

## SKUAST-J conducts training on organic sources of nutrients & soil health

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SAMBA: Under the guidance of Vice Chancellor, Dr. J. P. Sharma, SKUAST Jammu on Tuesday conducted training programmes on Organic Sources of Nutrients for sustainable management of cropping systems and rejuvenation of Soil Health in the village Purmandal (Distt.: Samba). The training was conducted under the Women Oriented Scheme-B of the Department of Science of Technology, India in execution of the objective of Promotion of Organic Sources of Nutrients in the region under the investigatorship of Dr. Sweeta Manhas and mentorship of Dr. Vikas Sharma, Prof and Head, Soil Science.

The programme was supported by resource persons from Division of Soil Science and Organic Farming Research Centre.

Dr. Vikas Sharma, Prof and Head, Soil Science and Incharge, OFRC made the farmers aware regarding the ill effects of conventional fertilizers on soil health and sustainability of production systems. Dr. Narinder Panotra spoke in detail about the ways in which organic sources of nutrients can be prepared such as compost, vermicompost and other bioformulations on the farm itself. Dr. Sweeta Manhas spoke about how biofertilizers are beneficial for agriculture and how they can be applied and used for increasing productivity without spoiling the health of the soils. The programme ended with thanks to Dr. Vinod Gupta, KVK Incharge, Samba and Sh. Jai Krishan, MSP for their support in organizing and conducting the programme.

## STIC Infotec organises workshop on hazardous cleaning

### STATE TIMES NEWS

UDHAMPUR: STIC INFOTECH conducted a workshop on hazardous cleaning of sewers and septic tank in association with PIA FFSC Skill Council sponsored by National SafaiKarmcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC), Department of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, at Municipal Council Udhampur District Udhampur. In meeting, all the senior officer of municipal council, Engineers of MC, Panchayat Representatives, Sanitation workers and SafaiKarmcharis took active participation. This meeting spread an awareness on the safety measure, equipment and precautions to be observed for cleaning of Sewer and Septic Tank. The meeting concluded with special thanks to Amit Chaudhary CEO of Udhampur Municipal Council and all the supporting officer. Resource person Aradar Kakapuri & Kirti Singh Jamwal Team gave presentation.

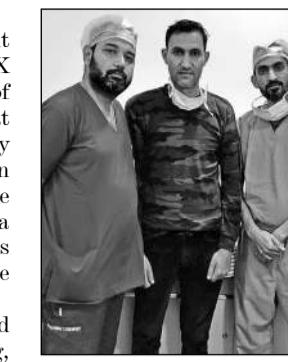
## Narayana Hospital performs minimally invasive lung surgery

### STATE TIMES NEWS

KATRA: 30-year-old adult had undergone a routine X RAY of chest as a part of Physical check-up, needed at the time of recruitment by the employer at a Clinic in Jammu. However, a routine check quickly turned into a state of concern as his reports revealed severe health problems.

X-Ray showed coin shaped shadow in the left lung, which upon CT SCAN revealed suspicion for Malignancy. The next step in the evaluation of such lesion is a CT guided Biopsy. However, the radiologists expressed concerns and risks in doing the biopsy as the lesion was small and close to a blood vessel - which could cause a life-threatening bleed if ruptured.

The consulting physician in Jammu had offered the patient with 2 choices: either follow up, during which if it was a malignancy it could spread or start Anti tuberculosis treatment which was



the other differential diagnosis. It was at this time the patient decided to take a second opinion at SMVDNSH Kakryal, where he consulted Dr. Abhinav Choudhary, (Consultant - Surgical Oncology). After reviewing the case Dr. Abhinav decided that the best option for the patient was to remove the lesion entirely through minimally invasive technique or VATS (Video Assisted Thoroscopic Surgery).

VATS surgery was performed and the patient recovered smoothly within 2 days and was discharged.

## BGSBU celebrates World Water Day

### STATE TIMES NEWS

RAJOURI: Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University Rajouri celebrated world Water Day on Tuesday. Prof. Akbar Masood, Vice Chancellor of the University in his message said that the main focus of World Water Day is to enable the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 6 which is water and sanitation for all by 2030 and since groundwater is the largest source of fresh and usable water in the world, therefore, it must be managed and valued. Prof. Akbar mentioned that exploring, protecting and sustainably using groundwater will be central to surviving and adapting to climate change and meeting the needs of a growing population.

