

Support India Alliance to save constitution, social fabric: Mian Altaf

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RAJOURI: Mian Altaf Ahmed, NC candidate for Anantnag-Rajouri Parliamentary constituency on Tuesday made a fervent appeal to people to support India Alliance for saving the constitution of India, Press Media and the social fabric of the country.

He said this while addressing a public meeting in Manjakote District Rajouri, here. Rattan Lal Gupta Provincial President Additional Spokesperson Jammu, Ifkhaire Choudhary, Shafiq Mir Provincial Secretary, S. Nirman Singh State Joint Secretary, Muzaffar Khan zone Secretary, Shafayat Khan Distt President Rajouri Urban, Vijay Lochan Chairman SC Cell, DDC Sain Abdul Rashid, DDC



Mian Altaf Ahmed, NC candidate for Anantnag-Rajouri Parliamentary constituency addressing gathering.

Khalid, Rakesh Singh Raka, Vipin Sharma, Mati ul Rehman and other senior leaders of Congress and National Conference accompanied Mian Altaf.

The former minister Mian Altaf said that J&K is passing through bad times because certain entities with divisive agenda are working to disturb the social fabric prevalent in the region since times immemorial. He said that only India Alliance can protect the country from the forces hell-bent to distort the bonhomie and brotherhood between different communities. Raising an important issue, he accused that both

young lot in the country because the Agniveer will be thrown out on the road after four years of engagement. He said that people by now have got the idea that it is India Alliance which is best for the country as those sitting at helm have proved beyond doubt that they are useless, spendthrift and good for nothing, and have pushed the people of the country to the wall by their directionless and anti policies implemented in the last ten years.

Shabir Khan, former minister, raised the issue of miseries faced by people living near the border belt of Rajouri claiming that the present dispensation remained apathetic and indifferent towards their cause. He said that India Alliance is aware of their hardship and soon after coming to power, focus shall be laid to bail the people out of morass by fulfilling all of their aspirations without any compromise.

Ch Naseem, DDC Chairman Rajouri, Abdul

Gani Malik former minister and Shafiqat Mir appealed to the people to support and vote the India Alliance candidate Mian Altaf Ahmed in the ensuing Lok Sabha polls in the Anantnag-Rajouri constituency to save the people from the misrule of BJP and its proxy Govt in Jammu and Kashmir.

Earlier, Shafayat Khan, District President JKNC Rajouri, apprised the party leadership about the burning issues of the people of the area and ensured Mian Altaf Ahmed India alliance candidate the people of District Rajouri wholeheartedly made up their mind to support and vote to you by pressing symbol of plough (Hal) on 25th of May, 2024.

Among those who were present in the meeting include:- Bashir Wani, Rajesh Gupta, Yashpal Sharma, Vipin Datta, Farooq Block President, Parvez Mirza, Amit syal, Dalfi Advocate, Tasaduq Hussain Block President and others.

Students vow to fight drug menace as DIPR hosts symposium at GHSS Pouni



Organisers along with winner students during the event.

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REASI: Cultural Unit, Department of Information and Public Relations Jammu organised a Symposium on the topic "Nasha Mukht Bharat" at Government Higher Secondary School Pouni Reasi.

The objective was to encourage the young generation to have an in-depth understanding of perils of Drug menace and identify and share solutions to this menace.

The students delivered thought provoking speeches and shared valuable information on the topic. They also presented a colorful Cultural programme. Students were judged on parameters of Pronunciation, Modulation of Voice, Factual Representation, confidence etc. As many as 10 students participated in the competition. Vishawjeet Singh, Amit Gupta & Anil Sharma Singh were the Judges for the day. Sanjay

Khajuria, teacher of the school hosted the event. First position was secured by Hitakshi Sharma, Second position by Tamana Sharma and third position went to Arvind Singh.

While speaking on the occasion, the School Principal Suraj Parkash educated the students regarding the topic and appreciated the Department of Information & Public Relations for organising such a meaningful event in the school.

Art of Living organizes resounding Bhajan Sandhya

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KATHUA: The Art of living, Kathua is delighted to announce the resounding success of yesterday's event, dedicated to celebrating the global spiritual leader Gurudev Sri Sri Ravishankar on the occasion of his birthday. Held at Khajuria farm, the event brought together a diverse community of individuals united in honoring Gurudev's life, teachings, and profound impact on humanity.

The birthday celebration served as a heartfelt gratitude to Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar ji's unwavering commitment to spreading peace, compassion, and inner joy. More than 700 participants from near and far gathered to express their gratitude and reverence for his wisdom,



guidance, and transformative teachings. The Bhajan Sandhya commenced with a Sammuhik Guru Pooja, performed with reverence and devotion, invoking blessings for Gurudev. This Bhajan Sandhya, featuring a captivating performance by acclaimed Sumeru Sandhya singer Mr Kunjal Soni (from Gujarat), transformed the energy into a jubilant dance-filled celebration as attendees were swept away by the singer's exceptional voice and infectious energy.

