

DC Poonch takes stock of works within Municipal Council areas



DC Poonch Ch. Mohd Yasin during visit to Poonch city.

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On the request of the Poonch, the Deputy Commissioner, Poonch Ch. Mohd Yasin regarding various ongoing developmental works and issues faced by Municipal Council, Poonch towards making Poonch town a sustainable, smart and resilient place, the President Municipal Council along with the team of councilors showcased the renovation work being done in Town hall building to protect the cultural heritage of the region.

DPAP reaches out people in Ramban to build grassroots contact

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RAMBAN: In continuation of its public outreach programme, the leadership of Democratic Progressive Azad Party on Thursday visited the various blocks of Ramban district including Rajgadhi and Gandhri and met hundreds of people. The efforts are being made from the party leadership on the directions of chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad to build the direct contact with people and make them understand the party agenda. "We will continue the programme across the length and breadth of the Union Territory. Our efforts are to establish the contact with people to listen them and their issues. We will also make them understand our party agenda and mission for the better and prosperous future of Jammu Kashmir," said GM Saroori.

Jugal Kishore Sharma Provincial President said DPAP will sweep the region whenever elections take place. Among others who were present in the meeting are G.M Saroori Vice Chairman, Provincial President Jugal Kishore Sharma, Chief Spokesperson Salman Nizami, Zonal President PR.Manhas, Arun Singh Raju Secretary, Farooq Katoch Vice President Province, Ch Mohd Farooq Secretary, Distt President Dharam Chand, Farooq Ganai Distt Vice President, Rehmatullah Runiyal, Girdari Lal Bahu, Munshi Ram Manhas, Ab Rashid Mantoo, Jai Ram Bhagat, Gh Nabi Bhatt, Mohd Amin, Sheikh Shabir, Dev Raj Manhas, Loknath Hawaldar, Mubeen Parihar and others.

Director Horticulture reviews departmental activities in Ramban District



Director Horticulture Jammu, Ram Savak chairinh a meeting.

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RAMBAN: Director Horticulture Jammu, Ram Savak visited Ramban district and reviewed the Horticulture scenario in the District at a meeting of the Extension and Nursery staff. During the meeting, he directed to achieve the allotted targets with respect to Area Expansion under UT CAPEX Budget and revised Modified High Density Plantation Programme and creation of Mother Block and Nursery Production units in Public Sector to meet out the emerging demand of quality planting material raised therein. All the staff members of Ramban, Ramssoo, Banihal and Gool attended the meeting. At the outset, Chief Horticulture Officer, Anil Kumar Gorka welcomed the Director Horticulture and briefed about the status of Public Sector nurseries and

Election Photo Identity Cards issued to eligible voters of Nowshera



ADC Nowshera Kartar Singh handing over voter identity card to a eligible voter.

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NOWSHERA: Electoral Literacy Club of GDC Nowshera in collaboration with Sub-district administration, Nowshera organised a programme for distribution of Election Photo Identity Cards (EPIC) to the eligible voters. The programme was carried out in continuation to a series of programmes held earlier by sub-district administration as a part of Special Summary Revision of Electoral Roll, 2023.

Kartar Singh, ADC Nowshera was the chief guest on this occasion. At the outset, Prof. Joginder Singh, IQAC Coordinator, welcomed the chief guest and briefed the purpose of the event. Later, ADC Nowshera, Sh. Kartar Singh addressed the gathering and explained the importance of casting vote to the young voters, the students of the college. He said, "To vote is the right of every citizen and we all should participate in voting process so as to choose our representative, be it at Panchayat/municipal, block or parliament level". A total of 10 EPICs were issued to the eligible voters belonging to different villages of Nowshera. The young voters were very excited to receive their unique voter Id cards and they thanked the Nowshera administration for handing over the cards personally to them without facing any inconvenience. The programme concluded with formal vote of thanks by Prof. Rajat Bhardwaj, Convener, Electoral Literacy Club of the college. A large number of students and the staff members of the college attended the programme with great enthusiasm and zeal.

wise is causing serious hardship for commuters and pedestrians due to frequent traffic congestion, and inconvenience in accessing main market area due to unavailability of parking facilities. He also drew the attention of Deputy Commissioner to expedite the process of construction of Solid Waste Treatment Plant at Village Kausliyan. The Deputy Commissioner, Poonch appreciated the resolve of Municipal Council, Poonch in initiating various development works and proposals towards the general convenience and protection of environment and cultural heritage of the area. He also assured the President, Municipal Council along with the team of councilors to take up the pending proposals to the concerned authorities shortly so that the common populace will be able to reap the benefits of urban local governance soon.

