Education Deptt felicitates 36 meritorious students, 6 schools

POONCH: The Department of School Education, Poonch, today felicitated the meritorious students of Class 10th and 12th from government schools in a grand ceremony themed "Kabiliyat, Koshish, aur Kaamyabi" (Talent, Effort, and Achievement).

DDC Chairperson, Tazeem Akhter, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, DC Poonch, Yasin Choudhary(IAS) attended as Guests of Honor. Mohd Ashraf Joint Director School Education, Prof. Jasbir Singh, Principal, GDC Poonch and Vaqil Bhat Social Welfare Officer Poonch were also graced the occasion.

The ceremony began with the lighting of the traditional lamp by the Chief Guest and Guests of Honor. Thirty-six meritorious students, one and Headmasters were felicitated for their outstanding performance in the board exams. Students who secured the first position in the district were awarded laptops, while



DC Poonch, Yasin M Choudhary felicitating a meritorious student.

those who secured the second and third positions were given tabs. All other meritorious students received trophies and certificates.

CEO Poonch, Bishambar Dass, read the welcome address and highlighted the achievements of the education department in Poonch District. He said, "We are committed to providing quality education and infrastructure to our students, empowering them to achieve their dreams. These meritorious students are a testament to our efforts, and we will continue to support and encourage them to reach new

DDC Chairperson, Tazeem Akhter, said, "I am thrilled to see so many talented students gathered here today. Your achievements are a testament to your hard work and dedication. Keep shining and making your district proud! Education is the key to unlocking the potential of our youth, and we are committed to providing the best possible opportunities for their growth and develop-

DC Poonch, Yasin M Choudhary, congratulated the students on their outstanding performance, saying, "Your success is a

our teachers, parents, and the entire education system. We will continue to work tirelessly to provide quality education and infrastructure to our students, empowering them to achieve their dreams."

Mohd Ashraf, Joint

Director School Education in his address said, "I am delighted to see the talented students of Poonch district being felicitated for their outstanding performance in the board exams. This ceremony is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our students, teachers, and parents. We are committed to providing

infrastructure to our students, and we will continue to support and encourage them to reach new heights. I congratulate the students, teachers, and parents on this achievement and wish them all the best for their future endeavors. Narinder Mohan Suri presented the vote of thanks. Renowned singer, Ehsan Asgar, enthralled the audience with his mesmerizing songs.

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The parents of the students were also present, beaming with pride, as their children received the awards. Six schools, including one Higher Secondary School and five High Schools, also received certificates of appreciation and trophies for achieving 100% results in the board exams. The Principals, ZEOs, and Headmasters of these schools were also present on the occasion.

The proceedings of the ceremony were conducted by Manjeet Kumar senior

BVMHSS honours 10th class meritorious students



Faculty members along with meritorious students

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UDHAMPUR: Management committee of Bhartiya Vidya Mandir Higher Secondary (BVMHSS) Udhampur (Nainsu) honoured the meritorious students of class 10th for their outstanding performace in

Program started with saraswati Vandana by the students.General Secretary Bhartiya Shiksha Samiti JK & Ladakh UT Sh.Hari Bhushan Gupta was the chief guest. While honouring the students were Tarun Sharma, Sunaina Chalotra, Saksham Sharma, Shravan Verma, Vansh Kumar, Ankita,

Shivansh Rajput. He also blessed the students. While Kumar Sharma appraised the chief guest that the infrastructure of the school is equal to college level having hi-tech science /computer lab./Atal Tinkering Lab. Principal of school Renu Sharma added that by the dint of hard work and continuous efforts our students have brought laurels to the school, Vidya Bharti and parents by achieving 100% percent board results. In Vidya Bharti schools Education is based on 5 basic concepts which lead to all round development of the child to become a true nationalist and patriot spirit. After

President Management honoured the students with Shariphal and Mata ki Chunari. In the end Secretary School Management committee Advo Pankai Dubev Secv school presented vote of thanks to all. Tr. Pinky Sharma was anchor and host the stage.

Beside parents of students who present were Arun Gupta (patron of BSS J&K), Hari Sharan (Co Secy BSS) Vijav Kumar (Member Bhartiya Shiksha Samiti & Vidyalya Parbhari) Imam Chand Mittal President MC) Shiv Kumar Sharma President School MC Joginder Gupta and Parveen

GDC Dharmari organises plantation drive



Faculty members along with students during the plantation drive.

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REASI: National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of the Government Degree College, Dharmari organized a plantation drive in collaboration with Divisional Forest Office, Mahore as a part of Van Mahotsav Week-observed from 1st July to 7th July every year.

As many as 25 NSS volunteers along with the officials

of Forest Department and staff of the College planted various trees on the newly constructed campus of the college. The Theme of the drive was 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' which is a campaign of the central government launched by the Prime Minister on the occasion of World Environment Day 2024 during Mann Ki Baat. Prof. Ajay Kumar, NSS program Officer of the Unit made the volunteers aware about the importance of planting trees especially during Van Mahotsav and also said that the campaign will continue till the end of this monsoon. All the faculty members also remained present on the occasion including Dr. Shabeer Ahmad Taing, Dr. Saleem Ahmed, Prof.