On the occasion a symposium on the theme Saving water for sustainable tourism was organised by Centre for Hospitality and Tourism. Dr. Danish Iqbal Raina Deputy Director Centre for Hospitality and Tourism deliberated upon the theme of the symposium and highlighted the importance of water conservation for sustainable tourism development. Faculty members



and students of the centre participated in the symposium and put forward their views.

On the occasion, a special online lecture was organised by the Environment Sciences. Professor Lalit M. Tewari, Department of Botany, Kumaon University, Nainital, Uttarakhand was organized to celebrate the event. Professor Tewari, said that this years theme of water day draws attention to the hidden water resource that have always been critically important but not fully recognized in sustainable development policy making.

Prof. Lalit further added that Groundwater is 99 percent of all liquid fresh water; has the potential to provide societies with tremendous social, economic and environmental benefits and opportunities which could be achieved by the strong and concerted action to manage and use it sustainably. Dr. A. A. Shah, Associate Dean, School of Biosciences and Biotechnology while giving opening remarks said that the exploring, protecting and sustainably using groundwater will be central to surviving and adapting to climate change and meeting the needs of a growing population.

Dr. Shreekar Pant, Coordinator Centre for Biodiversity Studies, BGSBU welcomed all the guests and conducted the proceeding of the program. Dr. Mamta Bhat Assistant Professor, Environmental Sciences presented a formal vote of thanks.

## Senior Citizens Welfare Forum Katra holds monthly meeting

### STATE TIMES NEWS

KATRA: Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University in collaboration with Archaeological Survey of India celebrated World Water Day at the historic Chenab River Front Akhnoor. Held under the aegis of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, the event was aimed at celebrating the natural resource - water, and inspiring actions towards sustainable future. It witnessed an enthusiastic gathering of students, historians, administrators, and academics.



Faculty along with students during the programme at Akhnoor.

temple, Baba Sunder Singh Gurudwara, Pandav Gufa, Kameshwar Temple, Raja Virat Ka Kila and the spot where Maharaja Gulab Singh was appointed as the King of Jammu at Jia Pota on the banks of the mighty Chenab. 2022 is the two hundredth anniversary of the epoch making event.

The participants were provided a detailed insight about

the Vedic River Asikini, now known as Chenab, that holds centrestage in fostering the prosperity of civilisations transcending from ancient history to the present. Dr. Izhar Alam Hashmi, Superintendent Archaeologist ASI, Jai Karan Singh and other experts from ASI, J&K Circle, briefed everyone about the historical, architectural and cultural aspects of prominent sites such as Akhnoor Fort and Harappan Site that are being maintained by ASI.

"Ambaran is a major Buddhist site in North India," Dr Hashmi asserted.

VC SMVDU appreciated the initiative undertaken by the University. He highlighted the importance of ground water recharging, preservation of wetlands for the survival of the rivers. "Depletion of ground

water in North India for irrigation is alarming and will have negative impact on drinking water availability," he said.

Nagendra Singh Jamwal, Registrar, SMVDU, threw light on how the water bodies are held sacred and respected in Dogra culture and Jammu region. OP Sharma, environmentalist, Sharda Potukuchi, Dean Academics, Mohan Singh, journalist and heritage expert, Rakesh Thussu, President Board of Cultural Studies, KK Sharma, Ex-Director Floriculture, Dr Indu Bhushan also spoke on the occasion.

Students from School of Biotechnology, SMVDU, performed cultural items on the occasion.

Later, the participants were served authentic dishes from Dogra cuisine in leaf plates (Pattal) and cups (Doona).

## Nowshera Forest Division provides handicrafts training to 35 women

### STATE TIMES NEWS

NOWSHERA: In succession to generate livelihood opportunities for local people living in periphery of forest Nowshera Forest Range of Nowshera Forest Division started five days training programme for preparation of handicrafts with chir needles in which 35 girls and ladies participated.

The training programme was started by Divisional Forest Officer, Nowshera Neelima Shah by putting light on use of chir needles for making handicrafts and creating livelihood opportunities for ladies and girls in addition to their routine work. Sarpanch Sangup Narian, Jagmohan



Training being imparted to women at Nowshera.

Nowshera Sudesh Kumar made all arrangements for this chir training programme. The whole programme was conducted under guidance of Conservator of Forests, West circle Rajouri Sh. Vivek Verma.

## JKSSB SI Exam: DDC Rajouri reviews arrangements

### STATE TIMES NEWS

RAJOURI: District Development Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal on Tuesday reviewed the arrangements for the upcoming JKSSB SI Exams here at a meeting held in the Conference Hall of the PWD Dak Bunglow.

