

Modi government gave justice to every section: Ashok Koul

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REASI: Sarpanches, Naib Sarpanches, Panches, retired officials, among more than 200 prominent political and social personalities from higher reaches of Jij and Thakrakot areas of Reasi District, joined Bharatiya Janata Party in presence of Ashok Koul, General Secretary (Organization), J&K BJP at BJP Headquarters, Jammu.

Kuldeep Raj Dubey, Senior leader BJP facilitated the joining.

Saraf Singh Nag, DDC Chairperson, Abdul Rasheed, DDC member, S. Pardeep Singh, district Reasi Seh-Prabhari, Parmod Kapahi, Sheel Magotra, Sukhdev Singh, Baldev Singh, Renu Sharma, Chaman Bhagat, Raghav Sharma, Shamsheer Singh, Prakash Singh, Suraj Prakash, Kewal Singh, and others were also present on the occasion.

Sanjeet Singh, Dalip Kumar Sharma & Kally



Ashok Koul, General Secretary (Organization), J&K BJP along with new entrants of party.

Devi, Sarpanches, Babu Ram, Retired SI, Shaptain Singh, Congress leader, Dev Raj, Ashok Kular, Mohd Ali, Kuldeep Singh, & Dharanvir Singh, Panches, Wazir Mohd, Naib Sarpanch, Girdhari Lal, Forest Chairman, Tara Singh, Sukhdev Singh, Dharam Singh, Onkar Singh, Retired NHPC, Sunil Sharma, and others were among the prominent to join.

Ashok Koul, congratulated the new entrants and said that BJP has highest mem-

bership and maximum public representatives in Parliament and Assemblies. He said that the party is led by the strong leadership of PM Modi, who has received worldwide appreciation for his endeavours to promote development, peace and progress, which is evident in Reasi District as well. He gave the examples of Express-way, Vande Bharat Train, highest bridge in Reasi, increased road connectivity. He said that today, we can reach Kashmir from

Jammu in just 5 hours, which earlier took whole day. He said that the Modi government gave justice to every section, including youth, women, poor, needy and the farmers. He also counted the numerous schemes, like Golden Health Card etc.

Ashok Koul also asked the new entrants to dial the mobile number 8980808080, and then filling up the form digitally to complete the joining process. He asked the new entrants to approach every community and tell

them that Modi government has delivered them their rights which were denied by other political parties and ask them to vote for Jugal Kishore Sharma on 26 April.

Saraf Singh Nag said that people of Reasi along with whole of Jammu and Kashmir are witnessing the unprecedented development in the whole district, which has encouraged them to come in support of Modi government to continue the spree of development.

Kuldeep Raj Dubey said that today, road has reached to almost every area of Reasi in the short span of 10 years. The people from far-off villages have experienced the transformation and witnessed and era of development in their lives due to the Modi government.

S. Pardeep Singh credited the whole BJP cadre and the local leadership, who under the leadership of PM Modi has left no stone unturned to meet the aspirations of local people.

20 Days Yoga & Wellness up-skilling Course concludes at GDC Khour



Dignitaries along with students and college faculty.

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KHOOR: Government Degree College Khour concluded a transformative Yoga and Wellness Course aimed at upskilling female students in collaboration with the Central University of Jammu's Capacity Building Consultancy Project.

The short-term training programme, conducted under the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) initiative, spanned 20 enriching days and catered to the holistic development of 50 participants.

The training programme was coordinated by Dr. Seema Sudan, Convener Skill Development Committee. It was expertly facilitated by resource person Dr. Ranjana Verma.

The course offered a comprehensive curriculum blending the ancient wisdom of yoga with modern wellness practices. Participants were

equipped with valuable techniques to enhance physical, mental, and emotional well-being, fostering a deeper understanding of self-care and stress management.

Under the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) T.K. Sharma, Principal of GDC Khour, the program flourished, providing a nurturing environment for students to explore and harness their potential. Through interactive sessions, practical demonstrations, and personalized guidance, participants emerged with newfound skills and confidence, ready to incorporate wellness practices into their daily lives.