"We are thrilled by the overwhelming success of yesterday's celebration, which served as a beautiful reverence to Gurudev's extraordinary life and teachings," said Ajay Dutta, District Teacher Coordinator (DTC). The State teacher Coordinator (STC) My Bhagwati Prasad said, "The outpouring of love, unity, and positivity witnessed at the event is a testament to the enduring impact of Gurudev's message of peace and harmony."

DIG traffic Jammu reviews implementation of road safety measures in Doda District

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DODA: Deputy Inspector General Traffic Jammu Zone, Mohammad Haseeb Mughal visited Doda to oversee road safety measures.

He chaired a joint meeting of senior government functionaries, and civil society members including representatives of traders associations, Autorickshaw and lorry adda associations, and other road user groups. The purpose was to engage with the community and understand their perspectives on traffic and road safety issues.

The meeting was attended by Deputy Commissioner Harvinder Singh, SSP Javid Iqbal,



DIG Traffic Jammu Zone, Mohammad Haseeb Mughal chairing a meeting.

SSP Traffic, DySP Traffic, DY SP Headquarters, ARTO and other officers and officials. Discussions primarily focused on collaborative efforts to address traffic management challenges and enhance road safety measures in the region.

The DIG Traffic stressed the importance of collec-

tive action with all stakeholders to ensure smooth traffic flow and create a safer environment for road users. He appreciated the active participation and valuable inputs provided by the civil society groups present.

Additionally, he urged shopkeepers to keep their goods inside their shops to

avoid traffic disruptions. He further cautioned transport operators and car and bike owners against driving offenses and emphasized the importance of wearing helmets while riding bikes and using seat belts, avoiding rash driving. He also cautioned passenger vehicle owners against

installing extra passenger seats.

DC Doda Harvinder Singh, while speaking at the meeting, urged people to adhere to traffic rules and regulations. He acknowledged the crucial role played by NGOs and civil society in promoting road safety and expressed hope that newly constructed multi-car parking in Doda would alleviate traffic pressure. Additionally, he informed about the identification of Waqf land for parking management in GMC Doda to ensure proper functioning and execution of GMC operations. He urged public participation to support traffic management efforts in the district.

Three-day annual Mounгри mela commences

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UDHAMPUR: The three-day historical Annual Shiv Parvati Mela commenced at Sar Dabbar in Tehsil & Block Mounгри of Udhampur District. The mela was inaugurated by Registrar District Udhampur, Dr. Gurvinder Jeet Singh.

A large number of pilgrims and visitors arrived at Sar Dabbar in Tehsil Mounгри, Udhampur District, on the first day of the mela. The pilgrims and natives visited the Shiv Parvati Cave Shrine to seek blessings of Lord Shiva and Maa Parvati.

While speaking on the occasion, Registrar District Udhampur congratulated the mela committee for organizing such a grand celebration.



Registrar District Udhampur, Dr. Gurvinder Jeet Singh inaugurating the Mela.

He also commended the local students for their participation in various games and cultural programs, wishing them success in their future endeavors.

It is pertinent to mention that people from Bhomag, Panchari, Udhampur, Chenari, and Ramnagar of Udhampur District, as well as from Reasi, Ramban, and

Jammu, converge here every year to celebrate the mela and pay obeisance to Bhagwan Shiv in the naturally formed Shiva-Parvati Cave Shrine.

Numerous temporary sweet and toy shops, along with other eateries set up by locals and outside vendors were a major attraction for the public visiting the mela site.

The District Administration

has made adequate arrangements for security, transport, medical care, drinking water, and power supply arrangements for the mela.

Different sports activities were also organized by the Department of Youth Services and Sports, Udhampur.

Local artists, including students from different educational institutions, presented

scintillating cultural performances on the first day, which were highly appreciated by all.

During the mela, Central Bureau of Communication, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, Field Office organised Mini Integrated Communication and Outreach Programme on the sidelines of Annual Shiv Parvati Mela at Sar Dabbar Mounгри.

The event also featured an Open Quiz Competition on Indian Freedom Struggle and a Cultural Programmes by the Empanelled Private Registered Troupes. CBC Udhampur distributed Prizes and T-Shirts among the participants of various activities during the day-long event.

'Voting is our birth-right, do vote to strengthen democracy'

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NEWSHERA: Even after becoming 80% differently-abled, social worker Vinod Kumar Sharma, PWD Icon District Rajouri, is making voters aware to use their vote for the Lok Sabha elections, Vinod Sharma while making the voters aware said that; It is our birthright to vote, irrespective of caste, rising above politics.

Do use your vote, voting is very important for the strength of democracy and the development of the country. Only if people use their votes, the region will be able to develop.

Choose Voting day as festive just as we all celebrate



Social worker Vinod Kumar Sharma educating youths.

Diwali, Eid, Guru Parab, we should celebrate the festival of voting in the same way. Sharma appeal to all people of State to participate enthusiastically and vote in the upcoming Lok Sabha elections.

Special arrangements will be made by the election Commission for voting for the disabled persons, so these people do not face any kind of problem.

