## Modi govt reinstated basic principles of Indian constitution: YV Sharma

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JAMMU: Narendra Modi government reinstated the basic principles enshrined in Indian constitution as envisioned after the nation achieved freedom from the British rule in 1947, said YV Sharma, J&K BJP Spokesperson in a press conference at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, here on Saturday.

He was accompanied by party Media Incharge Dr. Pardeep Mahotra and Cell convenor Mukherjee Sharma.

Sharma said that PM Modi has sincerely tried and succeeded in reaching up to masses and to provide them with the basic needs like food, residence, electricity, water, safety, health, cleanliness, roads, transport, education, equality and other necessary requirements. Modi government has com-

pleted its nine years in the service of the nation ensuring all round development in the Nation. Modi government has provided equal rights and opportunities to the underprivileged sections those who were neglected for decades by the successive governments. Modi government has given focus on schools, colleges, universities, Medical Colleges, AIIMS, IITs,



YV Sharma, J&K BJP Spokesperson addressing a press conference at Jammu.

IIMs. People beneficial schemes like Ayushmaan and Jana Aushadhi Kendras has provided relief to crores of people. Modi government has provided liberal funding to strengthen the local representatives of public like Panchs, Sarpanchs, Councillors. Roads, railway infrastructure up to Kashmir, increasing tourism sector. Modi governmet has successfully combated Corona. Ukraine Conflict, China aggression, Pakistan sponsored terrorism, drug menace. Modi government has ensured recognition to rich cultural heritage like yoga Diwas.

Modi government strengthened economy, strengthened GDP, increased exports. Ensured schemes like Ujjawala, Ujala Izzatghar to provide dignity to the poor. The graph of India and Indians has risen all over the world. The

achievements of the 9 years of Modi government in Jammu & Kashmir is are as follows.

"There has been a tremendous effort on developing the road infrastructure in the UT. Some of the projects have been completed while there are others on which work is going on at a steady but rapid pace," Sharma said adding that besides regular challenges, the Union Government along with the UT Govt is making every possible effort to ensure that train connectivity is available to the people of the UT.

Similarly, he said, the road from Qazigund to Srinagar & Srinagar bypass are almost a dream come true.

The Ring road in Jammu is nearing completion and several sections of the same have been thrown open for the commuters. Sharma added. The upcoming flyover con-

addition to massive infraabove ugmentation/

Jammu is concerned.

infrastructure

also ready.

bridge.

There are around 20 number

road tunnels (small & big) com-

ing up in J&K as part of the

Cheneni & Banihal road tun-

nels are already operational.

The Banihal railway tunnel is

Reasi in Jammu has the dis-

tinction of having the highest

railway bridge in the world.

Similarly, it also has the dis-

tinction of having India's first

fully cable stayed railway

It is because of the massive

push of the government under

Narendra Modi, ably support-

ed by the UT government that

the Delhi - Jammu - Srinagar -

Baramulla railway line is likely

to be commissioned in the first

quarter of 2024 or may be even

earlier. If you drive along the

Doda - Kishtwar - Padder road

you will come face to face with

rapid construction activity tak-

ing place on the hydroelectric

projects on the Chenab river.

upgrade.

necting 4th bridge over Tawi river & to the Muthi flyover & sector has also been carried out back to the NH via Satwari by way of creation/augmentashall be a game changer as far tion of new receiving stations. as road infrastructure in he said.

The government has established hospitals in every district of the UT & issued aayushmaan cards to every resident of J&K who can get himself/herself treated for health related issues in any of the hospitals in

The Gol & UT governments need to be congratulated for holding successfully the G20 tourism summit in Srinagar & G20 youth programme in the Jammu University.

It is because of the far sight. edness of the Modi government that the era of hartals, bandhcalendar, stone throwing & the like have come to a halt in the Kashmir Valley & people are able to go about their businesses 365 days a year.

