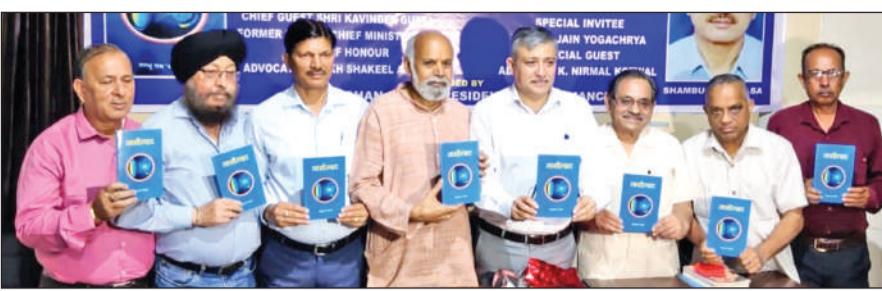


Pyasa's 'Asheerbad' released



Yogacharya S.K Jain, Advocate Sheikh Shakeel Ahmad and others releasing a book.

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JAMMU: 'Asheerbad', a collection of five Dogri plays penned by Shambhu Ram Pyasa, was released on Friday in Press Club Jammu.

S.K Jain Yogacharya was the Chief Guest whereas renowned Advocate J&K and Ladakh High Court Sheikh Shakeel Ahmad presided over the function.

Eminent theater artist and former Chief Manager CCB was Special Guest and a celebrated Punjabi writer Baljit Singh Raina was special invitee whereas Ashok Gupta former Editor Shiraza was

Guest of Honour. Harish Kaila President NDS and Som Raj Taroch also shared the dias. Rajni Anubhav compared the proceedings.

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His five small plays this book comprise Ajji Di Nari, Kaudda Kutt, Khilladdi, May Dhiara and Asheerbad. The issues highlighted are child girl education, impostors looting people on army recruitments, old and new games of Duggar, transformation of drug addict

employees to increase their productivity and strength of love.

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In this back drop to maintain our unique identity and cultures the writers have big responsibility. He said no doubt our diversities are our real strength to unite us and the writers and artists working to preserve our cultures are in fact working for the unity of our regions and

the country.

Er Sk Anand said that to preserve and strengthen our social fabric is of paramount importance to strengthen the society and the role of writers is significant in this regard.

Janak Khajuria said that the "Theater" needs to be strengthened to disseminate the message of peace, unity and brotherhood.

Baljit Singh Raina said that the literary movement is must to create positivity in the society and the art and culture academies and institutions has to pay a big role in this regard.

Ashok Gupta said that continuous endeavours of art, culture and literature are must for a vibrant society.

Dogra Harish Kaila said that NDS is concerned with the growing drug addiction in our youth and NDS is planning to start a strong literary campaign in this regard.

The programme ended with vote of thanks by Shambhu Ram Pyasa.

J&K BJP to hold special programmes this fortnight: Kavinder To pay tributes to Kargil martyrs on July 24



Senior BJP leader, Kavinder Gupta addressing a press conference.

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JAMMU: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta informed that BJP's J&K unit will hold several programmes this fortnight starting from July 24.

The BJP stalwart leader said this while addressing a press conference here at party headquarters on Friday.

Kavinder said that the BJP is organizing a grand event to pay tributes to the martyrs of Kargil on July 24, in which Defence Minister Rajnath Singh will also take part as he is visiting Jammu for the event.

Kavinder said that the UT

unit of the party has also planned special events to arrange listening of PM Narendra Modi's Mann Ki Baat programme at booth level with all the party workers and the general masses congregating to listen to the message of PM Modi on Sunday, the July 31, 2022.

The senior BJP leader also informed that the day on which President-elect Droupadi Murmu will take oath as President of India will also be celebrated with a grandiose programme at all the booths as it is for the first time in the history of the country that a tribal woman is becoming the President.

He said that BJP will welcome this special moment with due respect and a graceful ceremony at all its booths.

Besides, Kavinder said that from August 13 to 15, BJP activists will reach every house in the Union Territory to make the Haf Ghar Tiranga movement a great success. He said that this is part of the celebrations of the glorious 75th Independence Day of India under the programme Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav launched by the Modi government.

The former Deputy Chief Minister appealed to the party cadre to ensure the success of all the proposed events in the coming fortnight.

