

Collaborative efforts necessary to combat impact of rabies: Advisor Bhatnagar

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SRINAGAR: Advisor to Lieutenant Governor, Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar on Thursday remarked that collaborative efforts from all stakeholders, including government agencies, healthcare providers, veterinarians and public are the need of the hour to combat the impact of Rabies in the society.

The Advisor made these remarks while addressing the day long technical conference on Rabies, organised on the backdrop of 'World Rabies Day 2023-All for 1, One Health for All' at Sher-e-Kashmir International Convention Centre (SKICC) here.

Secretary in Agriculture Production Department (APD), Shabnam Kamili; Director Animal Husbandry Jammu, Shubra Sharma; Director Animal Husbandry



Advisor Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar speaking during the programme at Srinagar.

Joint Directors, veterinarians from across the districts and other stakeholders were also present on the occasion.

Addressing the gathering, Advisor Bhatnagar said that this conference is a unique platform to raise awareness about the devastating impact of rabies and the importance of prevention and control measures. He emphasized on the need for collaborative efforts from all stake-

holders, including government agencies, healthcare providers, veterinarians, and the public to combat the impact of this dreadful disease.

He stressed upon the all stakeholders to work in cohesion and convergence so that Rabies can be completely eradicated. He highlighted that educational institutions and other publicly important places should be utilised to create maximum awareness among

the people about the prevention of Rabies. The Advisor exhorted upon the participants to aware people about latest advancements in rabies prevention, organise vaccination campaigns and awareness programs, to combat this deadly disease.

Advisor Bhatnagar further called upon the participants to study the feasibility of including certain aspects of veterinary science in school curriculum so

that the children are made aware about animal health and hygiene from a very young age.

Speaking on different achievements of J&K Administration, Advisor Bhatnagar said that Jammu and Kashmir is witnessing remarkable changes from last four years. He highlighted that J&K is number one in providing digital services to the citizens across the country. He added that J&K State Health Agency was ranked number one health agency across the country recently.

Commending the organisers for organising this conference, Advisor Bhatnagar said that this conference will provide a platform for stakeholders from different sectors to come together, share knowledge, and collaborate on efforts to combat rabies and protect human and

animal health.

Addressing the gathering, Shabnam Kamili said that this conference will establish an enabling environment for veterinarians to discuss and deliberate on techniques and methods of tackling Rabies in the region. She urged upon all participants to work together towards a future where rabies is no longer a threat to human and animal populations.

During the conference, several technical sessions and informative sessions were held by veterinarians and experts from various fields related to rabies prevention and control. The participants also had the opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions, share best practices, and explore new strategies to accelerate progress towards a rabies-free society.

Justice delayed, denied to 'Karan': Usha Sharma

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Family members paid tearful homage to Late Master Karan Sharma on his 13th death anniversary who was brutally killed through drowning by the four culprits on Thursday at Baba Padh, Udhampur.

Narrating the incident Parveen Sharma, uncle of Karan alleged on that ill-fated day of the incident Karan Sharma was taken by his four friends to the river on the pretext to enjoy a picnic as he was doing his BBA course at Government Degree College, Udhampur. He died due to brutal and gruesome drowning.

He was provoked by Rajan and Nitin who were on his both the sides holding his hands. They left him alone in the middle of deep water of the river stream and crossed the river to the other bank themselves. They made a cruel joke with Karan. Who was then in a sheer helpless situation as he did not know the art of swimming. In sheer struggle to save himself from water wave in deep water he cried for help but in vain.

Drowning was not accidental but it was caused due to provocation, negligence and planned on the part of four boys. Pradip Singh and Vicky Singh ran away after the crime but Rajan Sharma and Nitin Kumar spotted by BSF and handed over to Police. The dead body was found by family members on forth day and was fished out with the help of a private diver who was called from Ramban by the Police.

The family blamed that the local Police investigat-

ing the case in a unprofessional manner and adding that Police did not even bother to extract the true facts and clues that might have led to solve the drowning incident of Karan. Even no FIR registered by the concerned police.

The family further alleged that the Ex-MLA Udhampur influenced the then SHO Inspector Arvind Singh Sambyal and hampered the investigation. Added that family lost Karan but it hurts already bleeding soul of his mother that favour under some influence was granted to the culprits and no any kind of investigation conducted in this case.

