

Jammu Mayor lays foundation stone for PHC

Public should reply political parties which opposed local bodies' elections: Sharma

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Mayor of Jammu city, Rajinder Sharma on Wednesday laid foundation stone for a Primary Health Centre (PHC) at Swami Vivekanand Chowk which will be completed at an expenditure of Rs. 23 lakh.

Speaking on the occasion Sharma said that the PHC will directly benefit the public of Ward 19, 15, 7 and 6.

"Apart from this, traders near of the area and pilgrims of Amarnath Yatra staying at Agarwal Sabha near Vivekanand Chowk will also benefit from this PHC," he continued.

The Mayor said that there was dire need of a Health Centre in the area as none of



Jammu Mayor, Rajinder Sharma interacting with people after laying foundation stone.

such a centre was there earlier but now many people will benefit from this.

After this Sharma inaugurated the work of renovation of Old Gumat Gate and all the shops and other vending stalls on Gumat stairs and

started the work of re-development of Kiosks and Gumat stairs. It will cost 3.5 crores.

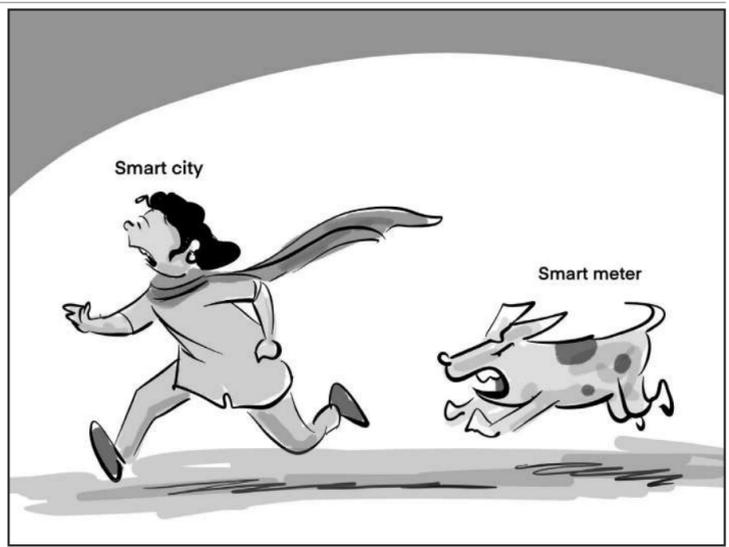
He said that J&K government wants to ensure employment to the poor and give them all the facilities so

that they may lead a good life and become good citizens of the country.

"Credit of all this directly goes to PM Modi who ensured elections of local bodies in 2018 and made efforts to strengthen of local

governance and the public today is enjoying fruits of this in form of developments be these infrastructural, institutional or developments related to public grievance system," the Mayor maintained adding: "Some people, especially some political parties, that time had opposed the local body elections and today after getting all the benefits from elected local bodies the public may think if those parties were, in some way, against developments."

"The public should now reply to those parties, while voting during elections, for their anti-public thinking," Mayor Rajinder Sharma continued.



Plantation drive organised at Excise and Taxation Training Institute, Nagrota



Excise Commissioner, Pankaj Sharma planting a sapling at Training Institute Nagrota.

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JAMMU: As an initiative under the campaign "Meri Maati Mera Desh" (a nationwide and people led Janbhagidari to commemorate 75 years of India's Independence - Azaadi Ka Amrit Mohastav), a plantation drive has been organized at Excise and Taxation Training Institute, Nagrota under the guidance of Excise Commissioner, Pankaj Sharma and execution by Principal Training Institute Rajeev Magotra.

It is informed that the drive has been organized in collaboration with the Forest Department (Social Forestry) and Education Department where the

officers/officials and students of Govt. Girls Middle School, Nagrota participated.

Under this initiative, about 50 saplings of indigenous plants have been planted in the campus of the institute. It has also been reported that an awareness programme under 'Vasudha Vandan' has also been organized for the students to make them aware of such drives and importance of the bond with our Mother Earth.

Furthermore, Panch Pran pledge was taken by all the participants to make India a developed nation, to be proud of rich heritage, remove colonial mindset, strengthen unity and respect those who protect the country and per-

form the duties of a citizen.

Also to add more colours to this campaign, an eco-friendly Rangoli was displayed on the theme of "Meri Maati Mera Desh".

