MoS Communications launches C-DOT O-RAN testbed on World Telecom Day

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NEW DELHI: Minister of State for Communications, Shri Chauhan launched the C-DOT O-RAN testbed on World Telecom Day in New Delhi.

Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT), the Telecom R&D Centre of the Government of India, under guidance Department

Telecommunications (DoT) is setting up an O-RAN testbed with various dedicated indoor and outdoor Open RAN test labs at its Delhi and Bengaluru cam-

Devusinh Chauhan, launching C-DOT O-RAN testbed in presence of Secretary (T) K Rajaram and Secretary (Posts) Vineet Pandey on World Telecom Day.

These labs will greatly benefit the stakeholders of local Telecom ecosystem including R&D, academia, industry and startups by offering them a one-stop destination for carrying out the functional, conformance



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and interoperability testing of Open RAN-based subsystems in an extensive man-

It shall also facilitate the certification and badging of subsystems that conform to 3GPP and O-RAN alliance specifications.

The setting-up of this testbed will spur the indigenous design and development of world-class O-RAN based solutions that can be thoroughly tested for diverse deployment scenarios. This will also create new avenues for exports of home-grown technologies. This further manifests India's R&D prowess in Telecom sector and will growth of the country. The geographical location of testbed in the technology of Delhi and Bengaluru will also be a

huge strategic advantage for both Indian and South Asian companies who are keen on developing O-RAN based 5G solutions in an expeditious manner. Open RAN is an ideal

solution to reduce vendor lock-in and total cost of ownership. It will also promote higher flexibility and intelligence in RAN system. Typically, radio networks are supplied by single OEMs and lead to dependence on that vendor. Open RAN refers to disaggregating the radio access networks into modular network functions that support open, standardized interbetween them. faces Development of such systems require CAPEX intensive testing facilities. Therefore, it is extremely beneficial to setup a common test facility that can be utilized by indigenous startups and MSMEs for developing Open RAN products and services.

C-DOT has also developed a diverse Telecom product portfolio, including the endto-end carrier grade 4G and 5G Non-Stand Alone (NSA) solution. C-DOT is now building the 5G Stand Alone (SA) solution in collaboration with the industry and start-ups. C-DOT is currently focused on the deployment of home-grown 4G and 5G solutions across every nook and corner of the country.

The establishment of an advanced O-RAN testbed facility by C-DOT will prove to be a concrete step in the direction of achieving 'Atmanirbharta' reliance) in Telecom sector.

GCoE organizes series of events to mark G-20 Summit in J&K



GCoE Jammu presidium posing with Jammu Mayor Rajinder Sharma and faculty members during investiture ceremony.

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JAMMU: Government College of Education (GCoE), Jammu on Thursday organized a series of events to mark the G-20 summit. The events were based on the theme, "One Earth, One family, One

Mayor Jammu, Rajinder Sharma was the Chief Guest of the programme while Deputy Mayor Baldev Singh Billawaria was the Guest of Honour on the occasion.

In the beginning, Mayor Jammu unveiled the Heritage Wall created by students of the college. The students created the wall depicting pictures of cultural practices in Dogra Culture for protecting the environment.

The students apprised the guests about the regional cul-

tural practices that were proplanet in nature.

The unveiling Heritage Wall was followed by a Symposium on the topic, "Why should plastic be banned?"

The speakers raised issues on how plastic is a threat to the planet earth and what the viable solutions are for safeguarding the natural ecosystem. The students also laid emphasis on immediate ban on plastics as it has damaged the rivers, oceans, and the mountains beyond repair.

Prof. Aekta Gupta, Principal of the College said that the ancient Indian way of life was pro-planet in nature.

Later in the programme, the newly constructed. Girls Common Room was inaugurated by the Mayor. In the valedictory session, the investiture ceremony of newly elected College Presidium was held. The guests and the faculty decorated the elected college students with Sash and batches for different posts.

The programme was convened by Dr. Shubhra Jamwal (NSS PO), The faculty members who contribute towards the programme were Prof. Shalini Rana (IQAC), Prof. Shameem, Shapia Seema Kumari, Prof. Sarita Dogra, Prof. Neera Verma, Kotwal,Dr. Seema Rajinder Kour, Dr. Sushma Bala, DSW Prof. Anju Bala, Prof Satish Kumar. Prof. Shalini Sharma, Dr Anradha Chaoudhary, Dr Anuradha Seth, Neha, Arushi, Anjali organized and anchored the