GDC Khour remains committed to fostering holistic development and nurturing the potential of its students. With initiatives like the Yoga and Wellness upskilling Course, the institution continues to pave the way for a healthier and more empowered future generation.

NSS winter camp concludes at GDC Dharmari

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DHARMARI: Special Winter Camp organized by National Service Scheme Unit of Government Degree College, Dharmari concludes here at Dharmari in which 50 NSS volunteers had participated. The camp was organized from 20th March to 30th March, 2024 (except holidays) in which various activities like Cleanliness Drives, Door to door Awareness Campaigns on Electoral Literacy, Nasha Mukht Bharat, Environmental Protection, Plantation, Nutrition, Poster and Slogan Writing Competitions were organized in the adopted village and college premises. The District Neighborhood Youth Parliament was the centre of attraction of the camp in which more than 350 students and NSS vol-



Students along with faculty members during the event.

unteers drawn from the various institutions of the district have participated and learned about the working style of Indian Parliament which was organized in collaboration with Nehru Yuva Kendra, Udhampur. Certificates were distributed to the winners of the various competitions of the camp. The Camp was organized under

the NSS Special Camping Scheme of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, under the guidance of college Principal Prof. Dr. Preetpal Kour and supervision of NSS Program Officer, Prof. Ajay Kumar. Others present on the concluding function includes Dr. Safeer, Dr. Shabir, Prof. Vishal Kumar Sharma etc.

Land and Job rights will be protected: Ch Lal Singh

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BILLAWAR: Lambasting the present MP, Ch. Lal Singh and former MP, Ex. Cabinet Minister and Congress candidate for Udhampur Lok Sabha constituency, today said that the leaders of BJP have a record of neglecting their people and constituencies after getting elected and they are visible only in elections after five years. When elected to power the people of Udhampur Lok Sabha constituencies have to seek appointment to meet the present MP, which is never given. Ch. Lal Singh said that BJP which ruled the nation for 10 years indulged only in vote bank politics, exploitation of masses and communal policies. They divided people on the name of religion, caste and region as it fitted their policy of



Former MP, Ch. Lal Singh during the public rally at Billawar.

vote bank. Ch. Lal Singh said that that present MP discusses Amethi in Basholi and forgets to discuss the plight of the remote villages of the Udhampur-Kathua constituency where there is no drinking water and long power cuts. The poor people of the constituency have no roads and their mutations of land have also been canceled and now the poor people cannot plough the land which

they were doing since independence. While addressing the people he assured that after he will be elected as MP, he will personally plough the land which has been taken away by the dictatorial form of the government and all the jobs will be protected for the people of J&K.

Ch. Lal Singh said the Congress is the party of the poor while the BJP exists to serve only the big business-

men. BJP government has sold the public assets and all the resources of the Jammu and Kashmir to big corporate and their friends. He further lambasted that this if this dictatorial form of the government has done so much of the developments then why are they running away from the assembly elections for the last 10 years. The BJP MP's discusses Kerala in Kashmir and

Kashmir in Kerala. Declaring Basohli as district is another Jumla of present MP, which we are listing only in the elections.

Addressing a series of roadside meetings and public rallies enrooted from Banore, Dambra, Palial, Sari Muni, Parmala, Palan, Manger, Phinter, Deol, Billawar, Bhaddu, Dharamkote, Mandali, Dangra, and culminated in Dharamani.

Ch. Lal Singh was also accompanied by Ex. Minister Dr. Manohar Lal and he gave a clarion call to the people to prepare themselves for giving a befitting reply to the divisive forces led by BJP as the opportunity has come after five years. He also appealed to the masses that Kathua district should break all the records of votes in favor of Ch. Lal Singh.

JU organises multi-focused program on Exploratory Learning

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UDHAMPUR: A multi-focused program on outreach activities to promote exploratory learning, nation building and social harmony, and capacity building was organized by the Udhampur Campus (Garnai-Lotta), University of Jammu for its staff and students with the theme "Exploratory Learning: On field Experience and Engagement," as envisioned by the Vice-chancellor, University of Jammu, Prof. Umesh Rai, to take education outside the confines of the classroom and also mandated under NEP 2020. and, and finally the Gharana Wetland in R S Pura, respectively.