This is a marked change since the tuning down of Article 370 & 35 $\overline{\text{A}}$  in J&K, We are sure that under the capable leadership of the PM J&K will see a dawn of peace & tranquility in the UT of J&K & where the migrants of 1989/90 are able to return to their homes & hearth in the Valley to lead a

J&K Bank MD & CEO chairs customer meet in Kargil All issues will be addressed on priority: Baldev Prakash



J&K Bank MD & CEO Baldev Prakash chairing a customer meet in Kargil

he said, "Ladakh is one the

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

KARGIL: On his visit to Ladakh, J&K Bank MD & CEO Baldey Prakash on Saturday chaired a customer meet in Kargil held at the Hotel Kargil that was attended by a cross-section of bank's valuable customers including hoteliers, traders and local residents. Accompanied by the Bank's Executive Director Sudhir Gupta, Zonal Head (Leh) Angchuk Dorjey and Cluster Head (Kargil) Ishafaq Ahmad, MD & CEO interacted with customers and took stock of Bank's services being provided to the people Speaking on the occasion, most important zones in terms of bank's commitment of serving to empower. It assumes greater significance as the Bank is in missionmode to realize the national vision of inclusive growth and equitable financial development. And we are already geared towards meeting these goals in all our operational geographies."

"The purpose of my visit is to get a first hand feedback of our services and issues that you face while dealing with the Bank. After listening to you, I assure you that all the issues will be addressed on priority and within the framework of reg-

ulatory guidelines",

Thanking the participant customers for their love and long-association with the premier financial institution of J&K and Ladakh, MD & CEO informed them of Bank's plans to expand the Bank's infra structure in Ladakh while extending best conventional and digital banking services to the peo-

"This year we plan to make effective interventions under CSR also in the UT", he added.

The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks presented by Zonal Head Leh,

## Harmony India Awards ceremony to be held in Srinagar



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SRINAGAR: Harmony Cultural Foundation, New Delhi announced it's 9th Edition of Harmony India Awards 2023 for the first time in Kashmir. The award ceremony scheduled to be held on tomorrow at Tagore Hall, will be presided over by the Jammu and Kashmir, LG Manoj Sinha, along with distinguished gathering including Padma Shri Awardee and Founder SBSSD, Jitender Singh Shunty, Waqf Board Chairperson Dr Darakshan Andrabi, Mayor of Srinagar Junaid A Mattoo and others. A total of 20 awardees chosen by the jury from various fields of fine art, performing art, culture, cine & TV, sports, literature, administrative and social services, Journalism, entrepreneur and others to those who have outshined in their respective fields, have brought glory to the success of Jammu & Kashmir and have immensely contributed to the

growth and development of our

The awards will be presented to, and given under various categories, as following. Lifetime achievement to Pran Kishore Kaul; Shreshth Samaan to Farooq Nazki, Zameer Ashai, Ahmed Ali Fayyaz, Masood Husain, Bhushan Parimoo: Women achievers award to Nirupama Kotru; Community Icon Award to Ravinder Pandita and Rohit Bhat; Pt. Bhajan Sopori Smriti Samman

to Abdul Rashid Hafiz; Harmony India Special Award to Dr. Pawan Suri and Rehmat Rattan. State Icon Award will be presented to Gulzar Ganaie, Ayash Arif, Munir Ahmed Mir, Dr. Satish Vimal, Amin Bhat, Zeenat Zeeshan Fazil, and the Yuva Puruskar to Sadia Tariq and Wajahat Rather.

The program will also feature a musical performance by an emerging young Harmonies Choir of J&K, the young generation of Kashmiri singers, who have previously performed in 2021 at the inaugural ceremony of Azadi Ka Mahotsav Ahmedabad, in front of PM Modi and also recently in the Vitasta series festivals.

A short documentary on Padmashri Pandit Bhajan Sopori will also be screened as a

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GGFPresident, S P Verma (Padma

Shri Awardee) has visited

Jammu Metro Daily National

Newspaper Office and Metro

News 24x7 National Web

Channel Office and honoured

wonne Journalist Vichal

Chopra that he is doing for the

Vishal Chopra in his office. S.P Verma praised the efforts

## Hari Singh, Rajni start blacktopping work in Jammu North Assembly

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Hari Singh Chib, President DCC Jammu Rural along with Rajni Bala Corporator Ward No. 60 and Som Nath Sharma, President BCC Patta Paloura today started black topping works of the road from Lower Roop Nagar Azad Colony to Raina Higher Secondary School Paloura including other adjoining roads in Jammu North Assembly Segment. The road work is estimated to cost Rs 25 lakh and will be executed through Public Works Department.

Speaking on the occasion, Hari Singh expressed disappointment with the

betterment of Youths & all peo-

Gandhi Global Family is a

United Nations DGC accredit-

ed NGO, founded to propagate

ideology of Mahatma Gandhi,

Martin Luther King and

Nelson Mandela and to develop friendship at people's level and

establish people to people con-

tries of the world.

