

# BJYM holds ‘Yuva Udghosh’ event to mobilise youth for assembly polls

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RAMBAN: As a part of its outreach programme, Bharatiya Janata Yuva Moreha (BJYM) organised two-day-long 'Yuva Udghosh' event at Dak Bunglow Batote to mobilise youth and first-time voters for the upcoming Assembly elections in Jammu Kashmir.

The state-level office bearers, Prabharis Seh Prabharis and District Presidents of the BJYM, including state Vice President BJP Pawan Khajuria, State President BJYM Arun Prabhat, former MLA Neelam Langeh and Municipal Council Chairman Batote Ravinder Singh attended the programme. Under the 'Yuva Udghosh' programme, a massive drive has been launched to connect with the youths and first-time



BJYM J&K President Arun Prabhat and other party workers during the programme.

voters to channelise their energy in right direction for nation building and mobilize them for upcoming assembly elections in the Union Territory of Jammu Kashmir. Speaking on the occasion, BJYM state president Arun Prabhat expressed gratitude to all the participants and gave a brief account on the

various activities being conducted by the BJYM to connect with the youth of the UT. "We have lined up a series of outreach programmes in the next few months to enlist youth and first-time voters and mobilise them for the next assembly elections," Prabhat said, adding "it is important to bring the young

voters to the polling booth and efforts should be made by the party cadre to meet this challenge with utmost ease through strong resolve and conviction". Addressing the programme, Vice President BJP Pawan Khajuria said that youths have always played a decisive role in any electoral exercise.

"It is important to make the youth aware of the work done by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led government at the Centre to carry out unprecedented development and improve the law and order situation in Jammu Kashmir. There is also a need to understand the wishes and expectations of youths so that a blueprint is prepared to fulfill them," Khajuria said.

The BJP leader said, "Youths of Jammu Kashmir have always remained in the hearts of the Prime Minister. Under the guidance of the Prime Minister, the BJP has launched several initiatives for ensuring peace and development in Jammu and Kashmir so that a better environ is created for young generation.

## GDC Ramnagar organises online UT level quiz programme on 'Cyber Awareness'

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RAMNAGAR: Dept. of Computer Applications of GDC Ramnagar organized online UT level Quiz Programme on "Cyber Awareness" as part of Cyber Jagrukta initiative of the Govt.

The Quiz was organized under the active guidance and supervision of Dr. Udhey Bhanu, Principal and Asst. Prof. Aditya Sharma, HOD Computer Applications & Nodal Officer of Cyber Jagrukta cell of the College. The quiz questions were framed in a way to improve the knowledge, understanding and awareness of the participants about various cyber crimes and ways to remain safe from these crimes. More than 200 staff and students from various Colleges of the J&K participated in the quiz. E-certificates were also provided to those who secured more than 60 per cent marks in the quiz.

## Restore statehood before Assembly elections: Sahni

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
UDHAMPUR: Shiv Sena J&K unit expressed great disappointment against the BJP led Government at the Centre for its failure to restore statehood to the Jammu and Kashmir despite passing of more than two and half years.

This was stated by Manish Sahni, President J&K Shiv Sena while speaking at the joining programme held at Udhampur.

More than dozens of people today joined the party fold in presence of Manish Sahni during a program held at Udhampur in which Sahni demanded restoration of statehood before the holding Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir: Sahni said that more than two and a half years have passed in waiting for restoration of statehood status. Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the floor of the House on August 2019 promised to return the statehood to the people of Jammu and Kashmir soon but till date



President J&K Shiv Sena, Manish Sahni along with new entrants at Udhampur.

nothing has been done in this regard.

Sahni said that the Central Government is going back on all its promises made with the people of Jammu and Kashmir: With the passage of time, all the dreams and promises shown for development, employment and restoration of peace on the reorganization of Jammu and Kashmir are getting shattered.

Sahni said that BJP is only trying to befool the people by claiming that abrogation of 370 is a great step that has paved way for development and employment removing

all the hurdles. He accused the BJP of misleading the public on all the significant issues.

