

"AIIMS Jammu Embarks on a Comprehensive Digital Transformation Journey"

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JAMMU: All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Jammu proudly announces a significant milestone in its journey towards digitalization. This transformative step will revolutionize patient care and streamline medical services through advanced digital solutions.

Digitalization at AIIMS Jammu began with implementing key systems like the Human Resource Management System (HRMS) and the Hospital Management Information System (HMIS) with the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (CDAC). These systems aim to streamline staff administration, improve patient care through efficient data handling, and ensure secure and seamless information sharing across departments.

The digital transformation is structured into various major milestones. At the onset, AIIMS Jammu will implement telemedicine and consultation services. The Hospital Management Information System (HMIS) will handle patient registration, emergency registration, patient billing, patient enquiry, laboratory services, and inventory management integration. Additionally, an online appointment registration system and mobile apps for viewing investigation reports will be launched and integrated with the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM). The Human Resource Management System



(HRMS) will manage service records, promotions, and leave management. In the next phase, the HMIS will be expanded to include inpatient departments (IPD), operation theatres (OT), the e-Raktkosh blood bank management system (BBMS), alert management, laundry services, biomedical equipment management (BIMED), kitchen dietary services, and the Central Sterile Services Department (CSSD).

Clinical decision support systems featuring predictive analytics and remote monitoring will also be introduced. The third milestone will include establishing a clinical data repository, introducing predictive medicine, and enhancing disease surveillance and infection control. Finally, AIIMS Jammu will incorporate health metrics via wearable devices, collect and analyze patient experiences, and utilize artificial intelligence (AI) for various applications.

Jagat Prakash Nadda, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare and Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers, along with other dignitaries, attended

a demonstration of the HMIS system and engaged with the CDAC team to gain insights into the latest developments. The Health Minister expressed his appreciation and satisfaction, stating, "A digitally empowered healthcare system is in alignment with our Prime Minister's visionary 'Digital India' campaign. By integrating cutting-edge digital technologies into our medical infrastructure, we aim to enhance efficiency, improve patient care, and ensure seamless access to healthcare services for every citizen. This transformation will not only elevate AIIMS Jammu to new heights but also set a benchmark for healthcare institutions across the country, driving us closer to our goal of a technologically advanced and inclusive India."

The Executive Director & CEO, AIIMS Jammu, Prof (Dr) Shakti Kumar Gupta, stated, "Patients can now book appointments online via a mobile app, reducing wait times and improving efficiency, with easy options for scheduling, rescheduling, and cancellations. Automated reminders for

recall visits ensure patients never miss follow-up appointments, enhancing continuity of care. Prescriptions are generated electronically, reducing errors and ensuring legibility, with delivery via email or SMS. Patient records are securely stored electronically, eliminating the need for paper files and ensuring easy storage, quick retrieval, and secure access for patients and healthcare providers. Each patient receives an Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) number, enhancing interoperability and continuity of care across different healthcare providers. Diagnostic test results are digitized and made available in real-time, allowing quicker diagnosis and timely intervention, with patients able to view and share their results online.

Digital records ensure easy review and continuous monitoring, helping healthcare providers track patient progress and make data-driven decisions. This eliminates the risk of losing vital information, with secure backups ensuring data integrity and availability. Digital records enable comparison with previous records, helping assess therapy effectiveness and make informed treatment decisions. The accuracy and consistency of digital data facilitate reliable research and analysis. The digital system streamlines administrative processes, reduces paperwork, and enhances patient satisfaction through reduced wait times and better communication. Additionally, the system

integrates with various health services, including telemedicine, remote monitoring, and patient education, ensuring comprehensive care."

He further shared, "Above all, digitalization is essential because it helps staff, faculty, and patients adapt to new technologies early on. This early adoption eases the transition and reduces resistance to change, making future advancements smoother and more efficient." The adoption of these advanced technologies will empower AIIMS Jammu to make informed decisions based on comprehensive and real-time data, ultimately enhancing patient care and operational efficiency.

Prof (Dr) Shakti Kumar Gupta summarized the benefits of digitalization, highlighting how it enhances global expert consultations, streamlines patient records for better care, extends remote access, optimizes resource management, empowers patient engagement, and improves cost efficiency. He concluded, "We at AIIMS Jammu expect a footfall of nearly 2500 patients per day in upcoming times, and we are excited about the positive impact this will have on operational efficiency, patient care, and overall healthcare experience. We look forward to continuing our efforts to innovate and provide the best possible care to our community."

AIIMS Jammu is poised to become the first AIIMS to achieve complete digitalization within just one year of its inception, marking an incredible milestone.

