

## Guv designate Kavinder Gupta arrives in Shimla, receives warm reception

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SHIMLA: Governor (designate) Kavinder Gupta and his wife Bindu Gupta were accorded a warm and enthusiastic reception on their arrival in Shimla on Monday evening. Gupta is scheduled to take oath as the 30th Governor of Himachal Pradesh on March 10, 2026 at 11:45 AM.

Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, Speaker of the Himachal Pradesh Vidhan Sabha Kuldeep Singh Pathania, Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri, former Chief Minister and Leader of Opposition Jai Ram Thakur, Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. (Col.) Dhani Ram Shandil, Political Advisor to the Chief



Governor (designate) Kavinder Gupta and his wife Bindu Gupta according reception on their arrival in Shimla on Monday evening.

Minister Sunil Sharma, MLAs, Chief Secretary Sanjay Gupta, Director General of Police Ashok Tiwari, Vice-Chancellors of universities, senior civil and police officers of the State

Government and other prominent citizens welcomed the Governor (designate) at Lok Bhavan.

The Chief Minister honoured the Governor (designate) and his wife Bindu

Gupta by presenting a Himachali cap, shawl and a memento on the occasion.

Interacting with media persons on the occasion, Kavinder Gupta said that he would work for the welfare

and progress of Himachal Pradesh by taking all sections of society along. "We will move forward collectively for the betterment of Himachal Pradesh. Perhaps I am the first person to receive such a promotion within seven months. Serving as Governor is both a great responsibility and a challenge, and I will strive to fulfil it with dedication," he said.

The reception reflected the warmth and goodwill extended by the people and leadership of the State as they welcomed the Governor (designate) ahead of his swearing-in ceremony.



## Devyani Rana, Zorawar release devotional album "Baglamukhi Di Deewani"



Devyani Rana, MLA Nagotra Constituency along with BJP Spokesperson Zorawar Singh Jamwal releasing devotional video album titled "Baglamukhi Di Deewani".

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JAMMU: Devyani Rana, MLA Nagotra Constituency along with BJP Spokesperson Zorawar Singh Jamwal on Monday released a devotional video album titled "Baglamukhi Di Deewani" during a function organized at Gandhi Nagar Green belt Park, Jammu.

Co-Convenor Sanskriti, Art & Culture Cell Sahil Mahajan, & Ex-Pardan Yuva Rajput Sabha Rajan Singh Happy, and other senior leaders of party were present on the occasion.

The album, devoted to Maa Baghulmukhi and highlighting the devotion of Bankhandi, who initiated the historic Maa Baghulmukhi Yatra HP, reflects the deep-

rooted spiritual traditions of the region. On the occasion, Payal Dogra & Dr Rama recited the first two lines of the bhajan, invoking Maa Baghulmukhi and paying tribute to her ardent devotee, filling the atmosphere with devotional fervour.

Releasing the Bhakti Album, Devyani Rana appreciated the efforts of the entire team and said that devotional music plays a significant role in preserving and promoting India's rich cultural and spiritual heritage. She stated that such creative initiatives strengthen societal values and connect the younger generation with their roots. He said that Jammu & Kashmir has always been a land of faith and devotion. Efforts like

these not only glorify Maa Baghulmukhi but also highlight the inspiring legacy of devotees like Maa Bankhandi, who devoted his life to religious service, She added.

Sharma congratulated singer and lyricist Saranga Batalvi, Sahil Mahajan for his special efforts, and the entire production team for their commendable work.

BJP Spokesperson, Zorawar Singh Jamwal lauded the initiative, stating that devotional art forms are a powerful medium to spread positivity and spiritual awareness in society.

Rajan Singh Happy emphasized that promoting cultural and spiritual content is essential to preserve the identity and traditions

of Jammu region.

Sahil Mahajan also appreciated the production and expressed hope that the album would receive immense love from devotees.