Addressing the students and officials on the occasion, Excise Commissioner emphasized on the importance of this nationwide campaign and laid stress on the responsibilities towards the nation as well as the planet as a whole.

Other officers who were present during the occasion were Deputy Excise Commissioner (Executive), Kusum Sharma, Excise and Taxation officer (North) Anil Chandan and Excise and Taxation officer (South) Ankit Gupta.

Directorate of Ayush holds awareness programme under Health and Wellness events



Doctors speaking at an awareness programme.

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Two-day awareness programme under Health and Wellness events Azadi Ka Amrit Mhotsava organised by Directorate of

Ayush under the guidance of Dr Mohan Singh Director AYUSH, District Ayush Officer Dr Vandana Dogra in the premises of Trikutia Group of Colleges where stu-

dents of Trikutia Degree College, Sain Charitable Institute of Paramedical Sciences and Jammu College of Physiotherapy participated.

Dr Sakshi Sharma, Medical Officer and Dr Sukhpreet Kaur spoke about home remedies and made the students and staff aware about benefits of home remedies and their efficacies and promoted Ayurveda way of life. Sunita Magotra, Principal Trikutia Degree College, Sain Charitable Institute of Paramedical Sciences, Akanksha Madhok appreciated the efforts of Director Ayush in promoting health and wellness.

Shopian Police holds plantation drive under 'Meri Maati Mera Desh'

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SHOPIAN: Police on Wednesday carried out plantation drive under "Meri Maati Mera Desh" campaign across the Shopian District. The main function was held at DPL Shopian where Tanushree, SSP Shopian and other police officers/officials held a plantation drive and planted plants and other ornamental

Speaking on the occasion, the Tanushree said that this function across the country is being held to observe "Meri Maati Mera Desh" campaign wherein all Indian are playing their part in building a developed India, to remove any trace of colonial mindset, to strive for the unity and solidarity of the country, to fulfil their duties and responsibilities towards Nation, to hon-



SSP Shopian, Tanushree and other police officers/officials planting a sapling.

trees in front of District Administrative Block at DPL Shopian. The function was also attended by Naresh Singh ASP Shopian, DySP Hqrs Shopian, DySP DAR DPL Shopian, DySP PC Keller and other officers of Police/CAF.

our the sacrifice of our country's Brave Hearts. Similarly, all SDPOs/ SHO's & IC PFs also held the plantation drive in their respective jurisdictions and also administered pledge to the officers/officials at all sub divisions/po/ice stations and police posts.

Court frames charges against ZEO & Ors in misappropriation

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JAMMU: Additional Sessions Judge Anticorruption Udhampur Dinesh Gupta framed charges against John Mohd. Teacher (Incharge Head Master) Middle School Dharian/convener Village Education Committee and S. Pardeep Singh ZEO (Retd.) who by abusing their official position and after hatching criminal conspiracy among themselves intentionally misappropriated Rs 99,939/ for their ulterior motives resulting into wrongful loss to the State exchequer.

The charge sheet produced by the prosecution and other material on record transpires that for the construction of 3 additional classrooms in the building of Govt. Mobile Middle School Upper Kund Tehsil Thuru District Reasi, estimated funds of Rs 750,000/ was sanctioned under Sarv Shiksha Abhiyan and funds were allotted to the ZEO Arnas. ZEO Arnas transferred an amount of Rs.380,000/ in two installments worth Rs 200,000/ and Rs.180,00/- to the official account of Head Master of Govt School Dharian, for the construction of additional class room Govt School

Dharian. Accused John Mohd teacher/incharge Head Master of Govt School/convener Village Education Committee (VEC) after hatching conspiracy with Contractor Khushi Mohd and ZEO S. Parmodh Singh released an amount of Rs.380,000/ to the contractor Khushi Mohd. This amount was released to raise the construction upto Lanter Level, but contractor Khushi Mohd stopped the construction upto plinth level. Excessive amount has been misappropriated by the above named person, being part of a criminal conspiracy. This constitutes offences u/sec 5(1)(d) r/v 5(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act Svt2006 and Sec 120B IPC.

Additional Sessions Judge Anticorruption Udhampur Dinesh Gupta after hearing APP Himanshu Parkash for the ACB, observed that this Court is of the opinion that there is sufficient material to proceed against the accused, for the commission of offence u/sec 5(1) (C) (D) read with 5(2) of the J&K PC Act r.w.120 IPC and separate charges are made against both the accused.

