

Mission Director reviews implementation of NHM in Kathua



Mission Director J&K NHM Ayushi Sudan chairing a meeting.

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KATHUA: Mission Director J&K National Health Mission, Ayushi Sudan on Friday visited Kathua and convened review meeting with Chief Medical Officer, all BMOs, DPMU and BPMU officials regarding the physical and financial status of various schemes of NHM being implemented in the district including infrastructure development.

She took stock of all health indicators and directed the CMO, BMOs

and management staff to ensure enhanced coordination at all levels for effective implementation of NHM in the district. She asked for conducting regular field visits for better implementation of health-care schemes.

MD also participated in celebration of World TB Day at GMC Kathua and distributed mementos and the participants. She also congratulated the District TB Team for getting bronze medal under NTEP.

Later, MD had an inspection

tour of various ongoing works at Associated Hospital GMC Kathua including status of Cancer Institute. She directed the concerned for ensuring timely completion of all ongoing works.

The visit concluded with a brief meeting with Deputy Commissioner Kathua, Rahul Pandey, regarding the Mission implementation in the district.

Principal GMC Kathua Dr. Surinder Atri, CMO Dr. Rakesh Magotra, State Nodal officer NQAS, State Cancer Institute and DNB Programme, Dr. Jatinder Mehta, Dr. Sangita Ajrawat, Medical Superintendent AH GMC Kathua, Programme Manager Dr. Parvesh Chalotra and other officers from State Health Society were present.

CMO Samba conducts awareness programme for TB-free Samba



A TB patient being given medicines.

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SAMBA: An awareness event was held at District Hospital Samba to mark World TB Day. Chief Medical Officer, Dr Vidhi Bhatial emphasised the importance of screening and sampling all suspected cases to make District Samba TB-free. Medical Superintendent Dr Mohinder praised the efforts of medical staff for their prompt tracking and treatment of TB patients in the district. DHO, Dr Anuja provided information about the role and

responsibilities of Nikshay Mitras. Nodal Officer Dr Sandeep Rangroo also urged those present to raise awareness about TB in their homes and neighbourhoods. Additionally, 10 TB patients were given Nikshay Poshan, which includes millets, cereals, oil, multivitamins and milk by Nikshay Mitras. The Nikshay Mitras attending the event included DIO, Dr Anju, Dr Sandeep, Dr Chander Reshmi and others.

World TB Day: DC Rajouri calls for united fight; pledges to make all Panchayats TB-free by 2025

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RAJOURI: World Tuberculosis Day was observed at the office of Chief Medical Officer . Deputy Commissioner Vikas Kundal was the chief guest on the event organised to generate awareness about tuberculosis and its impact on the community.

Chief Medical Officer Rajouri spoke about the global fight against the disease and the importance of diagnosing and treating it early. He also highlighted the need for better access to health care and improved hygiene practices and emphasised the importance of preventive efforts.

The importance of continued collaboration among stakeholders to eliminate TB was stressed. Increased public awareness about this infectious disease and its preventative measures was advocated



DC Rajouri Vikas Kundal flagging-off a rally.

to ensure that everyone had access to quality healthcare.

During the event, the Deputy Commissioner of Rajouri emphasised the importance of creating awareness about tuberculosis and urged everyone to play their part in eliminating TB by 2025. He stressed the need for increased efforts to identify and treat people with TB, particularly in vulnerable communities. He also highlighted the role of Nikshay Mitras, community volunteers who identify and refer people with TB for treatment.

The Deputy Commissioner

asked students present at the event to act as messengers in raising awareness against TB and encouraged them to spread the word about TB screening and treatment in their communities.

The event concluded with the start of an awareness rally of students who will walk through the busy market of Jawhar Nagar to raise awareness about Tuberculosis among commuters. CMO, Dr Rajinder Kumar; Dy CMO, Dr Manohar Rana; DTO, Dr Khalid Mansoor; District Information Officer; Narinder Kumar and other officers were present on the occasion.

CBC organises photo exhibition at GDC Reasi

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REASI: Deputy Commissioner, Babila Rakwal inaugurated a photo exhibition on Friday on Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, G20 Presidency and Mission LiFE: Conservation of Water at Government Degree College Reasi.

The 2-day long exhibition has been organised by Central Bureau of Communication (CBC), Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, Field Office, Udhampur showcasing the freedom struggle of India through a series of photo exhibits. The exhibition aims

to generate awareness among the masses regarding various initiatives and welfare programmes of the Government of India and is part of various outreach activities being organised by CBC in Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.

In her address, Deputy Commissioner Reasi appreciated the efforts of CBC in organising the exhibition and urged people to visit it. She also exhorted youth, especially students to visit for an insight into India's freedom struggle. Speaking about Mission LiFE, she said that welfare schemes move in mission mode so that people can get connected with them.



DC Reasi Babila Rakwal inaugurating photo exhibition.

Field Publicity Officer CMO Udhampur, Khurshed Yousuf gave a detailed overview of CBC's functioning and working in Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh. He also briefed the audience

about various outreach activities that will be organised during the event.

