

DC Jammu concludes Langar, registration for Amarnathji pilgrims at Mahajan Bhawan

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JAMMU: Deputy Commissioner Jammu, Avny Lavasa, on Wednesday concluded the Langar and Registration for Shri Amarnathji pilgrims at Mahajan Bhawan, Shalamar Road, here.

by of the Registration Counter for Shri Amarnath ji annual Yatra 2023.

The Registration counter was established by the District administration under the overall supervision of Avny Lavasa, Deputy Commissioner Jammu and Langar was organized by Jammu Central Mahajan Sabha (JCMS) from first day of the Yatra 2023.

While concluding the function, Romesh Chander Gupta, President of the Sabha, thanked the Deputy Commissioner, Jammu and local police and paramilitary forces, other officials of Health and Medical Education Department, PHE, Jammu Municipal Corporation and alien departments/organizations who contributed and performed their duties wholeheartedly for the successful functioning of the Registration counter.



JCMS members felicitating DC Jammu, Avny Lavasa and other dignitaries.

During a Langar, he said, free food was served at this venue continuously for almost three weeks with the support of Mahajan Sabha, various organizations, member of Mahajan Community besides other local people and individuals who donated cash and coins.

This huge effort was possible only with the active contribution and participation of the Sabha's volunteers.

The President of Sabha thanked all for their valuable contribution.

The dignitaries who were honoured with mementos for their guidance and support for this noble cause included Sandeep Sointra, Additional Deputy Commissioner (Administration), Jammu, Harvinder Singh Additional Deputy Commissioner Law and Order Jammu, Atul Dutt Sharma SDM South Jammu, Dr. S.A. Shad, Tehsildar and other government dignitaries and officials.

The proceedings were taken up by the General Secretary, Sanjay Mahajan.

The prominent office bearers present were Yash Pal Gupta, Chief Patron, Arun Gupta, President Chamber of Commerce and Industries along with his team, Dr Jatinder Udhamपुरi, Shiv Partap Gupta, Sr. Vice President, Harinder Gupta, Sr. Vice President, Subash Gupta, Surinder Gupta, C.P Gupta, Dr Mohan Lal Gupta, Prabhu Shah, Mukesh Mahajan, Yash Pal Gupta, Balbir Gupta, Rjneesh Gupta (Pinky), Sat Pal Gupta, Ramesh Chander Gupta (Bartan wale), Dr Bimal Gupta, Arun Kumar Gupta, Dinesh Gupta, Rajesh Choudhry, and working committee members Kewal Krishan Mahajan, Nirmal Mahajan, Satish Chander Gupta, Darshan Gupta (Marriage Bureau), Parshotam Gupta, Ravi Rometra, Ashok Gupta, Shiv Gupta (Kanak Mandi), Ashok Gupta, Om Parkash Gupta, Atul Gupta, Kuldeep Gupta and other active members.

People's problems increase manifold in absence of popular Govt in J&K: Hari Singh

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JAMMU: Hari Singh Chib, President of District Congress Committee, Jammu Rural, expressed deep concern over the increasing problems faced by the general public in absence of a popular government in Jammu and Kashmir.

He made these remarks while conducting a door-to-door campaign in Ward 60 of Jammu North Assembly segment along with Rajni Bala, Corporator of the Ward on Wednesday.

Hari Singh Chib underscored that the lack of a democratically elected government in Jammu and Kashmir has led to a crisis in governance, resulting in the deprivation of basic amenities such as regular power and water supply, dilapidated condition of roads, sanitation issues, etc for the citizens.



DCC Jammu Rural President, Hari Singh Chib interacting with people.

This unfortunate situation has left the people with no option but to take to the streets in protest to demand their rightful entitlements.

He called upon the government to take prompt action in conducting elections in J&K, thereby reinstating democratic processes and ensuring that the aspirations of the people are duly represented.

Later, both the senior Congress leaders interacted with the people of Ward 60 and listened to the issues being faced by them.

Dept of Botany, NSS Unit-I of PSPS GCW Gandhi Nagar conduct plantation drive



NSS volunteers and faculty planting a sapling.

