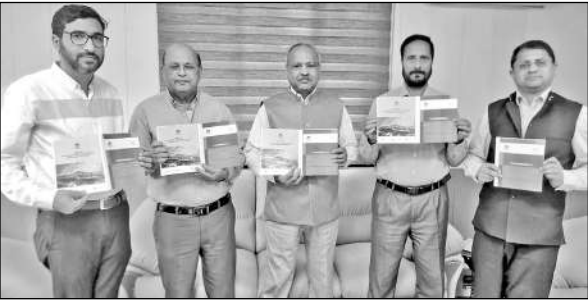


VC BGSBU releases compendium of achievements

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
RAJOURI: Prof. Akbar Masood, Vice-Chancellor, Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University released compendium of Achievements made by BGSBU during last one year in his office here today.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Akbar said that BGSBU, despite its relatively young age, in terms of its establishment has been making significant strides in the field of academics, infrastructural developments and other extra-curricular activities so much so that it has reckoned its presence as one of the premier institutions of Jammu and Kashmir. Prof. Akbar mentioned that It has been a very successful year for us here at Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University. Prof. Akbar said that during last one year BGSBU has unleashed several bold and transformational reforms that has bolstered its efforts to become a centre of excellence in teaching and



VC BGSBU Prof. Akbar Masood and others releasing a compendium.

research.

Prof. Akbar said that during the last one year the University has initiated significant academic and administrative reforms in line with National Education Policy (NEP)-2020 to promote the goals of equity, access and excellence. New infrastructure projects have been approved which will add new facilities, augment the existing ones and will give tremendous boost in making BGSBU as a favored destination for high quality academic attainments, Prof. Akbar said.

The Vice Chancellor said

that the teaching faculties at BGSBU have rendered themselves creditably in teaching and research activities. During the last one year the university has got 21 Extramural Projects worth Rs.5.27crores which is a significant achievement by any University of BGSBU magnitude.

Prof. Akbar said that one of the most significant reforms undertaken by the University during the last one year has been the up to 50 per cent fee reduction in most of the academic programmes offered by the University. Further, aiming at increasing the enrol-

ment of girl students in higher education, the University decided a 50 percent waiver of tuition fee for top two rank holder girl students based on the admission merit list in all Postgraduate programmes offered by the University from forthcoming academic session.

Prof. Akbar said that BGSBU University, over the years, has emerged as popular academic destination for the students of J&K and created its own distinctive niche for academic pursuits in this hinterland. After achieving many milestones in recent years, it now looks forward to sustained future development to occupy the coveted position amongst the national Institutions in general and those of J&K Institutions in particular.

Those who were present on the occasion included Prof. Iqbal Parwez, Dean Academic Affairs, Mohd Ishaq, Registrar, Suneet Gupta, Joint Registrar and Dr. Danish Iqbal, Media Advisor.

DC Reasi reviews implementation of District Skill Development Plan

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
REASI: Deputy Commissioner Reasi, Babila Rakwal on Tuesday convened a meeting of District Skill Committee and took a detailed review of the training being imparted to youth by Polytechnic, ITI, Social Welfare department, Jammu & Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute, Agriculture department, Rural Self Employment training institute and National Rural Livelihood Mission Reasi.

The concerned departments gave a presentation on the skill/ trainings imparted under different schemes in the last financial year and the proposals for the current year.

Superintendent ITI informed that the Institute has been adopted by NHPC Salal Power Station, Jyotipuram and every year a good number of pass out trainees are selected under Apprenticeship Scheme in the



DC Reasi, Babila Rakwal chairing a meeting.

project who are later adjusted in the different Institutions.

The Deputy Commissioner directed the Principal Polytechnic Reasi to furnish the details of the meritorious pass out trainees, so that possibilities are explored to adjust them in the Private Companies engaged for Railways construction work in District Reasi.

The DC exhorted upon the Officers to implement the Skill Training Schemes in letter & spirit to benefit the maximum number of un-employed youth. She also directed the

District Social Welfare Officer, Reasi to compile data of the persons with disabilities in the District to enroll them for imparting skill training and to make them self sustainable.

