

Yudhvir takes stock of people's problems in Bajalta

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JAMMU: Yudhvir Sethi, Vice President Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Monday visited Bajalta to take stock of problems and issues faced by the people of the area besides involving the party workers and activists in an interactive session to assess their ground performance and guide them for future strategy.

He was accompanied by Ajay Sharma, Bharatiya Janata Party Mandal President, Nagrota, District Vice President Naryan, Shakti Kender Parmukh Rampal, Block executive member Sunny Sharma and Yuva Morcha leaders Ricky and Amit.

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JAMMU: Chapter of MGNREGA Engineers Association Jammu Province on Monday extended support to their Kashmir counterparts and announced to join the ongoing pen-down strike in demand for various demands till May 18.

Musaib Wani, provincial president of the MGNREGA Engineers Association Jammu said that there government continues to give cold shoulder to the genuine demands of the qualified engineering and

other staff despite assurances from time to time.

"There will be complete pen-down strike till May 18," Wani said, adding, "In case government fails to fulfill our genuine demands, we will intensify the protests," he said. Work in Rural Development Department in kashmir has remained affected for the several consecutive days as MGNREGA Engineers Association continued with their pen-down strike in favour of their long pending demands.

War against terrorism near logical conclusion: Sham

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JAMMU: Senior BJP leader and Convenor BJP Trade and Industries Cell, Sham Lal Langar has lauded the role of security forces in eliminating the terrorists during the year 2021.

In a statement issued to media here today, Sham Langar said that elimination of at least 180 terrorists including their 44 commanders with 21 among the killed being foreign mercenaries and 12 infiltration bids foiled in the vicinity of the Line of Control (LoC) alone is undoubtedly a very big achievement.

The BJP leader said security forces deserve full kudos for the feat as it is for the first time after the inception of terrorism in the Valley that the number of active terrorists has come down to 168 including 86 local terrorists. He expressed satisfaction and optimism saying that the rate at which the terrorists are being eliminated in the Valley, the day is not far when the last man with gun in hand will be 'taken care of' by the ever alert security forces by either showing him the way to hell or ensure his stay inside the prison for rest of his life.

The senior BJP leader asserted that the return of absolute peace is on cards

DGP sanctions financial assistance of over Rs 6.30 lakh for SPOs

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SRINAGAR: In continuation to a series of welfare measures for SPOs, the Director General of Police (DGP) J&K, Dilbag Singh has sanctioned financial assistance of Rs 6.31 lakh in favour of 28 SPOs.

He has also sanctioned a special reward of over Rs 1.90 lakh in favour of 19 wards of serving police personnel.

Vide order No 1654 of 2022 of PHQ, the DGP has sanctioned over Rs 6.30 lakh as financial assistance/medical relief in favour of 28 SPOs to meet the expenses in connection with their urgent needs.

The amount sanctioned was provided out of the



Vice President J&K BJP, Yudhvir Sethi listening to public issues at Bajalta.

Later during an interaction with the party workers and activists, they detailed Yudhvir Sethi about their working at the grass roots level besides conveying to him the difficulties faced by them on ground. While addressing the party's foot soldiers, the senior BJP leader stressed upon the party workers to work relentlessly on ground especially in view of the upcoming elections making people aware about the welfare schemes launched by the Modi Govt like Ayushman Bharat, PM Awas Yojana, Ujjwala Yojana and many other schemes so that they

can avail the benefit of the schemes best suited to them.

Yudhvir Sethi asserted that people of Jammu and Kashmir can today clearly witness the paradigm shift in the scenario across this Union Territory in terms of development and progress in each and every sector, which was never ever before seen prior to Article 370 abrogation.

Sethi directed the party activists and workers to gear up for the upcoming Assembly elections and highlight the aforesaid achievements of PM Modi led Govt at the grass roots level.