"Despite being directly under the Centre, development, employment and prosperity at the grassroots level is not visible anywhere in the state. The public has got nothing except toll plazas, liquor shops, inflation and unemployment," Sahni said, adding that the hateful politics of religion and casteism is dominating the common issues of the people.

Sahni said that Shiv Sena will raise its voice in high pitch for securing the rights

of the people of J&K and the public should also remember the betrayal happening to them and give a befitting reply when the time comes. While present on the occasion, General Secretary Vikas Bakshi, Udhampur in-charge Ashwani Prabhakar, District prabhari Sanjeev Sharma, Rajesh Handa General Secretary Anil Vijay welcomed the new entrants with Shiv Bandhan and party symbol. Vibhav Raina, Rahul Sharma, Arjun Sadotra , Ashutosh, Sohan Singh, Rakesh Kumar, Sunny Kumar and many others joined the party. Sahni announced Ajay Gupta as District kamghar President where Rashiv Khajuria as Youth Unit President and Anit Sharim as Spokesperson. Many leaders from Udhampur including Sanjay Pandita, Rajesh Khajuria, Imtihan Hussain, Vijay Singh, Rajinder Singh, Tinkle Arora, Rajesh Verma, Ramesh Verma, Sunil Kumar, Vishal Verma were present on this occasion.

## Reasi Police organises Iftaar party

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
REASI: District Police Reasi on the directions of Amit Gupta Senior Superintendent of Police Reasi organized an Iftaar party at District Police Lines Reasi.

Besides Prominents of Reasi Town and adjoining areas, Saraf Singh Nag DDC Chairman Reasi, also attended the function along-with Officers of Civil Administration and district Police Reasi.

During the Iftaar party, an interaction was held between the Police officers and general public with a view to send the message of communal harmony, brotherhood, peace & tranquility in the area.

People highly appreciated the role J&K Police in organizing such an event



People participating in Iftaar Party at DPL Reasi.

and thanks them for providing such an occasion in the Holy month of Ramadan and also thanks them to give such a platform to all communities to interact with each other.

Amit Gupta While speaking on the occasion conveyed that the holy month of Ramadan is the month of blessings, mercies and

atonement. He prayed for peace and communal harmony in the area.

To seek the blessings of this holy month, participants break their "Rooza", followed by dinner.

Finally, the holy occasion got concluded on a positive note for maintenance of communal harmony in the area.

## Public Welfare Front celebrates Foundation Day



Front's Chairman Zorawar Singh Shahbaz along with others during the event at Poonch.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
POONCH: The Public Welfare Front on Sunday celebrated Front's 1st Foundation Day with great pomp and Front's Chairman Zorawar Singh Shahbaz also inaugurated the main office in Jhulass Village, Poonch.

He also extended warm wishes to all the countrymen, state residents and all the members of the front. Speaking on the occasion, he said that today the front has completed one year and all the members of the front have

worked hard, dedication, sincerity, loyalty to the poor orphans, elderly, disabled. Served the destitute, needy and widows. He said that this year the local people have contributed a lot in serving the poor and needy people, he said that I am thankful from the bottom of my heart to all those people who have contributed in the service of poor and needy people with their noble earning.

He said "I am very thankful to all those people who have brought blankets, clothes, sweets, sewing

machines, rations, and many other important things on the platform of Public Welfare Front and hope that in future also the local people do like this continue to contribute to the front for the public to serve poor".

On this occasion, he also distributed copies, pens, pencils and ration materials among poor and needy children, he said that Public Welfare Front is always ready to serve the public. He said today in Poonch, Surankote, Mendhar, Udhampur, Jammu Front's Members celebrated Foundation Day.

On this occasion front members Ravinder Kaur Komal, Shahnawaz Khan, Bashir Ahmed jat, Mohd Raiz Skt.Jahangir Hussain Hamdard, Ujagar Singh, Manpreet Singh, Shahnaz Akhtar, Utkarsh Palotra, Wasim Ashraf, Sunny Sharma, Nittan Sharma, Mohd Shafi, Sunny Chima were also present.

