

## CVPPPL starts celebration of World Environment Day



MD CVPPPL, Rajat Gupta planting a sapling.

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JAMMU: On the occasion of World Environment Day 2022, Chenab Valley Power Projects Pvt. Ltd (CVPPPL) started a series of activities to be held from June 3 to 5 at its Corporate Office in Jammu under the theme 'Only One Earth'.

In first phase, the programme started with plantation of medicinal plant sapling by Rajat Gupta, MD CVPPPL. This was followed by an awareness session wherein Dr. Ravi Sharma, Senior Manager (Env.) apprised the participants about the environmental concerns and the theme of World Environment Day.

Through poetic recitations, he also portrayed a picture of future environmental scenario in absence of any instant and concrete action by humanity,

emphasizing on the need to enhance the expanse of humanity to all living beings on earth.

Saplings of 247 plants were distributed to staff members of CVPPPL for plantation at their residential places.

The second phase of the event i.e. the Plantation Drive shall be held on June 5 (Environment Day) when the saplings will be planted by the staff members of Corporate Office. Plantation drives shall also be organised by the Projects of CVPPPL in Kishtwar.

Rajat Gupta emphasised upon the need to develop sustainably in harmony with nature so as to ensure that our earth remains in a position to sustain life for our posterity.

The vote of thanks was presented by Amrith Singh, General Manager, CVPPPL.

## Raina, Sunil flag off Bharat Darshan Sushasan Yatra

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JAMMU: President BJP Jammu Kashmir, Ravinder Raina along with former Minister and State General Secretary BJP Sunil Sharma on Friday flagged off Bharat Darshan Sushasan Yatra for different districts. They were accompanied by BJYM President Jammu Kashmir Arun Prabhat, National Media Incharge Amandeep Singh and State Secretary BJP Ajay Pargal. Speaking on the occasion, Ravinder Raina said that last 8 years of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's regime has paved way for colossal development and the country has earned name and fame across the world with leading countries coming forward to have resounding business ties by offering investments of hundreds of crores of rupees. He said that BJP government had enabled India to progress by leaps and bounds by involving youths to become bedrock for the development journey of the country.

Sunil Sharma in his address said that India witnessed unmatched progress under PM Modi and still the country is treading towards unprecedented development with full force especially the J&K which



President BJP J&K, Ravinder Raina flagging off Bharat Darshan Sushasan Yatra.

remained a victim of dynastic politics and indifference of successive governments in the last over 70 years.

Later, Seh Prabhari BJP Ashish Sood, former Minister and State Vice President BJP Sham Lal Sharma, All Morcha Prabhari Munish Sharma, District President Akhnoor Jagdish Bhagat welcomed the Yatra during a Swagat Samaroh at Akhnoor Fort.

Ashish Sood spoke about the unprecedented development which was carried out in the past eight years under Modi regime. He said that the track record of BJP government is so promising that people's aspirations have touched the level next as they want everything from the government with no compromise on any issue. He

said that so is the magnanimity of BJP government that no one is disappointed and all are happy with the performance.

Sham Lal Sharma gave a brief account of heritage sites of Akhnoor including local fort and Jia Pota Ghat besides Ambaran. He further said that

Interestingly the Jia Pota Ghat got its name from the Jia Pota tree under whose shade the Raj Tilak ceremony of Maharaja Gulab Singh took place. Later, the delegates visited Jia Pota Ghat and Ambran, world's seventh Buddhist monastery.

Speaking about the Bharat Darshan Sushasan Yatra, Arun Prabhat said that the team of Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM) is on a pan-India Yatra and it is going to

spend four days in the UT of J&K to have first hand knowledge about the region.

Later in Jammu, Heritage walk was conducted across the Jammu City in which the delegates visited Hari Palace, Raghunath ji Temple and Mahakali Temple at Bahu Fort.

The delegates also had the local Dogra cuisines which they cherished by showering praises and seeking the recipes of the mouth watering delicacies.

Later in the evening, a formal interaction with the visiting delegation was held at the residence of Dr Nirmal Singh in which the former deputy CM briefed about the rich heritage and culture of J&K and apprised the changes witnessed in J&K during the BJP Government.

