

From One Pebble to a Sea of Goodness: Morning Assembly @ JKPS Kunjwani highlights ripple effect



Principal JK Public School Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore and students addressing morning assembly.

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JAMMU: A thoughtful and soul-stirring morning assembly on the theme "Ripple Effects of Good Deeds" was conducted by the students of Grade V Maple at JK Public School, Kunjwani. The assembly radiated warmth, wisdom, and gentle reminders about the transformative power of kindness, leaving a lasting impression on the entire school community.

"Our conduct reflects our character. Even the smallest act of kindness can create a powerful impact, spreading positivity just like ripples formed when a pebble is dropped into water." Her words set the tone for an assembly that celebrated empathy, compassion, and the subtle yet powerful influence of good deeds. Adding depth to the theme, Raghav posed a thought-provoking question, "Have you ever wondered if one person can change the world? The answer is yes, through some-

thing called the ripple effect." He illustrated the concept with a vivid analogy, comparing good actions to a pebble dropped into a pond, creating expanding circles of influence that reach far beyond the initial act. Taking the reflection further, Mehransh reminded everyone of the unseen reach of kindness, saying, "Your kindness can reach people you haven't even met. One small 'thank you' or one shared pencil can start a chain reaction of goodness

across the whole school." He encouraged his peers to believe in their ability to make a difference, regardless of age or circumstance. He further added with inspiring conviction, "Sometimes we think, 'I am just a student, what can I do?' But always remember smiles are catching, kindness is contagious, and helping is inspiring. You don't need to be a superhero to change the world; you just need to be the one who drops the first pebble." The message of the assem-

bly was clear and compelling: every good deed, no matter how small, has the potential to create waves of positivity. Students were encouraged to practice kindness in their daily lives and become catalysts of meaningful change. The assembly was further enriched with inspirational quotations shared by the students. Aadvik Manhas quoted Oscar Wilde: "The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention." Jasarjun Singh shared the words of Henry David

Thoreau, "Doing good is the only investment that never fails". Gurkirat Singh reflected, "Good deeds are like blessings that return to us". Divyansh Gupta cited Plato, "Good actions give strength to ourselves and inspire good actions in others". Sachveer Singh echoed Leo Tolstoy, "When you do a good deed, your heart feels light". Tejasveer Singh shared a thoughtful reflection, "A single act of kindness is the root from which countless blessings grow."

The assembly concluded with the timeless words of Mother Teresa: "Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless." In his concluding remarks, Principal JKPS Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore applauded the young presenters for their heartfelt expressions and meaningful message. He emphasized that character is not shaped by grand gestures alone but by the small, consistent acts of kindness practiced every day. Encouraging students to

become torchbearers of empathy and compassion, he urged them to let their actions create waves of goodness that extend beyond the school and into society. He reminded them that true greatness lies not in power or position, but in the ability to touch lives through humility, kindness, and noble conduct. The assembly stood as a gentle yet powerful reminder that even the smallest good deed can set in motion ripples that transform hearts, classrooms, and communities.

Martand Singh calls on LG Sinha



Martand Singh, Director, Amar Singh Sports & Youth Initiative calling on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha.

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JAMMU: Martand Singh, Director, Amar Singh Sports & Youth Initiative on Monday called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha and briefed him on wide range of programs aimed at promoting sports

and youth empowerment under the initiative. He also informed the Lieutenant Governor about the renovation and upgradation works being undertaken at the Museum in Amar Mahal under the aegis of the Hari Tara Charitable Trust.

GDC Mahanpur organises brain break session for holistic well-being

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MAHANPUR: Government Degree College (GDC) Mahanpur continues to conduct Brain Breaks in collaboration with Global Community Health (GCH), United States of America. Brain Breaks are short (2-5 minute) physical activity videos designed for classroom use to break up sedentary periods. They are a project of the Global Community Health (GCH) organization. These physical activities are conducted as part of the Brain Break Project. Under the leadership of the Principal, Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta Sudan, the prestigious Brain Break Project was implemented last year on National Sport Day i.e. on 29th of August,



2024 with the initiative of Prof. (Dr.) Ming-Kai Chih (President, Founder of GCH) and Dr. Jogbinder Singh Soodan former Physical Director of the College. The programme was organised by Dr. Rupalee Jasrotia, HOD English and Prof. Binti Sharma (HOD Physics) under the patronage of the Principal Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta Sudan. While addressing the students,

Prof. (Dr.) Sangeeta Sudan, highlighted the importance of these programs to improve student health and academic performance. The College continues to conduct Brain Breaks regularly in the Classrooms. The Principal Madan along with the staff and the students performed the Brain Break. These Brain Break sessions clearly show positive impacts on the stu-

dents and faculty members. The students and educators expressed how these sessions are acting as Stress buster during their College time. More than 50 students from different semesters have participated. Faculty members who participated in the Session included: Nisha Kumari, Dr. Sapna Devi, Dr. Meenu Sharma, Ambika and Dr. Mushtaq.

