

‘Sewa Aur Samarpan’ is in blood of BJP: Randhawa



Secretary BJP JKUT, Ch. Vikram Randhawa addressing party workers at Rajouri.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
RAJOURI: Former Member Legislative Council (MLC) and State Secretary Bhartiya Janta Party (BJP) JKUT, Ch. Vikram Randhawa, under 'Sewa aur Samarpan' campaign chaired a meeting of BJP leaders at Rajouri.

While addressing the party workers on the occasion Randhawa said that 'Sewa aur Samarpan' is in blood of the BJP following which it is dedicated to the service of humanity. He said that different activities under "Sewa aur Samarpan Abhiyan" starting from September 17 on the birthday of Prime Minister, Narinder Modi are being

organized including booth level programmes, environmental programmes, Health Medical and blood donation camps, Sewa (donation) programmes, publicity of achievements of Modi Government, birthday celebration of Pt. Dindayal Upadhyaya on September 25, "Mann ki Baat" on 26th September, Celebration of Gandhi's Jayanti on October 2 and this Abhiyan will close on October 7, 2021. He further said that Prime Minister, Narinder Modi always dedicated himself for the welfare of poor, deprived, Dalits, Tribals, backward classes and farmers. After over decades of

neglecting attitude towards these sections of society, now they are being heard by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) led Modi Government and they have also been empowered to fulfill their aspirations. On the occasion a photo exhibition was also organized displaying public oriented schemes. Randhawa also urged upon the party workers to work hard and dedicate themselves for the service of the public to win their hearts. He said that there are thousands of welfare schemes which needs proper implementation. He also urged party cadres to launch awareness among masses so that they may avail maximum benefit of these schemes launched by the government.

Those who were present on the occasion include Rajinder Gupta, Kuldeep Raj Gupta, Aarif Choudhary, Dinesh Sharma, Bharat Bhushan, Ranjeet Tara, Koushal Gupta, Aarti Sharma, Harish Bharti, Yogesh Sharma, Mamta Dutt, Shamshad Begum and Kamal Gupta.

Several projects at Thandapani face Govt's neglect: Ravinder



Chief Spokesperson JKPCC Ravinder Sharma speaking during public Darbar at Sunderbani.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SUNDERBANI: Former MLC and Chief Spokesperson Jammu and Kashmir Pradesh Congress Ravinder Sharma has said that several developmental projects at Thandapani near sunderbani town face government neglect for seven years of BJP rule and asked the people to bring about political change to carry forward the development of the area.

Sharma said this during an interactive session with the prominent citizens and party workers of panchayat Thandapani in Sunderbani in which series of pending works facing government neglect were highlighted. The session was part of the Jan Sampark Abhiyan, launched by former MLC to reach out to the people of different panchayats of Sunderbani and Nowshera to take stock of the problems of people.

The people complained about the neglect of developmental projects initiated

by the Congress government in the Sunderbani area especially in the Panchayat Thandapani. The people were completely fed up with the policies of the BJP government towards each and every section due to large scale unemployment, unprecedented price hike privatisation, failure to fulfill commitments of regularisation of daily wagers, need based workers, aasha workers, Anganwadi workers, helpers and other contractual and temporary employee etc besides anti farmers and anti youth and anti employees policies. The govern-

ment abandoned the major projects sanctioned by the previous government in the Panchayat like 124-kanaals Industrial Estate at T h a n d a p a n i, Fruit/Vegetables Mandi, sport's stadium and by-pass highway besides filtration plant etc have remained neglected and abandoned.

The government failed to take up even a single major project in the area initiated by him for the development of the area. Had these projects been completed, the area would have become a new township of Sunderbani, Sharma said adding that these projects

DC inspects RDD works, asks BDOs to complete all works on war footing

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
REASI: Deputy Commissioner, Reasi, Charandeep Singh on Friday visited Panchayats of Reasi and Pouni blocks where he inspected the ongoing and completed works of Rural Development Department (RDD).

The Deputy Commissioner was accompanied by Assistant Commissioner Development, Dr. Anirudh Rai; Executive Engineer REW, Pankaj Sharma; District Panchayat Officer, BDOs, AEEs and other officials of RDD including field functionaries.