## CISF personnel rescues boy from drowning in Narmada Canal

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GANDHINAGAR: Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) personnel on Friday saved a precious life by rescuing a young boy

from drowning in the deep Narmada Canal at Adalaj, Gandhinagar. On June 3 at about 0830 hrs, Inspector Sher Singh of CISF Unit Ahmedabad Airport passing by the Narmada Canal, Adalaj heard someone calling for help and when he reached near the canal, he noticed a young boy drowning into the deep waters of the canal." CISF official said adding that without losing any time, Inspector Sher Singh jumped into the canal and rescued the drowning boy and brought him safely.

The matter was informed to the local Police and the rescued boy was taken to Civil Hospital for treatment, where he was given first-aid and he is normal now, official said.

On questioning, the boy

informed that he is the resident of Chandkhara, Ahmedabad and he along with his friend went to canal to feed the fishes, but accidentally fell into the canal. Inspector Sher Singh showed great courage and determination despite the

deep waters of the canal (about 55 feet deep) and without paying heed to his own life, rescued the boy, official said adding that the parents of the boy, local public and police applauded the efforts made by the CISF personnel.

## Chhibber, Raina condemn terrorist attack on Bank Manager Vijay Kumar

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JAMMU: Director & Former CMD Jammu & Kashmir Bank, R.K. Chhibber and President, Ellaqai Dehati Bank Retirees Association, Avtar Raina strongly condemned the killing of innocent Bank Manager Vijay Kumar of Ellaqai Dehati Bank, Kulgam by terrorists. "I strongly condemn the most unfortunate event of killing of innocent persons in Kashmir Valley and of banker Vijay Kumar of Ellaqai Dehati Bank, Kulgam, while performing his duties," Chhibber said in condolence message.

"I also convey my heartfelt condolences to the family of Vijay Kumar and pray the Almighty to give strength to his family to withstand this irreparable loss," he added.

"We are shocked and dismayed at the news of martyrdom of young colleague Vijay Kumar Branch Manager of Arreh-Mohanpora Branch District Kulgam. We condole the untimely death in harness of the young officer and express our sincere sympathy with the bereaved family," Avtar Raina in his message said.

"Through this condolence we convey our concern the Chairman and all concerned authorities to take preventive, protective and safeguard systems into operation so that our serving staff at branches is infused with confidence of security while serving customers at our Branches," he added.

## School of Business Studies, CUJ initiates International Lecture Series



Faculty members of CUJ during International Lecture Series.

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JAMMU: In pursuit of expanding their knowledge expanse and upgrading the key conceptualizations of management, the Department of Marketing & Supply Chain Management in collaboration with Department of HRM & OB, School of Business Studies, Central University of Jammu (CUJ) initiated International Lecture Series with a global line up of speakers who are stalwarts in their respective fields. In order to cater to the needs of the business environment, School of Business Studies endeavoured to cross the national boundaries in an attempt to impart holistic exposure to its students, scholars and the teaching fraternity. The international lecture series initiated with the welcome address by Prof. Jaya Bhasin, Dean, School of Business Studies, CUJ. The first speaker for the series was Prof. Vithala R. Rao from Samuel Curtis Johnson Graduate School of Management, Cornell University, New York. His deliberation on the topic 'Product Bundling & Consumer Choice' was applauded by the teaching fraternity together with research scholars and students. Research scholars took immense interest in learning the nuances of 'Product bundling research' through the examples explained by Prof. Rao. The lecture was conducted in blended mode under the leadership of Prof. Sanjeev Jain, Vice Chancellor, CUJ and under the supervision of Prof. Jaya Bhasin and Dr. Shahid Mushtaq, Head, Department of Marketing & Supply Chain Management.

Dr. Salil Seth and Asif Ali from School of Business Studies, CUJ coordinated the event and vote of thanks was presented by Asif Ali.

## Randhawa organises door-to-door campaign, awares people about achievements of Modi Govt

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JAMMU: To commemorate 8 years of Modi Government in the centre, Former Legislator and senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader Vikram Randhawa started 75 hours long public outreach programme.

On the first day of the public outreach programme, Randhawa started door to door campaign and aware the people about the achievement of the Modi Government in the past 8 years in the Floura and Nagbani areas here.

Former Legislator said that eight years of Modi Government have been devoted to Seva, Garib Kalyan and Sushasan (service, good governance, welfare of poor), so we have to ensure that people are taking proper benefit of the schemes like Ayushman Bharat, Kissan Samman Nidhi Yojna, Ujjwala Yojna, Ujjala Yojna, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna, Pradhan Mantri Gareeb Kalyan Ann Yojna, Mudra Yojna, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bhima Yojna, etc.

