

Workshop on Phonetics & Communication Skills held at JKPS Kunjwani



A Resource-person speaking during a workshop held at JK Public School, Kunjwani.

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JAMMU: JK Public School Kunjwani not only focuses on the development of students but also focuses on the teachers' development with reference to which a workshop on "Phonetics & Communication Skills" was organized.

Roopinder Kour, Vice Principal JK Public School

Kunjwani, welcomed the resource person Harish Raina who is an International trainer. He has a vast experience and has many reputed articles to his credit. He has been to many countries & states of India as a language expert.

It was an interactive session with the whole faculty on

creative and innovative strategies for teaching phonetics. He apprised the faculty members that there are myriad dialectal forms of languages, all influenced by place, culture and society as well as our individual thinking.

Through fun filled activities, he involved everyone

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Sufyan to represent India at International level in World Cadet & Junior Fencing Championship

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JAMMU: The student of Class XII, Sufyan Waheed Sohail of Dewan Devi Hr. Sec. School has been selected to represent India at International level in World Cadet and Junior Fencing Championship to be held at Plovdiv Bulgaria w.e.f 1st April to 9th April, 2023.

It is pertinent to mention here that Sufyan Waheed Sohail is presently under training at IS-NCOE Patiala under Khelo India Scheme since 2018. He already represented UT of Jammu & Kashmir several times at National level and brought medals for UT. This is first time that Sufyan Waheed Sohail is going to represent India at International level in World Fencing Championship in which more than 70 countries are going to participate. The Principal of the school, Seloni Suri congratulates him on his success and wishes him a bright future ahead.



Fencer Sufyan Waheed posing with faculty and coach.

PSPS GCW Gandhinagar organises interactive session on NEP 2020



Students of GCW Gandhi Nagar after interactive session.

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JAMMU: The Department of Education under the guidance of Dr. Rupinder Kour (H.O.D, Education) organized a participative /interactive session on NEP 2020: For progressive growth of women in India. The event started with a formal welcome address by Prof. Neetu Raina organizing secretary of the event.

Prof Minu Mahajan, Principal of the college was the

chief guest for the occasion. The jury included Prof Rajni Kumari (HoD Economics) Prof Renu Rajput (Associate Professor) Dr. Jyoti Dutt (HoD English). A total of 82 students attended the event and 14 students actively participated in the event. Ist, 2nd and 3rd positions were bagged by Ms. Lovely, Ms. Kamini Sharma, and Ms. Nidhi Thakur respectively.

The Principal of the college

Prof Minu Mahajan in her address to the students impressed upon the importance of women's education for the progress of the nation. She also interacted with the students and applauded their efforts. She congratulated the winners and participants and appreciated the efforts of the department for conducting such a useful event of immense importance. The proceedings of the event were carried out by Prof. Neetu Raina. Prof. Bhagwati from the department of Hindi during her speech emphasized skill enhancement courses for girl students to make them self-sufficient. The event ended with a formal vote of thanks by Prof. Anuradha Choudhary. The members of the organizing committee included Prof. Ajaz Ahmad and Prof. Anupama Sharma.

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JAMMU: Model Academy, the prestigious school of MIER organised an awareness and sensitisation programme on "Inter-Generational Bonding" in association with National Institute of Social Defence, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India and Anugraha, a national NGO that works as Regional Resource & Training Centre on Ageing.

The objective was to sensitize the young participants as regards intergenerational gaps and related issues and to address the challenges faced by the senior section of our society.

Resource Person of the



Students and faculty of Model Academy during an awareness programme.

event was Advocate Deepali Arora, a well-known Legal Expert and Social activist. She elaborated on the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007. This Act is legislation,

introduced by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India to give more effective provision for maintenance and welfare of parents and older persons. She also

highlighted the legal rights of the senior citizens.

The programme started with a film based on the status of elderly people in their families, how they are ill-treated or neglected by the family members

which was followed by a heart touching talk by faculty members, Mamta Kour and Ranmeet Kour. Earlier a painting competition on the theme was also organised. The students expressed their concerns and emotions about elders in society through their creative artwork. The competition was judged by Jasleen Mohial and Ruchi Sharma, members quality assurance team. All the winners were awarded with certificates and trophies.

