

NCC conducts visionary conclave

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NAGROTA: The NCC Training Academy under the aegis of Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh Directorate conducted a Review and Future Planning Conclave at Nagrota, which brought together recently Course Qualified Associate NCC Officers and Care Taker Officers (CTOs) from the entire Jammu region covering all 10 districts.

The event served as a melting pot of ideas, fostering discussions on training experiences, alignment with organizational objectives, and strategies for preparing a future-ready youth. The event was presided over by the Group Commander, Brigadier PS Cheema and attended by staff and all Commanding Officers of the NCC battalions in Jammu Group. The conference witnessed active participation from Associate NCC Officers (ANOs) who shared their transformative experiences from training at the Officers Training Academies in Kamptee and Gwalior.



Group Commander, Brigadier PS Cheema posing with staff and Commanding Officers.

The ANOs shared their views on the routine of a regimental life, the syllabus and the immersive experience of enjoying enforced diversity and how it changed their whole perspective positively. The pride of wearing the uniform was a common emotion which was echoed by all participants.

In addition, emphasizing the significance of domain knowledge, the CTOs who are PHDs in the fields such as Environment, Psychology and Business Administration highlighted ways to integrate their specialized knowledge into

NCC training methodologies effectively. Key agenda points included discussions on aligning training practices with higher objectives given by the DG NCC, Key Result Areas by ADG NCC Jammu Kashmir & Ladakh Directorate, sharing study material, addressing infrastructure issues of creating obstacle courses at the academic institutes, and strategizing nominations for upcoming events and training programs.

Additionally, the conference delved into challenges related to transfers of trained ANOs to non-NCC institutes, benefits of

E-enrolment, training plans for the current year, and adjustments in strength due to new raisings and expansion.

Brig Cheema underscored the collective responsibility of all stakeholders in nurturing and motivating youth to excel in various facets of life. He highlighted the importance of community engagement and media outreach in promoting the NCC's values and achievements which also converge with the Vision, Mission and core values of all academic institutes.

Reflecting on the event, Brig PS Cheema expressed satisfac-

tion with the depth of discussions and the constructive suggestions put forth by the participants.

He urged the ANOs and the CTOs to put in concerted efforts for data sufficiency, data interpretation and data analysis in line with the ongoing efforts of E-Enrolment and NCC Integrated Software (NIS) and create repository and institutional knowledge of great strides taken by the NCC as an organisation with collective contribution from all stake holders.

He expressed his gratitude to the Higher Leadership for active guidance and constant upgradation of facilities in the NCC Training Academy Nagrota. He also commended the dedication of the ANOs, caretaker officers and Heads of the institutes towards fostering the growth and development of NCC cadets which is visible from the enhanced number of entries to defence forces, CAPFs, state government jobs and all walks of life as professionals.

Vibodh Slams Congress for Backing 'Break India' Forces

'Kharge remarks on Kashmir bears imprint of separatists'

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JAMMU: In a scathing attack on the Congress Party, BJP J&K General Secretary, Vibodh Gupta on Sunday accused the congress of actively nurturing separatism in Jammu & Kashmir. While addressing a Nuked Sabha at Kunharan Gali in Ward No. 11 in Jammu East Constituency, Gupta emphasized that the Congress has consistently supported a "Break India " strategy which encouraged the anti-India sentiment to prosper.

Gupta highlighted the detrimental role played by the Congress in fomenting separatist sentiments in Jammu & Kashmir; thereby obstructing the progress and prosperity of the region. He pointed out that the Congress's approach towards J&K using Skeih Abdullah has perpetuated instability and hindered efforts towards peace and development.



BJP J&K Gen Secy, Vibodh Gupta addressing public meeting.

While reacting sharply on Congress President Kharge's statement "Kashmir Se Kya Wasta Hai", Vibodh said that Kashmir belongs to all Indians and whole India belongs to everyone in Kashmir. Furthermore, Gupta condemned the Congress Party's election manifesto, describing it as a "bundle of lies" designed to deceive the electorate. He asserted that every page of the Congress manifesto is fraught with false promises and misleading assertions,

aiming solely to garner political mileage without any genuine commitment to the welfare of people.

