

Dr Jitendra meets Indian Start-Ups, students in Berlin

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BERLIN: Soon after his arrival here on Sunday, Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh, who is part of the Prime Minister's official delegation, met Indian StartUps students and young professionals and held nearly a two hour long interaction with them.

The Minister appealed to them to avail of various fellowships, joint training programmes and professional options initiated by the government headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

He told the Indian students, some of whom are doing Post Doc, doctoral and Master degrees, to avail of wonderful new opportunities back home to do cutting-edge research in Science, Technology and Innovation.

Dr Jitendra mentioned that those students doing Post Doc assignment here, and would like to return can apply for Ramanuja Fellowships by Department of Science and Technology for researchers in all areas



Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh interacting with Indian StartUps, students and professionals, at Berlin on Sunday.

and Ramalinga Swamy Fellowships by Department of Biotechnology for researchers in Biotechnology, Health Sciences, Agricultural Sciences.

The Minister said that both these fellowships provide immediate placement of 3 years, which could be extended by another 2 years. He added that this is an adequate period to prove one's worth and get absorbed in an academic/ research organisation in India.

Dr Singh also pointed out

that DST offers INSPIRE fellowships, at various levels, which include both doctoral and post-doctoral. This is a five year assignment in an academic organisation, where one could take academic and research assignments.

Dr Jitendra also underlined that Indo-German Science & Technology Centre (IGSTC) has offered few fellowships like Paired Fellowships (young scientists in India and Germany need to make a Pair), Women in

Science, Education & Research (WISER) - for placement of women researchers in ongoing projects, and Industrial fellowships - to provide exposure to Indian students in German industrial ecosystem.

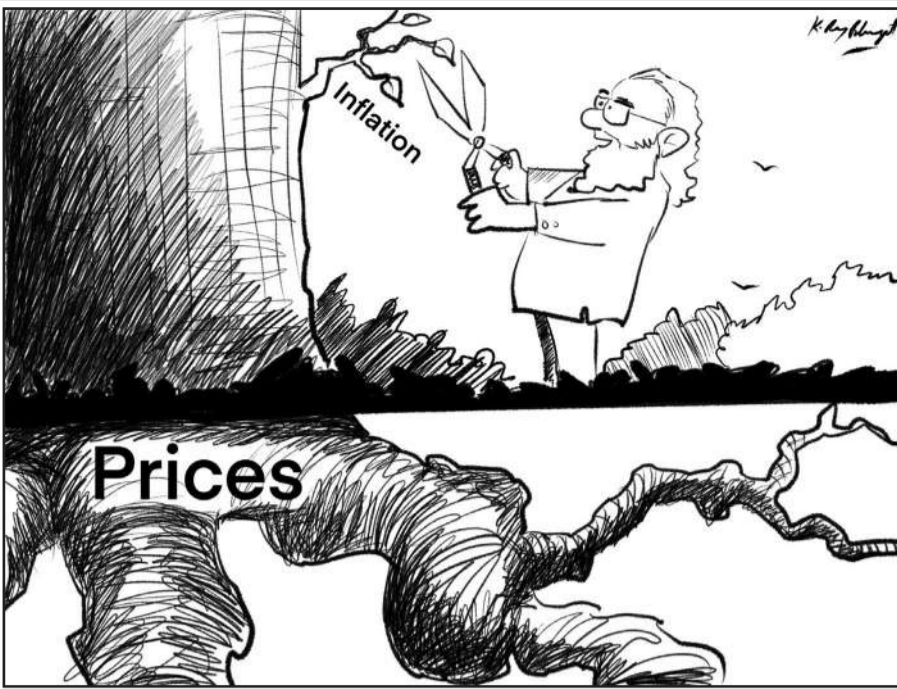
Moreover, the Minister informed that India and Germany have bilateral programmes with a number of German organisations, including Ministry of Education & Research (BMBF), German Academic Exchange Program

(DAAD), and German Research Foundation (DFG).

He said, these programs provide opportunities for 3-5 years research collaboration between Indian and German organisations.

If someone is currently working in a German organisation and his or her Professor has a collaborative project under any of these programs, one can get an opportunity to work with Indian organisations, while you are still working in Germany.

