# On Earth Day, we must re-affirm our commitment to Mother Nature: Principal JKPS Kunjwani



Glimpses of Earth Day celebration at JK Public School Kunjwani.

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Drawing the

pressing environmental challenges, namely, cliattention of students mate change, bio-diversi- celebrated at JK Public

dwindling natural resources, Earth Day was

great aplomb and commit-

It's the moral duty of

addressing global environtowards some of our most ty, extinct species and School Kunjwani with every progressive institu- mental challenges at

tion to sensitize students

towards their role in

grass-root level. Various activities were conducted in the school campus for enhancing the environmental sensitivity of students. There was plantation drive by the Middle & Senior Wing. They not only planted saplings but also took pledge to safe-guard Mother Earth and keep it clean. Students raised slogans to sensitize everyone and made them realized that "we have not

from the next generation". The School Principal, Rajesh Rathore apprised students about some ways to save Mother Earth. He made students aware of the fact that cleanliness is next to Godliness and motivated them to keep the campus clean. He also advised students to say NO to polythene bags and inspire their parents to carry with them a big cloth bag, whenever they go to any vegetable market or fruit market. He asked students to take a pledge that they should never step out their homes without a cloth/jute bag and never bring home any polythene bag. He also advised students to request their elders to prepare cloth bags for

inherited earth from our

ancestors but borrowed it

arately in the refrigerator. The Vice Principal Roopinder Kaur lauded these green warriors and their mentors for having this unique approach to celebrate the Earth Day. She enlightened students during the morning assembly with the UN slogan for the year 2024, Plastic-free namely, World. She guided stu-

keeping green veggies sep-

dents during the plantation ceremony and appreciated them for being blessed with green fingers.

Several students from the Senior school (IX-X) brought a sapling, such as, Aloevera, Giloi, Lemon Grass, Mint, Basil, Turmeric, Coriander, Crotons, rose, Chameli etc to name a few and enriched the school campus with a massive plantation drive. They apprised each other about the benefits of these plants in their day to day lives. Even the teachers listened with great intent to what the children were speaking and really appreciated planting of those saplings in the Auditorium garden

The children sought perfrommission Principal to water these plants at a regular interval and render full care towards their plants and help them grow and nurture. They also consented to enlighten their friends in the surroundings for this noble cause and promised to take the legacy forward by telling other people to follow suit.

The enthusiastic children were beaming bright with joy and pride to have marked the day by planting those saplings and inspired everyone to have green fingers. All the children were found completely involved and extended their best support to the gardeners, while they were helping children plant the

# Rail Coach Factory Kapurthala lifts Sarbat Da Bhalaa Hockey Cup

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Rail Coach Factory Kapurthala defeated Punjab Police by 3-1 goals via plenty shootout in the final and lifted the trophy of Sarbat Da Bhalla National level Invitational Tournament organized by Sikh Progressive Front at K.K Hakku Stadium, here.

The tournament was dedicated to the 555th Birth Anniversary of Sri Guru Nanak Dev.

In the final, both teams played very attractive hockey with excellent skills and well organised moves. In the most thrilling encounter RCF and Punjab Police scored three goals each in the full time of the match and the match was decided via shoot out where RCF scored three goals against solitary goal by the

Sanjay Kumar of RCF played excellently and was adjudged as Man of the Match whereas Ramandeen Singh, Olympian of Punjab Police declared Player of the Tournament.

Bhupinder Kumar. Secretary to Government PWD, was the Chief Guest while Sekar Manoharan, Treasurer of Hockey India was the Special Guest of the event and Ansuya Jamwal Additional DC (Law and Order) along Mohd Ashraf

Honour. addressing the gathering, appreciated the efforts of Sikh Progressive Front for organising such a mega event n v o l v i n g international/Olympions and top most teams of the coun-

lar process organizing out door sport events with the active involvement of government authorities. Sekar Manoharan also lauded the role of SPF for JKAS were the Guests of

conducting such a memorable tournament and assured the full coop from their side for the promotion of Hockey at gross Ansuya Jamwal called

upon the budding players to come in the field and leave bad habit of video games. The tournament was super-

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Environmental

He also stressed upon the

organisers to make it a regu-

vised by the official of hockey India and assisted by Satvir Singh Satti Vetran Hockey Player, Anjali coach of KIC, Baljit Coach, Soniya and Jagjit Singh and D Singh Hockey Coach, Coach Sports

Balvinder Singh, President SPF thanked the dignitaries and all others including bockey lovers/spectators, participating Teams, Officials of Hockey India, above all J&K Sports Council for extending unimaginable support for the smooth conduct of the tournament.

He assured the public that

ness about the importance

of sustainable development.

SPF will make every effort to organize such event in the future also for the revival of hockey in JKUT.

Manjit Singh, Organizing Secretary and Rajinder Singh Soodan jointly welcomed the Chief Guest and Guests of Honour. They also thanked Satnam Singh of IK Bani Channel, Beant Singh of Hond Digital Media and Nav Bharat and others for the regular cooperation in telecasting live coverage of matches. P.P Singh played the role of commentator throughout the tourna-

In the closing ceremony the Chief Guest gave away the prizes to the winning team with an award of Rs 51000 cash prize for winner and Rs 31000 to the runners up, besides the individual prizes to the players of the participating teams, Umpires. Cash prize money of Rs 51000 for winning team was sponsored by Pawaljeet Singh MD of P&R Construction, and Rs 31000 for runners up by Jarnail Singh MD Peaks

# Level of Poonch Volleyball League to go up: VAJK



### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

POONCH: The Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK) has decided to raise the level of just concluded Shaheed DySP Manjit Singh at Government Degree College grounds, here.

From prize money to participating teams and the infrastructure, the VAJK shall extend a helping hand to the organisers, Shaheed DvSPManjit Singh Memorial Volleyball Club (SMSMVC).

