

Four-day workshop on recent trends in ELT culminates at JKSCERT

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JAMMU: Four-Day workshop on 'Recent Trends and approaches in ELT' by Department of Education in languages, Academic Unit-I, JKSCERT Jammu, concluded here .

The programme was organized under the mentorship of Director JKSCERT Prof. Dr. Parikshit Singh Manhas and guidance and supervision of H.R Pakhroo, Joint Director, JKSCERT Jammu.

A total of 40 newly promoted lecturers in English, four from each district participated in the workshop, which was organised with an aim to create awareness regarding recent trends and approaches in ELT as per the demands of NEP-2020 and to build the capacity of the participants to adopt the current trends and pedagogies in English while transacting the content in class.

The inaugural ceremony was graced by H.R Pakhroo. Other dignitaries present were Prof. Swarn Singh Jaral, Prof. Surjeet Kumar, Associate Professors N.P Singh, Kishore Kumar (Head -AU-1) Romi Kumar and Assistant Professors, Parveen Akther (Head Library and



H.R Pakhroo, Joint Director, JKSCERT Jammu posing with teachers.

Documentation Wing), Pushpa Kaith and Dr. Sanjeevani SCERT, Jammu. While addressing the participants, Joint Director inspired everyone to keep pace with changing time and stressed upon the need to adopt recent trends and approaches in language teaching as envisaged in NEP 2020.

The Resource Persons included Monica Sharma, Nahida Anjum, Manisha Chun, Neeraj Jamwal, Rakesh Chobber, Jeevan Singh, Sushil Hitaishi, Sheikh Gulzar and Dr. Balgar Singh, the faculty members of JKSCERT. They provided a deep

insight on the innovative trends and approaches that are gaining momentum in English language teaching.

The sessions on teaching of prose, poetry, writing skills, vocabulary and grammar enlightened the participants on the use of innovative pedagogies in the classroom whereas the sessions on effective communication and integration of ICT in teaching of English apprised the participants of choosing and using wisely from the flood of teaching learning resources available online in the best interest of the students.

The programme was coordinated by

Manisha Chun (A.O), Monica Sharma (A.O) was Asso. Coordinator and Rakesh Chobber (A.O) was the technical coordinator.

The programme was managed by the team members, the Academic officers namely Bikram Singh, Ashok Sharma, Sabha Rasheed and Bindia Bhalwal.

On the last day of the programme, participants presented group presentations and also shared their valuable feedback. Valedictory function was graced by Prof. Swarn Singh Jaral, Prof. Surjeet Kumar, Associate Professors NP Singh, Kishore Kumar (Head -AU-1) Romi Kumar and Assistant Professors, Parveen Akther (Head library and documentation wing), Pushpa Kaith and Dr. Sanjeevani, SCERT, Jammu.

Joint Director JKSCERT urged the participants to disseminate the knowledge and experiences gained in the programme in the field and work as per the vision of NEP 2020.

The programme ended with motivational speech by Kishore Kumar Asso. Professor , JKSCERT Jammu and vote of thanks by Monica Sharma the Asso. Coordinator of the programme.

DPAP holds protest against Prepaid Electricity System, smart meters

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JAMMU: On the direction of DPAP chairman Gulam Nabi Azad, District Committee Jammu (Urban) held protest against Prepaid Electricity System and smart meters at Bakshi Nagar; here.

Protesters blocked the main road of Bakshi Nagar for hours. A large number of women, residents of Bakshi Nagar; Gurah and shopkeepers of the Ward 28 took part in the protest.

They raised slogans against PDD/JPDCL.

Gourav Chopra, District President Jammu, Urban DPAP & Councilor of Ward, who led the protest, lambasted PDD for issuing hefty bills to the people of Jammu.

He said that common man is facing hardships due to the wrong policies of LG Government.

He said that LG Govt have proved to be failure on every step as it stopped old age/Widow/handicapped pensions and poor people are in great financial crises.



