Common masses eagerly waiting for change: Mula Ram

STATE TIMES NEWS

MARH: Mula Ram, former minister and Senior Vice President Pradesh Congress Committee Jammu and Kashmir along with Congress workers of Marh Block, spearheaded a series of public in Phallian, meetings Mandal, Sohajana, Makwal, Sandwan in Marh Block These meetings aimed to garner support for Congress candidate Raman Bhalla for Jammu Reasi Lok Sabha seat in the ensuing polls.

Accusing the BJP at the center and J&K UT of having belied the hopes and aspirations of people of JK UT, Mula Ram Senior Vice President Congress Committee J&K said that time had come to teach a lesson to those who betrayed the voters by false narrative and deceptive slogans. He said that while the slogans of corruption free dispensation and :Sabka Sath Sabka Vikas : Remained a distant Mirage, the bold assertions of Achhe



Vice President Pradesh Congress Committee Jammu Mula Ram addressing gathering at Marh.

Din have continued to remain mired in ambiguity.

The saffron rule witnessed uncontrolled inflation steep Rise in petrol and diesel prices. He said pre poll promises having Transformed into post poll somersaults, the Disenchantment of the masses with each passing day.. He said the people were fed up with BJP, s Deceptive politics and it's false promises and Eagerly waiting for a

Mula ram said these words

in largely attended meeting in Phallian Mandal areas of Marh Block.. Mula ram said Not only, the BJP Government fail on the governance front but the Law and order situation Deteriorated to an all time low. The internal security became the Biggest causality of BJP Rule with unprecedented Death and Destruction shaking people faith in the Dispensation ruling the roost. The frequent attack on security forces, political per-

Basantgarh, Chaneni belt.

peoples' demand for opening

Degree College at Badnota

being located in the center of

over the bad condition of

Sukral-Macchedi road and

nectivity of BSNL which has

halted the pace of socio-eco-

nomic and intellectual

growth in the area. Govt

seems strangulating Public

Sector BSNL to benefit pri-

vate sector companies. He

demanded improving connec-

the proposal of constructing

Panjtirthi of Ujah. There is

scarcity of water and people

of Billawar area will be

unnecessarily disturbed and

uprooted causing devastat-

ing effect on their lives

besides on environment.

Jalmeria opposed

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tivity of BSNL in the area.

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There was almost no con-

BILLAWAR-Katli roads.

the area.

Jalmeria supported the

He expressed anguish

sons and innocent civilians had belied the tall claims of BJP Government and shall continue to Haunt the people's for years to come.. Urging people not to be misled by the Deceptive sloganeering of BJP, mula ram said 12 years of saffron rule should serve as an eye opener for them wherein the people have got nothing except JUMLA promises. It's congress party alone who would stand by the people in all odds and fight for their Rights in all situations. Others who accompaniment Mula Ram during campaign and spoke on the occasion are Rajinder Kumar Happy, Sardaar Soudhagar Singh Saini, Former Sarpanch, Subash Sharma Former Sarpanch, Bishan Dass Former Sarpanch, Gulzaar Singh Former Sarpanch, Choudhary Ajeet Singh, Charan Dass, Rattan Lal Sharma, Bittu Rampal. Sham Singh,

Choudhary, Balkar Singh

Distt Admin Kathua intensifies SVEEP activities STATE TIMES NEWS

KATHUA: Kathua district has witnessed a flurry of activity as it gears up for the upcoming General Elections Spearheading the initiative to empower voters and promote democratic participation, Kathua district administration has undertaken a series of systematic voter awareness campaigns under Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation Program (SVEEP). In a concerted effort to reach every corner of district, SVEEP activities have engaged various community stakeholders like Anganwadi and Asha workers. These frontline workers have been instrumental in sensitizing voters about significance of their role in electoral process. Through door-todoor visits and community engagements, they have emphasized the importance of exercising the right to vote as a fundamental pil-



lar of democracy

At the grassroots level, various village-level events have been organized to foster a culture of electoral participation.

