

Sat inaugurates 'New Grand Bakshi Resorts' Banquet Hall in Marh, lauds youth entrepreneurship

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JAMMU: Sat Sharma, President of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Jammu & Kashmir, inaugurated a majestic banquet hall "New Grand Bakshi Resorts" at Seri, Marh, marking a significant addition to the region's hospitality infrastructure and a commendable step in youth-led entrepreneurship.

MLA Marh Surinder Bhagat, BJP Secretary Ayodhya Gupta, District President Jammu Adv. Rajesh Gupta, and other prominent political and social personalities were also present on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Sat Sharma congratulated the young entrepreneur Ankush Gupta, lauding his initiative as a reflection of the rising spirit of self-reliant India. "It is indeed a pleasurable and proud



President BJP J&K, Sat Sharma inaugurating banquet hall "New Grand Bakshi Resorts".

moment to witness the youth of India actively choosing the path of entrepreneurship. By creating this beautiful setup, Ankush is not only building a successful venture but also becoming a job provider for over 100 individuals," he said.

Sat further appreciated the owner's commitment to social causes. "The manage-

ment has pledged to conduct one marriage event free of cost every year for an orphan girl and will also provide free materials and space for religious and social events like Langars outside the premises. This reflects true social responsibility," he added.

Surinder Bhagat also praised the initiative, stating, "This resort is a testa-

ment to how business can be blended with community service. Such projects bring development to our region and inspire others to follow the path of constructive entrepreneurship."

Entrepreneur Ankush Gupta, the proprietor of "New Grand Bakshi Resorts", expressed gratitude to the guests and said, "It was my dream to build a

space that offers premium facilities to the people of Marh and nearby areas. I also feel strongly about giving back to society, and I assure that this resort will always stand by the needy for social and religious causes."

The inauguration concluded with blessings and good wishes for the prosperity of the new venture, which is set to become a landmark for celebrations and community service in the region.

District Jammu North General Secretary Bhuvnesh, senior leader Jaideep Sambyal, district Jammu General Secretary Ravikant Sharma, Mandal Presidents Sham Sunder & Amarjeet Kour Lokesh Bhagat, KL Sharma, Rajkumar, S. Raju, Rajinder Gupta, Tarsem Gupta, Vicky Singh, Archana Koushal, Ravinder Khajuria, and others were among the prominent present on the occasion.

DIG JSK reviews security arrangements ahead of Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2025



DIG JSK Range, Shiv Kumar Sharma conducting security review at Jammu on Tuesday.

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JAMMU: Shiv Kumar Sharma, DIG Jammu-Samba-Kathua Range, on Tuesday conducted a security review of Ram Mandir Purani Mandi, Geeta Bhawan Parade and Base Camp Bhagwati Nagar, Jammu ahead of forthcoming Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2025.

During the review, DIG JSK Range inspected the guards deployed in and around the base Camp, enroute checking, CCTV cameras installed, parking area, etc.

Shiv Kumar imparted the necessary directions to officers for making foolproof security arrangements in and around the venues.

Besides, necessary briefing has also been given to the officers/Nafri deployed on the venues with regard to the sensitivity and nature of duty.

During his security checking, he also interacted with officers/Nafri of CISF deployed in Ram Mandir Purani Mandi Jammu, they were directed to remain extra alert on their points.

Moreover, all the officers were directed to strengthen all the Nakas especially during night hours. They were also directed to identify places where more nakas can be established for the security of Yatris.

SHO Pacca Danga Insp. Rakesh Jamwal, SHO Nowabad Insp Deepak Pathania, Incharge Police Post Canal PSI Vikram Manhas and Incharge Police Post Pooni chack PSI Amreek Singh were also present on their concerned venue.

GGF felicitates Jammu Airport Director Dr. Sanjeev Garg on his superannuation



GGF delegation led by Padma Shri I.D. Soni felicitating Jammu Airport Director Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Garg and Babita Garg.

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JAMMU: A delegation from the Gandhi Global Family (GGF), led by Padma Shri I.D. Soni, felicitated Jammu Airport Director Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Garg and Babita Garg on the occasion of his forthcoming superannuation, which is scheduled for June 30, 2025.

The delegation commended Garg for his exemplary administrative acumen, visionary leadership, and unwavering dedication to the growth and transformation of Jammu Airport.

Over the course of his illustrious tenure, the airport witnessed a series of remarkable developments that have significantly elevated its operational capacity and public service standards.

