

Avoid lodging false complaints: SSP Samba appeals people

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SAMBHA: Senior Superintendent of Police Samba Benam Tosh on Thursday presided over important Police-Public meet at Mohargarh at which general public aired their grievances.

Hundreds of common people hailing from several villages directly interacted with SSP, Addl.SP Surinder Choudhary, DySPGaruramBhardwaj, SHODaljit Singh and Chouki Officer BPP ChillaDanga SI SardarLalin friendly manner and shared problems being faced by the people in their villages and put forward their genuine demands pertaining to Police and other departments.

Prominent persons who spoke on the occasion included Sarpanch Mohargarh Suram Chand, Sarpanch Sarna Suman Lata, Ex-Sub.Kuldeep Raj,



SSP Benam Tosh, locals and other officers during the public meeting.

Social activists Ashok Singh, Gardhari Lal, Babu Ram,Soma Devi, Jankar Singh, Mohan Singh, Kapoor Puri and Retd. Police Officer Shamsher Singh.

Speaking on the occasion, SSP Samba Benam Tosh appealed to the people to avoid lodging false complaints which attracts legal action under section 182 IPC. SSP further requested the public to avoid taking law in hands under any circumstances and approach Police

for any kind of assistance as & when required. Trivial matters, which are of non-cognizable nature, can be sorted out at own level under the aegis of elders of the society, Lambardars, Choudikars, Panchayats and upright social activists, he added. Benam Tosh requested the social workers to ensure that crime is not hushed up, criminals do not remain scot free andlaw-abiding people are not harassed at the hands of anti-social elements.

Dogra Sadar Sabha Khour celebrates 'Samajik Nayaya Divas'

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KHOOR: Dogra Sadar Sabha Khour, a unit of DSS J&K organized a colourful function to celebrate the birth anniversary of Lt Maharaja Hari Singh as "Samajik Nayaya Divas"at Khour, Distt. Jammu wherein, besides, large number of prominent people of the whole border belt, various representatives of Central Working Committee of DSS J&K participated.

Th. Gulchaim Singh Charak, President DSS, and Former Minister presided over the function and Lt. Gen R K Sharma (Retd.), President Ex-Services League participated as the special Guest.

Paying glowing tributes to the great Maharaja, Sh Charak highlighted his contributions and achievements and urged the public to carry forward his message of secularism, gender equation, women education, social reforms including removal of untouch-



Sabha members during the event at Khour.

ability and above all justice for all. DSS president also recalled Maharaja's famous words, "As a Ruler, I have no religion, All Religions are mine and my religion is Justice." He also admired the Maharaja's timely decision of accession of J&K state with India like other 563 princely states and appealed to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor Manoj Sinha to celebrate the birth anniversary of the great Maharaja as "Nayaya Divas"by the govt. as state function respecting the

sentiments of whole Dogra race that comprises people from all religious sects, trades and walks of life.

Offering floral tributes to the Maharaja Hari Singh Ji Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Rakesh Sharma recalled his speech at the Round Table Conference at London and described him as nationalist, democratic and secular ruler. Lt Gen Sharma also shed light on events taking place in 1947-48 when local tribal militia and irregular Pakistani forces attacked

the Valley to capture Srinagar and how Brig. Rajinder Singh also known as Savior of Kashmir, with hardly 100 Dogra Force jawans successfully repulsed Pakistani invader's attack.

In the function war veterans and Sr. citizens including Dr. B D Sharma, K P Singh, Isha Chib, Ragnunath Singh, Sardar Singh, Fakir singh, Hakikat Singh, Harnam Dass, Ex Sarpanch Raju Ram, Capt Karam Singh, Tej Ram, Suram Singh, Rattan Singh, Capt. Gian Singh, Monu Verma, Sansar Singh and a number media personnels were honoured.

Prominent among those who Spoke and threw light on the life and times of the Great Maharaja included Sukhdev Singh, President DSS Khour Unit, Dr. B D Sharma, Lect. Suraj Singh, K P Singh, Harnam Dass, Isha Chib, Kuldeep Singh and Karan Singh.