Similarly, Dr Jitendra flagged other opportunities like VAJRA, GIAN, SPARC and said that under these programmes, inter-institutional activities are developed between Indian and collaborative institutes and participation of young students are encouraged in all these activities. Two other schemes are ICMR International Fellowships - for Medical Students and ICAR International Fellowships - for Agriculture Students.



Pradeep Dutta of Times Now wins prestigious 14th ENBA award for best spot reporting

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JAMMU: Senior Editor Times Now, Pradeep Dutta, bagged the prestigious ENBA award in the best spot news reporting category.

His reportage on Pakistan terror tunnel was adjudged best during the 14th Edition of ENBA-2021 news broadcasting awards.

The ENBA award for News Broadcasting is the biggest award for the Indian News Channels. The 2021 awards were given at a glittering ceremony at the Hotel Imperial of New Delhi.

Union I&B Minister Anurag Thakur was the Chief Guest of the Award Ceremony which was attended by all the well known TV personalities of the country.

Times Network (Times Now & Times Now Navbharat) won several awards in different categories.



reporting on issues related to security of the country," said Pradeep.

He hailed the award as a reward of complete team effort of his colleagues in Jammu bureau office and in Delhi, especially his video journalist, Amit Bhardwaj, who with his creative camera work enhances quality and value of even routine reportage.

This year Pradeep Dutta - a journalist from Jammu & Kashmir - became first and only turbaned scribe in the world to cover Russia-Ukraine war.

Pradeep-one of India's best known broadcast journalists, with over 20 years of experience in covering counter insurgency and counter terror operations was in Ukraine for more than month covering various aspects of Russia-Ukraine war from ground zero.

Team Jammu Chief releases Dogri Album 'Jawai Tera Kutta Ae'

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JAMMU: Chairman, Team Jammu, Zorawar Singh Jamwal released Dogri Video Album "Jawai Tera Kutta Ae" sung by popular singer Sandhya Sharma, during a function organized at Press Club, here on Sunday.

Renowned Dogri singer, Surinder Singh Manhas was the Guest of honor and another popular singer Suresh Chouthan were special guests on the occasion.

While speaking on the occasion, Team Jammu Chief Zorawar Singh appreciated the tireless working of young artists of Jammu, which is acting as a great boon in promoting Dogri language and culture not just in Jammu and Kashmir but in neighboring states like Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Harayana and New Delhi. He informed the gathering that every volunteer of Team Jammu is under oath to promote mother tongue Dogri, Art, Culture and Folk.

Zorawar Singh Jamwal also said that youth of Jammu and Kashmir



Chairman Team Jammu, Zorawar Singh Jamwal and others releasing Dogri Video Album "Jawai Tera Kutta Ae".

and particularly Jammu region is full of talent and the only need is to channelize their positive energies in different fields. He hoped that the Dogri album would not just stand in J&K and but in the entire country.

While congratulating star cast including famous local artists Duggar Da Beta, Kuldeep Hans, Sandhya Sharma and Shakuntla Devi for exhibiting their best performance in Dogri Video Album "Jawai Tera Kutta Ae", Team Jammu chief, Zorawar Singh Jamwal also urged the Jammu and

Kashmir UT administration to provide a platform in the shape of specific policy for local artists so that their talent, caliber and capacity could be showcased in rest of the country. He also appreciated the joint efforts of lyricist RKT, Music Composer, Sahil Lucky, DOP, Danish Mir, Director K K Malhotra, Assistant Director, Prerna Sharma and Jeevan Jyoti that has created a spell bound album and is likely to hit the stands.

Speaking on the occasion, both Sandhya Sharma and Kuldeep Hans

informed that the song is available at YouTube channel of Duggar Da Beta Kuldeep Hans. They requested that the people of Jammu should support and encourage the Dogri language and local artists so that they can also grow and reach new heights in their respective industries as it will make every citizen of J&K proud.

Among others present on the occasion included Amit Kundal, Sahil Mahajan, Vicky Kaith, Meenakshi, KB, Dheeraj Sharma, Ash 2588, Vikram Singh Dogra and Sagar Thakyaal.

Congress Chief Spokesperson supports major demands of PoJK DPs



JKPCC Chief Spokesperson, Ravinder Sharma speaking at a programme.