He also informed that no information about the progress of the case has been given to the deceased family for a period over thirteen years neither the Investigating Officer appointed for the purpose ever bothered to visit the house of deceased to know the condition / problems of the family who had lost his husband and now his grown up son.

Usha Sharma mother of Karan requested Lt Governor to constitute Special Investigating Team (SIT) to investigate the murder of Karan and demanded punishment to the culprits, sympathetically on humanitarian grounds and make local Police accountable for favouring the culprits. Justice may kindly be provided to family and the departed soul by investigating the case in a scientific and professional manner without succumbing under any external/ political influence.

DI, employees condole demise of Tej Kishan's father

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SRINAGAR: Director Information, J&K, Minga Sherpa on Thursday condoled sad demise of father of Tej Kishan, MTS, DIPR, who passed away after a brief illness.

In his condolence message, the Director Information expressed his deepest condolences with Tej Kishan and his family and prayed for peace to the departed soul.

Meanwhile, the employees of DIPR also condoled the sad demise of father of Tej Kishan. The officers and employees of the department offered their deepest condolences to the bereaved family and prayed for eternal peace to the departed soul and courage for the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss.

DEO Srinagar holds meeting with representatives of various political parties

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
SRINAGAR: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad, who is also the District Election Officer(DEO) Srinagar on Thursday convened a meeting with the representatives of different Political Parties of Srinagar District here at Meeting Hall of the DC Office Complex.

At the outset, the meeting discussed threadbare the Rationalisation of Polling Stations including creation, renaming or relocating Polling Booth locations recommended by District Election Authority in view of upcoming Summary Revision of Electoral Rolls.

Other than Electoral Registration Officers (EROs), the change of polling stations locations was also proposed by various political parties and other stakeholders in the District.

On the occasion, the DC/DEO briefed the meeting



DC Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad chairing a meeting.

about the detailed reasons for change/relocation of 37 locations comprising 83 Polling Stations and recommendations made by concerned EROs for new locations.

It was informed that change of location of said polling stations has arisen due to several reasons like existing location/building being private structure has been converted into commercial setup/closed/upgraded etc.

The DC/DEO said the pro-

posed/recommended new 37 locations of the said polling stations are easily accessible to voters and have all assured minimum facilities for the convenience of the voters.

After having detailed discussion, the DC/DEO assured the representatives of the political parties that all their submitted proposals have been thoroughly examined on the ground by the concerned EROs.

The DEO also asked the

representatives of the political parties to identify and furnish their list of Booth Level Agents for all the respective polling areas at the earliest.

DEO further emphasized that the District Election Authority is always open to entertain any observation, objection or proposal for the betterment of the electoral process.

During the meeting, it was given out that as many as 902 polling stations spread across

8 Assembly Constituencies have been set up for successful conduct of Summary Revision of Electoral Rolls as well as forthcoming Parliamentary and Assembly Elections in District Srinagar as and when announced.

The representatives of various political parties expressed their contentment over the consideration of their proposals regarding the change of some polling station locations for the convenience and accessibility of electorates.

Besides, Additional Deputy Commissioner Srinagar (ERO), Syed Shabir Ahmad, Joint Commissioner SMC (ERO), Syed Abul Qasim, Assistant Commissioner Nazool (ERO), SDMs East/West (EROs), Deputy District Election Officer, Shakeel Hussain, all AEROs, the meeting was attended by the concerned Officers/Officials from District Election Authority Srinagar.

J&K's maiden Athletics meet on synthetic tracks begins

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: The maiden athletics meet of Jammu and Kashmir, the 21st UT Athletics Championship, organised by J&K Amateur Athletics Association (JKAAA), got underway at newly laid synthetic tracks on the University of Jammu (JU) campus.

Further, the Association, in yet another first, invited entries from the eligible athletes from all over the UT in an online mode and the event is being conducted using latest technology methods i.e Photo-finish system, a handout issued here today informed.

The highlights of opening day events remained the new UT Record in 5000 meters race established by Ritik Sharma of district Kathua with a timing of 14.58 minutes.

Earlier, the opening function of the mega event graced by Prof. (Dr) Ashutosh Sharma, president J&K Olympic Association (JKOA) and Mohd. Hanief, Chief Sports Officer of J&K Sports Council among others.

DC Poonch discusses modalities for implementation of PM Vishwakarma Scheme



DC Yasin M. Choudhary chairing a meeting.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
POONCH: Deputy Commissioner, Yasin M. Choudhary, chaired a meeting to discuss the modalities for implementing the recently launched PM Vishwakarma Scheme in the district.