During the visit, the DC inspected the construction of tile laying work at Chaki Mohalla and drain diversion work in Panchayat Seela being executed at a cumulative cost of over Rs 15.00 lakh. He also visited Flour



DC Reasi, Charandeep Singh taking stock of ongoing road works.

Mill sanctioned under the self-employment scheme and Anganwadi center.

En-route, the DC also inspected culvert work with approaches over Seela Nallah to be completed at an estimated cost of Rs.4.00 lakh under 14th FC in convergence with MGNREGA. The culvert will connect two habitations and benefit over 300 people.

He also enquired from the PRI members about population profile, cropping pattern, economic activities, develop-

ment gaps, priorities and requirement of the areas. He instructed the BDO for timely completion of pending MGNREGA works and other plans with special focus on works proposed for 'catch the rain' programme.

The Deputy Commissioner visited Panchayats Mari-A, Mari-B and Block headquarters, where he conducted inspection of Panchayat Ghar completed under the RGSA scheme with a cost of Rs 32.58 lakh. In Mari, he also

inspected a diversion drain constructed with the cost of Rs 4.80 lakhs under Back to village and culvert at Sabaz Mandi.

During the visit to the Block office, he instructed BDO Reasi to develop landscape, plantation and assessment of old building structure.

Later, he also visited the historic site at Camel Danga where he instructed for cleaning of the pond and removing of wild grass. Instructions were also passed for preservation of the site by executing small works.

At Talwara, the DC inspected a well which was constructed by RDD. Local people appraised the DC about the benefits of this well for irrigation and water conservation. On the request of locals, he telephonically instructed the officers of the Agriculture department to promote the

area for growing organic vegetables. The Deputy Commissioner also visited the holy shrine Kashi Patta and inspected the Children Park constructed under MGNREGA. A slew of instructions were issued to the BDO for promoting the site after completion of all necessary works. During the inspection of a school in the area, the locals demanded construction of the boundary wall of the school out of Panchayat fund or any other scheme.

During the day-long tour, the DC visited several other habitations in the twin blocks and interacted with local people and sought their cooperation in achieving hundred-percent coverage of Aadhar enrolment, COVID vaccination and SEHAT scheme registration. He also recorded some urgent issues of people for their resolution.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
MAHANPUR: Employment Information cum Advisory Bureau (EIAB), department of lifelong learning, university of Jammu in collaboration with GDC Mahanpur organised maiden one day career awareness programme through google meet.

The theme of the programme was "Career Counseling for Graduates". The programme was held under the overall supervision of Dr. Kavita Suri, Director, EIAB, DLU, university of Jammu and Dr. Rewa Khajuria, Coordinated the whole programme. The special resource persons were Dr. Garima Gupta, Sr. Assistant

professor, Department of English, University of Jammu and Dr. S.K. Panda, Assistant Professor, Department of Education, University of Jammu. The whole programme was divided into two sessions. In 1st session Dr. Garima Gupta informed the students about career options and opportunities in English and in 2nd session Dr. S.K. Panda informed the students about career options in Education after Graduation and Post Graduation. 37 students of the College attended the programme through online mode. Dr. Rakesh Kumar Koul, Principal of the College welcomed the guest, and emphasized on the need of

employability generating subjects in the College viz a viz the area demands. He also stressed on frequently organizing such events for benefit of students.

Dr. Sapna Devi Convener career counseling cell of the College coordinated this programme and Dr. Parshotam Dass presented vote of thanks. The following faculty members of the College attended the programme namely Dr. Balbinder Singh, Dr. Munisha Devi, Prof. Arvind Kumar; Dr. Parshotam Dass and Sh. Saurabh Dutta. The College Principal Dr. Rakesh Kumar Koul expressed his satisfaction on the successful completion of the online programme.

National Sanitation Programme: DC Rajouri finalises arrangements for month-long activities

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
RAJOURI: District Administration Rajouri is going to organise a series of activities as a part of the month-long Nation Sanitation Program commencing from October 01.

For the smooth and successful conduct of the activities in the district, the District Development Commissioner, Rajesh K Shavan chaired a meeting with the concerned officers to discuss and finalize the arrangements in this regard. The meeting was apprised that a series of activities would be carried out in the district at Panchayat, block and district levels which include mass sanitation drives at all the water bodies.

