

Dr Jitendra announces ‘Mini Ratna’ status for Central Electronics Limited

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SAHIBABAD: Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh today announced the grant of "Mini Ratna" status (Category-1) for Central Electronics Limited (CEL) at its Golden Jubilee celebration at the Ghaziabad campus.

Union Minister congratulated CEL on completion of 50 glorious years in the service of the nation and now celebrating their Golden Jubilee on 26th June this year.

Dr. Jitendra said "We feel proud that the Golden Jubilee Celebrations are being graced by the Vice President of India and his guidance and motivation will persuade us to contribute more for the betterment of the country."

Adding further the Science and technology Minister said, "50 years of dedication, perseverance, and success is a



Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh speaking, in the presence of Vice President of India Jagdish Dhankar, at the Golden Jubilee celebration of Central Electronics Limited (CEL) at Sahibabad on Wednesday.

testament to the hard work, commitment, and vision which propelled this journey of excellence."

Dr. Jitendra, while highlighting CEL's performance, mentioned that over last few years, especially in the last 5 years, CEL's financial stability, profitability, and operational excellence have

reached new heights. CEL's performance in terms of the numbers in turnover, net worth, reserves, net profit, etc. are also remarkable.

The Minister shared that CEL has transformed from a loss-making PSU to a dividend paying PSU and this is the 3rd consecutive year

that CEL has paid dividends, that too at increasing rate, to the Government of India.

He also highlighted that Celebrating 50 years with attaining Net profit of approx. Rs 58 cr is commendable.

Recalling Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Vision of Amrit Kaal, he said, our aim is to increase indigenization of technology and boost manufacturing by capacity building, skill development.

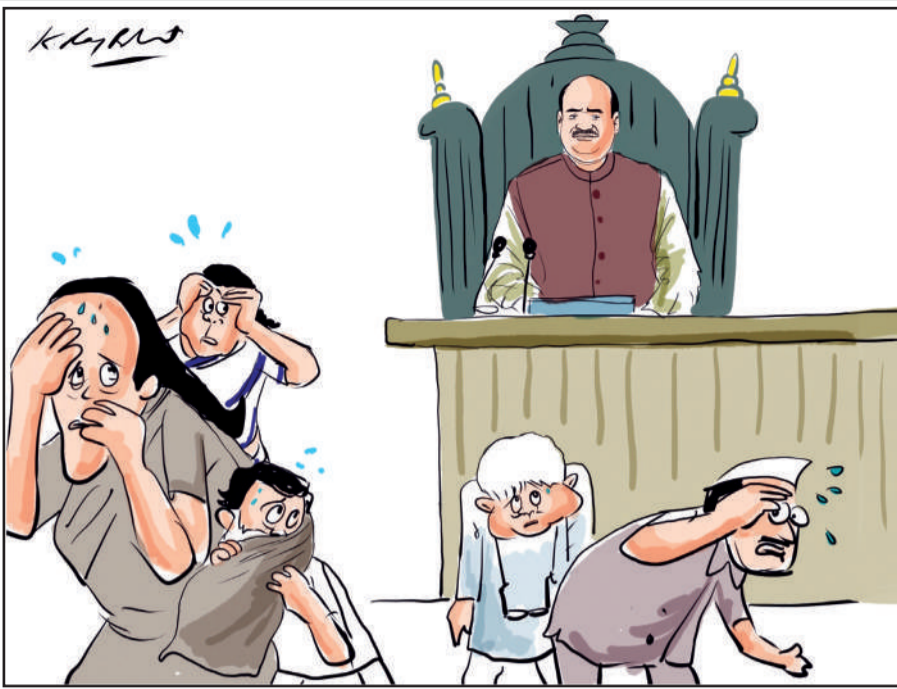
Dr. Jitendra lauded CEL's contributions in the field of Defence, Railway, Security, Surveillance and Solar shows its vital role in promoting indigenous technologies and manufacturing capabilities.

