

G20 Event: Kashmir's enthusiastic response rebuff to Pakistan, her stooges: Rana

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JAMMU: Saying that Kashmir has sent a loud and clear message to the world that the Valley is not what is being made out by motivated but vocal few, Senior BJP leader Devender Singh Rana on Thursday complimented and congratulated the people of Jammu and Kashmir for facilitating successful conclave of the G20 Working Group on Tourism in Srinagar and rejecting the machinations of self-proclaimed leaders and elements inimical to peace and stability in this part of the country.

"Kashmiris pronouncing their resolve for tryst with peace and harmony is a tribute to visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Rana said while interacting with the people at Kanyala in Block Damsal of Nagrota Assembly Constituency this afternoon.

He said successful hosting of G20 event in Kashmir and participation of Member Nations barring China besides enthusiastic response of the people of Jammu and Kashmir is a big rebuff to crumbling Pakistan and her



Senior BJP leader Devender Singh Rana paying obeisance in temple.

stooges on this side of the fence.

Acknowledging the steadfast resolve of the people to give peace a big chance and their time tested hospitality, Rana expressed confidence that Jammu and Kashmir is poised for achieving significant milestones in the tourism sector post mega international event.

He said the entire world was looking towards this event with rapt attention, keeping in view its geo-political importance and potential to bring cheer in the lives of the people in terms of economy and investment.

"Holding of such a mega International conclave in Kashmir reflects the desire and commitment of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in

bringing Jammu and Kashmir at the centre stage".

Rana said it was a watershed moment for J&K when Home Minister, Amit Shah presented the reorganization bill in the Parliament on 5th August 2019. The effective measures thereafter to destroy terrorism and its ecosystem and impetus to development and economic resurgence has brought a historic change, he added.

Rana complimented Lt. Governor, J&K, Manoj Sinha under whose stewardship and personal supervision on J&K Government and its officials put in tireless efforts to make the G20 event a success.

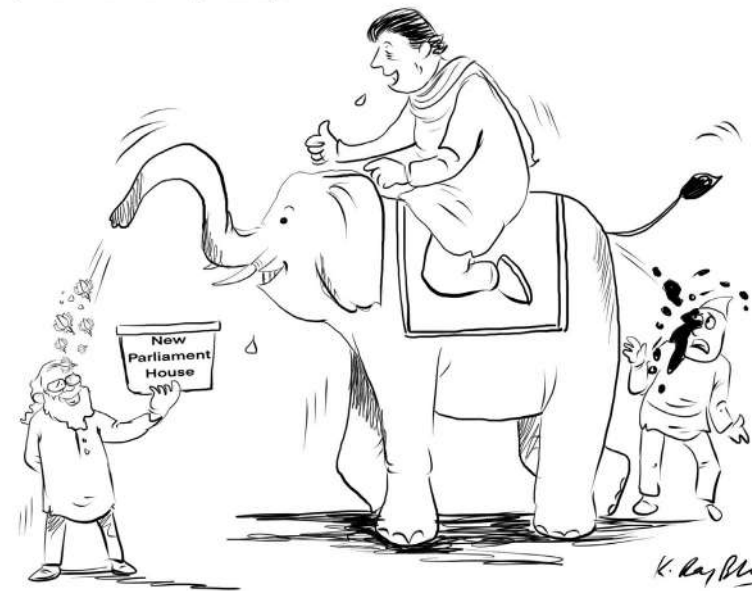
Devender Rana said the event has left an indelible mark of hospitality on the

participating delegates and lessons for the negligible few discarded elements, who unsuccessfully attempted to generate passions against the conclave well ahead of the meet. However, sensing the popular mood in favour of the Working Group meeting, they were left with no option but to scratch their heads in desperation. These political chameleons stand exposed for playing dubious roles of fair-weather nationalists and seasonal separatists as per their political exigencies, he added.

Rana also referred to the initiatives taken by the Centre and the UT govern-

ments for putting Jammu and Kashmir on path of inclusive and holistic development during the past nearly four years. This is in consonance with Prime Minister's Sabka Saath, Sabka Viskas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Paryas agenda. He exhorted the Karyakartas to generate awareness among the people during their public outreach programmes on the initiatives being taken for the faster development, job generation, implementation of welfare schemes in both the regions and their sub-regions of the Union Territory.

Mayawati slams opposition for boycotting the new parliament building's inauguration



Ch Sukhnandan felicitates Mohd Irfan for cracking UPSC exams

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JAMMU: Former Minister and senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader, Sukhnandan Choudhary on Thursday congratulated Mohd Irfan, son of Murad Ali, resident of Upper Thathar, Bantalab for cracking the UPSC Civil Services 2002 Exams. Prominent among others accompanying the Sukhnandan Choudhary were Kuldeep Singh Councillor Ward No 63, Kapil Chib Councillor



Former Minister, Sukhnandan Choudhary honouring Mohd Irfan for cracking UPSC exams.

Ward No 64. He also complimented the family members especially Irfan's parents for

consistent support to their sibling in his studying pursuits. While lauding Mohd Irfan for

his hard work and persistence that resulted in his cracking the UPSC Civil Services 2002 Exams, Sukhnandan Choudhary said that youth of J&K are no less than their compatriots across the nation which stands proved by the fact that this time sixteen candidates from J&K including thirteen from Jammu and three from Kashmir have cracked this prestigious exam. It is pertinent to mention here that Mohd Irfan from Thathar

Bantalab in Jammu has secured 476th rank in the said exam. Sukhnandan Choudhary emphasised the importance of education and urged other students to follow the steps of toppers students and to continue working hard for achieving their goals.