DPAP leaders and workers raising slogans during a protest.

DPAP is protesting regularly for the rights and relief to the people since one month, but this duff and dumb LG Government is sleeping like Kumbkarna, he said.

Anil Kohli, District Vice President, Jammu Urban said DPAP is on the roads for the sake of people of Jammu.

If LG government doesn't revoke the prepaid electricity system and smart meters, we

will call for Jammu Bandh, he warned.

Others present were Anil Nargotra, , Rampal, Akshay Tak, Akhil Tandon, Satish Jolly, Rinku Jamwal, Bhannu Jamwal, Amit Gupta, Ashwani Gupta, Rimpu Singh, Sonu, Satya Devi, Shalu Gupta, Ritu Kumari, Sunny Verma, Indu Gupta, Varinder Sharma, Ravi Dhamir, Anmol kholi and Yuvraj Singh.

CGPWA honours its Life Member B R Sharma



President CGPWA Jammu, Kuldeep Khoda honouring it's Life Member B R Sharma.

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JAMMU: The President of the Central Govt Pensioners' Welfare Association (CGPWA) , Jammu, Kuldeep Khoda honoured it's Life Member B R Sharma on his appointment as State Election Commissioner at a meeting of the Association held on Monday.

District Poonch Taekwondo Championship to begin from August 10

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POONCH: District Poonch Taekwondo Association under the aegis of J&K Taekwondo Association is going to organise District Poonch Taekwondo Championship 2023-24 under the theme Azadi Ka Amrit Mohotsav at Indoor Complex Sports Stadium, here from August 10, 2023. The championship is being supported by Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council.

It was decided unanimously by all the office bearers of the District Association in a meeting held at Poonch under the supervision of President District Poonch Taekwondo Association Makhn Lal, Senior Vice President Premparkash Luthra and Joint Secretary PDTA, Amit Sharma.

All the interested players of District Poonch asked to confirm their entries by August 9, 2023.

Moreover all players are advised to reach at Sports Stadium Poonch Indoor Complex on August 9, 2023 at 4:30 PM for weighing along with Complete Registration forms signed by Parents, Date of Birth certificate issued by Municipality Poonch or Concerned Sarpanch of the village.

'The-Sara' provides Library Kit to Border School

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URI: 'The-SARA', a Registered Non Governmental Organization under its 'Share with Schools' initiative, contributed Library Kit for the Government Primary School (GPS) Dawarpatti Paranjillan Uri.

Gurjeet Kour Ghuman, President 'The - Sara' handed over Library Kit comprising of 100 books to Mohd M a n s h a Headmaster of the School.

The school located in village Paranjillan near Indo-Pak LoC in Uri Tehsil of Baramulla district is the first school in Uri Tehsil to be covered by 'The - Sara' under its 'Share With Schools' initiative. 'THE - SARA' initiative was supported by publishing house Pratham Books.

Mohd Mansha and other staff members thanked members of 'The - Sara' for supporting the Border school.



'The-SARA' team after handing over Library Kit to Mohd Mansha Headmaster of the School.

Neelam, Dr. Pardeep, Keshav inaugurate Paver tile work in Bharat Nagar

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JAMMU: Neelam Nargotra, Councillor, JMC Ward No. 40 in presence of Dr. Pardeep Mahotra, Media Incharge, J&K BJP and Keshav Chopra, Talab Tillo Mandal President, inaugurated a work of laying paver tiles at Bharat Nagar.

Neelam Nargotra, while inaugurating Paver Tile work, said that with the laying of paver tiles, the long-standing demand of lane residents has been fulfilled. She said that this would also solve the sanitation problem of the lane with the smooth flow of filthy water in the drains.

Neelam, while giving details of the present works said that this Paver tile work in the lane along with other works would be completed with the estimated Cost of Rs 40 Lakh with the funds allocated in (City Grant), Councillor Funds.