Speaking on the occasion Rupa Gupta, Jt. Director MIER, exhorted the students to value their Indian roots and remain dutiful to aged persons around them. Programme culminated with a vote of thanks by Manju Vali, convener CCA.

Govt SPMR College organises National seminar on 'Entrepreneurship and Innovation'

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JAMMU: Research and Development Cell and Institution Innovation Cell of Govt. SPMR College of Commerce, Jammu under the aegis of G20 organised a national seminar on the topic "Entrepreneurship and Innovation" for the students and faculty from different colleges of Jammu Division. Principal, Dr. Surinder Kumar was the chief guest on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, he highlighted the importance of entrepreneurship and innovation in Higher Educational Institutions. He lauded the efforts of organising committee for taking such initiative and also urged the faculty to conduct more such events in the near future. Dr. Pooja, Coordinator RDC and Convener of the event formally welcomed the resource person Prof. (Dr) Dipanker Sengupta and all the participants. In her welcome address, she emphasised on the importance of innovation in entrepreneurship in order to prepare our faculty as well as students to become more innovative and market driven.

Dr. Dipanker Sengupta, Professor of Economics, University of Jammu discussed about various



A dignitary being felicitated during seminar.

drivers of the economy i.e. land, labour, capital and fourth very important driver of the present economic era i.e. knowledge. Through his lecture, he highlighted the importance of research in creation of such knowledge and innovation. The resource person also explained about the various types of

capitalists available in the market especially focusing upon Venture capitalist and Angel investors when it comes to innovation.

More than 50 participants including faculty from different colleges of Jammu Division participated in the seminar. The proceedings of the event were conducted by Dr. Jagmeet Kaur and Prof. Deepshikha Sharma, Organizing Secretary of the Programme accorded the formal vote of thanks. The entire event were coordinated and managed by Dr. Pooja, Coordinator RDC, Dr. Parveen Singh, Coordinator IIC, Prof. Deepshikha Sharma, Dr. Fayza, Prof. Charandeep Handa, Dr. Deepak Pathania, Dr. Sumeet Kour and Dr. Raneesh.

Other faculty members present on the occasion were Prof. Barbara Kaul, HOD Commerce, Prof. Savita Jamwal, Dr. Monika Malhotra, Dr. Sandhya Bharadwaj, Prof. Ashu Manhas, Prof. Reeta Menia, Prof. Shreya Sharma, Malik Ajaz Iqbal, Dr. Jaswinder Singh and Dr. Gurcharan Singh. The whole programme was technically assisted by Jai Mohan, Kewal, Arun Sharma and Kulveer Singh.

Workshop on Suturing/Anastomosis organised in GMC

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JAMMU: The Deptt. of Surgery, GMC, Jammu organised a one day Workshop on Suturing / Anastomosis techniques & Staplers for the Senior Residents & 3rd year Postgraduates in the Skill Lab. in collaboration with Johnson & Johnson. The Workshop was inaugurated by Principal & Dean Dr. Shashi Sudhan Sharma who complimented the Deptt. for organising such a workshop for the Residents for the first time & urged the HoD Surgery to make such workshops a regular feature in the Deptt. especially for the first year PGs so that the residents can learn the basic skills to benefit the Patients ultimately. She expressed happiness over the overall working of the Deptt. especially its proactive role in the management of mass trauma, Disasters etc. Dr. Ratnakar Sharma HoD surgery said that the Deptt. is doing all types of Surgeries & the waiting time of elective Surgery has been considerably reduced inspite of shortage of manpower. He further said that the Deptt. intends to send PGs in batches for advance trainings and requested the Principal & Dean for permission. During the workshop the Residents were given hands on training on how



Principal GMC, Shashi Sudan Sharma being welcomed during workshop.

to do gut & vascular anastomosis on sheep Aorta & intestines. They were also given training on use of different types of Staplers. Dr. Ratnakar Sharma HoD Surgery was the expert & other Faculty Members viz. Dr. Zahoor, Dr. Vikrant Singh, Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Dr. Rajni Bhardwaj, Dr. Manmeet, Dr. Rahul also participated in the workshop. Dr. Kailash Singh, Asstt. Professor Surgery conducted the proceedings of the Workshop.

