

New law anti democratic, joke with people of J&K: JKPC Chief

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DODA: Congress has termed the new amendment as a murder of democracy ahead of restoration of democracy in Jammu & Kashmir and demanded restoration of full statehood before elections.

JKPC Chief Vikar Rasool Wani along with Working President Raman Bhalla, Former MP Ch Lal Singh Vice President Adv Naresh Gupta, General Secretary Riyaz Aed, DCC President Sheikh Mujeeb & other senior leaders said this while addressing a largely attended meeting at Doda today. He said that the new amendment is aimed at making the institution of chief minister and council of ministers as powerless and vesting absolute powers with the Lt Governor, before holding of elections in J&K.

Termining the new order as dictatorial which amounts to further disempower the people of Jammu & Kashmir as the elected government in future would be powerless with no authority or control over the bureaucracy and administration but would



JKPC Chief Vikar Rasool Wani along with Working President Raman Bhalla, Former MP Ch Lal Singh and others during the meeting at Doda.

remain accountable to people.

Termining it a conspiracy of ruling BJP to run the proxy government from Delhi as BJP is going to loose assembly elections badly. This will be another fraud with the people of J&K in the name of democracy, he added and demanded that all political parties should unanimously fight for restoration of full statehood before assembly elections, without any delay.

Working President Raman Bhalla hit out at BJP for the dictatorial order and said that BJP wants run proxy govt in J&K from Delhi after elections also.

This is betrayal by BJP and centre with people of J&K and insult to democracy

and Constitution. It is totally against the spirit of democracy and Constitution and order should be recalled.

He said reducing the institution of CM and council of ministers powerless is insult to people who elect their representatives. The people should repay the BJP in same coin and uproot BJP from J&K which has always insulted people of J&K and disempowered them.

He lashed out at the centre and UT administration for the manifold rise in terror activities and killings of innocent jawans and other civilians on regular intervals. He said BJP can't escape responsibility by raising few slogans against Pakistan and burning it's effigy after every brutal attack & innocent

killings, it will have to do more to check killings of our brave jawans and answer to the people for the failure to control militancy. Pakistan has to be taught a lesson to stop terrorism.

Ch Lal Singh lashed out at BJP govt for total failure on all fronts and giving lot of unemployment and taxations besides snatching livelihood of people by various means.

He said that BJP is afraid of assembly elections and is passing dictatorial orders to snatch the rights of the elected government, before it is elected. It is insult to the people of J&K who are being further disempowered instead of giving them full democratic rights. It's murder of democracy.

Ch Lal Singh said that terrorism is on rise in every part of Jammu region and Modi govt should take firm measures to control situation for smooth amarnath ji yatra and assembly elections in time. Others who spoke include Sham Lal Bhagat Pyare Lal Shan, Pardeep Bhagat, Shabir Khan, Javed Lone, Lalita Devi, Ranjit Manhas, Abbas Rather and Kuldeep Kotwal.

Rtn Puran Lal Sharma installed President of Rotary Club Udhampur

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UDHAMPUR: Installation Ceremony of the new President along with the Board of Directors for the year 2024 - 2025 of Rotary Club Udhampur was held on 13th July 2024 at KLSM Rotary Eye & ENT Hospital Udhampur. DGE Rtn Rohit Oberoi, R.I. Distt. 3070 was the Chief Guest of the function. They interacted with all Club members. The function was organized at the Conference Hall of Rotary Hospital Udhampur.

Rtn Puran Lal Sharma was installed as the President while Rtn Satish Gandotra as the Secretary of the club for the year 2024 - 2025. IPP Rtn Col. Hargovind Singh (Retd.) welcomed the august gathering and congratulated the new team.

Thereafter the main function was held at KLSM Rotary Eye & ENT Hospital Udhampur which was attended by all members of Rotary Club Udhampur besides eminent citizens of Udhampur town. The function was inaugurated by Chief Guest DGE Rtn Rohit Oberoi, Rtn D. N. Sharma



Rotarians during the installation ceremony.

(Zonal Learning Facilitator), Rtn H. S. Jagi (Zonal Chairman), Rtn P. S. Jaggi. On this occasion Rtn Col. Hargovind Singh (Retd.), delivered a welcome address, Rtn D. N. Sharma Chairman The Udhampur Rotary Eye & General Welfare Foundation presented the project of Rotary Club, Bio-data of Distt. Governor was read by Rtn Rajendra Sanson, vote of thanks was presented by Rtn Suresh Gupta and Rtn Kamal Gupta was master of ceremony who compared the programme.

