

Dr Jitendra presents National Science Awards, invokes Vision India @2047

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NEW DELHI: While presenting National Science Awards on the occasion of National Science Day on Monday, Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh invoked Vision India @2047 and said that mentoring young talent is the best investment for India @2047.

He said, young scientists with 25 active years ahead have a crucial role to play in the roadmap for the next 25 years when India celebrates 100 years of independence. The Minister was speaking at the concluding function of National Science Week on the National Science Day to mark "Vigyan Sarvatra Pujate", a pan-India program to celebrate the essence and magnificence of our scientific achievements.

He said that the spirit of this one week commemoration of "Vigyan Sarvatra Pujate" is to celebrate and worship science. He said it is an opportunity to introspect and look at how we make up for what we

did not have. The goal is also to take the science and scientific thinking to the common man, where he can benefit by imbibing scientific information and innovations and hence develop a deeply scientific mind, he added.

Dr Jitendra Singh said, India is one of the very few countries that specifically mention science in its constitution. He said, nurturing scientific temper, humanism and a spirit of inquiry and reform is a constitutional duty of every citizen of India.

Dr Jitendra Singh also presented Science Communication Awards on National Science Day, celebrated every year on 28th February to commemorate the announcement of the discovery of the 'Raman Effect' by Sir C.V. Raman, for which he was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1930.

Dr Jitendra Singh released three coffee-table books published by Vigyan Prasar. The first one titled "Department of Science & Technology: Past-

Present-Future", accounts for how DST has been shaped since its inception in 1971 and has shaped the scientific tradition and guided innovation in India. It also provides a glimpse into its future scientific goals.

The second titled "75 under 50: Scientists Shaping Today's India" explores personal lives and professional accomplishments of 75 scientists, providing an in-depth look at the diversity surrounding them, such as their differing backgrounds, reasons for becoming scientists, obstacles they faced, and their work in different disciplines.

The third book "75 Founders of Modern Science in India" celebrates the 75th year of India's Independence, that is, Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, by recalling the outstanding contribution of modern Indian scientists in making India a great civilization in the contemporary world.

Another book on Science Cartoon was also released on the occasion.

DIC employees felicitate Director I&C Jammu



DIC Jammu employees felicitating Anoo Malhotra, Director of Industries & Commerce, Jammu.

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JAMMU: The employees of Directorate of Industries and Commerce (DIC), Jammu on Monday felicitated Anoo Malhotra, Director of Industries & Commerce, Jammu for conducting the Departmental Promotion Committee meeting on February 26, 2022.

In the aforesaid DPC, for the first time 40 cases were cleared wherein one is confirmed as Section Officer; two are confirmed as Head Assistants and four are confirmed as Class-IV.

In addition, loan supervisor and Manager Central Market are also promoted as IPOs and rest Block Investigators and

Industrial Promotion Officers are confirmed in their respective grades.

Anoo Malhotra said that the DPC of the employees will be conducted at regular intervals to ensure that there is no stagnation in the Department and asked the employees to perform their duties with more dedication and devotion.

The delegation also facilitated Joint Directors, Amit Varmani, Administrative Officer Neha Bakshi and also shown their gratitude towards the representative from the Administrative Department Kewal Krishan, Addl. Secretary and Sanjeev Kumar, Under Secretary of Industries & Commerce Department.

VDC issue shall be settled soon: Raina

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JAMMU: VDC issue shall be settled very shortly, Ravinder Raina told the visiting Village Defense Committee (VDC) members at BJP Headquarter, Trilokta Nagar, here.

Ravinder Raina said that VDCs were created due to the BJP's effort, and the party will turn no stone unturned to address all of the issues of VDC members and VDC SPOs.

VDC members in the leadership of J&K BJP VDC Cell Convenor Basant Raj approached J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina in support of their demands.

Earlier, VDC Cell also held meeting at the party headquarter to discuss their issues which was attended by District office bearers of the Cell.

Narinder Kotwal, Rattan Sharma, Suresh Sharma and Uttam Chand were amongst the prominent present in the meeting.

VDC Members led by Basant Raj discussed and presented many issues of VDC members like regular salary and family welfare of the members. They said that VDCs always



BJP J&K Chief Ravinder Raina addressing VDC members.

have played a constructive role in the society and in the future we need to strengthen them in every aspect.

They requested the party seniors to ensure that their long pending genuine demands get resolved soon.

Ravinder Raina assured the VDC members and termed them as the important pillars of the security system in this region. He praised them for their bravery and said that they have discharged their duties to save their motherland with utmost dedication and successfully resisted and played an important role in the neutralization of terrorist from the tough terrain.