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KATRA: Chamber of Tourism Trade and Industry Katra, a leading advocate for the tourism industry, presents key electricity issues to Manhar Gupta ,Chief Engineer (distribution) JPDCL urging immediate attention and collaborative action to address challenges and foster sustainable upgradation in the sector in holy town Katra.

In a meeting held today in his office chamber, a delegation from Chamber of Tourism Trade and Industry Katra met with chief engineer JPDCL to discuss pressing concerns of electricity affecting the tourism industry. The purpose of the meeting was to share insights, propose solutions, and seek the redressal

During the interaction Raj Padha, president Kumar CTTIK raised several issues



Chamber delegation calling on Manhar Gupta, Chief Engineer (distribution) JPDCL

and presented suggestions and recommendations . He stated that deptt. had issued inflated power bills based on KVAH tariff with retrospective effect whereas the same should be with prospective effect from November 2022 as per the Joint Electricity

Regulator S/P/2022/F-5/478-84 dated 13-10-2022. Member units are in a state of confusion and stressed because of inflated electric bills. This situation has significantly impacted financial well being of the

already reeling under pressure due to low business activity. Hence he requested him to take necessary steps to remove the anomalies and reissue the bills accordingly.

businesses which have been

Rajneesh Purohit general secretary of chamber of tourism trade and industry Katra submitted that electricity to hospitality units is like blood to the body hence Katra needs 24 hours electricity supply.He stated that the businesses have been suffering losses due to the unscheduled power cuts since last few days as we have to run our businesses on DG sets.CTTIK delegation impressed upon the officials for uninterrupted power supply to the holy town Katra.

Atul Sharma secretary CTTIK Katra discussed that katra town has been visited by ly every year for pilgrimage and as such distribution infrastructure is needed to be augmented urgently for the efficient supply of electricity for the smooth facilitation of vaishnodevi yatra .He requested him for the provision of LT cables, transformer cables and upgradation of overloaded transformers of Katra town on urgent basis.

The delegation also sought a power amnesty scheme for commercial power consumers as per earlier scheme granted to domestic consumers.

Manhar Gupta gave a patient hearing to all the points and ensured his full copperation and support. Chamber of Tourism Trade and Industry Katra expressed gratitude to the JPDCL officials for the opportunity to engage in this constructive

DDC Reasi reviews implementation of Self-Employment Schemes, approves new cases such initiatives in promot-

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REASI: District Development Commissioner Reasi, Vishesh Mahajan, convened a comprehensive meeting today to review and expedite the sanctioning of cases under various selfemployment schemes. The meeting aimed to bolster the local economy by empowering unemployed youth and entrepreneurs through financial and logistical support.

DDC emphasized the critical role of self-employment in promoting economic growth and reducing unemployment in the district. He urged the concerned departments to ensure the timely processing and disbursement of funds to beneficiaries under schemes such as Mumkin, Tejaswini,

Power

shutdown

JAMMU: Superintending

Engineer (Distribution),

JPDCL O&M Circle.

Kathua has informed that

the power supply to

Seswan, Chan Datyal,

Chann Arrorian, Bunn,

Ladoli, Kishanpur Kandi

and adjoining areas will

remain affected on July

06 and 07 from 5 am to 7

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DDC Reasi, Vishesh Mahajan chairing a meeting.

HADP, PMFME and other self-employment oriented initiatives.

During the meeting, the DDC reviewed the progress of previously sanctioned cases and directed officials to address any bottlenecks hindering the timely approval and disbursement of new cases. He stressed the importance of efficiency in these processes to maximize the benefits to the local community.

Significantly, the DDC approved 22 cases under the Mumkin scheme and 17 cases under the Tejaswini scheme during the meeting. He instructed the bankers to expedite the processing of pending cases and to share detailed updates on their progress.

Speaking during the meeting, DDC instructed AD Employment Rekha Bali to organize the event, emphasizing the importance of ing economic growth and reducing unemployment in the district. The DDC directed all relevant departments to participate by setting up stalls at the event, showcasing their respective schemes and support servic-

Additionally, he highlighted the significance of monitoring and evaluation, instructing concerned officials to conduct regular follow-ups with beneficiaries to assess the impact of the schemes.

Joint Director CPO Narinder Kumar, CAO Harbans Singh, Chief Horticulture Officer, AD Employment, Cluster Head JK Bank, DDM NABARD and other officers were present.

