

Kavinder highlights BJP's journey from Jana Sangh to party formation

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PATNITOP: Senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader and former Deputy Chief Minister Kavinder Gupta dwelt in detail on the long journey of the BJP from Jana Sangh to the formation of Bharatiya Janata Party and highlighted the achievements of the party after taking over the reins of the Govt at the Centre and displaying exemplary Good-Governance especially during its eight years of ongoing rule.

He stated this while addressing a training camp (Prashikshan Varg) of Bharatiya Janata Party Mahila Moreha at Patnitop here on Monday. It is pertinent to mention here that the Prashikshan Varg was arranged at Patnitop under the dynamic leadership of Sanjita Dogra.

Kavinder said that today Bharatiya Janata Party is the largest political party in the world after traversing a long journey from Jana Sangh to the party formation. He said that BJP owes



BJPMM members welcoming former Dy CM, Kavinder Gupta at Prashikshan Varg in Patnitop.

its ideological and organizational setup to the much older Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS).

He stated that Bharatiya Jana Sangh was formed in 1951 by Shyama Prasad Mukherjee and after the State of Emergency in 1977, the Jana Sangh merged with several other parties to form the Janata Party. It defeated the ruling Congress party in the 1977 general elections and after remaining for three years in power, the Janata Party dissolved in 1980 with the members of the erstwhile Jana Sangh reconvening to form the BJP. Although initially unsuccessful, winning only

two seats in the 1984 general election, it gradually grew in strength. Following victories in several state elections and better performances in national elections, the BJP became the largest party in the Parliament in 1996 but lacked a majority in the lower house of Parliament, and our government, under then leader Atal Bihari Vajpayee lasted only 13 days.

"Thereafter in 1998 general election, the BJP-led coalition known as the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) under Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee formed a government that lasted for a year.

However, in the 2004 general election, the NDA suffered an unexpected defeat, and for the next ten years the BJP was the principal opposition party," he said.

The senior BJP leader asserted that long time Gujarat Chief Minister Narendra Modi gearing up the loins led BJP to a landslide victory in the 2014 general election. Since then election, Modi has led the NDA government as Prime Minister and as of April 2022, the alliance governs 18 states.

He said that the official ideology of the BJP is integral humanism, first formulated by Deendayal Upadhyaya in 1965.

Kavinder, while addressing the Mahila Moreha training camp, elaborated on the planning for qualitative progress of the party through Mahila Morcha functioning in different areas of the society.

He said that all Mahila Morcha must act in unison for strengthening the organizational structure.

Waqf devising holistic roadmap to re-structure & develop huge education sector in J&K: Dr Darakhshan

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KISHTWAR: Chairperson of J&K Waqf Board Dr Darakhshan Andrabi on Monday presided over the 117th Annual Day function of Islamia Faridiya Educational & Research Institute held at its Kishtwar Campus. This premier educational & research institute serves Chinab Valley students in different streams & subjects. The function was attended by District Development Commissioner Kishtwar, SSP, Ex-MLAs, Ex-MLCs, the General Manager of NHPC, Institute Alumnae, Municipal Chairman Kishtwar Sajjad Najar, CEO of Waqf Board Dr Majid Jahangir, Administrator Waqf Kishtwar Zakir Hussain Wani and prominent citizens of Kishtwar.

A cultural programme was presented by the students of the institute. Prominent ex-law makers Asghar peer, Qazi Jalaluddin, Khurshid Bhat and Tanveer Kichloo also participated. A com-



Chairperson of J&K Waqf Board Dr Darakhshan Andrabi at Annual Day function of IFER Institute at Kishtwar.

plete report of achievements was presented by the Administrator before the Deputy Commissioner & SSP Kishtwar addressed the gathering.

In her presidential address Dr Darakhshan Andrabi congratulated the Institute Management for their efforts to establish this Institute as the leading education & research hub in the area. She said that J&K Waqf Board will soon formulate a plan to give a boost to infrastructure & other facilities here so that this emerges as one of the leading Educational Centers of J&K and the Country.

She instructed the management to formulate a plan for developing this Institute as a National Level Educational Centre.

"Waqf Board has a huge educational set-up in J&K but it needs to be streamlined and improved. Many of Waqf-managed educational centres are in shambles and the new Board has taken note of it. We are devising a holistic roadmap to develop the existing educational network of Waqf within a year. With the help of the grant of the Union Ministry of Minority Affairs, Waqf intends to begin some coaching centres

for Competitive Examinations & Civil Services and also establish some skill-centres in the UT," said Dr Darakhshan Andrabi.

Waqf Board Chairperson congratulated the staff & the teaching faculty for their hard work which won laurels for this Institute.

