

Focus on capacity building of officials in 30s: Dr Jitendra

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
NEW DELHI: Union Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh said here on Thursday that the focus is sought to be on the Capacity Building of young officials in the age group of 30s who have active 25 years of service to contribute in the making of India of 2047, through the Amrit Mahakal.

Moreover the process of Capacity Building is being institutionalised based on sound objective and scientific parameters, he said.

Addressing the Assistant Section Officers (Probationers) of 2019 Batch at the Institute of Secretariat Training & Management (ISTM) here, Dr Jitendra said, the entire nation looks towards you for playing your role



Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh addressing Assistant Section Officer Probationers of 2019 Batch at the Institute of Secretariat Training & Management (ISTM), New Delhi on Wednesday.

efficiently, smartly and effectively. He said, it is time for them to work towards fulfilling the expectations of a citizen in a diligent and result-oriented manner by cutting down delays, ensuring timely disposal of business and strengthening the sys-

tem of monitoring of outputs and outcomes.

The Minister said, the ASOs have the advantage of bringing in fresh perspectives and views on existing problems and they can use new thinking and ingenuity in their work processes, wherever post-

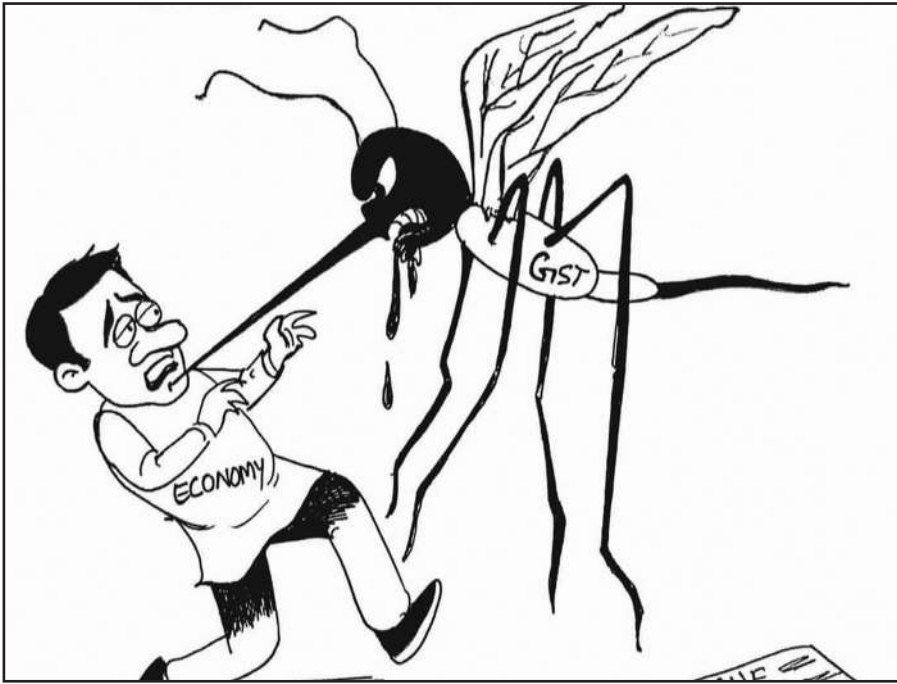
ed.

Dr Jitendra Singh reminded the probationers that the Prime Minister Modi always emphasised to treat "Government Service as your "Seva" and not "Naukri".

This is the second batch to undergo the revamped

"role based" and "competency-based" training, where there will be a mix of online, on the job and class room training as well. The Ministries and Departments where they will be posted now will also be planning for their capacity building in the domain specific competencies, so that they can deliver the best in their allocated job.

Dr Jitendra Singh also released a book "Transforming India - Governance for Atmanirbhar Bharat" & "Adhigam", ISTM's Journal on 'Research on Training and Governance' on the occasion. S.D. Sharma, Director, ISTM & Joint Secretary (Trg.) and other senior officers also addressed the event.



DG ITBP meets LG, discusses medical support to injured personnel



DG ITBP, Dr Sujoy Lal Thaosan calling on Lt Governor Manoj Sinha at Srinagar.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SRINAGAR: Dr Sujoy Lal Thaosan, DG ITBP on Wednesday met Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha here at Raj Bhavan.

The DG ITBP and the Lt Governor discussed the treatment and medical support being provided to

the ITBP personnel injured in the bus accident near Chandanwari on August 16.