Forum of Private Colleges reconstituted

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an earlier meeting in MIER College Jammu under the Presidentship of Harbans Singh to discuss various important issues of the private colleges with regard to NEP 2020, CUET and NCTE where Gulchain Singh Charak the Patron of the forum was also present. Threadbare discussion was held on all the issues and it was unanimously decided to take up all the issues with the concerned authorities on top priority at different quarters. Harbans Singh, the present President expressed that due to his health issues he will not be able to give much time for carrying out activities of the forum, hence let G S Charak to take the lead, head the Forum and nominate the new office bearers along with working committee. The new office bearers as decided by the house are Vidhi Singh as (Vice President), M S Katoch as (Gen Secy), Aditya Gupta as (Org Secy), Aman Kalra as (Jt Secy), Samardev Singh as Treasurer Prof S P Suri as Member Usha Tickoo-Member Pradeep as member: It also decided to have Harbans as

GCET Jammu organises blood donation camp



GCET Jammu student denoting blood during a camp at Jammu.

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JAMMU: The NSS unit of Government College of Engineering & Technology (GCET), Jammu in collaboration with Department of Blood Transfusion, GMC Jammu on Thursday organised a blood donation camp in the campus under the aegis of Azadi ka Amrit Mahaotsav.

The camp was held under the patronage of Principal Prof. (Dr.) Sameru Sharma.

While inaugurating the camp she told the students that blood donation is a healthy process and human body can replenish the

plasma gets replenished within 48 hours. With one donation you can save the life of 3 people in danger, she said adding that donating blood helps in clearing the harmful iron deposits in the body, which helps in the pre-

Sohan Lal Sharma, Registrar GCET also congratulated all the young donors and said them life savers. He encouraged them to donate blood after 6 months.

vention of heart diseases.

Around 63 students including the staff members donated the blood and equal number of students and staff got checked their Hb

The whole procedure was performed under the guidance of Dr. Sahil and his technical team including Sonia, Shabnam Ara, Sunita, Sonu, Vishal, Rafiq and Pawan.

The event was coordinated by NSS volunteers Jaanvi Sharma, Gazanafar Kasmi, Prajwal Nagar, Rakshant Balotra and Sunidhi Sharma under the guidance of NSS Programme officer Dr. Raman Gupta.

He also congratulated all the donors and told them that they are saving someone's life through selfless service.

The senior staff members who were present during the event included Er. Hirinder Dingra, Er. Sanjeev Gupta, Er. Sumeer Khajuria, Dr. Rajinder Singh, Prof. Altaf Ahmad, Er. Rajat Sharma, Er. Surjeet Ranyal, Er. Atit Sharma and Sunil Kumar.

The principal of the college congratulated the team NSS for organising such type of

Restorative dental-cum-awareness camp held



Dr. Azhar Malik from IGGDC Jammu posing with Mukesh Singh ADGP Jammu Zone and other at a camp.

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JAMMU: A comprehensive Restorative Dental-cumawareness camp was held at Zonal Headquarter. Complex, Panjtirthi here.

Dr. Azhar Malik (HOD) Department of Conservative Dentistry & IGGDC Endodontics. Jammu in collaboration with Mukesh Singh ADGP Jammu Zone organised a restorative/fillings awareness dental camp.

More than 100 police personal were examined by the team of expert doctors comprising of Dr. Azhar Malik, Dr. Rachna Dhani, Dr

Koul. Chowdhary, Dr. Kanchan Bhagat and post graduate students under the guidance of Dr. Parveen Lone (Incharge Principal IGGDC Jammu).

Gupta Rakesh Principal and Dean IGGDC Jammu, emphasized the importance and maintenance of oral hygiene.

The camp is in continuation of the series of Dental Restorative Camps organised to encourage the overall health of public under the expert and productive guidance of Dr. Rakesh K Gupta and coordinated by Dr. Shamim Anjum (Incharge

Hansraj Raghuvanshi visits Rasalika Sweets & Bakery

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JAMMU: 'Mera Bhola Hai singer Hansraj Raghuvanshi, who was in the city on Thursday, visited Rasalika Sweets & Bakery and relished the variety of delicacies offered by the restaurant.

It is pertinent to mention that Hansraj gave nod to visit the famous restaurant Rasalika Sweets after being specially invited by the Managing Director of this famous food giant in the city, Pankaj Chopra.

Hony. Gupta, Gauray Secretary Jammu Club was also present on the occasion.

After having a sumptuous lunch at the top ranking food outlet in the city, Hansraj Raghuvanshi appreciated Pankaj for providing good quality food to the people of temple city that too amidst fantabulous ambience which people looked for in big metro cities. He said places like Rasalika Sweets are the real asset of J&K. Hansraj Raghuvanshi,



Gaurav Gupta, Hony. Secy Jammu Club presenting bouquet to renowned singer Hansraj Raghuvanshi at Jammu.

said that the annual Amarnath Yatra is going to start shortly and devotees from across the country will visit the Holy Cave of Mahadev.