drives and "Vote for Sure Selfie" initiatives have garnered significant traction among villagers, encouraging them to pledge their

commitment to vote and

through social media plat-Nodal Officer, forms. SVEEP, Neeraj Bhargav (District Information Officer, Kathua) expressed satisfaction about overwhelming response to the SVEEP activities, stating that the success of these initiatives reflects collective determination of the Kathua community to uphold the democratic ethos. "By leveraging the efforts of Anganwadi and Asha workers and engaging villagers at grassroots level, we aim to ensure maximum voter turnout and active participation in the upcoming elections", he said. With Kathua slated to go to the polls on April 19, 2024 as part of 4-Udhampur Parliamentary Constituency, under first phase of General Elections 2024, the SVEEP activities serve as a crucial catalyst in promoting electoral literacy and fostering a robust democratic ecosys-

Billawar Zila Andolan demands early district status for Billawar

STATE TIMES NEWS

Convener BILLAWAR: of the Billawar Zila Andolan, Hari Chand Jalmeria advocate, conducted four days tour of various areas of Billawar, Ramkote and Lohai Malhar tehsils. He visited Maccedi, Kindli, Badnota, Lohai, Baggan, Billawar, Sukral, Dewal, Dungara, Gurha, Aglidhar, Nagrota, Kasher, Panjtirthi and interacted with people

Speaking to the press, Jalmeria expressed anguish over denial of District Status to Billawar and demanded early district status for Billawar is situated in the center of the area for headquarters, emphasized Jalmeria. He condemned the decision of the Govt. to shift Jail from Kathua to Billawar at Dambra where beautiful meadow of two three villages running into hundreds of

Kanals has been destroyed along with hundreds of trees and protest of the local people has been ignored. He asked the Government to give up the anti-people plan of constructing jail at Dambra and instead construct Agriculture University there to boost agriculture, horticulture, animal husbandary potential of the area besides saving its healthy environment.

He reiterated the demand of construction of Sundrikote Tunnel to connect Billawar area with Highway National Kathua. Tunnel at Chochru Gala will connect Macchedi-Lohai-Malhar Basantgarh Sudhmahadev and another Tunnel at Dehri Gala will connect Billawar Katli with Dhaggar Bani. These measures will boost comprehensibly the tourism

White Knight Corps felicitates first women Judge of Rajouri district



Commander Nowshera Bde, White Knight Corps felicitating Bhavna Kesar and her family.

STATE TIMES NEWS

NOWSHERA: Kesar (First women judge) and her parents were felicitated by Commander Nowshera Bde on behalf of White Knight Corps for her marvellous achievement. On the glorious morning of 3 Apr 2024, border town of Nowshera woke up to the wonderful news of local girl, Bhavana Kesar clearing the Judge Junior Division Exam conducted by JKPSC. She made the

people of Naushera and state of J & K proud by becoming the first women to clear the exam. Bhavna Kesar is a gleaming example of grit, determination and perseverance for the young girls, and future of Nowshera. She is a daughter of Naresh Kesar a hardworking tailor and a doting home maker mother who are not able to contain their happiness and are the support system of their

GDC Ramnagar conducts 7-Day Swayam/NPTEL orientation workshop sions tailored to enrich their

STATE TIMES NEWS RAMNAGAR: Govt. Degree College Ramnagar is delighted to announce the successful conclusion of its 7-day orienworkshop SWAYAM/NPTEL. Organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and SWAYAM Cell of the college, the workshop was held from April 4th to April 10th, 2024, with over 200 enthusiastic students in attendance. The workshop was organized under the esteemed patronage of Dr. Bhavnaish Chand, Principal of the college, and the adept guidance of Dr. Rakesh Kumar Pandit as the convener and Prof. Tanmeet Kour as the coordinator, and it aimed to introduce participants to the invaluable available on resources SWAYAM/NPTEL platforms. Throughout the workshop, participants actively engaged in interactive ses-

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JAMMU: Special Judge

CBI Jammu Bala Joyti on

Wednesday rejected the bail

application of Patwari and

his associate, Chowkidar, in

in Jammu and Kashmir's

Samba who were arrested by

According to the CBI, a

accused.

