JMC observes World Environment Day with citywide call to end plastic pollution

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JAMMU: In a proactive and community-centric observance of World Environment Day 2025, the Jammu Corporation (JMC), under the leadership of Commissioner Dr. Devansh Yadav, organized a series of impactful events focusing on the theme of "Ending Plastic Pollution Globally.

Community-Led Initiative in Palm Reveria, Sidhra was held on May 31, 2025, in colwith the laboration Welfare Residents' Association (RWA) of Palm Reveria, Sidhra (Ward No. 71) in which JMC conducted an awareness program on waste segregation, effective waste disposal, and the harmful effects of single-use plastic. Residents pledged to make their society a plasticfree zone.

Swaaha IEC Executives demonstrated proper waste management techniques. Dr.



A dignitary speaking during a programmne at Jammu on Sunday.

Sanitation Officer Arun Nayar appreciated the community's efforts and highlighted the importance of local participation in environmental protection.

"Bin It, Win It" Quiz Competition held at GCW Parade on May 31, 2025. A quiz competition titled "Bin It, Win It" was organized under the "Mera Shehar Meri Pehchan" initiative at Government College for Women, Parade. Five student teams participated enthusiastically.

Dr. Vinod Sharma, Health Officer, JMC, felicitated the Executives shared practical knowledge on waste segregation and encouraged the college to work towards a plastic-free campus.

JMC also conducted several citywide initiatives as part of the World Environment Day campaign: Awareness drives across wards on plastic pollution and proper waste dispos-

Engagement of Swachhata Champions for clean-up activities. "Waste to Art" competitions in schools to promote creative reuse. Plantation drives to improve the green cover and biodiverHealth Officer, and Mr. Sunny Khokhar, Sanitary Inspector, commended the hotel's dedication to becoming a plastic-free establish-A similar program was held

Sharma, Dr. Vinod Sharma,

at Vivanta Jammu in collaboration with Ward No. 19. The staff pledged to eliminate single-use plastic, with active involvement in demonstrations on waste segrega-

Dr. Vinod Sharma, Health Officer, educated the hotel staff on sustainable practices, which were welcomed with enthusiasm and commitment.

Commissioner Dr. Devansh Yadav emphasized that these initiatives are vital steps toward integrating environmental responsibility into daily life. JMC remains committed to making Jammu a cleaner and greener city through community participation, education and con-

Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana

DC reviews implementation of PM

Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Sachin Kumar Vaishya chairing a meeting.

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JAMMU: Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Sachin Kumar Vaishya chaired a comprehensive review meeting on Sunday to assess the progress of the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana in the district.

The meeting was attended by Additional District Development Commissioner Sher Singh; Superintending Engineer PDD, Sanjeev Rohmetra; Chief Planning Officer Uttam Singh; Lead District Manager Romesh Chander; Executive Engineers from the Power Development Department and other concerned officers. Sub Divisional

Development Officers participated virtually

During the meeting, the Deputy Commissioner reviewed the number of registrations and applications received under the scheme, as well as the status of promotional and awareness activities.

coordinated efforts by SDMs, Tehsildars, BDOs and PDD officials to strategise and mobilise public participation to maximise the benefits of the

He emphasised the need for

The public access to loans for solar installations was also discussed, with the LDM and other officials directed to streamline procedures to ensure ease of access to financial assistance.

The Deputy Commissioner stressed the importance of expediting processes to enable the maximum population to benefit from the scheme. He directed all stakeholders to work in unison to achieve the targets set under the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana, thereby promoting sustainable energy solutions and reducing dependency on conventional power sources.

Eid-ul-Adha preparations reviewed



Additional Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Ansuya Jamwal chairing a meeting.

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Additional Commissioner Jammu, Ansuya Jamwal, on Sunday chaired a meeting to review and finalise arrangements for the upcoming Eid-ul-Adha celebration in the district.