The meeting was attended by Additional Deputy Commissioner, General Manager DIC, District Social Welfare Officer, Director RSETI, District Manager SC/ST Corp, Principal Polytechnic, Superintendent ITI and other District Officers of the concerned departments.

Forest Division Ramban organises Technical Session on PARIVESH portal

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
RAMBAN: Forest Division Ramban, on the directions of the Deputy Commissioner, Mussarat Islam, organised a technical session on PARIVESH portal in the Conference Hall of District Administrative Complex on Tuesday.

PARIVESH is a web based, role-based workflow application which has been developed for online submission and monitoring of the proposals submitted by the proponents for seeking Environment, Forest, Wildlife and CRZ Clearances from Central, State and district level authorities.

The session was attended by different user agencies, representatives from PWD, PMGSY, PHE, RDD, PHE etc with all Range Officer and Block Officers of Ramban Forest Division.

During the interaction session, a detailed deliberation was given by Dr Rajan Singh through PowerPoint presentation. He said that many developmental projects need forest land which needs to be diverted for the non-forestry purposes under the provisions of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 by applying on online PARIVESH Portal.

It was informed that a lot of user agencies are facing issues while uploading and processing of the cases of forest clearances on the online Portal as a result of which faulty proposals are being submitted and EDS are raised at the levels of Regional Office/Nodal Officer/DFO.

In the end, the queries were raised by the user agencies which were replied to by the DFO.

DIPR hosts debate competition on 'Indian Freedom Struggle'

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
THATHRI: As a part of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" Cultural Wing of DIPR Jammu organized a Debate competition on 'Indian Freedom Struggle' at Government Higher Secondary School Thathri, District Doda.

In all, 10 students of the School spoke on the topic and narrated inspiring stories from the life of the heroes of the Freedom struggle.

Chander Prakash, Vice Principal of the school was the chief guest on the occasion.

Lecturer Sunil Kumar, Master Touseef Ahmed and Teacher Sanjeeda Begum acted as judges. Officials of the Department of Information and Public Relations and staff members of school were also present on the occasion.

Sayma Banoo of class 12 clinched 1st Position and Amesha Thakur of class 11 bagged the 2nd position and Kanchu Devi of Class 12 secured 3rd position. They were awarded with Trophies, while certificates were also given to the other participants.

Jats must rise above party politics to fight for OBC status: Ch Manmohan

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
RS PURA: Ch Manmohan Singh, President All India Jat Maha Sabha (AIJMS) and former Mayor on Tuesday asked Jat community members to rise above party politics to jointly fight for getting the OBC status for the community in J&K.

The Jat leader was chairing the core group meeting of AIJMS here at R S Pura in which Sarpanchs of several border villages participated and assured wholehearted support to the Sabha for the cause of the Jat community. Threadbare discussion was held in the meeting to chalk out a strategy to intensify the fight for getting OBC status



Ch Manmohan Singh, President AIJMS and others during meeting.

for Jat community of J&K, which is being deprived of this right despite many other states and the UTs readily extending the same to the Jats of their regions.

Addressing the meeting, Ch Manmohan Singh said that need of the time is to rise above

party politics and get united to fight collectively to get OBC status for the Jat community members of the UT of J&K.

"Working individually for the respective political outfits is alright but when the cause is of entire Jat community then it is advisable that Jat representa-

tives should rise above petty politics and work together for getting the OBC status which can change the course of life of people belonging to Jat community", he said and anticipated that Jats will show solidarity in the matter and fight the forces in the UT which are act-

ing as bottlenecks in the issues pertaining to community.

AIJMS President said Jats should make everyone aware about their rights as government knows well that the demand of the community is genuine but then also denying the same which the community will not tolerate anymore. He said that a Panchayat Level Sammelan would be held very soon to highlight the problems being faced by Jat community and Kissan leaders.

Others who were present in the meeting include Ch Jarnail Singh, Rashpal Choudhary, Kissan leader Mahendra Choudhary, Baldev Singh and Sunil Choudhary.

