

Civil Society, Gool Administration host mega cultural event



Glimpses of mega cultural event at Gool.

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RAMBAN: Civil Society Gool, in collaboration with the Sub Divisional Administration, organized a mega event at Ramakunda, Gool, celebrating the region's rich cultural heritage. The event featured an exciting horse race and a series of cultural programs that drew significant participation from the local community.

The event was graced by the presence of several dignitaries, including SDM Gool Pawan Kumar Goswami, Tehsildar, Harjeet Singh, SDPO, Nihar Ranjan, SHO Sameer Ahmed, President Civil Society Gool, Shames Din Wani Range Officer Forest and various other officers and prominent citizens. Their presence underscored the importance of community

engagement and cultural preservation & promotion in the region. The horse race, a highlight of the event, saw spirited competition among local riders. The winners were celebrated for their skill and dedication. The first position was won by Afroz Ahmed, a resident of Malla Mohore, while the second and third positions were secured by Nazir Ahmed Bakralwal and Mohd Iqbal, both residents of Mohore. The winners were awarded their prizes in a ceremony attended by officials and community members, adding to the festive atmosphere of the day. This event marks a significant step in promoting tourism, cultural activities, and fostering community spirit in Gool. Civil Society Gool and the Sub Divisional Administration plan to continue such initiatives to enhance local culture and unity.

Saroori visits Gurinal area; engages with local populace to understand their grievances

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KISHITWAR: G. M Saroori, Vice Chairman of the Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP), conducted a visit to the Gurinal area in Tehsil Chatroo, District Kishtwar, where he engaged with the local populace to understand and address their grievances. The visit was marked by significant interactions with the general public and local nomads, focusing on pressing issues such as the lack of ration supplies, frequent power cuts, and exorbitant electricity bills from the Power Development Department (PDD). During his interaction, Saroori emphasized the importance of preparation for the upcoming assembly elections slated for September-October this year. He encouraged the community to choose leaders who are committed to resolving their issues effectively.

Saroori conveyed a message from Ghulam Nabi Azad, Chairman of DPAP, who assured the revival of the Roshni Scheme, aimed at empowering the people of Jammu and Kashmir. Azad also pledged to transform Jammu and Kashmir into a welfare state through the implementation of various welfare schemes, urging the public to support his leadership for the region's development. Saroori assured the attendees that he would advocate for their legitimate concerns with the appropriate authorities. He expressed gratitude for the community's participation in the meeting and extended his best wishes for their health and well-being. In addition to his general public engagement, Saroori spent time with the nomadic communities, listening to their specific challenges and praying for their safe seasonal migrations.

All J&K Gaddi Sabha highlights burning issues

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UDHAMPUR: All Jammu & Kashmir Gaddi Sabha (AJKGS) held a meeting at Kithar Chirdi (Narsoo) Chenani. Meeting was organised by Soma Devi ex sarpanch, Khem Raj ex sarpanch which was presided by Subash Chander DDC and AJKGS state youth president Kuldeep Kumar. Speaking in meeting all spokespersons including Parveen Jaryal who was guest of honour lauded the voice over the burning issue including girls education, girls safety and security, child abuse, girls man handling after marriage and their exploitation in society were the core minutes of the meeting. While dignified guests throwing light asserted that girls are the backbone of society and their safety and security at all domains should be ensured. They



Sabha members after the meeting at Udhampur.

also aware the people of the community present there that any body found guilty in man handling girls before or after marriage and their exploitation will not be tolerated at any cost and Sabha will take best possible social and legal action against the culprits found involved. Other who spoke were Kuldeep Kumar, Jia Lal Sarpanch, Uttam Sarpanch, Tulsi Dass Sarpanch, onkar Singh

Dhargadian, Lal Chand, Madan Lal, Shiv Nath, Mela Ram, Shankar, Hem Raj, Ket Ram, khemraj Sarpanch, Pritam, Sukhdev, Tara Chand, Chuni Lal, Krishnu, Mangat Ram, Krishan, Sudesh Kumar, Choor Singh, Subash Chander, Parkash, Kuldeep Balwan, Shamsher, Chuni Lal, Kernail Singh, Sansar Chand, Mohinder, Vidhya Devi, Sagar Chand and many more.