JCMS's Langar for Amarnath pilgrims continues on day 25



DC Jammu, Avni Lawasa serving Langar at Mahajan Sabha.

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JAMMU: Central Sanskrit University Jammu, in collaboration with Kailakh Jyotish & Vedic Sansthan (SKJAVS) Trust, will organize a programme on August 7, 2022 to commemorate World Sanskrit Day. It was stated in a press statement issued here on Friday. To discuss and finalise arrangements for the day, President, SKJAVS Trust Rohit Shastri called on Director Prof Madan Mohan

He further told that programme will be attended by a large number of Sanskrit lovers and scholars as well as prominent educationists, public representatives, agricultural scientists and farmers of India. Prof Madan Mohan Jha, Director CSU said that Shakti Pathak, Director Security, Raj Bhawan and Director of Choodamani Sanskrit Sansthan Basohli will be conferred with 'Kailakh Sanskrit Ratna' award during the programme.



Jha. It was further informed that a 'Kisan Mela' will also be organised by SKUAST Jammu. Speaking on the occasion, Mahant Rohit Shastri informed that the programme will start at 4:30 PM at Majestic Grand Resort, Pukhru, wherein LG Manoj Sinha will be the Chief Guest.

Others present on the occasion included Prof Parbat Kumar Mahapatra, Dr Yoginder Dixit, Dr Hari Om, Dr Tej Nath Paudel, Dr Gopal Verma, Dr Vivek, Vishal Mahajan, Suman Lal Shastri and Maninder Singh.

The Langar on Friday was inaugurated by Avni Lawasa, Deputy Commissioner Jammu, in presence of Romesh

Chander Gupta President JCMS, Arun Gupta President CCI and Sukhmandan Choudhary (Ex-MLA), which was sponsored by Prabhu Dayal Mahajan and his family.

Others members of Sabha present on the occasion included C P Gupta, Mukesh Mahajan, Balbir Gupta, Yash Paul Gupta, Surinder Gupta, Subash Gupta, Dr Mohan Lal Gupta, Vijay Gupta, Satish Gupta, Darshan Gupta, Romesh Chander (Bartan Wale), Suresh Gupta, Rajneesh Gupta (Pinki), Rajan Gupta and Rajesh Gupta.

After hearing prosecution and defence at length, the JMIC Vailoo found accused to be guilty of commission of crime under Sections 279, 304 A RPC beyond reasonable doubt and convicted the accused to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of three months for the commission of crime under section 279 RPC and simple imprisonment for a term of two years for the commission of crime punishable under Section 304 A RPC being directed to run concurrently along with fine of Rs 5000 payable to the family of the deceased.

FAA aspirants call on Dr Farooq Abdullah, appeal to raise issue in Parliament

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JAMMU: A delegation of the aspirants of Finance Account Assistant (FAA) led by Tejinder Pal Singh, Youth National Conference District President Urban met the Party President and Member Parliament, Dr Farooq Abdullah at his Jammu residence. The delegation members narrated to the former Chief Minister, Dr Farooq Abdullah their tale of woes pertaining to the recruitment and requested him to highlight their issue in the Parliament's ongoing session. Explaining their miseries to Dr Farooq Abdullah, they said that they are having sleepless nights due to reports surfacing scrapping of FAA selection list by the authorities.

They added that it is quite unjust that the career of maximum deserving candidates is being marred as they are being forced to pay the price of those

few who probably resorted to cheating. They said, "After qualifying the exam we thought our unemployment woes would end but the delay in the declaration of results by the JKSSB and now the surfacing reports of scrapping of the select list has kept us in the middle of nowhere."

Tejinder Singh informed Dr Farooq Abdullah that almost the entire recruitment process for FAA has been completed and now talking of scrapping it is a big fraud on the young meritorious and deserving aspirants.

He appealed to the NC President to raise this genuine issue of the aspirants in the Parliament.



A delegation of FAA aspirants calling on MP Dr Farooq Abdullah.

Court awards 2-yr imprisonment to man in hit & run case

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ANANTNAG: The Court of JMIC Vailoo presided over by Manzoor Hussain convicted a person namely Ghulam Jeelani Malik, son of Ambir Din Malik, resident of Zalangam Kokernag in rash and negligent driving case.