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JAMMU: To commemorate the Kargil Vijay Diwas-2023, Department of Botany and NSS Unit-I of the college organised a Plantation Drive in the college campus on Thursday. The drive was carried out by 15 NSS volunteers and students of Jammu along

with Prof. Mala Bhasin (HoD Botany), faculty members of Botany Dept, Dr. Renu Sharma, Prof. Sania Hamid and Prof. Sugandha Mahajan (NSS PO Unit-1).

A total of 32 medicinal plants and fruit trees were planted in the college botanical garden and surrounding area during the drive.

An important medico-religious plant, Phyllanthus emblica (Amla) was also planted in fond memory of Kargil Martyr Major Ajay Singh Jasrotia, by Prof. Minu Mahajan, Principal of the college.

The aim of the plantation drive was to pay tribute to Kargil Martyrs as well as to create awareness among the students regarding sustainability and conservation.

Prof. Minu Mahajan apprised students about the great sacrifice made by Major Jasrotia, Son of the soil for our Nation. She also lauded the efforts of the NSS volunteers, students and faculty members of Botany Dept. in organizing this plantation drive in the Campus.

SCERT J&K organises 10-days CPD Programme for newly promoted In-Service Lecturers

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JAMMU: SCERT J&K, Divisional office Jammu organised 10-days Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Programme for newly promoted In-Service Lecturers in Mathematics and Sciences (Physics, Chemistry, Botany & Zoology) from July 17 to 27, 2023 at SCERT Divisional Office, here.

This programme was organized by Department of Education in Social Sciences, Humanities and Content Enrichment in Science and Commerce, Academic Unit -III, JKSCERT Jammu under the mentorship of Prof. (Dr.) Parikshit Singh Manhas, Director SCERTJ&K and guidance & supervision of H.R Pakhroo, Joint Director,



Participating teachers posing for a photograph.

SCERT J&K, Jammu.

The programme was inaugurated in the presence of Prof. Surjit Kumar, Prof. Swaran Singh, Associate Professor N.P Singh, Associate Prof. Kishore Kumar, Associate Prof. Romi Kumar, Associate Prof. (Dr.) Neeraj Jandial,

JKSCERT Jammu.

Welcome address was given by (Dr.) Neeraj Jandial, Associate Prof., Head of the Department of Education in Social Sciences, Humanities and Content Enrichment in Science and Commerce, SCERT Jammu.

The programme was

attended by Lecturers /DIET faculty from each district of Jammu Division. The 10-day program aimed at orienting the participants regarding enhancement of experiential Knowledge with the use of Technology along with new pedagogical techniques.

The programme also focused on sensitizing the stakeholders about the implementation of Continuous Professional Development as recommended in NEP-2020.

The programme was facilitated by the experts of SCERT and DSE Jammu. They deliberated on different aspects of Continuous Professional Development and Content Enrichment in Mathematics and Sciences (Physics, Chemistry, Botany & Zoology) at Sr. Secondary Level.

The Overall training programme was coordinated by Ashu Magotra (Senior Academic officer, JKSCERT) along with different Subject Coordinators namely Puneet Thukral (Sr Academic Officer), Dr Rohini Sharma (Senior Academic Officer), Dr Balgar Singh (Academic Officer), Monika Dogra (Academic Officer).

The technical support was provided by Rakesh Kumar Chobber (Academic Officer) and Rohit Sharma (Academic Officer). The programme concluded with valedictory speech by Surjit Kumar, Professor, JKSCERT Jammu along with N.P Singh, Associate Professor. Vote of thanks was presented by Ashu Magotra, Senior Academic Officer, Coordinator of the programme.

LIC of India introduces new plan LIC's Jeevan Kiran

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MUMBAI: Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) introduced a new plan called LIC's Jeevan Kiran (Plan No. 870), effective from July 27, 2023.

This individual, savings-oriented life insurance plan offers life cover with a return of premium, making it an attractive option for those seeking high life coverage at a reasonable cost.

The plan is available for individuals aged 18 to 65 years, with a minimum sum assured of Rs. 15 lakhs for moderate life cover. Policyholders can choose a policy term ranging from 10 to 40 years, and the premium rates differ for smokers and non-smokers.



LIC of India officers launching new LIC's Jeevan Kiran (Plan No. 870).

