

Dr Jitendra addresses International Ministerial, urges Indian diaspora to engage with India

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GOA: Addressing the International Ministerial meet of Joint 8th Mission Innovation Ministerial (MI-8) and 14th Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM-14) here on Friday, attended by delegates from about 30 countries from across the world, Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh urged the Indian diaspora abroad to engage with India.

The Minister said, the Vaishvik Bhartiya Vaigyanik (VAIBHAV) Fellowship programme, introduced recently by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is a step in this direction. The Fellowship would be awarded to outstanding scientists/technologists of Indian origin (NRI/OCI/PIO) who are engaged in research activities in their respective countries.

The 75 selected fellows would be invited to work in



Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh addressing the International Ministerial meet of Joint 8th Mission Innovation Ministerial (MI-8) & 14th Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM-14) at Goa.

18 identified knowledge verticals including quantum technology, energy and material sciences amongst others.

Touching upon the global concerns, Dr Jitendra said, this decade must see major innovation efforts for new technologies to be in the market to meet various climate goals.

Addressing the Joint 8th Mission Innovation Ministerial (MI-8) and 14th Clean Energy Ministerial

(CEM-14) meeting in Goa with delegates from about 30 countries in attendance, Dr Jitendra said, the Mission Innovation (MI) and International Solar Alliance, spearhead by our Prime Minister Narendra Modi was announced at COP21 in 2015, as world leaders came together in Paris to commit the ambitious efforts to combat climate change.

Dr Jitendra informed the delegates that Mission

Innovation is a term coined by India's Prime Minister and the United Nation has recognized him for his Policy Leadership and pioneering work in championing and promoting new levels of cooperation on environmental action and clean energy initiatives and conferred on him Champions of Earth Award 2018.

Dr Jitendra told the delegates that Prime Minister

Modi's attention to Clean energy is continuously reflected in his vision, outlined in form of Panchamrit during COP26 and India's targets toward climate action like- Reaching a non-fossil fuel energy capacity of 500 GW by 2030; Fulfilling 50 percent energy requirements via renewable energy by 2030; Reducing CO2 emissions by 1 billion tons by 2030; Reducing carbon intensity below 45 percent by 2030; To pave the way for achieving a net-zero emissions target by 2070.

The Minister concluded by saying that achieving a cleaner and healthier future requires the unwavering focus of all governments, business, investors, and citizens. He said, we all must not lose sight of the need to continue the R&D cycle and focus on the next set of solutions.



ADGP Jammu Zone reviews preparation of Budha Amarnathji Yatra

'Ensure proper co-ordination among all intelligence agencies for incident free Yatra'



ADGP Jammu Zone, Mukesh Singh chairing virtual meeting on Friday.

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JAMMU: Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Jammu Zone, Mukesh Singh on Friday convened a preparatory meeting through virtual mode with the concerned Range DIGs/ District SSPs/ ASPs/ SDPOs and officers of Traffic/ Security wing to discuss the various security related issues in connection with Shri Budha Amarnath Ji Yatra-2023 and adequate Police /Security deployment.

At the outset of the meeting, a detailed briefing was given DIG Rajouri-Poonch Range, SSP Jammu and SSP Security regarding

proposed Police/Security arrangements to be made by them at Base camps Bhagwati Nagar, Jammu, enroute of Yatra, halt-age points, lodgment centers and Budha Amarnath Ji Temple Mandi District Poonch etc.

In view of the present security scenario in twin border districts of Jammu Zone threadbare discussion were held on various security issues.

Singh also advised the participants to ensure that a proper co-ordination be maintained among all the intelligence agencies, Army, PMF, Traffic and Security wing in their respective dis-

tricts/area of responsibility including ROP for smooth and incident free Budha Amarnath Ji Yatra-2023.

The officers who attended the meeting which include Suleman Choudhary, DIG UR Range, Udhampur, Shakti Pathak, DIG JSK Range, Jammu, Dr. M. Haseeb Mughal, DIG RP Range, Rajouri, Chandan Kohli, SSP Jammu, Amritpal Singh, SSP Rajouri, Shamsheer Choudhary, SSP Security, Jammu, Vinay Kumar Sharma, SSP Poonch, Amit Gupta, SSP Reasi, Vinay Kumar, SSP Traffic Rural, Jammu and Faisal Qureshi, SSP Traffic City, Jammu.

Justice Tashi Rabstan stresses on speedily disposal of cases under POCSO Act

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JAMMU: Justice Tashi Rabstan, Judge of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court also Administrative Judge of District Jammu on Friday visited District Court Complex Janipur Jammu and had interaction with Judicial Officers.

Justice Tashi Rabstan was received by Sanjay Parihar Principal District and Sessions Judge Jammu along with other Judicial Officers.

Bala Jyoti, Special Judge Anti Corruption CBI Court Jammu on behalf of Judicial officers and office bearers of Judicial employees Welfare Association Distt. Court Jammu extended floral welcome to Justice Tashi Rabstan.



