5G Jio service launched in Rajouri



DC Vikas Kundal launching 5G Jio network service in Rajouri.

Deputy Commissioner, Vikas Kundal

launched the 5G Jio network service in the district on

Deputy Commissioner said that the service marks an important milestone in the district's progress and is expected to bring about a significant transformation in its economy. Steps have been taken to ensure that all citizens can make use of this service, including providing free SIM cards for all residents, he said.

The inaugural event was attended by Tehsildar Rajouri Varinder Sharma and representatives from Jio.

3-day training programme on early detection of drug abuse & post-detection management held Choudhary appreciated the BHADARWAH: efforts of social welfare

Welfare Department organized a three days training programme on Early Detection of Drug Abuse and Post Detection management for volunteers of youth clubs at Bhadarwah on it's 2nd day under Nasha Mukt Bharat campaign.

The programme was held at Community Hall Kotli Bhadarwah, where ADC Bhadarwah $_{\rm Dil}$



A resource person speaking during the event.

Choudhary was the chief guest, while DSWO Doda Tariq Qazi was the guest of honour. The event was presided over by TSWO Bhadarwah Subash Kotwal and Educationist Arif Rana conducted proceedings of

the event. TSWO Bhadarwah Subash Kotwal presented a welcome address and high-

lighted different issues associated with drug Abuse. During the session, ADC

department for taking concrete steps to aware young generation about the ill effects of drug abuse and post deduction management. DSWO Doda Tariq Qazi spoke on early identification, treatment, rehabilitation, after-care and social reintegration techniques

Resource Advocate Mohd Majid Malik, Miss Rudhrashri and Miss Navidita also briefed the ill effect of drugs and said the students

and other different issues

associated with drug Abuse.

abuse and become a brand ambassador to spread awareness in the society regarding war against Narco terrorism.

Students of different government and private schools also spoke on the topic. The training programme was attended by Principal Islamia High School Zubair Sudesh Manhas Principal Atkhar Public School Principal Saraswati School, Principal BVM Manjeet Kumar and students of different education institu-

DvSP headquarter Reasi

Neeraj Padyar also briefed the

students about ill effects of

using narcotics substance and

also share anti drug campaign

details/step taken by Reasi police to curb the drug men-

Noni village witnesses music & dance programme by JKAACL

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KATHUA: Yet another vibrant Music and Dance programme was organised by the Sub Office Kathua of J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages here today at Village Noni of Tehsil Dinga Amb of Kathua district in which over 100 seasonal artists gave their mesmerising performance in front of august gathering. The programme was conducted under the direction of Secretary J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages Bharat Singh. Kewal Singh Sarpanch of Noni village was the chief guest on the occasion whereas Darshan Kumar was the guest of

While addressing the gathering Kewal Singh Sarpanch of Noni village shared the uniqueness of today's event was aimed at giving a new flip and ease of life to every music and dance form. He Ahad Khan and Party



lated the artists for giving out of the world performance in his Panchavat. The programme was started with a mesmerising performance of Hern Dance by Laxman Sarmal and Party who received repeated applause from the audi-

ences. This was followed by

the presentations by Ifra

(Rouf) of Srinagar, Folk Dhamali Drama Theatre, Kulgam, Qazi Kashmir Theatre Group of Kupwara, Bedar Bakhat and Party of Nowshera , , Mukhtiyar Singh and Party of Sujandhar, Hilal Farooq and Party, Rahul Kumar and Party, Delsher Singh and Party, Chajju Singh Katal and Party who presented music and dance performances in front of august gathering. Nukkad

Environmental Education and Modern Art on the theme of drugs was also presented in which the nukkad has tried to make a strong appeal to save mankind from this uncontrolled drag-

Earlier while addressing the audiences, Sanjeev Gupta SOCA, JKAACL Sub-Office, Kathua shared that J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages is always ready to give a chance to every artist. Since the last couple of days we have already given chances to many local artists to showcase their talent which we will do in the near future too. In the near future we will come up with new events in the unexplored areas of Samba and Kathua District.

The programme was ably conducted by Randhir Singh Kattal and coordinated by Shoket Naseem.

