DC Rajouri inspects progress of PWD projects

Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas conducted inspection of the Public Works Department (PWD) projects in the district. The primary objective of the visit was to assess the progress and quality of the NABARDfunded projects.

One of the projects inspected was the NABARD Road from Darhali bridge to Rehtal lower. This road project has an estimated cost of Rs 237.43 lacs and spans a distance of 2.5 kilometers. During the inspection it was noted that 1.5 kilometers of earthwork has been completed successfully. The Deputy



DC Rajouri, Vikas Kundal conducting inspection of PWD projects.

 ${\bf Commissioner}$ Rajouri expressed his satisfaction with the progress made so far and emphasized the importance of timely completion to ensure enhanced connectivity for the people of Rajouri.

Another significant project inspected was the newly sanctioned NABARD-funded Bridge at Atti. This project involves the construction of a 70-meter bridge and at

structure projects in enhanc The Deputy Commissioner ing the overall development of Rajouri district. He assessed the site and discussed the implementation assured the public that every plan to expedite the construceffort is being made to tion process. The DC ensure the successful execuemphasized the importance tion of these projects, which of the bridge in improving will greatly benefit the local transportation and connec-

tivity in the region. Officers who accompanied the Deputy Commissioner during his visit were Chief Officer, Khurshid; Executive Engineer (XEN) of PWD(R&B) Rajouri, Sardar Khan and other concerned officers. The Deputy Commissioner Vikas Kundal highlighted the facilities to the residents of

communities. The Deputy Commissioner concluded the inspection by passing directions to all stakeholders involved to continue working diligently and cooperatively to complete the projects within the stipulated timelines. He reiterated the commitment of the administration to providing improved infrastructure and better

GDC Khour organises slogan writing competition on 'Truth & Non-Violence'

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KHOUR: NSS Unit of GDC Khour organized a Slogan Writing Competition in commemoration of Gandhi Jayanti, themed "Truth and Non-Violence". The aim of the activity was to pay tribute to the ideals and philosophies of Mahatma Gandhi, a pioneer of truth and non-violence, whose life and teachings continue to resonate with people globally. Best slogan was made by Needhi Kumari of Semester 5 th, 2nd position was shared by Simran and Barsha Bhau of Semester 5th and 3rd position was shared by Samriti Gouria and Sweety Manhas of Semester 5 th.



Faculty along with students during the contest.

Participants were judged based on the relevance to the theme, and impact of their slogans. Addressing the students Principal of the college highlighted that Mahatma Gandhi's values of truth and non- violence are as relevant

today as they were during the independence movement". This programme was organised by NSS Programme Officer Gurvinder Kour under the guidance of Principal of the college, Prof. (Dr) T K

NSS volunteers conduct Swachita Abhiyan in GDC Bhadarwah



Faculty along with NSS volunteers during the programme.

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BHADERWAH: NSS Unit GDC Bhaderwah under the aggis of Prof. (Dr.) Kuldeen Kumar Sharma, Principal GDC Bhaderwah and under the leadership Mushtaq Ahmed Program conducted Swachita Abhiyan in the College premises in which 50 students participated actively in a cleanliness drive. The faculty members of the

college Prof Pinky Kotwal, Prof Sanjay Kumar, Prof Deep Chand and others lead the drive and actively engaged themselves and stu-

Mushtaq Ahmed Program Officer spoke on the occasion related to the theme "Swachita Abhiyan".

He emphasized on maintaining a green campus that should lead to the sustain-

As a part of Gandhi Javanti celebration and Meri Maati, Mera Desh- Mitti Ko Naman, Verron ko Vandan, the college has taken the task of making the campus plastic free and cent percent

In this context, Program Officer also said that NSS Unit has made an action plan and will properly make

DDC Reasi reviews tendering of development works under capex budget

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significance of these infra-

Planning

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REASI: District Development Commissioner, Reasi, Babila Rakwal chaired a meeting of officers in the Video Conference Hall of District Administrative Complex, to review the progress and status of works under District Capex Budget 2023-24.