5-day Capacity Building Programme on FLN under NIPUN commences at DIET Kishtwar

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
KISHTWAR: District Institute for Education & Training (DIET) Kishtwar on Tuesday launched a five day Capacity Building Programme (CBP) on Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) under NIPUN Bharat Mission. Around 250 teachers of five educational zones of Kishtwar, Nagsena, Padder, Drabshalla and Inderwal are participating in the Capacity Building Programme.

Thirty five (35) Resource persons including DIET faculty members have been deployed in all the five zones to impart training at different venues.

The Programme aims to develop in-depth understanding of the basic concepts of FLN among the teachers and to make them realize the importance of attaining foundational literacy and

numeracy before entering grade-3. The main focus was to equip primary level teachers with the pedagogical skills and modern practices of teaching at the foundational stage.

Head of Departments (HODs) of DIET Kishtwar along with other senior officers, officials participated and encouraged the trainees to imbibe the modern day teaching skills.

The training programme was formally inaugurated by Ashok Kumar, Principal DIET Kishtwar. He impressed upon the participants to update themselves with modern approaches of teaching and change methodology by making the learning process effective and purposeful. He advised them to apply new trends, modules and techniques etc as recommended under the new National Education policy.

"The participants have to acquaint themselves with the concepts of FLN and strive hard to attain the goal of foundational literacy and Numeracy and also reduce the dropout rate and improve transition rate from primary to upper primary and secondary stages and for that an activity based and conducive learning environment requires to be developed which will improve the quality of education among children," he further said.

Besides Principal DIET Kishtwar, HODs, In-charge Training, programme, coordinators encouraged Resource persons to deliver the best to participants so that the same may be implemented in the field.

Newly promoted DySP pinned ranks



SSP Poonch Rohit Baskotra after decorating Jatinder Singh Sambyal with Dy SP rank.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

POONCH: In a piping ceremony held in SSP Office Poonch, Rohit Baskotra SSP Poonch decorated Dy SP Rank to Jatinder Singh Sambyal, who has been recently promoted to the rank of Dy SP. SSP Poonch congratulated the officer and wished him good luck for the future.

On this occasion, he said the promotion adds more responsibility and challenges in the working assignments and hoped that the officer would continue to work with zeal and zest as Dy SP.

GDC Neeli Nallah organises online quiz competition on cyber crime

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
UDHAMPUR: A online quiz competition on the theme "Cyber Crime" was organized by Govt Degree College (GDC) Neeli Nallah, in which students of the college taken part in online quiz related to cyber-crime. Principal of the college, Prof.(Dr.) Satinder Kaur congratulated the students of the college for their excellent performance in the competition. She said that such type of competitions will create awareness

among students regarding cyber-crime and make them more alert and active. She told that Cyber-crime or attack is the systematic criminal activity occurring digitally and done by attackers. She told that this is the reason government agencies and companies are investing more on the maintenance and hiring cyber-crime experts. She said that need of the hour is Cyber-security for all the digital devices because it not only helps to secure information but

also our system from virus attack. She motivated the students to secure themselves and their families against these cyber-attacks.

The convener of the programme was Prof.Shaista Yasmeen. She said that such things happen more with younger generations. So, it is more important for them to know about cyber crime.

Dr.Radha Rani, Prof. Swati Dutt and Miss Mandep kour are the organizers of the event.

Shruti Sadotra (sem. 3rd), Vishal Tanoch (sem.5th) and Sonika Sharma(sem. 5th) were adjudged first, second and third respectively.

429 vaccinated, 1,489 samples collected in Ramban

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
RAMBAN: As per District Immunization Officer, Ramban, Dr Suresh, the Health Department administered COVID vaccine doses to 429 persons including 135 children in the 15-17 year age group and 157 in 12-14 year age group in the district.

Continuing the enforcement drive to implement Covid protocol, the Enforcement teams fined scores of violators for roaming without wearing face masks and not maintaining physical distance. The enforcement teams, during the inspection in their respective jurisdictions, recovered a fine of Rs. 4000 from violators. The Enforcement officers urged the people to wear face masks and maintain physical distance besides taking Covid vaccination doses at their nearest CVC. As per daily bulletin issued by the Chief Medical Officer, Ramban, Dr. Mohammad Fareed Bhat, the Health Department has collected 1480 samples including 450 RTPCR and 1030 RAT samples besides administering Covid vaccine to 429 persons at various dedicated Vaccination Centres in the district.

