

# Changing J&K one of major achievements of PM Modi Govt: Slathia

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**VIJAYPUR:** Former minister and Senior Vice President BJP, Surjeet Singh Slathia on Sunday spelled out the achievements of Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his nine year government, saying one of the major highlights has been restoration of peace in Jammu and Kashmir, making it safe destination for travellers and investors from across the world.

Addressing people during Maha Jansamparak Abhyaan, to mark the completion of the nine years of the Modi government, along with senior BJP Karyakartas at village Swankha in the Ranghar Assembly Constituency, Slathia referred to the recently concluded three day Working Group meeting of G20 Conclave in Srinagar and said this reflected the changing times in Kashmir and peoples deep yearning for peace and stability.

He said more than doubling of the investment in J&K to Rs 75,000 crore by this year end, five times the investment happened in the past 74 years holds promise about the huge turnaround in the economic and developmental scenario in the Union Territory. While the influx of tourists has crossed all time high mark of 1.80 crore last year, this year the numbers are expected to go over two crore, which reflects the success of various initiatives taken during the past nearly four years, post abrogation of Article 370, he added.



Senior Vice President BJP, Surjeet Singh Slathia addressing gathering at Vijaypur.

Slathia also noted with satisfaction the efforts being made to harness J&K's hydel potential optimally, saying the target to double the generation in the next three years and three times in seven years will make a huge difference as far as meeting the domestic requirements and in turning giving fillip to economic landscape of the Union Territory. He hoped that the power generation on Tawi basin will prove a game changer not only in terms of achieving self-reliance but also generating jobs for the local skilled, unskilled and educated workforce.

He said that Jammu and Kashmir is witnessing a new era of hope and promise with the era of despondency becoming a nightmare of the past. He dwelt in detail about various path breaking measures taken across Jammu and Kashmir during recent

years with an avowed objective of ensuring development, creating infra-structural facilities, strengthening utility services and giving fillip to growth as a result of massive investments. He said the investments will manifest in industrialization on a mega scale thus opening vistas of opportunities for economic empowerment and generation of jobs for professionals, technocrats, educated unemployed besides skilled and unskilled workforce.

Slathia asserted that the BJP believes in inclusive Jammu and Kashmir, with every segment of society, irrespective of region, religion, race or caste having equal opportunities to prosper and progress and equal rights in the governance. The people's power will triumph under the cherished agenda of Modi's Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas, he maintained.

Slathia said the Prime Minister's vision of Atma Nirbhar (self-reliant) Bharat is Sashaktikaran (empowerment) of all, irrespective of religion, region or caste. It is with this mantra that every BJP Karyakarta is reaching out to the people, making them aware about the schemes tailored by the government for their welfare, listen to their problems and make every effort in getting these resolved by taking up the grievances or issues with appropriate forums in the administration, he added.

The Senior Vice President emphasized the need for sustaining the prevailing era of peace and harmony, saying this is key to taking the Union Territory to a new era of progress and development. A situation has to be created towards growth in the traditional sectors for generating employment. Large scale investments mean wider opportunities to prosper, he said, adding that a grand beginning has already been made due to concerted efforts of the Centre and the UT administration and this momentum has to be taken to its logical conclusion, Slathia added.

Prominent among those who spoke on the occasion included EX Minister Chander Parakash Ganga, Davinder Kumar Manyal, DDC Chairman Keshav Sharma, DDC Member Anita Choudhary, Asha Rani, Subhash Bhagat, Sarabjeet Singh Jhal and others.

# CBC J&K organises 1st ICOP on 9 years of Govt

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**SAMBA:** Launching its first Multimedia Exhibition on the nine years of government, Central Bureau of Communication, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, Jammu today organized its 1st big Integrated Communication & Outreach Program (ICOP) on nine years of government at Kehli Mandi Ground, Samba. The ICOP was jointly inaugurated by DDC Chairman Samba, Keshav Dutt Sharma and Deputy Commissioner Samba Abhishek Sharma in presence of Joint Director CBC, UT of J&K and Ladakh, Ghulam Abbas and Deputy Director CBC, UT of J&K and Ladakh, Ayushii Puri.

While welcoming the guests, Joint Director CBC, Ghulam Abbas said, under the present government, the benefits of all the centrally sponsored schemes are reaching the last man in the queue, even the remotest corners of India have been brought into the mainstream. Abbas also encouraged the participants to spread awareness about the ICOP and motivate other people to visit the exhibition.

