President Balbir Kumar. Speaking on the occasion, Kesri said this initiative demonstrates the organization's commitment to promoting cleanliness and community service. Shiv Sena Hindustan has been involved in various social activities, including religious events and meetings. The cleanliness drive is likely part of their efforts to contribute to the well-being of the community and promote a clean-



Volunteers carrying out cleanliness drive.

er environment, added Kesri. Kesri further said that Shiv Sena Hindustan and Nirankari Mission organized awareness program to highlight the significance of cleanliness. The event aimed to educate the local community about the importance of maintaining a clean environment, its impact on public health, and the role individu-

als can play in keeping their surroundings clean.The cleanliness drive also included interactive sessions, speeches, and demonstrations to engage the audience and convey the message effectively. By organizing such events, Shiv Sena Hindustan and Nirankari Mission hope to inspire a sense of responsibility among

the community members to maintain cleanliness and contribute to a healthier environment, added Kesri. Kesri observed that clean and green surroundings have numerous benefits for individuals, communities, and the environment as a whole. Clean and green surroundings help conserve natural resources like water, air, and soil.Green spaces support local biodiversity, preserving ecosystems and protecting endangered species. Vegetation helps regulate the climate by absorbing carbon dioxide, producing oxygen, and moderating temperatures.Green surroundings reduce air pollution, improving respiratory health and overall well-being.Spending time in nature has been shown to reduce stress levels, improve mood, and enhance mental health. Kesri maintained that clean and green surroundings encourage outdoor activities, promoting physical health and fitness and foster a sense of community, promoting social connections and neighborhood cohesion.Well-maintained green spaces can increase property values, attract businesses, and boost local economies and enhance the visual appeal of an area, making it more attractive and inviting.By recognizing the significance of clean and green surroundings, individuals and communities can work together to create healthier, more sustainable, and more livable environments, said Kesri.

Motivational Session conducted for students of JNV Reasi

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REASI: The Indian Army conducted a motivational session at Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) Reasi District, to inspire students to join the armed forces and serve the nation. The session was attended by 52 students and 10 teachers, who actively participated in the interactive event. During the session, Indian Army officials provided valuable insights into the career opportunities in the Indian Army, eligibility criteria and the rigorous training process. They highlighted the honor, discipline and commitment required to serve in the armed forces. Students were encouraged to pursue their dreams of joining the Indian Army and contribute to national security and development.



Army official delivering lecture.

The session also included real-life experiences shared by Indian Army personnel, inspiring stories of valor, and a Question & Answer segment where students clarified their doubts regarding recruitment procedures and life in the Indian Army. The event aimed to instill a sense of patriotism, dedication and determination among the young minds. The teachers and students expressed their gratitude to

the Indian Army for organizing the session and providing guidance on career prospects in the defence sector. The initiative was widely appreciated and is expected to motivate many students to consider a future in the armed forces. The Indian Army remains committed to engaging with the youth and guiding them towards meaningful careers that serve the nation with pride and honor.

NSS SMVDU celebrates International Mother Language Day



Faculty members along with students during the event.

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KATRA: NSS SMVDU volunteers celebrated International Mother Language Day with mesmerizing performances by volunteers in their mother tongues. Student volunteers Sadhvi Sharma and Parvallika anchored the event. The event started with the welcome address by the NSS Programme Coordinator, Dr. Rajiv Kumar. He emphasized the importance of promoting mother language in academics and research. Language is the soul of a culture, vessel of knowledge and a bridge

between generations. The cultural events include poetry singing and dancing performances by volunteers in their local languages. Poetry by Rahul Yadav, Suhani Sharma, singing by Santosh, Kriti Mahajan, Abhikash, Iqtida, Abhishek Yadav, Mridul Salaria and Kirti and dancing performances by Tanushka and Ujaswi made the event a memorable one. Dean Academic Affairs, Prof. Balbir Singh, DSW, Prof. R. K. Mishra, Head, School of Biotechnology, Prof. Ratna Chandra, T&P Head, B. K. Bhatia graced the occasion.

