

BJP to form next Govt in J&K with absolute majority: Ravinder



J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina during workers' meet at Kalakote.

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KALAKOTE: Bharatiya Janata Party will form next government in J&K with absolute majority, said Ravinder Raina, J&K BJP President while addressing workers' meets at Kalakote.

Thakur Randhir Singh, District Prabhati Dinesh Sharma, Dr. Ashok Sharma, Adv. Vinod Sharma, Sardar Lal, Surinder Sharma, Satpal, Vijay Kumar, Sushma Thakur and other party leaders also accompanied the State President.

Rainda Raina while

addressing the meets stressed that the parties like NC, PDP & Congress failed to address the issues of common masses for decades together. And they utterly failed in doing so, he said and acclaimed that now the people of Jammu & Kashmir have decided that Bharatiya Janata Party is going to form next government in J&K with absolute majority.

Rainda Raina said that the BJP has created its niche in the hearts of common masses owing to the public oriented policies and their implementation in a user friendly way. He said that the

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DC Mussarat Islam, SSP P D Nitya flagging off holy Charri Mubarak from Ramban.

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RAMBAN: Deputy Commissioner, Ramban Mussarat Islam on Thursday flagged off holy Charri Mubarak, here from Raghunath Temple to Manimahesh Lake, popularly known as Manimahesh Yatra.

Manimahesh is one of the chief pilgrimages situated at twenty-six kilometers from Bharmour in the Budhil valley of Himachal Pradesh.

Senior Superintendent of Police, Ramban, P D Nitya; Addl. Deputy Commissioner, Harbans Lal Sharma; Religious leaders and a limited number of devotees were present on the occasion.

While wishing the devotees a comfortable pilgrimage, the DC advised them to follow Covid appropriate Behaviour and take all other preventative measures during their spiritual journey.

Training cum Orientation programme on 'Poshan Maah' organised

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DODA: A training cum Orientation programme on Poshan Maah was on Thursday organised by the Childline Doda and ICDS Project here at Thathri.

The event was attended by the Supervisors, Anganwari Workers of Block Thathri.

The target group was also educated to feel free to call childline number 1098 when any child is found in distress and danger or in any bad situation. They can immediately contact childline Doda so that timely help could be provided to the child.

Childline Doda Centre Coordinator, Meenakshi Raina alongwith team Members and Supervisors Charanjeet Singh, Simple Singh, Shazia Tariq, Shahida Parveen, Indu Balaji, Sabila Khan, Meena Devi, Surekha Devi and Muni Devi besides all childline staffs were present in the training program. The Poshan Maah is celebrated to spread mass awareness regarding intake of balanced diet by children, Adolescent girls, pregnant ladies and lactating mothers so that the malnutrition, stunting, low birth weight and anaemia could be minimised among the targets groups.

Director SHD inspects key departmental activities

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POONCH: Director, Sheep Husbandry Department (Jammu), Krishan Lal undertook an extensive tour of twin border Districts of Rajouri & Poonch and conducted field inspections and interacted with the field functionaries.

During the two day long tour, the Director took a detailed review of different activities being undertaken for the welfare of farming community of both the Districts.

He inspected Veterinary

Assistant Surgeon H.Q Nowshera, Fodder Development Farm, Lam and Kalsian (Rajouri), District Sheep Husbandry Office Poonch, Veterinary Assistant Surgeon office Ari, Government Sheep Breeding Farm Balnoi (Poonch).

During the inspection, he took stock of the working of the offices and reviewed its functioning and asked the officers/officials to work for the welfare of Sheep/Goat breeders of the area.

Further, Director asked the officers to aware the people about employment generating schemes i.e. Integrated Sheep Development Scheme and Mini Sheep/Goat Farms Scheme under Tribal Sub Plan. He directed to conduct regular meetings with the breeders of the areas.

The Director was accompanied by Vinod Khajuria, Deputy Director (Feed & Fodder) SHD Jammu and other officers/officials of the department.