Premium payment options include single premium or regular premium payable for the policy term. Rebates on tabular premium are available for sum assured amounts exceeding Rs. 50 lakhs. The minimum installment premium is set at Rs. 3000 for regular premium policies and Rs. 30,000 for single premium policies.

On maturity, if the policyholder survives till the maturity date and the policy is in force, the plan allows for a refund of total premiums paid (excluding any extra premium, rider premium, and taxes paid). In the event of the policyholder's death during the policy

term, the "Sum Assured on Death" will be payable, which will be the higher of 7 times the annualized premium or 105% of the total premium paid up to the date of death or the basic sum assured for regular premium payment policies. For single premium policies, it will be the higher of 125% of the single premium or the

basic sum assured. Optional riders, such as the Accidental Death & Disability Benefit Rider and Accident Benefit Rider, are available for an additional premium. The plan also offers a settlement option, allowing the maturity or death benefit to be received over a period of 5 years.

LIC's Jeevan Kiran plan can be purchased online through the LIC website (www.licindia.in) or offline through agents, corporate agents, brokers, and Insurance Marketing Firms (IMF). It is a non-linked and non-participating plan, providing policyholders with a comprehensive and flexible life insurance solution.

Tanishq presents 'The Autumn Edit', offers upto 20 pc off on diamond jewellery value

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JAMMU: Tanishq, India's largest jewellery retail brand from the house of Tata presents a grand showcase of the most exquisite assortment of Diamond Jewellery ever. This exquisite range showcases a luminous world of diamonds, celebrating the diverse styles adorned by women.

From rings, earrings to pendants, necklaces, bracelets and bangles, 'The Autumn Edit' offers 5 new and refreshing curation, exclusively crafted for elevating the style quotient in every

occasion. Tanishq diamonds perfectly celebrate a woman's extraordinary life story, with her radiance adding a special sparkle to these precious gems.

During this Festival of Diamonds, customers can shop for diverse looks specially tailored by Tanishq for everyday work, brunch, grand affairs like wedding occasions and anniversaries, evening soirees and even for gifting. With the shimmering Autumn Edit, a harmonious symphony unfolds.

Discover Tanishq's Elevated Work Wear range, Grand Affairs range for gala dinners, Showstoppers range for soirees and Fusion Fashion range for Indo-Western outfits. Experience the delight of making special memories with our unique Sparkling Memories gift assortment, perfect for birthdays, marking milestones and other special occasions.

It's truly a Festival of Diamonds this season at

Tanishq and to make it even more attractive, Tanishq is now offering up to 20 per cent off on Diamond jewellery value.

And that's not all - customers can now trade their old gold bought from any other jeweller for the timeless brilliance of Tanishq diamonds, breathing new life into their jewellery collection & get 100 per cent exchange value for old gold jewellery above 22 kt.

This allows our customers to get the best value for their gold.

This exchange policy provides an opportunity for customers to upgrade their old gold with newer and latest designs offered by Tanishq.

The offer is valid across all Tanishq stores in India and is valid for a limited period only. Shop with the confidence of enhanced 'Gold Standard' safety protocols at your nearest Tanishq store or choose to shop online from the comfort of your home at <https://www.tanishq.co.in/diamond-desire>.

HC directs JDA to consider petitioner afresh for promotion as AEE

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JAMMU: Justice Rajneesh Oswal of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court today allowed the petition of Rammohan Lal and quashed the order impugned bearing No. JDA/Estt/1372-73 dated 18.08.2020 and the respondent Nos. 2 & 3 shall consider the case of the petitioner afresh for promotion as Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) Civil from the date he became eligible for the promotion to the said post.

High Court further directed that the entire exercise shall be undertaken by the respondent Nos. 2 & 3 with in the period of six weeks from the date the copy of this order is served upon the respondent Nos. 2 & 3.

Court further directed that Registry shall send the copy of this order to the respondent No.1 with the expectation that the respondent No.1 would at least finalise the rules governing the service conditions of the employees of the Jammu Development Authority (JDA), as the lack of the same has led to arbitrariness and discrimination in the action of the JDA in dealing with its employees.