## ITBP's 47th Corps celebrates Raising Day



Battalion Commandant Subhash Chandra Yadav saluting the War memorial at Leh.

**■ STATE TIMES N EWS**  
SAMBA/LEH: Indo Tibetan Border Police Force ITBP on Sunday celebrated 11th Raising Day 47th Battalion Complex Rai Ghagval and Chushul Chowki, Leh Ladakh with great pomp. In the ceremony, Battalion Commandant Subhash Chandra Yadav hon-

ored the Himveers by taking the salute of the parade. various sports and cultural programs were also organised at ITBP ground. Various types of food stalls were set up in the fair-like grounds. The 47th Battalion Complex of Indo-Tibetan Border Police Force takes the salute of the security

force by Commandant Subhash Chandra Yadav Vats on the 11th Raising Day at Leh Ladakh.

On this occasion Mukesh Kumar DC/GD, Pankaj Sharma Assistant Commandant and Om Prakash Assistant Commandant Leh Post were present. Addressing the soldiers at the function, the Commandant of the Battalion, Yadav said that the ITBP soldiers protect the country by being stationed in various sensitive places to maintain unity, integrity and sovereignty in difficult situations. On this occasion, the second in command, Vijay Kumar, DC/GD Kishan Chand and Subedar Major Harsh Vardhan were present in 47th Corps Rai.

## JKTJAC holds monthly meeting, raises burning issues

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
UDHAMPUR: A monthly meeting of Jammu Kashmir Teachers' Joint Action Committee ( JKTJAC) was held at Udhampur on Sunday under the leadership of UT president Vinod Sharma and District President Lekh Raj Parihar.

The meeting was attended by executive members from all the eleven zones of the district.

While speaking on the occasion Vinod Sharma highlighted the genuine issues of teaching fraternity and appealed the Principal Secretary School Education to redress them .

The issues raised included comprehensive transfer policy in favour of teachers appointed under ReT scheme as they



Committee members during the meeting at Udhampur.

are serving in the same schools for last more than 20 years, inclusion of 5 years ReT period for seniority benefits by favour of department in the Court , DPC of teachers to masters as same hasn't been done since 2014 thereby leading stagnation, raising of Grade of teachers at par with their counterparts in other

UTs, conversion of Head teachers Posts into non plan posts of masters, Rationalisation of teaching staff as same is pending for last more than 3 years, and removal of all non teaching assignments of the teachers so that quality education be improved further; provision of MDM/ free supply of

books and uniform for KG students so that enrollment of KG classes get increased further .

He also appealed the LG administration to make provision of old pension scheme for the employees of the UT appointed after 01.01.2010 so that their post retirement life not be in trouble as NPS scheme doesn't give a guaranteed pension and they have to live in miserable condition.

Speaking on the occasion Lekh Raj Parihar raised the issue of release of Mid-day Meals funds which the teachers have managed from their own pocket, release of more than 2 years arrears of teachers of the district. He also appeared Chief Education Officer Udhampur to give instructions to DDOs not to

be partial in giving grades to teachers in EMP otherwise we will be forced to raise our voice against such harassment.

Others who also spoke on the occasion were : Sukesh Khajuria, Ashok Seth, Pritam Goswami, Chain Singh, Bhushan Khajuria, Jagdish Chander Sharma, Shamsher Singh, Vijay Sadhotra, Anil Sharma, Suresh Sharma, Sham Singh, Pankaj Thakur, Raman Sharma, Rakesh Singh, Romesh Goswami, Sonika Sharma, Pumma Chand, Surinder Singh, Balvinder Singh, Ashish Sharma, Rakesh Sharma, Binder Singh ,Sudesh Balwal, Shankar Singh , Beerbajan Singh, Parveen Singh, Uttam Singh , Sudesh Kumar, Kunj Lal, and others.

## Providing safe drinking water Govt's priority: Col Mahan

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
KATHUA: District Development Council (DDC) Kathua Chairman, Col Mahan Singh (Retd.) has said that providing safe and adequate drinking water is among the Govt's top priorities and it stands fully committed to achieve the target of "Ghar Ghar Jal, Ghar Ghar Naal" very soon.