KVK Reasi imparts training on value addition in seasonal fruits

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
REASI: Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Reasi under the administrative control of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu organised training programme on "Value addition in seasonal fruits for rural development" on Thursday at Dasanoovillage in Reasi district of J&K under Attracting and Retaining Youths in Agriculture (ARYA) project. The programme was attended by a number of young women farmers of the area.

The programme was organised under the dynamic stewardship of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof.BN Tripathi and the able guidance Director Extension, Prof.SK Gupta of SKUAST-J. Dr. Banarsi Lal, Sr. Scientist &Head of KVK, Reasi formally welcomed the participants and discussed the need, objectives and importance of ARYA project. He highlighted the significance of fruit processing and guided the trainees on value addition in various seasonal fruits available in the area.

Dr. Suja Nabi Qureshi, Scientist guided the trainees on the techniques and methodology required for the value addition in seasonal fruits. He imparted skills on the aonla candy, apple jam, organic juice, pickles, sauce making etc. among the trainees. He also guided the trainees on the ingredients used in the value added products of fruits and suggested certain scientific techniques to increase the shelf life of processed products of seasonal fruits. During this programme, participants asked various queries which were answered satisfactorily by the KVK scientists. The formal vote of thanks was proposed by Dr.Suja Nabi Qureshi.

DTNBWED organizes term training programme for rural and unorganised sector workers

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SAMBHA: The Government of India, Ministry of Labour and Employment, DTNBWED, Regional Directorate, Jammu organised one day short term training program for about 100 Rural and Unorganised Sector Workers at about 2 Kms from Indo-Pak International Border Area at Sarthi Kalan Village, Rajpura Block, Samba District, UT State of Jammu and Kashmir on Thursday.

It was inaugurated by Asha Rani, Member, District Development Council, Samba District and she was very happy and thankful to DTNBWED, Jammu for organising such a training workshop for the development of Rural

Workers in her area. During the said training workshop sessions on Importance and benefits of Financial Literacy, Inclusive Banking, Microfinancing, Self Help Groups and opportunities of Self Employment through Government welfare Schemes and Vocational Education Courses from Central and State Government Agencies, Work-Life Balance, Health and Hygiene etc were discussed with the participants by Dr Pankaj Rastogi Regional Director DTNBWED, MOLE, GOI, Jammu and other Guest Speakers like Ashok Gupta, RAC Member, DTNBWED, Jammu and S K Sharma, Branch Manager,

Punjab National Bank and Master Trainer from SEBI, GOI, Jammu. The program was concluded by Rajinder Kaur, Panch, Sarthi Kalan Panchayat, Samba District and She requested more such training programs from DTNBWED, Jammu in future for the benefits of Rural and Unorganised Sector Workers in her area. Further, an Oath Ceremony of Swachhata Abhiyan under Swachhata hi Seva 3.0 of Government of India was also successfully organised and all participants have taken oath and assured to do 2 hours Shramdaan every week to maintain hygiene at their home, Muhalla, Gali, Village,

Panchayat and District. Furthermore, to compensate the wage loss for attending the today's training program, about all the 100 participants who participated in this program, will be receiving an amount of Rs 250 each in their Aadhaar seeded Bank Account through Direct Benefits Transfer by the DTNBWED, MOLE, GOI, Jammu. The Program was concluded with vote of thanks by Dr Pankaj Rastogi, Regional Director, DTNBWED, MOLE, GOI, Jammu in which he thanked all the persons who contributed in the successful organisation of this training workshop including persons from various media houses of Jammu.

Congress celebrates birthday of Shaheed Bhagat Singh



Congress workers paying tributes to Bhagat Singh.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SUNDERBANI: Rich tributes were paid to Shaheed Bhagat Singh in a simple function at Sunderbani by the Congress workers on the occasion of his 116th birthday today.

Former MLC & Chief Spokesperson PCC Ravinder Sharma was the Chief Guest on the occasion while Block President Sunderbani N C Sharma, Ex President D N Sharma, Capt Babu Ram Sharma, Sdr Mohinder

Singh, Vijay Damral Om Parkash Sharma, Chuni Lal Sharma Nobat Ram, Ashwani Sharma, Sonu Kohli, Sanjeev Sharma, Kasturi Lal Sharma,Capt Joginder Singh, Moti Ram & order attended.

