

Harbans Roshan Bhalla Educational Foundation gives 650 scholarships on 27th Annual Day

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JAMMU: Harbans Roshan Bhalla Educational Foundation gave 650 Scholarships on 27th Annual Day. The Guests of Honour Vinay Kochhar, Vijay Bhagotra and other dignitaries gave scholarship certificates and medals of merit to students. 80% of the students were girls from rural areas and financially weak sections of society. They encouraged and emphasized to the children & their parents to make the best use of the opportunity provided by the Foundation. The Guests & dignitaries interacted with children and their families to motivate & giving best wishes.

Educational support to children is provided by Harbans Roshan Bhalla Educational Foundation team by providing online tuition classes, evaluation tests and Counselling sessions. The Foundation also organizes free medical



Harbans Roshan Bhalla Educational Foundation members with students at 27th Annual Day function.

camps and provides treatment and medicines to children and their families with help from Bee Enn General Hospital (NABH). The Children and

their families travelled from distant villages like Hiranagar, Chak, Rattian, Dooni, Gajansoo, Arnia, R.S Pura, Birpur, Rehian, Jourian, Dansal,

Kangrail, Gurah Slathia, Ghou Manhasan, Saruinsar, etc. to participate in the function. A wide range of cultural activities like traditional dances, songs and poems were performed by children. The function was followed by "Preeti Bhoj," (Traditional Dogri Meal) which was thoroughly enjoyed by the gathering of more than 2500 including students, their families, teachers, donors and supporters, staff of Bee Enn General Hospital and Bee Enn College of Nursing.

The Managing Trustee, Kunil Bhalla dwelt on the activities of the Foundation and its history and future vision. The Managing Trustee informed that every year 100-150 new students are added to the list. He stressed that parents of bright and needy children who can't afford but want to pursue education should apply to HREF for scholarship.

NAUP for empowering women in politics

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JAMMU: The General Secretary of the National Awami United Party (NAUP), Shikha Bandal, hosted a press conference today, advocating for increased participation of women in politics.

Addressing the media, Bandal emphasized the necessity for women to step forward in the political arena, stating, "No one understands the needs and struggles of a woman better than another woman. It is imperative for women to take the lead for their advancement to be realized."

Bandal highlighted the shifting paradigm, stating, "Gone are the days when women were suppressed



NAUP General Secretary, Shikha Bandal talking to reporters.

and confined within four walls. Today, women are walking shoulder to shoulder, breaking barriers."

She further underscored the party's commitment to providing a platform for women where they can assert their political representation without the constraints of caste, creed, or religion.

"Women are integral to

shaping the future," Bandal asserted, urging women to join hands with the NAUP and illuminate their path towards a brighter future.

The NAUP remains steadfast in its dedication to promoting gender equality and empowering women to become catalysts for change in the political landscape.

NHM delegation calls on CS, Administrative Secretary Health J&K, advocates for their rights, issues

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JAMMU: A delegation representing National Health Mission (NHM) employees in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) convened at the Civil Secretariat in Jammu, advocating for their rights and pressing issues.

Led by Dr. Vikas Sharma, President of JKNHMEA Jammu Division, the delegation met with Chief Secretary Atal Dullo and Administrative Secretary of the Health & Medical Education Department, Dr. Syed Abid Rasheed Shah.

The delegation led by President JKNHMEA Jammu Division Dr Vikas Sharma along with Vice President Kashmir Division Altaf Ahmed Bhat, Ajay Sharma (General Sec

Jammu), Dr Ashish Khajuria (Treasurer), Javed Amin (President NHM Baramulla) and Shiv Sandeep Singh (Advisor Jammu Division).

Together, they discussed a range of concerns, including the regularization of employment, salary revisions, yearly increment hikes, and equal pay for equal work. The Chief Secretary and Health Secretary responded positively, assuring the delegation that their demands were being taken into consideration, with some already in progress. They pledged to address the issues promptly.

In a show of solidarity, the NHM Employees Association and the JK Medical Employees

Federation held a joint press conference to support the NHM employees' demands, promising to advocate for them tirelessly.

While addressing to the media, the JKMEF Jammu led by its President Sushil Sudan has accorded full support of his organization to NHM Employees and has assured that they will highlight and fight for the genuine concerns of NHM employees at every platform.

Dr. Vikas Sharma expressed gratitude to the officials for their patience and support, acknowledging the President of JKMEF Jammu, Sushil Sudan, for his organization's backing, which he believed would bolster the morale of NHM employees and guide their mission forward effectively.

Ramakrishna Mission Medical Centre organises Free Neurology Camp

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JAMMU: The Ramakrishna Mission Medical Centre in Udhewala, Jammu organized a one-day free neurology camp on Saturday. The camp featured Dr. Sushil Razdan, a highly renowned Neurologist from Jammu and Kashmir, Dr. Rajni Razdan, a Gynaecologist, and Dr. K.K Pandita, a Physician MD.

The health camp provided a comprehensive range of free medical services, including consultations with Neurologists, Orthopaedics, Gynaecologist, Dental Surgeons, ENT specialist, Ophthalmologist, Allopathy Physicians, Ayurveda Physician, and Physiotherapist. A total of 455 patients benefited from the expertise of 14 doctors at this camp.