Dr Darakhshan Andrabi later chaired a meeting of the civil society representatives and listened to the issues and suggestions of the people of the area.

Dr Andrabi assured them that she will be taking up the issues with the administration so that they are resolved at the earliest.

Dr Andrabi appealed to the people to maintain communal harmony & brotherhood at all costs so that the designs of anti-social elements to disrupt peace are defeated.

"Unity among all sections of society is our strength and we have to remain united for our resolve of co-existence for everlasting peace & development," said Andrabi.

LG Mathur attends 12th phase of mass plantation drive in Bodh Kharbu



Lt Governor Ladakh, R.K Mathur attending 12th phase of mass plantation drive.

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LEH: The Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh, RK Mathur, on Monday attended the 12th phase of the mass plantation drive organised by Go Green, Go Organic under the guidance of His Holiness Skyabgon Chetsang Rinpoche at Brakdog Thang in Bodh Kharbu.

Member of Parliament from Ladakh, Jamyang Tsering Namgyal; Executive Councillor, LAHDC Kargil, Mohsin Ali and Environmentalist Radhika Anand were present during the mass plantation drive.

LG Mathur and His Holiness Kyabgon Chetsang Rinpoche planted juniper

saplings during the event. Around three lakh saplings of plants and fruits such as poplar, willow, sea buckthorn, siya, juniper and fruits of different varieties were planted during the event. Congratulating HH Kyabgon Chetsang Rinpoche for receiving the Green Ambassador award during the 11th phase of the mass plantation drive held at Chushul on June 5 early this month, LG Mathur stated that the economy and future of humans are dependent on trees to negate the impacts of climate change. HH Kyabgon Chetsang Rinpoche shared that the objective of the mass plantation drive is also

to provide benefits for biodiversity, promote sustainable practices and social harmony and teach ways to live in harmony with nature. He hoped for a beautiful and Green Ladakh in the future. Around 170 artists from different parts of the country performed during the event.

Rinpoches, monks and nuns from different monasteries; elected representatives such as Chairpersons of Block Development Councils (BDCs), Sarpanch, Panch, Nabardar/Goba, government officials and villagers from Bodh Kharbu and adjacent areas were present during the event.

IIM Jammu in collaboration with NCW holds programme for women entrepreneurs

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JAMMU: Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Jammu, on behalf of the National Commission for Women (NCW), is conducting a "Certificate Program in General Management for aspiring Women Entrepreneurs" (CPG-MAWE).

The programme is aimed to fulfill the needs of aspiring women entrepreneurs who want to gain knowledge about introductory Business Management, which could enable them to start and run their Venture.

IIM Jammu has designed, developed, and will be delivering this training program on behalf of the National Commission for Women (NCW) for potential women entrepreneurs on general management covering all the functional areas of business.

The inaugural ceremony for the programme was held with an inaugural address by Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu, Meeta Rajivlochan, Member Secretary, NCW, A. Asholi Chalai, Joint Secretary,

NCW, Dr. Pankaj Agarwal, Chairperson Executive Education, and Associate Professor, IIM Jammu, Dr. Prateek Jain, Co-Programme Director, CPG-MAWE, and Associate Professor, IIM Jammu, and Dr. Parvathy B., Co-Programme Director, CPG-MAWE and Assistant Professor, IIM Jammu. A total of 1375 candidates had applied for this Programme on the MyGov portal. After the shortlisting process by IIM Jammu, 125 candidates have been selected for the first batch. More batches are planned to be rolled out after this batch.

Prof. Sahay said, "Entrepreneurship has always been a gendered phenomenon, with a far lesser number of women choosing it as a road to empowerment. IIM Jammu has always been a pioneer in gender diversity, and we strongly believe that collaborations like these will change the status quo and unleash the untapped potential of women entrepreneurs."

National Awami United Party celebrates 3rd Foundation Day

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JAMMU: National Awami United Party (NAUP) celebrated 3rd Foundation Day at party office located at Eid-Gah road, Residency Road, Jammu with full enthusiasm and zeal in presence of party leaders and other office workers.

President NAUP Sandeep Singh gave a welcome address while Manmohan Sudan General Secretary, Vijay Choudhary Provincial Vice President and Shikha Bandal Provincial Vice President Women wing also addressed party workers. Others present on the occasion included Bupinder Sharma, Uttam Chand, Ravinder Sharma, Parveen Kumar, Harsh Kumar, Sushma Kumari and Shashi Kansal.