Mega awareness drive would be launched in which the public will be made aware of the benefits of cleanliness and sanitation on health and environment and all departments and PRIs,



DDC Rajesh K Shavan chairing a meeting at Rajouri.

Lok Mitra shall play their roles in making the program a grand success.

The Chief Planning Officer has been directed to devise a suitable action plan in this regard.

Later, the DDC also reviewed the disbursement of scholarship provided to the students under the ST, SC, OBC and JKBOW schemes of the Government and directed the concerned to ensure that no elig-

ible student is left out in the process.

Regarding the reopening of the Anganwadi centres in the district, PO ICDS was directed to submit the feasibility report.

Regarding the shifting of the DDC to the shelter home, the DC asked the concerned to identify all such individuals and shift them within two days in the Mother and Child Hospital which is designated as a shelter home for them.

Vocational training by KVK Kathua concludes

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
KATHUA: Krishi Vigyan Kendra-Kathua on Friday organised valedictory function of vocational training on Mushroom Production (Arya) under the leadership of Prof. J.P. Sharma, Vice-chancellor SKUAST-J and under the aegis of Directorate of

Extension, SKUAST-Jammu. The vocational training programme on mushroom production was started with the objective of Attaining and Retaining Youth in Agriculture and make them self sufficient.

At the outset, Dr. Vishal Mahajan, Sr. Scientist &



CGM NABARD, Dr. A.K Sood during visit to KVK Kathua.

Head, KVK-Kathua welcomed the Chief Guest, CGM NABARD, Dr. A.K Sood, DDM NABARD, other officials from NABARD and the participants of training programme. He briefed about the 5 days training programme on mushroom production.

The programme was led by Dr. Anamika Jamwal, Scientist- Plant Protection, Co-ordinator of this training

programme with the brief introduction of mandates of this training programme on Mushroom Production. She explained the basic motto of this training programme and introduced the participants.

Amit Kumar, DDM NABARD briefed the participants about different schemes of NABARD for rural youth to start their own venture in different fields of agriculture.

ADDC listens to issues of people; seeks active cooperation in developmental process



ADDC Rajouri, Pawan Kumar Parihar speaking at public Darbar.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
RAJOURI: To take the first-hand appraisal of the grievances of the general public at their doorsteps, Additional District Development Commissioner Rajouri, Pawan Kumar Parihar held a public outreach camp here at block Budhal New.

DDC Member Budhal New, Nasreen Akhter; BDC Chairperson Budhal New, Shamim Akhter; ADC Koteranka, Surinder Mohan Sharma; ACD, Sushil Khajuria; ACP, Abdul Rashid; CAHO, Dr Fazal besides other officers and officials of different were present in the programme. The outreach camp witnessed the participation of public representatives and people from all walks of life, who sought immediate augmentation of power supply and water supply, improvement of roads, school up-gradation,

better Medicare facilities etc.

The ADDC gave a patient hearing to the issues and demands projected on the occasion and assured the public that all their genuine concerns would be redressed in a time-bound manner. He also disseminated awareness among the common masses about various welfare schemes and programmes being implemented by the Government and appealed to them to avail the benefits of the same. He appreciated the role of the PRIs and the general public in the fight against Covid and urged them to keep following the Covid related SOPs to avert the third wave in the district. He also appealed to them to take the Covid vaccine to stay safe from the infection.

He also appealed to the people to register for the SEHAT scheme to avail the necessary health benefits under the scheme. The ADDC directed the concerned officers to put in place added efforts to quality and time-bound redress of the genuine public grievances and ensure that all the basic facilities are provided at their doorsteps.

He also appealed to the public to actively participate in the developmental process to take the district to new heights of development.

Union MoS for External Affairs & Education inaugurates various dev projects in Udhampur

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
UDHAMPUR: As part of the Central Government's public outreach programme, Union Minister of State for External Affairs and Education, Dr Raj Kumar Ranjan Singh on Friday visited Tehsil Ramnagar and listened to public demands during a programme held at Government High School Dehari Sub Division Ramnagar of District Udhampur.