GGHSS Miran Sahib ranked number-2 in J&K UT in EWISR 2024-25 ranking

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JAMMU: Ashok Kumar Chopra Principal Government Girls Higher Secondary School Miran Sahib received very prestigious award from Chief Education officer Jammu after School ranked Number-2 in J&K UT and 1ST in Jammu District among India's top schools in EWISR 2024 - 25 ranking under the leadership of Principal GGHSS Miran Sahib.The award was given in District level ERA award felicitation ceremony organized by Bharti Airtel Foundation in GGHSS Bakshi Nagar .This recognition is a testament to his leadership and the school's commitment to providing quality education. Speaking on the occasion, Principal Ashok Kumar Chopra said that , "All-round development of students my prime motto," reflects his commitment to providing a holistic education that goes beyond academics. This approach recognizes



Ashok Kumar Chopra Principal GGHSS Miran Sahib receiving award from Chief Education officer Jammu.

that students' overall growth and development are crucial for their future success and well-being.By prioritizing all-round development, Principal Chopra aims to foster an environment that encourages students to achieve their full academic potential, helps students acquire essential skills like communication, teamwork and problem-solving. Chopra observed that good education encourages students to understand and manage their emotions, leading to bet-

ter mental health and relationships provides opportunities for students to explore their creative side and develop innovative thinking. It supports students' physical health through sports and activities, while also promoting mental well-being through counseling and guidance. Good teachers teach students the importance of values like empathy, respect and responsibility, preparing them to become responsible citizens. By focusing on all-round development, School is committed to helping his

students become well-rounded, confident, and capable individuals who are prepared to succeed in all aspects of life, added Chopra. Chopra underscored co-curricular activities play a vital role in a student's overall development, complementing their academic learning and fostering essential life skills. These activities are crucial for students because Co-curricular activities help students develop important soft skills like communication, teamwork, leadership, and problem-solving. Engaging in co-curricular activities like art, music, or drama encourages creativity, self-expression, and imagination. Participating in co-curricular activities helps students build confidence, self-esteem, and a sense of accomplishment. Chopra stated that Co-curricular activities provide opportunities for students to interact with

peers, develop social skills and form meaningful relationships. Activities like sports, yoga, or meditation contribute to students' physical and mental health, reducing stress and anxiety. Balancing co-curricular activities with academic responsibilities helps students learn time management, prioritization, and organizational skills. Many co-curricular activities, such as volunteer work or environmental clubs, promote community service, empathy, and social responsibility. Co-curricular activities add depth, variety, and enjoyment to the educational experience, making it more holistic and fulfilling. By participating in co-curricular activities, students can develop a wide range of skills, build their confidence and character, and enhance their overall educational experience, added Chopra.

Shri Dashnami Akhara Poonch Committee bids farewell to DySP Pankaj



Committee members according farewell to DySP Pankaj Sudoon.

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POONCH: Shri Dashnami Akhara committee in Poonch, under the presidency of its president Basant Ram, organised a farewell for DY.SP Pankaj Sudoon on his transfer. Committee members as well as a large number of the members of the civil society accorded a bid farewell to the DY.SP Pankaj Sudoon while Speaking on the occasion Rohit Sharma, General secretary of the committee, said the DYSP, Pankaj Sudoon, had shown unflinching dedication during his tenure. As a stronghold of the district Poonch police department, he exemplifies the virtues of honesty, professionalism, and commitment.

