

IEI Jammu Centre celebrates 54th Engineers' Day

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JAMMU: The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre celebrated 54th Engineers' Day on Wednesday at its Institutional Complex, Channi Himmat, here.

It was attended by the engineers from various departments and organizations physically within the ambit of COVID-19 restrictions and was also joined by large number of engineers online.

This day is celebrated all over the country on 15th September to commemorate the birth anniversary of the greatest engineer of India Bharat Ratna, Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya. Er. B.B. Sharma, FIE Former Chairman, IEI, Jammu Centre was the Chief Guest and chaired the function which was presided over by Dr. Sanjay Khar, FIE, Chairman IEI Jammu Centre.

The proceedings started with garlanding of the bust of Sir M. Visvesvaraya.

Dr. Sanjay Khar, FIE, Chairman of IEI, Jammu Local Centre presented the



Er. Anil Verma being awarded bronze medal for the year 2019-20 by Chief Guest and chairman of Jammu Centre on 54th Engineers' Day.

welcome address. He also deliberated on the theme "Engineers for Skill Development & Employment in combating COVID" of 54th Engineers' Day and highlighting the activities undertaken by the IEI Jammu Local Centre.

Rich tributes were paid to Bharat Ratna Sir M. M. Visvesvaraya by Er. Anik Gupta, FIE. He also highlighted the lifelong achievements, sterling qualities, austerity, integrity, competence and discipline of the greatest icon of engineering profession.

Further, on the occasion,

the Chief Guest honoured Er. V. N. Sharma, FIE; with IEI Award for the year 2021 for his life time achievements on the engineering profession.

Er. V. N. Sharma Chief Engineer (Retd.), has also been a Non-Official Member of Regional Empowered Committee for Northern Region Chandigarh, Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change covering the states of Haryana, Punjab & Union Territory of Chandigarh for two terms i.e. 2014-16 & 2016-18.

The Chief Guest also honoured Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE

with D.K Gupta Engineer of the Year award for the year 2021 for his life time achievements to the engineering profession.

Er. B. L. Rawal, Retired Executive Engineer & Former Honorary Secretary, IEI, Jammu Centre.

Er. Vijay Kumar Sharma & Er. Sachin Tickoo were awarded with R. L. Sharma Memorial Gold Medal for presenting the Best Technical Paper, Er. Vinod Kumar & Er. P. K Nanda, MIE were awarded with Rudra Bhagwati Silver Medal for presenting 2nd best technical paper and IEI Bronze Medal was presented to Er Anil Verma, MIE & Er. Vinod Kumar, MIE for presenting 3rd best technical paper for the year 2020 & 2021 respectively.

On the occasion 1st issue of 19th Volume of quarterly News Letter 'IEI Jammu News' was also released by the Chief Guest along with members of Editorial Board Er. Sanjay Khar, FIE; Er. Anik Gupta, FIE; Er. Samir Sharma, MIE; Er. Ajay Sharma, MIE; Er. Sunil

Seth, MIE & Er. C P Sharma, MIE.

Chief Guest also honoured Er. S. C. Thukral, FIE; Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE; Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE; Er. Anil Verma, MIE; Er. Vinod Kumar, MIE; Er. Ranjeev Sawhney, MIE; Er. Mir Muneer Hussain, MIE and Er. Akash Dugotra, AMIE with mementoes for presenting two or more technical papers during the year 2019 - 20 & 2020- 21.

Er. B. B. Sharma desired that the Government must think of providing a fixed tenure to Chief Engineers as the infrastructure project have a long gestation period.

Chief Engineers who achieve the targets and show the required ability need to be encouraged and after all Er. E. Shreedharan, the famed MetroMan did not choose himself. His retention in positions of authority resulted in expeditious delivery of a number of milestone projects for the county.

Er. C P Sharma, MIE; Honorary Secretary, IEI Jammu Local Centre conducted the proceedings and presented vote of thanks.

JMC organises workshop on prevention on 'Hazardous Cleaning of Sewers & septic tanks'



Mayor, Chander Mohan Gupta and others during the workshop.