Going further, he said "Rolling out production of Smart Boards which shall not only diversify CEL's

product portfolio but also significantly impact implementation of smart education in schools in the country."

Dr. Jitendra expressed his satisfaction over the new initiatives taken by the CEL Management to strengthen Employee Engagement which led to outstanding performance over the last few years and an all-time high achievement in the last financial year. The minister affirmed that Central Electronics Limited has ticked the right boxes of performance parameters for grant of higher status of Mini RATNA (Category-1).

Dr. N. Kalaiselvi, DG, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) along with senior officials of Government of India were also present for the Programme.



SSP Jammu briefs Probationary DySPs on Amarnath Yatra Duty

Asks for stringent security measures to counter any potential threats



SSP Jammu, Dr Vinod Kumar interacting with probationary DySPs.

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JAMMU: To ensure the smooth and secure conduct of the upcoming Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2024, Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Jammu, Dr. Vinod Kumar on Wednesday provided a comprehensive briefing to 15 probationary Deputy Superintendents of Police (DySPs) of the 2023 batch. This briefing session was held in the Zonal Police Headquarters (ZPHQ) Conference Hall this evening.

The probationary officers, assigned to the Jammu Zone by the Police Headquarters J&K, gathered to receive critical instructions and insights regarding their roles and responsibilities during the Yatra.

SSP Jammu emphasized the importance of maintaining heightened security measures in light of the current security scenario, ensuring the safety and well-being of the pilgrims.

Dr. Vinod outlined the need for stringent security measures to counter any potential threats and ensure a safe pilgrimage experience for all devotees.

The probationary officers were encouraged to foster effective communication and collaboration to address any challenges promptly, besides they were briefed on the importance of providing timely assistance and support to the pilgrims, ensuring their journey remains smooth and hassle-free.

SSP Jammu highlighted

the significance of engaging with the local communities along the Yatra route and importance of real-time monitoring of the Yatra route and prompt reporting of any suspicious activities or incidents was underscored. The probationary officers were instructed to remain vigilant and proactive in their duties.

SSP Jammu, expressed confidence in the abilities of the probationary DySPs and urged them to perform their duties with utmost dedication and commitment.

This initiative reflects the Jammu and Kashmir Police's proactive approach towards maintaining law and order and ensuring the safety of all participants in the Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2024.

AIIMS Jammu celebrates World Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Day 2024

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JAMMU: World Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Day 2024, was organized by AIIMS Vijaypur, Jammu with multipronged activities, including a multidisciplinary health camp and health promotional activities at tribe predominate areas of Samba district, J&K, and a poster competition among Nursing Officers of AIIMS Vijaypur Jammu on Sickle Cell Disease.

Under the guidance of Prof Shakti Kumar Gupta, ED&CEO, AIIMS Vijaypur, Jammu, the health Camp and health promotional activity on Sickle Cell Disease was organized by AIIMS Vijaypur, Jammu, in collaboration with the Department of Health, Samba at Sah Talab Panchayet Office, Purmandal Block, Samba on June 19, 2022.

The location was purposively selected considering



Doctors of AIIMS Jammu and Health Deptt Samba at a programme.

the high tribal population in that community, in consultation with tribal health activists and representatives from the Department of Tribal Affairs, J&K.

Specialists from the Departments of Community Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Ophthalmology, General Medicine, Dermatology, and Orthopaedics actively

participated in that event. The beneficiaries were provided consultation and medicines free of cost and were linked with specialists of AIIMS Vijaypur, Jammu, if required, for further consultation.

For all adult patients, blood pressure and blood sugar were measured, and ophthalmological examination was offered. The health camp was enthusiastically attended by

around 100 people in the area.

The event was also greatly supported by the local panchayat Sarpanch Md Selim, other panchayet members and Dr. Sonia Gupta, Senior Medical Officer of Bari Khad Primary Health Centre.