Sanjay Parihar, Pr. Distt. and Sessions Judge Jammu, Bala Jyoti, Special Judge Anti Corruption CBI Court Jammu along with Judicial Officers presenting memento to Justice Tashi Rabstan, Judge of J&K and Ladakh High Court.

In the welcome address, Sanjay Parihar gave an overview of performance of the Judicial Officers of the District Jammu and also apprised the Justice Tashi Rabstan with regard to the pendency of the cases and also discussed the steps to reduce it.

Justice Tashi Rabstan

laid stress on the speedily disposal of cases under POCSO Act special emphasis was also laid for counselling in the Family Court matters.

Further, Justice Tashi Rabstan laid stress for Pre Litigation Mediation under The Commercial Court Act. It has also been sug-

gested that awareness/training program of PLVs of DLSA Jammu be conducted so that the PLVs can aware the people about the benefits of the Pre Institution Mediation, stress has also been laid on speedily disposal of the old cases preferably 10 years old

cases. Not only this, Justice Tashi Rabstan also enquired about the Judicial Infrastructure with regard to New Court Complexes in Tehsil R S Pura and Tehsil Akhnour.

Later, problems of the Judicial Officers with regard to inadequate judicial staff too was discussed.

As a token of respect, a memento was presented to Justice Tashi Rabstan by Sanjay Parihar, Pr. Distt. and Sessions Judge Jammu, Bala Jyoti, Special Judge Anti Corruption CBI Court Jammu along with Judicial Officers.

The programme was attended by all Judicial Officers of Jammu District.

Devotee embarks on Amarnath Yatra with trident from Lucknow temple

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JAMMU: Carrying a seven-foot trident from the Mankameswar Temple in Lucknow as a symbol of unwavering devotion, Mohit Kashyap is embarking on his fifth Amarnath Yatra. He is leading a group of 30 devotees that will pay homage at the cave shrine of Lord Shiva.

"Every year, I embark on this journey to pay obeisance to the sacred ice lingam of Lord Shiva to seek blessings," he told PTI.

Tradition plays a pivotal role in Kashyap's journey. He carries a trident from the Mankameswar Temple as a symbol of his unwavering devotion.

"This practice has been followed year after year, signifying the bond between the devotees and their faith," he said.

Joined by a group of fellow pilgrims, Kashyap and his companions have been embarking on the pilgrimage for years.

"Together, we brave the demanding terrain and overcome the physical hurdles," Narinder Kumar, a member of the group, said.

"This journey unites the devotees in their shared purpose, forging an unbreakable bond," he added.

According to Kashyap, "The journey stands as a testament to the power of spirituality and the enduring human spirit."

Much like Kashyap, Madhya Pradesh seer Keshav Dass has embarked on the pilgrimage with a mace. Dass is in the final phase of his 10-year pilgrimage, carrying the mace to all ancient temples. "This is probably the last major pilgrimage centre of India where I will be paying obeisance. I have been on a perennial pilgrimage to major shrines and temples in India for the past one decade," Dass said.

Dass has already visited the 12 Jyotirlingas and other shrines. Over three lakh pilgrims have paid obeisance at the Amarnath shrine since the pilgrimage began on July 1. The 62-day pilgrimage to the 3,888-metre-high cave shrine commenced from the twin tracks of Pahalgam in Anantnag district and Baltal in Ganderbal district. The yatra is scheduled to conclude on August 31.

Women must start pro-active campaigns against drug abuse to prevent children from self-destruction: Zorawar

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JAMMU: Making a fervent appeal to the women folk to come forward and join hands in making drug awareness campaigns as mass movement here in Jammu and Kashmir, especially, in Jammu Province, B-JP leader and Chairman, Team Jammu, Zorawar Singh Jamwal said that drug mafia is making all attempts to trap younger generation including School and



Chairman, Team Jammu, Zorawar Singh Jamwal addressing gathering of women.

College going students in their evil net there by spoiling the future of nation.

While addressing a large gathering of women during an exclusive meeting

of women organized in Pouni Chack area, here today, Zorawar Jamwal said that its volunteers will leave no stone unturned to take on its fight against drugs to all

nook and corner of Jammu region.

"School going children and College youth need to be involved in a big way for spreading the message at the grass root level. And for that, mothers have to take the lead to make aware their wards about the ill and dead effects of drug abuse," highlighted Zorawar and made a passionate appeal to women to join hands and take the responsibilities in their respected localities to strictly counter suspicious activities of drug peddlers.

The BJP leader further said, "Time has come for the women who being wife,

sister and mother to start pro-active campaigns with a spirit of love and compassion that will surely help in preventing self-destruction of those who have fallen prey to drug-addiction. The time is giving alarming bells to come out from homes and reach out to vulnerable segments in a big way."

Zorawar Singh said that, "Women have to shoulder the responsibility of inculcating the practice of Sanatan in their siblings since childhood, which would enlighten them about good and bad from their tender age and would help them making a bright future."

Advisor Bhatnagar reviews performance, functioning of JKDFCO



Advisor, Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar chairing a meeting.