DC Reasi listens to public issues at Katra; inspects progress of development works



DC Reasi, Charandeep Singh speaking during public Darbar

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REASI: Deputy Commissioner Reasi, Charandeep Singh conducted an extensive tour of Block Katra and held a public grievances redress camp at Government HISS to listen to the public grievances. The Deputy Commissioner was accompanied by ADDC, Jyoti Salathia; SDM Katra Abhishek Sharma; PO ICDS Renu Kumari; ACD Anirudh Rai; CEO KDA Preeti Sharma and other district officers of concerned departments.

The DDC Member Katra, Chairman Municipal Committee Katra,

Chairperson, BDC Katra, Vice Chairman, MC Katra among other PRI representatives were also present.

At the outset, the Deputy Commissioner interacted with the PRIs and locals, listened to their grievances and directed the concerned officers to ensure timely redress of genuine issues.

The DC issued on-spot directions to the concerned departments for timely resolution of the projected issues. He assured the PRIs, public that all genuine demands would be considered on priority basis. The main demands discussed at the event were clearance of material liability

of MGNREGA, revised rates of Mining and opening of mining Blocks, status of Kendriya Vidyalaya and Sports stadium in Block Katra, review of Master Plan 2031, Construction of new Bus stand, engagement of locals in railway companies, requisition of CSR funds from the railway authorities, up-gradation of High School Kanjli, disengagement of education staff engaged in COVID duties from railway station. Charandeep Singh directed the concerned authorities for timely completion of the road works so that locals could get better road connectivity.

Responding to the water related issues, the DC directed the concerned XENs for timely completion of work under JJM schemes so that the public could be benefitted and also directed the Rural Development department to focus on development of water bodies with active participation of PRIs.

DC Doda approves 28 Rent Assessment Cases



DC Vikas Sharma chairing DRAC meet.

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DODA: The District Rent Assessment Committee, which met under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Vikas Sharma, approved rent fixation of 28 buildings taken on rent by different government departments.

The rent cases which were discussed in the committee and approved were pertaining to the Police, Army, IB, Social Welfare, Education, ISM, Health, CAPD and Finance.

The DC directed the Committee members to conduct the title verification of all

the fresh assessments at the earliest, besides asking the planning section to add fresh and revised entries for the better understanding of the Committee members henceforth.

The meeting was attended by ADC Doda, SE PWD, CPO Doda, ASP Doda, ACR Doda, CMO Doda, Dy. Director Prosecution, CAO, Chief Accounts Officer GP Fund, DSWO, ADMO ISM, Ex En PWD, besides other

departments including Revenue and Army.

Water conservation to get special focus: DC Rajouri

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RAJOURI: District Administration Rajouri on Thursday set up Jal Shakti Kendra (JSK) which has become functional with immediate effect. The JSK was inaugurated by District Development Commissioner, Rajesh K Shavan.

SE Jal Shakti, JP Singh; ExEn Jal Shakti Rajouri, Mushtaq Ahmed; ExEn Mechanical Rajouri, Bhupinder Singh; DYO, Nitin Hanglo; AEE Hq, Zulfiqar Ali Chowdhury; Monitoring Incharge JSK, Vikrant Sharma besides staff members of the Jal Shakti Department were present at the inaugural event.

It is pertinent to mention here that JSK has been set up to achieve the desired results concerning water conservation, adopting best practices and delivering the key objective of the campaign launched by the Prime Minister of India under the theme "Catch the Rain" Where it falls When it falls.

The District Development Commissioner said that the Kendra would focus on several aspects including dissemination of information about the initiatives being taken for the conservation and preservation of water, schemes launched to provide necessary benefits to

the common masses in terms of drinking water facilities besides registering the public grievances specifically related to water by dialling JSK Helpline Number 01962263503."

The District Development Commissioner also urged the general public of the district to develop water-saving habits and use the precious natural resources judiciously to save it for future generations.

He also stressed the need to adopt Rainwater harvesting including Roof Top Rain Water Harvesting, percolation pits, check dams, diversion drains, roadside drains to conserve rainwater for subsequent use in different activities.

Samba becomes first J&K district to administer first dose to 100 pc adult population

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SAMBA: Six months after the vaccination drive began on a war footing, District Administration Samba today achieved a major milestone in the journey of universal Covid-19 vaccination by administering atleast one dose to 100% Adult vaccination (18+ age group) making it first in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir.

