

# Chairman PHDCCI Jammu calls on Div Com Jammu

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JAMMU: PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry (PHDCCI) Jammu Chapter delegation led by its Chair Rahul Sahai met Ramesh Kumar Divisional Commissioner Jammu. Rahul Sahai briefed Ramesh kumar about Various issues which can stimulate economy of Jammu Discussed about tapping religious tourists potential for overall growth of Jammu province which includes early completion of projects like : Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam Temple , Veda pathshala in Sidhra , Promotion of Beating Retreat Ceremony at Suchet Garh Border , Hop On Hop Off Busses in Jammu City for Sight Seeing of City Temples / Bahu fort / Golf Course , Gharana Wet Land , Suchet Garh Border Beating retreat , early completion of Jamboo zoo with Restaurants ,lake in Tawi in line with Sabarmati with boating facilities, Mubarak



PHDCCI Jammu Chapter delegation led by Chairman Rahul Sahai calling on Ramesh Kumar Divisional Commissioner Jammu.

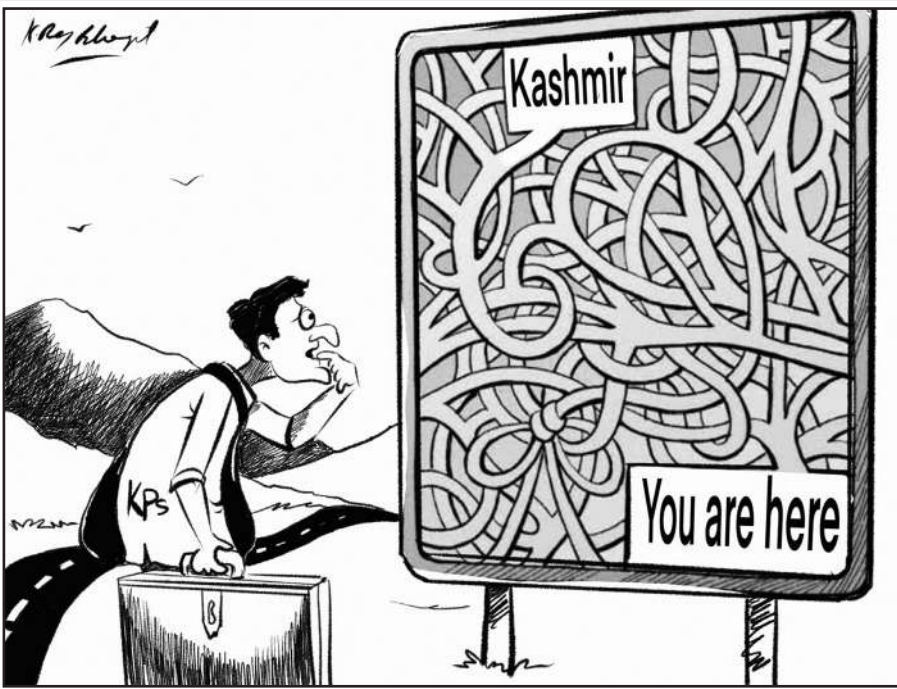
Mandi and its promotion as an Heritage, Parmandal as a day trip destination and promoting Gupt Ganga in line with Haridwar, Golf Tourism by promoting Golf Tournaments through out the Country and Overseas. Maintaining Jammu tawi Golf Course as per national standards , Membership rates to be affordable for all , Developing Sanasar Golf Course, Balidan stump as an tourist destination with evening timings with Light and sound shows, Better Accommodation

Roads to Tourist destinations like Patnitop , Sanasar , Mansar, Surinsar , Kishtwar , Bhaderwah , Bani , Basoli ,Dudu basant garh , Rajpouri, Developing new tourist destinations like Bani , Basoli ,Dudu basant garh , Sudh Mahadev etc. for Jammu Region, Introducing Radio Taxi services for local residents and tourists , timely completion of Jammu Akhnoor road , creation of cycling track Along canal on Jammu Akhnoor highway , Along canal from railway sta-

tion to channi himmat , promotion of Jammu Gandola in other parts of country , extending liquor licence at Jammu Gandola restaurant , extending liquor vend at Jammu airport . Sahai also highlighted issue of having community parking's in prominent colonies Ramesh assured Sahai that it's a beginning and regular interactions would be held on different sectors and issues . Others present were Kuldeep Gupta Co chair, Chetanya Chowdhary, Shantnu Gupta, Ashish Jain and Pankaj Chopra.

of construction near Army walls , resolving Gair Mumkin Khads for sale purchase of land which could ultimately benefit economy . Sahai told Ramesh that 35 crores is sanctioned regarding development of transport nagar but work is not yet started suggested him to visit Transport Nagar and convene a meeting with JDA and JMC. Sahai highlighted burning issue of Drugs menace in Jammu suggested more seminars , awareness session and choking of supply of drugs in the city as it is available very easily in spite of having Anti narcotics department .