Critically injured will be airlifted to AIIMS trauma centre for advanced treatment, it was informed.

Pertinently, the Lt Governor had visited the

Army Hospital Srinagar on Tuesday to inquire about the well-being of ITBP personnel injured in the tragic road accident.

Manoj Rawat, ADG, ITBP; DIGs ITBP- Ranbir Singh and Kuldeep Divedi accompanied the DG ITBP.

J&K Waqf Board imposes ban on receiving donations forcibly at Ziyarats

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SRINAGAR: On the receipt of large number of complaints against some people receiving donations forcibly and through exploitative means at the Ziyarats, the Jammu and Kashmir Waqf Board has imposed a blanket ban on all such unethical practices across the Shrines of J&K UT with immediate effect.

In this regard an order was issued here vide order No. JKWB/Adm/ CE/ 1723-25 dated 16th August, 2022. As per the order issued here, it was given out that despite com-

ing from reasonably sound economic background, such people are permanently occupying particular spots within the shrines for their activities, and there are instances when such spots are being outsourced or contracted out against receipt of large sums of money that violates the sacro-sanctity of the Ziyarats. It was further given out that such unethical practices damage the sanctity of such sacred places, and is detrimental to the already strained finances of the J&K Waqf Board. "Such pilferages are

severely limiting the ability of the Waqf Board to perform basic duties of charity and carry out activities for the upliftment of the poor and disadvantaged groups of the society, and also limit the ability of Waqf to provide different facilities to the Zaireen and carry out infrastructural improvements at the Shrines" read the order. The order also mentions that such people were repeatedly warned to desist from these activities, as it also sends a very wrong signal to the Zaireen, who are repeatedly requesting J&K Waqf Board to

take stern action against such elements. Now therefore, "a complete ban is hereby ordered on all such unethical practices across the Shrines of J&K UT with immediate effect. Central Waqf Office shall also be verifying the claims of all those performing different religious activities within the Ziyarats of J&K UT" reads the order. In the said order, the Executive Officers/ Administrators and staff posted at Shrines/ Masjids have been directed to impose the ban strictly. Any non-compliance of the order is immediately

referred to the Central Office, so that a complete ban is ordered on the entry of such elements into pious and sacred places like Ziyarats.

Meanwhile, the staff posted at Shrines/ Masjids were also directed to paste Notices along with Helpline numbers at conspicuous places within Ziyarats requesting the general public to inform them about such elements. Any dereliction or laxity shown by any employee in this regard shall be viewed seriously and shall invite immediate disciplinary action.

Ongoing protest of Bar Association continues, asks Admn to fulfill demands



Lawyers raising slogans during a protest at Jammu on Wednesday.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Continuing its ongoing protest, J&K High Court Bar Association Jammu under the leadership of its President, senior Adv M K Bhardwaj held a strong protest at District Court Complex, Janipur in support of its long pending demands. The Bar members abstained from work in all Courts including High Court, District Courts, Tribunals & Commissions. The lawyers held protest demanding construction of multi-storey building for housing all judicial works i.e., Registration work, CAT, DRT, AFT and other Tribunals within court premises. The fraternity has resolved to keep their protest going on till redressal of their grievances. A number of senior and young advocates along which other office bearers namely Mohinder Pal Singh Pali, Surjeet

Singh Andotra, Aditya Sharma, Amandeep Singh, Rohit Sharma, Gagandeep Singh Lucky, Yaseer Farooq Khan, Karanjeet Singh Johal and Naresh Kumar participated in the protest in support of their demands.

Speaking on the occasion, senior Adv M K Bhardwaj said that Bar Association has been protesting in support of its long pending demands and even presented a memorandum to LG, but nothing has been done by the administration to fulfill the same forcing the Bar to continue its agitation. JKHCBAJ further warned the administration to resolve their demands and do the needful, failing which the Bar Association shall take all necessary steps required in this behalf to ensure that demands of lawyer fraternity are met.

Pak pushes drugs to harm younger generation: DGP

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SRINAGAR: Advising the students to stay away from drugs, Director General of Police Dilbag Singh has said that Pak after facing the rejection of youth to its false and destructive propaganda is now continuously pushing drugs here with an intention to harm our younger generation.

"Drugs not only affect life individually but society as a whole," Dilbag Singh said while addressing students during a cultural programme "Aaan Baan Shaan of Tiranga" as a part of "Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign" organized by RPHQ, Central Kashmir Range at Police Public School, Bemina, here.

