

Abhijeet calls on LG, discusses welfare issues

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SRINAGAR: Abhijeet Jasrotia, BJP Spokesperson and Head Policy Research met Lt Governor on Wednesday and discussed with him various issues pertaining to welfare of the people of the UT.

Jasrotia expressed his gratitude towards the Lt Governor for the dynamic and reformative policies for the people of J&K. He said that UT is witnessing a new era of development and complimented the administration for implementing a progressive industrial policy and initiative of CLU which will maximize investments and generate ample opportunities for local youth



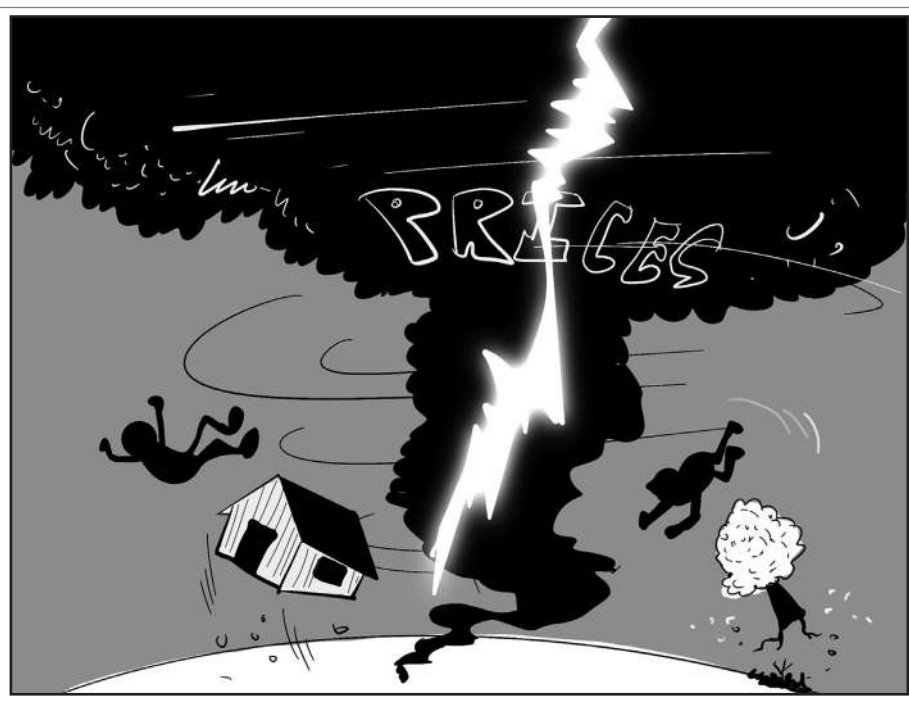
BJP J&K Spokesperson, Abhijeet Jasrotia interacting with LG Manoj Sinha.

in coming times. The Lt Governor while interacting with the members of the delegation assured them of appropriate redressal of their genuine grievances on merit.

He further observed that UT Government is working continuously for ensuring equitable development of all regions with welfare benefits percolating to all sections of society.

Meanwhile, A delegation of JK NYC Employees Association led by former Minister, Sunil Sharma; and Abhijeet Jasrotia, BJP Spokesperson and Head Policy Research on Wednesday called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha at Raj Bhawan here.

The members of JK NYC delegation apprised the Lt Governor about their concerning issues and formulation of a policy for them.



Traffic Rural SSP seizes 88 vehicles without High Security Registration Plates



SSP Traffic (Rural) Mohan Lal Kaith supervising a Naka in Kathua.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
KATHUA: A special traffic naka was established in Lakhampur on Wednesday by SSP Traffic Rural Mohan Lal Kaith with his team of Dy SP Traffic Samba - Kathua and DTIs. In this drive 88 Vehicles not possessing High Security Registration Plates (HSRP)

were seized. Seized vehicles included cars, bikes, Tralla, trucks and tankers.

SSP Traffic has appealed to the general public not to ply their vehicles without HSRP which has already been made mandatory. According to the recent Traffic Police Advisory Vehicles plying without

HSRP are to be seized post 15th June, 2022 and are punishable with a fine of Rs 2,000 which can be extended up to Rs 5,000 in the first instance and in the second or subsequent offence with imprisonment which can extend to one year or fine of Rs 5,000 which can go up to Rs 10,000 or both.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Asserting that the institutions run by banned organizations across the nation are functioning as the breeding grounds of terrorists and terrorism, former Dy Chief Minister and senior Bharatiya Janata Party leader, Kavinder Gupta has overwhelmingly welcomed the decision of Jammu and Kashmir Govt ordering the closure of 300 schools associated with the banned Jamaat-e-Islami affiliated Falah-e-Aam (FAT) across Jammu and Kashmir in the next 15 days.