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JAMMU: Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) organized a one day workshop on prevention of hazardous cleaning of sewers and septic tanks which was sponsored by NSKFDC under the ages of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment in association with Furniture and Flitting Skill Council and appointed STIC Infotech as facilitator organization for conducting the workshop wherein Mayor, Chander Mohan Gupta, Commissioner JMC, Avny Lavasa, Joint Commissioner

(A), Pankaj Gupta, Secretary, Atul Kumar and Sanitation Officers/Sanitary Inspector participated.

During the course, Adarsh Puri and Megha from STIC Infotech imparted the training to the sanitation staff.

The workshop was based on Manual Scavenging and hazardous cleaning, legal provisions for the welfare of manual scavengers, punishment as per MS Act, 2013. The trainers emphasized on wearing protective gears viz. gloves, shoes, jacket, helmets etc. to avoid any kind of infection. Mayor, JMC stated on the occasion that

JMC provides protective gears to the sanitation staff for their proper safety and well being and further added that such kind of workshop shall be organized in future, as this kind of workshop are more beneficial for sanitation staff.

Commissioner, JMC further directed the Sanitation Officers/Sanitary Inspectors to pay attention towards wearing of protective gears by the sanitation staff and they can freely approach the authorities for anything which they require in undertaking their sanitation duties.

Dr Poli Thappa honoured with Commendation Certificate



SSP Central Jail Jammu Kot Bhalwal presenting commendation certificate to Senior MO Dr Poli Thappa.

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JAMMU: Senior Medical Officer of Central Jail Jammu Kot Bhalwal, Dr Poli Thappa was honoured with Commendation Certificate for her best performance and dedicated work by the Senior Superintendent Central Jail Jammu Kotbhalwal for the Year 2021.

Dr Poli Thappa, an outstanding doctor, known for her excellent services in the medical care during the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic.

Wife of Dr Rajinder Thappa, Senior Consultant First Aid Trainer Jammu and Kashmir, Dr Poli Thappa has put relentless efforts without even caring for their own lives and the lives of their family members during this pandemic.

She handled the COVID-19 pandemic with great professionalism and used all possible resources to provide care and cure to the inmates of Prison Department Jammu and Kashmir.

BJYM to mark PM's birthday celebrations with public service programmes all over J&K: Arun Prabhat

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JAMMU: The Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM) will organise a mega public service programme called "Seva Aur Samarpan Abhiyaan" from September 17 to 7 to mark Prime Minister Narendra Modi's birthday and the completion of two decades in public service.

The twenty day long 'Sewa Aur Samarpan Abhiyaan' will be conducted under the guidance of BJP President JKUT Ravinder Raina and under the leadership of BJYM JKUT President Arun Prabhat Singh.

As part of campaign, every district unit of BJYM will organise a unique Nav Bharat Mela Publicizing the work of PM Narendra Modi government over the last 7 years .The campaign shall also comprise Cleanliness Drives, Blood Donation Camps and Quiz Contests.

Talking about the campaign, BJYM State President Arun Prabhat said "The BJYM has been marking the birthday of PM



BJYM JKUT President Arun Prabhat Singh briefing media.

Modi as "Seva Divas", hosting grand service programme across the UT .

It has also been organizing manifold welfare activities across the UT for a week in the form of "Seva Saptah". This time around, the celebrations will be extended to 20 days to mark PM Modi's completing two decades as the head of public office / 13 years as CM of Gujarat and & 7 Years as PM of India'.

Further, Arun Prabhat said, "The PM's Birthday, which falls on Sept 17, is a day we spend in service .October7, the Day he assumed office as CM of Gujarat , remind us of his complete dedication to the

service of our nation and its people, a quality that has been a feature of these 20-years in Shri Narinder Modi Ji's life"

The 'Sewa Aur Samarpan Abhiyaan' will be carried out in all the districts across UT, and various programmes commemorating the same will be organised at the District as well as the Mandal Level by the BJYM Karyakartas.

The highlight of the campaign would be the district-vice 'Nava Bharat Mela', showcasing the emergence of a 'New India' under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Modi.

It will also highlights vari-

ous schemes undertaken by the Modi Government in the past 7 years ensuring the upliftment of those who had been forced to live their lives in the margins.