Outgoing President Rtn Col. Hargovind Singh (Retd.) extended his heart-

felt thanks to all the members of Rotary Club Udhampur for supporting him to fulfill the objective of Rotary in all avenues of services. He welcomed the incoming President Rtn Puran Lal Sharma and his team. Certificate of appreciation and token of Love awarded to members.

Medals and certificates were awarded to all participants who played the match. Token of Love was given to Four new members Rtn Anuradha Sanson, Rtn Pratibha Gupta, Rtn Shivam Sharma & Rtn Smriti Lala were inducted by DGE Rtn Rohit Oberoi.

The incoming President

Rtn Puran Lal Sharma while announcing his team of office bearers briefed on his vision for the year 2024-2025 and encouraged club members to support and join him in his endeavor to work for the community. He extended heartfelt thanks to all the members for reposing confidence in him to lead the club during the year 2024 - 2025. He assured that all the projects started by the outgoing team in serving the needy humanity of the society will be completed. He assured that special attention will be given in the field of literacy, healthcare and sanitation.

Members of Rotary Club Udhampur who attended the function were Rtn D. N. Sharma, Rtn Rajendra Sanson, Rtn Rajeev Gupta, Rtn Kamal K. Gupta, Rtn S. S. Kerni, Rtn. Surjeet Singh, Rtn D. N. Bhakhri, Rtn Sanjeev K. Magotra, Rtn Puran Lal Sharma, Rtn Anuradha Sanson, Rtn Manju Sharma, Rtn Prathibha Gupta, Inner Wheel Club Members, Rotary Club members of Dhamthral were present on the occasion.

SDH Baderwah conducts multiple Laparoscopic Surgeries

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DODA: Sub District Hospital (SDH) Baderwah made significant strides in healthcare by successfully performing five different laparoscopic surgeries this week. These procedures included three Laparoscopic Cholecystectomies, one Limberg Flap for Pilonidal Sinus and one Spermatocelectomy for Epididymal Spermatocele.

The surgical team was led by Dr. Subash Sharma (Surgeon Specialist) and Dr. Azma (Anaesthetist), with assistance from the dedicated OT staff of SDH Baderwah.

The surgeries were conducted under the supervision of Block Medical Officer Baderwah, Dr. Mohammad Ashraf and the esteemed guidance of CMO Doda, Dr. Om Kumar. Both congratulated

the surgery unit's staff for their achievements and expressed hope for similar groundbreaking surgeries in the future, aiming to reduce the need for external referrals.

The operative team extended gratitude to CMO and BMO for their moral and logistical support. They also acknowledged Administrative Secretary Health and Medical Education, Dr. Syed Abid Rashed and Director Health Services Jammu Dr. Rajeev Magotra for their inspiration

to start advanced laparoscopic procedures, enhancing patient care. SDH Baderwah has conducted dozens of different laparoscopic surgeries in the past 2-3 months. This progress has significantly benefited the local population, reducing the need for patients to travel to Doda, Jammu, or Srinagar for such procedures.

SKPA Udhampur concludes Crash Courses on New Criminal Laws, Investigation of Murder/Homicide Cases

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UDHAMPUR: Today marked the conclusion of two significant training programs at the S.K. Police Academy: a five-day Crash Course on the New Criminal Laws-2023 and a three-day course on the Investigation of Murder/Homicide Cases, which began on July 9th and 11th, 2024, respectively. A total of 57 officers and officials, ranging from Constables to Superintendents of Police from the J&K Police, actively participated in these courses.

The course on New Criminal Laws, organized under the directives of the J&K Police Headquarters, aimed to familiarize police personnel with the key provisions of the recently promulgated Criminal Laws-2023 by the Central Government, ensuring their effective implementation. Eminent speakers, including Rajinder Kumar Gupta, SSP, Deputy Director (Indoor); Rakesh Sambal, CPO; Riaz Ahmed, Sr. PO; Amit Parkash Sehgal, Sr. PO; Inspector



A participant receiving certificate.

Rakesh Manni; and SI Subash Chander, delivered insightful lectures, focusing on the practical understanding of these new laws.

The three-day course on the Investigation of Murder/Homicide Cases was designed to address several critical aspects to ensure a comprehensive understanding and effective investi-

gation of such cases. Esteemed guest faculty from FSL J&K, along with experts from the Academy, delivered lectures and shared their vast experience with the participants.

The valedictory ceremony was held at the Academy, with Rajinder Kumar Gupta, SSP, Deputy Director (Indoor) SKPA, serving as the chief guest. In his address, Shri Gupta emphasized the importance of understanding the three new Criminal Laws - the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita-2023, the BharatiyaNagarik Suraksha Sanhita-2023, and the BharatiyaSakshya Adhinyam-2023, as well as addressing contemporary challenges in the investigation of Murder/Homicide cases.

