

CM Haryana calls on Dr Jitendra, discusses DoPT related State issues



CM Haryana, Manohar Lal Khattar calling on Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh at DoPT headquarters, North Block, New Delhi, on Friday.

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NEW DELHI: Chief Minister of Haryana, Manohar Lal Khattar today called on 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 and discussed a wide range of State issues related to Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT), including placement of All India Services officers and other matters.

Manohar Lal Khattar pointed out that there would be

severe shortage of IAS officers by the end of this year as

7 Direct Recruits and 7 Promotee Officers will superannuate in 2022. He said, due to Central Deputation of officers and low intake of officers at the State Cadre, the State is facing some governance

problems.

Haryana Chief Minister brought to the notice of Dr Jitendra Singh that there are 50 odd departments in the State which need experienced officers at the helm. He said, at present he is managing by assigning 2-3 departments to

a single officer, leading to unnecessary and unfeasible workload.

Dr Jitendra, who is also Minister In-charge DoPT, acknowledged the serious crunch of officers in Haryana and directed the Union Secretary, DoPT to give due cognizance of this.

consideration to all these issues and examine what best can be done.

Dr Singh also assured the Chief Minister that cases of extension of service on a 6-month basis will be considered, till the shortage is addressed on a regular basis. He also promised to give due consideration for repatriation of some of the officers from Central Deputation.

The Chief Minister also requested the Union Minister to follow up with the Central Government the progress of some of the other proposals of projects in Haryana. The Union Minister in return said that his office will take due cognizance of this.

DSW JU in collaboration with NCB organises 'Online Awareness Programme'

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JAMMU: The Department of Students Welfare (DSW), University of Jammu in collaboration with Narcotics Control Bureau, Zonal Unit, Jammu organised an 'Online Awareness Programme' in commemoration of International Day Against Drug Abuse & Illicit Trafficking which falls on 26th June every year.

The webinar was attended by students, scholars, teachers and staff of the university.

Rajesh Kumar, Zonal Director NCB and Mohd Nawab, Superintendent NCB were the resource persons.

Prominent among those who attended the programme include Prof. Prakash Antahal, Dean Students Welfare, Prof.

Vishav Raksha, Chairperson, Campus Cultural Committee, Dr. Pritam Singh, Assistant Dean, SW alongwith other

faculty members and officers of the university. In his address, Prof. Prakash Antahal stressed upon the importance of awareness about the menace of Drugs which is gripping more and more youth in its clutches and ensured all possible help in this regard from University's side. Rajesh Kumar presented the precise data with regards to the percentage of people affected with the ill effects of drugs in J&K in comparison with that data of the whole country and cautioned about the alarming situation.

He invoked the active participation of parents, teachers and all other stakeholders in making youth aware about the consequences of falling in the trap of drugs and other allied intoxicants.

Mohd Nawab informed about the methodology which is generally adopted by the miscreants to trap innocent youth and once getting

addicted, it becomes near to impossible for them to return back to their normal life.

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JAMMU: Senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader and spokesperson, Dr Tahir Choudhary thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for organising G-20 meeting in Jammu and Kashmir.

Dr Choudhary said that this is a great achievement for the people of Jammu and Kashmir as the first time major international event to be organised in the Union Territory.

Jammu and Kashmir is being considered one of the potential venues to G-20 meetings due to policies adopted by government after the abrogation of Article 370," he said.

Dr Tahir said that the event will put Jammu and Kashmir on a higher pedestal by hosting such international event.

Dr Tahir said that since

the abrogation of Article

370, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has taken several proactive steps for the development of the Union Territory.

"The J&K which has been always in the spotlight for terrorism activities, now gaining momentum towards the development of the state's infrastructure and international as well as national event," he said.

He said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the J&K has become one of the few states in India which is having both IIT and IIM. He further said that the government has made necessary arrangements for the smooth conduct of Amarnath Yatra.

He informed that Centre and Union Home Minister, Amit Shah is personally reviewing all the arrangements for the annual pilgrimage.

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JAMMU: Jammu's well-known writer Dr Nirmal Sareen conferred with the Sahitya Akademi Award 2021. She got the honour for translating journalist Satish Verma's book 'Pakistan Ki Haqeeqat' in Dogri language.

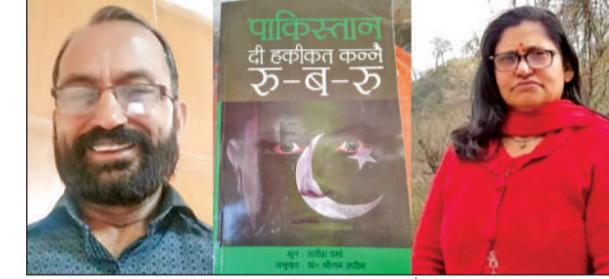
The book with its title as 'Pakistan Ki Haqeeqat' was written by Senior Journalist Satish Verma after visiting twice

Pakistan and the Northern areas of Jammu and Kashmir like Gilgit, Baltistan and Skardu, occupied by it.

The book was published by Dr Nirmal Kumar Verma of the famous 'Diamond Books' in 2011 and then released by famous journalist Ram Bahadur Rai in Pragati Maidan, Delhi. The book was widely appreciated by the readers in whole of the country.

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Satish Verma Book in Dogri Dr Nirmal Sareen

done by Dr Nirmal Sareen with its title as 'Pakistan Di Haqeeqat Kane Ru Bru' was published and released in 2016 by the then Dy Chief Minister of J&K, Dr Nirmal Singh in a function at KL Sehgal Hall, Jammu.

In this book the writer Satish Verma after physically visiting Pakistan first time in 1999 during Nawaz Sharif Regime and second time in 2005 during Gen Parvez Musharraf regime and has described the condition of Kashmiri Refugees who crossed over to Pakistan, spoke to the people who were demanding freedom, and also discussed some issues.

Speaking on the occasion, journalist Satish Verma said "Today, I am very happy when my book translated into Dogri was honoured by the Sahitya Akademi. I would also like to thank Dr. Neelam Sareen from the bottom of my heart."

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Nitishwar visits Nunwan Base Camp

Takes stock of Shri Amarnathji Yatra arrangements



Principal Secretary to LG Nitishwar Kumar during visit to Nunwan base camp.

ANANTNAG: Nitishwar Kumar, Principal Secretary to Lieutenant Governor today visited Nunwan base camp and took stock of the preparations and arrangements for the ensuing Shri Amarnathji Yatra.

The Principal Secretary directed the officers to provide all required assistance to the pilgrims and enable them to complete their journey without facing any avoidable difficulty.

He reiterated his earlier directions given