Key accomplishments under his stewardship include handover of land for the establishment of a well-structured taxi stand to ease passenger movement and improve connectivity; extension of the runway, enabling accommodation of larger aircraft and enhancing aviation safety protocols; successful implementation of var-

ious developmental projects under the ambit of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), benefiting both the airport ecosystem and surrounding communities; initiation of construction work for a modern, state-of-the-art terminal building aimed at offering world-class facilities to travelers; and improved operational efficiency and passenger experience through infrastructure upgrades and staff empowerment initiatives.

In acknowledgment of his outstanding service and impactful leadership, the

Gandhi Global Family presented Garg with a commemorative trophy and a citation certificate, symbolizing gratitude and recognition for his meaningful contributions to civil aviation and regional development.

The felicitation ceremony was attended by several eminent personalities and well-wishers, including Padma Shri Ramalo Ram, D.R. S.P. Verma, Dinesh Gupta, Naresh Maini, Kirtan Singh, Raj Kumar Sharma, Amit Verma, S.K.Vaid, Shoba Ram, Raman Gupta, Ankush Varma, and Ch. Muntaz Ahmad Kabir.

The event was an emotional and celebratory occasion, marked by heartfelt tributes, warm interactions, and a collective expression of appreciation for Garg's immense contribution to the progress and modernization of Jammu Airport. His legacy will continue to inspire future leaders in the aviation sector.

Chief Minister Omar Abdullah receives first batch of Hajj Pilgrims at Srinagar Airport



Chief Minister, Omar Abdullah receiving the first batch of Hajj pilgrims.

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SRINAGAR: Chief Minister, Omar Abdullah, received the first batch of Hajj pilgrims this evening at the Srinagar International Airport, marking the beginning of the return phase for pilgrims from Jammu and Kashmir who performed the sacred pilgrimage of Hajj-e-Baitullah this

year.

The Chief Minister personally welcomed and congratulated the pilgrims on their safe return and smooth performance of the Arkan-e-Hajj.

He interacted with the Hajj pilgrims and inquired about their experiences and the facilities provided during the pilgrimage.

The Hujjaj expressed their gratitude to the Chief Minister and appreciated the arrangements made for their comfort and convenience throughout the journey.

The Chief Minister expressed his appreciation for the devotion and discipline exhibited by the pilgrims during the course of their spiritual journey.

The first returning batch comprised 178 pilgrims, out of the total 3,606 pilgrims from Jammu and Kashmir who

undertook the pilgrimage this year. The return of this group heralds the start of the arrival phase, which will continue over the coming days.

The government has made elaborate arrangements to ensure a hassle-free arrival experience for the pilgrims. Necessary logistical and transport facilities have been put in place to facilitate their smooth journey from the airport to their respective destinations across Jammu and Kashmir.

Minister Javed Ahmad Dar, Advisor to the Chief Minister Nasir Aslam Wani, MLA from Zadibal Tanvir Sadiq, Additional Chief Secretary to the CM Dheeraj Gupta, Divisional Commissioner Kashmir Vijay Kumar Bidhuri, Deputy Commissioner Budgam, Executive Officer J&K Haj Committee Dr. Shujhat Qureshi and other concerned officials were also present during the reception of the Hujjaj.

BJP holds 'Viksit Bharat Ka Amritkal' Sabha in Lassana to mark 11 Years of Modi Govt

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POONCH: A public meeting (Sabha) on the theme "Viksit Bharat Ka Amritkal - Seva, Sushasan aur Garib Kalyan ke 11 Saal" was organized today at Mandal Lassana to commemorate the completion of 11 years of Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led BJP government.

The event was held under the leadership of Gurdeep Singh Khalsa, District President BJP Poonch, who addressed the gathering and highlighted the major achievements of the central government over the past 11 years. He emphasized transformative initiatives in infrastructure, welfare schemes, good governance, and efforts to uplift the underprivi-



Gurdeep Singh Khalsa, District President BJP Poonch and others at a programme.

leged.

Prominent BJP leaders including Ravinder Kumar Bitta (District Vice President), Mehtab Bukhari (District Vice President), Azhar Manhas

(Senior Leader), Mohd Bashir (Senior Leader), Sanjay Kesar (Mandal Pardhan), Vipin Khajuria, Abdul Hamid Bajjar (Senior Leader), and Manan Khan (Mandal Pardhan Lassana) were present and addressed the attendees.

The program saw active participation from party workers and local residents, who expressed support for the government's vision for a Viksit Bharat (Developed India).

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POONCH: Deputy Commissioner Vikas Kundal chaired a meeting to assess the functioning of the Animal Husbandry and Sheep Husbandry Departments in the district.

Earlier, the DC flagged off Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) vaccination drive here from the District Veterinary Hospital.