During the meeting, the District Development Commissioner detailed sector wise review & progress under the District Capex Budget including UT Capex, Area Development Fund, Aspirational Bock Development Programme & Aspirational Panchayat Development Programme in education, RDD, PDD,

PHE, Health and other



mation of works done, Administrative Approval Accorded, number of works tendered, allotment of works, works initiated and completed and other related issues.

During the meeting it was informed that the total number of works under District Capex including APDP is 3036 which includes 2599 new works & 437 ongoing works.

District Development Commissioner directed the officers to expedite the estimation and tendering process. She further directed them to personally monitor the quality and progress of all ongoing works and allotted works and make best utilization of the working season to complete all the works.

The meeting was attended by ADDC, Reasi Jyoti Slathia; CPO, Sunita Kanchan; ACD, Executive Engineer, REW, Executive Engineer, PWD(R&B), Mahore/Reasi, Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti. Reasi, BDO's and other concerned officers.

GDC Reasi organises six-day workshop on **Automatic Speech Recording software**

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REASI: Government General Zorawar Singh Memorial Degree College, Reasi has organized a six-Automatic Speech Recording Software in Dogri under the direction of college principal Dr. Kulvinder Kour.

The workshop was initially fixed for three days but keeping in mind the participation of a large number of students, the workshop was later extended to six days. On the last day of the workshop, Dr. Surita Sharma, Assistant Prof. of Dogri welcomed all the guests, experts, and students. Further, she also encouraged the students to take part in extra activities like workshops, seminars

Later, the nominated coordinators Atul Kumar, Meenakshi Devi and Sonia Kumari discussed the various experiences related to the workshop. In the end, Dr. Kulvinder Kour, college principal extended thanks to the Nodal Principal, GCW Parade, Jammu for deputing a team of experts including Preeti Dubey, Assistant Prof. of Computer Science. Navedika Mishra and Rakesh Kumar. The whole Program was hoisted and coordinated by Dr. Preeti Dubey, Sharma, Prof. Suni Mangotra and Shashi Kumar Sharma. Dr. Samriti Aggarwal presented the vote of thanks

Two-day craft carnival celebrating local handloom, handicraft concludes

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POONCH: The two-day Craft Carnival, organized by the Handloom and Handicrafts department in collaboration with the disadministration Poonch, concluded here today on a high note.

The event, held at Chander Park Krishan Poonch. witnessed remarkable display of traditional craftsmanship and creativity, showcasing the rich cultural heritage of the

The concluding ceremony was graced by the presence guest, $_{
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m chief}$ Additional District Development Commissioner Poonch, Sandesh Kumar



Trophies being distributed among participants.

The proceedings of the program were skillfully conducted by Darshan Bharti (Master), adding a touch of elegance to the event.

The ceremony was attended by PO ICDS, Khalid Hussain Wafa; CEO, Poonch Dev. Authority, Dr. Mohammad

DEPO, N.M Suri; AD Handloom, Shazia Rehman; AHTO, Parupkar Singh, besides other officers were

present. address, the In his Additional District Development Commissioner commended the artisans

exceptional craft products. He encouraged them to explore opportunities to sell their exquisite handmade products, such as shawls, wood artifacts, Painting etc. beyond the boundaries of the Union Territory. By venturing outside the state, the artisans could maximize their earnings and benefit from higher rates, he said. Additional Later,

Development presented Commissioner mementos to the participants who contributed to the success of the program. The Department of Handloom also extended their gratitude by presenting mementos to the AADC, PO ICDS, CEO Tourism, DEPO, and other distinguished individuals

Dr. Mohammad Tanveer, CEO Tourism, expressed his optimism regarding the craft fair's potential to boost tourism in the district. The event showcased the exquisite artistic skills of local artisans, serving as a magnet for tourists seeking an authentic cultural experience. In conclusion, Assistant