Act against violators, protect historic Devak within a week or face agitation: DBAS site with impunity while

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JINDRAH: Aghast over the inaction of authorities concerned regarding illegal operation of a borewell that led to drying up of historic Devak heritage site, local residents of Jindrah Panchayat today constituted a Deval Bachao Andolan Samiti (DBAS) and warned the government of intensifying their agitation if Jal Shakti department fails to act against the violators. The Samiti also lodged a

GDC Thannamandi organizes Essay Competition on Cyber Security

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THANNAMANDI: The Department of Computer Science, Government Degree College Thannamandi organized an online essay competition on the topic "Cyber Security and its Importance" on Wednesday, July 3rd 2024 under the patron ship of the Principal of the college, Prof. Dr. Farooq Ahmed. The competition was one of the series of monthly events organized in the Institution under the programme "Cyber Jagrukta Awareness Diwas" a program by the Ministry of Home Affairs and Higher Education Department J&K for implementing the scheme called "Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C)".10 Students participated in the competition in which the students expressed their views on Cyber related crimes and security. Umar Farooq and Mohd Rafiq students of Govt. Degree Thannamandi bagged the first position, Nidaa Qaisar adjudged as second and Zulfikar Ali student of Govt. P. G. College Rajouri got the third position. Prof Supriya Gupta, HOD Computer Science and

Nodal

officer Cyber

Jagrukta awareness pro-

gramme of the college organ-

ized the programme.



Samiti members during the meeting at Jindrah.

formal complaint with Naib Tehsildar Jindrah seeking immediate necessary action against the violators and remedial measures to restore the pristine glory of the Devak.

The Samiti members alleged that Joginder Kumar, son of Shanker Dass, had illegally dug a borewell adjacent to land belonging to the Shiv Mandir and was illegally selling water through tankers, causing significant harm to the Devak, a

site where thousands of Lord Shiva devotees gather monthly.

"All natural Bowlis (springs) have dried up while heritage site Devak is losing its religious significance because of nonavailability of water in these Bowlis. We made several complaints to Jal Shakti department, J&K government's Grievance Cell and other authorities but they failed to act on our complaints. The violator continues to hurt the sanctity of this religious

Truck drivers, co-drivers, helpers

growing resentment among the people," the members said. They questioned whether hand-in-clove with

authorities have turned

mute spectator amid

Jal Shakti department officials were having any violator who was selling water through tankers at exorbitant rates from the land belonging to Shiv Mandir. 'We want to vehemently convey it to the authori-

ties that if they fail to act against the violator and initiate immediate corrective measures to protect the heritage site within a week. we will be forced to launch a strong agitation. This is a matter of our religious faith and sanctity of the place. The government will have to step in to protect this significant religious site," they

PWD (R&B) starts upgradation work on Patnitop-Sanasar Road



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RAMBAN: The Public Works (R&B) Department Ramban today initiated the up-gradation work on the Patnitop-Sanasar road, starting from the 11th kilometer to the 14th kilometer, with an estimated cost of Rs. 19.91 crore for Phase-1. This project includes the construction of a concrete road and is set to significantly enhance local transportation.

Member District Development Council Batote, Jagbir Das, launched the construction work in presence of Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Ramban, Abhishek Gupta, Assistant Executive

Engineer Batote. Singh, and Assistant Engineer, Abhinandan Gupta, along with other officials and local dignitaries.

The renovation of the road stretch was a long pending demand of local citizens and tourists, which receives heavy snowfall and rainfall all year round. This stretch of the road will be upgraded to intermediate concrete road with adequate cross drainage works, protection works, safety features, etc.

The Patnitop-Sanasar road is a critical 19-kilometer stretch, with the first 10 kilometers managed by GREF (BRO) and the remaining 9 kilometers by PWD (R&B). This latter section has been in poor condition, prompting demands for its improvement due to frequent potholes and adverse weather conditions.

The project aims to upgrade the road to an intermediate concrete road with enhanced drainage and safety

The DDC Member highlighted that the project will facilitate easier transport, boost tourism, generate employment, and ensure year-round connectivity. The UT Government, led by the Lt. Governor, has also committed to improving connectivity to Sanasar from the

Nashri side, he added. Patnitop and Sanasar are major tourist destinations in Jammu Province, attracting visitors for their natural beauty, adventure activities and religious tourism. The road improvement is expected to increase tourism and support local economic growth along with improvement in the education and healthcare sector.

register for e-Shram in Ramban STATE TIMES NEWS

RAMBAN: Office of the Labour Assistant Commissioner Ramban Organized two day on spot Registration and awareness camps at different places along the National Highway-44 Registration of Truck drivers and allied workers on e-shram portal.

The camps were held on 3rd and 4th of July 2024 at Seri, Chanderkote, Karol. Bus Stand Ramban, Bus Bahinal, Lambar Near Navyuga Tunnel Railway Station Banihal. During the camp, the officials of the Labour Department educated the

drivers on the Portal by

Stand self Registration. and Truck drivers regarding the benefits of the eshram Registration and registered many Truck



Truck drivers registering themselves during the camp.

Truck drivers are a vulnerable section of labour class and Registration under e-shram will provide direct life insurance cover of Rs. 2 lakh and upto Rs. 1 lakh cover for temporary disability to

the registrant. The camp was organized

under overall supervision of ALC Amit Kumar who urged the drivers, cleaners and helpers of commercial vehicles registered in district ramban to get registered on e-shram portal either through self Registration or through any CSC and take benefits of the Registration.

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