

'ED, CBI & other agencies act on specific inputs': YV Sharma takes on Mehbooba Mufti and her rants

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JAMMU: Spokesperson BJP J&K UT, YV Sharma, while reacting strongly to Mehbooba Mufti's rant appearing in the press, said that recently Mehbooba Mufti criticised the BJP Govt at the Centre for using ED & other agencies for breakup of the NCP party headed by Sharad Pawar.



Sharma said adding that thus blaming ED, CBI & similar other agencies is no use as they act on specific inputs.

It's a different matter that BJP government is ensuring that there is fear of the law in the minds of the wrongdoers and they are taken to task for their economic & financial indiscretions.

Mehbooba Mufti wrecked the coalition Govt with Congress party in 2008 ostensibly for allotment of a few acres of land in Baltal, Sonamarg, Kashmir for constructing temporary resting places and bathrooms for the pilgrims to Amarnath Cave

Shrine, Sharma said adding that Mehbooba Mufti took this decision while the CM, Mufti Syed was on a foreign trip.

However, the real reason for withdrawing the support was her rivalry with Ghulam Nabi Azad, whom she never wanted to hand over the reign of power after completion of 3 years of CMship of Mufti Syed of the erstwhile state of J&K as per the agreement between the two parties, Sharma said.

The same duplicitous Mehbooba Mufti, was seen pouring water over Shiva Lingam in Poonch recently, while in 1986 it was the hooligans affiliated to her late father who torched Shiva Temples in Anantnag, Wanpoh & Kulgam area & burnt the properties of the minority Kashmiri Hindu community. This was the first communal riot in the Kashmir valley that was spearheaded by the Mufti family & which was to become precursor to the unfortunate events that followed in 1989/90. The disturbances were caused by the Mufti

family to put pressure on the Congress party so that they would make Mufti Syed the Chief Minister of J&K after dismissal of GM Shah Govt. They never minded the mayhem as long as their nefarious political objectives were met. There are reasons to believe that the kidnapping of Mehbooba Mufti's sister Rubiya Syed was also orchestrated by the Mufti family themselves that resulted in release of hardcore terrorists in 1989 while Mufti Syed was the Home Minister of India under VP Singh Govt.

"And finally, the Rasana case of the unfortunate killing of a young Gujar girl in Kathua. The case is going through the legal process and I wouldn't like to say much except that a book by Madhu Purnima Kishwar, The Girl from Kathua, has hit the book stores, which is an eye opener & speaks of complicity of the Mehbooba government in ensuring that justice is not done in the case & in fact it's ensured that the innocent are entangled & put behind

the bars. In my opinion the Courts of the country should take suo-moto notice of the book and bring the culprits and instigators of the heinous crime to book, be they politicians or any other influential people," Sharma said.

Thus the people of J&K must understand the duplicity of the people like Mehbooba Mufti & far reaching implications of their policies in destabilising India & stand by Narendra Modi Government for prosperity of the Indian nation.

The effort of Narendra Modi Government is "Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas & Sabka Prayas; while as that of the opposition parties is "Parivar Bachhao, Modi hatao". And the opposition parties, in their campaign, striving to save the "parivar" of the Laloo Yadav's, Akhilesh Yadav's, Hudda's, Stalin's, Gandhi's, Sharad Pawar's, Abdullah's, Mufti's & the like. People of J&K & the country need to be careful about the family run political parties.

VC SKUAST-J pays maiden visit to KVK Samba



VC SKUAST-J, Prof. Bhupinder Nath Tripathi chairing a meeting at KVK Samba.

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SAMBA: Prof. Bhupinder Nath Tripathi, Vice-Chancellor SKUAST-Jammu visited Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Samba.

On his arrival, he was warmly welcomed by Prof. Sanjay Khajuria, Chief Scientist and Head, KVK Samba along with his team.

Vice-Chancellor instructed KVK Samba to make best use of the resources available with the KVK to generate revenue for the institution building as well as to establish new demo units. In his interaction, he laid emphasis on promotion of Integrated Farming System Model, Value addition of fruits and vegetables and promotion of protected cultivation among the farming community, which is also the primary motto of the Prime Minister

of India. His discussion was mainly focused on increasing the farmers income manifold through establishing marketing linkages, packaging and branding of agriculture products.