The meeting was attended by Assistant Commissioner General Sana Haq Khan, Assistant Director Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Santosh Kumar, Sanitation Officer Dr. Vinod Kumar, Executive Engineers from Jal Shakti and PDD, Tehsildars, officers from Police and Traffic Departments and other officials. Representatives of religious and social organizations also participated in the dis-

ADC Ansuya Jamwal emphasised the need for close inter-departmental coordination to ensure smooth, safe and hasslefree celebration of the festival. She directed concerned departments to ensure adequate water and electricity supply, especially in areas where large congregational prayers are expected. She also called for timely repairs of streetlights and water pipelines wherever

required. The Jammu Municipal Corporation was instructed to carry out special sanitation drives in and around mosques, Eidgahs and public areas and to ensure prompt garbage clearance during the festival days.

The FCS&CA and Legal

were tasked with conducting regular market inspections to keep a check on overpricing, hoarding and sale of substandard food

> items Officials were asked to ensure hygiene in the storage and sale of mutton and perishable goods, particularly in temporary meat stalls.

> Security and traffic management arrangements were also reviewed. Police authorities were asked to remain vigilant, deploy additional personnel near major religious sites and issue necessary advisories to the public for smooth vehicular movement.

> Religious leaders and community representatives appreciated the efforts of the district administration and gave some suggestions as well.

The ADC assured full administrative support and urged citizens to cooperate with local authorities to celebrate Eid in an atmosphere of peace, harmony and brotherhood.

Seven camels saved from slaughter, safely rehabilitated to Natural Habitat

Promotion of Reduce,

Reuse, Recycle (RRR) cen-

ters for community dona-

tions of reusable items.

Collaboration with Local

Hotels (Held on June 1,

JMC, along with Fortune

Inn Riviera and Ward No.

19, organized a session on

waste management and plas-

The hotel management and

staff actively participated in

live demonstrations conduct-

ed by Swaaha Capacity

Building Trainer Mr. Tabraiz

Husain Madani and IEC

tic pollution.

Special Programs

SOPORE: In a significant act of animal rescue, seven camels that were on the brink of being slaughtered in Sopore, Baramulla were rescued and rehabilitated to their natural habitat.

The rescue took place following a complaint lodged by SAVE Society and PETA India with the district administration of

The complaint was supported with

detailed documentation, including legal

provisions and government orders that

These camels had reportedly been smug-

gled into Jammu & Kashmir from

Rajasthan, in direct contravention of sev-

eral laws, including the Rajasthan Camel

(Prohibition of Slaughter and Regulation

of Temporary Migration or Export) Act,

2015 and the Prevention of Cruelty to

The action taken in Sopore echoes the

recent judgment by the High Court of

where the Court took suo motu cog-

were allegedly violated.

Animals Act, 1960.

nizance of illegal camel transportation and slaughter.

In that case, the court directed local authorities-including the police, municipal administration, and the animal husbandry department-to inspect slaughterhouses across Hyderabad, Secunderabad, and Ranga Reddy District, take stringent action against violators, and raise public

awareness about the illegality of camel slaughter.

Chairperson of SAVE Society, Rumpy Madaan expressed heartfelt gratitude for the critical role played by PETA India in facilitating the rescue. Special mention was made of Sunayana Basu, Cruelty Response Coordinator at PETA India, and

noted animal rights lawyer and advocate, for their legal and logistical support. The rescued camels have now been safely transported to Dhyaan Foundation's

shelter in Barodia, Jaipur, where they were rehabilitated under the care of Ashwini Guruji and Sudarshan Kaushik. The effort ensures these animals can now live in safety and dignity. The incident underscores the urgent

need to raise awareness about illegal animal trafficking and slaughter, which not only violate animal welfare laws but also the values of compassion and justice. Activists urose the public and authorities Telangana in WP(PIL) No. 136 of 2020, alike to remain vigilant and report such violations to protect voiceless beings.

BJP Spokesperson, SSST representatives call on LG Sinha



SSST delegation calling on Lt Governor Manoj Sinha.