In addition to the free con-



Ramakrishna Mission Medical Centre Jammu organizing one-members and doctors at free neurology camp.

sultations, the camp offered check-ups for blood sugar, HbA1c, and blood pressure at no cost. A Full Body Check-up covering 65 parameters, including CBC, LFT, KFT, Lipid profile, BSE, Urine tests, and thyroid function tests (T3, T4, TSH), was available for a nominal fee of Rs. 700, a substantial discount from the usual price of

Rs. 1400. The camp also facilitated 150 free blood sugar and HbA1c tests and distributed some medicines free of charge.

This camp was a part of Ramakrishna Mission Medical Centre's ongoing commitment to serving the community and providing accessible healthcare services to all.

Distinguished guests including Shri Suresh Kumar Gupta IFS, Principal Secretary, Culture and Tribal affairs, Shri Rajiv Khajuria, graced the event with their presence.

Suresh Kumar Gupta commended the Centre's efforts in alignment with Swami Vivekananda's vision and urged public support for such

humanitarian initiatives.

Dr. Sushil Razdan praised the Mission's commendable work and encouraged local citizens to make the most of these medical services.

Swami Yajnadharananda, Secretary of Ramakrishna Mission, Jammu, highlighted the organization's commitment to the ideals of Sri Ramakrishna Dev, Maa Sarada, and Swami Vivekananda, emphasizing service to humanity as a form of divine worship. He also announced plans to organize such free camps monthly.

For other information contact us on number 9596984032. Ramakrishna Mission, Jammu provides cultural, educational and medical services following the ideals of Sri Ramakrishna Dev, Maa Sarada and Swami Vivekananda.

KPS hails LG Sinha for offering financial assistance, support to youth from displaced/refugee communities

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JAMMU: The Kashmiri Pandit Sabha (KPS) Jammu has applauded the initiative of the Union Territory (UT) Government, led by LG Manoj Sinha, to offer financial assistance and support to youth from displaced/refugee communities, including the Kashmiri Pandit community, to establish their startup ventures.

"This initiative aims to generate employment opportunities for these youths and contribute to the growth and success of their startup units," said K.K. Khosha, the President of the Sabha. He

expressed his appreciation during a meeting of the Executive Committee, describing the initiative as groundbreaking and likely to gain popularity in the future.

The Sabha conveyed its gratitude to the UT Government for this timely step, which is expected to assist the beleaguered Kashmiri Pandit community in various ways. With limited employment opportunities in the government sector, many youths from the community had been compelled to seek employment outside the region, leading to further dispersion of the already small

community. This initiative aims to retain these youths in Jammu and Kashmir.

Moreover, the Sabha appreciated the Narendra Modi-led Government of India (GOI) for reportedly considering the development of a comprehensive return and rehabilitation policy for displaced Kashmiri Pandits, a demand echoed by the entire community.

The startup initiative is also seen as a means to address the unemployment issues faced by some older youths, offering them opportunities to realize their aspirations and alleviate their suffering.

The Sabha endorsed LG

Manoj Sinha's statement emphasizing that entrepreneurship not only provides a livelihood but also serves as a powerful tool to fulfill the aspirations and dreams of youth.

Members of the Sabha expressed hope that, in the future, Kashmiri Pandit youths would transition from being job seekers to job providers.

Notable members present at the meeting included Deepak Dhar, Ashwani Koul, S.L. Bagati, G.J. Kampassi, Ashok Kher, Dr. Usha Tickoo, Dr. Sujata Sathoo, R. K. Tikhi, V. K. Mukhi, and Vinod Bhat.

RTO Jammu imposes fines of Rs 2 lakh to traffic violators

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JAMMU: The surprise inspection led by Administrative Secretary Transport Neeraj Kumar, at the road checking Naka established by Team RTO Jammu, including ARTO Kuldeep Singh, Surinder Kumar MVI, Jasbir Singh MVI, and Taranjot MVTA, along the National Highway at Raya Morh, signifies a proactive endeavor to bolster road safety and regulatory adherence.

Through meticulous document verification, vehicle inspections, and driver credential checks, the thorough evaluation reaffirmed



Transports Department officers checking documents.

the department's unwavering commitment to stringent enforcement and continual enhancement.

This proactive stance not only acts as a deterrent against violations but also

nurtures stakeholder confidence in the effectiveness of regulatory frameworks and enforcement measures, fostering a culture of accountability and safety within the transportation

realm. Notably, during the inspection, the esteemed secretary directed the continuation of such initiatives on a regular rotation basis. The team's diligent efforts culminated in the examination of approximately 230 vehicles, leading to the identification of 43 vehicles in breach of Motor Vehicles Act/rules, resulting in an immediate imposition of Rs 2 lakh in fines.

This concerted action underscores the department's proactive stance in upholding road safety and regulatory compliance for the welfare of all road users.

GDC Kunjwani organises anti-drug campaign



NCB officers with students and faculty taking pledge.