The five-day course on New Criminal Laws was coordinated by Shri Amit Parkash Sehgal, Sr. PO, assisted by SI SubashChander. The three-day course on the Investigation of Murder/Homicide Cases was coordinated by Anil Raina, Inspector, assisted by SI Dhian Singh, faculty member.

DC Rajouri approves 1687 cases under HADP

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RAJOURI: Deputy Commissioner Rajouri Om Prakash Bhagat today chaired a significant meeting where 1687 cases were approved under the Holistic Agriculture Development Program (HADP) including 1633 cases of the Horticulture Department. He also approved 15 cases under the PPMFME.

The DC emphasized the overarching goal of the program, which is to empower local farmers by equipping them with knowledge and tools that can significantly enhance their productivity and profitability, it also seeks to contribute to the overall growth of the agricultural sector.

One of the key features of

the HADP is its provision of a platform for farmers to engage with experts from the Agricultural and allied departments. This engagement allows farmers to seek expert guidance on various aspects of farming, enabling them to improve their agricultural practices. By adopting such a multifaceted approach, the HADP aims to elevate agricultural productivity, enhance livelihoods, and make substantial contributions to the region's broader economic growth.

Among the others who attended the meeting were the ACP, Sheraz Chowhan; CAO, Sohan Singh; CAHO, Dr Khalid Hussain; DSHO, PP Sagotra; DDM NABARD Chander Sharma; AD Fisheries, Bodh Raj and other concerned officers.

PTTI Vijaypur holds valediction of two courses

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VIJAYPUR: Two Training Courses concluded today at Police Technical Training Institute (PTTI) Vijaypur. The concluded courses are "02 weeks Refresher Course followed by 12 weeks PWCC-Level-II" and "one month SSG/SSF Refresher Course" in which police personnel from Telecommunication wing participated in PWCC and police personnel from various other units of J&K Police participated in SSG/SSF refresher course. The objective of these courses were to hone the skills of Police personnel and enhance their capabilities in performing the technical/field duties effectively.

On this occasion a Valedictory function was



Dushyant Sharma, SSP PTTI Vijaypur addressing trainees.

organized which was graced by Dushyant Sharma, SSP PTTI Vijaypur. While speaking on the occasion, the officer said that the trainees of PWCC Level-II have been exposed to the latest tools and techniques of wireless communication which would help them in performing the technical work effectively, whereas the trainees of SSG/SSF refresher course have been trained in crises management, reaction Drill, evacua-

tion, anti ambush techniques, Tactical position taking and medical contingency besides all required Do's & Don'ts.

Among others, Zia-ul-Haq DySP Outdoor; Insp. Ram Lal (CLI / course coordinator SSG refresher course), Insp. Surrinder Singh (CDD), Insp. Javed Ahmad (RD), Insp. Himanshu Dutt (CTI), SI Shiban Lal (course coordinator PWCC), SI Sulinder Singh (SM) of PTTI Vijaypur were present on the occasion.

Ex-Servicemen league Doda took out rally to pay tributes to Kathua, Kulgam Martyrs

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BHADERWAH: While paying tributes to security personnel, who lost their lives in Kulgam and Kathua encounters, Ex-Servicemen league Doda along with locals took out rally in Bhadarwah on Saturday.

The Ex-servicemen league Doda saluted the supreme sacrifice of 2 personnel in an encounter at Kulgam district and 5 Jawans of Army in District Kathua of Jammu and Kashmir and offered condolences to their families.

The Ex-servicemen league gathered at Bhadarwah under the leadership of it's District President Raj Singh Charak to pay tributes to the slain personal who laid their lives for the sovereignty of the nation.



League members during tribute rally at Bhadarwah.

The tribute paying function was organised in Seri Bazar Park of Bhadarwah in which beside Ex-servicemen of the area, senior citizens, Locals and others also participated.

All expressed grief over the incident in which the soldiers have lost their lives in the terror activity which was

carried out by the cowardly terrorists on the behest of Pakistan.

Beside District President Ex-servicemen league Doda Raj Singh Charak and other members, BJP Leader Neeraj Singh Manhas and others also paid floral tributes to Martyrs of Kulgam and Kathua.

They raised slogans against terrorism calling for an end to it terming terrorism as biggest threat to the society.

The participants said that martyrs shall always remain alive in heart of every countrymen and their sacrifices will always be remembered.

