

Former Dy Mayor inaugurates development work in Gangyal

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JAMMU: Former Deputy Mayor of Jammu and senior BJP leader, Baldev Singh Billawaria on Friday inaugurated the lane and drain work at Ward 56 in Gangyal.

Addressing the gathering during the inauguration ceremony, Billawaria reassured the local residents that ongoing development works in the ward would be expedited and completed in a timely manner.

He emphasized that fulfilling this long-standing demand of the community was a priority, particularly highlighting the relief it



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would bring from water logging issues during the rainy season.

Billawaria underscored the BJP's commitment to providing essential services directly to the people,

emphasizing the party's focus on development over making empty promises.

He credited the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his administration for implementing a compre-

hensive strategy addressing various sectors such as healthcare, education, infrastructure, transportation, agriculture, and industrialization in Jammu and Kashmir.

The former Deputy Mayor also highlighted the significance of the abrogation of Article 370, stating that it had created new opportunities for economic prosperity and social progress in the region.

He attributed the favourable environment for the BJP nationally to the party's track record of fulfilling its promises under the leadership of Prime

Minister Modi.

Billawaria expressed confidence in the BJP's prospects in the upcoming elections, predicting that the party, led by PM Modi, would secure over 400 seats, indicating a strong mandate for the people.

The inauguration event was attended by several local BJP leaders and prominent figures from the area, including Ranjit Singh, Rakesh Sangral, Surjeet Kumar, Mamta Razdan, Rajinder Singh, Mulk Raj, Suresh Mishra, Surender Singh, Dr. Kuldeep Gupta, and Ajmer Chib.

Hyundai Creta N Line debuts at AM Hyundai Jammu unveiled



Transport Commissioner Jammu, Rajinder Singh Tara and other dignitaries launching Hyundai Creta N Line on Friday.

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JAMMU: The automotive landscape in the Jammu region witnessed a momentous occasion today as AM Hyundai Jammu, the esteemed Signature Club Dealership, proudly launched the highly anticipated Hyundai Creta N Line. The event was graced by esteemed guests, including Transport Commissioner Jammu, Rajinder Singh Tara, Joint Transport Commissioner, Vinay Samotra, and RTO Jammu, Pankaj Bhagotra. Additionally, the ceremony saw the esteemed presence of Chairman of AM Group, Jatinder Gupta, Managing Director, Sanjay Mahajan, and Directors, Ankur Mahajan and Akshay Mahajan.

HMLL Officials Ojas Kapoor (TSM), Vinod Kumar (RPSH) and Prabhakar Kumar (TPSM) were also present.

The Hyundai Creta N Line represents a bold leap forward in automotive design and performance, promising an exhilarating driving experience for enthusiasts across the region. With its striking aesthetics, dynamic capabili-

ties, and cutting-edge features, the Creta N Line sets a new standard for excellence in the SUV segment.

"We are delighted to unveil the Hyundai Creta N Line alongside our esteemed guests and distinguished members of the automotive community," said Jatinder Gupta, Chairman of AM Group. "As the only Signature Club Dealership in the Jammu region, AM Hyundai Jammu is committed to delivering unparalleled service and offering customers access to the latest innovations from Hyundai."

During the launch event, Rajinder Singh Tara, Transport Commissioner Jammu, expressed his enthusiasm for the arrival of the Hyundai Creta N Line, highlighting its potential to redefine the driving experience in the region. "The Hyundai Creta N Line represents a perfect blend of style, performance, and innovation," remarked Mr. Tara. "I commend AM Hyundai Jammu for bringing this exceptional vehicle to our market."

Vinay Samotra, Joint Transport Commissioner, echoed Tara's sentiments,

emphasizing the importance of introducing cutting-edge automotive technology to meet the evolving needs of customers.

"In today's rapidly changing automotive landscape, it is crucial to embrace innovation and offer customers vehicles that deliver both excitement and practicality," noted Samotra.