JKTJAC seeks resolution of issues of teachers

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UDHAMPUR: In a monthly meeting held on Sunday, the Jammu Kashmir Teachers' Joint Action Committee (JKTJAC) convened in Udhampur under the leadership of UT President Vinod Sharma and District President Udhampur Lekh Raj Parihar, representatives from eleven zones of the district participated. Vinod Sharma raised the issue of pending dues for the Mid Day Meals program for the year 2023-24, noting that while liabilities for Pre Primary and Primary schools have been cleared, those for Upper Primary schools and cooks' honorarium remain unsettled. He emphasized the need to address various critical issues affecting the teaching community and urged the LG administration to resolve these for the welfare of thousands of teachers in the

Union Territory (UT). Sharma highlighted the lack of a comprehensive transfer policy for teachers appointed under the ReT (Rehbar-e-Taleem) scheme, who have been serving in the same schools for over two decades, causing significant hardship, particularly for female teachers. He appealed to the Administrative Secretary of School Education Jammu to issue regularization orders for ReTs who have completed their five-year ReT period and are awaiting regularization, as well as for the conversion of RRETs (Regular Rehbar-e-Taleem Teachers)

to Teachers Grade II/III. Other demands included raising the grade of teachers to match their counterparts in other UTs, providing a second teacher in single-teacher schools to ensure proper education for students, filling vacant posts of Zonal Education Officers (ZEOs), Principals, and Headmasters, and issuing the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) list of teachers to masters. District President Lekh Raj Parihar demanded the release of more than two years' arrears for teachers and masters and the updating of service records for teachers in District Udhampur. He urged the CEO Udhampur to address these issues with ZEOs and DDOs to prevent further suffering for teachers. Others who also spoke on the occasion were Sham

Sharma, Sukhdev Singh Sumbria, Sukesh Khajuria, Ashok Seth, Pritam Goswami, Chaim Singh, Ravinder Singh Rathore, Shamsher Singh, Sandeep Sharma, Balvinder Singh, Bhushan Khajuria, Rakesh Rajput, Amit Sharma, Sahil Singh, Vipen Raina, Anil Sharma, Manoj Sharma, Amit Gupta, Dury Singh, Sudesh Azad, Swarn Singh, Suresh Sharma, Man Chand Khajuria, Pankaj Thakur, Prashant Sharma, Shila Sharma, Komal Sharma, Sonika Sharma, Vijay Kumari, Mohd Mustafa, Ajit Singh, Ranjit Singh, Puna Chand, Madan Bhardwaj, Ashok Kumar, Kuldeep Kumar, Rakesh Kumar, Som Raj, Raj Pathania, Mohd Saleem, Pawan Sharma, Amit Sharma, Romesh Kumar, Deep Singh, Narinder Singh, Sandeep Singh, Ajay Kumar, Diwakar Sharma and Vijay Kumar.

Madhuparamahans delivers religious discourses

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SAMBA: Sadhguru Madhuparamahans Maharaj of Sahib Bandgi, while keeping the Sangat with the nectar of his discourses in Rakhbandhu, said that a journalist asked me egoistic that you only take the voice of Kabir Sahib, the rest is so much in our world. Come, gave knowledge, you do not talk to them. I said that we respect all the sages and sages you are talking about. The achievements he achieved by doing gross practices, he gave it to the world. But all the elders who came, they all came in the womb. He was born. But there is only one Kabir Sahib, who did not bring the body from the mother's womb. He said that this is a legend by Kabir Panths only. Not true. His mother was Neema, the father was Neeru. He was a musman. I

said that this is not true. Kabir Sahib came from Satyalok. He comes in many of his spectacles. There are evidence. He did not even take food. Did not even receive water. Neema met on a lotus flower in the Lahartara pond and no body of Kabir Sahib was found even while leaving. Only lotus flowers were found. It comes in many of Sahib's Vyas that I have come from that world. Nobody knows my distinction. I have brought the message of true man for creatures. Since time, man has been in search of how this world became. Who made Where did fire, earth, water, air

come from. Where did the sky come from? Aaj Tak people of the world have not been unanimous on these mysteries. Nobody knows the truth. Some say that there was water initially. Water is a mixture of two gases. Then what was God gas. No, these are five physical elements. All sages, sages, yogis finally reached the mind, formless, Omkar. The sky originated from that formless, air originated from the sky, fire caused fire and water originated from the fire. Then the earth became with water. Scientists are engaged. They are honest. They certify any fact and then speak. He claimed that we had understood the secret of creation.

You have come to know how the world is formed and how it disappears. Gave the secret of black hole. Our Rigidva is also saying this formless, Muslims are also speaking about this, this is what Christians are speaking. You see that scientists are also trying to make humans alive. 600 people have got their bodies fridge. They believe that further science will be known to the technology to make humans alive. You see evidence in the scriptures. Kabir Sahib also alive both Kamal and Kamali who were dead. That is, it is a technology. At present, as much as scientist could understand the secret of the formless, our sages could not understand. You will be surprised. Even those who do big practices could not know the secret of the formless. Sahib gave further mystery.