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JAMMU: Congress on Sunday extended full support to struggle of POJK DPs for their major demands of 1/3rd share in the assembly seats reserved for POJK areas, sanction and release of full package of 2014 recommended by then state government and grant of Pahari speaking reservation, being denied illegally and inclusion of 5300 families for all due benefits, presently settled outside Jammu and Kashmir.

Expressing his views before the gathering of different political parties and social organisations at R S Pura, Sharma extended support to the major demands of POJK DPs and demanded that BJP government should fulfill the commitment of allocating

1/3rd assembly seats out of 24 seats reserved for Pak occupied Jammu and Kashmir besides sanction of full package of 2014, comprising Rs 30 lakh per DP family, reservations in paramilitary forces and technical institutions in the country for DP children and giving the benefit of 4 percent reservation under PSP category to them.

JKPCC Chief Spokesperson said that a comprehensive package was worked out for DPs of 1947, 1965 & 1971, on the directions of Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh and recommended by J&K government in 2014 which was endorsed by JPC with enhanced financial component of Rs 30 lakh out of which only meagre

Situation in Jammu no different than in Kashmir of 1989: IkkJutt Jammu



IkkJutt Jammu workers led by Ankur Sharma raising slogans during a protest.

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JAMMU: Claiming that situation in Jammu is no different than what it was in Kashmir of 1989, IkkJutt Jammu, a political organization, on Sunday staged a protest here against the government for its claims of normalcy in Jammu and Kashmir.

Led by their president Ankur Sharma, the IkkJutt Jammu workers assembled near Maharaja Hari Singh's statue on Tawi Bridge and chanted anti-government slogans over the recent terror incidents in Jammu province.

"The situation in Jammu is no different what it was in Kashmir of 1989," he claimed and condemned the recent vandalization of a temple by unknown miscre-

ants, killing of two suicide bombers and detection of an improvised explosive device (IED) here.

Today, State of J&K is the biggest tool running a subversive disinformation campaign of normalcy in J&K. Its character is exactly similar to the State which existed in 1989-90's abdicating all its responsibilities paving way for and facilitating Hindu Genocide which still officially remains unrecognised.

IkkJutt Jammu supporters through its President Ankur Sharma unequivocally demanded from the Govt that the religious structures including so called places of worship and educational institutions involved in producing Jihadists through radicalisation and indoctrination should be demolished immediately.

Collaboration with religious institutions will foster health promotion interventions: Dr Sushil

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JAMMU: Recognizing the role of religious organizations as supporters of health interventions, Dr. Sushil Sharma held a day long health check up-cum-awareness camp in collaboration with Dogra Brahmin Pratinidhi Sabha, Jammu on the occasion of Shri Parshuram Jayanti celebrations.



Dr. Sushil Sharma and other doctors examining participants during a health check up-cum-awareness camp.

He stated that religious organizations, across religious denominations and congregation size and structures, can serve as key implementation sites for health promotion and disease prevention to reach the marginalized population.

He underscored the need to designate religious organizations as natural partners and relevant stakeholders for the delivery of health promotion programs due to a number of factors, including their role as community centres; access to large segments of the population, especially marginalised groups; supportive infrastructure (e.g., government functionaries, communication channels, regularity of contact); presence of support networks (e.g., prayer groups), and personnel resources (e.g., volunteers).

Dr. Sushil particularly highlighted the positive role of religious institutions during COVID-19 outbreak when it was difficult to make people understand necessary advisories related to burial of deceased and essential rituals attached to them. Due to the timely intervention of religious

leaders and institutions, we observed complete prohibition regarding visit to places of worship.

It is important to mention at this juncture that when it was challenging for doctors and scientists to convince people regarding the danger of COVID-19 transmission, the religious institutions try to fill this gap by improving the relationship between religion and health, focusing especially on prioritizing health needs of the common populace.

Public health promotion is a multi-sectorial enterprise involving community, state and federal government agencies. It is important to perceive religious organizations as key partners in the sustenance and promotion of public health.

Health promoters should thus consider collaborations with religious organizations of their respective area to enhance the health of their community, he stressed.

More than 200 patients were examined, evaluated and advised during the camp.

ECG, Blood Sugar was conducted and medicines were also given as per the requirements.

Management committee of the Dogra Brahmin Pratinidhi Sabha Vaid Parkash Sharma (President), M.L. Sharma, Shiv Ram Sharma, Jagan Nath, Chander Mohan, K.K Sharma, Subhash Sharma, Ramesh Sharma, Tarsem Lal and Soujanya Sharma expressed their heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Sushil and his team for organising Medical Cum Health awareness camp.

