

Poonch Cultural & Craft festival witnesses grand opening



Artists presenting folk item during the fest.

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POONCH: Two day Poonch Cultural and craft festival organised by J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages in association with District Administration Poonch started with a grand opening as the inaugural day events attracted scores of people from different parts of J&K. The Department of Culture, Government of India, have left no stone unturned for the promotion of the rich cultural heritage of the country. In this connection a scheme titled "Scheme for Promotion of Traditional and Cultural Festivals of Jammu & Kashmir" has been introduced for the promotion and preservation of the traditional and cultural festivals of Jammu & Kashmir.

Chairperson District Development Council Poonch Tazem Akhter who was the chief guest inaugurated the festival along with Deputy Commissioner Poonch Inder Jeet, Additional Secretary JKAAACL Sanjeev Rana, DDC's and BDC's of Poonch district. Speaking on the occasion, Chairperson District Development Council Poonch Tazem Akhter said that this kind of festival provides a great opportunity for local artists to exhibit their talent and also offers avenues for their income by selling their artifacts besides disseminating information regarding local art, craft, culture and legacy.

Additional Secretary JKAAACL Sanjeev Rana who was the man behind the successful start of the festival

said the academy will continue to come up with similar kinds of events from time to time to promote and conserve the rich cultural heritage of Jammu and Kashmir. He said the festival also nurtures the talents of local artists and provides them a platform to showcase their talent. He further complimented his team for the grand success on the day one of Poonch Cultural and Craft Festival.

The programme was started with a joyful presentation of Rouf by Sheen Cultural Society. This was followed by the scintillating presentation of Kud Dance from Padar; Dogri Dance by Natyaroots, Gojri Dance by Sadakat Ali, Punjabi Song by Soni Musical Group, Gojri Song by Mohd. Rafi, Punjabi song by Ashan Asgar, Pahari Dance by Shabnam Parveen, Nukkad Natak by Ajeet, Dogri Dance by Suksham Dance Academy, Gojri bait by Gulnaz and party, Gojri Song by Razia Ashra etc. The programme culminated with Gatka which made everyone spellbound with their performance.

The festival was streamed live on the youtube channel of JKAAACL.

Tributes paid to martyr LN Kamal Kumar on 23rd Martyrdom Day



Family, dignitaries paying tributes to NK Kamal Kumar.

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SAMBA: Tributes were paid to LN Kamal Singh, son of late Balkar Singh resident of Muthi Jhadu on his 23rd Martyrdom Day. Martyr Kamal Singh of 8 Jakli Regiment had attained Veergati on 28 May 1999 while fighting the enemies on Tiger Hill in Kargil War.

On Saturday, a tribute ceremony was organized at the memorial site located in his native village Muthi Jhadu where everyone paid tributes to the martyr and remembered him.

Along with the family of the martyr, DDC member Asha Rani, BDC chairman Radheshyam Sharma and others paid tribute. The Guard of Honor was given by the jawans of 6 Jakli Regiment on Martyrs' Day. During this, Sarpanch Panchayat Chakk Dulma Vinay Sharma, Ex-Sarpanch Dharampal, Ex-Captain Subhash Chandra, Ex-Captain Uttam Singh and Martyr's younger brother Rish Pal Singh, Raj Singh and the villagers paid homage with moist eyes.

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Narayana Hospital performs successful Knee Joint Replacement surgery of 71-year old



Dr Vikas Padha with patient.

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KATRA: Adding one more feather in their cap, Orthopedic Surgery Team at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital, Katra made it possible for 71 years old patient hailing from Jammu to walk again normally after doing successful very complex Total Knee Replacement surgery on both knees. Dr Vikas Padha Senior Consultant Orthopaedics & Joint Replacement decided to operate both the knees during one operation to avoid multiple surgeries and associated discomfort and pain.

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to walk without support of walker. "Such cases are very difficult to operate upon as they require high level accuracy" said Dr Vikas Padha.

Her daughter, who is a Doctor herself (a Gynaecologist) was thinking of getting operated her mother outside J&K as she also understood complexity of this case and had sought consultation in a reputed hospital outside J&K as well but when she sought consultation for her mother with Dr Vikas Padha, she changed her mind and decided to get her operated from him only.