Ravinder Sharma threw light on the life and sacrifices of Shaheed Bhagat Singh and asked the present generation to protect and preserve the freedom attained after long struggle and supreme sacrifices like Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajguru and large number of others.

NC Sharma Retd DFO and several other paid floral tributes to the greet freedom fighter.

Distt Level Biodiversity Management Committee meeting organises at Doda

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
DODA: The District Level Biodiversity Management Committee convened a meeting to deliberate on matters vital to biodiversity conservation on Thursday.

Chaired by Chairman of the District Development Council, Dhananter Singh Kotwal, the meeting saw the participation of members, including Sangeta Bhagat (Vice Chairperson of DDC Doda) besides Bipna Manhas, Jaya Rani Katoch, Sumit Kotwal and Forest Officers Ravinder Singh (DFO Doda) and Chander Shekhar (DFO Bhadarwah).

The central focus of the



Committee members during the meeting at Doda.

meeting revolved around the collection fees and levies imposed on Non-Timber Forest Produce in accordance with the Biodiversity Act of 2002. During the meeting, the committee

engaged in a comprehensive discussion on the NTFP policy and underscored the importance of raising public awareness to promote the sustainable collection and utilisation of Minor Forest

Produce (MFP) and other bio resources.

To advance this objective, it was unanimously decided to organise an event in the Dessa area of Doda Forest Division, Bhadarwah and Bhalessa area of Bhadarwah Forest Division. This event will serve to disseminate knowledge and awareness of the NTFP policy among the broader population.

The meeting addressed two key issues. Firstly, the committee conducted a thorough examination of the provisions of the Biodiversity Act and its accompanying rules pertaining to the collection of

minor forest produce. A commitment was made to adhere rigorously to the provisions of the act, ensuring transparency and efficiency in the collection process.

Secondly, the committee collectively resolved to approach the State Biodiversity Council to advocate for the inclusion of additional minor forest produce and cedar oil extraction within the purview of levy collection by the respective Biodiversity Management Committees of Panchayats. This proactive step is aimed at bolstering sustainability and conservation endeavours in the region.

DLSA Bhadarwah conducts cleanliness drives

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
BHADARWAH: In a display of community engagement and commitment to Mahatma Gandhi's principles of cleanliness and sustainability, the District Legal Services Authority Bhaderwah, under the J&K Legal Services Authority, organised activities as part of the national campaign 'Swachhta Hi Seva-2023 (SHS-2023)'. This initiative was undertaken to commemorate the 154th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Under the guidance of Chairman DLSA Bhaderwah, Sunit Gupta and the supervision of Secretary DLSA, Ramesh Lal, the DLSA Bhaderwah team, in collaboration with Advocate Mohd Majid Malik, Advocate Sarvash Gupta and Para Legal Volunteers, organised awareness



DLSA officials along with students during the event.

ness camps and a cleanliness drive in alignment with the nationwide campaign under the theme of "Garbage Free India." An awareness camp in collaboration with Bhartiya Vediya Mandir was organised within the premises of the school. During the campaign, Advocate Mohd Majid Malik delivered an address emphasising the importance of sustainability and the adoption of eco-

friendly alternatives. His words resonated with the audience, serving as a reminder of the imperative need for sustainable practices to preserve our environment for future generations. This grassroots effort aimed to inspire every citizen to take personal responsibility for maintaining cleanliness in their surroundings and participate in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

Sensitization meet for bankers held



Admin and Bank officials during the meeting at Kathua.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
KATHUA: A sensitization meet for bankers of district Kathua was held at Kathua. The programme was attended by DDM, LDM, Kathua, and bank officials from different banks. On the occasion, DDM highlighted on the vision of the PM of India for making India a self-reliant Nation under Atmanirbhar Bharat. Accordingly, prioritised banking support, especially in agriculture & allied sector, MSME and, the rural economy to enhance

income in rural India.