Rajouri-Thanamandi-Surankote Road Project: DDC visits Atti to address alignment issues

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RAJOURI: District Development Commissioner (DDC) Rajouri, Vikas Kundal on Thursday visited Atti to address the pressing alignment issues related to the Rajouri-Thanamandi-Surankote road.

The DDC was accompanied by DDC Member Rajouri, Sain Abdul Rashid; SDM Thanamandi, Vikas Dhar; Assistant Commissioner Defence, Saleem Qureshi; Tehsildar Thanamandi, Sahil Shah and concerned officers from BRO.

During the visit, the DDC interacted with the public and listened to their concerns. He assured them that their genuine issues would be

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UDHAMPUR: Bhoomi Poojan ceremony for the establishment of Narsingh Seva Kendra in Khoon village of Majalta tehsil of Udhampur district was performed. The process of Bhoomi Pujan ceremony was completed with Vedic chanting, Havan and Yagya in the presence of Sant Dinesh Bharti, Narsingh Seva Kendra President Vikram Gujral, other members of Narsingh Seva Kendra and local prominent people.

The prestigious project of Narsingh Seva Kendra is being established on more than 100 Kanals of land in village Khoon of Majalta Tehsil, Dhar Road, District Udhampur. This will be the first project of its kind in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, in which three types of



Sant Dinesh Bharti and others during Yagya at Khoon.

works will be run parallel. These include Gau Samvardhan Kendra, Farmers Training Center and Yoga and Naturopathy Center.

Sant Dinesh Bharti, in his address on the occasion, praised the decision of Narsingh Seva Kendra to set up the project of Indian indigenous cows in Khoon village and said that the potential of Indian cows in Jammu Kashmir is immense and

explained that it needs to be understood. We know the importance of cows in many aspects including milk production, manure production and various medicinal uses.

Sant Dinesh Bharti further said that this is a traditional wealth which can naturally lead us towards all round prosperity.

Therefore setting up of this big project by Narsingh Seva Kendra is



DDC Rajouri, Vikas Kundal during visit to Atti.

resolved and directed the concerned officers to take appropriate measures. Additionally, he appealed to the public to amicably resolve any issues that would impede the completion of the vital project.

He said that the road is a

crucial project of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) that connects the border district of Rajouri to the Mughal road. The widening of the existing road will significantly reduce traffic congestion and journey time, and will also play a

major role in boosting the local economy of the area, he said.

"The district administration is committed to complete the prestigious Rajouri-Thanamandi-Surankote road project at the earliest," he said and sought the cooperation of the public.

The DDC also took stock of the progress on the road and directed the concerned departments to expedite the completion where work has been started, while maintaining quality standards.

The DDC directed the SDM Thanamandi, AC Defence and tehsildar concerned to get the issues resolved at the earliest.

AOI ASCOMS organises Free cancer screening & awareness camp

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BISHNAH: American Oncology Institute (AOI), ASCOMS Hospital Jammu on Thursday organized a free cancer screening and awareness camp in association with World Cancer Care at Panchayat Ghat Pali, Bishnah. In the cancer screening camp, more than 350 patients were screened and examined by Dr. Sumit Pandita (Radiation Oncologist) from AOI Jammu. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Neeraj Bishnoi, Regional COO, AOI, "Besides conducting screening tests at the camp, we wanted to educate and create awareness about early detection in the public. The key to surviving cancer is early diagnosis and prevention. With this camp, American Oncology Institute aims to motivate people and urge regular screening. We are committed to offering best-in-class clinical expertise, technological superiority, and service excellence for patients in the Jammu & Kashmir region. AOI is the first and only exclusive Cancer Hospital in Jammu offering precision cancer care."

The camp was inaugurated by Randhir Sharma (Sarpanch Pali). Anil Sharma (



A doctor examining a patient.

Member Panchayat) also graced the occasion. As part of the organizing team of the mega camp Mr. Vigat Chandan. Anil Raina and Sahil Sharma were also present along with the nursing and medical team of AOI Jammu and World Cancer Care.

AOI and World Cancer Care team offered free tests and services like Mammography, Bone Densitometry, Pap Smear, PSA, Complete Oral Screening and other lab tests along with free Oncology, Gynaecology, and general consultation at the camp. More than 350 patients were

screened at this mega oncology and cancer screening camp in Panchayat Ghar Pali, Bishnah where 4 buses cum mobile medical vans were present. The team from AOI Jammu also informed that other such camps will also be organized in different cities and districts of Jammu regularly now after every three months in others parts of the UT also, so that maximum people are made aware and screened for cancer as early detection can help increase the chances of survival and treatment success in cancer patients. Aditya Sabharwal, Regional Marketing Head (North) & Vikrant Thakur (Facility Director) AOI Jammu said that in its continued efforts to bring in the most advanced technology in Cancer Care to the region, AOI Jammu has installed one of the most advanced Radiotherapy Machine, HALCYON E at AOI Jammu unit and it will be the first ever such machine installed in the whole of Jammu & Kashmir. He also said that AOI Jammu is empanelled under Ayushman Bharat Scheme and is doing free of cost treatment regularly under this scheme in AOI Jammu.