Others who were part of this camp include Dr S K Bali (Nephrologist), Dr Lakeshwer Khajuria (Dy Comdt. BSF), Dr Anitpal Singh, Dr Danish Naik.

Paramedics and Volunteers includes Kamal Sharma, Raghav Rajput, Rajinder Singh, Aman Gupta, Akshay Kumar, Rajesh Suri, Milan Kapoor, Maninder Singh, Narinder Mahajan, Vinod Sharma, Vikas Kumar, Gourav Sharma, Rajkumar , Ranjeet Singh and Amandeep Singh.

Entrepreneurship holds promise to self sustenance, job generation: Rana

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JAMMU: Saying the obtaining era of entrepreneurship holds promise to self reliance, growth, productivity and job generation, Senior BJP leader Mr Devender Singh Rana today exhorted youth to be the part of the country's odyssey to progress and prosperity.

"Remember, every destination is reached by a small but a firm first step", Devender Rana said while launching a business venture on the national highway at Channi Himmat here this afternoon. He said history of the business world stands testimony to the fact that every big enterprise owes genesis to the grit, determination and hardwork put in to the humble beginning at the launching stages. The success smiles at those who work in team spirit with honest intent, he said, adding that the modern day entrepreneurship has vistas of opportunities to grow and succeed. Rana



Prominent BJP leader Devender Singh Rana inaugurating a business venture.

appreciated the change in the mindset of youth about taking up challenges than hankering after white collar jobs, as the entrepreneurship has not only the prospect of leading a good life but also deriving the satisfaction of being a job provider. This positive approach and progressive vision could be beneficial to the society as a whole. Being a job provider is a real thrill, he said, adding

that drive and initiative among youth in establishing profit generating units could be answer to burgeoning unemployment in a place like Jammu and Kashmir, where joblessness is increasing due to limited number of openings in the government sector; the only job generator in the absence of industrial and corporate sectors thus far. However; the scenario is changing fast with huge

investments pouring in due to sustained efforts of the government, he observed. The Senior BJP leader said onerous and ethical responsibility lies on the entrepreneurs to adhere to good trade practices and maintain their credibility, which is imperative for harmonious relationship with the clientele. In this context, he stressed on the need for creating an USP for their enterprises, so that customers have no choice but to ask and visit their enterprises. Lauding the initiative of the entrepreneurs, Rohan Sharma and Shrawan Sharma on their initiative, Devender Rana wished them all the best in their endeavours, hoping this enterprise will be a source of sustenance for many skilled and unskilled workforce. Those accompanying Mr Rana included Pt. Rameshwar Dutt, Dharamveer Singh Jamwal, Ashok Singh Manhas, Sarpanch Surinsar Bodh Raj and others.

Jamia Masjid committee regrets conditions in holding Eid prayers

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SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir administration will not allow Eid prayers to be held at Eidgah ground or at historic Jamia Masjid in old city after 7.00 am on Eid, claimed the Masjid management committee on Sunday.

In a statement, Anjuman Auqaf Jamia Masjid said that police and civil authorities called them on Saturday to convey that Eid prayers will not be allowed at Eidgah Srinagar and at Jamia Masjid Srinagar if not held before 7.00 am.

According to the Anjuman, the authorities have put several conditions on holding prayers at Eidgah or Jamia Masjid and sought a written undertaking from the management in this regard.

The Anjuman on Saturday had announced that Eid prayers will be held at Eidgah grounds at 9.30 am. In case of

inclement weather, the prayers were planned an Jamia masjid at per past practice.

The Anjuman expressed surprise that while authorities have no problem with allowing Eid prayers at Hazratbal shrine at 10.30 am, they are putting conditions on holding prayers at Eidgah.

"The Anjuman Auqaf members are dismayed that after disallowing muslims of the valley to pray at Jamia Masjid on Juma-tul-vida and Shab-e-Qadr, authorities are now not allowing muslims to offer Eid prayers in the open at Eidgah, which is in tradition of the Prophet's sunnah," the management said.

It said they had approached the government run Waqf Board but the body responded by saying that they could not facilitate prayer arrangements unless authorities gave permission for it.