HC upholds detention of supporter of terrorists under PSA

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JAMMU: Justice MA Chowdhary of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court upheld the detention under PSA of Abdul Hameed Ganie @ Dr. Hameed Fayaz who is a hardcore motivator and supporter of terrorists and was acting to bring about secession of J&K from the Union of India

and to its consequent merger with Pakistan; that the detainee had never remained law abiding citizen which can be gathered from the fact that in 2009 he secretly sowed the seeds of hatred and disaffection against the army in the town of Shopian; that earlier an FIR No. 42/2019 under Section 10, 11 & 13 of

Unlawful Activities Prevention Act was registered against the detainee in Police Station Budgam.

Justice MA Chowdhary after hearing both the sides and while dismissing the petition, observed that an order of detention is not a curative or reformatory or punitive, but a preventive action, acknowledged object of which

being to prevent anti-social and subversive elements from endangering the welfare of the country or security of the nation or from disturbing public tranquility or from indulging in anti-national activities or smuggling activities or from engaging in illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, etc.

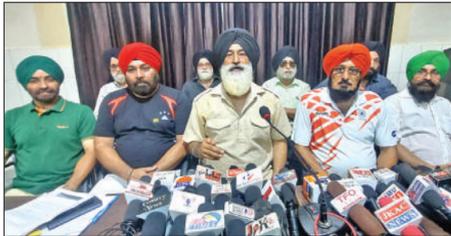
Preventive detention is devised to afford protection to society. Rulings on the subject have consistently taken the view that preventive detention is devised to afford protection to society. The object is not to punish a man for having done something but to intercept before he does it and to prevent him from doing so.

Sexual Harassment complaint: SPF seeks action against Hockey J&K official

Demands de-affiliation of Hockey J&K, constitute adhoc Committee of Hockey Veterans

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Sikh Progressive Front (SPF) convened a press conference under the presidency of Balvinder Singh along with Manjit Singh former National Player and International Hockey Umpire, Iqbal Singh, Ravinder Singh Bitta, Jaswinder Singh Kuku, H.S Reen, Daljit Singh all former national Payers and other hockey Lovers Manjit Singh, T.P Singh, Ravinder Singh, Angat Singh Raju expressed their resentment against Sports Council for not taking the sexual harassment complaint filed by one woman hockey player of Hockey J&K against Rajinder Singh Kuku Sr Vice President Hockey J&K seriously.



SPF president Balvinder Singh talking to reporters.

Singh Kuku whose name was also figured in the same FIR No. RC0032022A0044 dated on July 14, 2022, under IPC sections 120B, 409, 477A is still being allowed by J&K Sports Council to continue as Sr Vice President of Hockey J&K for playing with the dignity of female hockey players of JK UT, for the reason best known to the authorities.

It is pertinent to mention that the so called Hockey J&K is being run by some persons who have their personal agenda without following the rules regulations and norms fixed neither during the election of Office bearers of Hockey J&K nor during the conduct of various Hockey tournaments in the State.

The elections for hockey

J&K is held in closed doors without transparency and fully involving the J&K sports Council and the legacy of office functionaries to their next of kin who are not at all connected with hockey at all, presuming as their dynastic rights over the game of Hockey for the last more than twenty years.

The list of hockey players of 42 clubs, who participated in the voting process to elect the office bearers of hockey J&K is not notified ever before the conduct of such election and such serious lapse on the part of Hockey J&K is always being ignored by the officials of both J&K Sports council & Hockey India during conduct of election in hotel of their Choice, he said.

The selection process of players for different tour-

nament is also not transparent as a result of which team sent outside the State have a pathetic display resulting humiliating defeat in the National tournament held at Rourkela Orissa.

In the recently held Junior National Hockey Tournament J&K hockey Team suffered humiliating defeat conceding 21-0 against Himachal Pradesh, 13-1 Karnataka & 6-1 against Ponducherry.

We are enclosing herewith the documents received by our office directly from the complainant player, the copy of those complaints already stands submitted to Secretary Sports Council.

Balvinder urged the Secretary Sports Council to disband Hockey J&K and constitute Committee of Hockey Veterans to look after its affairs till the fresh election is held and also take stern action immediately by removing the alleged accused so that they cannot influence the complainant and also urged to immediately forward the complaint to the law enforcing agency for taking appropriate legal action warranted under law for such cases of sexual harassment.

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

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