

BJP's 10 years' golden period elevated Nation to new heights, 3rd term imminent: Yudhvir

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MENDHAR: Yudhvir Sethi, J&K BJP Vice President, asserted that the ten years of governance under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been a golden period for the common people of India and that on the basis of its unprecedented functioning the BJP led Govt is all set to govern the world's largest democracy for the third consecutive term after the 2024 Parliamentary elections.

The senior BJP leader expressed this while interacting with people at Mendhar area of District Poonch. DDC Member and District General Secretary Wajid Bashir Khan Tickoo also accompanied the senior BJP leader.

Yudhvir Sethi said that during the ten years of BJP Rule India has achieved



Yudhvir Sethi, J&K BJP Vice President addressing public meeting at Mendhar.

unprecedented heights at the national and international level with priority focus on development and economic fronts.

He said that India's status at the global level witnessed an unprecedented elevation during the short span of ten years with Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi being the most sought after

global leader to find solutions to the vital global issues.

The senior BJP leader asserted that the several flagship schemes launched by Modi government proved to be the game changer in transforming the nation especially impacting the Indian economy benefiting the citizens through finan-

cial inclusion, excellent financial services besides strengthening banking sector and promoting entrepreneurship on a massive scale.

He highlighted some of the significant schemes including Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Make in India, Digital India, Ayushman Bharat, Ujjwala Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, Smart Cities Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Startup India, Stand Up India, Skill India, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana, Saubhagya Scheme, Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi, etc.

Sethi said that in order to ensure equitable development so that rural areas

receive focussed attention, the Prime Minister has launched most of these schemes for rural areas as major portion of the land mass in the states and UTs across the nation. He said that the ultimate aim of implementing these schemes for the residents of rural areas is to make them self-sufficient and self-reliant i.e. Atmanirbhar.

The senior BJP leader said that there are multiple schemes through which youth can be encouraged for employment so that they don't have to leave the village and move towards the cities.

DDC Member Wajid Bashir Khan Tickoo assured the senior leader of Party that the whole Mendhar unit of BJP will work hard to achieve the set target for 2024 Lok Sabha elections.

GS Sports Club distributes volleyball kits to Lower Jandial Youth



GS Sports Club members distributing volleyball kits to Lower Jandial Youth.

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JAMMU: GS Sports Club distributed free volleyball kits to the youth of Lower Jandial Panchayat in Mathwar Block to promote sports and also offering a positive alternative to potentially harmful activities like drug abuse.

The active participation of community leaders and members highlights the significance of such initiatives in fostering a sense of sportsmanship and community well-being.

President Atul Sudan emphasised on the broader impact of sports on holistic

development and underscored the importance of initiatives like these in building stronger and healthier communities. Prominent social activists Ankush Sharma, Naresh Sudan, Vinod Sharma, Himanshu, Arun, Vikas, and Ashwani were also present.

Inter-Departmental Tournament 2023-24 commences at JU



Prof. Yashpal Sharma, Rector, Udhampur Campus, JU interacting with players.

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JAMMU: The Inter-Departmental Tournaments for the session 2023-24 commenced on Tuesday at Directorate of Sports at Physical Education organized by Chairman, Campus Sports Committee University of Jammu.

Prof. Yashpal Sharma, Rector, Udhampur Campus, University of Jammu was the Chief

Guest of the opening matches, who introduction with both the team players before the start of the game.

Volleyball: Economic Department beat Udhampur Campus by 2-0 (25-7 & 25-13); SHTM department beat Geology Department by 2-0 (25-13 & 25-18); Sociology Department beat Physics Department by 2-0 (25-13

& 25-18); Sociology Department beat Urdu Department by 2-1 (15-07, 2-15 & 15-18); Physical Education Department beat Commerce Department by 2-0 (25-11 & 25-03).

Cricket: Physical Education Department beat ICCR & HRM by 10 wickets; Chemistry Department beat English Department by 21 runs.

The tournaments were organized under the supervision of Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba Chairman, Campus Sports Committee University of Jammu.

The matches were officiated by Raj Kumar Bakshi, Vikas Karlopiya, Ashok Singh, Vijay Kumar, Mannu Singh Pawar, Geetanjali, Vijay Raina, Ishima and Yogesh Dutt.

Div Com Jammu reviews progress of work on DAK expressway in Reasi District



Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar chairing a meeting at Reasi.

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REASI: Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar, on Tuesday reviewed the progress of work on Delhi-Amritsar-Katra (DAK) expressway in the Reasi District. He also undertook a comprehensive sector wise review of developmental initiatives in the district.