Sharma further said throughout his tenure, he has exhibited exemplary service, ensuring the safety and well-being of the locals of the district Poonch. The other speakers while speaking on the occasion, conveyed their sincere appreciation for his service as DYSP HQ poonch, thanked him for his vital services, and wished him well in all of his future endeavours. Others who were present on the occasion were Rohit Sharma General Secretary Shri Dashnami Akhara Poonch,Adv Gulshan Bakshi gen.secretary Shri Budha Amarnath ji,Master Amrish Sharma secretary Sanatan Dharam Sabha Poonch, S.Surjan Singh Gurudwara

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DGPC Rajouri conducts audit of two Gurdwaras

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SUNDERBANI: District Gurdwara Pervendek Committee (DGPC) Rajouri visited to Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha Rikhi Nagar Rajowa Lam and Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gopal Singh Nagar Ground Lam of Constituency Nowshera Qila Darhal and conducted audit of accounts of



DGPC audit team during visit to a Gurdwara.

the same but due to some shortcomings in the records of Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Rikhi Nagar Rajowa its audit is kept pending. Moreover, the management committee of Gurdwara Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gopal Singh Nagar Ground Lam is changed today after the completion of its tenure of two years and a new management is constituted for

next two years headed Master Amritpal Singh. The former management committee headed by Master Mohinder Singh ji is advised to handover the charge to new management committee with in a period one week. The work of former committee is appreciated by the DGPC Rajouri while conducting audit of accounts and physical verification of gurdwara sahib.

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KISHTWAR: The State Council of Educational Research & Training (SCERT) Jammu Division, in collaboration with DIET Kishtwar, on Sunday concluded a five-day training programme on "Inclusive Education" aimed at strengthening inclusive educational practices in Jammu & Kashmir (JK) UT. The programme, held here at the DIET Complex, catered to educational administrators and faculty members of secondary and senior secondary schools from all zones and Higher Secondary Schools (HSS) in the district. The event was held under the overall supervision of Prof. Parikshat Singh Manhas, Director SCERT, Jammu Division, and the visionary leadership of Prof. Dr. Sindhu Kapoor, Joint Director JKSCERT



A participant receiving certificate at Kishtwar.

Jammu Division. The programme was guided by Somesh Kumar, Principal DIET Kishtwar, who provided dynamic leadership throughout the training sessions. The initiative was a direct response to the directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, emphasizing the importance of promoting "Inclusive Education." The goal was to equip educational leaders with the

knowledge, strategies, and best practices essential for creating an inclusive learning environment for all students, particularly those with disabilities, marginalized groups, and those with diverse learning needs, as outlined in the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. A total of 61 Senior Lecturers, Lecturers and Masters from Senior Secondary Schools from

across Kishtwar participated in the training programme, surpassing the initial target of 86 participants. The programme employed a cascading training approach to ensure broad and effective coverage throughout February 2025. Key topics of the programme included the crucial role of inclusive education in ensuring equal educational opportunities for all learners. The sessions were led by distinguished resource persons, R.A. Batt, Sr. Lecturer DIET Kishtwar; F.A. Giri, Sr. Lecturer and Nodal Officer for Inclusive Education; Riaz Ahmed Giri, Sr. Lecturer; Dr. Nadeem Ul Hassan, Sr. Lecturer; Humaira Ayoub, Sr. Lecturer; Irfan Ahmed, Lecturer; Ramesh Kumar, Sr. Lecturer HSS Sarthal (Guest Resource Person); Shakti Devi, Guest

Resource Person for Sign Language; and Mujeeb Ur Rehman, Guest KRP for DIET Kishtwar. The academic contributions of Bikram Singh, Academic Officer from JKSCERT, Jammu Division, were also highly appreciated. The programme culminated with a vibrant valedictory function, where participants shared their valuable feedback. Certificates of participation were awarded to all attendees in recognition of their efforts and commitment to promoting inclusive education. The event was meticulously coordinated by Farooq Ahmed Giri, Sr. Lecturer DIET, under the supervision of Principal Somesh Kumar and In-Charge Principal R.A. Batt. The success of this initiative was made possible through the collective efforts of the dedicated faculty members of JKSCERT and DIET.

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