

Modi Govt's 11 years of good governance puts India on track to become World's 3rd largest economy by 2029: Jasrotia

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KATHUA: MLA Jasrotia, Rajiv Jasrotia Sunday claimed that India is firmly on track to become the world's third-largest economy by 2029, crediting 11 years of Narendra Modi's "decisive and corruption-free" governance for triggering an "unstoppable surge" in national development. Addressing a well attended gathering at Chann Arorian Mandal, Dinga Amb Mandal and Jasrota Mandal organized today to mark the NDA government's 11th anniversary, the senior BJP leader said India has broken free from the era of policy paralysis and dynastic misrule and is now powered by welfare-led growth, youth-driven innovation, and massive infrastructure transformation.

The event was attended by prominent dignitaries, including Dinga Amb Mandal Pradhan Deepak Sharma, Mandal Pradhan Jasrota Balwant Singh, Randeep Singh, Shiv Dev Singh, Sanjay, Surjit Singh, Chain Singh, Dinanath, Ashanand Khajuria, Ex Mandal Pradhan Samar Singh, Gandharb Singh, Maghar Singh, Ravi Abrol, Mukesh, Ankush Sharma, Sethi, Sanjeev, Sarpanch Kewal, Sarpanch Rocky, Balkar



MLA Jasrotia, Rajiv Jasrotia addressing gathering at Kathua.

Singh, Panch Bikram, Panch Parshotam, Satish and other notable personalities. The event showcased the PM Modi government's commitment to the development and welfare of Jammu and Kashmir.

Jasrotia highlighted the remarkable achievements of the PM Modi government over the past eleven years, with a special focus on milestones achieved in Jammu and Kashmir. Jasrotia emphasized the significant progress made under PM Modi's leadership, particularly in areas such as infrastructure development, healthcare, education, and social welfare. He highlighted the notable achievements in Jammu and Kashmir, including improved connectivity, enhanced security, and increased opportunities for

economic growth. The MLA reiterated the government's commitment to the development of Jammu and Kashmir, ensuring that the region benefits from the government's initiatives and policies. In just one decade, over 25 crore Indians have risen above poverty. That's more than the population of most European countries, Jasrotia said. This is the Modi guarantee - delivery with speed, scale and honesty. Highlighting the economic strides under the Modi government, he said India's rise to the fourth-largest global economy is just the beginning. "By 2029, India will be the third-largest economy. We're building the foundation for a Viksit Bharat - a developed, self-reliant India. Jasrotia cited the rise of India's startup ecosystem -

from 30,000 in 2014 to over 1 lakh today as evidence of the country's changing mindset. This is a new India, led by young dreamers and doers. Over 1.7 crore youth are now part of this vibrant startup movement. Jasrotia also hit out at the Congress, accusing it of betraying India's farmers with decades of apathy. He pointed to schemes like PM-KISAN, PM Fasal Bima Yojana and increased MSPs as proof that the Modi government was restoring dignity and earnings to India's Annadaata. He praised welfare schemes like the PM Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana, which provides free food grains to over 81 crore citizens, and the PM Awas Yojana under which 4 crore homes have been constructed. From health to housing, from

nutrition to self-employment, this government has delivered," he said, citing schemes like the PM SVANidhi which has benefited over 68 lakh street vendors.

Women and youth empowerment, Jasrotia said, are at the heart of this transformation. From 33% reservation for women in Parliament to schemes like Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, we are reshaping India's social fabric," he said. He also highlighted India's rising sporting profile through programs like Khelo India and Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS). Touting India's scientific and technological progress, Jasrotia said initiatives like Chandrayaan, Vande Bharat trains, and green port development under Sagarmala has positioned India as a serious global player. This is not the India of missed opportunities. This is the India that delivers," Jasrotia said. A bold Prime Minister, a committed team, and a billion-strong nation with a common goal that's what makes today's India unstoppable," Jasrotia concluded. The Modi decade has laid the groundwork. The next decade belongs to a resurgent India confident, capable, and ready to lead the world, said Jasrotia.

SCCU pays tribute to Ahmadabad Air Crash victims



Club members paying tributes to Air Crash victims.