Kalash Yatra taken on Shrimad Bhagwat Katha Gyan Yajna



Neelam Langeh, President of BJP SC Morcha participating in Kalash Yatra at Ramban.

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RAMBAN: A grand Kalash Yatra was organized today on the auspicious occasion of the Shrimad Bhagwad Katha Gyan Yajna and Hawan Yajna, organised by the Akhand Param Dham Satsang Samiti in Maitra, Ramban from 2nd of June to 9th June. Neelam Langeh, President of BJP SC Morcha, Jammu & Kashmir, and former MLA

Ramban, participated in the Bhagwad Katha and extended his best wishes to all attendees on this pious occasion. The Kalash Yatra began from the Maitra Ramliha Ground, passing through various temples and culminating back at the Ramliha Ground after collecting holy water from the Chandrabhaga River. On this occasion, Langeh

encouraged all devotees, inspiring them to fulfill their responsibilities towards society and religion. He said that religious events like this spread the message of the brotherhood and peace. He urged people to stay connected to their roots and continue to observe such traditions in a big way that is aimed at strengthening our culture and heritage. We in Jammu and Kashmir UT are very much connected to roots and such religious events had always been our way of life, he added. He praised the efforts of the Bhim Sain and Akhand Param Dham Satsang Samiti, stating that such events play a crucial role in uniting society and preserving our rich cultural heritage. The event witnessed the participation of a large number of devotees who actively took part in the Kalash Yatra and expressed their devotion.

BDA & Adventure Hawk organises bike rally to promote adventure tourism, DC Doda leads rally

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BHADARWAH: With an aim to promote adventure tourism to make Bhaderwah as favourite destination for adventure lovers as well, Administration along with Bhadarwah Development Authority (BDA) and Adventure Hawks organised 2 days Bike Rally in Jammu and Kashmir's Bhaderwah. With the aim of promoting adventure tourism and explore more virgin destinations of Bhaderwah and it's adjoining areas, more than 30 bike enthusiasts including DC Doda Harvinder Singh himself embarked on a motorcycle rally from TRC Sarna Bhaderwah to the Jaie Valley via Bhalra and Chinta Valley of Bhaderwah in Doda district. The adventure ride was flagged off by DC Doda Harvinder Singh along with CEO BDA Bal Krishan and SDPO Bhaderwah Wasim Hamdani and after traversing through several markets



DC Doda Harvinder Singh leading the bike rally.

of the town and rural locations, the bikers headed towards famous tourist destination Jai Valley via Bhaderwah-Jaie Road. The rally served as a platform to highlight the risks associated with reckless driving and underscored the need for responsible behavior on the roads. Deputy Commissioner Doda Harvinder Singh, who actively participated in the rally alongside Bhaderwah Development Authority and the youth of Bhaderwah, emphasized the significance of adhering to traffic rules and regulations. The rally, which commenced from TRC Sarna Bhaderwah garnered significant attention and support from prominent personalities

and officials. "These bikers are true vandrerous and they may act as a tool to promote the untapped and unexplored adventure tourism potential of Bhaderwah region especially that of Chinta Valley, Jaie Valley and it's peripheral areas to promote Bhaderwah as adventure tourism destination as well" said CEO BDA Bal Krishan, adding that BDA is trying to make Bhadarwah, as hub of adventure tourism and round the tourist destination. "It's heartwarming to see the enthusiasm to among bikers for this rally, which will not only promote adventure tourism in Bhaderwah but will spread a message of healthy lifestyle by adopting sports activities in one's life," said DC Doda Harvinder Singh. "This will go a long way to build a positive image of our area and will surely attract maximum tourists especially adventure enthusiast as this part of the UT is nothing less than a safe heaven for them," DC added. "I have been adventure biking since long but this the best ever ride of my life, they (BDA) have given us this wonderful opportunity to explore the pure and virgin

Bhaderwah valley, one should visit here at least once in his life," said Saleem 'Tak, a Biker. "This is a wonderful experience every biker would love to explore, this is adventure heaven for riders and I think every biking enthusiast apart from Ladakh, should come to this part of the UT as well," said another Biker and organiser Rashid Zafer, saying that every biker should follow traffic rules and one should always wear helmet for their safety. Bhaderwah town with its picturesque surroundings, high altitude meadows and snow filled glaciers has off late become a major tourist attraction. Every day hundreds of visitors including domestic and foreign tourists visit Bhaderwah. According to the figures issued by CEO Bhadarwah Development Authority, Bal Krishan more than 1.5 lakh tourists have visited Bhaderwah Valley since march this year. Prominent among those who were present during the flagging off ceremony include SHO Bhaderwah Sandeep Parihar, Niyamtullah Nazir, Arshad Zafer, Shahaab Mughal and others.

aspiring to join the Indian Army. A sense of patriotism, was felt in the environment while the lecture was being delivered by the Veteran. Such lectures by the War Heroes, levies a positive impact on young generation and motivates them to join Indian Army and become responsible citizens of our country. The students, teachers and villagers were quite enthusiastic and keenly participated in the interactive session. The residents paid keen interest and conveyed their gratitude for conducting such graceful event in a remote village to motivate the youth of Area.

