

## People voted in interest of nation, to strengthen democracy: Raina

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BILLAWAR: J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina, Former Dy CM Dr Nirmal Singh and BJP District President Thakur Darshan Singh participated in BJP Billawar Assembly Constituency Workers meeting at Billawar.

Ravinder Raina, while addressing the meeting, congratulated the party workers and the people for strengthening democracy, said that this is the proud moment for all of us that the people in Jammu and Kashmir and rest of the country have voted in the interest of the nation and to strengthen the democracy. He said that the third term of the Narendra Modi government will ensure that the residual works for the welfare of the poor would be completed in a short time. He said that it is the PM Narendra Modi who has worked every second of his life for the benefit of all sections of the society, especially the poor.



"Modi ji has formulated and implemented the policies and schemes for the needy and the oppressed but it is the dedication and the groundwork of the humble cadre of BJP that has ensured that the schemes and policies are delivered to the targeted population and the last person in the society

gets the benefits of those schemes", said Ravinder Raina.

Dr. Nirmal Singh praised the hard working and dedicated workers of the region, impressing that they have worked hard in the tough terrain and hostile environment. He said that the public is self-witness to the development that has been brought to this segment of the nation by the local Member of Parliament under the direct guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He said that the villages who were denied basic facilities for seven decades, got roads, drinking water supply, electricity, mobile towers and other facilities in this decade.

Thakur Darshan Singh assured the senior leadership that the party workers in the region are fully prepared for the next elections in the region and thanked all for their active participation in the meeting.

## Senior Citizens Welfare Forum urges BMO to include Sukhdev as Rogi Kalyan Samiti member



Forum members submitting representation to BMO Katra, Raspal Bangotra.

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KATRA: Shiv Kumar Sharma, President of the Senior Citizens Welfare Forum Katra along with Sukhdev Singh, Vice President, Ratten Chand, Secretary, and Ashok Kumar Verma, Executive Member, submitted a representation to the Bloek Medical Officer (BMO) Katra, Raspal Bangotra.

The representation emphasized the inclusion of Sukhdev Singh as a member of the Rogi Kalyan Samiti at CHC Katra.

During the meeting, BMO Katra assured the forum members that the necessary steps would be taken to address their request promptly.

## SSP Reasi reviews security situation, strengthens community engagements

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

REASI: In a focused effort to address local challenges and enhance community safety, SSP Reasi Mohita Sharma visited Mahore and Gulabgarh areas of Reasi. The primary objective of the visit was to review the current security situation and devise robust strategies to counter emerging challenges.

During her visit, SSP Reasi thoroughly assessed the security dynamics of the region and take review of the ongoing operations at Police Post Shajroo and Police Station Mahore. On spot directions and instructions imparted to the police personnel stationed there-emphasizing the importance of proactive policing and community collaboration.

In addition to security review, SSP Reasi demonstrated her commitment to support education system



SSP Reasi Mohita Sharma during visit to Police Post Shajroo.

by distributing school uniform articles to local students under the Civic Action Programme (CAP) of J&K Police. This initiative aims to encourage students to pursue their studies with dedication and enthusiasm.

Community members expressed their heartfelt gratitude to SSP Reasi for her visit, commending the Jammu and Kashmir Police's initiative to provide every possible support to the students for pursuing their studies and also

for reaching out in the far flung areas.

SSP Reasi in her address reiterated role of Reasi police for maintaining peace and security in the region while fostering educational support for the youth. She further added that Reasi Police is committed to provide safe and secure atmosphere across every nook and corner of the District and whosoever try to disturb the peace and tranquility will be dealt strictly with Iron Hand.

## DLIC Poonch approves new applications under Mission Youth Schemes

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

POONCH: The District Development Commissioner Poonch, Yasin M. Chaudhary convened a meeting of the District Level Implementation Committee (DLIC) to review applications under the Mission Youth Schemes: Mumkin, Tejaswini, and Spurring Entrepreneurship Initiative.