BJP Mandal President Kerni, called upon everyone to work hard and ensure that everyone plays his role in further strengthening the BJP under the able leadership of PM Modi. He also gave a detailed account of various welfare schemes by the central Government for the common masses. 'These schemes he said have benefitted one and all.

Former MLA campaigns in favour of Raman Bhalla



Former MLA Balwan Singh speaking at public meeting.

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JAMMU: Former MLA Thakur Balwan Singh and Senior Vice President JKPC on Sunday addressed workers' meeting at Muthi in support of Congress. Candidate Raman Bhalla organized by Raman Sharma (Block President Patta Ploura)

and attended and addressed by many prominent persons like Rajroop Singh (Ex-Sarpanch) Muthi, Sham Lal and Vijay Kumar, Ramesh Kumar (Ex-Additional DC), S.S Chib, Rajinder Sharma, Arun Sharma, Raj Kumar, Kamal Kumar, DP Sudan, Kali Dass

Bhagat and others. Balwan Singh deliberated upon various day to day problems being faced by the public in the absence of any elected Govt.

Balwan stated that people have realized that they have to support Congress which can address their issues and fulfill their expectations.

Asserting the commitment of Congress to regional and religious unity in Jammu and Kashmir, Singh said that the party cadre was prepared for any sacrifice to nurture and sustain this glorious legacy.

Balwan further said that Congress Party works on the ground.

Dr Karwani releases Navreh Song, Saptrishi 5100 Calendar

Lavishes praise on Athrot for serving society



Dr Arvind Karwani, R&R Commissioner Migrants posing with students and other dignitaries.

religious preacher and Guru of Geeta Satsang Ashram Muthi, MK Yogi, Community face and social activist and Sh Shanti Lal Sidha, Music Icon and renowned vocalist.

The event started with Sharda Vandana by Kanwal Peshin followed by 'Henzey Vanvun' by the team of ladies

from Jagti led by Chandra Dhar: A wonderful musical presentation by budding artists mesmerized one and all. Suhas Koul, Lavanya Koul, Nirmit Raina and Pranav Pandita sang Bhajans which won accolades.

The VIPs were felicitated with typical Kashmiri 'Kenzi

Khoass'.

Award of appreciation for preserving of culture was presented to Chandra Dhar, Sushma Pandita, Kiran, Fancy Koul, Meenakshi Handoo, Angly Suri, Suhas Koul, Lavanya Koul, Nirmit Raina and Pranav Pandita along with the family members who supported to make it happen.

The Navreh Song and Calendar released on the occasion was distributed among all and theb honour of felicitatation and distribution was done by Dr Rohit Koul, Director Peoples Hut Foundation and Dr Ramesh Razdan.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief guest Dr Karwani lavished praise on Athrot for its commendable work in serving the society and preserving culture. While appreciating the

young artists for singing in Kashmiri, Dr Karwani advised all to preserve and promote mother tongue.

"The time is ripe to preserve and promote culture. The best way to preserve culture is to promote the mother tongue, which is rich in all respects," Dr Karwani maintained.

Special guests MK Yogi, Shanti Lal Sidha and Swami Kumar appreciated the efforts of organisation for conducting such events and providing platform to young and budding artists and kudos to Athrot Cultural Foundation for making informative videos for preservation and promotion of culture.

The program was anchored by Kanwal Peshin and vote of thanks was presented by RK Pandita, Director Athrot.

BJP all set to return to power with record number of seats: Bharat Bhushan

Support BJP candidates for unprecedented development

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JAMMU: Upcoming polls are the real test for the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) cadre as nothing short of clean sweep is the aim of the party in the impending political battles and to achieve the goal hard work and dedication are the only keys.

This was stated by Bharat Bhushan Bodhi, senior BJP leader and DDC Chairman Jammu while holding series of meetings at village Makwal and Village Prambl in Marh Assembly Constituency.

Bharat Bhushan emphasized the BJP's potential to secure a resounding victory in the upcoming Lok Sabha polls with a record number of seats and gigantic margins across the nation. He said that the Party is poised to reclaim power at the Centre and usher in a new era of transformative governance. With a dedicated team of pas-



Senior BJP leader, Bharat Bhushan Bodhi with newly joined members.

sionate party workers, the BJP is geared up to exceed all previous electoral accomplishments by securing more than 400 seats in the Lok Sabha polls.

