

Azadi Ki Gaurav Padyatra taken out from Nai Basti area

Congress responds through legitimate, peaceful, democratic & Constitutional means: Bhalla

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JAMMU: As part of Azadi Ki Gaurav Padyatra, a large number of party leaders and workers, led by JKPCC Working President Raman Bhalla, JKPCC Chief Spokesperson Ravinder Sharma, JKPCC General Secretary and Incharge District Jammu (Urban) Yogesh Sawhney, JKPCC General Secretary Manmohan Singh, Congress Sewad Chairmen Vijay Sharma Babi, Transport Department Chairmen Gajan Singh, Refugee Cell Congress Vice Chairman Amrit Bali, Satish Sharma PCC Secretary, KKC Chairman Rajveer Singh took out Padyatra starting from Nai Basti marched through Shastri Nagar, Gole Market, Gandhi Nagar, Guru Nanak Nagar, Shiva Ji Chowk, Kalika Colony



JKPCC leaders taking out Padyatra in Jammu.

and culminated at Bahu Fort. The rally was organized by Congress Block Presidents Mandeep Singh, Parderp Bhalla, Jatinder Singh Chib.

Speaking on the occasion, Bhalla said that yatra is being observed throughout the country to make people, particularly the present generation, aware of the party's contribution in achieving Independence and the

development thereafter. They should know the sacrifices made by several Congress leaders in the struggle for Independence. "Azadi Ki Gaurav Yatra will remind the people of the country about the struggles and sacrifices made by the Congress leaders and workers to get India's Independence from the British rule. Strong foundation and infrastructure

was created by visionary Congress leaders over the years, as the core principles of their governance was the progress and development of the country," Bhalla said.

Lashing out at the BJP, he alleged that the BJP government has been "selling off" great public institutions that were "created by successive Congress governments".

The Indian National Congress is the only Party that believes that economic growth and communal harmony adding economic growth and social justice, are two sides of the same coin and must always go hand-in-hand.

The Indian National Congress is the only Party that combines experience and youth, wisdom and exuberance, achievement and ambition.

Community mobilization meet to strengthen ECCE held at SRML HSS Parade



Coordinator Samagra Shiksha J&K, Ajeet Sharma and others during a programme.

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JAMMU: As a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations, a community mobilization and SMC meeting to strengthen Early Childhood Care & Education (ECCE) was organized by SRML Higher Secondary School Parade Jammu.

The meeting was facilitated by National Development Foundation J&K, Jammu in collaboration with Directorate of Samagra Shiksha, Directorate of School Education Jammu and in partnership with UNICEF

Anjali Gupta, Jaswinder Divisional Coordinator Pre Primary gave a detailed account on the progress of Pre primary school activities in the UT.

Sunny Kumar Programme Manager NDF, NDF staff and faculty of SRML also attended the mobilization meeting apart from the SMC members and parents.

Ajeet gave the details of Talaash Survey recently conducted by Samagra Shiksha.

Anil Masoom Corporator in his address assured his full support and cooperation for strengthening ECCE in SRML School.

Rajiv Khajuria called upon the participants to take pledge on the occasion of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to unitedly work for strengthening foundational numeracy and literacy of the children as this is the age when their educational foundation is laid.

Speaking on the occasion, J L Sharma, Retired Director Horticulture stressed for Agriculture pol- icy with participation of stakeholders. Tajinder Singh Wazir discussed prospects of floriculture and trouble-free banking support. On the occasion, two progressive farmers Punjab Singh and Sanjay Kesar highlighted steps to contain lumpy skin disease and urged for holding awareness camps for information of people. The officer gave a patient hearing to delegation and assured full support for development of agriculture and other allied sectors in J&K.

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Bar Association takes out protest rally in support of pending demands

Seeks declaration of holiday on Sept 23, regularization of PHE daily-wagers



Jammu Bar and other organizations members taking out protest rally.

social organizations also joined rally near Tawi bridge.

Raising slogans in support of their demands, the rally was taken under the leadership of Mohinder Pal Singh Pali, Vice President and

Speaking on the occasion,

Bhardwaj expressed anguish over the delay and dilatory tactics of the Government towards genuine demands projected by the J&K High Court Bar Association. He asked UT administration and Union Government to take immediate decision conceding genuine demands projected by Bar. Bhardwaj also demanded declaration of holiday on birthday of Maharaja Hari Singh and requested for regularizing services of PHE Daily wagers besides conceding their other demands. Others present on the occasion included Surjeet Singh Andotra, Aditya Sharma, Amandeep Singh, Gagandeep Singh, Yaseer Farooq Khan, Karanjeet Singh Johal and Naresh Kumar.

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issues arising in petition, as the Government is also interested in preservation and conservation of the Gharana wetland, a team of independent Commissioners should be appointed to visit the wetland and to submit a report about its existing status which may include encroachments, if any, and work being carried out for its development.

DB further said that in view of submissions and the fact that there is no opposition to it, a team is constituted to visit Gharana Wetland and to submit a status report as directed within a period of six weeks to the court. DB further directed that office of Advocate General shall provide necessary assistance in coordination with district authorities as well as the authorities of Gharana Wetland to facilitate visit of team and to ensure that token amount of Rs. 11,000 is paid to each member, on submission of report.