He inaugurated renovated Chemistry Lab and Lunch Hall of the school.

ADGP Headquarters, M.K. Sinha, DIG Central Kashmir Range, Sujit Kumar (administrative officer PPS), PWVA members Dr Archana Choudhary, Suma Singh, Senahil Sharma, Chitwan Wazir, Chairman We Care foundation, Sarwari, AIG (P&T), Gurinderpal Singh, Co JKAP 13th Bn Shamsher Hussain, Nodal officer Police Public School, SO to DIG CKR Sajad Bhat, staff/students of the Police Public



DGP J&K Dilbag Singh interacting with students at Police Public School Bemina.

School were present on the occasion.

Complimenting the PPS students for their splendid performance in the 76th Independence Day parade, the DGP announced a reward for organizing a special picnic and party for the students.

"Make books your friends; they will remain with you always" DGP advised students.

The DGP said that proposals submitted by PWVA for betterment of the Police Public Schools have been approved on priority by PHQ.

The DGP also directed for preparing a Police Public School Tarana and School Band which he said would add more charm to the institution. The DGP also gave lectures on Geography and

Mathematics to the class 11th and 10th students respectively.

The DGP also presented the certificates and trophies to the teachers for their performance in different activities and the students for their performance in academics.

In her welcome address, the principal Police Public School Snigdha Singh assured that the police public school is working with zeal and enthusiasm to make the police public school the best institution. The vote of thanks was presented by DIG Central Kashmir, Sujit Kumar.

He expressed his gratitude to DGP and Chairperson PWVA Dr. Rubinder Kaur for their constant support and guidance.

Neonatology Department created in GMC Jammu

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: In another milestone achievement, Superspeciality Department of Neo-Natology has been created in Government Medical College (GMC), Jammu.

The order regarding the same was issued by Principal & Dean GMC Jammu, Dr. Shashi Sudan Sharma in compliance to the Govt. order Me-Gztd./107/2021 dated August 2, 2022 where-in permission to start DM Neonatology course was granted by the administrative Department.

The Government has taken cognizance of the fact that there is need to create a dedicated Super Speciality Department of Neonatology; and with the aim to decrease the neonatal and infant mor-

tality in whole of the Jammu region as well as to provide improved and optimum services to neonates, permission/sanction has been accorded for the creation of Super Speciality Department of Neonatology in Government Medical College, Jammu.

With the creation of Super Speciality Department of Neonatology, Government Medical College Jammu can start DM Neonatology course, which will further produce specialized doctors in the field of Neonatology.

GMC, Jammu shall become the first institute to start DM Neonatology course in J&K UT.

The Super Speciality Department of Neonatology will provide facilities like care to the newborns in NICUs

and Neonatal Wards, providing Level III care and ventilation facilities especially to the extremely low birth weight high risk newborns, qualified and skilled faculty will operationalize recent advances in neonatal care like Inhaled Nitric Oxide, High Frequency Oscillation ventilation, Laminar flow, Total Parental Nutrition, Central catheters, research works for advance studies in Neonatology, teaching of DM candidates and handholding and mentoring of the peripheral newborn care units i.e. District Hospitals and New Medical Colleges.

With the functioning of Super Speciality Department of Neonatology, the newborn mortality rate will go down and a number of high risk newborn will have an intact

survival.

It is pertinent to mention that GMC, Jammu already has started Renal transplant, open heart surgeries and DNB superspeciality courses in Deptts. of Urology, Cardiology, Neurosurgery & Neurology.

Further, as per the instructions of the Administrative Department regarding arrangement of manpower out of the existing staff in the Department of Pediatrics, the faculty and staff of existing Department of Pediatrics has been deputed in this Super Speciality Department of Neonatology till the new posts are created and filled in this Department.

The faculty and staff deputed in this Super Speciality Department of Neonatology include Dr.

Ashu Jamwal (Professor), Dr. Anuj Bhatti (Associate Professor), Dr. Anumodan Gupta (Lecturer), Dr. Ajay Choudhary, Pediatrician (NHM), Dr. Divya Sarmal, Medical Officer (NHM), Dr. Punika Dubey, Medical Officer (NHM) and Dr. Rittu Bangotra, Medical Officer.

Dr. Ashu Jamwal, Professor shall Head this Super Speciality Department of Neonatology. She will coordinate with the HoD Pediatrics for smooth functioning of the Department and Senior and Junior Residents in the existing Department of Pediatrics shall be deputed to the Super Speciality Department of Neonatology on rotation basis for smooth functioning of the Department, the order stated.