He stated this while inspecting drinking water storage tanks and pipelines during visit to Bhoond, Jandrali, Towara, Shara & Sandhar villages of remote Bhoond Block in Basohli DDC Constituency here today. AEE Jal Shakti Deptt Basohli and PHC staff



DDC Kathua Chairman, Col Mahan Singh (Retd.) inspecting a water storage plant.

accompanied the DDC Chairman. Col Mahan also interacted with local linemen to know ground realities.

The DDC Chairman instructed officials present to immediately repair leakages and review water timing schedule to ensure uninterrupted drinking water supply in the area, especially due to ongoing summer season.

The AEE Jal Shakti Deptt also briefed the DDC Chairman on Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) plan to augment infrastructure in the area for improvement in supply chain.

Speaking on the occasion

Col Mahan reiterated the Modi Govt commitment to provide "Ghar Ghar Naal, Ghar Ghar Jal" and added that all efforts are being made to implement JJM projects in district Kathua during current financial year.

Col Mahan Singh said that Rs. 1400 Crore has been allocated in the current financial year under Capex budget plan under 'Jal Jeevan Mission' (JJM) in the district. He said funds have also been sanctioned to repair faulty handpumps and the teams have already been deputed by the Ground Water Division for the same. The arrangement of portable

water through tankers and trolleys is also being done in several affected areas.

Col Mahan said that the Jal Jeevan Mission is envisioned to provide safe and adequate drinking water through individual household tap connections by 2024 to all households in rural India. He asserted that the implementation of JJM is undoubtedly going to overcome the existing shortage of drinking water. Moreover, there is also a need to focus more on efficient ways of water usage harvesting, conservation and recycling, he added.

Asserting that after air, drinking water is the second essential succour for survival of humans, plants and animals. Col Mahan said that he shall leave no stone unturned in ensuring that PM Modi's commitment to provide "Ghar Ghar Jal, Ghar Ghar Naal" gets fulfilled at the earliest. He also urged upon the concerned employees to work tirelessly/proactively for next couple of months for ensuring efficient service till the rains starts.

## Forest fire control mock drill held at Sawani

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
RAJOURI: Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal, along with DFO Rajouri Dr Arshdeep Singh on Sunday visited Village Swani and adjoining areas to check the ground situation of the incidents of the Forest Fire. Deputy Director Forest Protection Force and Tehsildar Rajouri, also accompanied the DC. At Swani, the Deputy Commissioner interacted with the local populace and said that Forests are community claims and it is the duty of everyone to protect forests from fire. He also sensitized villagers about the dangers of



DC Rajouri Vikas Kundal inspecting mock-drill at Village Swani

forest fires and the steps to be taken to prevent forest fires. He asked the locals to contact chowkidar, lambardar forest guard in case of sighting of forest fires. He clearly directed the level revenue authorities to identify the culprits involved in the forest fire incidents, if man made. The Revenue, Police

and Forest officials were asked to work in unanimity to contain the incidents of Forest fire in the district. The DFO Rajouri was also asked to identify the volunteers at Panchayat level and later train them on how to prevent forest fires. The DC Rajouri also attended a Mock Fire fighting

drill jointly organised by Forest protection Force and Fire and emergency department. The Deputy Commissioner also visited the Forest Eco park at Bathuni and passed on a slew of recommendations for better and effective management of the park.

## Raghnath temple Mangnar management organises Yagya

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
POONCH: The celebration of the day of installation of the statue of Ram Bhagvan held at Raghnath temple Mangnar Poonch where hundreds of the followers and disciples of Ram Ji reached there to get the blessings of God which makes the event divinefull. Speaking on the occasion Gurdeep Singh Khalsa State Co-ordinator BJP Minority



Devotees during a Yagya at Poonch.

Morecha J & K appealed to the LG Administration for

immediate widening of road Poonch to Mangnar Mandir and taking the village on tourism Map to develop the scope of the village in broad way. He also urged the administration for the construction of Dak bungalow and huts under different schemes so that the gathering may be attracted and stay there. The religious feast was also offered to visitors.

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