DDC Chairman Samba, Keshav Dutt Sharma in his speech termed these 9 years of government as a torch bearer to



Dignitaries during launch of event at Samba.

make India a self reliant country under the guidance of PM Modi. Sharma further said, India has played a great role globally being the Vishwa Guru in the fight against Covid-19 by exporting Covid vaccines to the developed and developing countries. Deputy Commissioner Samba, Abhishek Sharma appreciated the efforts of Central Bureau of Communication for organizing such an event on the large scale in district Samba for mass awareness of general public vis-a-vis various achievements of the government in the last nine years.

DDC Chairman later distributed prizes to the students who participated in drawing competition held as part of the pre-publicity of the event. Resource persons from various line departments highlighted the schemes under flagship programs while as departmental troops of CBC Jammu & PRIs

presented them based cultural items. The Programme included a multimedia exhibition on 9 years of Governance. The exhibition will continue till 14th June. Various panels were mounted on different welfare schemes initiated by the central government to eradicate poverty from the country. Stalls were also put up by various departments of UT of J&K which includes Animal Husbandry, ICDS, Health, Employment etc. On spot services were provided by these departments by enrolling beneficiaries online.

A day after, CBC showcased the achievements of Union Government during last 9 years which witnessed huge participation of youth, community members, PRIs, ASHA workers and NYC volunteers. The programme was attended by Sh. Abhishek Sharma, Deputy Commissioner Samba who visited all the departmental stalls, game zone, VR shows etc.

# DC Rajouri inspects progress on Nagrota to Thathi Badoon PMGSY Road



DC Rajouri, Vikas Kundal inspecting road work.

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**RAJOURI:** Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal on Sunday inspected the progress on 9 KM Nagrota to Thathi Badoon road being constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) at an estimated cost of Rs 4.7 crore.

During the inspection, the

Executive Engineer PMGSY Rajouri informed that the work of blacktopping on the road has been completed while Berm and drain clearance work is in progress.

The road, once completed, would benefit nearly three thousand souls. The DC asked the concerned authorities to ensure timely completion of remaining work on the project.

The Deputy Commissioner stressed on quality of work as per the required standards set under the PMGSY guidelines.

The PMGSY road in Nagrota to Thathi Badoon is expected to provide better connectivity to the residents of the area and improve access to essential services. Once completed, it is expected to foster economic development in the area through increased business and trade.

Officers accompanying the DC during the visit were Executive Engineer PMGSY Rajouri; Shahid Mustafa; Assistant Executive Engineer PMGSY, Mohd Qasim and JEE, Zaffar UI Haq.

# CJM Kishtwar reviews implementation of Juvenile Justice Act

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**KISHTWAR:** Chief Judicial Magistrate/Principal Magistrate, Juvenile Justice Board Kishtwar, Mahmud Anwar Alhasir on Sunday took stock of working of Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Juvenile Justice Board (JJB); District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) and Juvenile Justice Board (JJB) and the implementation of Juvenile Justice Act.

The meeting was attended by ASP Kishtwar, Assistant Public Prosecutor, Chairperson and Members CWC and JJB Kishtwar, CDPOS, DYSSO Kishtwar, CEO Kishtwar, District Child Protection Officer Kishtwar, DySPs, SHOs, Special Juvenile Police Officers, Standing Medical/Counseling Board members, Superintendent of Child Care Institutions, LCPO, PO NIC,



CJM Mahmud Anwar Alhasir chairing a meeting at Kishtwar.

PO IC of DCPU Mission Vatsalya Kishtwar and other staff members.

The meeting focused on spreading of awareness and protection of the rights of victims and children in need of care and protection, with particular emphasis on overnight custody arrangements for victims/survivors and the reporting of POCOS cases within 24 hours before the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Juvenile Justice Board (JJB), and District Child Protection Unit (DCPU).

During the meeting, several

key directives were issued to improve the overall functioning of the system. These directives include the establishment of a fully equipped video conferencing system, along with a dedicated internet facility at the JJB. Furthermore, discussions were held regarding the establishment of child-friendly rooms at the JJB for children in conflict with the law (CCLs).

Additionally, the meeting addressed concerns related to the roles and responsibilities of Social Workers and Counselors and measures taken by the

labor department in coordination with the District Child Protection Unit to prevent child labor in Kishtwar District were also discussed.

