

CUJ organises Indian Language Conference

India will become world leader through education in Indian languages: Prof. Jain

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JAMMU: Central University of Jammu, Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal, Vidya Bharti Institute of Higher Education and Indian Language Committee, under the joint aegis of Ministry of Education, Government of India, organized an Indian Language Conference on Wednesday in Brigadier Rajendra Singh Auditorium.

The inaugural session was inaugurated by the chief guest Prof. Sanjeev Jain, Vice-Chancellor, CUJ.

The special guests of the program are Padmashree Prof. Shiv Nirmohi, Dr. Gautam Mengi and Dr. Dilip Kumar and the program was coordinated by Prof. JN Balya and Prof. Bharat Bhushan. Firstly, Anirudh, the extension director of Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal, and Dr. Shashikant Mishra, professor of the Hindi department, CUJ recited the motto of the conference. Prof. JN Balya, coordinator of the event presented the welcome address and explained in detail the objective of the Indian Language Conference.

He said that the purpose of the Indian Language Committee is to take education in Indian languages to the masses. To fulfill this objective, such conferences are being organized across the country



A dignitary lighting ceremonial lamp at CUJ.

by the Indian Language Committee, Government of India.

Special guest Prof. Dilip Kumar in his address said that language is very important in the world. In nature, every living being, every creature has a language and human language has a special meaning in it. As far as language conferences are concerned, this type of conference will definitely give strength to the provincial languages and there will be progress in creative work.

Special guest Padma Shri Prof. Shiv Nirmohi said that the language of Jammu and Kashmir has a special importance, because the Dogri language predominantly spoken here is related to the languages spoken in Himachal and Uttarakhand.

There are many similarities in their grammar also. In his

address, he described the similarities found in other Indian languages and emphasized that the true development of India is possible through Indian languages.

Special Guest, Prant Seh Sanchalak RSS Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh Dr. Gautam Mengi opposed Macaulay's English education system and stressed on saving Indian languages. Especially calling for saving the almost extinct provincial languages. He said that the language of our education should be indigenous.

He said that education in Indian languages should not be done only in schools or universities, but the mother tongue should be promoted at the family level. He emphasized on bringing Indianism in education.

Chief Guest, Vice Chancellor Prof. Sanjeev Jain

said in his address that all Indian languages are scientific. Similarities are found in Indian languages. Therefore, it is very easy to learn Indian languages. He said that at present Indian languages have become the languages of technology and computers. The demand for Sanskrit and Hindi has increased in foreign countries. Therefore, the day is not far when India will develop itself in its own languages and become a world leader. He said that Indianism can be brought in education through Indian languages.

Finally, Controller of Examinations Prof. Suram Singh presented the vote of thanks, while the entire program was conducted by Dr. Vandana Sharma, of Hindi Department. Dr. Neelika Arora presented a peace mantra. During this, all the guests were honoured.

After the inaugural session, the guests launched the "Meri Bhasha-Mera Abhiman" signature campaign. Observed the language exhibition organized by researchers and students in different languages and appreciated it for such excellent work.

In the second session of the conference, the speaker on the role of Indian languages in building a developed India, the necessity of Indian languages

for socio-cultural-economic progress and education in the mother tongue was Prof. Ratanlal Talaashi (Kashmiri), Arvind Brahmanu (Gadayali), Sonam Paljor (Boti), Mukhtar Chaudhary (Gojri) expressed their views while the second session was conducted by Dr. Rajan Badyal, PRO, Central university of Jammu

In the third session, writing textbooks and reading materials for various subjects in Indian languages, preparation of university professors for teaching subjects in Indian languages, institutional initiatives for building the Indian language ecosystem. Bharat Bhushan Sharma (Sanskrit), Dr. Padmavati (Dogri), Dr. Parshottam Jamwal expressed their views.

At the end of the program, a drama was staged by Viraj Kala Kendra Jammu. During this period, poetry recitation, slogan writing and essay writing competitions were organized on the topic contribution of Indian languages in developed India and all the winners were awarded in the concluding session.

The conference ended with the national anthem. Hundreds of students and language lovers were present in the conference.

LS Polls: Billawaria asks party workers to engage in door-to-door campaigning



Senior BJP leader, Baldev Singh Billawaria with others at booth meeting.

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JAMMU: Baldev Singh Billawaria, a senior leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) in Jammu and Kashmir, is ensuring that the party takes the upcoming Lok Sabha elections seriously.