At the outset, the departmental functionaries provided comprehensive updates on the initiatives for promotion of Dairy Development, Poultry Development and Artificial Insemination. The Deputy Commissioner emphasized the importance of effective grass-roots implementation to ensure that the benefits of these programs reach every eligible beneficiary.

Key discussions included



the status of the DAKSH Kissan Portal, with directives for increasing farmer enrollment and timely course completion. The Deputy Commissioner also reviewed milk and egg production in the district, while highlighting the need for timely execution of Foot and Mouth vaccination rounds.

In pursuit of financial inclusivity, progress on Kisan Credit Card (KCC) saturation in Dairy and Poultry sectors was evaluated, setting the target of 100% coverage of farm-

operating families. The Deputy Commissioner called for aggressive awareness campaigns regarding the National Artificial Insemination Programme (NAIP) to educate livestock owners on its benefits.

The Deputy Commissioner directed the sheep Husbandry officers to focus on field activities like dipping and vaccination. The establishment of first aid camps along migratory routes was stressed to ensure timely veterinary support to nomadic breeders.

In closing remarks, the Deputy Commissioner urged both departments to meet their financial year 2025-26 targets systematically, stressing the need for robust awareness campaigns and interdepartmental coordination for effective service delivery to the grassroots.

IGNOU notifies learner support centre in GGM Science College for B.Sc., M.Sc. Zoology

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JAMMU: With the approval of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Indira Gandhi National Open University, based on the recommendations of the Sub-Committee of Student Support Centre (SSC) in its 9th Meeting held on May 7, 2025, IGNOU has notified the Learner Support Centre (LSC) in the prestigious Govt. Gandhi Memorial Science College, Canal Road, Jammu for BSCM (Bachelor of Science) and MSCZOO (Master of Science in Zoology) programmes. The Code allotted to the LSC is 12133. This will be an LSC in the regular category and the first ever Learner Support Centre of IGNOU in the entire Jammu division to have been notified exclusively for Science programmes.

IGNOU has recently thrown its online portal open for fresh admissions for the July 2025 admission cycle on June 10, 2025. IGNOU Offers more than 250 programmes at UG, PG, Diploma, PG Diploma, PG Certificate and Certificate levels. The minimum eligibility criteria for UG courses is that students must pass 10+2 from a recognized university and for PG courses, candidates must be a graduate from a recognized university. The desirous candidates can submit the application form through online mode.

The applicants can access the admission portal on the University's National website www.ignou.ac.in Homepage or directly follow the link <https://ignouadmission.samarth.edu.in>. Candidates aspiring for admission will be able

to complete their admission process on this portal before the deadline.

The last date to apply for admission through the online portal has been fixed for July 15, 2025.

"The desirous candidates who wish to be a member of IGNOU extended family must avail this opportunity and apply for any of the programmes of their choice well before the last date approaches", said Dr. Sandeep Gupta, Regional Director, IGNOU Regional Centre Jammu.

Dr. Sandeep also cautioned the prospective learners not to fall in trap of any fraudulent persons or callers who may approach for payment of admission fees through QR Codes, WhatsApp or any other social media platforms because IGNOU does not ask

for any such details on any platforms other than the University website itself.

In a press statement, Regional Director, IGNOU Regional Centre Jammu, Dr. Sandeep Gupta expressed his happiness about the activation of LSC in the GGM Science College Jammu and stated that the same has been possible because of the kind support and proactive approach of Prof. (Dr.) Romesh Kumar Gupta, Principal GGM Science College, Jammu. Dr. Sandeep also stated that the opening of the first ever LSC in the region exclusively for Science stream programmes will bring huge relief to the learners of Science programmes particularly with regard to conduct of practicals and practical examinations.

Doda police organized drug awareness program under Operation Pathshalla



Police official and others addressing students.

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DODA: In a concerted effort to combat drug abuse and promote community health, Doda Police, in collaboration with various departments, successfully organized a Drug Awareness Program as part of Operation Pathshalla. The initiative took place at four different educational institutions GHSS Jodhpur, GHSS Bharath, GHSS Desssa, GMS Sharni, Tehsil Chiralla. The primary objective of the program was to educate students, teachers, and the general public about the detrimental effects of drug abuse and to discourage involvement in any anti-social activities.

Attendees were also informed about the provisions of the new criminal laws related to drug offenses.