Mohd Irfan shared his experiences of preparing for exams and spoke about his aspirations. He expressed gratitude to their parents and teachers for their guidance and support.

Rise in fraudulent Visa applications Australian Universities ban Indian students from 5 states including J&K

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SRINAGAR: With several Australian Universities grappling with apparent rise in fraudulent applications from certain Indian states, two more Australian institutions - Federation University in Victoria and Western Sydney University in New South Wales have decided to prohibit the enrollment of students from certain Indian states.

According to The Sydney Morning Herald, the institutions have sent instructions to education agents not to enroll students from Punjab, Haryana, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, and the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

"The university has observed a significant increase in the proportion of visa applications being refused from some

Indian regions by the Department of Home Affairs," the Federation University's letter to agents said.

"We hoped this would prove to be a short-term issue (but) it is now clear there is a trend emerging," the letter, published in The Herald, read.

Last month, several Australian universities, such as Victoria University, Edith Cowan University, Torrens University, and Southern Cross University, reportedly implemented measures to address an apparent rise in fraudulent applications from certain Indian states."A large number of Indian students who commenced study in 2022 intakes have not remained enrolled, resulting in a significantly high attrition rate," the Western Sydney University told agents in a message sent

on May 8.

The university designated Punjab, Gujarat, and Haryana as the locations with the highest risk of attrition.

"Due to the urgency of this matter, the university has decided to pause recruitment from these regions in India, effective immediately," the university message said, adding that recruitment from all other regions in India will continue as usual.

Meanwhile Australian and Indian Prime Ministers have agreed to increase student mobility and collaboration. They signed a migration and mobility agreement to promote exchanges in education, research, and business. This move will strengthen ties between the two nations and encourage cultural and knowledge sharing.

JMC Operationalises Tree Authorities Jammu Mayor to distribute hybrid apple plants in arid areas soon

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JAMMU: In a latest development JMC has registered itself in the list of few Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) of the country as today it has operationalised 'Tree Authority' which empowers JMC to grant permission for cutting trees in Jammu along with other powers.

"Delhi, Mumbai, Pune are among few Corporations having such an authority," informed Mayor Rajinder Sharma. Incidentally the resolution for Tree Authority was introduced by Rajinder Sharma when he was a Councillor in the Local Body and today the authority has been operationalised when he is Mayor and chaired its first meeting today. Earlier whenever someone has to cut a tree he/she had to visit the offices of DFO but now such people may meet their Councillor who will in turn talk to the concerned Tree Officer. This will shorten the lengthy process used to be there earlier and will increase trans-



parency as trimming, cutting of the tree shall now be having limited and hassle-free office works. Rajinder Sharma said that earlier when some tree used to fall due to storms it used to raise problems of clearing it but the Tree Authority shall now solve this issue too and one can even sell the wood of the fallen tree.

Divisional Forest Officer, Social Forestry Jammu shall function as Tree Officer while the Authority will be headed by Mayor as Chairman and will have four members including Deputy Mayor, JMC Commissioner, Divisional Forest Officer, Urban Forestry Division, Jammu and District Horticulture Officer, Jammu. "Records of trees in the city shall now also be maintained by this Tree Authority and apart from this soon we will distribute plants of hybrid apple developed by the agri-scientists," the Mayor said adding that such apple trees shall be preferred in arid areas and these can even give fruits in deserts.

PIB Srinagar organizes Media Workshop 'Vartalap'



DC Bandipora Dr Owais Ahmad addressing a workshop.

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BANDIPORA: To build a direct interface between the government and the journalists working at district and sub-district levels across Kashmir division, Press Information Bureau (PIB), Srinagar, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India on Thursday organised Media Workshop "Vartalap" at district Bandipora. The Chief Guest of the workshop was District Development Commissioner Bandipora Dr Owais Ahmad and the Guest of Honour was Additional Director General, PIB Srinagar and Chandigarh Rajinder Chaudhry.



Addressing the gathering, Dr Owais Ahmad thanked PIB for

organizing the workshop at Bandipora. He said that journalists are doing their bit in contributing to society by being the eyes and ears of the administration. Dr Owais Ahmad encouraged the media to provide feedback to the administration so that it helps in better governance. He said that media has a lot of power and media persons should use that power wisely and judiciously and make sure that the power is not misused. He asserted that the relation between the government and the media should be an honest one as it is ultimately the public that gets to benefit from it.

In his keynote address, Chaudhry thanked district administration Bandipora for


their support in organising the workshop. He said Vartalap is a two way communication and the purpose of the workshop is to reach out to media at far flung places. He added that the work of the government is greatly eased due to the efforts of the media as it acts like the eyes and ears of the government. Chaudhry gave a detailed presentation on the structure and working of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and the various media units that come under it. He said journalists should make maximum use of the information provided by the media units as it will help them in seeing the complete picture. He further said that besides disseminating information from the government, PIB also takes notice of news that is reported at the local and regional levels and conveys it to the higher authorities for redressal of grievances.

In his welcome address, Joint Director (Media and Communication) PIB Srinagar Qazi Salman thanked the journalists for their attendance at the workshop.


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