During the trial the prosecution of the case was conducted by APP Sheikh Aadi Rasheed.

While arguing the case, the APP submitted before the court that the accused was driving the vehicle rashly and negligently that is why he couldn't control the vehicle resultantly gone off road and hit the deceased pedestrian in such a manner which resulted in grievous injuries on the vital organs of the deceased due to which he died on the spot.

The App argued that the element of negligence and rashness can be inferred from the outcome of the alleged act on part of the accused which in the present case is the death of a victim.

The App further submitted that credibility of prosecution has remained intact even in the cross examination and prosecution has successfully proved it's case beyond shadows of reasonable doubt as such accused is found to be guilty of commission of aforesaid crime, hence warranted to be punished according to law.

After hearing prosecution and defence at length, the JMIC Vailoo found accused to be guilty of commission of crime under Sections 279, 304 A RPC beyond reasonable doubt and convicted the accused to undergo simple imprisonment for a period of three months for the commission of crime under section 279 RPC and simple imprisonment for a term of two years for the commission of crime punishable under Section 304 A RPC being directed to run concurrently along with fine of Rs 5000 payable to the family of the deceased.

Dr Farooq Abdullah after giving a patient hearing to the delegation members while expressing sympathy with them assured to raise the issue in the Parliament on priority.

Those who were present on this occasion: Rattan Lal Gupta Provincial President Jammu Province, Sheikh Bashir Ahmed Provincial Secretary Jammu, Sajjad Ahmed Kichloo Zone President Chenab Valley, Vijay Lochan PP SC Cell Jammu, Abdul Gani Teli PP OBC Cell Jammu.

President JKWP, IGM delegation, CD&EF call on LG

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SRINAGAR: Mir Junaid, President, Jammu & Kashmir Workers Party (JKWP), Delegations of International Gurjar Mahasabha (IGM) and Community Development & Employment Foundation (CD&EF) called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha here on Friday.

Junaid discussed the issue of mining in Langate, Kupwara, besides concerns related to Jal Shakti Schemes, College and Sports Stadium.

The Lt Governor assured him that the genuine issues would be taken up with the concerned quarters of UT administration for early redressal on merit. Similarly, a delegation of International Gurjar Mahasabha led by Tazeem Gujjar met the Lt Governor and expressed gratitude for the unprecedented and immense development works and schemes initiated by the UT administration for the welfare of Tribals of J&K UT.

Later, a delegation of CD&EF led by Syed Mohd Rafiq expressed gratitude for the arrangements made by the UT administration for the Hajj pilgrims, besides highlighting issues of public importance.

Dr Rajeshwar Sharma gets LG's Award



Dr Rajeshwar Sharma, Ex-Medical Superintendent, CD Hospital Jammu receiving Lieutenant Governor's Award.

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JAMMU: Dr Rajeshwar Sharma, Ex-Medical Superintendent, CD Hospital Jammu received Lieutenant Governor's

Award for honesty, integrity & meritorious services 2021 at Civil Secretariat Jammu in GAD today. It comprised of citation, gold medal and Cheque of Rs 51000.

SMVD Narayana Hospital organises workshop on 'Vascular Access in Oncology'



Chief Guest lighting a ceremonial lamp.

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KATRA: A workshop on 'Vascular Access in Oncology' was organized by the Oncology Department of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi (SMVD) Narayana Hospital Katra.

Leading oncologists of Jammu Region spoke at the workshop including Dr Abhinav Choudhary

(Consultant Surgical Oncologist), Dr Paras Khanna (surgical oncologist) and Dr Rajeev Saini (medical oncologist).

Dr Gurjot Singh, former HoD CTVS, Deptt GMC Jammu was the Guest of Honour.

Speaking to reporters, Dr Abhinav Choudhary (Chief Surgical oncologists Shri

Mata Vaishno Devi Hospital) explained that chemotherapy given via peripheral veins is extremely damaging to the veins causing serious complications such as extravasation etc & repeated sessions of chemotherapy leads to tremendous discomfort to the patients.

Therefore modern devices such as chemoports have been introduced to minimize such issues, he said adding that Chemoport is an implant that can be safely inserted underneath the skin and can be used indefinitely for administering chemotherapy.

The procedure is being done at Naryana Hospital absolutely free of cost under the Ayushman Bharat scheme, he added.

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