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SRINAGAR: Gaurav Gupta, BJP Spokesperson called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, on

Subsequently, representatives of Samaj Sudhar Samiti Trust (SSST) led by its General Secretary Shiban Lal Dhar also called

Mid Corporate Centre, Bye Pass Channi Rama, Jammu - 180015 PUBLIC NOTICE

t is for the information to the general public that Sh. Rajesh Gupta S/o Sh Satis Chander Gupta R/o 181 Sector 3 Channi Himmat Jammu (hereinafter) referred t as the Mortgagor) has agreed to extend mortgage in respect of the property i.e Plot of land bearing no. 181 measuring 1660 sqft comprising in sector no. tuated at Housing Colony Channi Himmat Jammu in the schedule in favour runjab National Bank Jammu According to mortgagor free hold rights we ttained to him "The Jammu & Kashmir Housing Board" with regard to Plot of lar pearing no. 181 measuring 1660 sqft comprising in sector no. 3 situated a lousing Colony Channi Himmat Jammu by way of sale deed dated 28 mar 2014 f any persons/s having any claim against or in respect of the said property mor particularly described in the schedule hereunder or any part thereof by way sale, exchange, mortgage (equitable/registered/otherwise). Gift. trust nheritance family agreement, maintenance, bequest, partnership, possession ease, sublease, tenancy, license, lien, charge, pledge, easement or otherwis owsoever or hereby requested to notify the same in writing to us wit supporting documentary evidence at the address mentioned herein below within 15 days from the date hereof, falling which the claim of claims, if any, such person or person will be considered to have been waived and /o bandoned and the mortgagor shall proceed with the disbursement of loan an reation of extension of mortgage in thereof Please contact Punjab national bank Mid Corporate Centre (MCC) Channi Rama, Opp Gurudawara Narwal bypass road lammu-180015. contact no. 01912951115. So, if any individual/institution wil claim anything regarding the above mentioned property/plot, then contact Schedule of Property

Plot No. 181 , Sector No.3 measuring 1660 sq. ft. Channi Himmat Housing Colony, Jammu

${\bf Metrology} \qquad {\bf departments}$ Arya Samaj Trikuta Nagar celebrates 47th Foundation Day



General Secy (Org) BJP J&K, Ashok Koul and others during Foundation Day celebration of Arya Samaj Trikuta Nagar.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Arya Samaj

Trikuta Nagar, Jammu, on Sunday celebrated its 47th Foundation Day by organizing a grand religious programme marked with devotion and spiritual fervour. The event commenced with a

sacred Yagya, followed by soulful Bhajans and enlightening Vedic Pravachans. Prior to the Yagya, Pandit Ranvijay Shastri explained the spiritual and environmental significance of Yagya-highlighting how the burning of odoriferous substances with pure ghee in the holy fire, while chanting Vedic mantras, purifies the atmosphere. Ashok Koul, General Secretary (Organisation), BJP J&K, addressed the gathering and spoke about the founding of Arya Samaj in 1875 by the great reformer Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati. He lauded the Arya Samaj Mandir, Trikuta Nagar, for its unwavering commitment to social service, promotion of Vedic culture, education, and moral upliftment.

emphasized Maharishi Dayanand's teachings-especially as his 200th birth anniversary is being observed this year-continue to be a guiding light for youth, inspiring them towards right-

eousness and national pride. Rekha Mahajan, senior BJP leader, also graced the occasion and extended her heartfelt greetings to the Arya Samaj family. In her address, she praised the organization's 47year-long journey of promoting Sanatan values, unity, and spiritual awakening. She also appreciated the relentless efforts of the temple management and religious leaders in preserving India's rich dharmic and cultural traditions

After the Yagya, the ceremonial flag hoisting of the 'Om Dhwaj' was performed by senior members of the Arya Samaj, including Ravinder Rekhi (Pradhan), Bharat Bhushan Arya (Vice President), Subash Arya (Mantri), Suneel Mahajan, Ajay Gupta, and others.

A special tribute was paid by Acharya Shri Hari Shankar Agnihotri, the main speaker and Yajna Brahma of the event. He appreciated the spiritual contributions of Pandit Ranvijay Shastri, the temple's Purohit, and Kuldeep Arya, the Bhajanopdeshak, for their dedication and service.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from a large number of devotees, local residents, and community leaders. The day was marked by devotion, spiritual enlightenment, and a reaffirmation of commitment to the ideals of Arya Samaj.

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