Summer 2024 Heatwave Peaks: Urgent Health Advisories issued

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SURANOKOTE: Surankote is experiencing record-breaking temperatures this summer, with the heat reaching unprecedented levels. The extreme weather has prompted urgent advisories from the Block Medical Officer (BMO) Surankote and the local health department. Announcements broadcasted from ambulances throughout the area are urging residents

to take extra precautions for their health and safety. The advisories emphasize the importance of staying hydrated and cool, especially for vulnerable groups such as children and senior citizens who are particularly susceptible to heat-related illnesses. Residents are being advised to stay indoors during peak heat hours and to monitor signs of heat exhaustion, such as dizziness or lightheadedness. In case of severe symptoms, immediate first aid measures include loosening clothing and providing water. If the condition worsens, people are instructed to seek urgent medical attention at Sub-District Hospital (SDH) Surankote. The community is also encouraged to look out for one another, ensuring that the elderly and young children are kept cool and hydrated during this extreme heatwave.

Dozens of youths join Shiv Sena Hindustan

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ARNIA: A meeting was organized by Shiv Sena Hindustan in Arnia under the chairmanship of Jammu and Kashmir President Pt Rajesh Kesri, in which dozens of youth, influenced by Shiv Sena Hindustan activities, joined the party. The new entrants include Satpal, Ravi Kumar, Ramesh Kumar, Somraj, Pawan Kumar, Vijay Kumari Garo Devi. Speaking on the occasion, Kesri said that nowadays drugs are being sold a lot in the border areas, keeping this in view, we have launched a campaign in every village to eradicate drug addiction, for this purpose a meeting was held today and all the youth were asked to pledge that they will not consume any kind of drugs and will promote our party and will help the candidates contesting elections.



Newly joined members of Shiv Sena Hindustan.

For the last one year, Shiv Sena has been working in every village of Arnia, Bishnah and RS Pura border areas. Kesri urged the parents of the children in the meeting and even the small children of 14-15 years of age to stay away from the consumption of drugs and other dry intoxicants which were growing in the society. He said young generation is a ray of hope of the society, which is the responsibility of every parent and every social worker

to save. Kesri further said that as long as the young generation does not obey their parents and respect their elders, drug sellers will dominate the young generation. Today's young generation should also pay attention to the progress of the country and take care of their family and their health. Attention should also be paid to this because intoxication makes the body hollow from inside like a termite and destroys a person's thinking power, added

Kesri. Kesri observed that because of this intoxication the children in the border areas have lost their parents and siblings. They lost their lives at such a young age due to drug addiction. He requested the young generation to respect their elders and also pay attention towards their religious activities so that their mentality becomes capable of serving the country's progress and become great officers by focusing on their studies and health. Prominent among those present on the occasion include State Deputy Chief Balbir Kumar, Bishnah President Rajkumar Baba, Sanjeev Sharma Arnia President Balwant Saini, Suresh Kumar, Rajesh Kumar, Dheeraj Kumar, Darshana Devi, Rajni Devi, Vijay Devi, Geeta Devi besides others.

Army holds motivational lecture by gallantry awardees

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RAJOURI: Army organized a 'Motivational lecture by Sub Jai Kishan, SM (Retd) in Govt Higher Secondary School, Kandi. The inspiring lecture by gallantry awardee was organized as part of 25th Kargil Vijay Divas celebrations wherein, he shared first-hand experiences of sacrifices and the spirit of valour that Indian Army exhibited during Kargil War, which motivated and reminded the students of the accounts of dedication and courage. This event served as a tribute to the heroes who defended our country and as a source of motivation for those

aspiring to join the Indian Army. A sense of patriotism, was felt in the environment while the lecture was being delivered by the Veteran. Such lectures by the War Heroes, levies a positive impact on young generation and motivates them to join Indian Army and become responsible citizens of our country. The students, teachers and villagers were quite enthusiastic and keenly participated in the interactive session. The residents paid keen interest and conveyed their gratitude for conducting such graceful event in a remote village to motivate the youth of Area.

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