The music of the album has been composed by Sahil Nath, while the video has been directed by RV Ricky. The album has been released under the banner of Payal Dogra & Dr Rama Official.

The programme was coordinated by Rahul Dubey, who presented the vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to Devyani Rana and all senior leaders for their encouragement and support.

Singer Payal Dogra & Dr Rama, in his gratitude note, thanked Devyani Rana, Zorawar Singh Jamwal and the BJP leadership for releasing the album and said that the bhajan is a humble tribute to Maa Baghulmukhi and the unwavering devotion of Maa Baghulmukhi. Among others present were Rajiv Vohra, Rajiv Kumar, Nikunj Sharma, Vansh Sharma, Vatsal Sufi, and Master Manish.

## Sanatan values, traditions receiving global recognition under Modi regime: Priya Sethi

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JAMMU: A grand programme was organised at Sitaram Mandir, Purani Mandi, Jammu, to mark International Women's Day, where women belonging to the Sanatan community gathered in large numbers to celebrate the occasion and highlight the role of women in preserving cultural and spiritual values.

The event was organised by Savita Anand and Kiran Gupta, who arranged a vibrant gathering of women from different walks of life. The programme aimed to honour the strength, contribution and spiritual role of women in society while also promoting the cultural heritage of Sanatan traditions.

The event was attended by MLA Jammu East Yudhvir Sethi, BJP J&K Vice President and former Minister Priya Sethi, and BJP Jammu District President Rajesh Gupta, along with several prominent members of the community and devotees.

Addressing the gathering, Priya Sethi extended her greetings to the women present and highlighted the importance of empowering women while preserving the rich cultural heritage of Sanatan Dharma.

She appreciated the efforts being made to bring women



BJP J&K Vice President and former Minister Priya Sethi with others at a programme.

together on such occasions and stressed that women have always played a vital role in strengthening social and cultural traditions.

Priya Sethi also appreciated the initiatives of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for promoting the values and heritage of Sanatan culture at both national and international levels. She stated that under his leadership, India's spiritual traditions, yoga, and cultural practices have received global recognition and respect.

"Prime Minister Narendra Modi has taken several initiatives to promote Sanatan values and Indian cultural heritage across the world. Through various global platforms and cultural outreach programmes, India's spiritual traditions are

gaining the recognition they truly deserve," she said.

She further added that women have always been the backbone of Sanatan culture, playing a crucial role in preserving traditions, values and moral teachings within families and society.

She said that under Modi's leadership over the past 11 years, India has reclaimed pride in its cultural, spiritual and civilizational heritage.

She cited the construction of the Ram Temple in Ayodhya after a wait of over 550 years, the development of the Kashi Vishwanath Corridor, and the restoration of pilgrimage centres such as Mahakaleshwar Temple as examples of the

Modi Govt's commitment to Sanatan traditions.

Speaking on the occasion, MLA Yudhvir Sethi also highlighted the importance of women empowerment and acknowledged the contributions of women in shaping a progressive society. He encouraged women to continue participating actively in social, cultural and community activities.

He also appreciated the organisers for arranging such a meaningful programme that celebrated both women empowerment and cultural values.

The programme witnessed enthusiastic participation from women of the Sanatan community, who came together to celebrate the spirit of womanhood and cultural unity.

The organisers, Savita Anand and Kiran Gupta, expressed gratitude to the distinguished guests and participants for making the event successful.

The celebration concluded with a message of women empowerment, cultural pride and the continued promotion of Sanatan traditions in society.

## Tara Chand calls for stronger grassroots organization, greater role for women in decision-making

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KHOUR: The Monthly Meeting of the Block Congress Committee (BCC) Khour was held on Monday with enthusiastic participation of party delegates, office bearers and grassroots workers from across the region. The gathering turned vibrant as a large number of women delegates actively participated in discussions, reflecting the spirit of International Women's Day and highlighting the growing role of women in the party organization.