Director of Handloom/ Handicraft, Shazia Rehman expressed her heartfelt gratitude to all those who played a pivotal role in making the Craft Carnival a resounding success. Their collective efforts and support ensured that this celebration of traditional artistry left a lasting impact on both visitors and

PTTI Vijaypur holds valediction of two courses

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VIJAYPUR: Two training Courses got concluded at Police Technical Training Institute (PTTI) Vijaypur. The concluded courses are "02 Weeks SOG Refresher Course", and "01 Week Anti Sabotage Check course and X-Ray Baggage Scanner Monitoring Training Course" in which police personnel from various units of J&K Police had participated.

On this occasion a valedictory function was organized which was Dushyant graced by Sharma, Principal PTTI Vijaypur. While speaking on the occasion, Vice Principal said that the objective of these courses was to hone the skills of Police personnel and expose the trainees to the latest tools and Training Course have been techniques which would taught basic concepts of add substantial value to security and handling &



slithering, anti ambush techniques, Tactical posi-Dy.SP tion taking etc. besides all required Do's & Don'ts including precautionary measures to be adopted during operations whereas, the trainees of ASC and X-Ray Baggage Scanner Monitoring

said that these courses would definitely Police personnel in performing their field duties. Among others, Kuldeep Raj, DySP (Indoor/Tech), Shri hushwant Singh,

(Admn.). Surrinder Paul Singh (CLI/CTI), Inspr. Ram Lal (Course Coordinator of both the courses), Inspr. Anil Kumar, Inspr Mulkh Raj, ASI Naresh Kumar, HC Gopal Singh, Narinder Kumar were present during valedictory

President MC Rajouri inaugurates new office, shopping complex

designed office and shop-

ping complex with an esti-

mated cost of Rs 5 crore.

On this occasion, various

Heads of different reli-

gious organisations of

Rajouri, including the

Beopar Mandal Union, the

President, give warm wel-

comes and wishes to the

Municipal Council of

Rajouri for the completion

of the newly designed

office complex. While talk-

ing to media persons,

President of the Municipal

Council Rajouri, said that

during the construction

period, the municipal

office was shifted from

Rajouri old town to Salani

area in the interest of the

general public and for the

smooth functioning of the

office so that visitors

should not face any kind of

issue, and officials of the

Municipal Council Rajouri

provided all possible meas-

ures to ensure the office's

functioning. He said that

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Mohammed Arif, President Municipal Council Rajouri inaugurating office.

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Municipal Council Rajouri, under the leadership of Mohammed Arif and in the presence of Pushpinder Gupta, Councillor Iftikhar Dar. Councillor Sudreshan Sharma, Councillor Rabia Qureshi, Councillor Sanjay Sharma, Councillor Yogesh Sharma. Councillor Mamta Dutt, CEO Mohammed Yaqoob, DDO Mohammed Qasim and others respectable guests, inaugurated a well-

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some people have raised the issue of the temporary shifting of offices and tried to politicise the shifting of offices. He further congratulated the Rajouri town people said this was all possible due to the strong support and blessings of the Rajouri town people, and said project work was completed within a period of only two years. He said that this office and shopping complex building will provide all the benefits to the general masses of Rajouri Town in a hassle-free environment. On the occasion, the

councillors of Municipal Council Rajouri appreciated the mega-developmental of Municipal works Council Rajouri under the dynamic leadership of Mohammed Arif during his last five years of tenure, in which many types of various projects were completed within a stipulated period of time.

Others who are present on the occasion are senior BJP leader Sh Kapil Saryal , Sh Azam Choudary, Sh Naseer Ahmed, Sh Sultan Anjum Mirza , Sh Anil Gupta , Sh Amjid Khan , Mohammed Shakoor, Sh Baou Ram Sharma, Sh Shakeel Ahmed Mirza, Sh Alyas Hussain Shah, Sh Mohd Shakeel & many others were present on the today inauguration ceremony of most important Municipal Council Project.