He has been actively involved in visiting various booths and strategizing with party workers to strengthen the party's presence in the RS Pura-Jammu South constituency.

Billawaria emphasized the importance of increasing votes at every booth through the "Booth Vijay Abhiyan" campaign, especially focusing on areas where the BJP has historically been weaker.

He highlighted that a strong performance in the

Lok Sabha elections could pave the way for success in the subsequent assembly elections.

To achieve this, he urged party workers to engage in door-to-door campaigning, distribute informational materials, and encourage families to vote early on election day.

Billawaria also stressed the significance of reaching out to beneficiaries of government welfare schemes implemented during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's tenure.

He emphasized the distinct approach of BJP leaders and workers, who not only participate in elections but also actively engage with the community's joys and challenges.

To enhance booth-level organization, Billawaria

briefed the workers on various programs and campaigns, including booth expansion, leadership training, and voter outreach initiatives like the "Booth Vijay Sankalp" campaign and "Shakti Sammelan."

During the meeting, an assessment of each worker's contributions and reports on booth-level activities were compiled. The presence of senior BJP leaders and workers, including Mandal President Vijay Sharma, Ranjit Singh, Vikram Sandhu, Ajay Pratap Singh, Jyoti Prakash Sharma, Sudesh Kumar, Raj Kumar, Rajinder Chib, Vijay Dogra, Jamit Singh and other senior BJP workers were present in the meeting.

Natrang celebrates World Theatre Day, opens three-day festival

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JAMMU: Three day theatre festival to commemorate World Theatre day celebrations commenced here today at Natrang Studio Theatre, Kachi Chawni Jammu with the staging of a play 'Tauba Tauba'. The play has been written by Rajinder Kumar Sharma and directed by Neeraj Kant.

Coated with humor, the play presented some debatable issues which are faced by many theatre groups because of the lack of commitment of a few artists which spoil the whole performance. But still it was more inclined towards comedy than being didactic.

The play opens at the home of one 'Anokhe Lal' who has converted it as rehearsal space as he is the director of the play which is scheduled to be staged



Natrang artists performing in a play.

within a few days.

The drama erupts as the play proceeds as it appears that no one is serious in doing rehearsal other than the director. The artists who used to plead for a single entry in the play have turned pricy now and come up with different excuses to skip rehearsals.

At the top of it, the newly appointed servant adds to the

confusion as he comes up with a new problem every time he enters the room. 'Anokhe Lal' was very much worried about the performance of the play as nothing was going right, actors were forgetting the lines, people were coming late in the rehearsal and on the top of it, the tickets of the show have already been sold. The ultimate crisis occurs when the

director comes to know that the actor who was doing the role of father of the hero is not doing the play as he has to go out of station for some personal work. Shattered by this untoward news, he decides to prepare his newly appointed servant to do the character of father in the play, who reluctantly agrees but real trouble erupts when the real father of 'Anokhe Lal' arrives to whom the servant introduced himself

as the father of 'Anokhe Lal' on which both the servant and Anokhe Lal received a thorough beating from the real father.

Natrang actors who performed in the play included Vishal Sharma, Aadesh Dhar, Kananpreet Kaur, Chaitanya Shekhar and Sanket Bhagat. The lights of the play were executed by Neeraj Kant Sharma and the show was coordinated by Mohd. Yaseen.

DGP sanctions scholarships of over Rs. 12.90 lakh in favour of 223 wards of police personnel

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JAMMU: The Director General of Police, J&K, R.R. Swain has sanctioned scholarships of over Rs 12.90 lakh in favour of 223 wards of martyred, deceased, retired and serving police personnel vide different orders issued by PHQ J&K.

The DGP has sanctioned Rs 8.32 lakh in favour of 165 wards of serving police personnel who have secured 80% and above marks in the annual examination of Class 10th during the Academic Session 2022-23. The amount has been given out of the Central Police Welfare Fund.

Rs 6000 each has been sanctioned in favour of 86 students who have secured more than 90% marks while 79 students who have secured 80% and above marks have been rewarded with Rs 4000 each. The DGP has also sanctioned a scholarship of Rs 2.65 lakh out of Central Police Education Fund in favour of 20 wards of martyred police personnel who are pursuing higher education for the academic session 2022-23. The sanctioned amount ranged from Rs 12500 to Rs 15000. Similarly, Rs. 5000 each has also been sanctioned in favour of 35 wards of deceased police personnel who are pursuing education of different classes from nursery to university level for the academic session 2022-23.

