

# 53rd Shat Chandi Mahayagya from August 25 at Baba Sidhgaria Temple Paloura

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JAMMU: The 53rd Shat Chandi Mahayagya, Hawan Pujan, Sant Samelan is being organised by Mahant Kuldeep Singh Paloura Wale at Baba Sidhgaria Temple, Paloura, Jammu from 25th August (Thursday) to 04 September 2022 (Sunday) where all the devotees will take part in Mahayagya and listen Shrimad Bhagwat Katha during the programme. Addressing a press conference Mahant Kuldeep Singh along with Team Jammu Chairman Zorawar Singh Jamwal and Surinder Singh Gill, former President Yuva Rajput Sabha said that it was great pleasure and a matter



Mahant Kuldeep Singh along with Team Jammu Chairman Zorawar Singh Jamwal during a press conference.

of pride that the 53rd Mahayagya is being organised and invited all the devotees to get immersed in the religious fervour during the Mahayagya followed by Langar on daily basis.

Giving details Baba Kuldeep Ji said that Shrimad Bhagwat Katha by Bal Brahmehari Dr. Mahant Shri Sat Naryan Dass ji Maharaj will be held from 28th August to 04th September while other religious programmes will commence from August 25, 2022.

The religious programme will start on 25th August 8 am with Jai Yatra followed by Mandap Pujan and Yagya from 8 am to

12 noon on August 25 and Shrimad Bhagwat Katha from 2 pm to 5 pm daily from August 28 to 4th September.

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## KVK Jammu conducts inservice training programme



KVK Jammu officials during a training programme.

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JAMMU: A training programme titled "Quality Seed production in Field Crops" for the extension functionaries of an Department of Agriculture was organised on Monday by Krish Vigan Kendra (KVK) Jammu working under the administrative control of SKUAST-Jammu under the leadership of Prof. J P Sharma Honorable Vice Chancellor and guidance of Prof. S K Gupta, Director Extension SKUAST-J. The extension functionaries of all the Sub Divisons from the Department of Agriculture attended the training programme. Dr. Punit Choudhary, Chief Scientist & Head KVK Jammu stressed on liasoning with the allied departments and SKUAST-Jammu.

Dr Ram Phool Punia, Jr. Scientist, AICRIP, Weed, SKUAST-J and Dr Amitesh Sharma, Scientist Plant Breeding deliberated on the weeds their different type of controls, weedicide formulations, promotion on use of multi nozzle Knapsack Sprayer with sensitization on Natural farming. The programme was followed by elaborate presentation by Dr Anjani Kumar and Dr. Vishal Raina, Associate

Cows dying due to widespread disease, Govt sleeping: Ravinder

JAMMU: A large number of bovine animals especially cows are infected and dying due to wide spread disease in several parts in Jammu division but the government is sleeping and has not initiated serious campaign to save them.

Senior Congress Leader and former MLC Ravinder Sharma expressed great concern over the wide spread infection to large number of bovine animals especially cows, in Jammu division and said that government fails to launch save animals campaign by pressing into service men and resources. Sharma said that animals are suffering a lot and farmers are facing great hardships due to lack of adequate human resource, facilities and medicine/vaccines with the department in the periphery. A large number of animals are infected in the entire rural belt but no major initiative is seen on the ground by the government. He said during his tour of several parts of Sunderbani-Kalakote Nowshera areas in Rajouri district, he found a large number of cows having been severely infected with the prevalent disease but farmers are finding themselves helpless in the absence of adequate arrangements in place by the government.

Sharma appealed to the Lt Governor to immediately direct more effective measures and campaign to save cows and press into service all trained resources and other facilities in all parts to save animals and the economically distressed farmers.

After the inauguration of the park, the ADGP held a brief discussion with the supervisory officers and took stock of the functioning of security Central Pool Jammu.

He congratulated the participants for the duties performed by them during one and half month long Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra which concluded without any unto-

## Panthers oppose move to allow outsiders to vote in J&K Seek amendment in Representation of People's Act 1950

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir National Panthers Party, in a meeting of the State Secretariat of the party held under Chairpersonship of Jay Mala Chief Patron of the party at its office at 30-B Gandhi Nagar Jammu, has strongly condemned the move of the government to allow the outsiders to be registered as voters in Union Territory of J&K.

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Singh said that u/s 12(b) of J&K Representation of People



President JKNPP, Vilakshan Singh addressing a press conference.

Act 1957 a person who was

not a "permanent resident" of the state was disqualified for being a voter in any assembly constituency in J&K.

But the J&K Representation of People Act 1957 was repealed and central Representation of People Act 1950 was made applicable to the J&K by virtue J&K Reorganization Act 1990.

Singh said that after the amendment of Article 370 of Constitution of India, people of J&K particularly the people of Jammu province from Lakhapur to Poonch are already facing threat to their jobs and lands.