Key officials in attendance included GM DIC Poonch, Khalid Hussain, Deputy Director Employment Poonch, Rafiq Ahmad, ARTO Poonch Tara Mani, Assistant Director DSEO Poonch, Mir Hussain, Nodal Officer JKEDI Poonch, Shabir Hussain Shah, Lead Bank Manager, Aushutosh Koul and others. The committee reviewed a total of 149 applications: 121 for Mumkin, 18 for Tejaswini,

and 10 for the Spurring Entrepreneurship initiative. 80 applications under Mumkin were approved, whereas 10 & 4 applications approved under TEJASWINI & SEI respectively.

Deputy Commissioner emphasized the significance of these initiatives in promoting youth empowerment and entrepreneurship within the district. He issued specific directions to streamline the application process and ensure the timely disbursement of funds. Furthermore, he urged the committee to identify and address any bottlenecks hindering the schemes' implementation.

Additionally, Deputy Commissioner directed the establishment of a comprehensive monitoring mechanism to track the progress of approved cases, ensuring transparency and accountability in the utilization of the schemes' resources.

## Sarveshwar Smile Foundation inaugurates 45 days stitching and tailoring course for women

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SAMBA: The Sarveshwar Smile Foundation on Friday inaugurated a stitching and tailoring course center in Chak Sadda, a border village in Jammu & Kashmir's Tehsil Rajpura, Distt. Samba.

The foundation, established by Pooja Gupta and Nidhi Sharma from the Sarveshwar Group of Companies, aims to empower women through income generation activities and promote initiatives such as organic farming and financial literacy among farmers and their families.

During the inauguration, the Sarpanch of the village, Vinay Sharma, expressed his interest and support for the new center, emphasizing its importance in empowering women for better livelihoods.

Mahadeep Singh, Director of Corporate Affairs at Sarveshwar Group, highlighted the foundation's broader mission to bring smiles to rural and border area communities through various initiatives, including orthospine camps and sustainable livelihood programs. He mentioned the foundation's satellite facilitation centers across different locations, which serve as hubs for community engagement and support. The event underscored the importance of such training programs in rural areas, enhancing women's empowerment and supporting families through additional income opportunities.



Foundation members along with participant women.

lighted the foundation's commitment to community service and empowerment through various training programs across different locations, including border areas like Suchetgarh.

Pooja Gupta, Chairperson of the foundation, conveyed her best wishes for the success of the stitching and tailoring course, drawing parallels with similar initiatives in Suchetgarh and other locations. She emphasized the foundation's dedication to follow-up support for

trainees to ensure sustainable income generation opportunities.

Suraj Parkash Gupta, a key partner of the foundation, blessed the team and underscored the foundation's mission to promote organic farming, financial literacy, and income generation activities. Nidhi Sharma, another partner, highlighted additional societal support activities undertaken by the Smile Foundation. Dr. Rakesh Gupta, Project Director, out-

lined the foundation's broader mission to bring smiles to rural and border area communities through various initiatives, including orthospine camps and sustainable livelihood programs. He mentioned the foundation's satellite facilitation centers across different locations, which serve as hubs for community engagement and support. The event underscored the importance of such training programs in rural areas, enhancing women's empowerment and supporting families through additional income opportunities.

Sarpanch Vijay Sharma thanked the foundation for initiating the program in a remote border village and assured continued support for its success. Koushal, in his vote of thanks, emphasized the critical role of organic farming and the contribution of women in bolstering family incomes.

## MVD conducts enforcement drive

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POONCH: In a concerted effort to enhance road safety in the region, the Motor Vehicle Department under the supervision of the Assistant Regional Transport Officer (ARTO) Poonch, Taramani, conducted an enforcement drive in the Malti and Degwar areas of Poonch.

This drive was carried out on the direction of Deputy Commissioner Poonch, Yasin M. Choudhary (IAS).