Dr. RajKumar Sharma,

Block Medical Officer, Purmandal Block, visited the camp and ensured support from the Department of Health. The event was received warmly by the people in the area who hope to further such outreach services.

A poster competition was carried out by the Department of Community Medicine in collaboration with the College of Nursing, AIIMS Jammu, on June 21, 2024 in the AIIMS Jammu Campus among Nursing Officers of AIIMS Jammu.

The theme of the event was "Transforming Lives, Defeating Sickle Cell: Together We Heal."

The conversation and explanation of the participants about their works of art reveal not only their skills but also their incredible knowledge of the topic.

Excise Department J&K celebrates International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking



Excise Commissioner Pankaj Sharma presenting trophy to a winner and posing for a photograph with participants.

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JAMMU: The Excise Department of Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday marked the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking with a series of engaging events, including a volleyball match, painting competition, and Nukkad Natak (street play).

These activities were organized to raise awareness about

the dangers of drug abuse and promote a drug-free society.

The events saw enthusiastic participation and were graced by Excise Commissioner Pankaj Sharma and Deputy Excise Commissioner (Executive) Sukriti Sharma.

In his address to the youth, Excise Commissioner Pankaj Sharma highlighted the

severe problems caused by drug abuse.

He stressed the crucial role of community involvement in combating this issue and encouraged everyone to work together towards a drug-free society.

"Our fight against drug abuse requires a collective effort. By participating in these events, you are helping to spread the message of

a healthier, drug-free life," he said.

The Nukkad Natak vividly depicted the adverse effects of drug abuse, leaving a strong impact on the audience. The painting competition allowed participants to express their thoughts and creativity on the theme of a drug-free world, while the volleyball match fostered teamwork and healthy living.

The activities engaged the community and reinforced the department's commitment to raise awareness and supporting those who are affected by drug abuse.

Prizes were distributed among the winners, recognizing their efforts and encouraging continued participation in such initiatives.

City Traffic police reviews regulation plan ahead of SANJY-2024

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JAMMU: In view of ensuring Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra (SANJY-2024) scheduled to commence from June 28, a meeting was convened by SSP Traffic City Jammu here in the Conference Hall of District Police Lines Gandhi Nagar to brief the subordinate formations about their duties and deployment during the annual pilgrimage.

The meeting was attended by Raj Paul Singh Addl. SP Traffic City Jammu; Bikram Kumar, I/C SP Traffic City South Jammu; Farha Nishat, Dy. SP Traffic City North Jammu and all other GOs and NGOs attached for special duty on SANJY-

2024.

At the outset, the participants were briefed regarding the challenges and issues which were faced by Traffic during previous year Amarnath Yatra.

The officers were directed to clear all sorts of obstructions/wrong parking from Yatra route well in time besides ensuring hassle free movement of Yatra Convoys.

The participants were further directed to take strict action against overloading/overcharging by passenger vehicles as well as by Auto Rickshaws and E-rickshaws under the provisions of M.V Act/rule. SSP Traffic urged all the officers/

officials to remain extra-vigilant and proactive in their duties, emphasizing the importance of coordination and timely response to avert any kind of exigency.

Strict directions were given to all the officers that no any kind of vehicle except emergency vehicles shall be allowed to move on NHW after cut off time. All the participants were directed to remain in best turnout and to behave properly/politely when the vehicles were stopped during cut off time.

In the end, SSP Traffic extended his best wishes to all the officers/officials for forthcoming Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra-2024.