She has served residents of the Ward with the selfless



Councillor, JMC Ward 40, Neelam Nargotra inaugurating development work.

motto, she said and added that many lane and drain works are being executed at this time and the remaining areas will also be covered soon with the needed construction and repair works.

Dr. Pardeep Mahotra appreciated the dedication of local Councillor, for her proactive approach to address the genuine demands of the local residents.

He said that the BJP

such framed the core policies to benefit earlier neglected and downtrodden segments with the blend of basic amenities and advance development.

Keshav Chopra reaffirmed the party's commitment to the development. He said with the ongoing development works, Talab Tillo will soon develop into a mesmerizing place to visit, shop and reside. He also appealed to the common public to participate in the making of beautiful ambience in the surroundings.

District Media Incharge Arun Dubey, Mandal Vice President Parveen Ghai, Mandal V-President Rahul Nargotra, Mandal General Secretary Paramjeet Ravinder, Social Worker Abhishek Sharma, Additional Media Secretary Mandal Vikas Kumar, Shabab (JE JMC), Department Supervisor and number of prominent locals were present.

Quiz Competition, Ideathon Under G20 University Connect at SKUAST Jammu

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JAMMU: SKUAST-Jammu, under the G20 University Connect Programme for engaging young minds, on Monday organized Quiz competition and ideathon.

Vice Chancellor SKUAST-Jammu and Chairman of the Event, Dr. B.N Tripathi visited during the presentations and appreciated the coordinators for conducting the events successfully.

The four priority areas for discussions during quiz included Food Security and Nutrition, Sustainable Agriculture with Climate Smart Approach, Inclusive Agri Value Chains & Food systems and Digitalization for Agricultural Transformation where as Ideathon welcomed



Participating students posing for a photograph with VC SKUAST-J Dr. B.N Tripathi and other faculty members.

innovative, fresh and technology-based solutions to some of the burning problems in agriculture, livestock and food security.

A total of 17 teams from SKUAST-Jammu and various colleges of Jammu participated in the screening round

out of which four top teams qualified for final quiz.

After 14 round of questioning Degree College for Women, Bhagwati Nagar was adjudged winner, Govt. College for Women Parade and Div. of Agricultural Extension education,

Congress demands use of VVPAT EVMs in JMC Elections

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JAMMU: The Dy Commission (District Election Officer) Jammu called a meeting of representatives of all main stream political parties on other day: Narinder Gupta, representative from Congress party raised the issue of using faulty and below standard EVMs in 2018 JMC elections and said that this should not be happen this time. In this regard JKPC President Vikar Rasool Wani has written a letter to District Election Officer Jammu and demanded that Electron Voting Machines (EVM) having the facility of VVPAT should be used to ensure free and fair JMC elections. Congress also raised this issue during the last elections of Jammu Municipal Corporation but the Govt. at that time used the traditional machines in haste, which was also questioned by other political parties also in the fray. Congress always remained committed for free and fair elections.

Dr. Vandana Sharma, Prof & Head, Department of English, Central University of Jammu, Prof. A. K. Raina, Former Head, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Jammu and Prof. S. K. Gupta, Former Director Education SKUAST- Jammu. The result for all other events held during 4th and 7th August 2023 will be announced on 22nd August 2023, the day for the main event of G20.

At the end, Dr. Rajinder Peshin, Incharge examination cell who is coordinating the G20 connect programme thanked all judges, faculty members and students of SKUAST-Jammu and colleges for their participation in the events.

The events were coordinated by Dr. Ankur Rastogi and Dr. Manmohan Sharma.

DPAP receives boost as Chairman MC Charar-e-Sharief, 7 Councillors join party



Chairman MC Charar-e-Sharief Nazir Ahmad Peer along with seven other councillors joining DPAP.

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SRINAGAR: Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP) on Monday received a big boost as Chairman Municipal Council Charar-e-Sharief Nazir Ahmad Peer along with seven other councillors joined DPAP at party headquarters here.