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KATRA: A Nukkad Natak on drug abuse performed at fountain Chowk Katra by the Artist from Udhampur on the theme "Drugs Abuse and Awareness" at Katra ,Reasi under Civic Action Programme of Jammu and Kashmir Police.

The programme was inaugurated by SP Katra Amit Basin in presence of SDPO Katra and SHO Katra. People from all walks of life witnessed the performance by artists on different plays to aware people about ill effects of drugs and how to stay away from it. Artists were facilitated by the District Police officers after culmination of the event.

In another programme under



Reasi Police organises Nukkad Natak &

debate competition on drug abuse

Artists performing during the Nukkad Natak.

civic action programme, a Debate competition held at KV Jvotipuram in which 12 students participated, who speak on different side effect of using Narcotics and psychotropic substance and how to stay away from it. In debate competition Gauri Jamwal stood first, Divya stood second and Ridhima bahubal stood third who are facilitated by DySP HQ Reasi and SHO Reasi. The debate competition was witnessed by the students and $staff of \, KV \, school \, Jyotipuram.$

Compensation under the

RR plan has been revisit-

ed according to new

guidelines and will soon

be sanctioned to genuine

Affected Families after

approval by the UT level

Committee. Local employment will be done through

a transparent mechanism

devised by ALC in coordi-

Division

nation with

authorities.

On the occasion SSP Reasi Amit Gupta said that Reasi police is committed to provide platform to the youth of district Reasi for excellence in every field, whether in sports or Education. He further added that Reasi police is working on multi pronged strategy against the drug menace and taking every step possible to weed out this evil from the society which is harming

our younger generation.

Joint area combing cum domination exercise undertaken in Rajouri



DIG Rajouri-Poonch Range Dr. Haseeb Mughal along with other officers during the domination exercise.

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RAJOURI: In order to restore confidence in the general public, a joint area combing cum domination exercise was carried out in the area of Mughlan Behrote Gali in Rajouri.

A joint domination patrol and drone surveillance of the area was carried out under the command of DIG Rajouri-Poonch Range Dr. Haseeb Mughal, DvSP PC Shivender Singh Jamwal, Army 48RR Manjakote. The Rajouri

Police SDPO Manjakote Zaffer Igbal, AC Amit Kumar of Manjakote. CRPF, CAPT Parmodh Joshi

actively participated in the The forces which took part were of SOG Rajouri, Police Station Manjakot, Border Police Post Ghambir Mughlan, CRPF 72 BN.

of 48 RR, SHO Manjakote

Inspr. Zaffer Amin and I/C

BPP Post Ghambir Mughlan

SI Mohd Afzal Khan also

ried out in the area BPP Ghambir Mughlan and Behrote Gali. The domination of the area and patrol started at about 1130 hours and culminated at about 1500 hours

A general coordination security meeting of Security forces and interaction with Jawans was also chaired by DIG RP Range at Border Post GhambirMughlan, Police Station

All the forces taking part in domination patrol showed proper discipline, coordination and synergy. The officers also interacted with the General Public during the domination drive of the area, who also appreciated the role of the Jammu and Kashmir Police and Security forces in maintaining peace and tranquility in border areas of

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KISHTWAR: Development Commissioner, Devansh Yadav presided over the Block Diwas proceedings at block headquarters Drabshalla. He listened to grievances from locals regarding the upgrading of infrastructure and public service delivery $_{\rm by}$ departments.

A delegation of locals led by PRIs informed Dr Devansh Yadav about their grievances related to infrastructure upgrading and public service delivery by various departments. They also highlighted the issue of prioritising local employment in the Rattle Hydroelectric Power Project.

Devansh Yadav assured locals that their genuine demands and addressed in a timely within one month



DDC Dr Devansh Yadav interacting with locals.

manner. Many issues were resolved on the spot with the help of concerned officers present at a recent event. Necessary directions were also forwarded to relevant officers for immediate redressal.

In response to concerns about dust and noise pollution caused by power project activities, ALC Kishtwar was directed to ensure that the Divisional Pollution Control Board Report is implemented

Dr Yadav also addressed the issue of left-out Project Affected Families in the Rehabilitation and Resettlement (RR) Plan and delays in compensation disbursement for some PAFs of Rattle Hydroelectric Projects. He informed locals that genuine leftout PAFs would be covered under the RR plan and necessary directions have been given to ALC Kishtwar and Tehsildar

Dr Devansh Yadav and Executive Engineer of Kishtwar inspected the ongoing Kandni-Ohli road under PMGSY Part II. He directed executing agencies to complete the road within a specific time frame by mobilising Powermen and machinery.

