

## IPR Cell JU holds IPR generation and protection programme

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JAMMU: Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Cell, University of Jammu organized an interactive Session "Ask the expert" on "IPR Generation and Protection of Intellectual Property Rights" in collaboration with School of Biotechnology, JU.

This program was a part of the initiatives taken by Vice Chancellor JU, Prof Umesh Rai to foster a culture of innovation and creativity among the stakeholders.

Dr. K. Prasad, Senior Scientist, IIM Jammu was the resource person for the first session of the event. He delivered a session on "Intellectual property, its application and commercialization".

Delving into the multifaceted realm of IPR, Dr. Prasad elucidated its essential characteristics, emphasizing its temporally and geographically constrained nature.

He masterfully elucidated the nuanced distinctions between various aspects of



Prof. Manoj K. Dhar, Director AcSIR, GoI posing with other dignitaries.

IPR, encompassing trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, Geographical Indication (GI) tags, utility/model designs, plant breeders' rights, and patents.

Manik Gupta, Director and Patent Facilitator, Startup Program, InnoverseIP, Jammu was the expert for the second session of the event. He delivered an insightful session titled "Inventing the future - importance of IP".

Gupta emphasized the multifold advantages of embracing patenting, eluci-

dating how it can be mutually beneficial for researchers, their institutions, and the overall progress of the nation.

Special Invitee Prof. Manoj K. Dhar, Director AcSIR, Government of India enlightened the gathering highlighting the significance of IPR generation and protection.

With India's ambitious goal of achieving a 5 trillion-dollar economy by 2030, he underscored the significant backing and emphasis from the Government of India on

promoting patent generation and start-ups.

He advocated for a balanced approach between safeguarding innovation through patents and serving the greater societal good.

In closing, he commended the IPR cell and the School of Biotechnology for spearheading this valuable session. He recommended the continuation of such programs in the future, aimed at eliminating barriers within researchers' minds and fostering a thriving knowledge-based economy.

Prof. Seema Langer, Dean Life Sciences JU, also a member of IPR cell talked on the role of IPR cell, Jammu University in facilitating and promoting the researchers in generating and protecting their IPRs.

Prof. Sanjana Kaul, Director, School of Biotechnology, JU presented the welcome address.

Prof. B.K. Bajaj, the Convener of the IPR Cell at the University of Jammu, addressed the session with a comprehensive overview of the significance of the IPR Cell and its overarching vision.

Subsequent to the presentations, an engaging "Ask the Expert" interactive session took place, featuring Prof. Kamal Kapoor, from the Department of Chemistry, Prof. Sanjay Gupta and Dr. Raj Sandhu from the Department of Law, University of Jammu as esteemed panelists.

Dr. Yash Pal Khajuria, Assistant Professor, School of Biotechnology and member IPR cell moderated the session.

## CISF seizes 8.8 kg of yellow metal worth Rs 4 crore at Mumbai airport

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NEW DELHI: In a major seizure at Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International (CSMI) Airport, the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) successfully apprehended two passengers who were found in possession of approximately 8,800 grams of yellow metal suspected to be gold wax, with an estimated value of around Rs 4 crore, an official said. According to the CISF, on the morning of August 29, 2023, around 0415 hours, the CISF surveillance team stationed at Terminal-2 of CSMI Airport, Mumbai, detected suspicious activities involving two individuals near Boarding Gate No. 46 on Level 3, within the domestic departure area. The team promptly initiated both electronic and physical surveillance on the suspects. During observation, one of the individuals was observed picking up a black bag from the floor adjacent to Boarding Gate No. 46 on Level 3. Taking swift action based on their suspicions, CISF personnel intercepted the two passengers, later identified as Mohammad Hiras and Mohammad Rusaith. These individuals were slated to travel from Mumbai to Bangalore on Air India Flight No. AI 603, scheduled for departure at 0645 hours. Upon skillful questioning, both passengers admitted that the bag had been discarded by an international transit passenger from Boarding Gate No. 46 on Level 4, which belongs to the International Boarding Gates Area. The international passenger had ingeniously disposed of the bag by exploiting a visible gap between Level 4 and Level 3.



Further investigation unveiled that the bag contained 23 pieces of yellow metal with an oval shape, collectively weighing around 8,800 grams. The metal pieces had been meticulously concealed using black tape.

"The CISF apprehended the passengers, Mohammad Hiras and Mohammad Rusaith, along with the 23 pieces of oval-shaped yellow metal. This contraband, valued at approximately Rs 4 crore, was subsequently handed over to the Air Intelligence Unit (AIU) and Customs officials for further legal action," the CISF stated in an official statement.

## Shiv Mandir Welfare Committee Nai Basti Anantnag frames new body

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JAMMU: To appoint the Adhoc committee to look after Shiv Temple and Cremation Ground at Nai Basti, Anantnag a meeting was convened first time after migration at Jammu.

The meeting presided over by Dr Sunil Kumar Bhat was attended by the people residing outside Jammu online through Zoom.

