

Modi Govts schemes, projects meant for all; BJP workers our strength: Ch Sukhnandan

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JAMMU: BJP's strength depends on the dedication and hard work of its ground level workers as they act as ambassadors of the party and reach out to masses to disseminate the party's policies and plans.

This was said by senior BJP leader and former Minister Choudhary Sukhnandan Kumar while addressing gathering at Ward Number 64, Durga Nagar, near JDA parking in Jammu North Constituency on Friday.

The meet was organised by JMC coporator Kapil Chibh.

While speaking on the occasion, Ch Sukhnandan said, "We are celebrating 8 years of Modi Government in power. He said that local BJP leadership has carried out a massive outreach programme wherein party cadre interacted with the common masses and divulged about the achievements of the party and its future perspectives which will further move the country to newer heights of development and prosperity." He said that people are giving overwhelming response and promised undaunted support to the party.



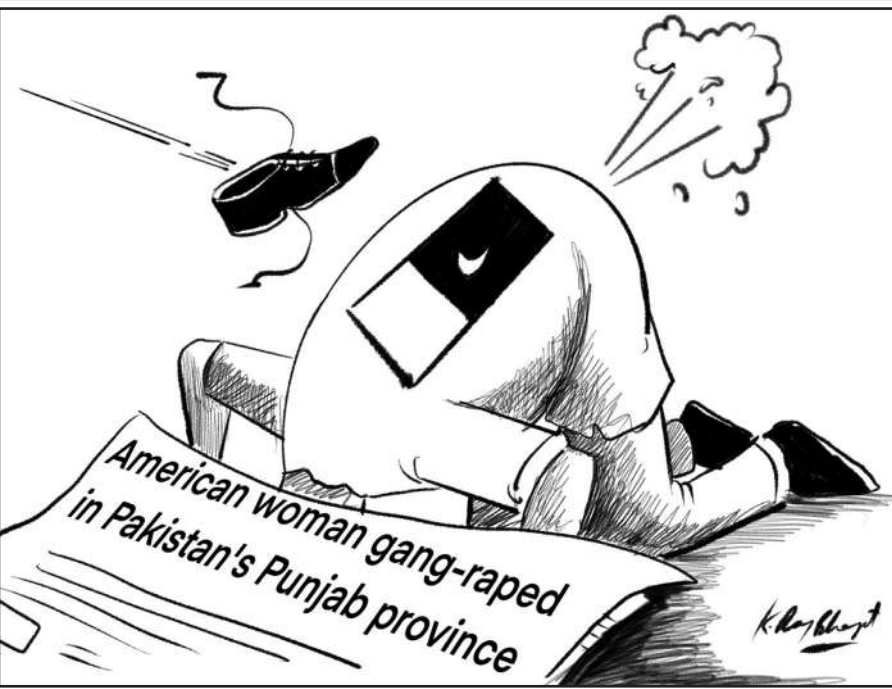
Senior BJP leader Ch Sukhnandan Kumar planting a sapling.

The senior BJP leader Sukhnandan Kumar said that during the door to door campaign, one thing came to fore that there is not a single household which is devoid of benefits of schemes launched by the Modi Government.

He said that every household has received benefits under one or the other

scheme of the Modi government. "Every household reaping benefits of centrally sponsored schemes. Whether it is Ujjwala, Ayushman Bharat, startup, other schemes initiated under the Modi regime, people have taken benefits of the maximum schemes", he said, adding that governments under Atal Bihari

Vajpayee or Narendra Modi have one thing in common that the both were corruption free and ensured that the benefits of government schemes reach at the last man standing in the line under the Antodaya mission. BJP leader Ch Sukhnandan further said that schemes launched by Modi Government are meant for all as the same are not designed for a particular set of people. He said that the schemes and policies of the Centre are free from any kind of discrimination as all the eligible beneficiaries can avail the benefit without any prejudice. Sukhnandan laid stress on party cadre to disseminate the good work done by the BJP government in last eight years so that the people can understand the importance of BJP and accord phenomenal support to the party in the upcoming Assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir and also the Lok Sabha polls scheduled to be held in 2024. The residents of Durga Nagar expressed full faith in BJP and in the leadership of Ch Sukhnandan Kumar and sought his monthly meetings in the area so that the issues faced by the local area residents can be discussed and resolved.