Several upcoming activities were outlined during the meeting, including intra-CCI socio-cultural and sports activities/competitions for children in need of care and protection (CNCPS) placed in various CCIs, a pre-tournament preparatory camp for CNCPS, an inter-college/higher secondary debate competition and a symposium as well.

The meeting also emphasized the importance of providing an updated list of drop-out children and the implementation of free and compulsory education for CNCPS/CCLs in both private and government schools/tutors. The reporting of child marriage cases by staff members of the School Education Department via the

Chief Education Officer (CEO) and Child Development Project Officers (CDPOs) as Protection Officers under DV Act.

Furthermore, the Chair highlighted the significance of preventive measures against minors engaging in stunt driving and driving vehicles, especially in the vicinity of schools and tuition centers in the town area of Kishtwar.

The meeting concluded with an interactive question and discussion session, allowing stakeholders to address queries and exchange valuable insights.

The Principal Magistrate expressed his appreciation for the collective efforts and contributions of all stakeholders and stressed the importance of continuous collaboration to ensure the effective protection and well-being of children in Kishtwar.

# All India Adivasi Indigenous Tribal writer's conference organised

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**BHADARWAH:** With an aim to protect authentic tribal literature and to encourage young Adivasi writers to come forward to showcase their unique culture with their writings, maiden All India Adivasi Indigenous Tribal writer's conference organised at Bhaderwah, which concluded on Sunday.

The two days conference in which 37 Adivasi writers, poets and cultural experts of different tribes from across the country participated was held at Lal-Ded Auditorium of Bhadarwah Campus.

A joint venture of 'Jharkhandi Bhasha



DC Vishesh Paul Mahajan and others inaugurating conference.

Sahitya Sanskriti Akhara' and 'Anjuman-e-Taraqqi Gojri Adab', the conference was inaugurated by DC Doda Vishesh Paul Mahajan along with ADC Dilmir Chowdhary and SP Bhadarwah Vinod Sharma.

The representatives from different tribes participated in the workshop include

that of Santhali, Gondi, Ho, Bhundhari, Koya, Banjara, Kharia, Kudhuk, Gujjar, Bakerwal, Gaddi and Munda from different states and union territories including Orissa, Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Telengana, Rajasthan, Delhi, Bihar, Jharkhand, Assam, J&K and Andhra Pradesh.

Vandana Tete coordinator of the workshop said that all the tribes of Northern, central and Eastern India share basic similarities and aim of organising the workshop is bring all the tribals under one umbrella and to share their culture and problems they are facing to preserve their unique identity. On the occasion DC Doda also released three books written by Adivasi writers.

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**KISHTWAR:** A District Level Bankers' seminar on Agriculture credit linked schemes was held on Sunday here under the chairmanship of District Development Commissioner, Kishtwar Dr Devansh Yadav here in the Conference Hall DC Office Complex. The visiting officer Director Agriculture Jammu, K K Sharma was also present. ADDC, Sham Lal; Chief Agriculture Officer, ( Nodal

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**SAMBA:** Talent World Dance & Fitness House, Samba on Sunday organized talent hunt programme for children which include dance, singing and modeling. The programme was organized by Vineet Kumar at Veer Bhomi Park Samba where parents of children & local were also present. The Chief Guest of the program was Kr. Naryan Singh wished the children all the best for their future and now promised to make every possible effort from their side. He was accompanied by Capt. Inder Singh,



Organisers along with participating students.

who was there as the Guest of President Municipality Committee Honour and Pawan Kohli who is Samba.

# District Level Bankers' seminar on Agriculture credit linked schemes held

Officer HADP); Amjad Hussain Malik, Bankers, Progressive Farmers besides other stakeholders were also present. A detailed insight into the procedure and scope of the credit linked schemes like KCC, PMFME, AIF, AHIDE, FIDF, credit guarantee scheme for FPO, etc. were given in the seminar. The Director Agriculture elaborated in detail the objectives of the Holistic Agriculture Development Plan in 29 projects and its implementation through Agriculture credit to be given by various Banks. The District Development Commissioner Kishtwar emphasized on simplifying the documentation procedure for providing the credit loan to the farmers and save them from making frequent visits to banks. He further urged the Bankers and the allied departments to work in tandem to achieve the goals of HADP launched by JKUT

Government with the approval of Government of India. The DDC also asked the Agriculture and allied sector officers to pay special attention to the Indoor Saffron Cultivation and repair of Kuhl in convergence with MGNREGA in the District for the larger benefit of farmers.