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## JK administration revamping SCERT in big way: B K Singh

Says efforts are on to make Council top-most institution of country

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SRINAGAR: Appreciating efforts of Education Department towards promoting all parameters of education sector in Jammu and Kashmir, Principal Secretary, School Education Department, B K Singh, on Tuesday said that a multi-pronged strategy is being ensured to make the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) as number one institution of the country.

Principal Secretary was speaking at a two day orientation workshop of master trainers and resource persons organized by the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) at District Institute of Education and Training (DIET), Srinagar.

"J&K administration is implementing a slew of innovative measures towards revamping SCERT into the most excellent entity across the nation. Appointment of highly qualified and expert staff through nominations and selections besides ensuring exceptionally accountable and transparent functioning of the Council are some of the plans in this regard," Singh maintained. He stressed on creating a working synergy between the NIOS and the Education Department to



Principal Secretary SED B K Singh interacting with officials.

achieve the set targets in a cohesive manner.

Principal Secretary said that expertise of NIOS, which has done a tremendous amount of work over the years, can be utilized in mainstreaming the out-of-school children adding that around 45,000 out-of-school children need immediate rehabilitation.

He issued on the spot instructions to make SCERT auditorium fully functional as soon as possible.

Principal Secretary also stressed on the need to focus on output of the training given to the teachers and other resource persons. "Unless the output of the training is not measured on ground, we shall not be in a position to gauge our success," he added. "The ultimate beneficiary of any training should be the student", he maintained.

Singh, while visiting the library at the SCERT, asked the officers to focus on procuring more books especially on Science for the larger interest of students community.

"The mechanism of borrowing a book from the library is primitive," Singh observed saying that 'In an era of digital age, we can't afford to see a library functioning in any other mode but automatic'.

Later, Principal Secretary also visited the School Leadership Academy (SLA) office housed in Ustad Ghar and interacted with the staff there. He was apprised of the programs conducted by the Academy ever since its conception by Nodal Officer, SLA, Dr Fayaz Ahmad Bhat. Principal Secretary stressed on conducting residential programs for teachers.

## A step towards national integration

## Leadership training programme for J&K leaders concludes at IIDL Mumbai



Rahul Bhargav along with Tarun Chugh, National General Secretary BJP and in-charge of J&K with other participants posing for a photograph.

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MUMBAI: Rahul Bhargav organized a leadership training programme for leaders of Jammu and Kashmir from the May 9 to 14, 2022, at the Indian Institute of Democratic Leadership (IIDL), Mumbai. IIDL is a leadership training academy, an RSS organization.

A large number of Muslim leaders from Jammu and Kashmir also participated.

Among other dignitaries, Dr. Ratan Sharda, senior RSS ideologue, Tarun Chugh, National General Secretary BJP and in-charge of Jammu and Kashmir; Vinod Tawde, National General Secretary, BJP graced the occasion and addressed the youth leaders of Jammu and Kashmir.

The purpose of this leadership training programme is to end the problem of separatism,

inspire the youth on the path of development, and instill in them a feeling of pride and belonging to our great Indian culture and civilization.

The leadership training programme was attended by Sanjeev Kumar; Abdul Hamid Malik, Zaid Iqbal, Rajinder Kumar; Farhan Iqbal, Ahsan Ul Haq Mirza, Sansar Chand, Chowdhary Lal, Lokesh Kumar; Jaiprakash, Garu Ram Sanehi, Aftab Ahmed Ghanai, Vikrant Sharma, Ifthikhar Ahmed Bazmi, Gurdev Singh, Wahida Mughal, Nighat Parveen, Raiz Ahmed, Mohammed Khushal, Sahil Agarwal, Ved Prakash, Farhan Mirza, Rakesh Gupta, Nadeem Ahmed Khan and Parvez Khan.

"I am organizing more such programmes in the near future. Sharing some pictures from the event," Rahul Bhargav said.