Day by day, the attacks are becoming more lethal and selective, he said adding that the minorities and outside people became more vulnerable and soft targets of selective killings

Minorities unsafe in Kashmir under BJP's regime: JKPCC

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JAMMU/SRINAGAR: Minorities especially Kashmiri Pandits and others became more vulnerable and unsafe in Kashmir under BJP regime, said JKPCC. Chief Spokesperson Ravinder Sharma, calling for a reply from the ruling party at the Centre, which running a proxy government in Jammu and Kashmir.

In a hard hitting statement, JKPCC expressed serious concern over the deteriorated situation in Kashmir, in which minorities, outside workers and locals were targeted, time & again, for over one and half years but the centre government and UT administration failed to check it.

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The government should ensure the Safety and security of all innocents including the minorities and outside workers at all costs.

under BJP regime in the UT, whereas people were given to understand that security scenario and over all law and order situation, would be much better than under statehood, but reverse happened, thereafter, especially in recent year or so.

All tall claims have fallen flat and innocents became more victims of targeted attacks and those who were unharmed during peak of terrorism particularly migrant employees, Jammu employees, outsiders and others, became more vulnerable, which is unfortunate.

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Deprt of Buddhist Studies celebrates Buddha Purnima

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JAMMU: The Department of Buddhist Studies, University of Jammu, Jammu in collaboration with Shiksha Sanskriti Uthan Nyas, J&K, Bharat- Tibet Sangh, Haloti Gompa Welfare Society, Kishtwar celebrated Buddha Purnima Prayer for the world peace on Monday.

Vesak Buddha Purnima, Buddha Jayanti is a Buddhist festival. It falls on the day of the Full Moon in May and commemorates the birth, enlightenment (Nirvna), and death (Mahaparinirvna) of Gautama Buddha.

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HOD Buddhist Studies JU, Prof. Shohab Inayat Malik speaking at a programme.

Buddhist studies) conducted the entire proceedings of the function.

Earlier the function started with the lighting of the traditional lamp following which floral tributes were paid to Buddha amidst prayer in Pali by the students and scholars of the Department.

At the end of the function, the vote of thanks was delivered by Dr Vivek Sharma. Prominent among others who were present included Dilawar Singh Manhas, Sh. Desh Raj, President HGWS, Kishtwar, Dr Ashwani Kumar and Students, Scholars of Deptt. of Buddhist Studies.

Natrang presents 'Aadhi Raat Ke Baad'

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JAMMU: Natrang presented 'Aadhi Raat Ke Baad' a play in Hindi written by one of the most revered playwrights of the country, Dr. Shankar Shesh presented here today at Abhinav Theatre, Jammu in connection with Spring Theatre Festival Organized by J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages.

The play was ably directed by Mohd Yaseen.

In his live address from Mauritius, Natrang Director Balwant Thakur that it has been the endeavor of Natrang to introduce our next generation of directors and I take pride in the fact that Mohd Yaseen has directed few plays in a wonderful manner and deserves all appreciation and support from all quarters to pursue his passion in scaling new heights in the field of theatre research and direction.

I am not only sure but fully confident that his work will receive critical acclaim for the effort he has been putting up



Natrang artists performing in a play.

to make this play a fantastic theatre piece. I wish all artists a great success.

The play 'Aadhi Raat Ke Baad' is a captivating play where a thief attempts a theft at the house of a judge and dramatically solves a murder mystery of a journalist as he is the eye witness to it.

The play begins with a thief entering into judge's house.

The thief is on the run, as a rich builder whom he wants to

expose is after his life. Surprisingly the thief wants the judge to hand him over to the police, as he would feel safer in a prison than he does when he is free. In a very interesting manner, a law breaker and law maker remain engaged in series of dialogues about several issues which appear to be random but had an obvious relevance.

