

Hindi Pakhwada organises at IIM Jammu

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JAMMU: The Hindi Raj Bhasha committee of IIM Jammu organized a Hindi Pakhwada in the Campus from the Sept 14 to 29.

On this occasion, the programme organized included debate competition etc. The Hindi Pakhwada was organized to celebrate the importance of "Hindi language" along with creating awareness about its use in daily life.

Prof.BS Sahay, Director, IIM Jammu, said "Hindi is one language which can be spoken across the country and students should be taught the importance of the language. We are happy to host the Hindi Pakhwada on the Campus and the students, faculty and staff have actively participated in various competitions which were held during the event. At IIM Jammu, we give due importance to implement the Rajbhasha Policies of



Winner students posing for a photograph with faculty members of IIM Jammu.

the Govt. of India." Prof. Jabir Ali, Dean Academics, IIM Jammu, said, "Hindi is a universal language which can be spoken across the country and students should be taught the importance of the language. I would like to congratulate all the participants on this occasion and urge all the faculty, officers and staff of the institute to do more and more work in "Hindi" and maintain the nobility of the language."

Arun Agarwal, Dy. Director General, Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications, Government of India, "I would also like to emphasize the simplicity, mellowness, and power of Hindi as a language. I always encourage and recommend everyone to make Hindi a part of their daily office routine. We have been diligently and

successfully implementing the Rajbhasha Policies of the Govt. of India." A Hindi Debate competition was organized by Dept of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications, Govt. of India along with IIM Jammu was organized and actively participated in by the students at the Institute. Various other programmes were organized during the Pakhwada. The participants were

divided into two teams where Teamno.1 consisted of Himanshi Nassa, Nirjhar Sharma and Anshul and Team no. 2 consisted of Peeyush Inawati, Aryan Swain and Palash Arora. The panelists consisted of Arun Agarwal, Dy. Director General, Pracheesh Khanna, Deputy Director General from Department of Telecommunications, Dr. Jai Kamal, Assistant Professor and assisted by Abhay Kumar Awasthi, AAO from IIM Jammu.

The first prize winner was Palash Arora (MBA22212), Himanshi Nassa (IPM23040) and Nirjhar Sharma (MBA22079).

The event was graced by the faculty,officers, staff members and students at the Institute. The event was coordinated by Hindi Rajbhasha in coordination with Student Council of IIM Jammu.

Shree Toyota launches new Toyota Rumion in Jammu



DK Batra, Managing Director, Shree Toyota and other dignitaries at launching ceremony of Rumion in Jammu.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Shree Toyota today launched in Jammu the highly anticipated 'All New Toyota Rumion', the Prestigious Family Car with an MPV Lineage.

The launch event took place in the presence of dignitaries, namely DK Batra, Managing Director, Shree Toyota, Manik Batra Director, Shree Toyota, Bhisman Batra, Director, Shree Toyota, Sahil Gupta, GM Sales, Shree Toyota, Deepak Salaria - GM Service, Shree Toyota.

The All New Toyota Rumion marks Toyota's entry into the B-MPV segment, and stands as a prestigious and convenient choice for families seeking comfort, reliability, and peace-of-mind in their automotive experience. This compact MPV, boasting top-notch performance and excellent fuel efficiency, aligns perfectly with the evolving needs of customers in the segment. At the heart of

Sushant kickstarts developmental works in Mast Garh area

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Social and political activist Engineer Sushant Gupta kick started developmental works in Lower Mast area of old City.

Residents of the area since long were demanding the repair and renovation of lane and drains of their locality and had approached the local corporator of Ward no 3, despite repeated prayers, the councilor did not pay any heed towards the appeal of the people.

However when the matter was brought to the notice of Er Sushant by locals. He using funds out his own resources started the repair



Social and political activist Engineer Sushant Gupta kick starting developmental work.

work of drains due to Which the water was entering the houses of the people causing damages to the very foundations of these houses.

POLC reviews Raj Bhasha implementation at CUJ

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The sub-committee of the Parliamentary Official Language Committee (POLC) inspected Central University of Jammu to review the work of official language Hindi.

During this Interaction, the Parliamentary Official Language Committee inspected a total of 26 Offices located in Jammu and Kashmir.