While addressing media persons during his tour of some areas of Gandhi Nagar constituency, the former Deputy Chief Minister said that today there is a dire need to seal all the institutions which are being run by banned organiza-



Former Dy Chief Minister Kavinder Gupta interacting with people in Jammu.

tions across the nation as these are being funded by foreign countries including the neighbour Pakistan and have become fertile breeding grounds of terrorism and anti-national activities in this peaceful nation. He asserted that the aforesaid institutions have formed a strong chain with the sole motive to function as nurturing nurseries for terrorists through motivation

dence of involvement of these institutions in the enemies' game plans to bleed India.

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taking up the matter with the concerned authorities and getting the same resolved at the earliest.

Later the former Dy CM also inaugurated Chhabeels and Bhandaras organized on the occasion of Sankranti in several areas of Gandhi Nagar Constituency. He said that Chhabeels and Bhandaras are organised for the people irrespective of caste creed or colour considerations and promote community integration.

Among others who were present included Vibodh Gupta State General Secretary; Vinay Gupta District President; Narinder Gupta Koki, Bharat Bhushan, Sahil Gupta, Sanjay Bhanu, Tarsen Sharma, K.L Sharma, Shalju Gupta, Meetu Sharma, Sanjita Sharma and Vijay Dogra.

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Jahaan NGO, Rotary Club organise blood donation camp

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Jahaan NGO in Collaboration with Rotary Club of Jammu Stars on Wednesday organized a Blood Donation Camp at Trikuta Nagar, Jammu. The NGO Jahaan was established by Sonali Verma in the name of her Son Jahaan in the year 2016 and ever since the NGO has been doing social work by organizing various camps and drives like the one held today at Trikuta Nagar Jammu. President Rotary Club of Jammu Stars, Ritika Mahajan Co-ordinated in organising this event in collaboration with Jahaan NGO. The Blood Donation camp was inaugurated by Kunwrani Dr Ritu Singh (Founder Chairperson FICCI FLO, Jammu



Members of Jahaan NGO & Rotary Club after blood donation camp.

Kashmir Ladhakh Region, an eminent social worker, Dr Dushyant Sharma District Governor Rotary Club Northern Region and SSP Randheer Singh.

Speaking on the occasion Kunwrani Ritu Kumar con-

gratulated the NGO and the Rotary Club Jammu for organizing these events regularly and stressed that more people should come and regularly organize such drives. Krishna Group was the hospitality partner for the event,

where as the event was covered by THE MEMORY TRUNK a famous event photography group. Dr Meena Sindhu HOD Blood Bank SMGS Hospital organized the mobile bus for the blood donation camp.

Prominent among those present on the occasion included S K Sharma, former Commissioner Income Tax, Dr Navneet Kour Director Regional Red Cross, Jammu, Swati Dadheechi and Ashish from Krishna Group, Vikram Puri AAP Leader; Seema Verma, Dr Vikram Handa, Payal Jain (Chairperson, Women Do Ride), Dr Nikhil (Psychologist), Manpreet Kour, Singh Sonia, Anchal Sharma, Renu Sharma, Anu and Ankita Bansal (Eventos).

Towards the end Sonali Verma the founder of Jahaan, NGO thanked all the dignitaries for taking time out for this Noble Cause, with special thanks to Ritika Mahajan for helping in organizing this event.

ADGP Jammu reviews movement plan, security arrangements for Amarnath Yatra



ADGP Jammu Zone, Mukesh Singh taking stock of Yatra arrangements.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Additional Director General of Police, Jammu Zone, Jammu, Mukesh Singh alongwith IG CRPF, IG Traffic, DIG Traffic, DIG Udhampur, DIG Doda, DIG CRPF, SSP Udhampur, SSP

Ramban, SSP Traffic and ADC Ramban took a tour of yatra route and reviewed the security and traffic arrangements.