During their discussion, the thief narrates the murder of a

journalist and discloses that it was not a road accident, but the murder. The play 'Aadhi Raat Ke Baad' is a collage of reality and choices. The play was well presented and the audience also loved the play. Dr. Shankar Shesh's wonderful writing style made the dialogues stronger, beautiful and immensely meaningful.

Brijesh Avtar Sharma as 'Judge' and Sushant Singh Charak as 'Thief' played their respective characters very impressively and complemented each other in contrasting roles. Abhinav Sharma as 'Neighbor' was also praiseworthy as he could mark his presence despite having just a few lines to speak. The light and sound, which elevated the impact of the play manifolds were brilliantly designed and operated by Neeraj Kant and Gopi Sharma respectively. Sudhir Mahajan conducted the show whereas Kushal Bhat, Sagar Gupta and Vishal Sharma looked after the hall management.

Rani Welfare Society holds meet



Rani Welfare Society Jammu members during a meeting.

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JAMMU: Rani Welfare Society Jammu-NGO held meeting under the chairmanship of Savita Parihar President to discuss day to day needs of the society following COVID-19 which has almost lived its life and the people have heaved a sigh of relief.

In the meeting, she stressed the need of involv-

ing more and more persons so as to strengthen the working of the NGO.

Its Vice President, Kamini Mahajan (Advocate J&K High Court) also laid emphasis on strengthening the network of the organization by way of widened activities including raising sound financial infrastruc-

ture.

The other functionaries

who attended the meeting and made valuable suggestions for cementing the working of the NGO.

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ture.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by the President with the desirability of holding such meetings quarterly in future.

IHRO Chairman condemns killing of Rahul Bhat

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JAMMU: Chairman of International Human Rights Organization (IHRO) Jammu and Kashmir Adv. P.S. Chib condemned killing of Rahul Bhat who was a Kashmiri Pandit and also an employee of the Tehsil office in the Budgam district's Chadoora was shot by terrorists on Thursday.

Chib said that this is a straight forward brutal killing of humanity and democracy.

By this way, there is a atmosphere of fear in the hearts of people of J&K, he added. Chib appealed to the government that this inci-

dent should not be repeated again and these type of barbarian people should get severe punishment. If strict actions will not be taken against this people who are enemies of humanity then how the people of J&K will feel secured? And we never know; who, when and where will be targeted.

Chib also said government generally says that J&K state has normal situation but these type of killing activities doesn't seem like normal situation.

Chib appealed to the Prime minister of India for making convinced that people of J&K are secure and safe.

SVMMC Hospital organises multi-speciality medical camp



Doctors examining patients during a medical camp.

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JAMMU: A multi-speciality free medical camp was organized at Kabir Nagar Talab Tillo here by Swami Vivekananda Medical Mission Charitable (SVMMC) Hospital Ambphalla.

The camp was inaugu-

ed by Anil Gupta, President Vivekananda Medical Mission in presence of Arun Chand Gupta, Sr. Vice President, B.B. Gupta, General Secretary, B.S. Jamwal, Secretary, Subash Chander Gupta, Associate Member, Dr. Romesh

Gupta, Administrator, SVMM, Neelam Nagrota Corporator, Ward 40 along with P.C. Atri President and Sardar Lal, Chairman Guru Ravi Dass Sabha.

More than 200 patients

were examined in the camp and were provided free medicines on the spot. The Eye Cases were examined by Dr Suruchi Gupta, who enlisted all the Cataract Cases to be operated by Phaco Surgery system free of cost at SVMMC Hospital as follow up action.

Dr Joginder Singh,

Lecturer Medicine GMC

Jammu provided his expertise and examined all the medical cases.

Dr Akriti Mahajan

extended her dental care

services and free medicines.

The camp was held in

memory of Late Krishan Lal (Kaleeth wale), Father

of Late Ravi Kumar.

Anil Gupta extended his

thanks to the Corporator

and President Kabir Sabha

for facilitating the Swami

Vivekananda Medical

Mission for arranging necessary accommodation etc.



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