He also said that all the issues pertaining to VDC are in

the process of redressal and the government will come out with a constructive for them in the near future.

Raina said that they have given their entire life for the safety and security of the people's.

He also said that all the issues of VDC members, VDC SPOs will be addressed on priority. Sunil Sharma, J&K BJP General Secretary, said that he is in touch with the UT authorities and the central government and all the issues of VDC members and SPOs will be addressed.

He also said that the formation of VDC is due to the efforts of BJP and the party will not leave any stone unturned.

Floral tributes paid to Lala Hansraj Mahajan

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JAMMU: Ware House Nehru Market Traders on Monday paid floral tribute to Sher-I-Duggar, Lala Hansraj Mahajan in a programme held at Ware House.

Mayor Chander Mohan Gupta was Chief Guest on this occasion.

Before offering floral petals, the programme started with the three time chanting of holy Gayatri Mantra.

The event began with the garlanding of the portrait of Lala Hansraj Mahajan, who was also the founder of the Mahajan Sabha Jammu, Dogra Sadar Sabha and Akhil Bharatiya Mahajan Shiromani Sabha.

Speaking on the occasion, Chander Mohan Gupta gave a brief account of the outstanding achievements and historical deeds of Lala Hansraj Mahajan who was totally committed to the cause of the Duggar community and to the nation. While paying tribute to Lala Hansraj, Deepak Gupta, President Traders Federation Ware House Nehru Market(Regd.) Jammu said



Ware House traders paying tributes to Lala Hansraj Mahajan.

that the real tribute to Sher-I-Duggar, Lala Hansraj would be to dedicate a road, a bridge or any other landmark on his name and he sought the Jammu Municipal Corporation to keep the name of the Dogra doyen alive for upcoming generations by dedicating the name of a road, a bridge or other landmark on his name.

Gupta termed Lala ji as a great social reformer of his time and a catalyst for social change who launched a crusade against social evils like child marriage and Sati.

"He also launched a movement for wearing Khadi, promoting brotherhood among various communities and for widow remarriage," Deepak Gupta said and added that

Lala Hansraj also advised the people to avoid extravagant and showy expenditure on social functions. He further said that a pioneer in the field of social reforms, Lala was an institution within himself. For him, social service was Parmodharma.

He was held in very high esteem and reverence by all sections of the society. He was a true Karamyogi who lived his life according to the highest moral values. Throughout his life Lalaji worked for the welfare of all communities irrespective of their caste, creed, religion and region. The other office bearers who were present on the occasion were Munish Mahajan Sr. Vc. President, Abhimanyu Gupta Vc.

President, Sham Lal Langer General Secretary, Vishal Gupta Secretary and Amit Gupta cashier of the Federation. Among others, Arun Gupta, President Chamber of Commerce and Industry Jammu, Anil Gupta Sr. Vc. President, Rajesh Gupta Secretary of CCI Jammu, Yashpal Gupta President

Retailers Association, Rattan Lal Gupta Former president Traders Federation Ware House Nehru Market(Regd.) Jammu, Kirti Gupta President Dal Merchant Association, Rajesh Bagotra President Sugar Association, Romesh Mahajan President Jammu Central Mahajan Sabha, Anil Kohli President Apsara Road Traders Association, Rajesh Gupta president Link Road Traders Association, Sanjay Gupta President Raghunath Bazaar Association, Neeraj Gupta President Satwari Traders Association, Vipin Gupta President Mahajan Sabha Channi Himmat.

In the end, the vote of thanks was delivered by Sham Langer.

Baru for early repair of Talab Tillo road

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JAMMU: BJP Senior Leader and JMC Councillor Sanjay Baru pressed for the early repair of city roads especially Talab Tillo road.

Sanjay Kumar Baru met PWD Executive Engineer division -3 Ramesh Singh in the presence of AEEs Atul Gupta and Shamas Din to discuss the bad condition of roads in Talab Tillo Area especially main road from Canal to Patta Chungi and BSF Paloura to PONICHAK.

Baru while meeting the XEn pressed that the city roads have suffered extensive damage due the recent rains. The broken roads is creating nuisance for the commuters and also giving rise to road accidents.

He said that while the JMC is working day and night to upgrade the city infrastructure and the beautification projects are being taken up, the broken



Councillor Sanjay Baru interacting with PWD Executive Engineer Division-3 Ramesh Singh.

roads are causing an eye sore to everyone.

He said that earlier the former PM Atal ji took substantial steps for the improvement of roads in the Nation and now the Minister Nitin Gadkari under the leadership of PM Narendra Modi is ensuring that the Indian roads become the number one in the world and asked the department officials to contribute in the noble task.