Court after hearing Sr. Adv Rahul Pant with Adv Arushi Shukla for the petitioner, further observed that as the respondent Nos. 2 and 3 have unnecessarily dragged the petitioner to litigation and the petitioner was compelled to file three writ petitions, so cost of Rs. 30,000/ is imposed upon the respondent Nos. 2 & 3, to be deposited with the Registry within a period of one month and after deposit, the same be released in favour of the petitioner.

The petitioner was initially appointed as Draftsman (Civil) in the Public Works Department (PWD) of the Government of J&K, in the year 1986. Thereafter the petitioner was transferred and posted in JDA Division No.-I vide order bearing No. DA/Estt/PF/1515-17 dated 25.03.1986. Pursuant to the representation made by the petitioner to the respondent No.3, the petitioner was absorbed as the Draftsman in the J.D.A vide order No. 491-96 dated 02.01.2003 by the respondent No.3. The petitioner was promoted as Head Draftsman against the available vacancy vide order No. JDA/ Estt/

Promotion/5061-63 dated 14.07.2004. Thereafter, he was promoted as Junior Engineer Grade II vide order No. 143-JDA of 2011 dated 01.10.2011, notionally with effect from 28.06.2008 and monetarily, prospectively. The petitioner was thereafter again promoted as Assistant Engineer (AE) Civil notionally with effect from 01.07.2011 to 17.12.2018 and monetarily with effect from 18.12.2018.

The petitioner being aggrieved of the order bearing No. JDA/Estt/1372-73 dated 18.08.2020, filed another writ petition bearing WP(C)No. 2595 of 2021 and prayed for quashing the orders bearing No. JDA/Estt/1372-73 dated 18.08.2020 and No. 351-PW(R&B) of 2021 dated 12.11.2021 to the extent that the respondent No.5 has been posted as Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) Civil in Jammu Development Authority on deputation, the same being violation of SRO-882 dated 26.10.2019 and the quota prescribed for deputation against the posts of Assistant Executive Engineer (Civil) in the Jammu Development Authority.

ICSI inaugurates 4th National Conference of Corporate CS



DGP Goa, Jaspal Singh and other dignitaries at 4th National Conference of corporate CS.

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GOA: The 4th National Conference of Practising Company Secretaries of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) was inaugurated in Goa on Thursday on the theme Governance for Sustainability: Curating Excellence. Jaspal Singh, Director General of Police, Goa presided over as the Guest of Honour; Shrinivas V. Dempo, Chairman, Dempo Group of Companies as the Keynote Speaker and Avelina D'sa E Pereira, Under Secretary (Higher Education), Directorate of Higher Education, Govt. of Goa, was the Guest on the occasion. Congratulating all Company Secretaries on their evolved role in the Corporate Sector, Jaspal Singh said "An investor perceives an investment to be safe only when the Business complies with the laws of the land and Company Secretaries play that dynamic role of ensuring that security to all stakeholders."

He further added that as the Key Advisors to the Board, Company Secretaries curb the incentivization of non-compliances. Shrinivas V. Dempo appreciated the Institute for choosing an appropriate theme for the Conference as Sustainable Governance will lead the country to becoming the 3rd largest economy in the world as desired by the Prime Minister of India.

He also acknowledged that Company Secretaries are undertaking complex tasks and are responsible for the growing reputation and

credibility of the country.

Avelina D'sa E Pereira spoke about how the MoU between the Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Goa and the ICSI, will open the doors of professional learning and development for the students of Goa and build their capacities. She also mentioned opening two Study Centres in collaboration with the ICSI in North & South Goa each.

Echoing the thoughts of the Guest, CS Manish Gupta, President, the ICSI, said that as ambassadors of good governance, Company Secretaries have been at the forefront of synchronizing businesses with governance and sustainability. He also mentioned that Conferences like this are an opportunity to further discuss and build capacities.

The two-day event is set to witness Leaders from trade and industry, senior corporate professionals, corporate directors, senior officers from the government, and other stakeholders who will deliberate on the technical sessions spanning two days.

A special session by Brahmanand Sankhwalkar, Padma Shri & Arjuna Awardee, 1983-86 Former Captain of the Indian Football Team is also planned on the second day of the Conference on 28 July 2023.

The Institute also inked an MoU with the Goa Chamber of Commerce and Industry and released the following on the occasion.