Former Deputy Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir and Working President of the Jammu and Kashmir Pradesh Congress Committee (JKPCC), Tara Chand, attended the meeting as the Chief Guest. He interacted with party leaders and workers on key political, social and organizational matters. Deliberations focused on strengthening the party at the grassroots level, expanding public outreach and ensuring greater participation of women and youth in political activities.

The meeting served as a platform to review the party's func-



Former Dy CM Tara Chand addressing public rally at Khour.

tioning at the block level and to frame strategies for better coordination among workers in the Chhamb and Akhnor constituencies. Speakers stressed the importance of maintaining regular public interaction to understand local concerns and ensure that people's issues are effectively raised at appropriate forums.

A significant portion of the discussion centered on women's empowerment. Leaders observed that the increasing participation of women in political activities reflects positive social change and strengthens democratic institutions. They emphasized that women's involvement in

decision-making is vital for inclusive and balanced governance.

Addressing the gathering, Tara Chand extended greetings to women participants on International Women's Day and appreciated their active involvement in organizational affairs. He reiterated that the Congress party has always stood for gender equality and women's empowerment. Greater representation of women in leadership roles, he said, would strengthen the organization and ensure that issues concerning women and marginalized communities receive due attention.

He also urged party workers

to intensify grassroots efforts and maintain close public contact, emphasizing that unity and dedicated public service are pillars of a vibrant democracy. Referring to election promises, he stressed that developmental commitments must be fulfilled to meet public aspirations.

The meeting concluded with a message of unity and commitment to strengthening the Congress organization and promoting inclusive development.

Among those present were Bhushan Bhagat Dogra, Anayat Rather, Madan Chalotra, Narinder Sharma, Nirmal Singh, Vijay Kumar Shastri, Vijay Chib, Santosh Manhas, Jagatar Singh Manhas, Jagdish Raj Sharma, Raj Kumar Sharma, Capt. Kali Das, Madan Lal Sharma, Ashok Kumar Sharma, Suram Singh Bhatt, Devinder Singh Bhatt, Bodh Raj Sharma, Devinder Singh alias Bittu, Sham Lal, Hans Raj Bhagat, Tarsem Singh, Bachno Devi, Beena Devi, and Capt. Gopal Das, along with several senior leaders and workers.

## 2-day specialised training programme inaugurated at ZPHQ

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JAMMU: A two-day training programme on "Intelligence Generation" commenced on Monday at the Zonal Police Headquarters (ZPHQ), Jammu. The training aims at strengthening the analytical and intelligence-gathering capabilities of police personnel.

The programme has been organised by ZPHQ Jammu for officers and officials from different districts of the Zone. The programme was inaugurated by the Staff Officer to IGP Jammu, Shamsheer Hussain, who highlighted the importance of strengthening intelligence capabilities at the field level to effectively deal with emerging security challenges.

During the 2-day training programme, the experts from different security and intelligence organisations shall deliver 8 sessions covering the fundamentals of intelligence in policing, sources of information and basic intelligence tradecraft. The resource persons would include officers from the IB, MI, RAW, BSF (G Branch) and CID. The sessions are



Police officers at a training programme.

designed to familiarise trainees with the role of intelligence in supporting investigation, prevention of crime and operational decision-making.

The training will also broadly focus on development and handling of information sources, intelligence collection methods and an overview of technical and digital aspects of modern policing. The trainees would further be introduced to basic analytical techniques used in intelligence assessment, threat evaluation and inter-agency coordination, particularly in the context of security and counter-terrorism

related challenges.

The programme forms part of the capacity-building initiatives of Jammu Police, aimed at enhancing the professional skills of its personnel in intelligence collection and analysis.

Later in the afternoon session, the Inspector General of Police Jammu Zone, Bhim Sen Tuti also interacted with the trainees and briefed them about the objectives of the course and the importance of quality intelligence generation for detection and prevention of crime as well as terror-related activities.

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