During the drive, a total of 09 vehicles were challaned, with the department collecting an expected amount of ₹34,000 through e-challans. The enforcement action was taken against various traffic violations, including 3 cases of driving without a helmet; 2 cases of driving without a valid driving license; 2 cases of driving without insurance; 1 cases of using mobile phones while driving and 1

case of vehicle alteration. ARTO Poonch, Taramani, & Inspector Imran choudhary appealed to all drivers and vehicle owners to strictly adhere to traffic rules and regulations. He emphasized



the importance of wearing helmets, refraining from using mobile phones while driving, and ensuring that all necessary documents, including licenses, insurance, and pollution-free slips, are kept in the vehicle at all times.

The ARTO further emphasized that by complying with traffic regulations, road users can avoid any untoward incidents and contribute to the overall improvement of the transportation system in the region.

## DDC Chairman Reasi finalizes District Capex Plan 2024-25

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

REASI: The District Development Council Reasi meeting convened today under the chairmanship of DDC Chairperson Saraf Singh Nag at the Conference Hall of the DC Office Complex to finalize the developmental plan under the District Capex Plan for 2024-2025.

The meeting saw the presence of DDC Vice Chairperson Sajra Qadir, DDC members, ADDC Reasi Sukhdev Singh Samyal, Chief Planning Officer Narinder Kumar, DPO Poshan Mohd Anwar Bandy, ACD Pardeep Kumar, CEO, XEN PHE, XEN PMGSY, BDO's and other district officers.

Chief Planning Officer Reasi delivered a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation detailing the sector-wise allocation of funds earmarked for various works.

At the outset, ADDC Reasi



DDC Chairperson Saraf Singh Nag chairing a meeting.

Sukhdev Singh Samyal appraised the DDC Chairperson about the ongoing and proposed developmental activities, emphasizing the strategic importance of each project under consideration. The discussion focused on ensuring optimal resource allocation to maximize developmental impact across infrastructure, health, education and rural development sectors.

The DDC Vice Chairperson and members highlighted

developmental issues within their respective areas and proposed suggestions for improvements across various departments. A detailed discussion was held on aspects of the Area Development Plan, District Capex, NABARD, JJM and prioritization of other works.

Chairperson DDC Saraf Singh Nag emphasized the importance of timely project completion and urged all officers to work collaboratively to meet the district's develop-

ment goals. He also stressed the need for transparency and accountability in the implementation of the Capex Plan to ensure that the benefits reach the grassroots level. He highlighted that this year's Capex Plan focuses on making substantial development assets, particularly in the health and education sectors.

After detailed deliberations, the DDC council members unanimously approved the Capex Plan, pegged at ₹6201.53 lakh, to meet the development needs of the district. The council also unanimously resolved that the allocated funds shall be used for capital projects within the health and education sectors.

Chairman Saraf Singh Nag exhorted the council members to undertake projects of public importance under the current allocation of the district Capex to meet the popular development aspirations of the people.

## DC Doda chairs District Level Review Committee meeting

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

DODA: A meeting of the District Level Review Committee (DLRC) and District Consultative Committee (DCC) for Doda was held at the conference hall of the DC office complex.

The session was chaired by Deputy Commissioner Harvinder Singh and saw the presence of several key officials, including CPO Doda Manesh Kumar Manhas, ACD Doda Manoj Kumar, District Project Officer S. Parmjeet Singh, LDM Parveen Kumar, the General Manager of DIC, and other representatives from various departments and banks.

During the meeting, Deputy Commissioner urged bank stakeholders to maximize the disbursement of bank schemes and achieve set targets.