He said that in the last nearly ten years, Modi government has achieved a significant milestone in which numerous reforms and policy initiatives were implemented to enhance the lives of common masses and elevate their social standing. He pointed out that the Prime

Minister, Narendra Modi, has a personal interest in the welfare of the people of Jammu and Kashmir. The BJP-led government at the Centre has taken various initiatives to address the issues of unemployment, poverty, and underdevelopment in the Union Territory. He reiterated the government's commitment in delivering basic amenities and facilities to the people, particularly in rural areas.

The senior BJP leader said that BJP remains committed to addressing the issues and concerns of the people of Jammu and Kashmir; thereby bridging the gap between the government and the masses with efficacy.

He appealed to the people of Marh constituency to strengthen the hands of PM Modi by supporting the BJP candidate in the upcoming Lok Sabha polls in the Union Territory.

KPC advocates for Yearly Ration Slip issuance to ease burdens on Displaced Community

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JAMMU: The Kashmiri Pandit Conference (KPC) strongly objected to and disagrees with the issuance of monthly ration slips to Kashmiri migrants.

"This system inadvertently subjects the victims to feelings of dependency and akin to begging for sustenance. It not only inflicts emotional distress but also poses practical challenges, draining their time, resources, and dignity. We believe that the old system of yearly issuance of ration slips would ease out their problems," said KPC Chief Kundan Kashmiri.

He emphasized that the procedure of monthly ration slip issuance cannot be considered a significant move to enhance the dignity and ease of Kashmiri migrants.

Transitioning to an annual issuance process would demonstrate compassion and acknowledge the importance of dignity for every KP migrant, he said adding that it would alleviate the burdens faced by the displaced Kashmiri Pandit community lan-

guishing in rented and camp accommodations in far-flung areas of Jammu.

The decision to provide yearly ration slips would be a beacon of relief for the Kashmiri Pandit community, sparing them the ordeal of frequent visits to the zonal offices, especially during the scorching heat of summer, he said.

KPC urged for streamlining every process in the Relief and Rehabilitation Office, Jammu, to ensure seamless implementation of such initiatives, alleviating any potential challenges faced by the migrants. This would be a beacon of hope for the victim migrants at the time of need.

Kundan Kashmiri hoped that the Relief Commissioner, Jammu, will take due cognizance of their communication in this regard.

Other leaders of KPC expressing concern over the cumbersome process of ration slip supply include Dr. H.L. Saraf, M.K. Raina, Susheel Bhat, Tej Pandita, R.L. Raina, S.L. Zutshi, Rajender Dhar and Suraj Wali.

Senior citizens have important role in educating society: JD Singh



J&K BJP Senior Citizens Cell Convener, J.D Singh with Senior citizens at a meeting.

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir BJP Senior Citizens Cell Convener, J.D Singh, during his visit to ward number 26 of Subhash Nagar, Jammu, held a meeting with the elder citizens of the ward. Office bearers of the cell were also present in the meeting. J.D Singh, on the occasion, also distributed the calendars containing the details related to various development projects and welfare schemes launched by Narendra Modi Government during the last ten years. While speaking in the meeting, J.D. Singh said that BJP led NDA government was formed in 2014, it did splendid work and received widespread appreciation for its good

works and as a result of which the people of the country, including Jammu and Kashmir, once again voted this alliance to power in 2019 and Narendra Modi assumed chair of PM for second term. He said that during these ten years of the government, many bold and historic decisions have been taken with regard to Jammu and Kashmir as well. J.D.Singh said that for the first time, India witnessed all round development, due share was given for the social-economic upliftment of the poor, needy and discriminated sections through numerous schemes initiated by the Modi government. "Whatever has been done for the nation and its people by PM Narendra Modi can be

termed as unparalleled", said J.D.Singh, and added that the senior citizens has very important role in educating the society, their own families, friends and dear ones, about the good governance of PM Narendra Modi. J.D.Singh stressed upon the senior citizens to reach people and garner their support for the BJP candidate so that more and more new projects are brought and 'Naya Jammu and Kashmir' is developed, where people progress and lead dignified lives. Senior Citizens Cell Co-Governor Subhash Gupta, Executive member Ashok Dogra, C.S. Manhas, Kuldeep Kumar, Jugal Kishore, Ravinder Kumar, Rajni Gupta were prominent who attended the meeting.