He appealed to the devotees visiting Jammu and Kashmir to help maintain the pilgrimage route clean and serene, and presentable as tourism is the mainstay of the economy of this

Hansraj Raghuvanshi also mesmerized the gathering with his melodious voice by singing some lines of devotionals songs of his album.

Pankaj Chopra described the momentous journey of Rasalika its impeccable food quality and an elegant ambiance catching the attention of one and all in the city. While thanking Hansraj for sparing his time to pay a visit to Rasalika Sweets, Pankaj said,

Sweets and Bakery, which

touched the pinnacle of success

in so little time only because of

"We at Rasalika never compromise on quality and service. It is because of our sincerity and dedicated efforts that our establishment has earned name and fame in a short spell of time by promising top quality, dazzling decor and match-

at Women Polytechnic



Principal, Er. Suket Gupta with resource persons Dr Samta Gupta and Naresh Sharma and others at a camp.

JAMMU: NSS wing of Govt. Polytechnic for Women, Jammu under the supervision of Er. Suket Gupta, Principal, organized free health check-up camp in collaboration with Department of AYUSH, J&K Government. Resource persons for the AYUSH Department, Dr Samta Gupta, Medical Officer and Naresh Sharma, Head Pharmacist apprised around 300 students and staff members of the Institution about the various prevalent health related issues and remedies and benefit of Ayurvedic medicine. Yoga and routine exercise in daily life. Bhawna Arora, Programme Co-ordinator, NSS Wing conducted the proceedings and presented vote of thanks.

Health check up camp held JTC, SKF asks Govt to withdraw order of payment of electricity fee from KPs Migrants

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JAMMU: A protest held by Tenement $_{
m Jagti}$ Committee (JTC) and Soan Kashmir Front (SKF) under the chairmanship of its president, Shadi Lal Pandita at Jagti township near here, entered day 4 on Thursday.

Addressing the protestors, Shadi Lal Pandita said that Government is doing great injustice with the Kashmiri Pandits who had been forced to live in exile for 33 years

Pandita said that the order passed by the government for those migrants who are living in migrant camps to pay elec-



Jagti Tenements during a protest at Nagrota on Thursday.

tricity bills which is completely unfair for the exiled Kashmiri Pandit migrants. Pandita said that the migrants of the Jagti township strongly protested against the payment of electricity fee and urged the government to

withdraw this order. Migrants are not resettled in the Kashmiri Valley.

Pandita stressed on the government and said that

livelihood of the migrants of the relief holders is not being able in this period of high inflation so the monthly cash relief of relief holders should be increased from Rs 13000 to Rs 25000

Pandita stressed on the government and said that migrants cannot pay fee to the government until the

immediately. JCMS Sabha pays tribute to Late Prof. Chaman Lal

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Jammu Central Mahajan Sabha, on Thursday paid rich tribute to Late Prof. Chaman Lal Gupta, a son of the soil of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory, who was the Chief Patron of the Jammu Central mahajan Sabhan and also being a popular and visionary leader of the masses, had devoted his whole life for the betterment of the society. He was MLA, MP and Union Minister and played a vital role in politics in Bhartiva Janta Party(BJP). He was a man of strong will and of undeterred courage who faced many odd situations in his whole political life. In the year 1990, when the militancy was at its peak in Jammu and Kashmir and Kashmiri pandits were forced to leave the valley in burning

situation Prof. Chaman Lal Gupta joining the " Ekta Yatra", courageously hoisted National Flag at Lal Chowk in Srinagar. He never compromised on his political ideology till he breathed his last. He remained a dedicated solider of RSS with which he was associated from his student life and after relinquishing Government service in late fifties. Prof. Chaman Lal was the brain behind establishing village Defence Committees in erstwhile Doda District and other reaches of Jammu Region after the militants indulged in massacres in the said areas and forced the minorities to flee from there. Prof Chaman Lal Gupta fought for the rights of Nationalist forces in the erstwhile State of Jammu and Kashmir and stood like a rock



Lal Gupta at Jammu on Thursday. against the terrorism and disruptive forces. He always

stressed that the displaced Kashmiri Pandits be resettled in the valley with honour and

The prominent leaders/ personalities who gave Shardanjli to Prof. Chaman Lal Gupta on the mike by recalling his excellent social services included Chander Parkash Ganga (Sr. B₂IP leader and Ex-Minister). Chander Mohan Sharma (Sr.

