

BJP thriving on gossip & innuendo: Harsh

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CHENANI: Accusing the BJP of having failed and floundered in honouring its commitments with the people of J&K ever since its ascendance to power, Harsh Dev Singh, former Minister and senior AAP leader said that the saffron party was thriving merely on empty rhetoric and false propaganda.

"It had proved to be a party of 'Jumlas' with a complete mismatch between its promises and delivery. The BJP leadership exploited the gullibility of the innocent voters during all elections held in the past eight years without delivering anything on the ground".

He was addressing public meetings in Ghatwal, Kalori, Chambha and Puchot villages of Chenani constituency during his two days tour.

Urging upon the people to recognize the real face of BJP behind its decep-



Former Minister, Harsh Dev Singh and others during a public meeting.

tive facades, Harsh said that it was coming out with new slogans during each elections only to conceal its past failures and to kindling new hopes amongst the poor indigent and deprived masses only to fulfil its political ambitions.

He said that the innocence of poor hapless people was once again exploited during the last DDC elections when several central BJP leaders indulged in boisterous extravaganza promising moon to the people. Not only that, they made tall

promises of early restoration

of statehood, immediate Assembly elections, review of toll plazas,

employment packages for

the educated youth and so

on and so forth, said Singh.

He lamented that the people fell prey to such declamatory and bombastic talks of the 'Jumla baaz' leaders who only specialized in emotional mobilization and showmanship. He urged upon the people to wake up to the falsehood and innuendo of BJP which has been

Pointing towards the local issues of the area,

Singh called for opening of

tailoring its slogans with the sole aim of capturing power.

Going all gun blazing against the BJP, Singh said that it had cheated the people in the past four elections of Assembly, Parliament, BDC and DDC through its false narrative. Not only that it had exploited the religious sentiments of the people to gain power Singh adding that such kind of divisive politics was not in tune with our pluralistic ethos.

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adequate number of ration depots in the remote areas so as to facilitate the delivery of civil supplies to the people in their native villages.

He regretted that several Panchayats of Chenani including Kither, Chirdi, Ladha, Chapper etc did not have any ration depot as a result of which the eligible BPL families had to travel 8-10 kms on foot to collect their subsidized ration thereby defeating the very purpose of the scheme.

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Sunderbani victim of neglect; denied due political status: Ravinder

Demands creation of R&B, PHE Divisions for Sunderbani

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SUNDERBANI: Former MLC and Chief spokesperson JKPCC Ravinder Sharma has said Sunderbani area has remained victim of neglect and discrimination and deprived of its due political status.

Criticizing the government for depriving Sunderbani Additional district area in the proposed creation of new R&B divisions, he demanded R&B division HQ for Sunderbani, failing which it shall be forcefully agitated, stated a memorandum submitted to the Government.

All major projects initiated by the previous government due to efforts of Congress have been languishing so far or abandoned during past eight years. The vital projects like upgraded Sub District hospital, Degree college, Beripattan lift irrigation project, industrial estate, sports stadium initiated by Congress prior to 2014 are all incomplete exposing the hollow claims of ruling dispensation.

The people are aghast over the conspiracy to deprive Sunderbani its due place in the political, economic and development canvas especially denial of assembly Constituency in the

recent delimitation. The present ruling party deprived the people of their long drawn struggle for due political status and empowerment.

The senior leader strongly criticized the denial of separate R&B division with HQ at Sunderbani in the newly proposed creation of divisions whereby the vast area of Sunderbani is being bifurcated. The people of Sunderbani additional district strongly opposed the move and submitted a memorandum to the government to create separate division for Sunderbani.

The Congress leader also demanded separate division of Jal Shakti Department in Sunderbani.

Sharma visited Bakhar, Balshama, Channi, Devak, Bandrai, Patrara, Kangri, Bhalwal, Thichka, Mudwal and Thanda pani areas and was accompanied by the Block President's and senior leaders of the area.

DIG Rajouri Poonch Range holds media interaction, discusses various issues



DIG Rajouri Poonch Range Dr. Haseeb Mughal posing for a photograph with media persons.