ADGP Jammu also presided over a meeting at Range Headquarters Batote and discussed the security plan and movement timings of the convoy. He gave instructions regarding security precautions during convoy movement and the need to brief and sensitize security personnel deployed for Yatra duty. The issues raised by

CRPF and Traffic Police were discussed in detail and incorporated in the final deployment plan.

The team also visited Nashri, Chanderkote and Banihal and took stock of preparation work for Langars and Lodgement Centres. ADC Ramban and engineers present at Lamber briefed regarding progress of ongoing work and the timeline for finishing the project. The issues raised by CRPF were conveyed to them for early resolution.

Congress holds protest against Modi Govt



JKPCC Working President, Raman Bhalla and other leaders during a protest.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Senior Congress leaders and workers on Wednesday held a protest in Jammu against the Modi Govt alleging political vendetta against Congress top leadership especially Rahul Gandhi.

Led by Senior leaders including Working President Shri Raman Bhalla alongwith Chief Spokesperson Ravinder Sharma, PCC General Secretary Incharge Jammu Dist. Yogesh Sawhney, Th. Balwan Singh (Ex-MLA), Ved Mahajan (Ex-MLC), PYC President Uday Chib, NSUI President Sunny Parihar, Vinod Sharma, Pawan Raina, Sanjeev Sharma, Ch. Dwarka, Ritu Choudhary, Vijay Sharma (Seva Dal), Shiv Kumar Sharma (INTUC), Karan Bhagat (SC Dept.), Suresh Dogra, Rajveer Singh, Dr. R.K. Khajuria, Adv. Bhavishya Sudan, Kapil Singh, Sahil Sharma, Satish Sharma, Vandana Sharma (Mahila Congress), Sat Paul Spolia, Atul Sharma, Somu Dogra, Pawandeve Singh, Chander Shiekhar, Suresh Sharma, Pradeep Bhalla, Jatinder Chib, Vinay Sharma, Bilal Rashid, Nasir Masli, Paras Ram, Gayan Bral, Baldev Singh Wazir, Janak Mehra, Gurmeet Singh and others a strong protest demonstration was held at Shaheedi Chowk Jammu against the undemocratic actions of Modi Govt. and Delhi Police. They raised slogans against BJP Govt. and denounced the politics of vendetta of the Modi Govt. against the Congress leadership. The Modi Govt. diverts the attention of the Media and people from its failures on various fronts and try to malign the image of Congress leadership. They declared to continue the peaceful protest demonstration against such actions of Centre Govt. which is misusing central agencies against opposition, especially Congress party and Gandhis.. They announced to march towards Raj Bhawan tomorrow and later hold protests at Dist. HQs day after tomorrow. Addressing the gathering Raman Bhalla said that Congress party shall not be cowed down by such actions of the B&P and Modi Govt. and continue to fight for democracy and rule of land. The entire rank and file is solidly behind the leadership of the party and shall continue their struggle all over country against such repressive policies of B&P.

Dr Jitendra announces Artificial Intelligence supported 'Common Single Pension Portal'

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
NEW DELHI: Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) Earth Sciences; MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh today announced that the Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare will soon launch Artificial Intelligence (AI) supported "Common Single Pension Portal" for the benefit of pensioners and elder citizens. This will also help seamless processing, tracking and disbursal of pension, he said. Interacting with beneficiaries of "Bhavishya", the Portal for Pension Payment and Tracking System, Dr Jitendra Singh said, in keeping with PM Narendra Modi's motto to ensure "ease of loving" for all, AI driven Portal will send automatic alerts to pensioners and their associations across the country but will also regularly receive their inputs, suggestions as well as grievances for prompt response. Most of the superannuated senior citizens including from paramilitary services and those about to get superannuation lauded the prompt pension processing through the Bhavishya platform and thanked the Union Minister for such seamless seva. Some of the hiccups from the banking side were brought to the notice of the Minister, which he said,



Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh during an interaction with beneficiaries of "Bhavishya", the Portal for Pension Payment and Tracking System, at Sardar Patel Bhawan, New Delhi on Wednesday.

would be taken care of automatically in the AI enabled portal with fixed responsibility.