Discussions focused on various processes, including application status received,



Deputy Commissioner Harvinder Singh chairing DLRC meeting.

target achievements, disbursement, and employment generation through the banking sector. The meeting's agenda covered the confirmation of the minutes from the last meeting and a review of bank-wise and sector-wise achievements related to the priority and non-priority sectors under the Annual Credit Plan 2023-24 as of March

2024. The committee analyzed the progress of banks in deposits, advances, and the Credit-Deposit (C.D.) Ratio, discussing mechanisms to increase the CD ratio and the flow of credit to priority sectors and weaker sections of society. Specific directions were issued by the Deputy Commissioner to ensure the

effective execution of the meeting's agenda, emphasizing a thorough review and validation of the previous meeting's minutes, accurate reporting and transparency in achievements under the Annual Credit Plan, and strategic methods to enhance the CD ratio.

Additionally, discussions extended to government-sponsored self-employment schemes and priority sector lending, particularly focusing on agriculture, animal husbandry, and other allied sectors. Progress under SHG, social security schemes, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), and Aaadhaar seeding by banks were reviewed. The meeting concluded with resolutions for actionable steps to improve credit facilities and support for various sectors, aiming for sustainable development and financial inclusion within the district.

## DC Udhampur reviews maintenance of PMGSY roads

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UDHAMPUR: Deputy Commissioner Udhampur, Saloni Rai, chaired a meeting of officers and contractors to review the status of maintenance for PMGSY roads across the district.

During the meeting, the Deputy Commissioner



DC Udhampur, Saloni Rai chairing a meeting.

assured the contractors that the district administration would provide full support to ensure the timely completion and maintenance of road projects. Executive Engineers were directed to expedite the maintenance work of all PMGSY roads. She emphasized the importance of financial discipline in maintaining the project's momentum.

The Deputy Commissioner instructed all concerned parties to address and resolve any problems or bottlenecks in the maintenance of PMGSY roads.

She directed a detailed report from AEEs regarding issues caused by local population activities and the work of other departments that might be damaging the roads.

## DC Samba inaugurates District Level Capacity Building Training Programme under BBBP

**STATE TIMES NEWS**

SAMBA: The Department of Social Welfare, Samba, successfully organized a District Level Capacity Building Training Programme under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao initiative. The event was inaugurated by the District Commissioner (DC) Samba, Abhishek Sharma.

The training programme aimed to empower stakeholders with the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively implement and promote the objectives of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, which focuses on the survival, protection, and education of the girl child. The initiative underscores the importance of gender equality and the need to enhance the value of girls in society.

In his inaugural address,



DC Samba, Abhishek Sharma chairing a meeting.

DC Abhishek Sharma emphasized the significance of educating and empowering girls to ensure their active participation in the socio-economic development of the region. He highlighted the various measures undertaken by the district administration to support the cause and called for collective efforts to create a conducive environment for the holistic development of girls.

The event, organized by the Social Welfare Department in collaboration with SANKALP: HEW Samba, saw participation from over 300 attendees, including officials such as District Programme Officer Dr. Subhash, SDPO, District Social Welfare Officer Nawaz Sharif, resource persons from Health and Family Welfare, advocates from the High Court, DPM from JKRLM,

Shakti SANKALP:HUB, OSC, SI Samba Special Cell, and students from Government Degree College. The programme aimed to create awareness about the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao scheme and maintain gender balance in district Samba. Resource persons from the Health and Family Welfare Department educated attendees about the PCPNDT and MTP acts, emphasizing the impact of female foeticide on the declining female sex ratio. Legal experts stressed the importance of legal awareness for women to ensure their safety, dignity, and justice, highlighting key provisions in the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita that offer protection against crimes like domestic violence, sexual harassment, and

dowry-related offences. The SANKALP: HEW Mission Shakti team informed participants about various women-centric schemes and initiatives aimed at empowering women through leadership and support. The event concluded with an interactive session, a signature campaign, and a selfie point under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao initiative, fostering a sense of commitment and unity towards the cause.

## Power shutdown

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JAMMU: Chief Engineer (Distribution), JPDCL, Jammu has informed that the power supply to Doda town and its adjoining areas will remain affected on July 13 from 6 am to 11 am.

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