He emphasized on cluster development approach in farming and impressed upon promotion of Self help groups (SHGs) in the district. At the outset, Vice-Chancellor interacted with scientists and staff of the KVK. He had a one-on-one talk with the scientists of the KVK to learn about the various ideas and initiatives undertaken by them.

He appreciated the efforts of the KVK for reaching to farmers of the district to adopt newer technologies for enhancing agricultural production. He exhorted them to

work whole heartedly to improve the economic conditions of the farmers.

He emphasized upon laying thrust on value addition, mushroom cultivation, poultry farming, beekeeping, vegetable and nursery farming, custom hiring centre.

Vice-Chancellor appreciated the team of the KVK Samba and also wished them well for their future endeavours and assured full support from the university as and when required.

Earlier, Prof. Sanjay Khajuria gave a brief presentation on the initiatives undertaken by the KVK before the Vice-chancellor for the welfare of the farming community. He highlighted the role of the KVK in improving the socio-economic conditions of the farmers of the district Samba.

IIT Jammu's Invention Factory Prog: Experts assess promising prototypes



A panelist speaking at a programme.

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JAMMU: The Indian Institute of Technology Jammu (IIT Jammu), in collaboration with the Maker Bhavan Foundation (MBF), has successfully launched the inaugural edition of the highly anticipated Invention Factory programme.

This unique six-week summer program, originally established in the United States, aims to instill a culture of innovation among students.

After successful editions at IIT Gandhi Nagar in 2018 and 2019, followed by IIT Bombay in 2022, the program has now extended its reach to IIT Jammu, providing a platform for exceptionally talented students from IITs and NITs across India.

Ten teams, each comprising two students selected from various IITs and NITs, embarked on the challenge of conceptualizing, prototyping, pitching, writing, and filing both Indian and US provisional patent appli-

cations for their groundbreaking inventions. Throughout the course of the program, these teams are undergoing regular evaluations from a diverse panel of Guest Evaluators, composed of experts from various fields.

This Tuesday, the panel of guest evaluators included notable personalities such as Aijaz Bhat, Qualcomm R&D; Prof Anurag Misra, IIT Jammu; Gopal Gajjar, Power Anser Labs Mumbai; Sandeep, Data Sailors; Rajesh Abrol, Jammu Smart City; CA Pradeep Gandotra; Varsha Bansal, Hotelier; and SL Kapoor, Jammu Smart City Limited. Their insights, constructive feedback, and inspirational guidance served as catalysts for refining the inventions and even encouraged teams to explore alternative ideas.

The event's key highlights were the revolutionary prototypes of the "Breathable Cast Maker," "Automatic Eyeglass Cleaner," "Improved Metered Dose Asthma Inhaler," and "Vibration Damping Gloves."

The Invention Factory program is mentored by the esteemed professors Dr Eric Lima and Dr Alan Wolf, Founders of Invention Factory, hailing from Cooper Union University, New York, USA. Their mentorship ensured that participants received unparalleled guidance and expertise.

The Invention Factory program provides young inventors with an extraordinary opportunity to showcase their skills, network with like-minded visionaries, and leave an indelible mark on the landscape of global innovation.

BSS Panjgrain starts Langar for Amarnath pilgrims

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NAGROTA: Commissioner, State Taxes and Administrative Secretary, Mining Department, J&K, Dr. Rashmi Singh in presence of former Education Minister J&K, Priya Sethi, Vice President Jammu and Kashmir Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Yudhvir Sethi, Vice President BJP, former Mayor Jammu, Chander Mohan Gupta, Swami Mrinmayananda and Swami Satyamitrananda Ji Maharaj Secretary of Bharat Sevashram Sangha Panjgrain, Nagrota, inaugurated a Langar being organized by Bharat Sevashram Sangha for Amarnath Pilgrims at Panjgrain, Nagrota.

Continuing their commitment towards the service of humanity, Swami Satyamitra and Ji, Secretary Jammu and Kashmir of BSS, said that a Bhandara is being organized by the devotees of the Sangha for Shri Amarnath pilgrims at Panjgrain, Nagrota every year.

