

# Workshop on 'Phonetics: The Art of Pronunciation' held at JKPS Kunjwani



Principal JKPS Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore conducting workshop on Phonetics: The Art of Pronunciation for teachers of the school.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Principal JKPS Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore conducted a workshop on Phonetics: The Art of Pronunciation for all the teachers of the school. He reflected upon the academic excellence & core competencies, expected from every teacher to equip JKIIANS with the requisite tools to

transform their dreams into reality. He articulated the importance of "Effective communication skills" as one of the ten potential life skills, suggested by World Health Organization (WHO). Adding further he said, "This age belongs to brilliant speakers and prolific writers. Professionally trained

students get an upper edge over others. English, being a foreign language, requires a good training to be imparted to students." He conducted a workshop on phonetics, the art of pronunciation, as written English deals with 5 vowels, whereas spoken English deals with 23 vowels, namely, 12 monophthongs (single

vowels), 08 diphthongs (double vowels) & 03 triphthongs (triple vowels). A systematic exposure to various technicalities pertaining to phonemic transcriptions made the audience empowered. The Principal promised to introduce the training of Phonetics to the children of Grade 5 onwards.

It was indeed an extremely fruitful session, wherein more than 100 teachers of the school attended this workshop. The teachers enjoyed the session, as it was an extremely engaging & equipping session for them. Besides, discussing all the consonants and vowels with their phonetic symbols, the resource person transcribed all the technical terms submitted by the members of Science, Math, Social Science and English faculty beforehand. He also recapitulated all the specific words with their technicalities. He also invited a few teachers from the faculty of English, teaching Grades III-X, for attempting an exercise on the board. He

wrote the phonemic transcription of the names of the months on the board, wherein he mentioned only the consonants & spaces were left blank for the vowels in every word. All the teachers displayed their learning of phonetic symbols brilliantly & attempted the "fill in the blank" exercise to the utmost

satisfaction of the resource person. The programme reached its culmination point with a vote of thanks by Arti Tikku, who appreciated the Resource Person for transcribing every word phonetically correct to every syllable on the board. She praised all the teachers for their inquisitiveness, commitment and dedication.

## 'Aadarsh Poonchhi Channel' inaugurated



Dr Ved Parkash Raina (Shastri) and others inaugurating Aadarsh Poonchhi Channel.

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JAMMU: It's a time for all of us to remain united for all round development of society and national integration, to explore our age old rich heritage civilized culture, ethics, rituals, traditions, language with facts & figures to all worldwide, said Dr Ved Parkash Raina (Shastri), while inaugurating "Aadarsh Poonchhi Channel" a social YouTube Channel in presence of intellectuals of the society during a function organized by Miran Sahib here.

The function was organized by O.P. Khajuria to honour members of 'Shree Mad-Bhaagwat Mahapuran Saptah Samaroh Aayojan Samiti', Gadigarh. On the occasion Khajuria reminded and stressed upon the preservation of rich and sound rituals and traditions alongwith language of the society. Rajesh Bakshi, Member Cantonment Board Jammu, opined that we should remain committed to

society and do everything for the welfare of our society. Pt Dushyant Sharma expressed that people of our society by the way of their doings and gaining touching the sky in all aspects. He asked to remain united forever: Pt Chaman Lal Sharma dedicated YouTube Channel for the cause of society. Prominent among others who participated in the function were Lecturer Purnu Ram Sharma (Retd)-Chairman of Shree Mad-Bhaagwat