In the first session focused on the theme of Khadya Suraksha (Food Security),



JU students and officials during visit to border Post.

students and faculty visited M/S Sarveshwar Overseas Limited, Bari Brahmana, wherein N. S Jamwal, the manager of the unit, gave them an explanation of the complex milling process, including cleaning and husking, whitening, grading, and packaging of the world famous basmati rice. Giving

details of the economics of basmati trade, he explained how stringent adherence to food safety regulations is maintained throughout the distribution process to ensure consumer satisfaction and safety. He also emphasized on the growing demand for organic products and continued efforts of the Government

to encourage farmers to involve themselves in growing organic crops in collaboration with institutions like NABARD.

During the afternoon session at International Border, Suchetgarh, a very productive interaction was held with BSF frontline warriors. Pradeep Sharma Commanding Officer, and Ashok Sharma, gave an explanation of border policies and procedures. They also emphasized on the rise in border tourism and increase in the number of tourists at the border and the weekly timetable for beating the retreat ceremony. Significantly, the Border Security Force (BSF) and civil administration are helping the farmers carry out their daily activities, they

informed. Students gained valuable knowledge and insights into various aspects of national security including border management, geopolitical dynamics, cultural exchange, historical significance, patriotism and their sacrifices. Students and faculty celebrated the service rendered by the courageous BSF soldiers stationed there by cutting a cake and distributed sweets in their honour.

Finally, to gain an understanding of the environmental conservation, the campus students visited the renowned Ramsar site of Gharana Wetlands in R S Pura. Students immersed themselves in the rich biodiversity of the wetlands, understanding the delicate balance between human activities and ecosystem preservation. A thorough

interactive session with Sh. O.P Sharma Vidyarthi, IFS made the students aware about the importance of the Gharana Wetland signifying its ecological importance. Mr. Pammi Sharma, deputy forester, threw light on how Gharana wetland serves as a crucial habitat and stopover point for a myriad of bird species, including migratory birds that traverse vast distances during their annual journeys across continents.

The Rector of Udhampur Campus, Prof. Yash Pal Sharma extended his gratitude to the faculty members and students of Udhampur campus in making the trip an enlightening and enriching experience and ensured them that such trips will be organized in the future for academic enrichment.

PTTI Vijaypur accords send off on superannuation



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VIJAYPUR: Police Technical Training Institute (PTTI) Vijaypur on Saturday organized an impressive farewell function upon superannuation of Sub Inspector Amolak Singh, on the completion of almost 36 years of services in Jammu and Kashmir Police. Principal PTTI Vijaypur applauded the services rendered by the retiree and termed him as an honest, dedicated and sincere officer. Principal PTTI Vijaypur extended his best wishes to him and wished all the best for future life.

Among others, Zia Ul Haq, Dy.SP (Outdoor), Davinder Gupta , Dy.SP (R&D), Khushwant Singh, Dy.SP (Admn.), Surrinder Paul, Dy.SP (Tech/Indoor), Inspr: Surinder Singh (CDD), Inspr: Javed Hussain (RI), Inspr: Ram Lal (CLI), Inspr: Kanwal Raina, Inspr: Bhopinder Singh, Inspr: Rakesh Kumar, Inspr: Pawan Kumar, Inspr: Mulkh Raj, Inspr: Kapil Raina, Inspr: Shehbaz Ahmed were present on the occasion.

Lok Sabha Elections-2024: DEO Doda reviews transport plan in district



DEO, Doda Harvinder Singh chairing a meeting.

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DODA: District Election Officer (DEO), Doda Harvinder Singh, chaired a comprehensive meeting here in the conference hall of the DC office complex, to assess the transport plan for upcoming Lok Sabha elections.

The stakeholders, during the meeting, presented

roadmaps for smooth movement in view of election activities, followed by a detailed discussion on all routes pertaining to the event.

Ade Bhadervah, ACR, District Program Officer Poshan Project, SDM Assar, ACD, Deputy District Election Officer, AROs, CMO, CEO, ARTO, Tehsildars and other concerned officers attended the meeting.

The meeting discussed various aspects related to elections like power supply, lighting, accommodation, and toilet facilities at election sites. Intermediate strong room facilities and arrangements for Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) were also addressed, along with plans for the movement of polling parties and voter awareness programs during the elections.