"Bharatiya Janata Party



Senior BJP leader Vikram Randhawa conducting door-to-door to campaign.

under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi is working on the theme of 'Sabka Sath Sabka Vikas' and is committed for the overall development of the areas of Jammu", Randhawa said, adding that no ward will be deprived of basic amenities and development of every citizen is our main motto.

He said that many projects are in pipeline for Jammu which will change the face of the city. "Prime Minister Narendra Modi is also working to mitigate problems of the people and give them respite from miseries which they are facing in the last over seventy years", he said, adding that central dispensation has provided surplus funds for the development

works across the Union Territory and that is the reason behind irresistible development trail going on in Jammu and Kashmir.

During the door to door campaign, Former Legislator, who is also Coordinator of 'Sewa, Sushasan aur Garib Kalyan Pakhwada' Jammu Rural asked the party cadre to aware the people about the achievements of the Modi Government in the past 8 years.

Randhawa was accompanied by Rajinder Chib District President, Advocate Abhinav Sharma, Sarpanch Vandana Devi, Kishan Lal and Mohinder Kumar, Panchs, Neeraj, Anil Kumar, Ricky and many others.

## PIL on establishment of industrial; DB Directs SMC to file affidavit

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JAMMU: A Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court at Srinagar Wing comprising Chief Justice Pankaj Mithal and Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi has directed- council appearing for the Srinagar Municipal Corporation to file an affidavit indicating as to the steps taken by it to remove the hazards due to discharge of effluents from the industrial units due to lack of proper arrangement for treatment of the waste and effluents, as pleaded by the Inhabitants of Hill View Colony in a PIL.

The counsel was directed to file the report within a month. When the PIL Came-up for hearing, DB observed that on the letter dated September 2, 2020 of the inhabitants of the area addressed to the Chief Justice of High Court of Jammu and Kashmir, this PIL was registered in con-

text with the cleaning of the industrial area.

The Regional Director J&K Pollution Control Board, District Officer PCB, Budgam, had pointed three deficiencies and had recommended that the CETP (Common Effluent Treatment Plant) needs to be made operational and the treated water needs to be channelized for irrigation purposes; the drains in the industrial estate are required to be cleaned and cleared regularly to ward off blockage/choking; and solid waste generated within the industrial estate should be channelized to some municipal body for scientific disposal.

DB observed that all the aforesaid jobs have to be taken care of by the Srinagar Municipal Corporation and directed SMC to file affidavit affidavit indicating as to the steps taken by it to remove the above deficiencies.

## 8 Saal Bemisaal: BJP celebrating thriving eight years of Modi Govt in power from June 1 to 14

Kavinder asks workers to dedicate 75 hours to public outreach

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta on Friday asked the party cadre to dedicate 75 hours each to reach out to public in their respective wards listening to the issues of the people and also disseminating policies and plans of BJP keeping in mind the forthcoming Lok Sabha elections to be held in 2024. He was chairing a meeting of Jammu District BJP cadre including Corporators and Shakti Kendra Pramukhs at Party Headquarters Trikuta Nagar here on Friday.

The meeting was convened under the aegis of Jammu District President Vinay Gupta. Prominent among those who were present include Priya Sethi, former minister; Deputy Mayor Purnima Sharma, Inderjeet Organization General Secretary, Baldev Singh



Senior BJP leader, Kavinder Gupta speaking at party workers meeting.

Billawaria, Kuldeep Khandari and Naresh Sharma.

It is pertinent to mention that BJP across the country is celebrating thriving 8 years of Modi Government in power from June 1 to 14 with party cadre carrying out massive public outreach programme to make aware the people about achievements and future plans and policies of the party.

Kavinder said that BJP Government led by PM Narendra Modi has done tremendous work to ensure that every section of the society gets its due share with dis-

crimination and lopsidedness becoming the things of past.

The BJP stalwart leader said that aspect has been ignored during the past eight years in power as PM Modi gave special attention towards J&K with abrogation of Article 370 removing the turning point for the region which has opened the floodgates of development and end of turmoil that lasted for over three decades under the meek dispensations of Congress and other parties. He said that befitting responses to Pakistan and China to fortify

defence lines at IB, LOC and LAC are also unprecedented because earlier India's stand used to be defensive but PM Modi boisterous approach has infused phenomenal confidence in the army, air force and navy and the result is before one and all with India standing tall against both Dragon country and Pakistan.