This was stated by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the VAJK and veteran in volleyball administration of J&K, Kuldeep Magotra on the valedictory of the first of its kind event in the Union Territory.

"I have been there in Poonch for the whole event and the competition has scope to become a National event. The Association shall extend every possible help to the organisers to raise the

level of the League," said Magotra.

In the rain interrupted title clash, Makhdoomi Ĉlub Poonch and Budgam Warriors declared joint win-Memorial Volleyball League ner. When the rains halted behalf Ajaz Choudhary the came the final was levelled at 1-1. The joint winner teams presented with a cash prize of Rs 75,000 and trophy.

> Third place went to Lamberi Panthers after they trounced Haveli Chaos 3-2 (25-22, 21-25,25-23,24-26, 15-13). Lamberi got Rs 10,000. Semifinals: Makhdoomi Club Poonch beat Haveli Chaos 3-1 (19-25,25-23,25-22,25-23); Budgam Warrior beat Lamberi Panthers 3-1 (25-

15,22-25,19-25, 21-25). Choudhary Mannat declared best attacker while Ankush named best blocker and Haroon adjudged best universal. Amit Singh was best Libero and Saqlain Tariq declared as best setter. All these

individual performers presented cash prize of Rs 5,000 each.

In the closing function, SSP Poonch could not make it to the venue and on his (DvSP) along with guest of honour, Kuldeep Magotra (CEO VAJK) in the presence of R C Sharma (treasurer VAJK), Akber Ali (office secretary VAJK) and Pardeep Khanna.

The visiting dignitaries were all praise for Mohd Tariq (chairman Shaheed DvSP Manjit Singh Memorial Volleyball Club) for the idea of a League in the district. In the meantime, organisers felicitated international Amrinderpal Singh (Love). The technical panel included Neeraj Sharma, Intazar, Shafqat, Ajaz Chandak, Davinder Kumar, Davinder Singh, Sidarat Hussain, Waseem, Muzamil, Shabir, Amir Shah, Jitendra and Mohd Alyas.

## Shiksha Niketan School organises **Career Counselling Session**



Resource person addressing students during a session.

**STATE TIMES NEWS** JAMMU: Shiksha Niketan Senior Secondary School on Monday organised a Career Counselling Session for 10th Class students. The event was attended by Mahesh Kumar Swarnkar and Nitin Gupta from the Institute of Company Secretaries of Principal, HODs and Headmaster, Teachers of High Wing. Around 225 students took

part in the Session. The event was focused on helping students take an informed decision related to multiple career choices at a single venue. Headmaster welcomed all the Chief Guests mementos.

Nitin Kumar emphasized the importance of equipping students with comprehensive career knowledge.

He urged students to seek understanding in their chosen paths, emphasizing the significance of informed decision making. He encouraged the stu-

dents to pursue their interests and urged them to work sincerely to achieve their

He motivated students asserting that commerce is the best choice for those interested in business.

The Principal emphasized the significance of setting long term goals and developing a strategic plan to achieve them.

(HOD Abhinandan Science) emphasized the importance of exploring various career paths and making informed decisions based on their interests strengths.

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Day', which is celebrated annually on April 22. It serves as a reminder of the importance of environmental protection and sustainability. The members of the club planned and organ-

Club of KC College of

Education observed 'Earth

ized a poster making activity for the students of Arya Girls High School, Jammu. The main aim of the activ-

Convenor of the Club, Dr. Puja Sharma along with the members of the club educated the students on issues of environmental concern. A good number of stu-

dents of Arya Girls High School participated in the making activity organized by the club and showcased their talents and creativity through the beautiful drawings made by them on the theme "Planet

KC College of Education observes Earth Day vs Plastic".

The activity was convened by Dr. Puja Sharma and Rita Jamwal. Club convenor applauded the efforts of the club and participation of the students in the activity and mentioned that the club will continue doing such activity involving the locals so that the club can achieve the aim of spreading awareness among the masses about environment protection, preservation and conserva-

## ity was to spread the aware-DIS Jammu celebrates Earth Day with plantation drive



Doon International School Jammu students and faculty during Earth Day celebration.

### STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Doon International School (DIS) Jammu students celebrated Earth Day to create awareness about the environment of the planet Earth.

The school organized a plantation drive within the school premises to promote the importance of environmental conservation

and sustainable living.

The highlight of the event was the initiative taken by senior students who creatively crafted planters using waste plastic materials.

G.N. Tantray, Chairman of the School and Dr. Vikesh Kaur, Principal of the school, were present at the event to support the efforts of the students.

# KCPS delegates perform well at MUN-24



**STATE TIMES NEWS** JAMMU: A delegation comprising 11 delegates from KC Public School (KCPS) participated in the MUN-2024 hosted by Rich Harvest School, Bari Brahmana from April

The KCPS delegates put up a sterling performance in the Conference. Avin Pandita won best delegate award in UNHRC, Suhas Koul was awarded Best Delegate award in Lok Sabha, Jasmine Chibber received Special Mention in IP Photography, Neharika Sharma and Kalash Bhat secured Verbal Mention in UNCSW, and Achyut Khajuria also bagged the Verbal Mention in UNHRC.

The other KCPS delegates who participated in the conference were Mrinmay Mehta, Ryna Gandotra, Unnati Raina, Shreedha Gupta, Gaurang Dhar and Shivansh Sharma. Medhaj Pathania served as the Under Secretary General of the 3-days long conference, whereas Vardan Raina and Rahul Anand were the Organising Committee Members from KCPS.

It was a proud moment for them to hold the Best Delegation trophy and hoist the school

School Principal Amarendra Kumar Mishra congratulated the school delegates and their mentors for their outstanding achievement in the event.