Chairing a meeting of district officers, the Divisional Commissioner took appraisal of the progress of the projects being implemented by the concerned departments and issued directions pertaining to the district's development.

District Development Commissioner Vishesh Mahajan, apprised the chair on the to-date

progress of DAK Expressway and other ongoing projects. He gave a detailed presentation, highlighting the progress of work on Delhi Amritsar Katra Expressway in Reasi. The Div Com directed the Deputy Commissioner to expedite the land acquisition and compensation processes, for timely completion of the ambitious road project.

In addition to the DAK

Expressway, the meeting also reviewed projects across sectors including Education, Health, PHE, PWD, PDD and PMGSY and the achievements under the District Capex budget.

The Div Com, after assessing the status of works under various departments, directed the Executive Engineers to double their efforts to ensure early execution of

the projects. He emphasized the importance of resolving interdepartmental issues to streamline project execution. He directed the Jal Shakti Department to proactively address water supply challenges in the district.

The Div Com directed for close monitoring of the works being executed by the Public Works Department to ensure use of the quality material and

timely completion of major road projects, including macadamization works and construction of bridges. He issued the exclusive direction for the completion of the Reasi to Ransoo road project by June end.

The Div Com stressed on accelerating the pace of works across all developmental works, for their time-bound completion.

The meeting also delved into the status of minor mineral blocks in Reasi district, discussing procedures, environmental clearances and measures against illegal mining activities.

ADDC, ADC, PO Poshan, SE PWD, ACR, ACD, CMO, CEO, SDM's, XEN's and other district officers were present.

MIER College students visit to Rehabilitation Centre

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JAMMU: The School of Social Sciences and Humanities (SSSH) of MIER College of Education organized a visit to the Rehabilitation Centre, (Mashwara Drug De-addiction Centre) in Purkhoo for its four-year undergraduate honours Semester IV students, along with Dr. Priya Choudhary and Aayushi Grover, Assistant Professors, MIER College of Education.

Pallavi Singh serves as the project director of the J&K Society for Promotion of Youth and Masses (JKSPYM), overseeing a rehabilitation centre currently catering to 15 patients undergoing coun-



MIER College of Education students visiting Rehabilitation Centre.

seling and therapy sessions. During a visit to the centre, psychology students engaged with patients, gaining insights into addiction struggles. Led by Kimi Padhiar from SLC, Jammu & Kashmir, with assistance from counselors Rudrakshri and Akshi

Misri from IRCA, the visit provided practical experience and a unique perspective on psychological interventions in rehabilitation process.

The centre offers a wide array of services, encompassing counseling, therapy, and rehabilitation for

those grappling with substance abuse disorders. Renowned for its holistic approach, the Rehabilitation Centre prioritizes comprehensive care to foster patients' recovery and overall wellness.

The staff's unwavering dedication and the centre's

positive ambience observed during the visit underscored a nurturing environment vital for individuals undergoing substance abuse rehabilitation.

Prof Adit Gupta, Director and Principal MIER College of Education said that the visit provided an invaluable learning experience for the students, who were able to observe and engage with various therapeutic and counseling sessions.

It bridged the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application, which enriched their academic journey and reinforced their commitment to pursuing careers in psychology and mental health.

ITI, Polytechnic students shine at India Skill Competition 2024

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JAMMU: Director Skill Development J&K, Sudershan Kumar on Tuesday congratulated students of Different ITIs for their success at India Skill Competition 2024.

The Skill Development Department of Jammu and Kashmir is proudly celebrating the remarkable achievement of its students at the prestigious India Skill Competition 2024, organized by the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) in New Delhi on March 19, 2024.

The ITI students from J&K competed with talented individuals from across different ITIs of the nation, showcasing

their expertise and vying for top honours in various skill categories. The students from ITIs of Jammu and Kashmir displayed exceptional skills and dedication, bringing home several medals and making the region proud. Their success is a testament to the quality of training and the emphasis on skill development by the department.

The Director expressed immense pride and joy over the accomplishments of the students. In his congratulatory message, he stated, "Our students have made us incredibly proud by winning medals at the India Skill Competition 2024. Their hard work, dedication, and the high-

quality training provided by our institutes have been instrumental in their success. This achievement not only highlights the talent within ITI's of J&K but also reinforces our commitment to fostering skills that meet national and international standards."