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UDHAMPUR: In a solemn and deeply emotional ceremony, the Senior Citizens Club (Regd), Udhampur paid tribute to the victims of the recent Ahmedabad Air Crash, which claimed several innocent lives and left the nation mourning. The event was held at the sacred bank of Devika River, regarded in Hindu tradition as the elder sister of the holy Ganga, and beneath the towering statue of Lord Shiva, symbol of both destruction and divine transformation. In this spiritually charged setting, the members of the Club including Gen-Secretary Sh. Raj Guru, Jugal Kishore Gupta, Jugal Verma, Dalbir Singh, BK Mahajan, Omesh Gupta, Dr. Vikas Gupta, Sanmati Gupta, Mohan Lal Baru,

Rakesh je, Vijay Kumar, Vijak Kumar Verma lit Deepaks (lamps) in memory of the departed souls. Each flame represented a silent prayer, a tear unspoken, and a beacon of love for those tragically taken too soon. The ceremony included the chanting of the Shanti Path, invoking eternal peace, and two minutes of silence, observed with deep reverence and unity. A collective prayer was offered for the departed to find eternal rest in the divine realm, and for the bereaved families to be granted courage and solace in the face of this irreplaceable loss. Speaking on the occasion, Shri Mahadeep Singh Jamwal, President of the Club, expressed profound grief and solidarity: "No words can mend the wounds

inflicted by such a tragedy. Each life lost was a universe of dreams and emotions, now extinguished in an instant. As elders of society, we light these lamps not just to mourn, but to spread hope, unity, and compassion. We pray the departed find eternal peace in the embrace of the Divine, and the grieving families draw strength from the love and support around them. May the Almighty cradle them in His boundless mercy?" The Senior Citizens Club of Udhampur reiterated its unwavering commitment to standing with the nation in times of grief. Through this act of remembrance, the Club conveyed a powerful message: even in the darkest moments, humanity must respond with light, unity, and boundless compassion.

Dozens of people join Shiv Sena Hindustan



SSH State President Rajesh Kesri along with new entrants.

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SAMBA: In a significant development, dozens of people joined Shiv Sena Hindustan in Samba district, led by State President Jammu and Kashmir, Pt Rajesh Kesri. The new recruits were inspired by the organization's good work and commitment to social causes. Notably, Ramesh Gupta was appointed as the in-charge for Samba and Kathua districts. The event marked a significant expansion of Shiv Sena Hindustan in Samba district, with new recruits joining the organization. Ramesh Gupta was

appointed as the in-charge for Samba and Kathua districts, reflecting the organization's commitment to growth and development in the region.

Kesri emphasized the need to protect the youth from drug abuse, highlighting the organization's focus on youth welfare and social issues. Kesri emphasized the importance of saving the youth from drug abuse, which is a major concern in today's society. He highlighted the organization's commitment to addressing social issues and promoting the welfare

of the community. Prominent among those present on the occasion include Sanjeev Sharma Border President, Rajiv Deputy President, Balbir Kumar, Balwant Fauji. The event showcased the growth and expansion of Shiv Sena Hindustan in Samba district, with a focus on social welfare and youth development.

Shiv Sena Hindustan's commitment to combating drug trafficking and protecting the youth from its harmful effects is evident. Their efforts aim to educate the public about the dangers of drug abuse and trafficking. Provide support to those affected by drug addiction and facilitate their rehabilitation. Work with law enforcement agencies to curb drug trafficking and bring perpetrators to justice. By continuing its fight against drug trafficking, Shiv Sena Hindustan seeks to create a safer and healthier environment for the youth.

Reasi Admin launches 15-day Awareness & Saturation campaign under Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan

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REASI: The District Administration Reasi under the leadership of Deputy Commissioner Nidhi Malik launched a 15-day Awareness and Saturation Campaign today under Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan (DAJGA) to promote inclusive development and empower tribal communities.

The district-level inaugural event took place at Sub-Division Mahore amid enthusiastic participation from tribal community members, Panchayati Raj Institution representatives and officials from across line departments.

The campaign was inaugurated by MLA Gulabgarh, Er Khurshid Ahmed as the chief guest. ADDC Sukhdev Singh Samyal, ADC Rakesh Kumar and CPO Narinder Kumar were also present.