The DGP has also sanctioned a special reward of Rs 10000 with Commendation Certificate Class-1 in favour of a ward of W/SPO for qualifying National Eligibility Entrance Test (NEET) during the year 2023.

Rattan Deep Anand appointed as Vice-Chairman of GNMH, Nanak Nagar

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JAMMU: The Chairman Guru Nanak Mission Hospital (GNMH), Guru Nanak Nagar and ex-MLC, Harbans Singh has appointed Rattan Deep Singh Anand, son of Late Harjinder Singh Anand, a renowned philanthropist and known businessman of Jammu as Vice-Chairman of Guru Nanak Mission Hospital, Guru Nanak Nagar, Jammu.

The father of Rattan Deep Singh Anand, Harjinder Singh Anand was the founder member of the Hospital and has rendered great services to the institution in his lifetime.

The Chairman Harbans Singh has expressed his confidence that the responsibilities assigned to the Vice Chairman Rattan Deep Singh Anand will go a long way to improve the functioning of the Hospital.



Kuljit Rai appointed Dy Chairman of Vishwakarma Sabha



Newly appointed Dy Chairman of Vishwakarma Sabha, Bakshi Nagar, Kuljit Rai with other members.

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JAMMU: Rakesh Chalotra, the President of Vishwakarma Sabha, Bakshi Nagar, Jammu, on Wednesday convened a meeting of the Executive Body.

With the approval of Chairman Lakhpat Rai and the consensus of all members, Kuljit Rai was appointed as the Deputy Chairman of Vishwakarma Sabha, Bakshi Nagar, Jammu.

The announcement of Kuljit Rai's appointment was made in the presence of

Shashi Verma, the President of Pradesh Vishwakarma Sabha J.K. (UT), and his Executive Body.

All the members of Vishwakarma Sabha welcomed the decision and extended heartfelt congratulations to Kuljit Rai for his new role.

After assuming the position of Deputy Chairman, Kuljit Rai expressed his faith in the Vishwakarma community.

He pledged to continue the Sabha's good and social programs with enthusiasm in the future. Kuljit Rai

emphasized the continuation of honoring meritorious students, providing pensions to widows of the Vishwakarma Community, and assisting poor girls during their marriages.

Members who were present in the meeting included Jagdish Raj, Ashok Kumar, Ratan Lal, Romesh Lal, Ajay Chalotra, Pawan Kumar, Pawan Salgotra, Naresh Kumar, Vijay Kataria, Sanjay Chalotra, Vinod Jaral, Tarsem Lal, Kuljit Singh, Sanjay Sagar, Om Prakash and Rohlu Ram.

Kashmiri Pandits hold protest, project demands

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JAMMU: In a significant demonstration, the Jagti Tenement Committee (JTC)/ Soan Kashmir Front (SKF) J&K, led by senior Congress Leader and President of Jagti (JTC), Shadi Lal Pandita, organized a protest at Jagti township. Addressing the protestors, Shadi Lal Pandita highlighted the challenges Kashmiri Pandits endure emphasized the need for increased monthly cash relief from Rs 13,000 to Rs 25,000 for migrants and demanded a new employment package for educated unemployed youth. He urged the government to issue voter slips in Kashmiri Pandit camp colonies and non-camp colonies to facilitate easy voting.

Furthermore, Pandita stressed the urgent need for six E-Buses to ease transportation challenges. He also called for timely distribution of ration slip books and for ration quotas to be sent to ration depots to aid pensioners and government employees.

He demanded prompt compensation for these losses and advocated for the resettlement of Kashmiri Pandits in the Kashmir Valley by establishing satellite townships.

Rakesh Mahajan releases musical album 'Maiya Mal Rani'

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JAMMU: Rakesh Mahajan, Incharge of All Cells BJP, Jammu and Kashmir, along with Mahant Rajesh Bittu Giri, Chairman of Religious Tourism, unveiled the divine musical album 'Maiya Mal Rani' in a momentous event held at the Press Club Jammu today.