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Patwari

issuing

case has been registered

Patwari, based on a com-

plaint. It was alleged that

demanded a bribe of Rs

50,000 from the com-

for

Girdawari land owned by

him. CBI laid a trap and

during the trap proceedings,

the accused asked the com-

plainant to hand over the

bribe amount to his associ-

ate, a Chowkidar Dayal

Chand, Halqa Nanga,

District Samba (J&K). Both

the accused were apprehend-

ed during the transaction of

a bribe of Rs 9,000," accord-

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accused

CBI in bribe case

against

Choudhary,

plainant

comprehension of the diverse offered SWAYAM/NPTEL. These sessions equipped them with knowledge and skills across various fields, fostering a culture of continuous learning and development. The main highlights of the workshop covered an introduction to SWAYAM/NPTEL, including an overview and understanding of its significance in the education ecosystem. It also delved into exploring the diverse range of courses and specializations available, highlighting their impact on career development. Interactive sessions allowed participants to navigate SWAYAM/NPTEL platforms, explore course structures, modules, and assessment methods. Additionally, the benefits of online learning, such as flexible schedules and credit transfer

opportunities, were discussed

ing to an official release.

Special Judge CBI Jammu

Bala Joyti after hearing both

the sides rejected the bail

applications and observed

that the applicant is accused

who is caught by the CBL

ACB Jammu red handed in a

trap laid down on the basis of

the complaint of the com-

plainant namely Aytar Singh

besides investigation is still

at its infancy and many more

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come, besides as per I.O,

many material witnesses are

yet to be examined including

complainant, hence to my

mind it is pre-mature to

admit the accused/applicant

to bail at this stage as till

date, he has failed to carve

out a case for bail in his

favour Thus prayer made

herein is declined and appli-

cation for bail at this stage is

rejected, however the appli-

cant is not debarred from fil-

ing fresh application if there

is change in the circum-

Court rejects bail of Patwari,

Chowkidar in trap case

the Halqa Nanga panchayat of serious corrupt practice

along with insights into certifications offered SWAYAM /NPTEL and their recognition by educational institutions. The workshop concluded with participants not only gaining familiarity with SWAYAM/ NPTEL but also expressing enthusiasm for continuous learning and innovation. The event successfully achieved its objectives, empowering attendees to embrace online education for personal and professional growth. A special thanks to all the faculty members for their coordination and support.

EC orders crack down on anonymous political hoarding amid complaints

STATE TIMES NEWS

DELHI: The Election Commission on Wednesday directed clear identification of the printer and publisher on printed election-related material, including hoardings, in a bid to ensure accountability and transparency in poll campaigning.

The poll authority said the decision was taken by it after representations were received stating that in hoarding spaces controlled by municipal authorities, hoardings without the identity of the printer or pub-

The Aam Aadmi Party had also approached the EC on the issue recently.

ligher have been noticed

The EC pointed to section 127A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 which prohibits the printing or publishing of election pamphlets, posters, placards, or banners without prominently displaying the name and address of the

printer and publisher. This requirement of disclosing the identity of publishers serves as a cornerstone for regulating campaign financing and fixing of responsibility in case content is found unbecoming of the framework of the Model Code of Conduct or the statutory provisions, it

Court directs SSP Crime to register FIR against AP for securing appointment on forged documents

Notorious drug supplier

booked under PITNDPS act

Divisional

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Court of Passenger Tax, Jammu, has directed SSP Crime Jammu to register FIR and investigate into alleged use of Assistant Professor in Education Department during his selection by Jammu Kashmir Public Service Commission (JKPSC). The aforesaid Assistant Professor in Geography, namely Mohd Qasim Mir, was recruited by JKPSC through recruitment process vide notification number 10-PSC(DR-P) of 2017, dated October 27, 2017. While disposing off an application by complainant Ajay Kumar of Rajouri through Advocate Shivam Gupta and Advocate Raghav Sawhney, Special Mobile Magistrate Passenger Tax Jammu Munish K Manhas observed that the Crime Branch, in its inquiry, has

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SAMBA: Taking stringent

action against notorious drug

smugglers/suppliers involved in

illicit drug trade, Samba Police

under the overall supervision of

SSP Samba Vinay Kumar has

detained and lodged in jail

notorious drug supplier Farman Ali @ Munna under

Prevention of Illicit Traffic in

Psychotropic Substances (PIT-

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ntents of the advertisements

Drugs

Narcotic

also submitted that Mohd Qasim manipulated/inserted/forged documents but no FIR was registered against the accused till date. "Since as forged documents by an per the contents of the application as also the findings of the Crime Branch Jammu commission of cognizable offence are made out, as such SSP/SHO crime Branch Jammu is directed to register FIR and investigate the matter in accordance with law forthwith," ordered the Magistrate. As per the complaint filed by Ajay Kumar, who was also a candidate for the post of Assistant Professor, accused Mohd Qasim Mir managed his selection by submitting some forged documents/certificates which were obtained illegally by him in collusion with the issuing authorities. The forgery came into applicant's notice after he filed RTIs in this regard.