The Deputy Commissioner discussed various aspects related to the implementation of the PM Vishwakarma Scheme, including the implementation framework, coverage of trades, the process flow for availing benefits, financial provisions to enhance the quality and reach of products and services for the Artisans (Vishwakarmas). These artisans constitute the informal or unorganised sector of the economy and are self-employed traditional craftspeople. During the meeting, the roles and responsibilities of all line departments were deliberated in detail, including the identification and verification of beneficiaries and the registration process. Furthermore, GM DIC, AD Handloom and Handicrafts, District Officer KVIB and Program Manager NRLM, were directed to jointly plan the schedule for awareness campaigns to identify and benefit all eligible cases under this scheme. The DC also instructed that Common Service Centers (CSCs) should ensure the smooth enrollment of beneficiaries under the scheme.

Further verification of beneficiaries will be carried out by the Rural Development Department and Municipal Council Poonch. He also directed the installation of hoardings in every tehsil to raise awareness about the scheme among the target group.

Notably, the PM Vishwakarma scheme offers a range of benefits, including a toolkit incentive of Rs 15,000, artisan training with a daily stipend of Rs 500, collateral-free credit support up to Rs 1 lakh (first tranche) and Rs 2 lakh (second tranche) at a concessional interest rate of 5% and incentives for digital transactions and marketing support.

It was also informed that the government initially recognised more than 18 trades under PM Vishwakarma, including Carpenter; Boat Maker; Armorer; Blacksmith; Hammer and Tool Kit Maker; Locksmith; Goldsmith; Potter; Cobbler; Masons, Basket Maker/Room Maker/Coin Weaver; Doll & Toy Maker; Barber; Garland Maker; Washerman, Tailor and Fishing Net Maker.

The meeting was attended by General Manager DIC Poonch, Assistant Director Handloom, Superintendent ITI Poonch, LDM J&K Bank, District Manager CSC Poonch and others.

J&K Judo team leaves for Nationals



J and K officials along with team posing for photograph before departure.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: A 16-member Jammu and Kashmir team on Thursday left for participation in the Senior National Judo Championship scheduled to be held at Jaipur in Rajasthan from October one to October five.

The team was accorded send off by the officials of Judo

Association of J&K (JAJK) led by senior vice president, Vikas Gupta and general secretary, Suraj Sharma, who were joined by the Suraj Bhan Singh, Manager Indoor Complex and Gopal Dass from J&K Sports Council (JKSC) at Indoor Complex, MA Stadium, here. Ranjodh Singh and Manish Chatwal? accom-

panied the team as officials.

The Team: Ashutosh Khajuria, Mehshedd Mohammad Javid Bhat, Moid Nasir, Varun Sharma, Danish Sharma, Ujjwal Khajuria, Hamid Havaid, Vanshika Manhas, Khushi Thakur, Yashika Jamwal, Nirali Sharma, Talha Fayaz, Kabra Altaf, Tanvi Thakur.

Gandhi Jayanti Celebration: District Admin Bandipora kick starts Project - WASH



Distt administration start project on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
BANDIPORA: As a tribute to the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi, District Administration Bandipora in collaboration with JKSWM has launched a significant project "WASH (WOMEN AND SANITARY HYGIENE)" aimed at empowering women and fostering impeccable sanitary hygiene practices throughout the district.

It was further given out that that in a first of its kind and unique initiative to promote Women And Sanitary Hygiene (WASH) in Bandipora, District Administration Bandipora and Jammu & Kashmir Students Welfare Mission (JKSWM), a non-profit organization, has embarked on a transformative journey. The initiative, supported by the 'We Are Human Foundation (WAHF)', New

Delhi, seeks to empower women and promote sanitation.

The WASH programme was kickstarted under the leadership of Deputy Commissioner, Bandipora, Dr. Owais Ahmed, IAS, coordinated by District Programme Officer, POSHAN, Mohammad Ashraf Hakak, and under noble supervision of District Social Welfare Officer Bandipora, Hidayatullah Mir to mark a significant impact on women's health and hygiene.

The programme, supported by the We Are Human Foundation (WAHF) of New Delhi, has simultaneously conducted various Sanitary Kit Distribution cum Hygiene Awareness Camps at prominent locations in the district, including New District Hospital Bandipora, Gynecology Department, DH

Bandipora and Girls Higher Secondary School Bandipora.