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SRINAGAR: Advisor to Lieutenant Governor, Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar on Friday chaired a meeting and held a comprehensive review of the performance and functioning of J&K Drugs and Food Control Organisation (JKDFCO).

The meeting also held detailed deliberations on organization's achievements, challenges, and the strategies to strengthen its effectiveness across Jammu and Kashmir for ensuring availability of safe and quality drugs and food products across the region.

The meeting was attended by Secretary Health and Medical Education, Bhopinder Kumar;

Commissioner, Food and Drugs Administration, Shakeel Ul Rehman Rather; Drug Controller J&K, Joint Commissioner Food Safety, Deputy Drug Controllers and other concerned officers both in person and through video conferencing.

Addressing the officers, Advisor Bhatnagar highlighted that abuse of pharmaceutical preparations is one of the reasons for initiation of youth into drug abuse. He delved upon the officers to establish a strong mechanism for monitoring of drugs besides enforcement should be strengthened across all districts.

Calling upon the officers to cement the existing complaint

mechanism, Advisor Bhatnagar impressed upon the officers to develop a mobile application for complaint receiving as well as redressal of the same. With respect to Jan Aushadi kendras and Amrit pharmacies he emphasized on establishing them in all the district hospitals. He added that these are the effective ways of bringing down the medical bills of poor patients.

Advisor reiterated his decision of having a foolproof mechanism of keeping check on Scheduled and psychotropic drugs. While taking cognizance of the pendency of drug licences he directed for strictly complying with the PSGA designated timelines. He said that no delay, whatsoever on part of authorities is acceptable and should be viewed seriously.

During the meeting the State Drug Controller gave a detailed presentation on the performance and achievement registered by the organisation. She gave out that the performance of this organization is much better than before and is going to improve further by implementing more reforms recommended today.

DC Jammu inspects Amrit Sarovar at Bhalwal

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JAMMU: The Deputy Commissioner Jammu Avny Lavasa visited Bhalwal Block and inspected various Amrit Sarovar works, here on Friday.

She was accompanied with ACD Preeti Sharma along with other block officers during the visit.

The Deputy Commissioner inspected the repair and renovation of Amrit Sarovar ponds at Panchayat Bhalwal, Seri Panditan and Kiaing village.

The DC also took stock of different developmental works being executed in block under Mission Amrit Sarovar.

Expressing her satisfaction over the Amrit Sarovar works, the Deputy Commissioner said that Amrit Sarovars constructed by RDD have become sources of generation of rural livelihood as the water of these Amrit Sarovars is being used for Irrigation, Fisheries, Duckery, Animal Husbandry and water tourism besides they are vital assets to protect the environment.

The DC also asked the concerned to strengthen catchment areas, beautification of ponds along with its surrounding, construction of sidewalks and cleanliness of ponds so that people can get full advantage of ponds.

Managing Committee IRCS Jammu elects Chairman, other office bearers

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JAMMU: The newly elected 10-member Managing Committee of Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) Jammu has elected Dinesh Gupta as Chairman here at its meeting held on Friday in Red Cross Office Kachi Chawni.

The Management Committee Members Jugal Kishore Mahajan, Dinesh Gupta, Rajinder Vijay Magotra, Vikram Jain, Rajinder Singh, Avinash Anand, Maitre Jain, Raman



IRCS office bearers during a meeting at Jammu.

Jandyal, Surinder Gupta and Yashpaul Mangotra as unanimously elected Dinesh Gupta as Chairman, Vikram

Jain as Vice-Chairman, Surinder Gupta as Treasurer and S. Rajinder Singh as the Secretary of

the Branch. All the members present expressed their sincere thanks to the Deputy Commissioner, Jammu and Assistant Commissioner (Revenue) Jammu for the timely peaceful completion of the whole election process.

A two minutes silence was also observed to pay homage to Santosh Magotra, Subhash C. Bali, O.P Gupta, Smt. Rita Koul and Mahadev Singh all deceased members of IRCS Jammu.

Power shutdown



JAMMU: Chief Engineer (Distribution) JPDCL, Jammu has informed that the power supply to Dhanna, Thein, RTC Pump House, Lakhanpur City, Lakhanpur Village, Excise Feeder and adjoining areas shall remain affected on July 24 from 6 am to 10 am.

Similarly, the power supply to Keerian Local, CNC, Keerian Industry and other adjoining areas shall remain affected on July 25 from 6 am to 10 am.

Likewise, the power supply to Channi Himmat and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on July 25 from 8 am to 10 am.

Dharap and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on July 25 from 6 am to 10 am.

Similarly, the power supply to Gura Utterbehi, Mandal, Sandhi, Purmandal and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on July 25 from 6 am to 10 am.

Likewise, the power supply to Sainik Colony and its adjoining areas shall remain affected on July 26 from 8 am to 10 am.

Meanwhile, the Superintending Engineer O&M Circle-III, JPDCL Batote has informed that the power supply to Pumping Station Baryal, Kshirah and South shall remain affected on July 25 from 9 am to 12 noon.