NDPS) Act, in pursuance of

detention order issued by

Jammu, Farman Ali alias

Munna, son of Bhag Hussain,

resident of Krail Manhasa

tehsil Bishnah district Jammu at present Balole Khad Bari

Brahmana district Samba is a

notorious heroin supplier

involved in number of NDPS

cases registered at Police

Station Bari Brahmana, pos-

ing a serious threat to the

health and welfare of the peo-

ple. Following his repeated

engagement in drug traffick-

ing, dentation order was issued

by Divisional Commissioner

Jammu based on detailed

dossier prepared by SSP

Samba. Immediately after

receiving the detention order,

police team led by SHO Police

Station Bari Brahmana suc-

cessfully executed the warrant,

detained the notorious drug

supplier Farman Ali and lodged

him in District Jail Kathua.

Commissioner,

Voter awareness program under SVEEP held at GHSS Krimachi

STATE TIMES NEWS

UDHAMPUR: A vibrant voter awareness program under SVEEP initiative was organized District Election Authority, led by District Election Officer Udhampur Saloni Government Higher Secondary School Krimachi here on Wednesday.

The event witnessed active participation of Deputy District Election Officer, Dr. Anirudh Rai, SVEEP Nodal Officer, District Panchayat Officer, locals, as well as staff members and students.

Students from GHSS Krimachi and neighboring schools showcased their talents through various cultural activities and patriotic songs. They engaged in creative endeavors like stone painting, salad making themed around SVEEP, crafting slogans using cereals and crafting Rangoli displaying the polling date in Udhampur

The highlight of the event



Glimpses of various activities organised at GHSS Krimachi under SVEEP.

was flying of kites adorned with 'SVEEP' inscriptions, adding a festive colour to the

The Deputy DEO urged citizens to exercise their voting rights in the upcoming Lok Sabha election. He emphasized the pivotal role of every individual in nationbuilding and underscored the significance of each vote in shaping a robust govern-

Journalists Association Poonch formed, Randhir elected as President



Office bearers of newly formed Journalist Association Poonch.

STATE TIMES NEWS

POONCH: Journalists of Poonch district formed their new organization on other day. All media persons gathered at Krishan Chandra Park and discussed various issues about the media.

In this meeting it was decided that there should be an organization of Poonch journalists after which its own organization in the

Journalist name Association Poonch was formed in which Randhir Singh was elected as President while Convener -Ramesh Bali; Senior Vice President -Ahtesham Hussain- Vice President -Rajesh Khajuria; General Secretary -Niaz Shah; Joint Secretary-Mohammad Spoke Person-Bashir; Manish Sharma and Pradeep

Sharma Cashier Nipun Khajuria and Sanjeev Sharma

Members were Shahnawaz Bandey, Shehzad Bhtt, Israr Kazmi, Sunny Sharma, Bhopinder Singh, Jahangir Sheikh Rakesh Sharma, Gurpreet Kaur. It was pledged to work for the progress of the country and positive journalism will be given priority.

General Observer reviews election preparedness in District Reasi

STATE TIMES NEWS

REASI: The Observer for Jammu 5-Parliamentary Constituency, Rahul Ranjan Mahiwal, visited Katra to review the election preparedness of District Reasi.

During his visit, he discussed the District Election Management Plan with the District Election Officer Reasi, Vishesh Mahajan, and Senior Superintendent of

Police Reasi, Mohita Sharma. General Observer Rahul Ranjan Mahiwal also visited the control room of Assembly Constituency 58 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi and inspected its operations. He reviewed the working of the flying squad team, static surveillance team, video surveillance team, and video viewing team.



General Observer for Jammu 5-Parliamentary Constituency Rahul Ranjan Mahiwal during visit to Reasi.

Additionally, he inspected the Static Surveillance Team (SST) at Nomain Nakka, Katra

Reasi, Vishesh Mahajan, informed General Observer about the cash and other seizures made during the enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct (MCC). SSP Reasi, Mohita briefed about the deployment of teams for the Lok Sabha elections.

ARO 58 - SMVD Piyush Dhotra ASP Katra Vipin Chandran, Tehsildar katra Jatinder Singh, SDPO katra Surinder Singh Baloria and other officers were present.

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