The meeting was attended by ADC Rajouri, Sachin Dev Singh; Additional SP, Vivek Shekhar; ACR, Imran Rashid Kataria; Tehsildar Rajouri, Mehmood Khan; ARTO, Shami

Kumar; DIO Narinder Kumar and other concerned officers attended the meeting.

Threadbare discussions were held on various issues regarding the examinations including accommodation facilities, provision of vehicles, manpower for the receipt, dispatch of examination material, security in and around strong room and examination centres, besides other related issues.

At the outset, the meeting was informed that the examination would be

held on March 27, 2022 at 18 examination centers across the district. It was also informed that superintendents, Deputy Superintendents and supervisors would be engaged for the purpose.

The meeting was also apprised that mobile phones, digital watches and other electronic devices would not be allowed inside the exam centre. The candidates would be allowed to carry ball-pens (blue/black), admit card and identity proof inside the exam hall.

Addressing the officers in the meeting,

the DDC directed the concerned officers to work in close coordination and synergy for the smooth conduct of the examinations. The Heads of the Institutions were asked to ensure proper lighting and drinking water facilities in the examination centres.

The DDC also asked the concerned officers to ensure that all arrangements are put in place well in advance and execute the plan as per given directions for the smooth, fair and successful conduct of the examination.

## BS&G, AIF launch cleanliness drive



Volunteers carrying out cleanliness drive.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
UDHAMPUR: Jammu & Kashmir Bharat Scouts and Guides Association unit Udhampur (JKBS&GA) in collaboration with Aware India Foundation (AIF) launched cleanliness and water conservation drive in Udhampur on Tuesday. Volunteers of Bhartiya Vidya Mandir School under the aegis

sacred Devika. Drive was launched under the supervision of Ashok Kumar vice President BS&G. While briefing the participants he said such activities shall continue with the initiative and active participation Scouts Guides of the Govt. and Private Schools and Rovers Rangers of various Colleges who have been recently admitted during investiture ceremonies. On this occasion Dr. Yogeshwar Gupta president Municipal Council Udhampur accompanied by CEO Municipality, Councilor Anil Arora councilor and staff members of MCU actively participated. Vimal Sharma District President Aware India foundation and Sr. members BS&G participated in drive.

## GDC Jindrah organises Swachhta Abhiyan to mark 'World Water Day'

### STATE TIMES NEWS

JINDRAH: The NSS unit of Government Degree College (GDC) Jindrah organised Swachhta Abhiyan under #Clean India Campaign at Devak on the eve of World Water Day.

The Abhiyan was conduct-



Faculty along with NSS volunteers during the drive.

ed under the guidance of Prof. Rajshree Dhar, Principal, GDC, Jindrah. She applauded the efforts of the NSS volunteers. Dr. Sunil Sharma, Program officer, NSS Unit of GDC Jindrah supervised the whole Abhiyan and Dr. Seema, Librarian and member of NSS team compiled and reported the event.

The water bodies located in the area, near Devak were cleaned up by the volunteers. The locals were made aware of the importance of clean water and its effects on health. They were also persuaded to maintain the sanctity of water-bodies for future generations.

## OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER GENERATION DIVISION POWER HOUSE BHEP-I CHANDRKOTE



No: GD/BHEP-I/T/417-23

Dated: 19/03/2022

### Extension-II

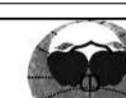
Due to poor response the e-Nit no. 21/BHEP-I of 2021-22, dated 15/02/2022 i.e Annual Maintenance Routine Maintenance and operational support of Electro Mechanical Equipments installed at 450 MW (3x150) BHEP Stage-I for TWO years. Published by this office is hereby Extended till 25th of March 2022.

Last date for submission of Bid	25/03/2022 upto 16:00 hrs
Date of opening of Bid	26/03/2022 at 14:00 hrs. or on any other convenient date

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No: 77 of 2021  
Dt: 17-03-2022

### Subject: Cancellation Corrigendum to Notice 77 of 2021, Dated: 16-10-2021.

Due to Administrative Reasons, the "Tender" for "Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Food Testing Lab Equipments at three Common Incubation Centers (CICs) viz Doabgah - Sopore, Achabal - Anantnag & Narwali - Jammu, as per the Technical Specifications", is hereby cancelled.

A fresh NIT shall be issued soon in this regard.

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