Meanwhile, similar awareness camps were launched across all 44 selected tribal



Wheel chairs being distributed among beneficiaries.

villages in the nine blocks of the district. The camps are being conducted as per the scheduled plan under the supervision of the respective Block Development Officers.

In his address, MLA Khurshid Ahmed commended the administration for reaching out to the grassroots through this initiative. He emphasized that the campaign would allow people to register and avail themselves of various government schemes and services, aimed at the upliftment of underserved communi-

ties. He further stated that this effort would not only provide access to welfare benefits but also ensure long-term, sustainable development in tribal regions.

The Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan will focus on spreading awareness among tribal population regarding the government welfare schemes, encouraging community involvement in governance and achieving complete saturation of government services.

Key focus areas include issuance of Aadhar cards, domicile and caste certificates, healthcare services under Ayushman Bharat, PM Vishwakarma Yojana registration and initiatives for financial inclusion.

As part of the event, departments set up dedicated service stalls offering on-the-spot registration and assistance. The chief guest and senior officers inspected stalls and interacted with staff and citizens, reviewing the delivery and effectiveness of services. The atmosphere

at the venue was further enriched by vibrant cultural performances presented by school children from Mahore, celebrating tribal heritage and community spirit. A selfie stand was also installed to engage attendees and foster a sense of participation and celebration.

In a symbolic gesture of inclusion, MLA Khurshid Ahmed distributed wheelchairs to differently-abled beneficiaries. The program concluded with a formal vote of thanks delivered by ADC Rakesh Kumar, who appreciated the contribution of all departments and stakeholders in ensuring the campaign's successful rollout.

The event was attended by several notable figures including DDC members Abdul Gani Malik and Mohd. Asril, SDM Mahore Shaqfat Majeed Bhat, PO ICDS Rakesh Kumar, along with officers from the ACD, CMO, CEO and other key departments.

Record number of farmers participated in 15 days Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyanin District Samba

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SAMBA: The Krishi Vigyan Kendra Samba under the aegis of SKUAST Jammu, concluded its impactful outreach under the Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan launched by Union Agriculture Ministry, New Delhi. These programmes were conducted under the stewardship of Prof. B.N Tripathi Vice Chancellor SKUAST Jammu and the able guidance of Dr. Amrish Vaid Director Extension SKUAST Jammu.

The Abhiyan was being carried out under the direct supervision of Prof Sanjay Khajuria, District Nodal Officer VKSA Samba and Dr. Rakesh Khajuria Joint Nodal Officer VKSA, Samba. While briefing in details to the media on the conclusion of VKSA in district Samba, Prof Sanjay Khajuria disclosed that a 135 number of villages of 9 blocks of District Samba were successfully contacted and covered under VKSA by the three teams. He fur-



Officials along with locals during the event.

ther stated that in fifteen days, more than twenty thousand farmers/farm women/rural youths were contacted directly and indirectly in all the locations comprising the highly remote as well as unapproachable villages.

More than eighty five thousand copies of technical bulletins/pamphlets/leaflets were also distributed among the participants for increasing their knowledge about different agriculture techniques and innovations with special focus on HADP schemes also. During these 15 days VKSA, the presence of Hon'ble MLAs viz; Chandar Prakash Ganga, MLA Vijaypur, and Dr. DK Manyal MLA Ramgarh has increased the morale of the farming community in the district.

During the VKSA Kharif 2025 three teams were engaged, the teams was comprising Dr. Neerja Sharma Chief Scientist Horticulture, as leader -1, Dr. Saurav Gupta Sr. Scientist Entomology team leader-2, Dr. Shalini/Dr.

Amit Mahajan as team leader -3 Dr. Sonika Jamwal, Chief Scientist ACRA, Dr. Vijay Kumar Chief Scientist, Dr. Jai Kumar Kappor Chief Scientist, Dr. Reena Chief Scientist, Dr. Parmendra Chief Scientist, Dr. Naresh Choudhary Sr Scientist, Dr. Rohit Sharma Sr. Scientist, SMS-III, AEOs, JABOs, VAEA, VAS from AH, VAS from SH, expert from Fisheries, cooperative and horticulture depart-

ments put their impeccable efforts to make the campaign more vibrant and impactful in all the blocks of District Samba.

Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan led by Prof Sanjay Khajuria Nodal Officer CUM Chief Scientist & Head paved the way for bridging the gap between scientific and farming community of the district. More than one thousand farmers participated during last of the campaign which focused

on promoting sustainable agricultural practices, climate resilient farming and advanced techniques in horticulture, livestock management and promotion of agroforestry. Moreover, the District Nodal Officer thanked Dr. Rakesh Khajuria CAO Samba, Dr Rahul Dev CAHO Samba, Anil Gorka CHO Samba, Joginder Singh AD Fisheries Samba, Anju Koul DSO Samba, Dr. Deepak Tikoo DSHO Samba and Farhat Naz Choudhary JKAS Deputy Registrar Cooperatives Samba for their active cooperation during the VKSA Kharif 2025.

The active support rendered by Bharat Bhushan Stenographer, Tajinder Singh, Pawandeep Singh, ATMA team comprising Varun Tripathi, Dr. Jyoti Devi and Dr Anil Langer, was deeply appreciated by the DNO.

Tributes paid To Shaurya Chakra Rifleman Aurangzeb



Army officials along with family members of martyr Rifleman Aurangzeb.

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POONCH: Army, in collaboration with the civil administration and local residents, paid heartfelt tributes to Rifleman Aurangzeb, Shaurya Chakra, on the solemn occasion of his 7th Anniversary of Sacrifice, at his native village Salani Tehsil Mendhar, District Poonch. A wreath-laying and remembrance ceremony was organised to honour the supreme sacrifice of the braveheart, who was abduct-

ed and killed by terrorists in Pulwama district on 14 June 2018, while he was on his way home to celebrate Eid with his family.

His courage, devotion to duty, and unflinching patriotism continue to serve as a beacon of inspiration for the nation. The commemorative event witnessed the presence of senior officers from the Indian Army, Jammu and Kashmir Police, civil administration, and a large gathering of local residents. The

bravehearts family hosted the ceremony, during which hundreds of citizens offered floral tributes and observed a moment of silence in his memory.

Rifleman Aurangzeb's legacy, marked by exceptional bravery and selfless service, remains etched in the annals of India's counter-terrorism history. His sacrifice continues to motivate the youth of the region to contribute meaningfully to the service of the nation.

Udhampur admin launches 'Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan' to empower tribal communities

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UDHAMPUR: In consonance with the nationwide Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan launched by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, the District Administration Udhampur today organized an impressive awareness and benefit saturation camp aimed at uplifting the tribal communities of the district.

The event was also held to commemorate Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh. Deputy Commissioner

Saloni Rai presided over the event as the chief guest, while Member Legislative Assembly Chenani, Balwant Singh Mankotia graced the occasion as the guest of honour.

The programme was attended by Additional District Development Commissioner Rajinder Singh, DDC Narsoo Subash Chander, DDC Latti Marothi Pinky Devi, PO Poshan Subash Dogra, Chief Planning Officer Mohd Iqbal and other senior officers from the district administration

along with a large gathering of the general public.

Addressing the participants, the DC highlighted the significance of the Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan, a nation-wide initiative designed to achieve full saturation of the government schemes across the tribal villages. The campaign will continue till June 30 with the objective to bridge development and social gaps in tribal populated areas.

The DC urged the people of

Udhampur, including civil society members, youth, former PRI representatives and voluntary organizations, to participate in the campaign and help disseminate information to ensure maximum outreach and benefit.

In his address, MLA Chenani sensitized the participants about the objectives of the Abhiyan and appealed to the tribal communities to come forward and avail themselves of the benefits of various schemes launched by the

Government of India. He also instructed the concerned officers to intensify awareness campaigns at the grassroots level. He lauded the efforts of the District Administration led by Deputy Commissioner for ensuring doorstep delivery of public services.

The government departments installed departmental stalls at the venue to educate the public about their respective welfare schemes. The DC and MLA Chenani inspected these stalls, interacted with

the officers and reviewed the implementation status of different schemes on the ground.

The Information Department Udhampur presented a theme-based cultural programme, which was highly appreciated by the audience. The Officers from line departments also addressed the gathering, sensitizing them about government initiatives and encouraging them to take full advantage of the services and benefits being offered.

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