Dr Ranjan inaugurated various developmental works and projects of Rural Development Department executed under 14th FC, PMAY-G, SBM-G and MGNREGA of Block Ramnagar, Kulwanta and Parlidhar of District Udhampur. These works include construction of community sanitary complexes, water tanks, buildings, bowlies, PMAY-G houses, protection works, land development works, bridle paths, ponds, cremation/passenger sheds, play grounds and tractor roads among others.

The Union Minister also inaugurated water supply scheme Thakey and Kohamarg under NABARD in Block Parlidhar. He also laid the foundation stone for improvement of road from

Bari to SC village and construction of road from Shiv Temple to Barta High School under NABARD.

After the inauguration, the Minister took a round of departmental stalls established for awareness of general public about various schemes.

The Minister interacted with staff members and beneficiaries of the scheme and had a detailed review of implementation of schemes on the ground and also took feedback from the beneficiaries.

The Union Minister also distributed Mamta kits under BBBP, sports kits under Khelo India, Sehat cards under Ayushman Bharat Scheme, domicile certificates, E-Sharam cards and wheel chairs besides handing over power tiller machines and maize shellers among the beneficiaries.

While addressing the gathering the Union Minister said that after abrogation of Article 370 from J&K, many changes are visible in the field of development like completion of mega projects, progress of ongoing developmental works and implementation of different centrally sponsored



Union Minister Dr Raj Kumar Ranjan Singh visiting a stall established for awareness of general public about various schemes.

schemes in J&K. He said that the present dispensation is trying it's best to bring Jammu and Kashmir on the glorious path of development.

Dr Ranjan expressed satisfaction over implementation of several government schemes in the district. He appreciated the efforts of district administration as well as various departments for effective implementation of government schemes on ground. Union Minister appreciated the wonderful arrangements made by District Administration with chance given to everyone who wanted to put a point across.

Regarding the establishment of 3rd tier of Panchayati Raj system in the UT, the Union Minister observed that with the establishment of

Panchayati Raj Institutions the developmental process accelerated with full zeal and dedication for the socio economic upliftment of common people. He said that the government is committed to empowering Panchayats through devotion of funds, functions and functionaries as local representatives are well aware of needs of their areas and can resolve the issues on priority with the best solution.

Commenting on the natural assets and scenic beauty of J&K, Dr Ranjan said that Jammu region has huge tourism potential as well as potential of channelizing the local produce of vegetables into an organized venture.

While interacting with the people during a public outreach programme at Dehari,

the Minister took elaborate feedback on the status of implementation of all government schemes in the area. He said that the main purpose of this outreach programme is to assess the implementation of centrally sponsored schemes on ground and take feedback from people.

While underseoring the importance of New Education Policy 2020, he added that the new policy paves the way for reforms in the education sector and the government is committed to provide quality education to the students.

Regarding Jal Jeevan Mission scheme, the Minister informed that JJM is centrally sponsored schemes launched by the Government of India with objective to provide 100% tap water to all households. The Union Minister also praised Sunil Kumar a government school teacher from Udhampur district who got best teacher award at National level.

During the camp, DDC Chairperson, DDC Vice Chairperson, BDCs, DDCs and PRIs besides a large number of the general public hailing from different adjoining panchayats of Block Ramnagar attended the public

DISTRICTS

GDC Thannamandi celebrates NSS Foundation Day

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
THANNAMANDI: NSS unit of GDC Thannamandi under the ages of 'Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsava' organised webinar on the theme 'Role of NSS in present scenario of Pandemic' in order to celebrate NSS foundation day. All the faculty members and good number of students participated in the webinar.

Mobeen Ali Shah of semester 3rd secured 1st Position, 2nd position bagged by Sobia Koser of Semester 3rd while 3rd position achieved by Miss. Ishrat Javadi of Semester 5th. The programme was organised under the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Javadi Ahmed Qazi Principal of the college. Dr. Nahim Un Nisa NSS programme officer was the organizer of the programme.

The judges of this webinar were Prof. Rahila Mushtaq, Prof. Ajaz Nazir and Prof. Fatima Qazi. Prof. Raheela Mushtaq was the event coordinator. The moderator of the webinar was Miss. Maheem Fatima students of 5th semester. The programme concluded with vote of thanks by Prof. Khalid Rayaz.

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