Ashish Shukla, ED(P)-NHIDCL meets Div Com Jammu

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JAMMU: Ashish Shukla, Executive Director (Projects), Regional Office-Jammu of the National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHID-CL), called on Ramesh Kumar, Divisional Commissioner, Jammu Region. During the meeting, Executive Director (Projects), Regional Office Jammu, NHIDCL briefed the Divisional Commissioner about the ongoing & upcoming projects in the Jammu region.



Ashish Shukla, ED(P)-NHIDCL meeting with Div Com Jammu, Ramesh Kumar.

Once a green pride, Sector-6 Trikuta Nagar park slips into neglect

No Lights, No Safety: Park turns into evening danger zone

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The public park in Sector-6 of Trikuta Nagar, once a refreshing green retreat for residents, today presents a picture of neglect and apathy. Broken walking tracks, absence of flowers, overgrown patches, and poor cleanliness have turned what should be a vibrant community space into a dilapidated and unmanaged area. Adding to residents' concerns is the complete absence of lighting inside the park. After sunset, the entire park plunges into darkness, making it unsafe and inaccessible for families. Locals allege that taking advantage of the darkness, anti-social elements and drug addicts often assemble inside the park, while outsiders occupy benches and create nuisance. "The park has virtually become a no-go zone in the evening. Women, children, and senior citizens cannot even think of entering after dusk," said a resident, warning that the lack of lighting has turned a public facility into a security risk. Morning walkers, senior citizens, and children-who once



Garbage piling up in Sector-6 of Trikuta Nagar park reflecting neglect.

frequented the park for exercise and recreation-now express disappointment over its deteriorating condition. The jogging track is damaged at several places, making it unsafe for walkers, while benches and green patches show clear signs of neglect. Not a single flower bed reflects the care and planning expected of a public gar-

den in a prominent residential locality. Residents recall that when the park was under the Floriculture Department, it was well maintained, neatly landscaped, and regularly cleaned. Seasonal flowers, trimmed hedges, and a sense of order made it a pride for the area. However, since parks have

come under the jurisdiction of the Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC), the Sector-6 park has reportedly been left unattended for months. "The difference is visible to the naked eye. Earlier, the park was lively and well-kept; today it looks abandoned," said a local resident, adding that repeated verbal complaints have failed to

bring any tangible improvement. Public parks are not merely open spaces; they are essential for physical fitness, mental well-being, and community bonding. The present condition of the Sector-6 Trikuta Nagar park reflects poorly on civic management and deprives residents of a basic urban amenity. Residents have urged the JMC to take immediate corrective measures-restore the damaged track, install proper lighting, ensure regular cleaning, reintroduce flower beds, and deploy adequate maintenance and security staff. They also demand a clear accountability mechanism so that such valuable public assets do not fall into decay. A timely intervention by the Municipal Corporation can not only revive this park but also restore public confidence. Continued neglect, residents warn, risks turning a once-beautiful green space into a permanent eyesore and safety hazard in the heart of Trikuta Nagar.

Two-day National Conference on Interdisciplinary Sciences inaugurated at JU



VC JU, Prof. Umesh Rai lighting ceremonial lamp.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Faculty of Mathematical Sciences, University of Jammu, today inaugurated a two-day National Conference on "Interdisciplinary Advances in Mathematical, Statistical and Computational Sciences" at the Brigadier Rajinder Singh Auditorium. The conference is jointly organised by the Departments of Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science & IT, with the objective of fostering dialogue among scholars, researchers and academicians on emerging interdisciplinary trends shaping science and technology. Presiding over the inaugural session, Prof. Umesh Rai, Vice-Chancellor, University of Jammu, emphasised the urgent need to transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries-not only among Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science, but also across social