He said that all the outsiders who would be registered as voters in J&K would be registered as such in constituencies of Jammu province only as no one shall dare to settle in Kashmir province due to utter failure of the government to protect the lives of members of the minority community in Kashmir Province.

Vilakshan said that MLAs chosen by outsiders in Jammu

Province would never be able to project the concerns of the Dogra Community in the assembly.

He said that BJP had sensed that Kashmiris won't accept BJP at all and the

Dogras having been deceived by BJP won't give it another chance to form government in the UT.

Having analysed the ground position, BJP would abuse provisions of section 19 & section 20 of Representation of People Act 1950 with an aim to change election results in its favour. Singh said that if Section 19 of Representation of People Act 1950 is not amended so as to restrict right to caste vote to the original residents of UT only, Dogra identity which is already fading would become extinct.

He said the experiments of the centre with J&K must come to an end and the statehood should be immediately restored. He appealed to the people of J&K, particularly the people of Jammu Province right from Lakhapur to Poonch to strengthen the hands of J&K National Panthers Party in its fight against the dictatorial attitude of the central government.

## Jammu Forest Division organizes plantation drive

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JAMMU: To promote the plantation of Pipal and Bargad trees, plantation drive was organised on Monday by Jammu Forest Division in association with NGOs the Inner Wheel Foundation and New Jan Foundation at Village Sidhra along the Bank of River Tawi. During the drive the students of Bal Sishu Shiksha Kendar also participated and planted the saplings of Pipal and Bargad.

The newly planted saplings will not only play a vital role in the surrounding ecosystem but will also beautify the Banks of River Tawi, said B.M. Sharma, Addl. Principal Conservator of Forests, Jammu.

Ravi Kumar Kesar Ex Principal Conservator of Forests & Hoff J&K was the Chief Guest on the occasion, who along with B. Mohandass, Conservator of Forests East Circle Jammu also planted the saplings.

Anup Kumar Soni, Divisional Forest Officer Jammu encouraged the students and the members of NGO to adopt the plants and to further encourage the family members, fellow colleagues and other citizens to come forward with J&K Forest Department for organisation of large scale plantation drive in future.

Reva Raina, Vijay Sharma and other members of Twin NGOs applaud the efforts of J&K Forest Department.

## DSEJ launches project on life skills development for students

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JAMMU: Keeping in view the significance of life skills in students, Directorate of School Education Jammu in collaboration with Bharti Foundation launches program on development of Life Skills in students through house system. House system as one of the best systems in schools for student engagement, in this context training programme for teaching staff on life skill development is initiated to achieve desirable outcomes in scholastic as well as co-scholastic areas. Training is organised in all ten districts of Jammu Division in phased manner w.e.f 22th to 30th of August.

DSEJ in partnership with Bharti Foundation has developed process along with guidelines to develop life skills through house system following uniform processes. A cir-

cular regarding guideline to strengthen the house system in schools has already been issued. The programme is being coordinated by Counselling Cell DSEJ with the support of Aadharsila and Cultural Innovation cells at DSEJ. The key focus of the programme is to capacitate human resources of all high and higher secondary schools including officials, heads of schools and teachers to develop a comprehensive understanding of the importance of life skills education and developing life skills through the existing school activities.

In next phase the same will be extended to Middle Schools of Jammu division. Besides offline, online training Manuals have been designed to equip the resource persons to train heads of schools and teachers of schools to adopt

development" as an end in mind. Antony N. J., Chief School Excellence Bharti Foundation along with heads of various divisions from Bharti foundation will impart offline the training in all the districts of Jammu Division to strengthen the house system for development of life skills development.

Dr. Romesh Kumar Head Counselling cell DSEJ who

happens to be Nodal officer for the programme during his opening remarks opined that this programme will offer a paradigm shift in how schools function. It will be very meaningful to conduct co-scholastic activities with the "life skills

and integrate life skills approach in the day-to-day activities. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Ravi Shankar Sharma Director School Education Jammu applauded the program which intends to build the critical life skills such as problem solving, collaboration, managing emotions, creative thinking, etc. in line with National Education Policy 2020.

Suraj Singh Rathore, Chief Education Officer Jammu presented formal welcome address programme was anchored by Dr. Alka Sharma from Counselling Cell DSEJ.

Other prominent people present on the occasion include Sh. H.R. Pakhrroo Joint Director (SE), Devender Singh Manhaas DEPO Jammu, Anil Bhat Project Head Bharti foundation, Surjeet Singh Incharge Cultural Cell DSEJ, and other team members of counselling cell DSEJ.

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LG Mathur attended ESM Rally & Pension Adalat



BJP J&K leader, Priya Sethi handing-over charter of demands of Home Guards to Div Com Jammu, Ramesh Kumar.

and issues being faced by the Home Guard workers and revise their honorarium at the earliest so that they would have a sigh of relief.