Baru said that it is our first duty to make the roads smooth and pot free and thus the department must keep this work on priority.

JMC demolishes illegally raised building at Sainik Colony



JMC demolishing illegal construction at Sainik Colony.

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JAMMU: To further intensify the drive against illegal/unauthorized constructions, today Jammu Municipal Corporation demolished part of Building constructed in violation to the approved building plan at main road Bye-Pass Sainik Colony and also removed Encroachments from roads.

The enforcement drive was conducted in the presence of Officers of Jammu Municipal Corporation with the assistance of police authorities.

Commissioner, JMC stated that JMC shall continue such drives against those construc-

tions which have been raised illegally/un-authorizedly without obtaining proper permission from JMC and added that JMC shall not tolerate any kind of violation in Master Plan-2032 and violator shall be dealt with under the relevant provisions of the law.

The Commissioner, JMC added that JMC has introduced Online Building Permission Systems (OBPS) which is very user friendly through which the residents can get their building plans approved within the shortest possible time at their door steps.

DGP sanctions retirement gift of Rs 1.33 cr in favour of 133 police personnel

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JAMMU: As a token of appreciation of their services to the department, the Director General of Police (DGP) J&K Dilbag Singh has sanctioned retirement gift of Rs 1.33 crore in favour of 133 Police officers and personnel who retired from active services after attaining superannuation

or taking voluntary retirement today.

Vide PHQ J&K Order No. 668 of 2022 retirement gift of Rs 1 lakh each was sanctioned in favour of four Gazetted officers, 100 Non-gazetted officers, 22 lower subordinates, and seven followers. These personnel belong to different units and wings of the department.

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The retirement gift is sanctioned to Police personnel from the Contributory Police Welfare Fund at the time of his/her retirement. The gift serves as a token of appreciation for his/her services rendered to the department.

DGP in his message wished the retirees a

healthy post retirement life. He said that these officers/officials have witnessed the J&K Police force growing strength to strength and today they must be proud of the fact that they remained part of the force which is by far the most acknowledged and appreciated police force of the county.

Land pass-book distribution camp held at Babliana

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JAMMU: A land pass-book distribution camp was organised at village Babliana Tehsil Jammu South under supervision of Tehsildar, Harjeet Singh under Apni Zameen Apni Nigrani. During the camp, which was attended by a number of locals, Naib Tehsildar Digiana, Sham Singh Manhas distributed pass-books among benefi-



Naib Tehsildar Digiana, Sham Singh Manhas and Office Patwari Jammu South, Sunil Kumar presenting pass-book to a beneficiary.

DES condoles demise of Basharat Makhdoomi

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JAMMU: A condolence meeting of officers/officials working in the Directorate of Economics & Statistics (DES), J&K was held on Monday to condole the demise of Basharat Makhdoomi, EX-Regional Director of E&S Kashmir.

The Director General Satvir Kour Sudan, while addressing the gathering in the lawns of the office complex at DES Jammu, highlighted the contributions of the officer and his way of working while discharging his duties at different capacities during his service career from AD to Director.

All the participants observed two minutes silence and made prayers for eternal peace of the departed soul and courage to the bereaved family for bearing this irreparable loss.

The Director General assured for full support of the E&S fraternity for settlement of the pensionary benefits and other issues in favour of the legal heirs of the deceased officer.

Congress pays tributes to Om Chopra

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JAMMU: Rich tributes were paid to Om Chopra, Former MLA and DCC President Jammu Urban in a meeting held here today at PCC HQ, Jammu.

Speakers described Om Chopra as a dedicated Congressman who was always ready to promote cause of the Congress party. Om Chopra was also described as a Congress leader who was never afraid of speaking truth, whatever the circumstances.

The speakers stressed the fact that Om Chopra would remain a model for Congressmen, all the time. The gathering also



Congress leaders paying tributes to Om Chopra.

observed two-minute silence in memory of the departed leader.

The meeting presided over by Working President PCC Raman Bhalla and attended by Yogesh Sawhney, Dwarka Choudhary, Sukh Dev Singh, Rama Kant Khajuria, Pawan DevSingh,

Pritam Singh, Varinder Manhas, Chander Mohan Sharma, Vijay Singh Chib, Anad Gandotra, Rajesh Sharma, Rakesh Kumar, Sahil Dogra, Ram Magotra, Surinder Kumar Dogra., Arif Malik, Thomas Khokhar, Anirudh Sawhney, Jatin Vashist and others.