The DEO laid emphasis on the proper functioning of strong rooms. The AROs were tasked to ensure adequate facilities at polling stations.

The DEO stressed on the need to enhance voter participation through SVEEP campaigns and awareness programs. Additionally, officials were directed to conduct cleanliness drives at polling booths to ensure their hygiene.

Detailed planning, including vehicle arrangements for sector officers and zonal magistrates, was outlined through route maps prepared by concerned Tehsildars.

The meeting concluded with directives to maximize voter turnout and ensure meticulous arrangements at every stage of the electoral process.

IRP-19th Battalion Kathua bids farewell to retirees

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KATHUA: On attaining superannuation, eight retiring officers/officials Sh. Ashok Kumar Sharma-DySP, SI Puran Singh, SI(T) Rajinder Singh, ASI Dharam Paul, ASI Hem Raj, HC Ashok Kumar, HC Raj Singh & HC Subash Singh were accorded warm send-off in an impressive farewell function organized at IRP-19th Battalion Headquarters Kathua.

On arrival at Battalion Headquarters along with their relatives and friends,



Retires being honoured during the event.

the superannuating officers/officials were warmly received by Incharge Commandant Rajinder

Singh Rahi-SP, Syed Majeed Mosavi-SP, Updesh Kumar-DySP, Daljit Singh-DySP & other officers/offi-

cials of the battalion and honoured them with flower garlands & mementos as a token of love and affection.

Speaking on the occasion, Rajinder Singh Rahi lauded the services rendered by these officers/officials in the Police department. He told that similar functions have also been organized in other coys of this unit wherefrom six more officers/officials are retiring after attaining the age of their superannuation. He also highlighted the various achievements of the retiring police personnel

who have also shown high sense of dedication in accomplishing the tasks assigned to them during their services in J&K Police & posting in this battalion. The other officers also spoke on the occasion and wished them all the best for their future life.

Retiring officers/officials in their emotional speeches thanked their colleagues and the Police department for organizing farewell function and honouring them in view of their superannuation.

NYK Doda organises District Level Neighbourhood Youth Parliament

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KISHTWAR: Nehru Yuva Kendra Doda, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt of India organised "Neighbourhood Youth Parliament" on the theme "NashaMukt Bharat" in collaboration with Govt Degree College, Kishtwar on 28-03-2024. Prof. Basharat Qayoom, Principal GDC Kishtwar inaugurated the programme along with District Youth Officer Khushal Gupta, Associate NCC Officer Prof. Prithvi

Raj, NSS PO Prof. EsarulHaqand other staff members. The programme witnessed participation of hundreds of youth belonging to different parts of the district.

The event started with the traditional lamp lightening ceremony followed by the welcome address by District Youth Officer Khushal Gupta. He briefed the audience about the objectives oforganising such programmes and urged the youth to get registered in MY

Bharat portal. All the participants were given MY Bharat badges and they registered themselves on MY Bharat portal. TOT JugnuBhagat briefed the audience about MY Bharat portal and its relevance in the present era of digitalization. Prof. Prithvi Rajdelivered an awareness lecture on Nari-Shakti. He explained various social reforms introduced from time to time for the empowerment of women and focused on various women who are leading the nation in

numerous fields. Prof. EsarulHaq delivered an awareness lecture on Voter Awareness and New India - New Initiatives focussing on the various developments made by the nation during the recent years and the significance of individual votes for the making of a nation.

The volunteers of GDC Kishtwar participated in the Mock Parliament organised on "NashaMukt Bharat" thereby propagating important message of parliamentary procedures and steps

taken by the govt. to make India, a drug free nation. The team led by Prof. Prithvi Raj comprised Cdt. Mehak Sharma, Vivek Sharma, Ankush Thakur, Nitin Shan, Vivek Shan, Rohit, SarikaRathore, Madhvi, Purvya, Sonika, Anish, Simran Thakur and MuskanBhagat. Comparing of the programme was done by CdtMuen Raja and Cdt. Mehak Sharma. The event ended with distribution of certificates and mementoes among the participants.

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