Div Com, ADGP Jammu Zone review arrangements for Baba Budda Amarnath Yatra



Div Com Jammu, Ramesh Kumar along with ADGP Jammu zone, Mukesh Singh chairing a meeting.

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JAMMU: Divisional Commissioner Jammu, Ramesh Kumar along with Additional Director General of Police Jammu zone, Mukesh Singh on Friday held a meeting with civil society members and concerned officers to review the arrangements for annual Baba Budha Amarnath Ji Yatra.

The meeting was attended by Director Tourism, Vivekanand Rai; Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Amy Lavasa, DD Planning, Munish Dutta besides senior officers of Police, Traffic, Health, PWD, JPDCL, ULB, Jal Shakti, JKRTC and members of Baba Amarnath and Budha Amarnath Yatri Niyas and other civil society members.

Deputy Commissioners of Poonch, Rajouri and Reasi along with SSPs participated in the meeting through video conferencing.

Pertinently, the annual yatra was not conducted in 2020 and 2021 due to Covid-

19 pandemic. This year the yatra will commence on July 29 from Yatri Nivas Bhagwati Nagar Jammu.

During the meeting, the issues related to security, transportation of pilgrims, setting up of langers, medical facilities, sanitation, water and power supply, security, traffic, lodging and boarding of pilgrims were discussed.

The Deputy Commissioner Poonch apprised the Div Com that around 12 places with the capacity of over 4000 have been identified for providing accommodation to the pilgrims in the district.

The Div Com instructed DC Poonch to make available all basic facilities for safe and comfortable stay of yatris. He asked the DC to ensure better sanitation, hygienic food, regular water, power supply at all the designated places.

The Div Com also asked the Chief Engineer PWD to ensure filling of potholes, blacktopping of roads which lead to the Shrine.

The Div Com emphasized upon the need for ensuring adequate arrangements by working in a coordinated manner and stressed for ensuring sanitation, mobile toilets, medicare facilities, mobile toilets en-route stations at Akhnoor, Nowshera, Sundarbani, Rajouri etc.

It was informed that the pilgrims on their return also pay obeisance at Shiv Khori Shrine. The Div Com directed Deputy Commissioner Reasi to make all necessary arrangements for pilgrims to ensure smooth conduct of Yatra.

During the meeting, the ADGP reviewed security arrangements for Yatra. He was informed that all security arrangements were in place for smooth conduct of Yatra.

The ADGP directed SSP Rajouri and Poonch to ensure adequate deployment of Police personnel en-route, strengthening of nakas, and strict vigil for smooth conduct of Annual Yatra.

Bar Association Jammu holds protest against dilly-dallying tactics of Govt



Lawyers raising slogans during a protest at Jammu.

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JAMMU: J&K High Court Bar Association Jammu under leadership of its President senior Adv M K Bhardwaj held a massive protest on Friday and took out a rally, in support of their long pending demands. The Bar members abstained from work in all Courts including High Court, District Courts, Tribunals & Commissions. All office bearers namely Mohinder Pal Singh Pali, Surjeet Singh Andotra, Aditya Sharma, Amandeep Singh,

Rohit Sharma, Gagandeep Singh Lucky, Yaseer Farooq Khan, Karanjeet Singh Johal, Naresh Kumar besides many senior & young lawyers participated in the protest. Pertinent to mention here that earlier on July 18, 2022, the Bar Association held a protest in support of their demands and had urged UT administration to immediately resolve all the demands of the legal fraternity without any further delay but nothing was done by the administration. Moreover, several

times the Bar had represented before the LG through Memorandum, however, despite passage of several months, Government failed to fulfill genuine demands of the Association, thereby compelling Bar Association to adopt path of agitation.

While speaking on the occasion, M K Bhardwaj categorically stated, "We staged our protest for second time today as on first day we staged protest in the premises of the Court complex and on that day we warned the Government to fulfill our demands failing which we would intensify our protest. Today, we came on roads as a mark of protest so that the Administration, which is in deep slumber, should do the needful at the earliest." He further asked UT administration not to adopt delaying tactics in resolving the genuine long pending demands/issues of legal fraternity and fulfill the same at the earliest.