To take up the issues ahead, the Adhoc Executive Committee was framed by one voice and the office bearers were given the role to lead the Shiv Mandir Welfare committee till general elections are held.

Chaman Lal Bhat has been nominated as President, Kuldeep Bakshi as Vice-President, Jai Krishen

Razdan as General Secretary, Shiban Ji Kaul as Joint Secretary and Pran Nath Dadroo as Treasurer.

It was decided that the aforesaid committee shall take immediate action for the renovation of the Mandir, boundary wall at cremation ground, compensation of land taken by the Government without our consent for widening of KP Road besides any other issue which relates to upkeep of Mandir and Cremation ground.

These decisions were aimed at improving the infrastructure and facilities related to the Mandir and its surroundings, Dr Sunil said adding that Adhoc Committee to visit Anantnag for follow up and action.

## JU starts coaching classes for upcoming JKSET examination

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JAMMU: In continuation with the visionary approach of the Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu, Professor Umesh Rai, for encouraging and strengthening the students to excel in competitive examinations, the Department of Lifelong Learning (DLL) has organized Coaching Classes for upcoming JKSET Examination 2023.

The main objective of the Coaching programme is to prepare the student community who are appearing in the JKSET examination so that a good number of candidates become available for selection as Assistant Professors in higher education in the UT of J&K.

The Department of Lifelong Learning through



A dignitary addressing students at JU.

its coaching programmes has always endeavored the strengthening of the student's community by catering to their specific needs so that they can excel in various competitive examinations.

Dr. Jeevan Jyoti, Incharge Director, DLL welcomed the students to the department and shared her views and objective behind organizing such coaching pro-

grammes, The faculty members for the coaching programme present on the occasion were Prof. Sanjeev Gupta and Dr. Rakesh Atri who interacted with the students and shared the roadmap to success.

Dr. Vivek Sharma, Coordinator of the JKSET Coaching motivated the students to perform to their optimum capacity with confidence and undertake ade-

quate preparation for attaining success in the various competitive examinations and also shared tips for cracking JKSET examination. It is important to mention here that the Vice Chancellor has always laid thrust on undertaking more student-centric initiatives for making them excel in various competitive examinations so that they are able to serve the society.

## CLUJ celebrates Raksha Bandhan

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JAMMU: The students, teaching and non-teaching faculty members of Department of Botany, Cluster University of Jammu (CLUJ) organized a unique ceremony at its campus on the eve of Raksha Bandhan to motivate the students to take care of nature as its sibling.

In order to express their unconditional love and affection towards nature, students and staff of the department tied self made sacred protective threads "Rakhis" to the trees including Rudraksh, Amla, Putranjiva, Arjuna, Sukh Chain, Paarijaat, etc.

The participants while tying the rakhis also took a

pledge to safeguard and conserve nature for a healthier future.

Speaking on the relevance of Green Rakhi, Dr. Harpreet Bhatia, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany said that Nature belongs to each one of us.

Earlier, Rakhi making and poem recitation competitions were also organized wherein the students of M.Sc. Botany participated wholeheartedly and prepared beautiful rakhis by using different decorative material to celebrate the festival. Others who were present on the occasion include Dr Isha Sharma, Dr. Arun Khajuria, M.Sc. students and non-teaching staff of the department.

## People's issues must be addressed in a time bound manner: Kavinder



Former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta listening to public issues.

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JAMMU: People's issues must be addressed in a time bound manner by those who have the power to do so, said Kavinder Gupta, while he made a particular reference to the directive issued to the government departments for clearing the under-process files within 7 days.

Kavinder Gupta, former Deputy Chief Minister, accompanied by former MLA & J&K BJP Spokesperson R.S. Pathania and Executive Member Shailja Gupta was conducting grievance redressal

at BJP headquarters, Jammu.

Kavinder Gupta said that all the people have their issues, which are related to their day-to-day problems, some societal and other developmental issues. The people have little choice when it comes to approach to a right person or the genuine office for the prompt disposal and hence it becomes the duty of the concerned person, especially the designated department official, to immediately provide relief to those who have approached the office with

high hopes. He said that the BJP, as a public party, has built up a robust grievances redressal mechanism at the party headquarter, where people approach with their issues.

Kavinder pointed out that a directive has also been issued to the government departments by the LG administration not to keep pending the under process files more than 7 days. He hailed the initiation of the mechanism and expressed hope that the people would get the desired relief in letter an in spirit.

Ranbir Singh Pathania said

that the e-platforms have gone a long way to strengthen the democracy in the country. He said that now the people have a mechanism in place to file their complaints, approach the concerned officials and check out for the redressal. But, he pointed out that still the e-mechanism has to be backed up with the manual approach, while calling for a more professional approach to the issues of the common masses.

Shailja Gupta diarized the issues presented by the visiting people and said that these camps provide a good platform to the masses for many development and welfare issues.

Earlier, during the camp, various visiting people and deputations shared their day-to-day problems related to various departments under UT administration, which were taken up with the higher officials by the senior BJP leaders for appropriate and early action.