The program was organized under the directions of the District SSP Sandeep Mehta, the program aimed to raise awareness and instill a sense of responsibility among the youth regarding the implications of drug use. The event saw a significant turnout, with a large number of students, school staff, and community members in attendance. Participants engaged in informative sessions, discussions, and interactive activities aimed at fostering a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

NORTHERN RAILWAY					
E-TENDER NOTICE					
DEN/HQ/FZR acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites open tenders (E-Tenders) against below titled tenders and available on www.ireps.gov.in with closing date 08.07.2025 up to 15:00 Hrs. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids up to the closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against these tenders, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. In place of Earnest money deposit, "Bid Security Declaration" is to be submitted or prescribed format as available in document section on the portal.					
Tender Type	Open	Tendering Section	Works	Packet System	Single Packet System
Date of Uploading tenders	14.06.2025	Bid Starting Date	24.06.2025	Bid Closing Date/Time	08.07.2025 at 15:00 hrs.
Sr.No.	Tender No.	Details of Tender			
1.	46-2025-26-ADEN-FZR-1	Ordinary repair and maintenance as well as new works, additions and alterations to existing structure & emergent works in Colony No. 1 & 2 at FZR (Zone No. 1) in the section of SSE/W/FZR under ADEN-1/FZR (2025-2026).			
Advertised Value	₹1,29,93,821.39	Earnest Money	₹2,15,000/-	Validity of offer	60 Days
				Period of Completion	12 Months
Similar Nature Work: "Any civil work other than track work."					
2.	47-2025-26-ADEN-FZR-1	Ordinary repair and maintenance as well as new works, additions and alterations to existing structure & emergent works in Colony No. 3 & 4 at FZR (Zone No. 2) in the section of SSE/W/FZR under ADEN-1/FZR (2025-2026).			
Advertised Value	₹1,29,93,957.54	Earnest Money	₹2,15,000/-	Validity of offer	60 Days
				Period of Completion	12 Months
Similar Nature Work: "Any civil work other than track work."					
3.	48-2025-26-ADEN-FZR-1	Ordinary repair and maintenance as well as new works, additions and alterations to existing structure & emergent works in service buildings and FZR-TWB section (Zone No. 3) in the section of SSE/W/FZR under ADEN-1/FZR (2025-2026).			
Advertised Value	₹1,19,97,292.14	Earnest Money	₹2,10,000/-	Validity of offer	60 Days
				Period of Completion	12 Months
Similar Nature Work: "Any civil work other than track work."					
4.	49-2025-26-ADEN-FZR-1	Ordinary repair and maintenance as well as new works, additions and alterations to existing structure & emergent works in FZR (excl.)-BTI (excl.) and KKP-FKA (excl.) section (Zone No. 4) in the section of SSE/W/KKP under ADEN-1/FZR (2025-2026).			
Advertised Value	₹1,59,96,094.20	Earnest Money	₹2,30,000/-	Validity of offer	60 Days
				Period of Completion	12 Months
Similar Nature Work: "Any civil work other than track work."					
5.	50-2025-26-ADEN-FZR-1	Ordinary repair and maintenance as well as new works, additions and alterations to existing structure & emergent works in TWB (excl.)-LDH (excl.) section (Zone No. 5) in the section of SSE/W/JGN under ADEN-1/FZR (2025-2026).			
Advertised Value	₹1,19,94,422.90	Earnest Money	₹2,10,000/-	Validity of offer	60 Days
				Period of Completion	12 Months
Similar Nature Work: "Any civil work other than track work."					
6.	51-2025-26-ADEN-FZR-2	Ordinary repair and maintenance as well as new works, additions and alterations to existing structure & emergent works at station buildings and other service buildings from FZP to FKA & ABS to FKA (excl.) to FZP section (Zone No. 1) in the section of SSE/W/JBD under ADEN-2/FZR (2025-2026).			
Advertised Value	₹99,75,435.78	Earnest Money	₹1,99,500/-	Validity of offer	60 Days
				Period of Completion	12 Months
Similar Nature Work: "Any civil work other than track work."					
7.	52-2025-26-ADEN-FZR-2	Ordinary repair and maintenance as well as new works, additions and alterations to existing structure & emergent works at station buildings and other service buildings from FZR (excl.)-JUC (excl.) section (Zone No. 2) in the section of SSE/W/JNK under ADEN-2/FZR (2025-2026).			
Advertised Value	₹89,99,408.06	Earnest Money	₹1,80,000/-	Validity of offer	60 Days
				Period of Completion	12 Months
Similar Nature Work: "Any civil work other than track work."					
NOTE: Before bidding, bidders to check for any corrigendum issued against tender.					
Tender Notice No.: 46, 47, 48, 49, 50-2025-26-ADEN-FZR-1 & 51, 52-2025-26-ADEN-FZR-2 Date: 17.06.2025 1796/2025					
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