DDM NABARD, Nikhil Sharma presented a power-point presentation on the agriculture credit linked schemes.

The District heads of allied Departments including Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Sheep Husbandry, Sericulture, Marketing officer HPM, Kissan Advisory Board members, Cluster Head J&K bank, Representatives of FPOs, PMPBY scheme, CSC coordinator and progressive farmers also participated in the event.

Vote of thanks was presented by the Chief Agriculture Officer.

# Darshan elected Chairman MESBAI



Newly elected members of MESBAI Udhampur.

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**UDHAMPUR:** Military Engineering Service Builder Association of India (MESBAI) branch Udhampur held general body elections in

Udhampur on Sunday in which Darshan Proach was elected chairman by defeating his rival Vijay Kumar Gupta. Polling process was done through ballot box in order to maintained transparency and to hold fare and free election.

It was informed that there were two candidates in fray for the post of Chairman, Darshan Proach clinched 49 votes by defeating Vijay Kumar Gupta who got 40 votes. While two candidates Sandeep Gandotra (Shota) and Sanjeev Singh contested for the post of Honorary Secretary in which Sandeep secured 56 votes and defeating Sanjeev who secured 34 votes.

However Varinder Singh defeated Kapil Gupta and clinched the post of Senior Vice-chairman, while Ashwani Kumar, Sushel Kumar, Kush Pachayla, SL Sham and Umesh Kumar were elected as Vice-chairmen.

Tarun Magotra as Hony Joint Secy Treasurer, Anoop Khajuria-Hony treasurer. However Bikram Singh Slathia, Neeraj Paul, Anil Kumar, Sanjay Sharma and Naresh Kumar Sharma were elected as council members. It was informed that whole election process was conducted under the supervision of election chairmanship Sunil Baru (Sanyli), Vicky Mahajan and Pardeep Kumar.

Darshan Proach, Bikram Singh Slathia and other winner members extended their gratitude towards all members to give them opportunity to cater their services. They also assured full support to take MESBAI Br Udhampur towards era of progress, prosperity and committed to give desirable services to the valuable members with the coordination of regional and head quarter team.

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**BHADARWAH:** Deputy Commissioner, Vishesh Paul Mahajan on Sunday chaired a meeting of the Collectors and Revenue officers (ADCs, ACR, SDMs, and Tehsildars) here in the Dak Bungalow Bhaderwah to discuss the proliferation of the digitization of revenue records, retrieval of balance encroached state land and speedy disbursement of compensation to rightful owners.

During the meeting, the challenge of staff shortage and the issues regarding the maintenance and up-gradation of the digitised record and timely disposal of applications of the common people through online mode were discussed thereabout.

The Deputy Commissioner also deliberated upon the status of land acquisition and the collectors finalised the rates



DC Vishesh Paul Mahajan chairing a meeting.

for few acquisition cases in the final stage.

Meeting also discussed the status of the available funds, disbursement and the liability to be paid by the indenting departments. It was further enjoined that the collectors shall write to the indenting departments to release the balance amount so that the people are paid their compensation.

The Deputy Commissioner assessed the status of issuance of land passbooks,

conduct of Girdwari (land survey), Agriculture census, geo referencing of the land and other issues of public interest. He instructed the Revenue officers to ensure to protect the evicted state land, kalchharie (grazing land), and common land, emphasizing the importance of not allowing any new encroachment. The Deputy Commissioner also stressed the timely disposal of applications seeking online services for land records, Change of Land Use (CLU)

and all services covered under PSGA. To ensure the quality and timely completion of work, the Deputy Commissioner directed the Revenue officers to personally monitor the activities within their jurisdictions. He also commended the overall functioning of the Revenue department and urged the Tehsildars and other Revenue officers to streamline and shift completely to e office and ensure that digitised land records are easily accessible to the general public. The Deputy Commissioner emphasized on the immediate resolution of public grievances and instructed the officials to intensify anti-encroachment drives, prioritizing the removal of encroachments from public utilities and along National Highways. The meeting was attended by ADC Bhaderwah, SDMs Gandoh, Thatri and Assar, ACR Doda and all Tehsildars of the district.

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