Mahapuran Saptah Samaroh Aayojan Samiti, Vijay Sharma (Gunn)-Vice Chairman, Babu Ram Sharma-President, Manohar Lal Sharma-Vice President, Jai Parkash Sharma-Cashier, Vikas Sharma-Chairman Bhargav Public School, Advocate Rajeev K Sharma, Advocate Vinit Sharma, Yash Sharma-Journalist, Pt Surinder Sharma, Pt Varun Sharma, Pitamber Sharma, Shastri Rakesh Sharma, Raju Sharma, Ex Sub Jatinder Sharma, Narinder Sharma, Chaman Raina, Pawan Soodan, Vijay Sharma, Devinder Sharma, Vicky Sharma, Sh Deepak Sharma, Ramesh Khajuria, Mukesh Bhargav, Satpal Bhargav, Kuldeep Bhargav, Rajesh Khajuria (Raju), Tilak Raj Raina, Ajit Kumar Sharma, Ex Sub Pawan Kumar Sharma, Vijay Sharma, Rinku Raina, Tejinder Raina, Rajesh Raina, Ex Sub Rajinder Sharma, Prem Sharma and Lovish Sharma.

## Uday, Hari Singh start development work of laying of water pipelines



President JKPYC, Uday Bhanu Chib and others at a meeting.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: There is strong resentment among people of Jammu North Assembly segment towards BJP which has miserably failed to address even basic issues of the people of the area. This was stated by Uday Bhanu Chib, President J&K Pradesh Youth Congress while interacting with people of

Ramzanpura, Arjan Nagar and Basant Nagar falling under the Jammu North Assembly segment after starting the development work of laying of 4 inch dia and 3 inch dia pipelines to meet the demand of drinking water scarcity in the area. Hari Singh Chib, President DCC Rural was also present. Uday Chib took stock of the problems being faced

## Kuldeep made technical delegate for China Kabaddi event

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Asian Kabaddi Federation has appointed CEO of the J&K Amateur Kabaddi Association (J K A K A), Kuldeep Kumar Gupta as technical delegate in Kabaddi Test matches to be held at Hangzhou in China from May 30 to June 8. As per a handout issued here on Monday, the nomination made by Secretary General Asian Kabaddi Federation, Muhammad Sarwar Raina. Gupta has already performed as Technical official in 14th Asian Games which held at Busan in Korea in 2002, 16th Asian Games at Guangzhou in China in 2012 and National Games. Presently, Kuldeep Kumar Gupta holds the position of Chief Manager in the Citizens Cooperative Bank Ltd. Jammu.



## Nidhi Aapke Nikat Programme 2.0 held

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Nidhi Aapke Nikat 2.0, an outreach programme, was held on Monday at Townhall, Jammu by EPFO RO Jammu, in collaboration with Jammu Municipal Corporation. The Employers and employees of Jammu were sensitized about provisions of social security, besides covering themes of EDLI - eligibility, benefits and claims, Keeping track of passbook accounts, Importance of E-nomination, Know Your UAN, UAN Activation, & member profile - KYC, and UAN related issues. The aim of the programme was to ensure broad based participation, awareness, grievances redressal and information exchange network



Jagpreet Singh Cheema, District Nodal Officer, EPFO speaking at a programme.

closer to the stakeholders of EPFO. The session was addressed by Jagpreet Singh Cheema, District Nodal Officer, EPFO through presentation slides which illustrated various social security benefits being provided by EPFO in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir viz. PF, Pension and Insurance schemes framed under The EPF & MP Act, 1952 after the

implementation of the said in the UTs of J&K and Ladakh from 01st November 2019. He stressed about the importance of these schemes to all the employees and workers especially those working in hazardous and risk prone industries and projects such as road and dam construction, crushers etc. He appealed to all the employers to get them registered with EPFO and

enroll all employees so that no eligible employee is deprived of the social security benefits being provided by EPFO. The EPFO took this opportunity to provide handholding support to the stakeholders at the venue, besides hearing them (their suggestions, inputs and grievances). Issues and problems faced by the Organizations in implementing the EPF & MP Act. 1952 were heard and necessary guidance was provided accordingly. In addition to above any other relevant issue related to EPFO, which officers or stakeholders desired, were discussed. Dignitaries participating from different departments and institutions included Rahul Yadav, Commissioner, Rimpay Ohri, Joint Commissioner (A), Sandeep Singh, Chief Accounts Officer and Jyoti Bhagat, Dy. Director (Planning), JMC. Services and benefits of "Social Security"- Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 and enhanced quantum (up to Rupees Seven Lakhs) of Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Schemes, 1976 are being rendered to employees of Union territory of Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh with effect from November 2019 onwards. EPFO, Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh is open to every valuable suggestion at the Nidhi Aapke Nikat programme.