Cluster Head, ZEO Mankote honour meritorious children of GMS Dharati

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MANKOTE: Staff on duty of Government Middle School Dharati of aspirational block Mankote organised a special facilitation program to honor and celebrate the achievements of meritorious children of all classes of the school. This program was part of the ongoing commitment to recognizing and supporting talent of children of aspirational block.

This event brought together students, parents, educators, and community leaders, ZEO Mankote Ghulam Nabi and Cluster Head Ghani Mohd Yaseen to celebrate the accomplishments of these bright young minds who have

excelled academically despite facing challenges in their educational journey.

This facilitation program included the Recognition of ten top-performing students in academics. Inspirational speeches from distinguished guests. Awards and certificates distribution ceremony. Cultural performances highlighting local talent.

Cluster head Mohd Yaseen while appreciating the meritorious. Children of MS Dharati stated that he believes that every child deserves recognition for his/her hard work and dedication, especially those from aspirational blocks who often overcome unique challenges to achieve academic excellence.

This program aimed to inspire and encourage these students to reach even greater heights in their academic and personal endeavors this was stated by ZEO Mankote who also highlighted the indicators of the Aspirational block among the teachers and locals.

Sikander Hayet, a teacher of MS Dharati Read the annual progress

report and highlighted the different initiatives of the school.

Yongal Kishore, JKUT Best teacher Awardee focused on the importance of hard work. He stated that to raise an electric pole in the village it requires five or six persons but to raise a child, services of entire village are required. He appreciated the community representatives of the area who always stand with school management for the welfare of children of the area. Mohd. Tayub, Head of GMS DHARATI presented Vote of thanks to all the guests present in the function.

Vinod Kumar Bakshi who was anchoring the show, expressed his attitude of gratitude in the event. Others teachers Sarawati Kumari, Yasmeen Akhter, Mr Kuldeep Singh and Jamil Fatima tried their best to make this program a successful event.

Two special guests and resource persons from HSS Ghani highlighted the importance of vocational training and use of technology in teaching learning process on the occasion.

JKPSA expresses concern over delay in issuance of affiliation by J&KBOSE

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UDHAMPUR: A meeting of was organized by the members of the Central Executive Body of Jammu and Kashmir Private School Association (JKPSA) Jammu to take the stock of sufferings of Private schools functioning in far flung areas of District Udhampur.

Members present from Peoni, Majalta, Battal, Dhema etc. had come and showed their serious concern regarding the delay in issuance of affiliation by the Jammu & Kashmir Board of School Education.

While highlighting their problems members said that the working of JKBOSE has now become defunct. The decision for the disposal of all files which were submitted on online mode after completing all required formalities need-



Members of JKPSA after the meeting at Udhampur.

ed for the grant of extension / up gradation of affiliation has been prolonged as despite of granting timely affiliation officials of the JKBOSE are now demanding fresh NOCs. They said that to obtain NOCs from different departments one has to move from pillar to post because authorized officials who issue NOCs

usually issue from district / divisional headquarter. Owners / sponsors of the private schools said that due to the absence of time bound & single window clearance system all of us are being exploited by the officials of the different departments.

President of the association Ajay Gupta listened the

grievances of grieved associates and appealed to the Dr. Piyush Singla, (IAS) Administrative Secretary, School Education department to intervene to streamline the functioning of JKBOSE. He demanded an online mechanism for single window clearance for the issuance of all NOCs from

the different departments which are needed for the affiliation / extension / recognition of private schools in time bound manner.

Gupta also appealed for the immediate disposal of all files which are gathering dust in JKBOSE since 2022 without any delay with a provision that the validity of all NOCs which are needed for affiliation / recognition should coincide with the duration of affiliation / recognition granted to a private school.

Those who attended the meeting included Siddheshwar Sadotra, Gaurav Charak, Vineet Gupta, Vishal Singh, Pardeep Singh, Subash Kerni, Thomas Ooman, Parshant Salaria, Manoj Sharma, Seddhar Shamker, Rakesh Gupta, Ankush Verma, Vijay Sharma etc.

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GDC Dharmari organises Awareness-cum-Interactive session on Narcotics and Psychotropic substances

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REASI: On the initiative of the College Principal Dr. Preetpal Kour, National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of Government Degree College, Dharmari organized an Awareness-cum-interactive session on

Narcotics and Psychotropic substances as a part of monthly Action Plan under Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyan.

The lecture was delivered by Prof. Ajay Kumar, who is also acting as NSS Program coordinator. In

his lecture he highlighted the negative impacts of narcotics and psychotropic substances on the consumers and their family members as well as on the society as a whole. Further, he also emphasized on the role of youth in making

India free from drug addiction and making India a developed nation by 2047.

The whole Program was organized under the guidance of the college Principal Dr. Preetpal Kour and supervision of NSS Program Officer,

Prof. Ajay Kumar. Other staff members present on the occasion includes Dr. Shabeer Ahmed Taing, Dr. Shabeer Ahmed, Prof. Balbir Kumar, Prof. Mohinder Kumar, Prof. Balwinder, Prof. Samiti, Prof. Tinu Bala etc.