He visited the project site and interacted with Labour Union members and Principal Employers, listening to their grievances and assuring them that their issues would be ticipated.

resolved amicably with coordination Principal Employers. He urged all parties to

foster a positive and friendly working environment at the work site so that progress on the project is not affected and it can be completed within a specific time frame.

The event was attended by DDC members Ashok Kumar and Hans Raj, Additional Commissioner, Kishori Lal Sharma; ACD, Atul Dutt Sharma; Assistant Labour Commissioner, Idrees Ahmed Lone; Tehsildar, Irshad Ahmed Butt andBlock Development Officer, Tariq Sayeed Suharwardy. Executive Engineer of PMGSY. Mohinder Kumar and other concerned officers. as well as locals and PRI representatives also

New Committee of All J&K Labana Samaj Sudhar Sabha takes over charge

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R S PURA: New Committee of All J&K Labana Samaj Sudhar Sabha (Regd.), & Member DGPC Jammu has Wednesday.

In this regard a press conference was held by Executive Body of All J&K Labana Samaj Sudhar Sabha (Regd.), at R. S. Pura (Jammu), which was attended by all the members of General Body comprising and more than 500 members of all the villages/ localities

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RAMBAN: On World Water

Day, the District Project

Management Unit Ramban

of Jal Jeevan Mission organ-

ised a function to promote

The event was presided

over by Additional Deputy

Commissioner, Harbans Lal,

Member, Renuka Katoch.

Sarpanches, other PRI

members, students and the

President

Committee,

Sumberia

Municipal

water conservation efforts.

being inhabited by the Labana Sikh Community of UT of J&K alongwith the reputed personalities of the Community including Religious & Social Scholars Activists, Educationists, Businessmen and the retired

In the press conference, Balwinder Singh, President of the Sabha & the Member DGPC Jammu , announced that the new Committee of the Sabha has taken over the full charge of All J&K Labana Samaj Sudhar Sabha from the

outgoing Committee and the outgoing Committee headed by Jagjit Singh , Ex-President, has handed over all the records and documents pertaining to the property & belongings to the new Committee.

All the members present resolved to work unitedly for the betterment and upliftment of the Community in the field of Religious, Social, Educational, Economics and Political Those who were present in

the Press conference included

Balwinder Singh, Jagjit Singh, Paramjit Singh, Mohinder Singh Akhnoor, Gurjit Singh, Surat Singh Toofani, Sukhjeet Singh, Capt Kewal Singh, Harpal Singh, Ujagar Singh, Satwant Singh, Kuldeep Singh Ex-DGPC, Saryan Singh, Bachan Singh, Mohinder Singh Baba, Ranjit Singh, Kulwinder Singh, Baldev Girdhara Singh, Singh Lamberdar, Puran Singh Kathua, Piyara Singh, Rajinder Singh, Sukhwinder Singh Badila, Joginder Singh World Water Day observed at Ramban

Pindi Sarochan, Nirmal Singh Sarochan, Sulakhan Singh. Tarsem Singh. Dalvinder Singh, Mastan Singh, Ajit Singh, Kulwant Singh, Gurjit Singh Samba, Kulbir Singh, Nirmal Singh, Capt. Hazara Singh, Capt. Prem Singh and the other members of the committee.

All the members of this newly elected/selected Committee resolved to work unitedly for the betterment of the Labana Sikh Community of UT of by bringing the Community at one single platform under the full control & guidance of Sri Guru Granth

KVK Poonch organises Kisan Mela on natural farming

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Ramandeep Kour.