Priya Sethi mentioned that in 2015 the Supreme Court had directed all the states and union territories to revise the honorarium of Home Guard workers but except Jammu and Kashmir all the states have honoured the directions of the top court. The former Minister appealed to the Lt Governor of J&K UT to take a sympathetic view of Home Guard workers.

She mentioned that presently the Home Guard employees of Delhi UT are getting Rs 25000 per month, in Puducherry UT they are getting Rs 28530, Lakshadweep employees Rs

27000, Chandigarh HG employees Rs 41524 where as in J&K they are getting only Rs 2700 which are totally injustice with them.

Those who accompanied Former Minister included Kamla Sharma, President All J& K HG WA, Sandeep Kumar, Suresh Kumar, Shobha Singh, Pawan Kumar, Rajik Ahmed, Mir Taqi, Mohd Islam, Variender Singh, Ranjeet Sharma, Sanjay Sharma, Pawan Kumar, Rohit Kumar, Parkas, Farooq Ahmed and others.

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Among others, Ranjit Singh Sambyal, SSP (Tech); Ashok Kumar Sharma, SSP, Commandant JKAP 4th Security Jammu; R.P. Singh, SSP (SO to ADGP Security); Kulbir Singh, Commandant IR-18th BN; Rammish Kumar, SP Hqrs. Jammu; Nasir Ahmed, Shaheen Wahid, Addl. SSP Security Jammu; Khalid Hussain, Dy. SP Security; Shewatambri Sharma, Dy. SP Security; Mahesh Sharma, Dy. SP Security; K.D. Bhagat, Dy. SP DAR DPL and other officers/Jawans of Security Jammu were also present on the occasion.

Earlier, Swarn Singh Kotwal, SSP Security Jammu, welcomed the ADGP Security and briefed the Officer regarding functioning of Security Line Jammu.

Similarly, the officers and jawans were also congratulated for their dedication and devotion towards duties performed by them for peaceful conduct of Independence Day Celebrations-2022.

A Darbar of Jawans and officers was held at Central Pool, Security Jammu in order to know their griev-



Lt Governor Ladakh, RK Mathur, visiting a stall during ex-Servicemen rally.

present during the event.

Appreciating the sacrifices and service of ESM to the country during the wars, LG Mathur stated that organising such rallies would provide a platform for ESM and veer Naris to develop a bond between themselves, share their experiences and also to resolve issues related to their pension, etc.

LG Mathur advised the ESM to prepare themselves for two careers after retirement from their service.

He stated that the Administration would work to ensure that various beneficial

schemes of the Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare (DESW), including ex-gratia for deceased and disabled soldiers, the appointment of Director for Zila Sainik Welfare Office, allotment of land for the rehabilitation of ESM, opportunity in the tourism sector, reservation for ITI and Technical Education and allowances for veer Naris, etc.

LG Mathur informed about various initiatives taken by UT Administration to benefit ex-servicemen, viz. providing Rs 5 lakh compensation to kin of martyrs in the Galwan War, 6% reservation in government jobs, etc.

He informed that there is also a demand from ESM to provide training for homestay.

He stated that Administration would ensure that homestays prove to be a beneficial business for ESM.

Dogri Sanstha releases Jagdeep Dubey's 'Vikarn'

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JAMMU: Dogri Sanstha Jammu, a pioneer literary organization working for mother tongue Dogri and Duggar cultural traditions since 1944, on Monday released eminent Dogri writer Jagdeep Dubey's collection of three theatre plays entitled 'Vikarn' in a function at Govt. Women College Parade, here.

The book contains three plays namely Suttar, Ladai Kadun Muktag & Vikarn revolving around different themes. This is his 3rd collection of plays after Galoor and Dangar. Padamshri Jitender Udhampuri was Chief Guest on the occasion, Prof. Lalit Magotra President Dogri Sanstha

presided over the function whereas Rajeshwar Singh 'Raju' an eminent English, Hindi and Dogri writer was Guest of Honour.

In his address, Jitender Udhampuri recalled the

contributions of litterateurs hailing from Rambaghar from where Jagdeep also belongs.

He said that Jagdeep Dubey has proved his worth as a short story writer and playwright for Akashwani and Doordarshan. He welcomed his new book that will help theatre activists to stage new plays.

Prof. Lalit Magotra while complementing Dubey for the book said that Dogri plays were much wanted and this book has surely enriched that part of Dogri literature. He hoped that now the theatre directors

will get more plays to exhibit their creative inputs by staging these plays which are appreciable for their contents and plots.

As Guest of honour, Rajeshwar Singh 'Raju' said that Dubey has been a well known name in literary circles both as a playwright and short story writer.

On this occasion eminent theatre activist Raj Kumar Bahurupi presented a detailed paper on the book. The program was conducted by poetess and broadcaster Promila Manhas who also present vote of thanks as well.

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