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JAMMU: Government Degree College (GDC) Kunjwani on Saturday organized an anti-drug campaign programme in collaboration with Narcotics Control Bureau, Zonal Unit Jammu to spread awareness against the ill-effects of drugs menace among the college students.

The programme entrusted upon the problem of drug abuse and its consequences worldwide. Apart from this, the programme also aimed to strengthen the action and coop-

eration in achieving the goal of a sustainable world free of drug abuse.

The programme was graced by Deekak Hillori, Zonal Director and Harish Kumar Assistant Director.

Dr. Manisha Sarup Kohli, Principal of the College stressed upon the different Govt. Schemes and role of NGOs in eradicating drugs from the society.

Deekak Hillori laid emphasis on the role of youth in the society to spread awareness. He interacted with students, moti-

vated them to be the ambassadors to fight against drugs menace and become the inspiration of the local masses in the society.

Harish Kumar Assistant Director, NCB informed the students about the various cells constituted by the government for rehabilitation of youth.

The students and staff of the College administered pledge saying no to drugs moreover students registered themselves on Mygov. Portal. The programme was Coordinated by Prof. Blajinder and Dr. Neeru Sharma .

BJP will win 400 seats in LS elections: Chugh

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JAMMU: Tarun Chugh, BJP National General Secretary and Prabhari J&K on Saturday stressed that the mood of the country is in favour of BJP, adding that the 10 years report card of Modi Government is full of achievements and it will help the party to win 400 seats.

Chugh said that policies and programmes of the Modi government has brought vast changes in the lives of poor and needy as 4 crore people have got houses under PM Awas yojana, 80 crore people are getting free ration, 14 crore people have got tap water connections after independence, 11 crore have got free gas connections under Ujwala yojana, 12 crore toilets have been constructed for poor, 60 crore people have got medical cover under Ayushman Bharat scheme and there is 100 percent medical cover in Jammu and Kashmir and abroga-

tion of 370 and 35A has brought peace, prosperity and progress in Jammu and Kashmir.

Chugh, along with Ravinder Raina, President J&K BJP accompanied by Dr. Narinder Singh, National Secretary, Dr. Nirmal Singh, Parliamentary Cluster Incharge, Jugal Kishore Sharma, MP (Lok Sabha) and candidate for Jammu-Reasi parliamentary constituency in Parliament election 2024, and Ashok Koul, General Secretary (organization), addressed a meeting of Jammu-Reasi parliamentary constituency core group at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu. Chugh further said that zero tolerance towards terrorism and the will to take bold decisions are appreciated by the people at large, which will give the BJP a decisive victory in the upcoming parliamentary elections to pave the way for the BJP to form the

Govt for a third consecutive term under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

He said the BJP is committed towards the security of the country and works for its unity and integrity.

Ravinder Raina, while addressing the meeting, focused on the hundred percent coverage of the voters and the areas by the party leaders. He asked the senior leaders of the party present in the Jammu-Reasi parliamentary constituency core group to approach every single voter in this Parliament election. He especially focused on the youth voters. Stressing that the "Yagya of Democracy will not be complete without the complete participation by the youth", he asked the senior leaders of the party to encourage the youth of J&K to vote for the nation by voting in heavy numbers for the Modi government in the Parliament elections 2024.

Rafting event organised to promote voter awareness

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REASI: To promote voter awareness and participation, District Administration Reasi, under the guidance of the District Election Officer, Vishesh Mahajan, organized a rafting event as a part of Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVVEEP) program.

The event aimed to engage with the youth and highlight the importance of voting in the upcoming elections. Participants enjoyed the thrilling experience of rafting while also learning about the electoral process and their role in shaping the future of the nation.

DEO Vishesh Mahajan reiterated the significance of every vote and urged the youth to exercise their democratic right responsibly. He emphasized that such initiatives not only promote voter awareness but also encourage a sense of adventure and camaraderie among participants.

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JAMMU: Roots-The Montessori House launched a trilogy of books on phonics-"Learning Phonics Our Way". The event was held at Roots-The Montessori House, 2B/D Gandhi Nagar Extn, Jammu.

A playway school providing roots of success to children for more than two decades.

The trilogy of books published by Elysium inc with

Levels 1, 2 and 3, caters to the phonic needs of children of age group 2.5 -7 years.

The books have been compiled by Prof.(Dr.) Poonam Chaudhary, and Dr. Geetika Dewan distinguished educators with decades of experience in early childhood education.

During the launch of the books the authors provided everyone with a deep understanding of how the



Roots-The Montessori House launching a trilogy of books on phonics on Saturday.

"Phonic Programme" could be effectively implemented in providing a key foundation for children to develop crucial literacy skills that will carry them through life.

The books were launched by Kanta Mahajan, co-Chairperson, K.C. Public School.

The event was organised by Arti Sharma, Principal, Roots-The Montessori House and faculty of Roots.

The authors specially thanked Madhu Kuthiala and Priya Malhotra for their sincere dedication in helping the authors in the compilation of the books.

The event culminated with an interesting interaction with the authors.

It was attended by the facilitators of KC Public, Jammu Sanskriti School, JK Public School, KC International School and KC Gurukul Public School.