# Call for Assembly elections in J&K

Hari Singh Chib, President DCC Jammu Rural and Rajni Bala Corporator Ward 60 starting development work.

present government's failure to provide basic amenities to the people. He also pointed out that Assembly elections in J&K have been due since 2019, but the BJP Government at the Centre has been hesitant to hold them for fear of losing.

Hari Singh Chib called upon the BJP Government

to take serious note of people's issues and address the concerns of the people. Rajni Bala, in her address, asserted that the Congress Party can fulfill the aspirations of the people. She believed that the Congress party is the only one that can fulfill the aspirations of the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

She asked people to lend their support to the Congress Party to ensure equitable development of the state.

Among those who were present include Sandeep Manhas, Madan Singh Chib, Ajmer Singh, Sher Singh, Harbans Tarun Vaid and others.

## Police organizes awareness programme on drug abuse



SP City South Shaheen Wahid addressing a gathering at Jammu on Saturday.

## **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Awareness programme on Drug Abuse was organised at Panchayat Ghar Bhour Camp Chatha

Supdt. of Police (City South) Shaheen Wahid was the chief Guest on the occasion, who made the participants aware about the effects of drug addiction, government policies to curb it, laws and police actions against the suppliers

He also enlightened the par-

Principal

ticipants on drug menace and motivated them to aware their families and surrounding people, also it is the duty of every citizen of this country to contribute towards drug-free society and help Police to curb smuggling / menace of drugs from the country.

He further added that police is committed towards public welfare and urged the students to inform police if they suspect any illegal activity in the area.

SDPO South Sachit Sharma. SHO Satwari Inspr Sumeet Sharma, I/C PP Chatha PSI Hariinder Paul Singh, Sarpanch Chatha farm Avtar Singh, Akash Jaiswal Block Programme Manager JKRLM (Umeed) along with other faculty members of the school were also present on the occasion.

The event concluded with a pledge, taken by the participants to fight against drug

GGF Vice President, S P Verma honouring Vishal Chopra.

GGF honours young

journalist Vishal Chopra

## NDS, IYA celebrate International Yog Divas



Former MLC JK UT, Vikram Randhawa posing with NDS and IYA members.

## **STATE TIMES NEWS**

Indian Yoga JAMMU: (IYA) Association Saturday celebrated International Yoga Divas at Brahman Partinidhi Sabha Parade, here.

Former MLC JK UT. Vikram Randhawa was the Chief Guest while Yoga Guru Dr Shrevansh Kumar Jain, State Yoga Commissioner, State Chairman Indian Yoga Association presided over, Vijay Sharma former DC &

State Vice President Bharat Vikash Parishad was Guest of Honour, Sudha Chander Sharma Joint Secretary IYA and Nidhi Sharma, a Dogri Poetess were the Special Guests on the occasion.

Dr Jain explained about the history of Yoga, Day to day need in the present scenario and detailed knowledge about stress management and well-

Symptoms, causes and treatment/ Management were narrated, how to get rid of Tension, Stress, Anxiety, Insomnia, Depression, Blood pressure and means to strengthen the activation of brain and Management of Sub conscious State of mind.

Sudha Chander and Jain demonstrated the different Yogic Asans and Pranayama.

Susheel Bhola recited a Yoga Song. Capt Lalit Sharma presented vote of thanks. Programe was coordinated by Yash Pal Yash.

# Transfusion Medicine Deptt, GMC Jammu celebrates World Donor Day 2023

## **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Department of Transfusion Medicine, Government Medical College (GMC) Jammu in collaboration with J&K AIDS Control Society, National Health Mission J&K UT and ISBTI J&K UT Chapter organized celebration of World Blood Donor Day 2023 on Saturday to felicitate and express gratitude to all the Voluntary Blood Donor Voluntary Organizations, Blood Donors, Motivators and Camp Organizers involved in regular Voluntary Blood Donation.

The event was attended by more than 50 voluntary Blood Donor Organizations including Sant Nirankari Mandal, Thalassemia Military Society, Paramilitary forces, Youth SKUAST organizations, Jammu, NHPC Salal, IIT Jammu, NCC and NSS incharges of various colleges of Jammu region and University of Jammu.

Vijay Sawhney, Associate Professor, appraised the audience about



the importance of World Blood Donor Day. Dr. Meena Sidhu, Professor & Head presented the welcome address. She explained the theme of the World Blood Donor Day 2023 "Give Blood, Give Plasma, Share Life, Share Often" and highlighted the importance of Blood safety by regular repeat voluntary Blood Donation.