Congress Seva Dal is backbone of party: Bhalla

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JAMMU: A meeting was held here on Friday at PCC HQ Shahidi Chowk Jammu under the leadership of President Congress Sevadal J&K Vijay Sharma, where some appointment orders were issued to Chenab Valley belt. Raman Bhalla-former Minister and Working President Jammu and Kashmir Pradesh Congress Committee was the Chief Guest and Yogesh Sawhney former Minister and General Secretary JKPCO was the Guest of Honour. Others who were present in the meeting include Dr. Ramakant Khajuria, Atul Sharma, Chander Sheikhar besides Mahila Sevadal President Tamana Heer, State Mahila team Rajni Devi, Anita Devi, Chanchal and President Block Congress Committee Marnat Syed Khan. Speaking on the occasion, Raman Bhalla said that Congress Seva Dal is the backbone of the Congress party and known for its discipline and passion, which is reflected in its organisational fabric and method of operation. Raman Bhalla, on the recommendation of incharge Chenab valley and General Secretary State Parvez Wani and District President Congress Sevadal Doda O.P Bhagat, gave away appointment orders. Swami Raj has been nominated as Block President Bhagwan, Kailash Chand Block



Working President JKPC, Raman Bhalla handing over an appointment letter.

Vice President, Hamidullah as General Secretary, Anil Kumar as Secretary and Inder Jeet as Joint Secretary. Moh. Yaseen as President Block Marnat, Shah Nawaz as Secretary. Besides Suresh Kumar as Communication Coordinator Doda and Farooq Ahmed Joint Secretary of Block Bhaghiwa.

Chenab Valley Incharge Parvaiz Wani has been given the additional charges of District Reasi & District Udhampur.

DGP lays foundation stone of works at CTC, 23rd IRP Bn Hqrs Lethpora Attends inauguration of South Kashmir's first-ever Women Police Station

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JAMMU: The Director General of Police Dilbag Singh on Friday laid foundation stone for construction works at Commando Training Centre (CTC) and Indian Reserve Police (IRP) 23rd Battalion Headquarters at Lethpora in Avantipora district. He later also visited Anantnag and Pulwama districts of South Kashmir. Accompanied by ADGP Armed/IRP J&K SJM Geelani, ADGP (Hqrs) PHQ, M K Sinha, ADGP Kashmir Zone Vijay Kumar, DIG AP/IR Kashmir Shahid Mehrab, AIG Building PHQ Javid Iqbal Matoo and AIG Communication Manoj Pandith, the DGP was received by CO IRP 23rd Bn Atul Sharma, SSP Avantipora Mohd Yousuf, Principal CTC Lethpora Tanveer Jeelani, CO 185 CRPF Bn A K Bharti and Executive Engineer PCD Kamal



DGP Dilbag Singh laying foundation stone for construction works at Commando Training Centre (CTC) and IRP 23rd Battalion Headquarter.

Kishore. He was also presented guard of honour at CTC Lethpora as well as at 23rd IRP Bn Hqrs.

After laying the foundations at Lethpora, the DGP inspected various under-construction works like Parade ground, administration blocks, hostel, quarter guards, hospital,

USQ/LSQ blocks, conference hall, computer labs etc. He directed for adaptation of drawings as per needs and also suggested amendments and changes for making CTC a centre of excellence. The DGP directed for finishing construction and all allied work within stipulated times besides

providing State of art facilities. He also directed for providing best residential facilities to the personnel. The DGP then visited Anantnag where in his presence the first-ever women police station for South Kashmir was inaugurated. The Police Station was inaugurated by Principal Women Degree College Anantnag Dr Nuzhat and other womenfolk, representing different fields. After inaugural function of Women Police Station, the DGP while speaking to the media said, "The purpose behind opening women police stations across UTs is to provide a better environment to women. Crime against women has been taken seriously and to bring down any type of crime against women, the Women Police Stations have been opened where the victims of crime will be conducted with by women officers/officials."

Yasha Mudgal reviews financial status of Co-op Banks in J&K

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JAMMU: Secretary, Co-operative Department, Yasha Mudgal, on Friday chaired a meeting of senior officers to review working of Co-operative Banks working in Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

Threadbare discussions were held on various issues pertaining to different Co-operative Banks including gross and net NPA, deposits, cash in hand, liabilities, CRAR percentage, well performing branches and steps being taken up to bring down loss percentage and make recoveries better, expansion of well performing banks and ATM facility of banks.

Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Shafqat Iqbal, Additional RCS Jammu, Nirupa Rai, Director Finance, Co-op Department, Additional Secretary, Co-op Department, Joint Director, Coop Department attended



Secretary, Co-operatives Department, Yasha Mudgal chairing a meeting.

the meeting. Managing Directors, State Co-operative Bank, Central Co-operative Bank and SCARD Bank besides General Manager of Urban Co-operative Banks briefed about physical and financial status of their respective banks.