## Court awards 10-yr RI, Rs 10,000 fine for raping minor

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JAMMU: Principal Sessions Judge Reasi R N Wattal awarded 10 years imprisonment and fine of Rs 10,000 to one Kashmir Singh, who was facing trial in a case of rape with minor.

According to police, on February 15, 2018, complainant Prem Singh, son of Amar Singh, resident of Goswan Tehsil and District Reasi lodged a complaint with Police alleging therein that during a marriage function in his house on February 14, 2018, the complainant's minor daughter, aged 8 years was present in house while other family members were busy in function. Taking benefit of circumstances, accused Kashmir Singh, son of Ram Singh, resident of Goswan Tehsil and District Reasi, called complainant's daughter and took her to a cowshed adjoining complainant's house, where he raped her and threatened her with dire consequences if she narrated the incident to anyone but when she got scared and was not feeling well, next day at 8:00 AM, she narrated the incident to her parents.

Principal Sessions Judge Reasi R N Wattal after hearing both the sides observed that crime here is a rape. It is particularly heinous crime, a crime against society, a crime

against human dignity. "The penal statute has prescribed a maximum and minimum punishment for offence of rape to view such offence once proved lightly is itself and afferent to society. Though there is discretion to court to award a less sentence than minimum, adequate and special reasons decide the discretion. The discretionary power cannot be used in discriminately or routinely. Same has to be used sparingly in cases where special facts and circumstances justify a reduction. The justifiable reason given by the accused herein for reduction in sentence or pardon to him is that he is a poor and is having huge family comprised of his wife, siblings and other family members. He is only the bread earner of his family. Cognizance of these facts has to be taken note of before awarding the sentence to accused. Accordingly, accused is convicted for commission of the offences under sections 376, 506 of RPC and sentenced to undergo imprisonment of 10 years and fine of Rs 10,000 for commission of offence under section 376 of RPC and six months imprisonment and fine of Rs 500 for commission of offence under section 506 of RPC. Both sentences shall run concurrently," the Court directed.

## Opposition parties protest against delimitation report, seek its rejection

Hold joint Dharna in front of Election Commission office

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JAMMU: Several non-BJP Opposition parties and social organisations, on Tuesday jointly held a strong protest demonstration and salient sit in dharna in front of Election Commission office, here today, seeking rejection of the delimitation report, terming it as biased, politically motivated and against basic norms and ground situations of connectivity and contiguity.

The senior leaders of main Opposition parties including Congress, National Conference, PDP, CPIM, CPI, IDP Shiv Sena , Akali Dal (Badal), ANC attended in good numbers besides some social organisations like statehood mission, Deshbhagat Yaadgar committee, JMF and others, which was Coordinated by All parties United Morcha (APUM).

The protestors raised slogans and carried play cards against the delimitation Commission and demanded rejection of delimitation report terming it totally biased and politically motivated at behest of ruling BJP and against all basic norms and ground realities of geography, topography, population and other physical features and public convenience.

Prominent Leaders who attended include APUM- Sheikh Abdul Rehman,



Opposition parties' leaders sitting on Dharna near Election Commission office.

Ex-MP, Congress -Ravinder Sharma Chief Spokesperson, Ved Mahajan (Ex-MLC), Shah Mohd Chaudhary, Vinod Sharma, Hari Singh Chib, National Conference - Ram Paul, Ex Minister; Qazi Jalaluddin, Ex MLA, PDP- Amreek Singh Reen General Secretary, Virinder Singh Sonu, Bhushan Dogra, Chatter Singh Saini, Ranbir Singh, Shiv Sena-Manish Sahni, CPIM - Com Om Prakash , Com Kishore, CPI- Com Ashwani Pradhan, Akali Dal Badal - Mohinder Singh, ANC-Gian Singh, JMF- Zaffar Sujah, Sikh Intellectual Forum - Narinder Singh Khalsa, Desh Bhagat Yaadgar Committee Com. Shukh Dev Singh, Pantak Taalmail Sangthan -Surjit Singh, Singh, IDP -

Narinder Khajuria, I.D. Khajuria (Convener), Ram Sena - Rajeev Mahajan besides Gurdarshan Singh, Pawan Raina, Shashi Sharma, Adv. Suresh Dogra, Gajan Singh, Rajvir Singh, Kapil Singh, Sahil Sharma, Rajiv Saraf, Michael Wazir, Devan Chand (Congress) , Ch. Mohd. Aslam, Nirmal Singh (NC) , Sohni Sharma, Ch. Chuni Lal, Ranbir Singh , Sukhvinder Singh (all PDP), besides several others prominent leaders and activists of different political and socio political organizations took part in the protest Dharna.