sciences, biological sciences, and the arts and humanities. He observed that meaningful academic, scientific and technological progress in the modern era is impossible without the integrated application of these core domains. Prof. Rai lauded the faculty for their pivotal role in transforming educational practices at the University of Jammu and stated that the institution's true strength lies in the collective commitment of its faculty and students toward innovation, collaboration and academic excellence. Highlighting the essence of the National Education Policy (NEP), he underlined that skill development, flexibility and interdisciplinary learning must take precedence over narrow domain specialisation. He further elaborated on the University's pioneering initiatives such as the Design Your Degree programme and the UG-PG Integrated Programme, aimed at providing foundational learning, experiential exposure and cross-disciplinary flexibility. Prof. Suresh Kumar Sharma, Vice-Chancellor, Shaheed

Bhagat Singh State University, Firozpur, who attended the event as Chief Guest, highlighted the central role of data in contemporary research. Drawing from his work in artificial intelligence, machine learning and biomedical sciences, he illustrated how mathematical and statistical tools are driving advancements in healthcare, environmental modelling and genomics, while encouraging students to cultivate perseverance and scientific curiosity. Prof. A.K. Naik, Former President, Computer Society of India, attended as Guest of Honour and spoke on the growing significance of computational sciences in digital transformation, innovation and national development. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. J.P. Singh Joorel, Dean Academic Affairs and Head, Department of Statistics, announced that from the 2026 academic session, the University of Jammu will introduce five-year integrated programmes aligned with the NEP. Prof. Vibhakar Mansotra, Head, Department of Computer Science & IT, emphasised the need for integrating theory with application to address real-world challenges. Earlier, Prof. Romesh Kumar, Head, Department of Mathematics, welcomed the dignitaries and outlined the objectives of the conference, while the vote of thanks was presented by Prof. Parnil Kumar. The inaugural session was attended by Heads of Departments, faculty members, scholars, staff and students.

Sat Sharma raises urban poor's housing crisis, TDS relief in RS

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Jammu & Kashmir BJP President and Rajya Sabha Member of Parliament Sat Sharma CA today forcefully raised two significant public-interest issues in the Rajya Sabha, underscoring the urgent need for housing security for the urban poor in Jammu & Kashmir and relief from genuine hardships arising from recent amendments to the Income-tax Act. Drawing the attention of the House through the Chair, Sat Sharma highlighted the alarming condition of poor and homeless families in the Union Territory, particularly in urban areas. He stressed the necessity of constructing safe and permanent pucca houses for the economically weaker sections and urban homeless, stating that adequate housing is a basic human requirement and a key pillar of social dignity.



Sat Sharma pointed out that despite the magnitude of the problem, only two shelter homes are currently operational in Jammu & Kashmir, which he described as grossly inadequate to cater to the needs of the homeless population. He urged the Union Government to significantly enhance the number of shelter homes and strengthen housing infrastructure for vulnerable sections. Citing official data, he informed the House that 19,375 houses have been constructed in the

Union Territory over the past three years, but emphasized that the pace of construction must be accelerated to ensure timely relief for poor, homeless and landless families. He sought detailed information on ongoing housing schemes and called for fast-tracking their implementation so that no deserving family is left without a roof. In addition to housing concerns, Sat Sharma raised a critical income-tax-related issue pertaining to the six-year time limit for filing TDS

correction statements introduced through the Finance (No. 2) Act, 2024, effective from April 1, 2025. He explained that the amendment has caused serious hardship for taxpayers, particularly for financial years prior to 2018-19, as genuine errors such as incorrect PAN details or challan mismatches can no longer be rectified. This has resulted in non-credit of TDS, inflated tax demands, delayed refunds, penalties, interest and avoidable litigation, despite taxes having been duly deposited. He urged the Union Government to consider a one-time relaxation or special condonation window and sought issuance of suitable guidelines under Section 119 of the Income-tax Act to provide relief in cases of genuine hardship. Reiterating the BJP's commitment to public welfare and good governance, Sat Sharma asserted that

issues concerning the poor, homeless and honest taxpayers would continue to be raised vigorously in Parliament until meaningful solutions are delivered.

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Date of Uploading Tenders	: 23/01/2026
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S. No.	: 1
Tender Number / Notice No.	: 95255089
Name of Work	: Overhead Cranes and Spares (EOT Cranes 25/ST).
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