Pankaj Bhagotra, RTO Jammu, praised AM Hyundai Jammu for its commitment to excellence and customer satisfaction, stating, "AM Hyundai Jammu has consistently demonstrated its dedication to providing customers with top-quality vehicles and exceptional service. The launch of the Hyundai Creta N Line further solidifies their reputation as a leader in the automotive industry."

The Hyundai Creta N Line combines sporty design elements with powerful performance, offering customers a thrilling driving experience unlike any other. With its advanced technology features and robust safety systems, the Creta N Line is poised to become a favorite among drivers seeking excitement and reliability on the road.

District Level Seminar on Scope, Development, Promotion of Medicinal Plants held

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KISHTWAR: The AYUSH Department on Friday organised a District Level Seminar on 'Scope, Development and Promotion of Medicinal Plants as Alternative Source of Employment here in the Conference Hall of DC Office Complex.

On the Directions of the Directorate of Ayush UT of J&K, J&K Medicinal Plants Board, District Nodal Office Ayush Kishtwar organized the Seminar.

The seminar was attended by progressive farmers from across the District. The event was graced with the presence of Additional Deputy Commissioner Pawan Kotwal, as the Chief Guest.

District Treasury Officer,



District Treasury Officer, Mohd Yaseen Wani and others at a seminar.

Mohammad Yaseen Wani, Assistant Director, Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs (FCS&CA) Shafkat Lone, Chief Agriculture Officer, Anjad Hussain Malik & Divisional Forest Officer, Vijay Kumar were among the special guests.

Dr. Wahid ul Hassan Technical Officer, J&K Medicinal Plants Board was invited as Resource

Person. The seminar started with a bouquet presentation and followed by the welcome address and a brief outlay of Ayush Department by District Nodal Officer Ayush Dr Vikram Singh Jamwal.

The Chief Guest emphasised the importance of rallying farmers towards cultivating and promoting

alternative medicinal plants as a viable income source. He highlighted the potential of AYUSH as an alternative medicine system and urged stakeholders to seize entrepreneurial opportunities in the medicinal plant cultivation sector.

Chief Agriculture Officer and DFO praised the event and assured full cooperation of their Departments

in establishing Herbals Gardens and conserving Medicinal Plants.

The Resource Person gave the participants detailed information regarding Cultivation and Marketing of Medicinal Plants such as Ashwagandha, Kutki, Kuth, Pooshkarmool, etc as alternative sources of income for farmers.

A Progressive farmer, Jabir Singh while promoting the importance of Medicinal Plants stated that he has expanded the cultivation of some medicinal plants like Burberry in about 600 Kanals in three Districts -Kishtwar, Doda and Ramban. He urged the other farmers to start cultivation of Medicinal Plants. The vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Taraq Hussain.

JKDAU promotes J&K delicacy in Uganda



JKDAU members at a stall.

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JAMMU: 'Jito Uganda' organised the Master Chef 2024 & State Food Festival program in which Jammu Kashmir Dogra Association Uganda (JKDAU) participated with their food stall promoting J&K culture and food.

They introduced the J&K

delicacy, Rajma Chawal served on Patal and Kashmiri Kahwa.

The Bhaderwahi Rajma, Patal, Anardana & Kashmiri Kahwa were specially imported from J&K to give real taste of J&K to the public in Uganda.

The Indian High Commissioner, Uganda &

Master Chef Judge Aruna Vijay (celebrity chef from India) also visited the stall and tasted the J&K food.

It was most loved and admired by the dignitaries and common public.

"The whole food was sold out within first few hours of the event. We felt so motivated & pleased to see that our native food was whole heartedly admired by public in Uganda," Gaurav Gupta, chairman JKDAU said.

"On public demand and motivated by the success of the event, we have decided to again put our next food stall during the upcoming Holi festival celebrations in Uganda on 7th April, 2024," he added.

Police imparts awareness on new criminal laws



RS Pura and Akhnoor police officers during an awareness programmes.

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RS PURA/AKHNOOR: An awareness program regarding the new criminal laws was organised on Friday at Government Degree College, RS Pura, with collaboration of Principal, GDC RS Pura, Rajni Bhagat.