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RAJOURI: An introductory media interaction was held in Conference Hall of DPL Rajouri on Saturday by DIG Rajouri Poonch Range Dr. Haseeb Mughal.

The other officers who participated in this interaction were Addl SP Hqrs Rajouri Vivek Shekhar, DySp Hqrs Rajouri Vinod Sharma, DySP Ops Shivinder Singh and SDPO

Nowshera Touseef Reshu.

After brief introduction with media persons inputs and suggestions by media persons were noted for better policing in future.

Besides policing, other issues related to general public were also discussed so that the same could be taken up with civil administration for better delivery of public services.

The main issues pointed

out by media persons included betterment of traffic regulation (though they appreciated Police Rajouri & Poonch for innovative methods), drug menace, verification of shops and house tenants especially from outside Rajouri for better tab on their antecedents, placement of sign boards at the beginning of each police station jurisdiction along with their communication numbers, need for massive CCTV setup on nakkas and in public places, erratic supply of drinking water and power supply.

DIG Rajouri Poonch Range elaborated his vision and mission on all these points and his other objectives to be achieved in general policing in Rajouri and Poonch Districts.

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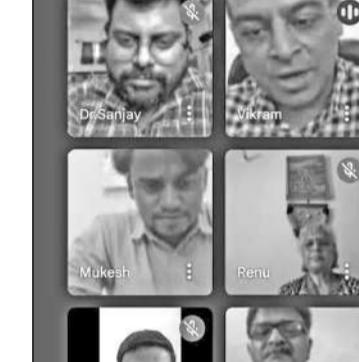
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HIRANAGAR: Department of Music Govt. GLDM Degree College Hiranagar organised fourth lecture in the series of lectures under, "Manthan". Manthan is an online lecture series from Jammu and Kashmir to Kanyakumari organised under the aegis of IQAC and Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav @75. The topic of the today's lecture was, "Techniques of Riyaz (Practice) in Hindustani Vocal Music".

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College, Hiranagar. She highly appreciated this idea of the online lecture series wherein the experts in music from diverse backgrounds from the whole country are going to participate and exchange their culture and music in coming days.

The resource person, Dr. Bhupender Malhotra also demonstrated the techniques by his live per-

formance. He in his lecture on Techniques of Riyaz (Practice) in Hindustani Vocal Music also elaborated the culture and the folk music. Earlier the programme began with the formal welcome of the dignitaries and resource person by Dr. Arun Kumar, Head Department of Sociology. Dr. Bharat Bhushan, Head, Department of Music who handled the further proceedings informed that after the completion of the whole series the Department of Music will publish the book including the papers of all the invited resource persons of the series. The entire work will be historically recorded and documented. The work and initiative would strengthen the institution at large which is the main idea, approach and philosophy of the entire concept initiated by the Department of Music under the guidance and leadership of the worthy principal Prof. (Dr.) Pragya Khanna.

The programme was organised in consultation and support of Prof. (Dr.) Pragya Khanna, Principal of the college. At the end Mukesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, Music & Vikram Jamwal, Department of Physical Education presented the formal vote of thanks. Department of Sociology and the Department of Physical Education and Sports were also part of the organising team of the webinar.

ticipants discussed and shared their views about the series. Those who attended the lecture were Prof. Renu Sehgal from G.C.W. Gandhi Nagar College, Prof. Seema Sharma, Dr. Sanjay Kalotra, Dr. Shaloo Jasrotia, Prof. Yash Kumar from G.C.W. Udhampur College, Prof. Shivani Raina, G.D.C. Bishnah, Prof. Asha Rani, Govt. MAM College, Dr. Suninder Kumar, Dr. Santosh Kumar from Sikkim Central University, Dr. Davinder Kour, Prof. Kiran Thappa, Prof. Manjot, Dr. Ravinder Singh and many more.

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Great power in prayers: Mahant Subhash Shastri

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AKHNOOR: Mahant Subhash Shastri in his sermons said today that there is great power in the prayers made to God for your neighbor, villager, community and the nation.