Anantnag Central Co-operative Bank (ACCB) reported 9 branch are in profit and all its 34 branches will be made profitable by March, 2023 and bank was also asked to

increase recoveries and improve its CRAR.

MD of Jammu Central Coop Bank (JCCB) was asked to prepare Expression of Interest (EoI) for selection of agency to enable introduction of core Banking System in JCCB.

It was observed in the meeting that the UCBC were performing well. Devika Cooperative Bank Udhampur was advised to increase its Branches in Udhampur and also open new Branches in

Reasi. Anantnag Urban Cooperative Bank was asked to expand its services in Anantnag and Kulgam districts. Kashmir Mercantile Cooperative Bank will be opening branches in Srinagar and North Kashmir.

The Secretary asked MD SCARD Bank to computerize all the Bank Branches and improve recoveries. He informed that the bank has recovered more than Rs 3 crore in first quarter of 2022-23.

Additional MD JKSCB informed the chair that 34 branches of the bank are earning profit and steps are being taken to improve the remaining 6 out of total 40 branches.

The Secretary impressed upon all banks to improve their CRAR and reduce NPAs by making recoveries and improving banking services. She directed that Banks will submit information to RCS to assess their contribution in the GDP of J&K.

Registrant Cooperative Societies was also asked to obtain Audit Report of Cooperatives registered under the J&K Self Reliant Cooperative Act of 1999 so that their contribution to the GDP can be ascertained.

It was decided in the meeting that branch wise review of Baramulla Central Cooperative Bank (BCCB) and Jammu CCB shall be taken shortly.

LS passes 'Antarctica Bill 2022' moved by Dr Jitendra

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NEW DELHI: Lok Sabha on Friday passed the Indian Antarctic Bill, 2022 moved by Minister of Earth Sciences Dr Jitendra Singh. The Bill aims at having India's own national measures for protecting the Antarctic environment as also the dependent and associated ecosystem.

Speaking about the Bill, Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh said, the main aim is to ensure de-militarization of the region along with getting it rid of mining or illegal activities. It also aims that there should not be any nuclear test / explosion in the region.

The bill is in pursuant to India's accession to Antarctic Treaty, the Protocol on Environment Protection (Madrid Protocol) to the Antarctic Treaty and to the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources.

Dr Jitendra pointed out that the Bill provides a harmonious policy and regulatory framework for India's Antarctic activities through well-established legal mechanisms and will help in efficient and elective operations of Indian Antarctic Programme.

It will also facilitate India's interest and pro-active involvement in the management of growing Antarctic tourism and sustainable development of fisheries resources in Antarctic waters. It will also help in increased international visibility, credibility of India in Polar governance leading to international collaboration and cooperation in scientific and logistics fields.

Dr Jitendra also elaborated that the continuing and growing presence of Indian scientists in Antarctica in the research stations with concurrent commitment to Antarctic studies and protection of fragile Antarctic ecosystem warrants adoption of domestic legislation on Antarctica consistent with its obligations as a member of Antarctic Treaty System.

The enforcement of such laws will confer Jurisdiction on the courts of India to deal with any dispute or crimes committed in parts of Antarctica. Legislation of such a kind will bind the citizens to the policies of the Antarctic treaty system. This will also be useful in building credibility and enhance the status of the Country globally.

Court convicts accused in unnatural offence case, awards 2-yr imprisonment

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KATHUA: Chief Judicial Magistrate (CJM) Kathua, Sandeep Kour on Friday convicted an accused for two years simple imprisonment and fine to the tune of Rs. 3000 in case of unnatural offence.

The accused identified as Gaurav Sharma, son of Dalip Kumar, resident of village Gugran, Tehsil and District Pathankot was convicted in FIR No.13/2013 registered under Section 377 of RPC at Police Station Kathua. APP Bachan Lal appeared for UT of Jammu and Kashmir.

The brief facts of the case are that complainant Sahdev Singh filed an application at Police Station Kathua alleging that accused Gourav Sharma on January 14, 2013 has repeatedly conducted unnatural sex with his eight-year-old son (name withheld).

On complaint, an FIR was lodged and ultimately on Friday court has convicted the accused.

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