US Business delegation calls on Dr Jitendra, discusses Indo-US collaboration

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NEW DELHI: A delegation of U.S.-India Business Council (USIBC) led by Edward Knight, Executive Vice Chairman, called on Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh here on Wednesday at North Block and discussed Indo-US collaboration in different areas.

The U.S.-India Business Council (USIBC) represents top global companies operating across the United States and India, creating connections between businesses and governments in both countries.

It has around 200 member companies of which 70 percent companies are from the United States and remaining 30 percent from India. Having their offices in Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru in India and headquartered in Washington D.C. USIBC is also part of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

Union Minister, Dr. Jitendra Singh said "It is a conducive environment under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to make strides in Quantum technology, Artificial Intelligence, critical metals and semiconductors with increased cooperation between India and the United States." Dr. Jitendra Singh emphasized on the government's vision in Artificial Intelligence and Machine learning and expressed optimism over its integration with the AI task force developed by the Large Language models are being worked upon by the Department of Science and Technology which are aligned with the task force. Going further he added that India is now a frontline nation in next generation technologies. He also informed the delegation about the Amusandhan NRF on the



US-India Business Council (USIBC) delegation led by Edward Knight, Executive Vice Chairman, calling on Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh at North Block, New Delhi on Wednesday.

similar lines of the National Research Foundation in the US. During the interaction, the Earth Sciences Minister mentioned that world will witness two landmarks of one Indian reaching the Deep Sea and another Indian in space in the coming year; he also shared that Indian Science and technology sphere is now empowered under PM Modi with Academia- Industry and Startup integration and opportunities in Electric Vehicles and battery technologies.

Highlighting India's progress in the last decade in science and technology he recalled that the Biotech industry has reached to 140 \$ Bn with 4000 plus companies. NISAR, a joint mission of NASA and ISRO is also an evidence of India's prowess in the Space sector. He also referred to New Space Policy and its benefits reaped in the recent months. The DoPT Minister, Dr. Jitendra referred to reforms in Civil Services in the last 10 years and said "90 percent working in government is Online." He also emphasized that the size of the Government should be small with more citizen centric governance. He stated that India and the US can work in Civil services reforms through exchange programs and capacity building.

In the presence of Dr. Jitendra, Dr. Abhay

Karandikar, Secretary of the Department of Science and Technology highlighted that India is part of the Quantum Co-ordination Committee with both industry and academia on board. Dr. Rajesh Gokhale, Secretary, Biotechnology referred to Indo-US cooperation on development vaccines and co-operation in Biotechnology. Dr. N. Kalaiselvi, DG, CSIR in presence of Dr. Jitendra Singh shared that CSIR has three dedicated labs working for metals, metallurgy and mines and that both the countries have ample opportunities for collaboration. She also highlighted that the US has shown interest in our technology of Steel Slag Road. Edward Knight, Executive Vice Chairman, Nasdaq and Chairman of USIBC Global Board of Directors congratulated Dr. Jitendra Singh for his victory in the recent polls and taking the responsibility of Minister for the 3rd time. He also Appreciated India's Model of Jam trinity and DBT and invited the Minister for the 49th India Ideas Summit 2024. Ambassador Atul Keshap, President, USIBC; Alexander Slater, MD, USIBC; Aditya Kaushik, Senior Director, USIBC; Dr. Sameer Guduru, Director, USIBC were also part of the delegation.

Amit convenes strategic meeting to boost IT Infrastructure & Cyber security in UT Ladakh

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LEH: Administrative Secretary of the Information Technology Department, UT Ladakh, Amit Sharma on Wednesday convened a significant meeting to discuss and strategize critical aspects of IT infrastructure and cyber security in Ladakh with the Deputy Director General (DDG) and State Coordinator for NIC J&K and Ladakh and senior officers from NIC J&K, at the Civil Secretariat, Leh. The deliberations and discussions held under the chairpersonship of Amit Sharma focused on critical aspects such as cybersecurity, network operations, security operations, network augmentation, and integration with online services like U-MANG, Digi Locker, and e-Office.

Emphasizing the importance of robust cybersecurity, Amit Sharma urged



Administrative Secretary Information Technology Department, UT Ladakh, Amit Sharma chairing a meeting.

the NIC J&K team to replicate successful services in Ladakh, ensuring seamless connectivity and efficient data management.

IT Secretary Amit Sharma highlighted the importance of robust cybersecurity measures to ensure the secure delivery of online services. He urged the NIC J&K team to replicate the successful services implemented in J&K in Ladakh, ensuring seamless connectivity and efficient data management.