BJP Leader), Romesh Pappa (All India Sampark Parmukh RSS), Satish Sharma, Dr. C.L.Gupta, Yash Paul Gupta, C.P.Gupta, Ravi Rohmetra (Noted Columnist), Amar Chand Gupta and Mukesh Mahajan. The President of the Sabha Romesh Chander Gupta appealed to the Central Government and Government of J&K Union Territory to honour the dedicated services of Late Prof.

Chaman Lal Gupta and keep his memory alive by erecting his statue at conspicuous places in Jammu City and give postthumous Award to him as he was a strong willed and principled man who left behind a thought provoking legacy.

A resolution was passed in the house that Late Prof. Chaman Lal Gupta be conferred with Padam Vibushan Award. In the end, the Sabha

Members observed two minute silence and praved for eternal peace to the said departed pious

The function concluded with the vote of thanks presented by the President of the Sabha and Sanjay Mahajan General Secretary who held the mike and compared the programme very meticulously.

In the end of the Shardanjl

Sabha the participants joined community lunch served as parshad by the Sabha.

Other members of the Sabha who paid rich tribute to Prof. Chaman Lal Gupta on his 2nd Death Anniversary included Arun Gupta President CCI, Shiv Partap Gupta Senior Vice President, Harinder Gupta Senior Vice President, Sanjay Mahajan, General Secretary Dr. Mohan Lal Gupta, Surinder Gupta, Yash Paul Gupta, Balbir Gupta, Vijay Gupta, Satish Gupta, Darshan Gupta, Ramesh Gupta (Bartan Wale), Prabh Dayal Gupta, Dr. Bimal Gupta, Atul Gupta, Ram Gupta, Dr. Arun Gupta, Shanti Parkash Gupta, Vinod Gupta(Lovely), Gupta, Surinder Mohan Gupta, Parshotam Gupta and

Seniority cannot be claimed merely on basis of some entries reflected in service book: HC

JAMMU: The Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court held that Seniority cannot be claimed merely on the basis of some entries reflected in the service book. This significant judgment has been passed in a petition filed by petitioner seeking issuance of appropriate writs for fixation of his seniority, proper placement in the final seniority list and consequential release of his retrospective promotional benefits. The case set up by the petitioner is that he came to be appointed as Junior Clerk against a clear vacancy on November 8, 1974 and in pursuance thereof, he joined at Srinagar on August 11, 1974 (should have been November 8, 1974). His basic appointment did not make it clear whether his appointment was on regular or ad hoc basis. He made a representation to the Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA, for short) for clarification so that he could be regularized w.e.f. November 8, 1974, i.e. the date he joined at Aeronautical Communication Station (ACS), Srinagar. Request of the petitioner was considered and vide order No. 12020/21/76-ES dated July 9, 1976 passed by DGCA, concerned officer made entry at page 16 of his service book. Justice Rajesh Sekhri after hearing Youvraj Bhushan for the petitioner Bushan Lal Koul (now dead) Legal representatives whereas Advocate Inderjeet Gupta with Adv Yatin Mahajan for the Airport Authority, observed that an ad hoc appointment is nothing but fortuitous and it does not confer benefit of seniority for the period the employee was on ad hoc employment and an employee appointed on ad hoc basis is not entitled, in law, to have his ad hoc service counted for the purpose of fixation of seniority. For what has been observed and discussed above, what comes to the fore is that it is the petitioner, who admittedly made entry in his service book. Petitioner has failed to produce any order of regularization of his service from November 8, 1974 and as per the seniority list on record, the petitioner stands regularized w.e.f. May 12, 1980. Seniority cannot be claimed merely on the basis of some entries reflected in the service book. Petitioner is not only obliged to show that order of regularization, if any, was passed by an authority competent to make regular appointment to the service in compliance with the rules and regulations, but also to establish that he was entitled, in law, to have benefit of seniority for the period he was serving on ad hoc basis. Petitioner, in the present case, has failed on both the counts. Therefore, petitioner is not found entitled, in law. to have his ad hoc service counted for the purpose of fixation of his seniority. With these observations, High Court dismissed the petition being devoid of any merit. Justice Rajesh Sekhri expressed displeasure over the manner respondents, particularly, DGCA have dealt with the controversy. Since there were allegations and counter allegations regarding manipulation of service record of the petitioner, respondents were obliged to initiate a detailed enquiry into the case in order to ascertain the truth or falsehood. Respondents could be directed to make an indepth probe to fix the responsibility, however, since the controversy dates back to the year 1976, the present petition came to be filed in this Court in 2003 i.e. 20 years back and particularly since the petitioner has already passed away, it may not be proper to do so, at this length of time.

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