"Bhandara will continue



Former Minister J&K, Priya Sethi and others inaugurating Langar at Bharat Sevashram Sangha Panjgrain, Nagrota.

till the end of the Shri Amarnath Yatra," he said adding that the pilgrims will be served breakfast, lunch and dinner at the Langar during the Yatra period. He further said that Sangh also provides free medical services as well and rehabilitation for pilgrims. While speaking on the occasion, Dr. Rashmi Singh appreciated the social work done by the organization. She said that BSS is engaged in hosting social welfare activities all over the country.

BSS is contributing in the spheres of health, education and self-employment, she added. She expressed hope that Yatra will be completed successfully without any untoward incidents.

Former Minister J&K, Priya Sethi, appreciated the efforts of the BSS and said that every year a large number of social organisations join hands with the administration to ensure smooth conduct of the Yatra. "The administration is fully geared up for all

Yatra-related activities, but efforts made by different social organisations in providing much-needed support to the Yatra at different locations are praiseworthy," she added.

Vice President Jammu and Kashmir Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Yudhvir Sethi said the administration has made elaborate arrangements for the Yatra, but social organisations also play a substantial role by supplementing efforts in arranging Langars, medical camps and other facilities

for the visiting devotees and make the task of the administration somewhat easy. He said thousands of devotees and Sadhus have been availing the facilities made available by the BSS at Nagrota.

Speaking on the occasion, former Mayor Jammu, Chander Mohan Gupta highlighted various welfare activities organized by the Sangha for poor and down-trodden.

Earlier on their arrival, all the dignitaries along with BSS members performed Puja in traditional style of BSS, followed by unfurling of the Sanstha Flag in presence of prominent members of Sangha and civil society.

In the programme, Swami Mrinmayananda and Swami Satyamitrananda Ji Maharaj also honoured the invited guests with mementoes. They also distributed warm clothes and torches among the Shri Amarnathji pilgrims for their safe pilgrimage. Later, all the guests served Prasad of the Bhandara to all the participants.

Awareness Program on 'Importance of Organ Donation' held in CSU

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JAMMU: An awareness session on Human Organ Donation was organized by the State Organ and Tissue Transplant Organization (SOTTO) J&K under the aegis of NSS Unit of Central Sanskrit University (CSU), Shri Ranbir Campus Kot Bhalwal, Jammu.

Welcoming the guests present in the programme, Dr. Yogendra Dixit, coordinator of the NSS Unit, said that we should donate organs so that if a needy person gets it, it will help him to live life.

Anshu Sharma (IEC & Media Advisor) and Nisha Kumari (Programme Assistant) SOTTO sensitized the faculty, staff and students of the university campus about National Organ Transplant Program (NOTP) and cadaver donation process. She informed



A resource person speaking at an awareness programme at CSU.

about the legal process related to organ donation. Many participants took the pledge to become organ donors. Stories of organ donors were also shared to inspire them. The students were told that someone whose brain was dead in the hospital because of a brain injury, brain hemorrhage or any other reason, his or her organs and tissues are still alive.

If the family agrees and donate organs, many lives can be saved. While a brain-dead patient can give the gift of life to at least three to eight people. She pointed out that India is facing an acute shortage of organs for organ transplant and this number is a mismatch between the number of organs required and the organs available for transplant. The reasons for

the delay are lack of awareness, spiritual beliefs about life after death and negative attitudes towards organ donation in general.

There are many myths and social taboos associated with organ donation such as the donated organs may disappear after rebirth.

The program Campus Director Prof. Madan Mohan Jha said in the presi-

dential address that due to organ donation, today any needy person in the society gets those organs and is helped to live life. Donating an organ does not reduce it but helps in living the life of a needy person.

Maninder Singh, program officer of the NSS Unit gave a vote of thanks to the guests. Dr. Rishiraj, Dr. Gopal Verma, Dr. Rajkumar Mishra, Dr. Ratan Kumar Pandey, Dr. Sarvesh Tripathi, Kamal Kishore, Dr. Snehlata, Dr. Shivashish, Dr. Prasad Bhatt, Dr. Shweta Sood, Dr. Praveen Kumar, Dr. Madan Singh were present on this occasion.

Technical cooperation in the program was given by Akhil Sharma, and Tirupatibala. The program was conducted by Maninder Singh.