This strategic meeting marks a significant step towards strengthening our

IT infrastructure and ensuring the secure delivery of online services to the people of Ladakh, Amit Sharma added. He stated that the development aims to bolster the digital landscape of UT Ladakh, ensuring efficient, secure, and citizen-centric services.

The meeting was attended by the DDG & State Coordinator for NIC Ladakh; State Informatics Officer, NIC Ladakh/J&K; Director and OIC, NIC Ladakh; senior officials from NIC J&K; NIC Scientists; IT Managers and all concerned officials.

KPS honours meritorious students of community

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JAMMU: The Kashmiri Pandit Sabha (KPS) Jammu held 14th consecutive function on Wednesday in the Sabha premises to honour the meritorious students of the Kashmiri Pandit Community for their academic excellence in their class 12th exams both from the CBSE and JK BOSE this year.

Students who have scored 90% and above marks were awarded a certificate along with a memento and cash prize. The Chief Guest on the occasion was Kuldeep Khoda Former DGP and Vigilance Commissioner J&K State along with K.K Khosa President KP Sabha gave away the awards to the toppers of the community.

20 students namely Deepanshu Zadoo, Anoushka Koul, Aaryan Suri, Bhomika Bhasin, Shruti Raina, Chhavi Koul, Mehul Jotshi, Divya Koul, Ananya Hangloo, Rishul



Chief Guest, Kuldeep Khoda, former DGP posing with KPS members and students.

Rewoo, Lavanya Hangloo, Arnab Pandita, Yuvi Raina, Boomika, Syesha Ganju, Veeresh Kapil Bhat, Ruvin Pandita, Rishika Pandita, Ayush Bakshi and Mitali Pandita.

While congratulating the students, the President KPS advised the students that being toppers they have to bear the responsibility towards the community as well as the society.

The President also advised the students to remember their duties towards the state of J&K. He advised the students to join such streams which could enable

them to serve in the state especially in the valley where peace has returned now.

The students can look for opportunities in higher education and research where there are opportunities of gainful employment within the UT. Here in the J&K State there are already two IITs, two IITs besides more than fifteen universities. Therefore, lots of jobs will be available for employment in future. With this scenario in future the students will be able to look after your parents who have made huge sacrifices to help

them. Another area which many bright youth are looking at is establishing a Startup where GOI is providing greater support so that instead of being job seekers youth can become job providers. And lastly you must not forget that your state also needs your services which you can easily render by joining the civil services.

The Chief Guest while hailing the performance of the children impressed upon them to not be complacent and put in their all out efforts to go and compete for civil services as their carrier. He said since our commu-

nity is in total turmoil for the last 35 years, we have to struggle for our existence which can be better helped by opting for administrative jobs. He said that if we fix our target and go on track to achieve the same you will have lot many opportunities in the life. He exhorted upon the students not to be cowed down by failures but your dedication and perseverance can lead them to clinch the goal.

The personalities who graced the occasion J. L. Zutshi, Nirmala Zutshi, Ashok Braroo, C. L. Pandita, Kewal Sher, M. L. Gagroo. The executive members present on the occasion were Ashwani Koul, G. J. Kampasi, Rajinder Tiku, Satish Khoda, B. L. Rawal, Bharat Bushan Gosaini, Asha Kitehloo. The vote of thanks was delivered by Deepak Dhar while as the program was very ably conducted by S. L. Bagati (General Secretary).

IIM Jammu organizes one day Hindi workshop

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JAMMU: The Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Jammu organized a one-day Hindi Workshop at the Aryabhata Classroom on Wednesday.

The Chief Guest for the event was Jagdish Ram Pauri, Director Rajbhasha, Ministry of Education, Government of India. He was accompanied by Kishore Kumar, Senior Translation Officer, Hindi Rajbhasha, Ministry of Education, Government of India. Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu presided over the inaugural ceremony.

Present on the occasion were Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics, IIM Jammu; Dr. Anuja Akhouri, Co-Chairperson, Hindi Rajbhasha; Cmr. Kesavan Baskaran, Chief Administrative Officer; along with faculty, officers, staff members, and students of the Institute. The event com-



Prof. B.S. Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu honouring Jagdish Ram Pauri, Director Rajbhasha, MoE, Govt of India.

menced with a welcome address by Abhay Kumar Awasthi, Hindi Rajbhasha Committee, IIM Jammu, followed by the symbolic lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries.

Dr. Anuja Akhouri welcomed everyone and gave a brief introduction about the illustrious journey of Jagdish Ram Pauri, highlighting his instrumental role in creating awareness about Hindi Rajbhasha and its usage. Prof. B.S. Sahay, felici-

ated Jagdish Ram Pauri with a memento and shawl. Kishore Kumar was felicitated by Cmr. Kesavan Baskaran.