Seeing the nature of deformities, it was decided to operate upon both knees simultaneously in one sitting only.

After meticulous pre-operative plan-

ning and its proper execution in the operation theatre, her both knee joints were replaced simultaneously by Dr Vikas Padha.

"Though it was technically challenging surgery, but because of expertise and infrastructure we have at our hospital, the surgery went well and patient started recovering well in the post operative period. On the first post operative day, she started walking with the aid of walker, first time without pain after many years. She was discharged in a good health in a couple of days. With regular follow up and physiotherapy she has been able to walk confidently without any external support" stated Dr Vikas Padha.

According to Facility Director Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital MM Mathavan, Over the last 2 years we have added such advanced clinical facilities at the hospital for which people had to travel outside the state. What gives us immense pleasure is the encouraging response of people towards the added facilities. The surgery is also covered under Ayushman Bharat Yojna at the Hospital which enables our hospital to make High Quality Healthcare accessible and affordable to everyone irrespective of their financial status."

GDC Neeli Nallah organises plantation drive



Students and faculty planting sapling.

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UDHAMPUR: NSS Unit and Eco Club, Government Degree College Neeli Nallah, Udhampur, on Saturday organised a plantation drive of local tree especially Bamboo tree to promote Gandhian Thoughts and Philosophy under the aegis of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav on Saturday in the premises of the College. The programme was organized under the guid-

Kaur: A large number of NSS volunteers participated in the drive. Dr. Satinder Kaur, Principal, appreciated the endeavour and aware the students about the ecological and

economical benefits of bamboo tree and how it is useful for various purposes like construction of bamboo houses, furniture, fabrics, food etc. She also deliberated the role of youth in motivating the society about the benefits of green earth. In the drive, students of the College planted bamboo tree and also decided that it is the responsibility of the student to care and nurture the plant. Dr. Radha Rani, NSS Programme Officer, was the coordinator of the programme. Prof. Swati Dutt and Asif Abdulla Baba were the organizers of the event.

Seminar held on communal harmony & national integration

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NOWSHERA: 90th seminar for promotion of communal harmony, national integration was held in the premises of Govt. Boys Hr. Sec. School Nowshera by Lekh Raj Raina, a social activist under the chairmanship of Kulveer Singh, Principal of the school who was as Chief Guest. A large number of youth, staff members, students and some social activists of the area along with prominent dignitaries of the area were also present in the seminar. Six students spoke on the subject with their speeches, national songs and poems. Lekh Raj Raina in his welcome address thanks faculty, dignitaries for arranging as well as participating in the seminar. Raina said "Our motto is to generate best environment in our society as well as country by way of Peace & Harmony. He also recited a beautiful song on communal harmony and stressed that its our first and foremost duty as responsibility to maintain peace for the promotion of communal harmony as it is need of the hour.



Organisers along with faculty and students during the event.

Training on 'Security of VVIP/ Vital Installations' concludes at SKPA



Mohan Lal, SSP, Dy. Director (Indoor) SKPA handing-over certificate to a participant officer.

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UDHAMPUR: Five days training programme on "Security of VVIP/ Vital Installations" which commenced at Sher-i-Kashmir Police Academy Udhampur on May 24, 2022 culminated on Saturday. About 25 police officers/ officials from across UT J&K participated in the training programme. There were wide ranging deliberations on different security related issues to be faced by the security agencies. Shaheen Wahid, Addl. SP Security Jammu, Nissar Hussain Shah SP, Dy. CO IPR-22nd Bn, Manjeet Singh Dy. SP Security, Rayaz Ahmed, Dy. SP Security Jammu, Inspector (Tech.) Dharminder Chand, Security Jammu and faculty from SKPA Udhampur shared their valuable experience. A valedic-

EPFO holds awareness & outreach programme-cum-seminar



Rizwan Uddin, RPFC - I, Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh addressing stakeholders at Reasi.

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REASI: EPFO Regional Office, Jammu held an awareness and outreach programme cum seminar at Salal Power Station, Jyotipuram, Distt Reasi on Saturday.