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JAMMU: An Environmental Building Program under Inclusive Education Samagra Shiksha was organised on Friday under the chairmanship of Zonal Education Officer Bhalwal Sunita Sharma. BDC Chairman Bhalwal Kuldeep Raj was the Chief Guest whereas Sarpanch Bhalwal Raj Dev Singh Jamwal was the Guest of Honour.

Speaking on the occasion Neeraj Badyal, Teacher GPS Ranjan briefed the meaning of CWSN and also made the general public aware of the various Government schemes and benefits being provided to Children with Special Needs. Ajay Kumar Teacher GMS Gurha Pattan also motivated parents in particular and the audience in general to avail the benefits through UDID Cards which is a great initiative of Govt.



Faculty members presenting flower bouquet to the Chief Guest.

of India. Sarpanch Bhalwal Raj Dev Singh Jamwal assured the parents of CWSN that an assessment camp shall be organised soon in Bhalwal and requested them to approach him for all kinds of support for a CWSN. BDC Chairman Bhalwal Kuldeep Raj said that Aadhar Center is functional at Panchayat Ghar Bhalwal where parents can apply for Aadhar for their specially abled child. He also collected the details of CWSN of the block and

assured that he will leave no stone unturned to help these children of his block Bhalwal.

In the end, respected ZEO Bhalwal Sunita Devi thanked all and said that her staff members, Cluster Resource Persons and all the officials under her control are all the time ready to complete every assignment well in time. She said that this mass awareness programme will give a clear message to all that the govt, is very much determined to help all the specially abled children.

Tribunal upholds disqualification of MC President Kathua, 3 others

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JAMMU: Judicial Member Rajeev Gupta of Special Tribunal Jammu upheld the order of Chief Electoral Officer whereby four BJP councilors, who had won elections on Congress mandate, were disqualified including President Municipal Council (MC) Kathua, Naresh Kumar: Rajeev Gupta Judicial Member Special Tribunal, observed that the finding of Chief Electoral Officer, J&K, on the second aspect of defiance of 'whip', are also based on factual and legal aspects properly appreciated by the authority below.

The finding is not perverse on any count, rather the finding is one of the probable views which could be taken on the basis of available merits of the case. Since, the probable view has been taken, it cannot be disturbed even if, equally other possible views can be taken by this Tribunal. The finding of Chief Electoral Officer, J&K, on that count is also upheld. It has been the contention of the appellants that their disqualification arrived at in the decision of Chief Electoral Officer, J&K, based on the provisions under sections 18-A and 18-B of the Municipal Act, is inappropriate for the reason that appellants No. 1 and 3 had already become President and Vice President of MC, Kathua. This argument in the first blush appears to be attractive but on analysis of sections 25 and 26 referred to by the appellants to support their contention, appears to be quite far-fetched.

Tribunal observed that another question has been raised by the appellants that the application for disqualification jointly moved by respondents

no. 2 to 4 on 08-11-2018, was incompetent inasmuch as the respondent No. 2 belonged to the Indian National Congress and respondents No. 3 and 4 had been elected as independent members. This contention raised by the appellants is not founded on any legal ground and is found to be quite irrelevant. Bare reading of provisions under section 18-B and 18-A of the Municipal Act pertaining to disqualification of members, suggests that it is nowhere provided that a petition in this regard has to be filed by any specified person. Any person may in the appropriate circumstances make a motion before the statutory authority appointed in this behalf, seeking disqualification of any member; on the statutory grounds stipulated in the aforesaid provisions. Counsel for the appellant has not been able to show any provision of law or any judicial pronouncement to support the contention that a petition for disqualification jointly filed by members belonging to the political party and independent members suffers from any disability. Therefore, the contention raised by the appellants on that count is rejected. With these observations, the tribunal is convinced that the decision rendered by the Chief Electoral Officer, J&K, which is impugned in the instant statutory appeal is perfectly in harmony with the factual and legal aspects covered in the case, and there being absolutely no perversity or illegality committed by the authority below any rendering the decision, appeal deserves no merit and is, therefore, dismissed. Appeal is, accordingly, disposed of; it may be consigned to records after due completion.