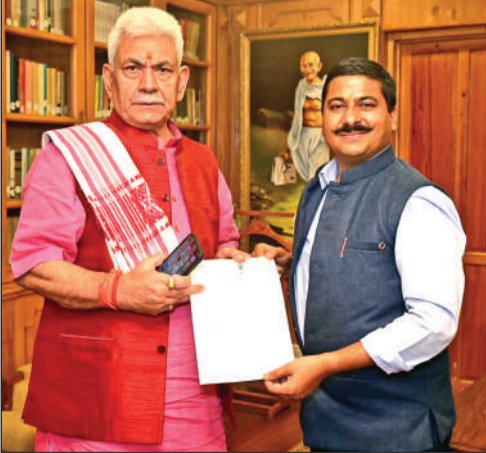
Gaurav calls on LG Sinha, discusses strategic developments in Jammu region

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SRINAGAR: Gaurav Gupta, former General Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Jammu, met with the Lt. Governor Manoj Sinha at Raj Bhawan Srinagar and presented a memorandum highlighting key requests and suggestions for the strategic development of the Jammu region.

During the meeting, Gaurav commended the Lt. Governor's exemplary leadership, particularly noting the successful conduct of International Yoga Day in Srinagar with the participation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Gupta emphasized the transformative projects and initiatives that have significantly contributed to the region's growth and development.

Gaurav urged LG Sinha for a dedicated railway track between Jammu and Katra, which currently spans 85 km via Udhampur, despite the actual distance being only 35 km. The upcoming operation of numerous trains between Jammu and Srinagar will encase traffic on the existing track and it will become a potential bottleneck which will surely effect on the trains going from Jammu to Katra. So



Former General Secretary CCI Jammu, Gaurav Gupta presenting memorandum to LG Manoj Sinha.

please take adequate measures in advance by directing a dedicated railway track between Jammu to Katra separately.

Recognizing the record number of tourists in 2023, he requested focused efforts on promoting tourism in the Jammu region. He proposed

designating areas like Sarthal, Bani, Kishtwar, and Bhadarwah as official hill stations to attract more visitors and boost local economies.

Gaurav highlighted the urgent need for financial assistance and handholding measures for existing industries in Jammu. This support would prevent potential closures and stimulate economic growth in the region.

Gaurav Gupta also advocated for the establishment of hydroelectric projects on the tributaries of local rivers, producing 1 to 10 megawatts of power. Inspired by successful models in Himachal Pradesh, these projects would harness natural resources effectively and provide sustainable energy and economic benefits to local communities, he added.

Gaurav expressed confidence in Lt. Governor Sinha's continued leadership and its potential to drive further success and prosperity in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. He believed that the attention to these requests will significantly enhance the development of the Jammu region.

Giving a patient hearing to the issues put forth by Gaurav Gupta, the Lt Governor has assured to take adequate step in this regard.

Secretary Transport reviews functioning of MVD



Secretary Transport, Neeraj Kumar chairing a meeting.

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SRINAGAR: A Review Meeting of Motor Vehicles Department (MVD) under the chairmanship of Neeraj Kumar, Secretary, Transport Department J&K was convened at Civil Secretariat Srinagar. The meeting was attended by Rajinder Singh Tara, Transport Commissioner J&K, Rajeshwar Singh Charak, Additional Secretary Transport Department, Ajaz Abdullah Saraf, Additional Transport Commissioner, Vinay Samotra, Joint Transport Commissioner J&K, besides all RTOs/ARTOs of UT of J&K. The Transport Commissioner J&K gave a brief presentation regarding functioning of the department. Among other things, the issue related to transport arrangements both at Baltal Ganderbal and Chandanwari Anantnag were discussed threadbare. Instructions were issued that Concerned ARTO'S shall discharge their duties so as to

provide hassle free services to commuters may not suffer during SANJAY 2024. Secretary emphasised that road checking to book the offenders need to be intensified across UT of J&K. Besides compounding, the awareness about Road safety among violaters also need to be enhanced further.

The issue of establishing Driving Training Centres(DTC's) in different districts was also discussed. Transport Commissioner asked the concerned RTOs/ ARTOs to take immediate measures so that cases of identified Lands could be processed further. RTOs/ARTOs were directed that the road checking should be a routine feature with focus on speed limit devices, overloading, driving without helmet and drunken driving etc. Instructions were also issued that the public delivery system is further improved in order to provide services to the public as per fixed timeline to bring more efficiency in the system.