A DPAP statement said

that Nazir Ahmed with 7 other councillors joined DPAP in presence of Provincial President Muhammad Amin Bhat, chief spokesperson Salman Nazami, Zonal President Bilal Peer, Senior Leader Nazir Ahmad Yattoo and other leaders here. Nazir was affiliated with Congress Party.

Sawan Mahotsav: Bhajan Sandhya organised at Ancient Panchvaktra Mahadev Mandir



Dr Priya Dutta performing Kathak performance of Ganesh Vandana.

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JAMMU: Sawan Mahotsav is being celebrated with gaiety for the first time in the Panjvaktra Mahadev Mandir here wherein Bhajan Sandhyas are being performed every Monday during month of Sawan and Adhik Sawan.

The classical singers of national and international repute enthral devotees by offering melodious Bhajans to Mahadev.

Vidyarthi from SMVD Gurukul Katra on Monday enchanted devotees with Swasti Vachan, Ganesh Vandana, Sarswati Vandana and Bhajans of Mahadev.

Raj Kumar Behrupia, renowned classical singer, today overwhelmed devotees creating spiritual euphoria by rendering soul-touching Bhajans.

Mohatsav celebrations, this Monday, achieved another milestone in stellar performance of Kathak by Young Artists of Nirtyanjali, under the nationally acclaimed Kathak dancer Dr Priya Dutta, HoD (Kathak) Dance Department (IMFA), University of Jammu. She is also Hony. Director of Nirtyanjali.

The tone of spiritual fervour set up by the Vidyarthi of Gurukul and Behrupia was further taken up to next higher level by Dr Priya

Dutta and her adept young disciples by rendering Kathak performance of Ganesh Vandana.

Subsequent performances, by Dr Dutta and her disciples, built up crescendo of the magical performances culminating in marvellous

CISF Wives Welfare Association "Sanrakshika" to organize Bihar Yoga Publications Yoga Outreach-Delhi 2023 from Aug 8

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NEW DELHI: The CISF Wives Welfare Association "Sanrakshika" is organizing two day Bihar Yoga Publications Yoga Outreach-Delhi 2023 at Meraki lawns of CISF HQrs from August 8 to 9, 2023.

More than 130 titles in Hindi and English will be available free of cost as "Prasad" to the visitors. This year being the Centenary Celebration of Swami Satyananda Saraswati, an year long Yoga Outreach is being conducted across the country and globe as an offering of yoga to society for health, happiness and harmony.

As part of this Yoga Outreach, the Bihar Yoga Publications are being showcased by "Sanrakshika" from 8th



President Sanrakshika, Aparna Singh speaking at programme.

to 9th August, 2023 from 1100 hrs to 1800 hrs at Meraki lawns of CISF HQrs, New Delhi.

The entry will be open for all and the visitors will be provided 10 books of their choice free of cost. In total more than 30,000 books and 10,000 yoga magazines will be distributed during the exhibition.

For its objective to enhance the physical, mental and emotional well being of CISF families and for outreach in the society

President Sanrakshika Aparna Singh has taken a unique initiative in collaboration with Bihar School of Yoga and Bihar Yoga Publication to impart yoga awareness amongst the wider community.

To connect CISF with the Yoga outreach by 'Bihar School of Yoga and other spiritual teachings by the great gurus, few selected officers/personnel were sent for training on Yoga and spirituality at the Bihar School of Yoga and

these trainers of the Yoga school also trained many a personnel at various locations.

On 7th August, 2023 a Curtain Raiser/Press Conference was organized at CISF HQrs.

While addressing Aparna Singh, President Sanrakshika highlighted the achievement of Sanrakshika to enhance the physical, mental and emotional well being of CISF families through yoga and spirituality. She also requested the media for wide publicity of the "Gyan Yagya" (Book exhibition and distribution function) being organized at CISF HQrs from 8th to 9th August, 2023 so that the general public may be made aware about the event and they can also benefit from the yoga and spirituality.