The release of 'Maiya Mal Rani' marks a significant milestone in the realm of religious music, promising listeners an enchanting and spiritually enriching experience. Renowned



BJP leader and others releasing musical album Maiya Mal Rani.

singer Rajni Sufi lends her soulful voice to the album, accompanied by the melodious compositions of Gourav Kumar. The stirring

ring lyrics are penned by Komal Sharma and Rajni Sufi, weaving together devotion and reverence in every note.

Under the adept direction of K.K Malhotra, the album's accompanying visuals promise to transport viewers into the realm

of divine grace. 'Maiya Mal Rani' is presented under the esteemed label of Rajni Sufi Music Production, a testament to its commitment to delivering quality and devotion through music.

The special event was organized under the patronage of Sahil Mahajan, Co-Convener of BJP Sanskriti, Art & Culture Cell, Jammu and Kashmir, showcasing the party's unwavering support for cultural enrichment and religious harmony.

Speaking on the occasion,

Rakesh Mahajan commended the dedicated efforts of the entire team behind the creation of this religious album.

He expressed his gratitude to everyone involved in making the project a reality, emphasizing the significance of collective efforts in bringing forth such cultural contributions. He also lauded Sahil Mahajan and Rahul Sharma for their invaluable contributions, alongside the dedicated production efforts led by Ravi Kumar.

Operation Third Eye: Jammu Police felicitates vigilant citizen for installing CCTV, helping solve crime



Jammu Police felicitating a vigilant citizen for installing CCTV and helping to solve crime.

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JAMMU: Jammu Police on Wednesday felicitated a vigilant citizen for installing CCTV, helping solve crime.

Jammu police under Operation Third Eye, facilitated the owner, Dharam Singh, resident of New Plot Jammu, whose CCTV helped the police to trace out the

thief who took the scooter and fled away.

It is pertinent to mention here that FIR No. 29/24 under section 379 IPC was registered at Police Station Pacea Danga, Jammu and the investigation was entrusted to incharge Police Post Rehari and the thief was arrested within no time due

to the footage of CCTV installed in the lane by the person namely Dharam Singh.

Investigation in the case was facilitated due to CCTV cameras installed by the aforementioned citizen which to identification and arrest of thief involved in the case. So every citizen is requested by Jammu Kashmir Police to install more cameras for effective prevention and detection of any crime. The felicitation was done by SP North Jammu Shivam Sidharath along with SDPO North Jammu Devinder Singh Bandral, SHO Pacea Danga Rakesh Jamwal and ICPP Rehari Muzaffar Shah under the command of SSP Jammu and DIG JKS Range.

Senior citizens should contribute in BJP's victory: JD Singh

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JAMMU: The role of senior citizens in every sphere of the society is very important and they should share the experiences of their life with the younger generations and contribute in making India a developed nation, the Viksit Bharat, as envisioned by the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi.

This was stated by JD Singh, Convener, Jammu and Kashmir BJP Senior Citizens Cell, while discussing the good governance of Modi government, with a group of senior functionaries of the party in a meeting on Wednesday.

JD Singh said that the people who have attained the age of sixty years or more, and are senior citizens today, have seen very minutely the programmes and policies of different political parties, which ruled at the Centre and in the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir on their own or in coalition. For most of the time after independence, it was the Congress, which was in power at the Centre for decades together and similarly the NC and PDP,



JD Singh, Convener, Jammu and Kashmir BJP Senior Citizens Cell chairing a meeting.

besides Congress, ruled in J&K for maximum periods but the people were discriminated, deprived of genuine rights as the regional parties also promoted dynastic rule.

JD Singh further said that the senior citizens have well seen the plight of the West Pakistan refugees, the daughters of the soil, the Valmiki samaj, the STs and other sections and should take pledge to teach such parties lesson which played politics of appeasement and false sloganeering. It is the BJP-led NDA government under the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, which has presented a real model of good governance during the last about ten years and wiped the tears of the suffering people across the U.T. He said that there has been splendid and all-round develop-

ment in every sector and the people have got varied welfare schemes for the first time, which have brought changes in their lives with upliftment in the socio-economic conditions. As the UT has been put on the path of real development, the people here have developed faith in what BJP has been promising and they would obviously support BJP but still we have to reach every door and share the good works of the Modi government. Every senior citizen should devote time for few weeks and become a decisive player in massive victory of the party.

The party senior functionaries in the meeting included Jugal Dogra, Pardeep Sharma, Ram Sarup Sharma, Kunti Jasrotia, Veena Gupta and others.