## Slim Line Clinic team celebrates National menstruation Day

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Slim Line Clinic of Dietetics and Clinical Nutrition team headed by Dr. Mitali Gupta celebrated National Menstruation Day at Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Miran Sahib, near here. Around 2000 girls and staff attended the session. While addressing the girls about the Menstruation and Menstrual hygiene, Dr. Mitali said wash your hands before and after using a menstrual product and do not flush the menstrual products down the toilet and instead wrap them with a toilet paper or tissue and dispose them in a dustbin. She said sanitary pads must be changed every few hours



Dr. Mitali Gupta distributing sanitary pads among students.

even if the flow is light and drink enough liquids to keep up the hydration levels. She said that under GOI Scheme Jan Aushadhi Sanitary Napkins are available just at the cost of Rs .1 and are also available at Jan Aushadhi Kendras, so each and every girl has to take an initiative, break

the period taboo and work towards healthier self. Dr. Mitali also distributed 2000 pad among the girls. The Principal of the School, Musarrat Jabeen, welcomed the initiative take by Dr. Mitali. Also present on the occasion was Prof. Vijay Luxmi Ex-principal Parade college.

## Sumit Khajuria leads preparation team Tawi Trekkers plans expedition to Mount Everest in 2025

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Tawi Trekkers J&K, the pioneer trekking organisation of J&K, shall undertake its most ambitious and prestigious activity since its formation 40 years ago, a mountaineering expedition to Mount Everest, the highest peak of the world, 2025. It was decided by core members of the club in a meeting organised under the chairmanship of Prof. Lalit Magotra, a founder member and an advisor of the club, to celebrate International Everest Day on Monday. Other members of the core committee present in the meeting included patrons of the Club, Ashwani Sharma, former MLA and Rahul Sharma, Chairman Sprawling Buds ICSE School; president Mountaineering Association of J&K, Zorawar Singh Jamwal;



Sumit Khajuria

president Tawi Trekkers, Ram Khajuria and veteran members, Sumit Khajuria and Vivek Chauhan, Principal, Oriental Academy Senior Secondary School, Jammu. For proper selection of the mountaineers, Sumit Khajuria, a highly trained mountaineer and a veteran member of the club has been entrusted with the responsibility to organise at least four pre-Everest expeditions in 2023 and 2024 and also to make all

necessary arrangements for the smooth conduct of the expedition. It is interesting to mention here that though Jammu has the distinction of producing eleven Everesters including Col. Ranveer Singh Jamwal who has summited Everest three times and also highest peaks of all the continents of the world and Sangeeta Bahl, the oldest Indian woman to scale Everest at the age of 53 years Tawi Trekkers J&K has not organised any major mountaineering expedition on its own because of the prohibitive cost of such expeditions. Meanwhile, a founder member of Tawi Trekkers, Ram Khajuria, who is presently the president, has contributed an amount of Rs. One Lakh for the initial preparation of the expedition. The expedition is estimated to cost around Rs. 65 lakhs.