The students of various streams gathered and

patiently heard the changes that were made by the introduction of three new criminal laws. They were made aware on the topic by Nikhil Gogna, SDPO RS Pura, along with Insp Naveen Angral SHO PS RS Pura.

It is pertinent to mention that the three new laws have been enacted by the parlia-

ment, the students engaged in positive discussions regarding the impact these laws would create, in enhancing the robust mechanism of the criminal justice system in the country.

Meanwhile, an awareness-cum-interactive session regarding the newly amend-

ed criminal laws was organised at Government Ayurvedic College cum Hospital Akhnoor in collaboration with incharge Principal, Narinder Sharma.

The staffs, management & students of various streams gathered and patiently heard the changes that were made by

the introduction of three new criminal laws. Interactions was held regarding major changes in the laws and the new areas of focus & application of these laws. Participants were encouraged to act as mascots to ensure maximum reach of changes made. The session was presided by SDPO Akhnoor Mohan Sharma.

IHRSC skaters receive cash rewards from LG Sinha for stellar performances at National arena

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JAMMU: Indian Hawks Roller Skating Club (IHRSC) skaters have yet again made a mark by getting cash rewards for attaining distinction in roller skating at the national level.

Five skaters of IHRSC namely Kartikeya Puri, Samarjot Singh, Tamanna Saini, Udhay Narayan and Prageet Kour touched new heights of success after getting the honour of receiving the whopping cash rewards from none other than the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Manoj Sinha, after being hand-picked by the Sports Council of J&K for their astral performances at the national



IHRSC skaters who receive cash rewards from LG Manoj Sinha.

skating arena in individual categories.

In a prestigious ceremony marked by grandeur and reverence, the distinguished LG Manoj Sinha bestowed commendations upon these five exceptional skaters hailing from the illustrious Indian

Hawks Club. These talented individuals were lauded for their extraordinary achievements at the national level, where they showcased unparalleled prowess and dedication, bringing honour and glory to their club and the Union Territory of J&K.

LG Sinha in recognition of their stellar performances, awarded each skater with a generous cash prize, symbolizing not only the appreciation of their remarkable feats but also the encouragement to aspire for greater heights in their sporting endeavours.

The five achiever skaters, humbled and grateful for this distinguished honour, expressed their heartfelt gratitude to LG Sinha and reiterated their commitment to continue striving for excellence in their skating pursuits.

This felicitation served as a beacon of inspiration not only to the skaters themselves but also to the entire

community, underscoring the importance of hard work, perseverance, and passion in achieving one's dreams. It is a testament to the unwavering support and encouragement provided by the Union Territory towards nurturing sporting talent and promoting a culture of excellence in sports.

It is pertinent to mention that J&K Government under the dynamic leadership of LG Manoj Sinha has come up with several initiatives to provide incentives to the sports fraternity of the region including world class state-of-art infrastructure to help players to excel and set examples for players belonging to other states and UTs.

Police imparts awareness on drug abuse

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HIRANAGAR: Continue to drive against drug menace, a significant Campaign is being conducted by Range Police Hqrs. Jammu on Friday. This ambitious drug awareness campaign aimed at fostering a drug free community through a Nukad Natak (a team of Nav Durga Kala Manch) headed by Shazi Khan. The programme is conducted at Girdari Lal Dogra Memorial Degree College Hiranagar and Amar National Hr. Secondary School Marheen under Civic Action Programme under the Control & command of DIG Jammu-Samba- Kathua Range Dr. Sunil Gupta.

Programme started with the warm welcome of the Chief Guest SO to DIG Jammu Rajinder Singh Katoch, SSP and guest of honour Principal of the GLDM Degree College Hiranagar Dr. Pragya Khanna and Principal of Amar National Hr. Secondary School Marheen Tilak Raj, SDPO Border Dheraj Singh Katoch.

In the programme Chief Hiranagar Dr. Pragya Khanna and Principal of Amar National Hr. Secondary School Marheen Tilak Raj, SDPO Border Dheraj Singh Katoch, emphasized the relationship between data so collected under AISHE and development of Higher Education Sector.