Raj Singh Charak, District President Ex-servicemen league Doda while addressing gathering after paying floral tribute to the Martyrs said, "Today we gathered here to pay rich tributes to our brave soldiers who got martyrdom in Kulgam and Kathua encounters. We salute our Braveheart Jawans and we are proud of them." He urged the Government to crush terrorism from grass-

root. "Pakistan is conducting these terror activities to disturb the peaceful atmosphere of J&K," Charak added. Expressing solidarity with the bereaved families of the paratroopers who laid down their lives for the sake of motherland, Neeraj Singh Manhas said that time for a decision fight has come and soon the Modi Government will root out terrorism from the soil of J&K. He appreciated the role of security forces for maintaining peace and stability within and on the borders of Jammu and Kashmir. He criticized the anti-peace elements who are hell bent upon to disturb peace in J&K. SHO Bhaderwah Sandeep Parihar and Ex Hav Nirmal Singh and others also participated.

DC Reasi finalizes arrangements for Shivkhori Shrawan Mahotsav 2024

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REASI: Deputy Commissioner Reasi, Vishesh Mahajan, who also serves as the Vice Chairman of Shri Shiv Khori Shrine Board (SSKSB), has finalized the arrangements for the highly anticipated Shivkhori Shrawan Mahotsav 2024 during a detailed meeting held at the DC Office complex.

Executive Officer



Deputy Commissioner Reasi, Vishesh Mahajan chairing meeting.

SSKSB, Pardeep Kumar, provided an overview of the arrangements and the devotional activities planned for the Shrawan month.

The meeting covered critical aspects such as security measures, ensuring uninterrupted water and power supply, maintaining cleanliness, designating spaces for Langar and other arrangements.

Deputy Commissioner

highlighted that the Shrawan Mahotsav will feature a variety of spiritual and cultural activities, including Yoga and Meditation sessions, Bhajan Sandhya, Shiv Leela, Shiv Katha and the Kawad Yatra. Renowned singers and local artists are set to perform devotional songs dedicated to Lord Shiva, adding to the festive atmosphere. Special daily Rudra

Abhishek rituals will be conducted at Shivkhori in Hawan Kund and daily Yoga sessions will take place in the premises of Shiv Shakti Bhawan.

The DC emphasized the importance of healthcare during the Mahotsav, instructing the health department to deploy a team of doctors equipped with medicines and oxygen cylinders at the Shrine and bus stand. Additionally, a

three-wheeler (auto) ambulance will be available on the track to ensure quick medical assistance if needed.

Fire and emergency services were directed to arrange all necessary measures in case of any emergencies. He urged all concerned departments to work collaboratively to make this Shrawan Mahotsav a successful and memorable event for all devotees.

DDC Member Kewal Sharma, ADDC Sukhdev Singh Samyal, ADC Kulbhushan Khajuria, AD Tourism, Satish Sharma Joint CEO SMVSSB, Xen JPDCL and JJM, BDO HQ, DSP HQ, DIO (Info) and Board Members Prof. Chander Moli Sharma, Dr. Shiv Prasad Raina, Dr. Surinder Singh and other officers also present in the meeting.

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REASI: Director Agriculture Jammu, S. Arvinder Singh Reen undertook a comprehensive tour of District Reasi to attend both the Farmers Producer Organization (FPO) saturation drive programme at Village Sirha of Block Panthal and the programme on Agro Forestry.

The event focused on sensitizing FPO members about various schemes offered by the Agriculture Department and provided essential guidance on acquiring Seed, Fertilizer, and Pesticide licenses.

The programme aimed to empower FPOs by enhancing their understanding of government schemes tailored to support agricultural productivity and sustainability. Through interactive sessions and practical demonstrations, FPO mem-

bers were equipped with the necessary knowledge and resources to navigate licensing procedures effectively.

Addressing the gathering, the Director underscored the department's commitment to bolstering the agricultural sector through strategic initiatives and partnerships with FPOs. He emphasized the importance of collaboration in achieving agricultural growth and encouraged active participation from all stakeholders.

Participants expressed their appreciation for the informative session, noting its relevance in streamlining operational processes and fostering sustainable agricultural practices within the community.

Following this, the Director participated in the Agro Forestry programme "Har Medh par Pedh" organ-

ized by Assistant Agrostologist Jammu under the Sub Mission on Agro Forestry at Village Kun Kanyala, Panthal, District Reasi.

This initiative highlighted the promotion of Agro Forestry by distributing various types of plants among farmers. The programme seeks to encourage sustainable farming practices and biodiversity conservation in the region. Expressing his commitment to agricultural development, the Director emphasized the importance of integrating modern agricultural techniques with traditional practices to boost productivity and income for farmers. Participants lauded the Director's proactive engagement and expressed optimism about the transformative impact of these initiatives on the agricultural landscape of District Reasi.

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