Dr Jitendra Singh said, Bhavishya has ensured End-to-End digitization of the Pension processing and payment in tune with Modi Government's objective of transparency, digitization and service delivery. He also advised the officials to conduct pre-retirement workshops at regular intervals to counsel them and learn from their experiences. The Minister reiterated that pension reforms are not only governance reforms, but have huge positive social implications. Dr Jitendra Singh also complimented Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare for bagging the 3rd Rank for BHAIVISHYA as per the recently released National e-Governance Service Delivery Assessment 2021, among all the Central Government e-Governance Service Delivery Portals. He informed that the ranking is based on Accessibility, Content Availability, Ease of Use, Information Security & Privacy, End Service Delivery, Integrated Service Delivery,

Status & Request Tracking. The Minister said, being a small Department, it is truly a milestone achievement since this has been done completely in-house by utilising the services of NIC and without spending huge amounts on outsourcing.

Dr Jitendra Singh said, the 'Bhavishya' platform was made mandatory for all central government departments since 01.01.2017 and this system is at present being successfully implemented in the main Secretariat of 97 Ministries/Departments including 815 Attached Offices, along with 7,852 DDOs on board. He also informed that as on date, more than 1, 62,000 cases have been processed i.e. PPOs issued which includes more than 96,000 e-PPOs. Dr Jitendra Singh said, Bhavishya 8.0 was released in August, 2020 with this new feature to PUSH the ePPO in Digilocker. Bhavishya' is the first application to use the Digilocker Id based PUSH Technology of Digilocker and 3892 e-PPOs have been pushed to Digilocker till date. Bhavishya provides an option to retiring employees for

linking their Digilocker account with 'Bhavishya' to get e-PPO. This initiative has created a permanent record safe from destruction of pensioners'. He said, the 'Bhavishya' system has now been made available on a Mobile App, thereby making it simple especially for those Para Military Forces who are out in the fields to keep track of their pension cases. Secretary, Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare, Shri V. Srinivas said, PPO in Digilocker eliminates delays in forwarding PPO to new Pensioners, as well as the necessity of handing over a physical copy. Considering that a very large number of retirees are from CAPFs who serve in far flung areas of the country, such a software is a boon both in terms of Ease of processing as well as speed and accuracy in pension processing.

From the retiree filing his/her papers online till issue of the PPO in electronic format going into the Digilocker, this platform has shown the intention of complete transparency and efficiency of the Government. Every stakeholder has a deadline to complete their part of the pension processing and alerts keep going on the pensioners' mobile. As was in the past, this obviates the necessity of the retiree to keep chasing his file from seat-to-seat months before his retirement. Since the software is fed with the latest pension rules, the calculation of pension is accurate and as per rule and not based on the interpretation of the dealing staff.

International Yoga Day celebrations at AIIMS Vijaypur from today

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: AIIMS Vijaypur, Jammu will celebrate the 8th International day of Yoga on 21st June 2022. As the upcoming 8th International day of Yoga is falling in 75th Azadi Ka Mahotsav year, Ministry of Ayush has planned a series of diverse activities and programs to celebrate 8th International day of Yoga. Accordingly, the Ministry of Health & Family welfare (MOHFW), Govt. of India has allotted 16th June, 2022 (Thursday) to practice Common Yoga Protocol in the morning by all organizations/Autonomous Bodies/Departments.

As part of the International day of Yoga celebrations, a Common Yoga Protocol session will be held with the enthusiastic participation of faculty/administrative staff, MBBS students (1st & 2nd Batch) and other staff at the makeshift campus located at NITS, Polytechnic, Miran Sahib Indian Nagar, Jammu from 6:30 am to 08:00 am. Jugal Kishore Sharma, Member of Parliament,

Jammu Lok Sabha & member Institute Body AIIMS, Jammu will be Chief Guest for the event.

The event will be initiated with lighting of lamp by Chief Guest Shri Jugal Kishore Sharma, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Jammu Lok Sabha, Prof (Dr) Shakti Kumar Gupta, the First Executive Director and CEO of AIIMS Jammu and other dignitaries. The celebrations will be commenced with Saraswati Vandana, invoking the blessings of Goddess Saraswati followed by words of wisdom of Yoga by the Chief Guest Shri Jugal Kishore Sharma & Prof (Dr) Shakti Kumar Gupta. Dr. Ranjana, Assistant Professor Department of Yoga & Naturopathy, Central University Jammu will address audience about yoga and benefits of practicing Yoga everyday in life and highlight the potential for customization to suit the individual.

The event will end with felicitation of Chief Guest and Yoga expert followed by distribution of refreshment among participants.