While addressing to the devotees in the Bhagwat Geeta Saptah Katha in village Gharatal, Akhnoor he said prayers should be made for the good of people of your village, town, district, State and the country. He said that such selfless prayer has great significance and God accepts it. Locals of village Gharatal under the supervision of Sanjeev Sharma organized a week long Katha of Bhagwat Geeta Saptah in which Mahant Subhash Shastri released sarmans to the devotees.

Horticulture Deptt hosts training for ITI students in Poonch



Horticulture Department Poonch officials along with participants of training programme.

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POONCH: As per the instruction of Director Horticulture Jammu, Ram Sevak, Department of Horticulture Poonch organised a one day training cum awareness programme for the students of ITI College here in the office MCC. The training was held under the guidance of Sanjeev Kumar, Chief horticulture Officer and Rakesh Kumar, Horticulture Development officer.

Over 50 students partici-

pated in which different post harvest management tech-

niques were discussed. The Chief Horticulture Officer acquainted the students with processing, packaging, Grading, branding of various processed products like plum jam, pickles, Apricot squash and Jam, Ginger Tonic, sauces etc as these fruits are locally available.

The HDO delivered a lecture on the importance and scope of Post Harvest Management.

Horticulture Development officers Sathra and Mendhar were also present on this occasion. Anjana Sharma and Nargis Bano gave a practical demonstration on the processing and preparation of Mango pickle and Plum Jam.

The youth were encouraged to set up food processing to earn livelihood and reduce the Post Harvest losses in the District which are near about 30%-40%.

The Fruit is grown in abundant/Surplus with a production of 26024.80 Mt tones from an area of 18601 Ha in

district Poonch. In the rural areas of Poonch many families are totally dependent upon fruit cultivation like Apples, Plum, Apricot, Lime and processing of these fruits can increase their income" the participants were informed.

The Students were surprised to know the different benefits of Post Harvest products and how to generate income from them. They were also informed about different schemes of the Horticulture department like Plantation, Ultra High Density Plantation of Apples, Pack House, Bore well, Machinery and equipment and other schemes in which subsidy is provided in the form of incentives by the department of Horticulture. The Students requested the Chief Horticulture Officer to organise these types of training programmes on a regular basis so that they can take benefits of different schemes of the department.

Dr Dev Raj assumes charge as BMO Bani

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BANI: Dr. Dev Raj has assumed the charge of Block Medical Officer (BMO) Bani in presence of Dr Rameshwar Singh ZMO Koti Chandyar here on Saturday. Dr Rameshwar, while welcoming Dr Dev Raj, wished him a happy and successful tenure to transform the health and medical scenario in the region. In his address, Dr Rameshwar highlighted the significant issues confronted by the Medical Department in Bani. Asserting that people have high expectations of him, Dr Rameshwar assured him full support and cooperation in his endeavour to transform the Health and Medicare scenario of the region. District Development Council (DDC) Member Bani, Reeta Thakur and many Sarpanches of the area along with the people of area in large numbers attended the joining of Dr Dev Raj as BMO Bani.

Pertinent to mention here that this meeting was convened on the directions of Sh. Vikramaditya Singh, Chairman of Shri Sarthal Devi ji Trust for the smooth conduct of the Yatra. Sanjeev Parihar informed that the Shobha Yatra will start from Shri Gori Mandir at 7, 2022 and urged upon the administration to ensure completion of blacktopping of road from Galigad to Sarthal before commencement of the Yatra. Others who were present in the meeting include Advocate Kuldeep Sharma, RK Rana, Ved Prakash Mahajan, PL Shan, M.L. Bhandari, Prithvi Raj and B.L. Bhan, Secretary.

Management Council of Sarthal Devi Trust finalises Yatra arrangements

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KISHHTWAR: The Management Council of Shri Sarthal Devi Trust on Saturday finalized the arrangements for celebration of Birth Anniversary of Shri Ashtadasbhuja Mata Sarthal Devi Annual Yatra. In this connection, a meeting was conducted by Sanjeev Parihar, Vice Chairman of the Trust to discuss and finalize the arrangements for the upcoming Sarthal Devi Yatra.

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