GDC Kathua organises workshop



Dignitary being honoured during the event.

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KATHUA: Centre for Women Studies of Government Degree College kathua, organised a workshop in the college campus. Principal GDC Kathua Prof. Seema Mir was the Chief Guest of the event while Suninderjeet Kour, Tehsildar, was the Guest of Honour.

Dr. Rachna Devi, coordinator, CWS, in her welcome address said that CWS organise various developmental programs from time to time to create awareness among the students. She also said that it is very important to strengthen women's role by enhancing value

education and the frequency of various sensitization program at regular intervals.

Chief guest Prof. Seema Mir, in her address explained that with the improved access to education and employment, millions of women are joining the Army, Air force and even anti terror operations, but without value education and contribution to women empowerment is not possible.

She also said that society as a whole must take a result oriented initiative to create congenial environment where women can live freely without

breed will be reared in the Gaushala and such arrangements will be made that better indigenous breeds of cows can be available to the neighbouring villagers. He said that along with conservation of indigenous cows, arrangement for sale of cow's milk available by the farmers and manufacturing of Panchgavya items will also be done in this project.

Project President Vikram Gujral, General Secretary Chain Singh, Treasurer Naresh Gupta, Akhil Wazir, Vikram Gupta etc were present on this occasion. The stage was compared by Baldev Singh. Shrine Board member Kulbhushan Ahuja, Prant Sangh Chalak Dr. Gautam Mengi, MP Jugal Kishore were also present on the stage.

DDC Udhampur reviews achievements under RDD sector

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UDHAMPUR: To review the Block wise progress of ongoing developmental works and other schemes being implemented by Rural Development Department, District Development Commissioner Udhampur, Sachin Kumar Vaislya today convened a meeting of Officers' field functionaries of the department, here at Mini Conference Hall DC Office Complex.

At the outset, Assistant Commissioner Development, Dr Ranjeet Kotwal briefed about the block wise progress of ongoing developmental works and other flagship schemes of RDD sector in the District.

The DC took an extensive review of the progress of all the schemes being executed by

RDD sector including physical and financial status of CSCs in the District.

The BDOs were directed to complete all ongoing works within given timeframe. He asked them to expedite the progress of works and achieve the targets set by the Government as per the timeline. He exhorted the officers to maintain the transparency and accountability in all the works being executed in the District.

The DDC also stressed on close monitoring of ongoing works to ensure adherence to quality parameters and set timelines.

Mission Life Campaign 2023 organised at Chattoo

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KISHTWAR: Mission Life Campaign-2023 was organised today at TRC Chattoo under jurisdiction of Udil Forest Range. A number of school children, including the students of Govt Higher Secondary School Chattoo along with Principal and School staff, Local residents, PRIs, Officers/ officials of Forest Department, Wildlife, Protection Force, and Social Forestry participated and took pledge regarding the Life Campaign Mission.

During the campaign, a ceremonial plantation drive was also organised.

On the occasion, SFS DFO Marwah, Vijay Kumar briefed the aims of the campaign for the individuals and communities. He said the campaign aims to encourage environmental friendly practices in the daily use such as use cloth bags for shopping instead of plastic bags, carrying out own water bottles whenever possible, turning off running taps when not in active use and planting more and more trees to reduce the impact of pollution etc.

any discrimination.

Chief guest also congratulated Dr Rachna and her team for organising such informative program for the students.

Suninderjeet Kour, Tehsildar, Guest of honour, of the event, explained each aspect of value education in a very impressive manner. She said that value education is the need of hour. No society can survive without values.

Every human being shall adopt values like sincerity, tolerance, cooperation brotherhood etc. Indian society is rich society only because of its valued.

100 students participated in the workshop. Dr.Romila Guleria, Prof. Raj Kiran, Prof. Shiyani Kotwal, Dr Seema, Dr Poonam, Dr Eisha and members of CWS Dr Amita Dua, Prof. Madhavi Manoharlal, Dr Ambica, Dr Himani, Prof Vishavdeepka, Dr Archana Bhat, Prof Surbhi Gupta, Prof Roma, Prof Rupali Nanda were also present in the function. Formal vote of thanks was presented by Dr Himani Arora.

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