In his speech, MD RUSA/SNO AISHE, Ashok Kumar emphasized on the relationship between AISHE data and distribution of funds in Central sector schemes of Higher Education. He also dwelt upon the acceptance of AISHE data on Global levels.

In her address, Prof Minnie



Police officers and other dignitaries at awareness programme.

Guest Rajinder Singh Katoch, SSP while addressing media said that students/youth are the future of the country, they should utilise their energy towards positive approach. He also said that drug is a poison which destroys once life and we should stay away from drugs and guide others to stay away from it and also guide about its bad effects in our life.

Both the Principals while interacting with students said that, these events will provide valuable information and resources to help individuals make informed decisions. Principals, Staff and students present in both the

Programs appreciated and thanked Jammu & Kashmir Police for organising such a knowledgeable/entertaining programme.

Team Nukad Natak awarded with Cash Prize from RPHQ Jammu for its outstanding performance related to drug abuse and its bad effects.

In the occasion Dy.SP RPHQ Jammu Jatinder Singh, SHO Hiranagar Arun Koul, IC PP Mahreen Ravinder Kumar and in Team CAP RPHQ, Jammu ASI Tarsem Lal, ASI Jasbir Singh, Sgct Sudesh Sharma and Surjeet Singh present on both the venues for smooth functioning of the events.

Samvedna Society organises free heart check up camp at FCS & CA Office

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JAMMU: Chairman Samvedna Society, Keshav Chopra on Friday organized 82nd free heart check-up camp at the Directorate of Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Office to provide healthcare services to both employees and locals.

The camp was inaugurated by Director FCS and CA Jammu, Rifat Kohli, and it witnessed the presence of other notable figures like Joint Director Ashok Kumar, Chief Accounts Officer Akhtar Hussain, and Deputy Director Supplies Jammu Yudhvir Padha, along with various other officers.

A medical team comprising experts, including a



Cardiologist from Medanta Hospital, Gurgaon, conducted a range of tests such as PFT (Pulmonary Function Test), ECG, Blood Sugar, Blood Pressure, among others. More than 87 individuals benefited from the expertise of these Cardiologists.

Rifat Kohli highlighted the importance of good health, emphasizing that it is the

foundation for delivering optimal service to the nation. She praised the initiative of Samvedna Society in providing quality healthcare services directly to the employees at their place of work.

Keshav assured continued efforts from himself and his team to conduct similar free medical camps in the future to ensure maximum outreach and benefit for the

community.

Several individuals including Dr. Shantanu Singla (Cardiologist), Sandeep Singh Jamwal (Assistant Manager Marketing), Manshu Skolia, Deepshi

Mahotra, Aanchal Jamwal, Muneet Kour, Riya Thapa, Pearl, Vikas Kumar Sushil Gupta, Manoj Tandon, Fiza Mandi, Sourav, and others were present during the occasion.

Mission Directorate RUSA organises training workshop for AISHE Nodal Officers

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JAMMU: Mission Directorate RUSA, J&K, the Nodal Agency for All India Survey in Higher Education (AISHE) in J&K, on Friday organized one day training workshop to train AISHE Nodal Officers from Stand alone institutions (Polytechnics, nursing/ Paramedical Diploma Institutions (Govt/Private) and DEITs regarding uploading of AISHE data on AISHE Portal.



In the inaugural session, State Coordinator AISHE, Dr Asif Iqbal

emphasised the relationship between data so collected under AISHE and development of Higher Education Sector.

In his speech, MD RUSA/SNO AISHE, Ashok Kumar emphasized on the relationship between AISHE data and distribution of funds in Central sector schemes of Higher Education. He also dwelt upon the acceptance of AISHE data on Global levels.

In her address, Prof Minnie

Sharma from Deptt of Higher education impressed upon institutions for filling of correct and in time data.

In the second session, Vishal Verma from TSG of state unit presented a detailed elaboration on practical filling of required data.

The queries session was coordinated by Dr Asif and Vishal Verma jointly.

The hands on training in second session were coordinated by Vishal Verma.