The Parliamentary Official Language Committee was constituted in 1976 under the Official Language Act, 1963. This is a high-powered parliamentary committee. It consists of 30 Members of Parliament, including 20



POLC team members posing with Vice-Chancellor CUJ, Prof. Sanjeev Jain.

from the Lok Sabha and 10 from the Rajya Sabha. The main objective of the committee is to review the progress of the use of official language Hindi in the functioning of the government offices. The official meeting of the committee,

held in Srinagar, was chaired by Ramehndra Jangra, Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha), Shyam Singh Yadav, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha), Dhamendra Kashyap was one of the key members in the committee. Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha), Iranna Kadadi, Member of Parliament, (Rajya Sabha), Shyam Singh Yadav, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha), Dharamraj Khatik, Parliamentary Official Language Committee Office member and others

were present. During the inspection of Central University of Jammu, the committee appreciates the efforts being made by the Vice-Chancellor CUJ, Prof. Sanjeev Jain in the promotion and implementation of Hindi and expressed satisfaction that the University has worked as per the official language rules. The committee expressed hope that in future the university will be able to do its work completely in Hindi. The committee asked other Participated offices to take inspiration from CUJ.

On the occasion, an exhibition related to the official language was also organized by the central university of Jammu, which was highly acknowledged.

'Nidhi Aapke Nikat 2.0' programme organises at J&K, Ladakh

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JAMMU: Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) J&K and Ladakh conducted 'Nidhi Apke Nikat 2.0', a participatory outreach programme at BDO Office, Samwan (Khour) Jamm, Abhay Mission Sec. School Harwan, Srinagar and Jamiyang School, Murtse Colony, Leh (Ladakh) on Wednesday.

The District Nodal Officers of EPFO, J & K and Ladakh have explained the importance of social security in today's scenario. They highlighted the key features of the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 and the Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme, 1976. These two prominent social security schemes are being extended to workers in J&K and Ladakh from November, 2019. They also discussed the features of these schemes in detail.

Considering the relevance



District Nodal Officer of EPFO interacting with stakeholder.

of Nidhi Aapke Nikat, participants were encouraged to raise their issues. Further, they informed that the nominee of an employee (having been a member of Provident Fund for at least one year of employment) whose death occurs while being in service is entitled to a minimum of Rs 2.5 Lakh of insurance amount and "Maximum insurance under the EDLI scheme is Rs. 7 Lakhs. EPFO is paying monthly pensions to the families of employees who met with accidents a few months ago.

Wife and children of deceased employees are entitled to pension. The wife would get pension till her lifetime."

The programme focused on reaching out to the stakeholders, creating awareness about schemes of EPFO viz. PF, Pension and Insurance, addressing queries and grievances of stakeholders, taking feedback and suggestions from stakeholders, employees, employers, Industry Association, Contractors. The DNO's appealed all industries to

extend the Social Security benefits to all the eligible employees from the very first day of their joining the firm. Handholding session was also held to sensitize the employers about P F provisions and modalities. Participants of the programme were also made aware about important initiatives of EPFO such as e-Nomination, Online Claim Filing, Principal Employer Dashboard, updation of KYC in UAN etc. Grievancees related to updation of member profile through Joint Declaration, Death Cases were heard and registered during the program.

Further, The District Nodal Officers of EPFO have advised all such establishments to enroll all eligible employees as members, otherwise appropriate action would be initiated against Principal Employers and concerned contractor under provisions of EPF and MP Act, 1952.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
KATRA: Central Bureau of Communication (CBC), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Regional Office, Jammu (J&K and Ladakh) through its Field Office, Udhampur has decided to enhance its participation and activities during the upcoming annual Navratra Festival to be held at Katra from October 15 to 23.

A review meeting was convened by the Chairman of the organizing committee, Divisional Commissioner, Jammu Ramesh Kumar at Katra.

Joint Director, CBC Ghulam Abbas informed that the bureau will organize a multi-media exhibition in the form of big and medium Integrate Communication and Outreach Programme (ICOP). He informed that the exhibition will be put up



Divisional Commissioner, Jammu Ramesh Kumar chairing a meeting at Katra.

for all the 9-day on different themes like 9 Years of Governance, Mission LIFE, Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, among other schemes and initiatives. Abbas told that CBC will present devotional cultural programmes besides these

based various performances on the Centrally Sponsored schemes. To strengthen the cultural activities during festival the department has roped in cultural troupes from almost more than nine regions of CBC throughout the country that include Bhubaneswar, Kolkata, Guwahati, Chennai, Jaipur, Imphal, Pune, Chandigarh and Jammu & Kashmir, he added.