Chenab region locals being deprived of jobs in Ratle HEPP: Ajeet

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

KISHTWAR: National Conference Senior Leader Ajeet Bhagat has strongly criticized the management of Megha Engineering & Infrastructures Limited of Rattle Hydroelectric project Drabshalla for ignoring employment to local youths of Chenab Valley.

Bhagat said that the company management of Megha Engineering & Infrastructures Limited of Rattle HE project has brought operators and other manpower from outside the UT J&K whereas such nature of skilled youths are available in the Chenab Valley. Bhagat said that a large number of skilled/ Highly skilled/ semi skilled/ Un skilled youths are available in Chenab Valley but it is a matter of great concern that the company management has started bringing manpower from outside the UT J&K which will not be tolerated at any cost. Bhagat has demanded that one member of each land affected and project effected be given employment on top priority basis on HO roll. Bhagat also said that the management of Megha Engineering & Infrastructures Limited is going to keep all manpower on third party roll which will not be allowed of which the youths of Chenab Valley will launch strike against the company. Bhagat has threatened of dire consequences in case such activities is not stopped at an earliest.

Security forces on high alert ahead of Amarnath Yatra, search operations started along IB



Security personnel carrying out search operation.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SAMBA: The search operation has been launched by Police, Special Operation Group (SOG) and Central Reserve Police Force(CRPF) along IB in view of annual Amarnath Yatra from June

30. Tight security arrangements have been made in the UT.

On Tuesday, SOG Team Samba and CRPF 38 Battalion launched search Operation at 5 am in view of upcoming Amarnath Yatra and recent identification of terror tunnel in Chak Faqira of Samba Sector where it is believed that Sunjwan terrorists might have crossed over to Indian side and attacked security forces.

In order to check such possibility, SOG team Samba led by DySP Operation Garu Ram Bhardwaj launched a search operation in villages like Dayala Chak, Phulpur, Pangdour, Galar and finally culminated at Chak Faqira covering a distance of 6 km.

GDC Chenani organises webinar on cyber crime

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
UDHAMPUR: Government Degree College Chenani, under the auspices of its NSS Unit, Anti-Cyber Crime Wing, IQAC and Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, organized a webinar on Cyber Crime hygiene in consonance to the initiative of the Ministry of Home Affairs to implement a scheme under Indian cyber crime coordination.

The Resource Person Wahid Farooq stressed on the need for spreading mass awareness about cyber crime in view of the increased dependence on IT. He enumerated the steps that should be taken to secure personal information.

Wahid Farooq gave a Power point presentation on Cyber hygiene which was about training oneself to form good habits around cyber security so that one can stay ahead of cyber threats and online security

issues. "Cyber hygiene aims to maintain hardware and software; basic health and security, ensuring they are protected from threats such as Malware," he added and said that if practiced regularly, cyber hygiene helps to keep data safe and secure.

"As with any habit we want to entrench, cyber hygiene requires routine and repetition. Building a routine around cyber hygiene will help prevent cybercriminals from causing security breaches or stealing personal information. It will also help us to keep up to date with software and operating systems" he elaborated.

Through an animated Video, he explained the problems which cyber hygiene is designed to address like Data loss, Out of date software, Older antivirus besides Security breaches, Password

Changes, Software Updates, Hardware Updates, Managing New Installs, Back Up Data, Employing a Cyber Security Framework etc.

The Principal of the College, Dr. Pragya Khanna exhorted that Cyber hygiene isn't a one-off event; it's something that has to be practiced regularly. She said one can create habits by setting automated reminders or adding dates to the calendars for different tasks. These might include scanning for viruses using antivirus software, changing our passwords, keeping apps, software, and operating systems up to date, and wiping your hard drive. Once we get the hang of cyber hygiene, it becomes part of your regular personal cyber security routine.

Vote of thanks was presented by Pardeep Kumar, Lecturer, Dept. of Hindi.

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