Kumar Gaurav from Agriculture, Ashish Sharma from Handloom and Sham Lal from Fisheries depart-

ments spoke about employment generation schemes of the government and encouraged everyone to take advantage of them.

Others present during the event included In charge Principal, Dr Samriti Agarwal, HoD Prof Anchal Sharma, officials from various departments, faculty members of GDC Reasi and students from various institutions.

During the day-long programme, an open quiz competition and cultural programmes were conducted. The programme was moderated by Prof Palvinder Kumari from GDC Reasi.

In run-up to the exhibition, CBC organised a pre-publicity programme at 126 Battalion CRPF Reasi to mobilise and raise awareness about the activities being organised by CBC during the photo exhibition. During the pre-event 2nd in Command, Tasleema Khan accompanied with Deputy Commandant, Balbir Singh and Assistant Commandant, N Sarvana presided over the function.

The exhibition is open to the public until 25th March 2023 during which people may visit it participate in an open quiz competition and enjoy cultural programmes.

GDC Neeli Nallah organises awareness rally on water conservation



Students and faculty during the programme.

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UDHAMPUR: NSS Unit of Government Degree College Neeli Nallah, Udhampur on Friday organised Poster Making and Slogan Writing Competition on "World Water Day" under the mission G20 Awareness on the theme "Accelerating the Climate Change to Solve the Water and Sanitation Crisis".

The competition was followed by an awareness rally

on Water Conservation which started from college premises and after passing through Village Neeli Nallah and finally culminated at the college premises.

About 100 students participated in the rally whereas 15 students participated in the poster making and slogan writing competition depicting their ideas on the theme through the medium of posters and slogans.

Simran Roy, student of Semester 4th scored first position while Roopali Rajput (Semester 4th) and Nittan Sharma (Semester 4th) occupied 2nd and 3rd position in poster making. In slogan writing, Neha Sharma (Semester 4th), Suruchi Raina (Semester 6th) and Riya Khajuria (Semester 6th) secured 1st, 2nd and 3rd position respectively.

While speaking on the occasion, Principal of the college, Prof Hans Raj, talked about the importance of water resources and immense values associated with them. He motivated the students to come forward to aware the society to adopt optimum measures for water conservation. He also lauded the efforts of committee members for organising such programs.

The whole event was co-ordinated by Dr Radha Rani, NSS PO Unit. Prof Swati Dutt, Prof Shaista Yasmeen and Manisha Kanchnu were the members of the organising committee.

Among others, Dr Imtiaz Bhatti, Dr Ranjeeta Langeh, Shalлу Jamoria, Dr Parul Chhibber and Pratibha Heer.

DC Kathua reviews progress of various projects under power sector

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KATHUA: Deputy Commissioner, Rahul Pandey convened a meeting at the DC Office Complex to review the progress of ongoing works in the power sector for the current fiscal year.

Superintendent Engineer, JPDCL updated him on the physical and financial progress achieved under different schemes for the district. The DC reviewed the progress of PDD sector schemes under District CAPEX, languishing, DDC, BDC and PRI grants. He directed officials to clear financial liabilities and accelerate execution to ensure timely completion of all works before March 2023.

The meeting was attended by Xen, ABEs and other concerned officers.

GDCW Kathua organises awareness programme on Solid Waste Management

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KATHUA: The Eco Club and Environmental Science Department of Govt. Degree College for Women, Kathua organised an awareness program on "Solid Waste Management" in collaboration with District Legal Services Authority, Municipal Authorities, Local Bodies and District Pollution Control Board with great zeal and enthusiasm. The resource persons of the function were Anuradha Gupta (Scientist) Pollution Control Board Kathua and Rahul Sharma (Counsellor) Municipal Council Kathua.

They gave a brief lecture on collecting, treating and disposing of the solid material that is discarded, how to segregate and manage



A resource person expressing views during the programme.

household waste. Use of green and Blue bins for garbage disposal so as to keep our environment safe and clean for future generations. Dr. Depti Salotra presented the welcome address. Prof (Dr.) Savi Behl, Esteemed Principal of the college also laid stressed on the Reduce, Reuse and Recycle of the waste and keeping our sur-

roundings clean. The proceedings of the programme were conducted Dr Poonam Sambyal (Convener) Eco Club. Members of Legal Services Authority, Prof Pankaj Nandan, Dr Naresh Sharma, Prof Barun Kumar Bhatti, Dr Usha Kiran, Ms Radhika, Dr Zahoor and students were present on the occasion.

ITI Kishtwar concludes solar panel installation course for Marwah youth

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KISHTWAR: The six-day training programme on "Technician Solar Panel Installation and Battery Maintenance" concluded at ITI Kishtwar on Friday. The programme was conducted by District Skill Committee Kishtwar under the supervision of District Development Commissioner, Dr Devansh Yadav and Mission Youth. 19 youths from Marwah tehsil were trained in the installation and maintenance of solar panels and batteries. During the course of the training programme, interactive sessions with resourceful persons were conducted to address various issues related to solar panel systems. The trainees were also provided with study material for follow-up at their respective places in case of any faults arising in solar panel systems. In the concluding session, Principal ITI Kishtwar, Mandeep Dogra hosted an interactive session for the trainees who underwent the training programme and received their experiences and feedback. The trainees praised the district administration and ITI management for equipping them with the necessary technical know-how of solar panel installation and battery maintenance. Principal ITI also informed them about various related diploma courses which can be very helpful for them to upgrade and enhance their skills.