In his address, Prof. emphasized the importance of Hindi as our Rajbhasha and detailed IIM Jammu's efforts to ensure all official orders, including appointments, are bilingual. He noted that IIM Jammu is committed to official language implementation and stressed the need for further progress.

He acknowledged the consistent efforts of the Government of India in promoting Hindi and expressed gratitude for Jagdish Ram Pauri's support.

He reiterated IIM Jammu's commitment to Hindi Rajbhasha as per government guidelines and highlighted the role of films and programs like Tamil Sangam and Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat in spreading Hindi.

He urged everyone to incorporate one Hindi word daily into their vocabulary to foster the language in daily life.

Jagdish Ram Pauri welcomed everyone and stressed the importance of communicating in one's mother tongue to achieve the vision of Viksit Bharat and becoming Vishwaguru, as envisioned by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He highlighted the government's steps to promote Hindi while recognizing the

diversity of languages in India. He mentioned that on September 14, 1949, the Constituent Assembly adopted Hindi in Devanagari script as the official language of India.

He appreciated the efforts of the Rajbhasha Committee at IIM Jammu and encouraged them to continue fostering the use of Hindi across the institution. His address included quotes from illustrious poets and authors, making it truly enlightening. The Chief Guest was also taken for a campus tour of the state-of-the-art facilities at IIM Jammu.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Rambalak Yadav, Member, Rajbhasha Committee, IIM Jammu. The workshop featured an interactive session where various suggestions for improving Hindi Rajbhasha at IIM Jammu were discussed. The workshop concluded on a positive note.

Hina Shafi reviews performance of KVIB



Chairperson JK KVIB, Dr. Hina Shafi Bhat chairing a meeting.

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SRINAGAR: Chairperson J&K Khadi Village and Industries Board, (KVIB), Dr. Hina Shafi Bhat on Wednesday chaired a meeting regarding performance review of KVIB and its associated offices at Sanat Ghar Bemina, here.

The meeting was attended by senior officers from the Board and district officers.

Addressing the officers during the meeting, Dr. Hina emphasized on the need of active engagement of all stakeholders to amplify employment opportunities across the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir. She reiterated the importance of making these employment generation programmes inclusive, ensuring equal opportunities for all segments of society, particularly marginalized communities, women and individuals with disabilities.

Commending the Board's efforts in employment creation across J&K, she urged officers to adopt a robust monitoring and evaluation framework to guarantee target-oriented implementation of schemes. She stressed the importance of aligning all activities with the overarch-

ing goals and objectives.

Dr. Hina also highlighted the need for synchronized efforts by implementing agencies and banks to ensure that the benefits of employment generation programmes such as PMEGP and JKREGP reach the target population effectively.

During the meeting, it was revealed that in the financial year 2023-24, margin money amounting to Rs. 166.62 crores, creating opportunities for 65,376 persons and facilitating establishment of 8501 KVIBs was released by J&K KVIB. It was further informed that during the CFY 1st quarter, margin money of Rs. 36.34 crores has already been released for establishment of 1036 units thereby creating employment opportunities for 8288 persons.

NIFD concludes 20-day skill awareness workshop

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JAMMU: The National Institute of Fashion Design (NIFD) recently hosted a 20-day skill awareness workshop that drew to a close on Wednesday.

The comprehensive workshop offered a wide range of courses in fashion, interior design, beauty, makeup, nail art, and bakery skills. The workshop witnessed an overwhelming

response from enthusiastic students who availed on-the-spot admissions to secure their seats. Renowned industry experts and a few faculty of NIFD including Ashwarya Thakur (Bakery), Harpreet and Sheetal (Paintings and Print Development, stitching), Mamta (Tie and Dye), Anjali and Rashmi (Nail Art and Makeup), conducted engaging classes that left students in

awe. The workshop aimed to equip students with hands-on skills and knowledge in various creative fields. The courses were meticulously designed to cater to diverse interests and skill levels, ensuring that each participant took home valuable learning experiences.

NIFD's commitment to fostering creativity and skill development was evident throughout the workshop. The

institute's dedication to providing a platform for students to explore their passions and interests was lauded by all. "We are thrilled with the response and enthusiasm shown by the students," said Vanita Director, NIFD. "We have been giving direction to the students since the last 27 yrs and have had 100 batches passed out in various courses since NIFD's inception in

1997, We feel proud in saying that we are having 100% job placements in Jammu and also Delhi, Ludhiana and Surat to name a few. Our aim is to empower young minds with the skills and confidence to excel in their chosen fields. We look forward to many more such initiatives in the future," she concluded by saying that admissions for the new batch is on.

