

75 years of Independence reflects contributions, selfless services of Congress: Patil

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SRINAGAR: AICC Incharge (J&K) Rajani Patil has said that 75 years of Independence reflects great contributions and selfless services of Congress towards nation while refreshing memories of supreme sacrifices of freedom fighters, who laid down their lives for achieving freedom. Patil further said that Congress shall continue to fight for people's rights, and safeguard unity and harmony in the country, which is under grave threat. She was addressing a largely attended workers meeting on concluding day of Padyatra at Achabal in Anantnag District. JKPPC President Ghulam Ahmad led Padyatra from Lissner which passed through Buchoo, Arhama, Akingam and concluded at Achabal. "BJPs attempts to distort



AICC Incharge (J&K) Rajani Patil leading Congress Padyatra at Achabal in Anantnag District.

the history is not going to help it (BJP) as the people both recognize and realize as to what the Nation has achieved during the Congress rule and what it has lost during BJP rule especially since 2014. BJP is undermining the democratic institutions to remain in power, but they will fail in their nefarious designs," she added.

JKPPC President Ghulam Ahmad Mir slammed Modi Govt for tak-

ing away democratic rights of J&K, terming deferring of elections a blatant move to shy away from democratic process. "Congress has always stood for poor and downtrodden in the country without any discrimination and is the only unifying force in the country," said Mir, adding that Congress is committed to safeguard the Constitution and democratic institutions.

Speaking on the occasion, JKPPC Working President

Bhalla said that while Congress has always worked for uniting the society, the BJP's aim is to divide society on religious lines, as their politics is based on pitting one community against other. Listing efforts of the Congress in the development of the country and J&K, Bhalla sought support from people to move ahead with the task.

Others present on the occasion included former JKPPC President Peerzada Mohd Sayeed, Bashir Ahmad Magrey, Gulzar Ahmad Wani, Surinder Singh Channi, Adv Deepika Singh Rajawat, Mohd Iqbal Mir, Shaheena Nadaf, Irfan Naqib, Kadfeen Chowdhary, Umer Jaan, Mushtaq Ahmad Khanday, Shabir Dar, Ch Akhter Kasana, Talib Hussain and Jehanzeb Sirwal.

Food Safety Deptt intensifies testing in Jammu



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

Shakeel-e-Ul-Rehman Commissioner FDA J&K has directed all divisional Heads to carry out target oriented specific drives to ensure availability of quality food items besides putting up a Mobile Food Testing

system for developing a robust Food Safety ecosystem.

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 7 AM and 36 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.

Meanwhile, 34 samples of milk, milk products & sweets were lifted from District Jammu, Samba, Kathua, Udhampur, Ramban, Doda, Kishtwar etc by the Enforcement Officers for analysis.

CS reviews arrangements for Independence Day

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SRINAGAR: Chief Secretary, Dr Arun Kumar Mehta on Thursday chaired a high-level meeting of senior civil and security officers to review the final arrangements for the 75th Independence Day to be celebrated as 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'.

While reviewing the preparedness of the I-day event, he said that the main event would be held at Sher-i-Kashmir Cricket Stadium where the chief guest hoist the national flag.

Reviewing the security in-and-around the main venue, Dr Mehta directed for heightened security at all the locations besides foolproof security in and around the main venue.

The Traffic department was directed to identify space for parking of vehicles near the venues for hassle free

movement of people towards the venue.

Calling upon the officers to make the event a festive occasion, the Chief Secretary asked the concerned officers that all government offices and buildings should hoist the flag on August 15 which is celebrated as the country's Independence Day.

Dr Mehta directed the Higher Education Department and School Education Department that all the universities, colleges, schools and other educational institutions should hoist flags and conduct various sporting, cultural and other events.

He also directed for illuminating the main building of J&K Government like Raj Bhavan, both the Civil Secretariat, High Courts, and other historic and significant locations and buildings across Jammu and Kashmir.

from Prajapati Brahma Kumaris Ishwari Vishwa Vidhyalya Jammu tied Rakhis to prisoners. Sweets were also distributed among inmates on the occasion.

JAMMU: Superintending Engineer (Distribution) JPDCD O&M Circle Kathua on Thursday informed that the power supply to Industrial Area of Birpur Complex Kartholi shall remain affected on August 16 from 8 am to 12 noon.

Similarly, the power supply to Nagri, Airwan Morh shall

"Now, it is becoming difficult for them to manage their daily expenses. We have earlier also raised salary related issues of employees and notices being served to them, but no action has been taken in this regard," they added. All Jammu Based Reserved Category Employees Association urged LG to issue necessary instructions to all the departments for not pressurizing Jammu based employees serving in Kashmir division to resume their duties in prevailing scenario besides releasing their salary well before Janamashtami.

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JAMMU: People regularly suffer loss due to illegal encroachment on the banks and substandard construction of Durga Nagar-Kabir Nagar Nallah at Talab Tillo

stated by BJP senior leader and JMC Councillor ward 41 Sanjay Kumar Baru, who reached to took stock of the damage caused to the people of Colonel Colony and Durga Nagar due to heavy flash flood.

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