Abbas said that the CBC's

platform at Government Boys Higher Secondary School, Katra will be available for many other departments, schools and organizations to organize various competitions and display their talent. It was also informed that the troupes affiliated with CBC will participate in PrabhatPheri and Shobha Yatra depicting and endorsing the ethos of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat.

India's safe borders, world-class infrastructure boosted its global esteem: Rekha Mahajan



BJP, District President Jammu South Rekha Mahajan distributing clothes, food items among a needy.

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party, District President Jammu South Rekha Mahajan claimed that under the leadership of PM Modi, India is "leading the global superpower". To mark the "Sewa Pakhwada" in Jammu South ,distributes clothes, medicines, and food items among the needy public and plants the saplings under the fortnight program at Rehan Basera (Shelter home for urban homeless) in Bahu Constituency an important part of Jammu South. Rekha Mahajan said in the last nine years, the Modi government has worked relentlessly for the betterment and upliftment of every person and sector in the nation. Rekha counted that 'Seva Karya' in Jammu South,

with the help of dedicated BJP workers to help people in need can be seen from the prime minister to booth-level activists. She exhorted that today, the whole nation is supporting the PM for his sincere efforts to tackle any situation in the interest of the general populace and at the same time marching ahead with the focus on Atmanirbhar Bharat (Self Reliant India).

The same spirit is being seen even in the rural areas of Jammu South, where BJP activists are serving the needy with selfless efforts, Rekha said. She had asked the BJP unit Jammu South to celebrate the event like a festival and observe the event with "grace, humility, and dedication to serve the needy in their respective areas.

BIG FM marks World Rivers Day with 'Rivers of J&K'

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The rivers in India are known for their cultural significance and history spanning millions of years making them essential lifelines of our country. Throwing light on the significance of rivers of Jammu & Kashmir, BIG FM, one of the leading radio networks in India, has joined forces with Virasat, INTACH and SMVD Narayana SSH, Katra for its latest campaign 'Rivers of J&K', led by RJ Juhie.



Dignitaries performing Aarti of River Tawi at Jammu.

The initiative aims to bring forth the untold stories of rivers of J&K and raise awareness about the importance of water resources.

The campaign was recently commenced by RJ Juhie, who invited historian Dr. Mrinalini Atrey, to discuss and share insights on the historical and cultural relevance of different rivers of Jammu & Kashmir. She awe-inspired BIG FM listeners with insightful stories of different rivers and the importance of preserving and protecting them.

Furthermore, an on-

ground event was conducted on the banks of river Tawi for the school kids with various inter-school competitions such as painting and quiz competitions amongst others. The initiative offered a unique experience for the kids to connect with the essence of the water resources in J&K and get insight on their significance. The event culminated with a picturesque Tawi Aarti in which members of the Tawi Aandolan organization also participated.

Students took part in an

inter-school painting competition which was judged by Jammu's ace artist Suman Gupta. Sachika Gupta from DPS, Jammu secured the 1st position; while Barsha Singh from BSF School and Vaishnavi Patil from St. Xavier Convent Sr. Sec School, Barnai secured the second and third position respectively.

Rupank Gupta of DPS Jammu; Vanshika and Urvashi from BSF School bagged consolation prizes. In the quiz competition, the team of DPS Jammu

FORCE hails decision of PSC on Education to include JU's 'Design Your Degree' Programme

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Forum of Recognised Colleges (FORCE) in a meeting held on Wednesday under the Chairmanship of the former minister and President Harbans Singh hailed the vision of Prof Umesh Rai, the Vice Chancellor of University of Jammu, in conceiving with one of the most notable and innovative program of starting the Degree for the students known as " Design Your Degree"(DYD). The members were all in unison in congratulating the Vice Chancellor of University of Jammu for getting the endorsement of the Parliamentary Standing Committee (PSC) on Education, which recommended to the UGC to include it in the National Curriculum. The members of the Forum praised the

Vice Chancellor of the University in making the Jammu & Kashmir joyous & proud by presenting to the society such an innovative Degree programme which will not only open new vistas of learning for the students of Jammu & Kashmir but also of the entire nation.

Besides to many innovation programmes in it, it includes one of the best practice which is again to be the game changer for the entire Education system of the country especially to attain Higher education while on move is called as "College on Wheels "

Besides President Harbans Singh, the prominent members who presented their views in the meeting were Ram Paul, Dr. Manmeet Singh, Ashok Khajuria, Tahir Tariqand K.K Bakshi.