The Director also extended his gratitude to the trainers and faculty members who have worked tirelessly to mentor and prepare the students for this competition. "Our dedicated trainers deserve special recognition for their unwavering support and guidance. Their efforts have been crucial in shaping the future of our students and enabling them to achieve such pres-

tigious accolades," he added.

The Skill Development Department, J&K, remains committed to providing world-class training and opportunities for its students, ensuring they

are well-equipped to excel in their chosen fields. The success at the India Skill Competition 2024 is a significant milestone in this journey and sets a benchmark for future achievements.

SANJY: June 10 set as last date for pony registration

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GANDERBAL: The District Animal Husbandry Officer (DAHO) Ganderbal has set 10th of June as the last date for registration of ponies for the Shri Amarnathji Yatra (SANJY) 2024 via Baltal route.

In this connection, all Ponywallas have been asked to register their ponies before the 10th of June 2024, as no registration shall be done after the cut-off date

The DAHO Ganderbal has requested all Ponywallas to register their ponies at an earliest for a smooth registration process.

Taekwondo, Judo events conclude at Udhampur



Participating teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries at Doda.

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UDHAMPUR: Organised by the Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS), inter-school district level competition in Judo and Taekwondo concluded at Indoor Complex, Subash Stadium, here on

Tuesday. The ongoing annual activity of the school going athletes was organised by the district (DYSS) officer, Romesh Chander Mishra.

The technical panel for the event comprised Kuldeep Sharma, Yash Paul, Nitin Singh Rathore, Santosh Abrol, Raj Kumar Sharma, Jaswinder Singh, Anshu Brat Khanna and Vipran Photra as also the support staff including Som Dev Khajuria, Ramesh Chander, Sanjeev Kumar, Vikas Sharma, Jatin Sethi, Karun Magotra, Abdul Qadir, Sanjeev Khajuria and Meenakshi Sharma.

The Results: Winners: JUDO: U-14: Meenakshi Devi (23 kg), Ghordi Zone. Payal (32 kg), Jib Zone. Shivanli Devi (36 kg), Jib Zone. Pratima (44 kg), Udhampur Zone. U-17: Priya Sharma, Zone Udhampur. TAEKWON-DO: Under-14: Preeti Devi,

Zone Ghordi; Babli Devi, Zone Jib; Arti Devi, Zone Jib; Anjali Devi, Zone Ghordi; Purbhi, zone Jib; Aprubha, zone Udhampur; Samprita, Zone Udhampur; Niharika Jamwal, zone Jib; Angel Dubey, zone Udhampur; Sanvi Thakur, zone Udhampur. Under-17: Minali, zone Udhampur; Sharshiti Panotra, zone Udhampur; Batiksha Sharma, zone Udhampur; Vasundra Sharma, zone Udhampur; Nissa Wani, zone Udhampur; Vanshika Bharti, zone Udhampur; Rhythm Arora, Prachi Thakura, Umra Kousar, Sunali, zone Udhampur; Ishita Rajput, Tanushree, Jib Zone.

Meanwhile, the selection events in the disciplines of Basketball and Softball took place with officials naming the competitive sides for the Divisional level tournaments of the Department.

Alexander Memorial School, holds Investiture Ceremony

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JAMMU: The Annual Investiture Ceremony of the Students' Council of Alexander Memorial School, Jammu, was held on Tuesday in the School Campus.

The Principal, Esther William, welcomed the Guests and presented a bouquet to them.

The Guests presented the School Flag and the House Flags to the Head Boy, Head Girl and the House Captains respectively decorated them with sashes and badges.

All the members of the



Alexander Memorial School, Jammu faculty and students at Investiture Ceremony.

Students' Council led by Lavish Mehra, the Head Boy and Atufa Anjum Head Girl, the Dy. Head Girl Janvi and Aafreen Roman took the

Oath of allegiance, obedience and loyalty to the school and the country.

The eight House Captains are Joel Khonjay and Kirti

Shareshit (Youngson House), Andy Roddick and Vanshika Mattoo (Hutchison House), Vridhi Gill and Alrina Sandhu (Alexander House),

Sahil Sharma and Jerrish Gill (William House) were decorated with the respective House badges. Shivam Siddharth, SP City North, Jammu was the Chief Guest.

On the occasion Prominent management members present were Johnny William, Former IGP, Victor John. Maitree Jain, Principal, New Era Environment School, Neeru Puri, Principal, S.D. Tarapuri School and several other dignitaries also graced the occasion, the Chief Guest in his brief but impressive speech urged all the Council