When PIL Came-up for hearing, DB observed that D C Raina, Advocate General, submitted that in order to resolve

Food Safety Deptt enhances testing in Jammu



FDA J&K officials during a testing drive at Jammu.

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JAMMU: Food Safety regulators have enhanced testing of cereals, sweets, milk and milk products to ensure availability of safe and healthy food to people during ensuring festivals.

Madan Magotra, Deputy Commissioner (Safety) stated that the drives will strengthen foundation for well-functioning & credibility of food safety besides marking a 'feel good factor' amongst public. He also

emphasized on the need to expand surveillance activities & affirmed that we are increasing headcounts to make sure that MFTV/magic Box is utilized in a proper manner. On Wednesday, a team comprising of Assistant Commissioner Food Safety District Jammu, Food Safety Officers of District Jammu led by Dy Commissioner Food Safety Jammu Division DFCO Jammu conduct an extensive drive at Satwari Chowk Jammu along with 2 MFTVs. The drive started in early morning at 6 AM and 44 surveillance samples of milk were tested on the spot, out of which 10 were found unsatisfactory. All vendors were asked to maintain hygienic practices and advised to desist from mal-practices.

NEXA Jamkash Vehicleades launches India's much-awaited SUV: The Grand Vitara

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JAMMU: NEXA Showroom, Jamkash Vehicleades launched the power packed SUV, The Grand Vitara, on Thursday at its Channi Himmat showroom.

Amidst a huge assembly, the Grand Vitara was unveiled by Col. Pritam Chand Sharma (Retd), COO&ED, Jamkash Vehicleades Pvt Ltd along with the Guests of Honour, D P Singh Regional Manager (SBI RO2) and Gaurav Dave Area Manager N2 (MSIL). Grand Vitara, with its revolutionary powertrain options, class-leading features, immersive driving experience and the NEXA signature "Crafted Futurism" design language, is set to usher in a new era in the mid-SUV segment. While working on the Grand Vitara the focus has been on the "Grandeur Experience". MSIL created a new breed of SUVs that could excel in all types of terrains and satisfy different consumer preferences. For the first time, a Maruti Suzuki vehicle is featuring self-charging hybrid technology - Intelligent Electric



Col. Pritam Chand Sharma (Retd), COO&ED and others unveiling The Grand Vitara, at NEXA Showroom, Jamkash Vehicleades.

Hybrid.

The Grand Vitara features the "Crafted Futurism" design philosophy that captures NEXA's essence and communicates exclusivity and Premiumness. Much-awaited premium SUV, Grand Vitara is a revolution which will take the driving experience to a whole new dimension.

With its unmistakable bold SUV stance, muscular wheel arches, sweeping shoulders, R17 precision cut alloy wheels and NEXA's signature design

elements, The Grand Vitara embodies a strong, assertive and distinct road presence. The large crowd was seen impressed with the vehicle features and the hospitality shown by the NEXA Showroom, Jamkash Vehicleades Pvt Ltd.

The Grand Vitara is available in multiple powertrain options which includes 1.5L Intelligent Electric Hybrid, Dual Power System: Electric motor and internal combustion engine, Self-charging strong hybrid electric system

SIBA holds 'Hey Jawan Tujhe Salam' rally to pay tributes to freedom fighters

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JAMMU: SIBA Event Management & Innovations supported by Indian Army, J&K Police, J&K Traffic Police, NCC Science College and J&K Dairy Cooperative Union limited (JKDCUL), Shradha Multipurpose Education and Welfare Society, organised 'Hey Jawan Tujhe Salam' rally to pay tributes to freedom fighters on Wednesday.

The event was inaugurated by Yasha Mugdal, Secretary Cooperatives, who was the Chief Guest on the occasion. She also paid tributes to freedom fighters at Balidan Stambh and lauded the efforts of SIBA team for holding the event. A human chain formation of more than 9 Km was also formed by students from Hari Niwas Palace to Balidan Stambh. "It's just a small offering or salute from all of us. Human chain was formed by more than 5000 school students from various schools," SIBA team members said. SIBA team members said. Vikrant Dogra Head JKDCUL also congratulated SIBA team. The schools, which participated in the event included



Yasha Mugdal, Secretary Cooperatives posing with students at Balidan Stambh.

JPDA disassociates itself from 3 office bearers



President JPDA, Rakesh Gupta talking to reporters.

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JAMMU: Clarifying the confusion created by an advertisement, published in a section of media, wherein three office bearers of Jammu Pharmaceutical Distributors Association (JPDA) Jammu Province along with few others in wholesale trade of pharmaceuticals, have framed another Association with almost a similar name self-proclaiming themselves as new office bearers of the Association, President JPDA, Rakesh Gupta has said that JPDA has

nothing to do with the newly created body and will not be responsible for any of their acts or actions. While addressing a press conference in Jammu on Wednesday, President JPDA, Rakesh Gupta said made it clear for information of Drugs & Food Control Department / All India Pharma Industry / AIOCD / Government

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