Advisor Bhatnagar assesses damage caused to Ranbir Canal by flash-floods

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Advisor to Lieutenant Governor; Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar on Wednesday conducted a tour of Ranbir Canal here and assessed the damage caused by flash floods recently to the Baloke Syphon. CE I&FC Jammu, Hamesh Manchanda; SE Hydraulic Jammu, Xen ID 2 Jammu, Xen MID Jammu ADC Jammu and other senior officers of Jal Shakti Department also accompanied the Advisor. Bhatnagar directed concerned officers to rectify the breach as early as possible as the water of canal caters to a large population and forms the lifeline of Agriculture sector. He further stressed upon the officers to work in mission mode and shifts so that the rectification work is completed in the shortest possible time. The Advisor, during the visit also interacted with the engineers of executing agency and enquired from them about the reasons for the breach and conduct a detailed study on same to prevent further events like these. The Advisor on the occasion also asked the engineers to strengthen the places having apprehension of breach. He also examined the damage caused by flash floods in the adjoining area and also directed that the erosion around the abutments of the road bridges be examined and remedial action taken.

Self employment schemes key to address unemployment: DC Jammu

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: One day awareness camp on self employment schemes was on Thursday inaugurated by Deputy Commissioner, Jammu Avny Lavasa at remote Saljote village in Sub Division Chowki Chowra.

The camp was organised by District Employment and Councelling Centre under Youth Entrepreneurship Initiative of District Administration Jammu.

About 20 stalls were set up by different departments and banks to impart information to the unemployed youth regarding various schemes.

On the spot online registration of unemployed youth was also done during the camp.

The Deputy Commissioner encouraged the educated unemployed youths to take optimum benefits of different schemes initiated by the UT Administration to address the unemployment problem.

She called for a change in the mindset of the unemployed youth towards entrepreneurship and encouraged them to become job providers instead of job seekers by setting up their own units by availing self-employment schemes offered by the government departments. She said that effective implementation of the self employment programmes under Central and State sectors were the key to address the challenge of unemployment and to enable youth to earn a dignified livelihood.

Inflation wreaks havoc on poor & middle classes: JKPCC



Congress leaders taking out protest rally in Jammu on Wednesday.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: As a part of Congress nationwide series of "Mehangai Pe Charcha" meetings in all assembly constituencies from August 17 to 23 that will culminate in Mehangai Par Halla Bol mega rally in Delhi's Ramliila maidan on August 28.

JKPCC today under the leadership of former JKPC Chief GA Mir and JKPC Working President Raman Bhalla in presence of JKPC Chief Spokesperson Ravinder Sharma, PCC General Secretary Yogesh Sawhney, JKPC General Secretary Mannohan Singh, JKPC Treasure Rajnish Sharma, AICC Member Vandana Makmotra beside others started the campaign against price rise by organizing "Mehangai Pe Charcha" organized by PCC Secretary Satish Sharma and Corporator Pritam Singh at Kunjwani area of

Gandhi Nagar constituency. Later Congress leaders organized a protest rally against govt for failing to ensure security of minorities in Kashmir valley.

Mir said that the Congress Party will take this fight forward with a series of protests against the price rise and unemployment in the coming weeks.

"Inflation is being exacerbated by higher taxes on essential goods like curd, buttermilk, and packaged food grains, while the transfer of public assets to crony capitalists and the introduction of the misguided Agnipath scheme are making a bad employment situation worse," he said.

Mir claimed that India's 50-crore poor comprising socially and economically weaker sections in rural areas and urban slums are pushed to acute poverty under the effect of inflation.

Bhalla said that inflation has affected people at all lev-

els. Even a cup of tea is now beyond the reach of the common citizens. The Centre has not taken any firm steps to control skyrocketing prices.

"The BJP government's cluelessness about the economy and financial management has been out in the open for long now. Instead of accepting it and seeking guidance from experts, the BJP only resorts to trickery to create an optical delusion," Bhalla alleged.

Yogesh Sawhney and Mannohan Singh accused the government of deliberately increasing the prices of petrol and diesel. They demanded that the Central reduce its excise duties on petroleum products. "The Modi government has completely failed in keeping its promises to the people of India. The need of the hour is for different parties to set aside their differences and come together to change this government," they said.