In addition, the UT units have been asked to put up stalls in collaborations with the Common Services Centers to facilitate registration for all citizens who wish to enroll in various central government welfare schemes stall celebrating local handlooms and handicraft products , paintings ,arts, traditional food, organic produce will also be set up to champion the cause of #Vocal4Local.

Quiz contest and blood donation camps will also be conducted at district level by BJYM Karyakartas across UT and special stalls will be set up to encourage people to download NaMo App, which will help them communicate with the Prime Minister directly and also enable them to know about the various schemes and welfare being undertaken by our government.

Power employees, engineers hold protest across JKUT, seek resolution of issues

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JAMMU: Power Employees and Engineers across Jammu and Kashmir held strong protest in their respective workplaces wearing black badges and arm bands against the callous attitude of the UT administration towards the burning issues of the Power Employees. THE PDD offices reverberated with the demand for implementation of the State Administrative Council decision dated October 22, 2019 which had directed for completing the regularization process within two months.

The protesting employees decried the failure of the administration to fulfil the commitments made by the highest decision making body of the Union Territory i.e State Administrative Council.

Further the agitating employees sought that the suspension orders of the engineers and field staff be rescinded as the enquiry committee has already submitted the report since last 15 days and yet the reinstatement orders have not been issued till date demoralizing the entire cadres. Addressing the protest gathering at various places, Sachin Tickoo Convenor PEECC Jammu and General Secretary JKEEGA strongly highlighted the plight that the current sitting Managing Directors/ Chief Engineers/Superintending Engineers are all Assistant Engineers and most of the sitting Executive Engineers are Junior Engineers in substantive capacity and are only officiating the higher assignments in -charge capacity with no emoluments of the higher positions.

There is no assured career progression for Gazetted Engineers serving in different departments in J&K even though same cabinet had approved the ACP in favour of Gazetted Engineers as also for the Gazetted Police and JKAS services in 2018, he said.

Jaipal Sharma decried that the fixed travel allowance in favour of Junior Engineers is Rs 30 per month which was fixed some 40 years back. The Power Employees and engineers committee once again appeals to Lt. Governor Jammu and Kashmir to address the burning issues projected by the coordination committee.

In case the Government doesn't take tangible steps to resolve the issues projected; PEECC will be forced to hold the protest march from Panama Chowk to Mahatma Gandhi Chowk on Gandhi Jyanti.

District Chairman meets IWC New Gen members



District Chairman Inner Wheel Club, Guninder Kour along with new members of IWC.

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JAMMU: District Chairman Inner Wheel Club, Guninder Kour visited Jammu and met members of Inner Wheel Club, New Gen. The club members organized a warm reception at Hotel Asia, Jammu under the leadership of Club President, Anita Goel.

She welcomed the District Chairman with an impressive speech and the Club

Secretary, Ambika Samnotra deliberated on the functions and projects done by the club till date.

While addressing the IWC New Gen members, Guninder Kour appreciated the efforts made and the records maintained by the club.

She emphasized upon the motto of the club 'Friendship and Service'. She also apprised the club members and encouraged them to

motivate and in value others for participating in environmental protection programmes like waste management by segregating waste, reducing and reusing waste. On the same day, a sewing machine was donated by club members to a needy lady empowering her to earn a livelihood.

Compeering was done by Gurbir Kour and Ambika presented a vote of thanks.

Candidates qualified PET/PST for recruitment in JKP 02 Border Battalions asked to produce documents

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SRINAGAR: Chairman PHQ Recruitment Board (PRB) for 02 Border Battalions on Wednesday informed all those candidates hailing from District Poonch, Rajouri, Jammu, Samba, Kathua, Baramulla, Kupwara and Bandipora, who after having applied for the post of Constable in 02 Border Battalions of J&K Police and have qualified in PET/PST, to produce their original valid reserved category certificates before the Police Recruitment Board.

As per the notification candidates belonging to Jammu province are advised to report in PRB section PHQ Gulshan Ground Jammu and the candidates belong to Kashmir province shall

report in PRB section PHQ Pirbagh Srinagar from September 17 to 21, 2021 (including Sunday).