"Gigantic Vaccination programme, fight against COVID, digital revolution, cashless transactions, etc are among umpteen other schemes and policies which the last eight years of BJP regime have realized and helped India to become one of the developed countries across the world", Kavinder said, adding that the opportunity should be well utilized to disseminate all this among the masses to bring more people to party fold and strengthen party at grass roots level.

## DB disposes of PIL seeks regulation of online social media news agencies, portals

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir High Court, comprising Chief Justice Pankaj Mithal and Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur, disposed of a PIL, seeking direction to the government to not allow online news networks and portals to function without proper license or permission, with the observations that the petitioner in regard to regulating and controlling the social media network may submit representation and suggestions to the Principal Secretary, Information Department along-with his detailed representation as to the grievance in the manner in which he wants social media news channels to be permitted and regulated.

The PIL was filed by Jammu & Kashmir Peoples Forum, a Trust, through its General

Secretary. In the event, the petitioner so submits the representation and the suggestions, the Government and the Principal Secretary, Information Department would be free to consider the same and take an appropriate action most expeditiously as may be permissible in law.

The PIL also prays for appointment of a regulatory authority for grant of permissions to the social media news channels, networks and news portals. The PIL underscores that details sought by the petitioner under Right to Information Act from Director Information Jammu and Kashmir do not attest to any permission having been granted to any person for running the online news agencies and channels. "In absence of any permission having been granted by the competent authority for running a news portal it is sufficient

to infer that there is no proper, legal and regulatory mechanism in place at present with the result a state of confusion prevails on the subject as to the genuineness of any news transmitted by such channels and portals," pleads the PIL.

"Every person with a hanging camera and holding a mic poses himself as a journalist irrespective of the fact whether he or she is authorized and permitted to work as journalist and whether he or she has the requisite qualification" alleged the PIL. "Fake journalists running Facebook, WhatsApp and Twitter pages have become a new virus that has spread everywhere in Kashmir. They continue to harass officials to create viral videos and sensational news stories and such steps also tend to tarnish the image of real journalists and media persons and therefore such

vagrants need to be discouraged," reads the PIL.

"Real professional journalists from major newspapers, news channels and news agencies follow a strict code of ethics," it states.

With regard to monitoring of cable operators, the PIL says under cable networking law every District Magistrate, in his respective jurisdiction, is competent and empowered to exercise effective control over the cable operators.

"Under law it is obligatory for every cable operator to ensure that National/Doordarshan channels are put on air to facilitate common people to view official media in the country. Most of the cable operators are guilty of blacking out the DD National channels in their areas of operation and respective District Magistrates do not take cognizance of this grave negligence."

## C-DOT signs agreement with VVDN Technologies, WiSig Networks to develop 5G Open RAN

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NEW DELHI: The Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT) has signed an agreement with WiSig Networks Private Limited and VVDN Technologies Private Limited for collaboration in the area of Open RAN-based Radio Network for 5G solution.

The Ministry of Communications said that it is a major step for Indigenous development of 5G Open RAN under Aatmanirbhar Bharat Initiative. Dr. Raj Kumar Upadhyay, Executive Director, C-DOT emphasized the key role of synergistic engagement amongst various technology stakeholders in developing all-encompassing indigenous products and solutions in an effective and expeditious manner. Puneet Agarwal, CEO, VVDN Technologies remarked "VVDN is committed to enable the 5G eco-system in India. This collaboration between C-DOT, VVDN and WiSig is another step towards making India 'Atmanirbhar' in the field of Telecom." Founder WiSig Networks, Prof. Kiran Kuchi said, "WiSig is delighted to be part of this initiative led by C-DOT to build indigenous 5G network infrastructure equipment. WiSig has been pioneering the development of indigenous 5G technology since last five years which can be seen in WiSig's contributions to 5G standardization at 3GPP, TSDSI and ITU consultations." Dr Pankaj Dalela, Shikha Srivastava Directors of C-DOT and senior officer from CDOT, VVDN and WiSig were also present.



C-DOT, VVDN Technologies and WiSig Networks members during agreement signing ceremony.