Heavy rush in Mosques on first friday of Ramdhan across Chenab Valley



People offering prayers at a mosque in Bhadarwah.

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BHADARWAH: All the city and peripheral Jamia Masjid Masjids (mosques) of Chenab Valley were overflowing with Muslims assembled to offer Friday prayer in the afternoon on the eve of first Friday of the holy month of Ramzan.

Heads bowed in obeisance and palms cupped in supplication, they prayed to the Almighty for their welfare and for peace and social harmony.

At Bhadarwah, despite rain, devotees in hundreds

were seen offering Prayer in historical Jamia Masjid Bhadarwah, Sarafan Mohalla Jamia Masjid, Jamia Masjid Ghattha, Jamia Masjid Sadiqa Abad. People also offer first Friday Prayer of Holy month of Ramadan under open sky despite rainfall due to heavy rush.

In Ramban, devotees offered Prayers in historical Jamia Masjid Banihal, Dargah Peer Dastageer Sahib Krawa, Jamia Masjid Ramban, Jamia Masjid Gool, Jamia Masjid Batote and others on the eve of first Friday of Holy month of Ramadan.

People were offering 1st Friday Prayer, where proper arrangements were made by the respective Masjid Committees. It is notable that the holy month of Ramadan has started on Thursday in J&K and the ninth month of Islamic calendar will culminate in the festival of Eid-ul-fitr by April 20 or 21 depending on the sighting of the moon.

In this month long fasting or 'Roza', the Muslims offer special prayers to rededicate themselves to the Almighty. Those observing fast control themselves not only in eating and drinking but also from many desires.

Anjuman Islamia Bhadarwah president, Pervaiz Ahmed Sheikh said that we are very thankful to Almighty who forgave us and allowed us to offer Friday prayers in Jamia Masjids.

Jamal Din Dar, religious leader said that Ramadhan purifies one's soul and changes lifestyle. It makes a foundation of discipline and enthruses a sense of constructive thinking and working. Security was also beefed in view of 1st Friday Prayer of Holy month of Ramadan in and around all mosques across Chenab Valley.

Meanwhile other mosques in Doda, Kishtwar; Gandoh, Ramban, Gool, Banihal and other areas of Chenab Valley also witnessed heavy rush of devotees.

DDC Poonch reviews performance of district banks

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POONCH: District Development Commissioner, Inder Jeet chaired a meeting to review the performance of banks in achieving their annual credit targets for the October to December quarter.

Lead District Manager GDC Marheen organises awareness drive on HIV/AIDS

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MARHEEN: Red Ribbon Club of GDC Marheen organised two days Awareness drive on HIV/AIDS to educate the students in particular and masses in general about the causes, symptoms and remedies of the deadly disease. On the first day of the event students voluntarily took part in series activities poster making, Slogan Writings Painting and Essay writing on the topic "ILL effects of HIV/AIDS". The programme organized under the Patronship of college Principal Dr Anupama Gupta.

The winner and participants will be awarded with trophies and certificates, on culmination of programme which shall be held tomorrow Dr. Yash Paul Sharma convener Red Ribbon Club along with Pardeep, Prof. Deepak Gupta, Dr. Munisha Devi, Dr. Sonika Jasrotia, Dr. Rajni Sharma, Prof. Shobhana Sharma, supervised the different events organized in the campus.



DDC Poonch Inder Jeet chairing a meeting.

Ashutosh Raj Koul reported that banks have disbursed 77% of their annual target, with 40% achieved in the priority sector and 217% in the non-priority sector.

The total deposits and advances in the district showed a growth of 1.36% and 13.31% respectively compared to the previous year.

An amount of Rs. 70.39

Cr was disbursed among 3101 beneficiaries under various self-employment schemes, generating employment for 5752 people. The Chairman urged stakeholders to create an environment where youth can pursue self-employment and advised participants to guide unemployed youth towards prosperity and self-sufficiency through credit

CHC Katra conducts awareness programme on TB

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REASI: An umbrella programme was organised by Block Medical Officer Katra, Dr Gopal Dutt today to commemorate World Tuberculosis Day under the theme "Yes! We Can End TB".

An awareness rally was carried out by officials of Health Block Katra, including Asha workers and students of SMVD-CON, regarding prevention and treatment of tuberculosis. The rally went from CHC Katra to Fountain Chowk to edu-

cate the masses about TB and its effects.

The programme was held under the direction of Director Health Services Jammu Dr Saleem ur Rehman and supervision of Chief Medical Officer Reasi, Dr Ravinder Manhas.

At CHC Katra, Chest Physician SMVD-NH, Dr Shamem delivered an awareness lecture to patients, attendants and staff.

Consultant Physician, Dr Kavita Sharma; Consultant Paediatrician,

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