The notification further reads that the candidates can change their reserved category filled in by them while submitting their application forms and can now produce any certificate pertaining to their reserved category to which they actually belong. It further reads that the candidates have submitted their application forms under open merit but belong to any reserved category can also produce their valid original reserved category certificates possessed by them.

It shall be the last and final chance for such candidates and no such claim shall be entertained after the stipulated time.

Ashok Koul chalk out strategy with BJP J&K IT Deptt for upcoming assembly elections in J&K

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party, Jammu & Kashmir Information Technology Department meeting was held under the leadership of Department Head Advocate Ishant Gupta and was chaired by Ashok Koul BJP J&K General Secretary (Org.), in the Office of BJP Information Technology (IT) Department, J&K at BJP Headquarters, Trikuta Nagar, here.

During the meeting, Ashok Koul chalk out the strategy with the IT Team for upcoming assembly elections in J&K. He was appraised by the department head Adv. Ishant Gupta about the present working structure of the department and also presented a detailed presentation.

Ashok Koul said that



BJP J&K General Secretary (Org.), Ashok Koul chairing workers meeting in Jammu.

today, the world uses new technologies with the aim of improving the electoral process. These technologies range from the use of bulk connectivity platforms, data processing tools, such as database management systems, optical scanning and geographic information systems.

He said that the Information Technology Department has to work like a backbone to the party and have to play a major role in the upcoming assembly elections.

He further told the office

bearers of the IT Department to gear up the work so that we will be able to achieve our mission and the next Chief Minister will be from Bharatiya Janata Party.

Adv. Ishant Gupta assured that with the commitment and dedication of the whole team of IT, they will definitely be going to achieve the desired goal.

BJP J&K IT co-Incharges Adv. Varun Gupta & Ajay Anand, Makson Tickoo, Rohan Slathia and others were also present.

Mayor conducts tour of Parade area

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JAMMU: Continuing his endeavour to provide more development activities for the people of Jammu city, Chander Mohan Gupta mayor Jammu along with Anil Kumar Masoom councillor of Ward No.10 on Wednesday conducted an extensive of parade ground & its adjoining areas and took stock of the ongoing overall development, renovation & other allied works at parade ground Jammu.

Harvinder Singh Executive Engineer, Raj Kumar Khajuria Assistant engineer, Neeraj Verma junior



Mayor Chander Mohan Gupta during visit to Parade.

Engineer and other supervisory staff of engineering Division I as well as Des Rattan Dubey and other prominent citizens of the area and various sports persons were remained present there during the tour of the mayor.

Speaking on the occasion, mayor told that this prestigious project of remodeling & renovation of parade ground is being executed under "My Town My Pride" and an amount of Rs 90 lakh has already been sanctioned by

the Government. Keeping in view its slow pace of work.

Mayor issued strict instructions to the concerned engineers accompanied with him to keep thorough vigil and personally monitor the ongoing development activities in and around the parade ground as well as sort out the vital issue of construction/renovation work of deep drain on the main road just outside the parade ground and make it sure that all the works be completed within its stipulated time period by applying best quality & durable construction material.

Western Command celebrates 74th Raising Day



Lt Gen RP Singh, Army Commander, Western Command slauting at the war memorial.

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JAMMU: The 74th Raising Day of the Western Command, the frontline operational command of the Indian Army, celebrated on Wednesday. The

Command was raised on 15 Sep 1947 as Delhi and East Punjab Command and was redesignated as 'Western Command' in Jan 1948. With "Ever Westwards" being its

clarion call, Western Army has created a glorious history and has carved a niche for itself replete with saga of bravery, grit and exemplary dedication in service of the Nation.

Officers, JCOs and Men of Command have undoubtedly shown immense valour in all the conflicts since independence. It is ever ready for it's assigned role in the varied contours of National Security, Aid to Civil Authorities and Nation building activities.

To commemorate the occasion, Lt Gen RP Singh, Army Commander, Western Command laid wreath at the "Veer Smriti", Chandimandir to pay homage to the gallant heroes of Western Command and conveyed felicitations and best wishes to all ranks, veterans, civilian employees and families.