Later briefing the media persons , leaders of different political parties and organizations rejected the delimitation report in one voice and said that their

joint struggle shall continue against the biased report. The political parties have their respective stated positions on different issues but are unanimous in their opposition to the report of the delimitation, which is highly objectionable biased and contrary to the basic norms, said Sheikh Abdul Rehman (EX-MP).

Ravinder Sharma-Chief Spokesperson said that the report is not acceptable to almost all non-BJP political parties in the present form which needs to be reviewed before its acceptance, if the Govt. is interested in doing justice to the people and hold free and fair elections. We have raised our voice against it from a common platform to convey to the Centre that the report is highly controversial and not acceptable.

PDP Leaders Amrik Singh Reen and Varinder Sonu too echoed the same views and opposed the report on various grounds.

Convener of the APUM and IDP Leader ID. Khajuria lashed out at the delimitation panel and termed the report as one sided and against the legal provisions guiding delimitation.

He said that the joint struggle against injustice of biased delimitation besides restoration of statehood, and early democracy , besides fight against communal and divisive forces shall continue.

ties," he added.

The IGP asked the protestors to vacate the road at Anantnag and hold the sit-in protest inside their colony due to safety concerns.

"I have visited the other camps also, they are protesting there as well but within the colony. Sitting on the road is dangerous as the militants can throw a grenade while passing by on a bike or in a cab," he said.

Kumar told the protestors that protesting is no crime or sin. You should protest but not on the road .

"There are two aspects one is to provide security and the second is to follow the standard operating procedure. This is totally unsafe to sit on a dharna on

the road; you can sit on the dharna inside. When army police and CRPF are attacked, civilians are sitting ducks." Kumar said there was an extensive exercise going on with respect to the security of the migrant employees.

"The security of the camps (colonies) will be enhanced. Employees posted in remote areas will be brought to the district headquarters.

"Besides providing security, the other aspect is to reduce the number of terrorists. Right now their numbers have come down significantly out of frustration they are hitting soft targets like off-duty policemen or minority community members or migrant labourers," he added.



Basant, Member North Zone, Khadi & Gram Udhog and MSME Ministry calling on senior BJP leader Kavinder Gupta at Jammu.

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JAMMU: Basant, Member North Zone, Khadi and Gram Udhog and MSME Ministry called upon the senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta here on Tuesday and discussed various issues focussing on measures required to be initiated for creation of new employment opportunities for the youth of Jammu and Kashmir.

Dr Narinder Singh, National Secretary and Dr Sudershan Gupta Social activist were also present during the meeting.

Basant discussed in detail with the former Dy Chief Minister the strategy to be adopted in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir for further development and expansion of the scope of Khadi and Village Industries across this UT.

He said several schemes have been launched by the government that have been meticulously tailored with the aim to generate multiple employment avenues.

Referring to the 'Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme' launched by Modi Govt he informed that a loan of upto Rs. 25 lakh is being provided to youth for set up their own ventures. He asserted that the youth availing the benefit under the scheme not only ensures a new beginning for himself as an entrepreneur but also becomes a job provider for the unemployed youth by

employing them in the venture.

Basant said that it is time for the youth of this Union Territory to come forward and avail the benefit of Centrally Sponsored Schemes and become job providers instead of wasting time as job seekers.

Kavinder said that PM Modi led Govt has opened vistas of opportunities for the youth of this nation in Khadi & Gram Udhog and MSME sector. Providing details about the scheme he said that this scheme is implemented by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) functioning as the nodal agency at the national level while at the state level, the scheme is implemented through State KVIC Directorates, State Khadi and Village Industries Boards (KVBs), District Industries Centres (DICs) and banks. In such cases KVIC routes government subsidy through designated banks for eventual disbursement to the beneficiaries / entrepreneurs directly into their bank accounts, he added.

The former Deputy Chief Minister suggested various measures to make the youth aware about the PMEGP and convince and motivate them to opt for the suitable venture and avail the benefits. He impressed upon Basant to issue directions for holding regular awareness camps in this regard by the Khadi & Gram Udhog across the Union Territory.