POONCH: Krishi Vigyan Kendra Poonch working under the aegis of Directorate of Extension, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technologies Jammu today organized a Kisan Mela at village Khanetar, Poonch to create the mass awareness regarding Natural farming. Speaking on the occasion, Dr Ajay Gupta Sr. Scientist & Head, KVK Poonch gave detailed information on different components of Natural Farming like Jeevamrit, Beejamrit, Mulching and Whapsa and impressed upon farmers to advance on the principles and practices of Natural Farming for the sustainability of agriculture and betterment of ecosystem in the long run. He also discussed the various central schemes implemented for the welfare of farming community including PM kisan Man Dhan Yojana, PM Fasal Bima Yojana, PMKSY, KCCs and soil health cards. Dr. Mushtaq Guroo, KVK Poonch said that the main purpose of this Mela is to create the awareness among the farming community regarding the ill effects of chemical farming that have taken place over the years. The indiscriminate use of chemical fertilizers in last 3-4 decades has led to the soil degradation, eutrophication of land and water bodies and loss of biodiversity besides adverse effects on human heath, he said. To arrest the ill effects of chemical fertilizers, Natural farming is a viable potion, he explained. The Mela was attended by Sarpanches and other prominent personalities of the area including Sh Muzaffar Hussain, Sh Mohd Sadiq, Sh Mohd Yasin, Sarfaraz Chouhan and Mohd Azad (social worker) The participating farmers thanked the KVK Poonch for motivating and inspiring them regarding the Natural Farming and assured that they will implement the principles of Natural Farming in their farm lands for restoring the soil fertility and minimizing the harmful effects of chemical fertilizers. The programme was attended by more than 200 farmers and farm women from the village and adjoining areas. The Mela ended with vote of thanks proposed by Dr.

World Water Day observed at GDC Kishtwar



A participant being given memento.

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KISHTWAR: Eco Club of Government Degree College Kishtwar collaborated with District Jal Jeevan Mission to organise a symposium on World Water Day at GDC Kishtwar.

Principal GDC Kishtwar, Dr Jyoti Parihar was the chief guest on the occasion, while Chief Education Officer. Sudershan Kumar was the guest of honour. AE Jal Shakti Department, Dewan Chand was special guest whereas District Coordinator IEC, JJM Kishtwar, Riaz Ahmad Butt was the resource person.

Nearly 100 students participated in the event, and many spoke on topics concerning water conservation, sanitation and general wellness.

Dr Jvoti Parihar emphasised the role of individuals in saving water and highlighted the unprecedented water crisis faced by the world. She stressed that on World Water Day it is essential to reflect on the state of the world's water resources and take action to ensure a sustainable future for all. She appreciated the efforts of the Eco-club and District JJM Kishtwar in organising

the event and praised participants for their speeches.

CEO Sudershan Kumar addressed the gathering and raised awareness about the importance of freshwater and the need for sustainable management. He urged participants to recognise that water is an essential resource for all living organisms and its availability is critical for human wellbeing, economic development

and the environment. The programme was led by Dr Sehrish Gazal who highlighted the importance of natural water bodies and the ecosystem services they provide. She emphasised the need for student participation in raising awareness about the benefits of natural water bodies and measures for their conservation, protection and sus-

Mohammad Khalid Saifullah delivered a lecture through a PowerPoint presentation on the topic and urged participants to save water for future generations.

The vote of thanks was presented by Prof Sarita who thanked the participants and other stakeholders including JJM Kishtwar.

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ADC Harbans Lal and others during the programme.

general public were in atten-

Harbans Lal emphasised the importance of achieving the goal of providing tap water to all households within the projected timeline. He instructed officers to increase their efforts to

achieve this target. Sunita Sumberia urged participants to take a pledge to conserve, preserve and save water. She stressed that it is everyone's responsibility to save water for themselves and their society.

Engineer, Sudheer Kumar encouraged stakeholders to make the 'Catch the Rain' mission successful by restoring rainwater harvesting campaigns and conserving other water resources for future generations.

Sudheer Kumar also informed attendees that the department has organised various informative programmes to spread awareness about the Jal Jeevan Mission. A total of 88 schemes will provide 33,800 households with tap connec-

tions across the district. The District Coordinator of National Education Society and Social Welfare (NESS-WO) Organisation, an implementation support agency for JJM, briefed participants on the achievements of the mission in the district. AEEs and JEs of Jal Shakti, as well as other officials and citizens, were present.

The department organised a painting and debate competition for students. Water samples were tested during the event and certificates and prizes were distributed to student participants