ABVP condemns enhancement in retirement age from 62 to 65 years of university teachers

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JAMMU: Akhil Bhartiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) condemned the enhancement of retirement age of University Teachers in which Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha made a major announcement pertaining to faculty of all Universities in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. As per the order, the retirement age will be enhanced by three years from 62 to 65.

He made the announcement of fulfilling the long pending demand of the faculty of Universities during his address last year after inaugurating Annual Youth Festival 'Sonzal-2022' at the University of Kashmir in Srinagar. This move of LG administration is against the Youth of Jammu & Kashmir

who are facing unemployment. It is heartbreaking move adopted by LG Manoj Sinha which is against the youth.

State Secretary Akshil Billowria said, UT administration of J&K has made the students intensely exasperated since abrogation of Article 370 by bringing anti youth policies and this is one of them. On one hand UT administration is incapable of conducting exams of JKSSB and hiring new competent agency for recruitment but on the other hand they are not hesitating in bringing anti youth policies that will have direct impact on the Youth and hence in turn will lead to increase in unemployment rate & Mental stress among the youths of erstwhile J&K.

Ashki Baloria added that Education must be in top pri-

ority of any Government but this seemed to be totally inverse in J and K as LG administration has failed to appoint full-fledged Principal Secretary to Higher Education. It is pertinent to mention that the present incumbent Principal Secretary is holding additional charge of the department of Higher Education who is already holding charge of many other departments.

This shows total non seriousness of L.G administration towards such a prestigious department of Higher Education.

ABVP appealed to LG administration and requests LG Manoj Sinha to revoke this order so that the interest of the youths could not get suffered in the Union Territory of J and K.

DC Udhampur reviews progress of Jal Jivan Mission works

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UDHAMPUR: Deputy Commissioner, Udhampur Sachin Kumar Vaishya on Tuesday chaired a meeting of officers and field functionaries of Jal Shakti Department here in his office chamber to review the progress of water supply projects taken up under Jal Jeevan Mission in the district.

Earlier, Executive Engineer Jal Shakti, Ashok Kumar Sharma gave a brief about the latest progress of Jal Jeevan Mission Schemes in each Sub-division.

The DC took scheme wise

review and received feedback from the concerned engineers regarding measures taken for execution of different JJM schemes and their timely completion. He also directed the officers to regularly monitor the quality and progress of all allotted works for their time-bound completion.

The DC stressed on gearing up all resources to speed up the execution. The SDMs were directed to regularly monitor the quality and progress of the allotted works in their respective jurisdiction and share the details with the DC office.

DPAP protest reaches Rajouri, demand increase of ration scale

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RAJOURI: Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP) on Tuesday held protest demonstrations here against curtailment of ration, price hike, property tax, shortage of water and electricity.

DPAP workers expressed concern over curtailment of ration, rise in prices of essential commodities, rising unemployment and issues of electricity and potable water saying the anti-people measures have taken toll on every aspect of life in Jammu Kashmir.

"The authorities have cut down the monthly ration quota to consumers in

J&K, supply of kerosene oil to consumers has disappeared, price hike and unemployment is breaking all records," DPAP workers said.

The protestors demanded restoration of monthly ration quota to consumers and roll back of imposition of property tax and other "anti-people" decisions.

After the protest rally, DPAP leaders presented the memorandum of demands to Deputy Commissioner Rajouri Vikas Kundal.

The memorandum contained all the demands for which DPAP has been holding peaceful protest

rallies for the past several months. On the instructions of its Chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad, DPAP has held several rallies, protests and public outreach programmes in past weeks.

Public outreach programmes, as per DPAP, are aimed at having firsthand accounts of public issues. Among others who were part of the protest include Anita Thakur General Secretary, Adv Masood Choudhary State Secretary & Working Committee Member, Lovely Gupta State Secretary, Susheel Gupta Distt President Rajouri,

Subash Vaid Secretary, Hassan Mirza Youth President, Susheel Jamwal, Kashmir Singh,

Rameshwar Sharma, Capt Joginder Singh, Ashwani Sharma, Er Vishal Sharma, Ashok Bhagat,

Kulwant Singh, Suraj Sharma, Paramvir, S. Rajinder Singh, Rameez Khan and others.

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