## HC quashes CBI Court discharge order, directs to frame charges

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court in an appeal filed by the CBI in case of discharge by Trial Court in trap case, set-aside the order of Trial Court and directed to frame charges against the accused person. The prosecution case, as it emanates from the charge sheet, is that on 21st of January, 2023, a written complaint was submitted by the complainant, namely, Shri Harjeet Singh, with the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), Anti-Corruption Bureau, Jammu, wherein it was stated that he retired as a Senior Engineering Assistant from Radio Kashmir, Jammu in June 2011 and had applied for grant of MACP from Grade Pay Rs. 4,600/- to Grade Pay Rs. 4,800/- which was allowed by the Chief Engineer concerned, but the same was not implemented and the file was pending with the office. The file regarding grant of one increment under 6th Pay Commission was also pending and the files were not being cleared, as the respondent, along with the

other accused, namely, Jagdish Kumar Raina, were demanding bribe to clear the files. He had visited the office number of times, but both the respondent and the other accused Jagdish Kumar Raina refused to clear the files till an amount of Rs.4,000/- was paid. When the complainant expressed his inability to pay the said amount, the other accused reduced the demand to Rs.3,000/- which he claimed to be meant for the respondent. He claims to have recorded the said conversation he had with the other accused on his mobile phone. He did not want to pay the bribe and approached the CBI, Jammu for taking appropriate action in the matter. After finding the complaint genuine, the Superintendent of CBI, Jammu, ordered for registration of an FIR and accordingly, FIR bearing No. RC0042013A0001 dated 21st of January, 2013 was registered for the commission of offences punishable under Sections 120-B and 161 RPC and Section 5 (2) read with Section 5 (1) (d) of the J&K Prevention of

Corruption Act. The investigation of case was entrusted to one Shri Radhe Shyam, Dy. SP, CBI, ACB, Jammu, who acted as a trap laying officer. After the pre-trap proceedings were conducted and concluded on 21st of January, 2013 at 02:10 PM, all the trap team members, including the independent witnesses and the complainant, left for Radio Kashmir, Jammu. The trial Court, after hearing the arguments of the parties on the issue of framing of charge/discharge, discharged the respondent, thereby observing that the prosecution has not placed on record any evidence, direct or indirect, which could disclose the grave suspicion that the accused Jagdish Kumar Raina, at the instance of the respondent herein, had demanded and accepted bribe for himself and respondent. It was also observed by the learned trial Court that on the date when the bribe money was allegedly paid in presence of the respondent by the complainant to the other accused, it was paid by the complainant only when the accused Jagdish Kumar

Raina demanded bribe amount by gestures of his hand, as if counting notes. The learned trial Court further observed that even if it is presumed at this initial stage, that the amount of Rs.1,500/- was put in the drawer of the respondent by the accused Jagdish Kumar Raina with her knowledge, yet it cannot fall within the expression 'demand'. Justice Rajnesh Oswal after hearing both the sides observed that this Court finds that the learned trial court has critically examined the material brought on record by the Investigating Agency and has returned a finding that there is no evidence against the respondent, as if the trial court was passing the final judgment after the conclusion of the evidence. The trial Court has, no doubt, conducted a mini trial and has erroneously discharged the respondent. It has come forth in the evidence that when the complainant and accused Jagdish Kumar Raina entered the office of the respondent, they talked in Kashmiri/Hindi and the complainant made the pay-

ment of Rs. 3,000/- as bribe to the other accused in the office of the respondent. The accused Jagdish Kumar Raina, after accepting the bribe money, kept the sum of Rs. 1,500/- in the left pocket of his shirt and the remaining amount of Rs. 1,500/- in the drawer of the table of the respondent, in her presence. Not only this, in the complaint submitted to CBI, on the basis of which FIR was registered, it was specifically mentioned that both the accused were demanding bribes for clearing the MACP case of the complainant. These circumstances were sufficient to frame the charge against the respondent. With these observations, Justice Rajnesh Oswal ordered that the order dated 3rd of March, 2014 passed by the learned trial Court is set aside and the trial Court is directed to frame charge against the respondent for the commission of offences punishable under Sections 120-B, 161 RPC and Section 5 (2) read with Section 5 (1) (d) of the J&K Prevention of Corruption Act, Samvat, 2006 and thereafter, proceed in accordance with law.