Cultural event 'Traditional Songs from Poonch' organised by Cultural & Education Cell

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POONCH: Cultural Cell of District Poonch on Monday organised a cultural event 'Traditional songs from Poonch' in different schools of Nangali and Mankote zones under the banner of Directorate of School Education Jammu.

The entire event was live streamed on various platforms of social media.

The event was moderated by Shagufta Antleeb, Teacher (Poonch).

In one hour long event, Students from seven schools of Nangali and Mankote zones of District Poonch participated and came up with different Pahari and Gojri songs of their regions.

The performance of the students received the praiseworthy words from the audience present.

Zonal Incharge Cultural Cell (ZICC) Nangali Ali Akbar and ZICC Mankote Ghulam Hazaar along with all the mentor Teachers of participating schools coordinated very well.

Chaman Lal (ZEO Nangali) appreciated the students for their brilliant performances and also felicitated them with E-Certificates. He also congratulated and appreciated the



efforts of entire team of Cultural Cell Poonch especially District Incharge Cultural Cell (DICC) Yongal Kishore.

The other dignitaries present were Principal HSS Mankote, ZEO Mankote, Headmaster High School Chandak and Headmaster High School Bandichechan.

JKPSI aspirants demand CBI inquiry in selection list

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JAMMU: Dozens of aspirants of Jammu and Kashmir Service Selection Board on Monday held a massive protest at Press Club Jammu.

The aspirants alleged that it seems that inquiry committee constituted by the government is not taking the appropriate steps. One of the aspirants, while addressing the media, said that as per media reports it is multi-crore scam involving some government officials also.

He said that the scam is believed to be done by a interstate racket hence needs to be handed over to CBI so that all those involved in this multi-crore scam should be booked.

Another aspirant claimed that the third party involved by



JKPSI aspirants raising slogans during a protest.

JKSSB for the paper setting and conducting should also be investigated as there are reports that something fishy has been done with the tendering process. He said that every suspect should be thoroughly investigated their call records, locations, whatsapp calls and details should be checked.

Aspirants further said that

the investigation committee till now has not given any access for the aspirants so that they can submit the relevant data and evidence which can help in the investigation.

They said that it seems that as the days are passing the people involved in scams are given due time to manage things. Aspirants further warned the

Inquiry committee and JK Administration that if anyhow they will try to divert, delay or dismiss the inquiry aspirants will be forced for the mass agitation.

They demanded that a formal FIR should be registered in this matter and the case should be handed over to the CBI so that all those including alleged government officials involved in this scam should be put behind bar.

J&K bags 'Star of Governance-SKOCH Award in Horticulture'

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SRINAGAR: J&K has been awarded 'Star of Governance-SKOCH Award in Horticulture' in the SKOCH State of Governance Report 2021. The UT was awarded at an event held at New Delhi as a part of 'India Governance Forum'. J&K has topped in the Horticulture category nationally in the 'SKOCH State of Governance Report 2021'.

Secretary in Agriculture Production Department, Mohammad Akbar Wani received the award on behalf of Atal Dulloo, Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture Production Department, J&K Government.

The award was presented by Sameer Kochhar, Chairman, SKOCH Group. SKOCH Award, independently instituted in 2003, is India's honest civilian honour conferred by an independent organisation as a third-party assessment.

ADGP Headquarters presents certificates to JKP officials



ADGP Headquarters, PHQ, M K Sinha presenting certificates and mementoes to two officials.

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SRINAGAR: ADGP Headquarters, PHQ, M K Sinha on Monday presented certificates and mementoes to two officials of J&K Police who have made significant contribution in the implementation of CCTNS/ICJS Project.

The officials got selected in the conference on 'Good

Practices in CCTNS/ICJS' which was organised by the Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs, National Crime Records Bureau, New Delhi on 16th & 17th December 2021 through an online platform to recognise the continuous efforts made by States/UTs in the implementation of CCTNS and ICJS projects, as well as to

disseminate good practices adopted by them.

The ADGP presented certificates and mementoes to Inspector Vikram Singh Choudhary and Constable Towheed-ul-Islam which were conferred on these individual officers during the valedictory session of the conference organised by National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB).



SSP Mohan Lal and SSP, V.K Jamwal, pinning ranks to promoted Inspector Rashika Sharma of SKPA Udhampur.

Mohan Lal advised her to work with enthusiasm and

highest degree of dedication. He said the promotion adds more responsibilities and challenges which requires more dedication for effective and smooth working.

Among others, Pawan Kumar, DySP, Assistant Director (Outdoor), Tahir Hussain, DySP, Assistant Director (Indoor/Intl.), Sunmati Gupta, DySP, Assistant Director (Q) and Sukhvir Singh, DySP Assistant Director (Admn.) were also present on the occasion.