Rizwan Uddin, RPFC - I, Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh was welcomed by J.C. Sarkar, General Manager (Incharge), Salal Power Station and he apprised him about the various works being done in the Power Station and appreciated the public outreach programme being conducted by the EPFO, Jammu. Rizwan Uddin, RPFC - I, Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh addressed the Project Management, Contractors & the Contract Labourers during the session. The session focused on social security benefits available under the EPF & MP Act, 1952 and the schemes framed there under, major initiatives by EPFO and challenges faced by different stakeholders. The course was co-ordinated by Tahir Hussain, Dy. SP, Asstt. Director (Indoor) and Inspector Tarzeem Lal, SKPA, Udhampur.

Employees' Pension Scheme after the implementation of the EPF & MP Act, 1952 in the UT of J&K and Ladakh from Nov 1, 2019. "In case of any causality as cited above, the pension will be paid to the widow/widower, children of the deceased member" he informed. Also, in case of disability, the employee will be given pension throughout his life. It was also emphasized that an employee who is continued to be in service tenure for 10 years up to the age of superannuation (58 years) under EPFO will be eligible for pension benefits under EPS 1995. He cited the importance and benefits of the Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance scheme, 1976 and the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 in which the subscribers of

J&K and Ladakh were previously deprived off or benefits were considerably lesser than that of EPF Act. The Provident Fund members under EPFO are also eligible for insurance benefit under EDLI Scheme up to Rs. 7 Lakhs whereas under erstwhile J&KEPF Act, 1961 benefit was available up to Rs 75000/-, he informed. Satyawan, General Manager (E&C) & Sanjeev Kumar, Group Senior Manager (HR) from Salal Management also participated in the awareness programme. EPFO resolved many queries of contractors & contract labourers and this initiative of EPFO was appreciated by the management, contractors and contract labourers.

Dulhasti Power Station distributes Sanitation Kits under Swachhta Pakhwada



MK Singh, GGM (In-Charge), Dulhasti Power Station distributing sanitation kits among workers.

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KISHTWAR: Dulhasti Power Station is observing Swachhta Pakhwada from May 16 to 31 2022 and organizing various Swachhta awareness programs. In this sequence, a cleanliness kit distribution program was organized on May 27, 2022 at the power house and dam premises. Cleanliness kit distribution program has also been organized on dated May 28, 2022 in the premises of the administrative building of the power station to make contract workers and drivers of the power station to make contract workers and drivers aware of cleanliness. In the program, MK Singh, Group General Manager (In-Charge), Dulhasti Power Station, in his address said that cleanliness is a good habit and it should be included in our lives by all of us, he added that in the cleanliness campaign, we everyone should play a big part.

During this, Sharad Jacker, General Manager (Civil), Dr. RP Singh Group Deputy General Manager (HR), Sanjay Kumar Singh, Deputy General Manager (Finance), Ashok Kumar Dhanwan, Senior Manager (HR), Sachin Vishwakarma and other officers along with employees were present.

JAMMU MUNICIPAL CORPORATION Short Term Notice Inviting Tender e-NIT-No. 01-CTO of 2022-23

For and of behalf of The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Jammu, The CTO, JMC invites online Tender from registered firms/ Manufacturers/ Fabricator/ Supplies as per the prescribed format for the following Works.

S.No	Description	Unit	Tender Fee (Rs.)
1.	Supply of R.C Bins-1 Cum Capacity and Dumper Placer/ Garbage Container 4.5 Cum Capacity to be installed in various wards failing within JMC Limits.	No	Rs 1000.00

The online tenders along with the scanned copy of tender fee should be uploaded from 25-05-2022 onwards. The Cost of tender documents shall be Rs. 1000/- (One Thousand Only) (Non-Refundable) in the Form of DD or e-challan or via link <http://www.jmcjammu.org/online-payment.html> in favour of chief Accounts officer, Jammu Municipal Corporation Jammu. The Original Instruments may be submitted in the office of joint Commissioner (A), Municipal Corporation, Jammu by L-1 bidder only after opening of financial bid. The tender fee shall be pledged to the Chief Accounts Officer, Jammu Municipal Corporation. Other details and Terms/ Conditions are contained in the e-NIT document and can be downloaded from the www.jktenders.gov.in or can also be viewed on www.jmcjammu.org.

Sd/-
(Er Nisar Hussain)
CTO, Zone-III
Jammu Municipal Corporation

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