Newly elected YC president receives grand welcome

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BASOHLI: The newly elected President of Youth Congress, Jammu & Kashmir, Aakash Bharat, returned to his hometown of Basohli amidst a spectacular welcome. The vibrant town of Basohli came alive as supporters and well-wishers gathered to extend their warm greetings to their dynamic leader.

A grand rally was organized to celebrate this homecoming, commencing at the iconic Atal Setu Bridge and continuing through the heart of Basohli. Thousands of enthusiastic supporters cheered as Aakash Bharat walked alongside them, reaffirming his commitment to empower the youth of Jammu

In an interaction with the media, Aakash Bharat expressed his dedication to working tirelessly for the betterment of the region's youth. He declared, "The Youth Congress is fully prepared for the upcoming elections, and we are determined to bring the Congress party back to power. Congress is the party that tirelessly serves the people and prioritizes employment opportunities for the youth.'



Newly elected President of Youth Congress, Jammu & Kashmir, Aakash Bharat being given rousing recepetion at Basohli.

Aakash Bharat went on to criticize the current government, alleging a series of scams in government recruitment that have deceived the youth of Jammu & Kashmir. He emphasized the urgent need for change and promised to restore integrity to the recruitment process.

Speaking about the state of Basohli municipality, Aakash Bharat lamented the lack of progress and development. He declared, "The municipality in Basohli has not lived up to its potential. If the people of Basohli elect a committed Chairman for the municipality, we will make every effort to drive the development and progress that this town deserves.

The homecoming event in Basohli not only marked a significant moment for Aakash Bharat but also highlighted his strong vision for the future of Jammu & Kashmir. Those were present Vishal Padwal, Aamir Ansari, Ankush Mehra, Shiv Padha, Asish Bharat, Amrish Sharma, Sahil Balowria, Ayush Gour, Gourav Jamwal and others.

Col Mahan takes stock of people's issues, assures early redressal



Col Mahan Singh (Retd), DDC Chairman Kathua and others during public meeting.

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KATHUA: Col Mahan (Retd), DDC Chairman Kathua, along with Dr. Shaveta Kumari, DDC Member Keedian Gandyal, visited Kurti, an extremely remote and underdeveloped village situated in the Kandi region of District Kathua. The visit aimed to assess the needs and challenges faced by the village and its residents.

Upon their arrival, the villagers, including elders, women, and children, extended a warm and enthusiastic welcome to the DDC Chairman and the local DDC Member.

The Sarpanch of Thein, Ex Sarpanch Maan Singh, Capt Kishan Singh, several prominent residents, and numerous BJP functionaries also joined the DDC entourage for the journey, covering a hilly track of nearly 5 kilome-

ters on foot. During the visit, the vil-

lagers brought to light their most pressing issue, which is the lack of road connectivity. expressed their frustration over the inability of successive governments and public representatives to address this issue effectively. Additionally, the villagers shared their hardships due to the village falling within a wildlife sanctuary. Concerns related to access to drinking water, the absence of a health center, erratic electricity supply, and inflated electricity bills were also discussed. Col Mahan patiently lis-

tened to the problems raised by the villagers and assured them that their genuine concerns, including road connectivity, would be addressed. He emphasized his commitment to finding practical solutions to the challenges faced by the residents of

The DDC Chairman highlighted the significant achievements of the Modi government over the past nine years. He applauded central government such as Jal schemes Jeevan Mission (JJM), Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), the oldage pension scheme, health cards, and Garib Kalyan Yojana, which have positively impacted the lives of citizens across the country. Col Mahan also noted that for the first time, the Forest Rights Act has been implemented in the Jammu and Kashmir Union

ing in forest areas. As a symbolic gesture of respect and honor, Col Mahan Singh collected soil from the house of Martyr Baldev Singh as part of the "Meri Maati Mera Desh" initiative, paying homage to the brave soldiers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the nation.

Territory, granting grazing

and other rights to tribals

and forest dwellers resid-