Additionally, it has reached out to various women self-help groups, ICDS centres in Arin, Aloosa, Bagh, Chewa, Vijpara Hajin, Kudara, Chuntimullah, Mukdamyari Hajin, Goshbugh, Sumbal and more areas of the District.

Collaboration with key stakeholders, including the District Administration Bandipora, Department of Social Welfare Bandipora, ICDS Bandipora, SAKHI One Stop Centre Bandipora, and the District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHFW), Bandipora, has been instrumental in the programme's success. The programme was facilitated on ground by a leading women driven centre - SAKHI - One Stop Centre, Bandipora under the aegis of J K Students Welfare Mission.

District Administration Bandipora on the occasion distributed 10000 sanitary kits among needy women and adolescent girls. Project Incharge WASH, Afshana Haasan while speaking on the occasion said that this noble initiative wouldn't have been possible without the collaborative efforts of District Administration Bandipora.

BJP set to register massive victory in coming polls: Dr Manyal

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir BJP General Secretary and former minister, Dr Devinder Kumar Manyal, has refuted the assertion of PDP president Mehbooba Mufti that BJP has sensed defeat which is the reason for delaying the Panchayat and Local Bodies polls in the UT. He termed this totally false, misleading and baseless.

"To keep targeting BJP on one pretext or the other, provides fuel to regional parties like PDP, to run their political shops", Manyal said and added that such parties have already been pushed to the wall for the kind of opportunist politics they indulge in.

Dr Devinder Kumar Manyal said that BJP has registered splendid victories in all the successive elections in the past and the morale of



its activists is very high and there is no word like defeat in our dictionary. He said that the PDP chief should not forget that BJP got massive mandates in earlier polls of Panchayats and Local Bodies, with all time high scoring in Kashmir valley as well.

The BJP General Secretary, at the same time, reminded Madam Mufti that conducting elections is not in the purview of a political party but it is the sole prerogative of the election authorities. Dr Manyal further said that it is the BJP only which has always raised concern for strengthening the democratic institutions in Jammu and Kashmir: It was during the BJP rule at the centre that elections to the Panchayati Raj Institutions were held here, taking democracy at the grassroot level and ensured

the participation of a common man in decision making bodies, which is the true spirit of a healthy democracy.

A glance in the past will itself prove that parties like Congress, NC and PDP, did not care to hold the elections for years together in Jammu kashmir when in power in erstwhile state. Again it was the NC and PDP, which contested elections at one stage and declared to remain away from taking part in elections on other stage, this is the political duplicity of a party which is directionless, issueless and making failed attempts to regain the lost faith of the people, who have rejected the politics of appeasement on communal lines and endorsed 'Sabka Sath Sabka Vikas Sabka Vishwas' plank of BJP under Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY (UIET)
KATHUA CAMPUS, UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU
JANGALOTE, KATHUA- (J&K)
(A Constituent College of the University of Jammu approved by AICTE)



Admission Notice for Lateral Entry in B.Tech 3rd Semester (Academic Session 2023-24)

Applications on prescribed form are invited from eligible candidates for admission to **B.Tech 3rd Semester under Lateral Entry Scheme for the Academic Session 2023-24** in the following programmes as per the schedule notified below:-

Programme	Intake Capacity
❖ B. Tech: (Computer Science and Engineering)	06
❖ B. Tech: (Civil Engineering)	06

1. The application form, details of eligibility, and other important instructions can be accessed/downloaded from the UIET Website: www.uetju.in

2. Admission shall be made purely on the basis of aggregate merit of the **03 years Diploma programme of Engineering/B.Sc.**

3. The candidates have to submit the printout of duly filled-in application form downloaded from the aforementioned website along with the photocopies of all relevant documents through the email id: uietkc@gmail.com

4. The selection list of the candidates shall be notified at the website www.jammuuniversity.ac.in and www.uetju.in

Admission Schedule		Dates (Tentative)
i)	Commencement of submission of application forms through email id: uietkc@gmail.com	03.10.2023
ii)	Last date for submission of application forms through the email id: uietkc@gmail.com	10.10.2023
iii)	Date of notification of merit list	11.10.2023

No: UIET/JU/23/531
Dated : 27-09-2023

DIP/J-3237-P/23

Sd/-
Rector/Coordinator, UIET