Ayushi Sudan, Mission Director, NHM J&K UT highlighted the role and support of NHM in augmenting Blood Transfusion Services specially implementation of NAT testing of Blood Units in J&K UT.

Medical College Jammu, Dr.

Shashi Sudhan Sharma, also cordially thanked her gratitude towards voluntary blood donors and organizations for their selfless service to the mankind and desired their help in achieving 100% voluntary blood donation in J&K

Administrative Secretary, Health and Medical Education Department, J&K UT, Bhupinder Kumar, emphasized the important role of regular voluntary blood donors and organizations in providing safe blood to the needy patients.

He also stressed on the need unified efforts by all these organizations towards this

noble cause. He again highlighted the advancements and introduction of newer techniques by the Government to facilitate adequate and safe Blood Transfusion Services in the UT.

Dr. T.R. Raina, Dy. President (Motivational), ISBTI National Body, highlighted the role Yogic way of life in voluntary Blood Donors by creating Healthy Body and Mind.

The other dignitaries present during the event were Ashwani Khajuria Administrator GMC Jammu, Ajit Singh Parmukh Zonal Incharge Sant Nirankari Mandal Jammu, Ghanisham Saini HOD Pediatrics, Dr. Sanjeev Digra Prof. Pediatrics, Dr. Manoj Chalotra

Medical Superintendent Jammu, Hon. Secretary Regional Red Cross Society Sh. Sat Pal Sharma. HOD's and faculty members of the various departments of Govt. Medical College Jammu also attended this event.

To mark this Global event, the Department organized Painting competition, slogan writing competition and more than 20 blood donation camps in the month of June.

In painting competition first prize was secured by Palvinder Kour GGM Science College Jammu, followed by second prize to Aakriti Sharma GGM Science College Jammu and Memona Arif GMC Jammu and third prize to Ananya GGM Science College Jammu and Ambreen Fatima, GMC Jammu.

In slogan writing competition, Muskaan Mahajan got first prize, while Adil Qureshi and Achyut from SPMR College of Commerce Jammu got second and third prize respectively.

Voluntary blood donors were also honored during this event. Mr. & Mrs. Vivek Suri were given star couple blood donor award. Ravneet Singh & Gurinder Mehta were given Young Blood Donor award and female blood donor award respectively.

The event concluded by Dr. Mitali Sharma, Lecturer who presented vote of thanks.

#### caught red handed while transporting poppy straw in commercial quantity weighing 65 Kgs in a plastic bags of white colour in a Truck bearing registration No. HP69/1858 from Srinagar towards Jammu, during routine checking on 29.06.2017. Police regis-

Sunder Nagar

tered case and investigation was entrusted to SI Thakur Dutt.

10 yrs RI, Rs 1 lakh fine awarded

to Punjab based narco smuggler

Sessions Judge Udhampur After hearing Public Haq Nawaz Zargar today awarded 10 years rigorous Prosecutor Koshal Kotwal imprisonment and imposed appearing for the Police, a fine of Rs 1 lakh on a Principal Sessions Judge narco smuggler namely Udhampur Haq Nawaz Daljeet Singh S/o Kashmir Zargar observed, that the evidence led by the prose-Singh R/o Kapurthala, cution is clear, cogent and Kapurthala, Punjab from consistent and has withwhom 65 kilogram poppy stood the legal scrutiny straw was recovered. and moreover, accused has According to the prosecualso not been able to tion story the accused was extract anything from the facing trial for offences prosecution witnesses to punishable under section 8 bring anything on record r/w section 15 (i) (a) of which could have the effect NDPS Act having been of undermining their credibility that squarely meets the requirements of the ingredients of offence as defined u/s 8/15NDPS Act

> So, having considered the aggravating and mitigating circumstances, the accused is therefore, con-

charged.

for which he has been

victed accordingly for the commission of aforesaid offences.

Court is of the considered view that a sentence of rigorous imprisonment for Ten years would meet the ends of justice.

In the circumstances, the convict, namely Daljeet Singh son of Kashmir Singh resident of Kapurthala, Sunder Nagar Tehsil Kapurthala, Punjab is sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for ten years and to pay a fine of Rs. 1.00 lakh for commission of offence under sections 8/15 NDPS Act. In case of failure of con-

shall further undergo rigorous imprisonment for one year. The period of already imprisonment undergone during investigation/trial shall be set off from the period of sen-

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Principal & Dean, Govt.