## Hari Singh starts blacktopping work in Jammu North Assembly segment



President DCC Jammu Rural, Hari Singh Chib starting development work.

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JAMMU: Hari Singh Chib,

President of District

Rural, commenced the blacktopping of lanes in Paloura

and Roopnagar, falling under the Jammu North assembly segment.

During his address, Hari Singh Chib expressed disappointment over the present administration's failure to provide basic amenities to the general public. He anguished over lack of essential services like regular supply of water and electricity to the public.

Hari Singh Chib called upon the BJP Government to take serious note of people's issues and address the concerns of the people. He asked the Central Government to hold Assembly elections in J&K and provide basic necessities to the public.

The gathering was attended by prominent individuals, including Block President Pata Paloura, Som Nath Sharma, Shahbaj Ahmad, Parveen Akhtar, and others.

## Administration fails to fulfill promise on suspension of Sarore Toll Plaza



YRS president Vikram Singh Vicky talking to reporters.

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JAMMU: Even in the agitation of Yuva Rajput Sabha on the demand of suspension of Sarore Toll Plaza, 26 members of YRS were detained and sent to Kathua District Jail last Monday from Sarore Toll and on Saturday administration releasing 26 YRS members from Jail and administration promises that within two days the people of Jammu are surely got relaxation.

While addressing the media YRS president Vikram Singh Vicky said that the administration of JK UT fails to fulfill the demand of suspension of Toll and the administration is now make fool and plays a very negative roll while in view of this the people of J&K are suffering a lot. Vikram Singh also expressed that as the chain hunger strike was done by the People of Samba District in the support of Toll plaza, today unfortunately one youth member of Samba Lucky Singh was now in unconscious condition as the District Hospital Samba referred him to GMC Jammu.

Vikram also said that if administration doesn't fulfil their promise, it is responsible for what happens in future as this agitation becomes in a massive protest.

## National Veda Seminar concludes at CSU

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JAMMU: National Seminar on the Vedic Concept of Co-existence organized by the Department of Veda at Central Sanskrit University (CSU), Sri Ranbir Campus, Jammu concluded on Tuesday.

The Chief Guest, former chairman of the Sanskrit Department of Kurukshetra University, Prof. Rajeshwar Prasad Mishra said that Vedic sages consider the concept of nation as the whole earth. Emphasizing further, Prof. Mishra said that in order to keep the fraternity strong and transparent, the teachings of Yajurveda, which talk about equality in speech, become more necessary in today's life.

Prof. Ramanuja Upadhyay, Department of Veda, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, Delhi, as a Saraswat Guest, said that God's presence can be felt in Vedas.

Speaking as a Special Guest, Vedika Hurdayal



Former chairman of Sanskrit Department of Kurukshetra University, Prof. Rajeshwar Prasad Mishra speaking at a programme.

Chekori of Mahatma Gandhi Institute, Mauritius said that the spirit of universal brotherhood is enshrined in the Vedas.

Campus Director Prof. Madan Mohan Jha, in his presidential address, said that the spirit of coexistence is necessary at present times, which can be achieved only through the study of Vedas.

Convener of Veda Department, Dr. D Dayanath said that about 50 research papers were read in the seminar.

Prof. Manoj Kumar Mishra

from Prayagraj, Dr. Sunil Katayayan from Varanasi, Prof. Ramraj Upadhyay from Delhi, Dr. Shailendra Uniyal from Uttarakhand, Dr. Dharmendra Pathak from Lucknow and Priyanka Arya from Jammu were present as speakers of the seminar. Dr. Pradeep Dixit of the Department of Veda welcomed the guests in the concluding program, and Dr. Anayamani Tripathi presented the vote of thanks. Dr. Pramod Kumar Shukla conducted the program efficiently.

## Scientist from Austria visits School of Biotechnology JU



Prof Umesh Rai VC JU felicitating Dr. Micha Horacek, Scientist at Department of Lithospheric Research, Vienna University & AGES-Austrian.

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JAMMU: Dr. Micha Horacek, Scientist at Department of Lithospheric Research, Vienna University & AGES-Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety, Vienna Austria called upon Prof Umesh Rai Vice-Chancellor, Jammu University (JU).

Dr. Horacek is collaborator in the DST-funded Indo-Austrian bilateral project In the Indo-Austrian collaborative project entitled "Stable isotope and endomicrobiome as a marker for origin of saffron in absence of genetic markers", the geographical origin of saffron will be assessed using stable isotopes

and microbiome associated with saffron plant.

Dr. Horacek wanted to assess the geographical origin of saffron using stable isotopes in Jammu and Kashmir and had visited Spice Park, Pampore, Kashmir and Kishtwar for sample collection and interacting with farmers.

Chuni Lal Bhat, former Agriculture Officer, Department of Agriculture Kashmir has organized the visit to Kashmir and interaction with the local farmers in addition.

Prof Umesh Rai during interaction with Dr. Horacek expressed his interest in extending saffron cultivation and also developing GI tags to other products specific to the UT in addition to saffron.