Lieutenant Governor of Jammu & Kashmir, while congratulating the team

said "We have established a covid control room in the district and are calling people a day in advance before their vaccination becomes due. Today we held special sessions to administer the second dose to teachers, Students, Pregnant and Lactating mothers across the district."

"Our next goal is to vaccinate people with the second dose as well for their complete protection" said the

DC. "We have established a covid control room in the district and are calling people a day in advance before their vaccination becomes due. Today we held special sessions to administer the second dose to teachers, Students, Pregnant and Lactating mothers across the district."

The training cum awareness workshop was organised by the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd. (NAFED) in collaboration with the Horticulture Department, District Horticulture Officer, Shafiqat Khan, SMS, Arvind Verma, Sarpanch, Panchs, representative of Indo-Dutch Horticulture Technologies Pvt. Ltd. besides farmers from Thanamandi and its adjoining areas attended the workshop. The ultra-high-density apple plantation is being carried out in J&K by Indo-Dutch Horticulture Technology Private limited and the nodal agency is NAFED.

The resource person from NAFED, Lokesh Kumar briefed in detail the benefits of ultra-high-density plantation and new high yielding varieties of apple on specialized rootstock having the potential to yield 50-60 tonnes per hectare against the present production of 10-11 tonnes, which will raise the income of farmers and their standard of living. The farmers were also made aware of the modern technology used in the ultra-high-density apple plantation.

Plants of ultra-High-density apples have been cultivated on 70 kanal of land in Thanamandi tehsil this season and near about 200 kanal of temperate areas of Rajouri district would be covered under plantation drive in the next season.

The participants were told that due to the increasing pressure on land and reduction in average landholdings, shifting from low-density planting systems to high-density planting systems has become the need of the hour especially in the horticulture sector. The high density trees are more precocious, heavy yielders and produce better quality fruits and can play a significant role in improving the apple economy of a region.

GDC R S Pura organises online inter-collegiate quiz competition

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R S PURA: As a part of ongoing celebration of 4th Rashtriya Poshan Maah, NSS unit of Govt. Degree College, R.S. Pura organised an Online Intercollegiate Quiz Competition on the topic "Nutrition for Pregnant Women and Adolescent Girls" under the patronage of principal of the college, Dr. G. S. Rakwal and supervision of Prof. Bindu

also installed at the Temple site. The Vasuki Naag Temple is dedicated to the King of Serpents and the son of Kashyappa and Kadru, Vasuki. The Temple enshrines a single black stone piece Idol of Vasuki Naag and Jamute Vahan.

The cultural event was organised on the directions of Rahul Pandey, Secretary J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages and under overall supervision of Sanjeev Rana, Additional Secretary (Central).

A Plaque inscribed with the history of Vasuki Naag written on it in both English and Hindi languages was

Billawar, GDC Reasi etc participated in the event. Students securing 70% and above marks were awarded e - certificates. The material for the quiz was researched and organised by Prof. Sukhwinder Kaur, Prof. Vijay Kumar and Prof. Sheetal Sharma. The principal of the college encouraged the NSS committee and the volunteers to actively take part in such events.

Students to get admission without late fee in Degree College Hiranagar till Sept 15: DDC

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HIRANAGAR: Abhinandan Sharma, member of District Development Council, Hiranagar, has brought a big relief for the students of Girdhari Lal Dogra Degree College, Hiranagar, Kathua who are facing acute hardships while getting admission in the college for the past several days.

In this connection, DDC Hiranagar Abhinandan Sharma today met Vice Chancellor of Jammu University and apprised him of the issues being faced by the students. He said that due to negligence of college administration, the students had to suffer and deposited a late fee of about three thousand rupees for admis-

sion which is too much for poor and destitute students.

The DDC member said that the Vice Chancellor of the University, justifying the problem of students, has ordered to refund the late fee paid by the students and the students of Kathua district will be able to get admission in the Degree College Hiranagar without

any late fee till September 15.

Abhinandan expressed gratitude to the Vice Chancellor of the University for considering the genuine demands of students. He asked students that he is available 24x7 and they should concentrate on their studies for their better future.

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