Therefore, a collaborative approach is required to enhance rural prosperity through convergence of institutional lending & ongoing development initiatives of NABARD.A detailed presentation was made by DDM on the objectives, general features, criteria for selection of beneficiaries, promotional support provided by NABARD for formation and bank linkage of SHGs & JLGs. The importance of SHPI was also discussed. Various queries of banks regarding SHGs & JLGs were also discussed and facilitated.

Officials from State Bank of India and J&K Grameen Bank were apprised about the MoU signed by NABARD with their banks for formation and financing of 1000 JLGs in UT of J&K and Ladakh. Similarly, another MoU has also been signed with J&K Bank for formation and financing

of 2000 JLGs in UT of J&K and Ladakh.

The bank officials were advised to get the targets from their top management for district Kathua so that financing to JLGs could be initiated at the earliest for which financial assistance will also be provided by NABARD. It would help to enhance the flow of credit to tenant farmers / or al lessees/sharecroppers and SF/MF and also to meet the credit requirements of people suffering reverse migration in the wake of COVID 19 pandemic.Bankers were also apprised about PMFME which provides subsidy upto 35% for setting up of micro enterprises. It also envisages Rs.40000 as capital seed for SHGs. Salient features of Agri Infrastructure Fund scheme launched by GoI for post-harvest management which provides interest subvention at the rate of 3% for credit upto 2 crore was also explained.


Swachhata Hi Seva: GDC Kathua organises door to door awareness campaign

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
KATHUA: Under Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) campaign, NSS Volunteers of NSS Units of GDC Kathua organised Door to door awareness campaign and cleanliness drive in their respective localities throughout the Kathua district. A good number of volunteers organised this campaign in their localities. Volunteers collected plastic and polythene waste from their area and dispose it in the proper place. After conducting cleanliness drive with the support of the community, Volunteers conducted door to door awareness campaign wherein they appealed the people to avoid single use plastic and polythene and to keep their surroundings neat and clean.Volunteers also appealed and convince people to participate on Ist October Nation wide campaign " Ek October, Ek Ghante Ke Liye, Subah Dus Baje Se, Swachhta Ke Liye Kare Shramdaan".


Shiva Nagar, Ward No.2 Kathua, Hatlimore, Marheen, Hamirpur, Radio station, etc.Volunteers like Vishal Gupta, Sneha Sharma, Nikita Sharma,Meenakshi Devi, Dheeraj, Mansha kumari contributing a lot in organising this campaign since its launched. Campaign is organised every year during 15th September to 2nd October for undertaking shramdaan activities aiming to generate jan andolan through community participation. Theme of this year campaign is 'Garbage Free India' with focus on visual cleanliness and welfare of Safai Mitras. Like earlier years the spirit of cleanliness activities is voluntarism. The focus of these swachhata drives would be on high footfall public places like bus stands, railway stations, cantonment boards, beaches, tourist places, zoos, national parks & sanctuaries, historical monuments, heritage sites, river fronts, ghats, drains and nallahs etc. in both rural & urban areas of State/ UT.

Activities under Swachh Hi Seva are being organised under the Patronage of Principal Prof Seema Mir Principal Gdc Kathua and under the supervision of NSS Prog officers Prof Manmohan Singh, Prof Neha Bandral and Dr. Suresh Sharma.

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Subject: Registration for 3rd/Mop-up Round of counseling after lowering of qualifying percentile for PG-courses (MD/MS/PGD) for NEET PG counselling 2023 to “Zero” across all categories for the academic year 2023-24: submission of documents physically thereof..

References: i) Notice No. U-12021/02/2023-MEC dated 20-09-2023.
ii) Notification No. 038-BOPEE of 2023 dated 12-07-2023.
iii) Notification No. 052-BOPEE of 2023 dated 07-08-2023.
iv) Notification No. 068-BOPEE of 2023 dated 20-08-2023.
v) Notification No. 087-BOPEE of 2023 dated 25-09-2023.

Notice No:029-BOPEE of 2023
Dated: 27.09.2023

It is hereby notified for the information of all the concerned candidates that the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India vide Notice No.U-12021/02/2023-MEC dated 20-09-2023 has lowered the qualifying percentile for PG courses (MD/MS/PGD) for NEET PG counselling 2023 to “Zero” across all categories for the academic year 2023-24.

The candidates who fall within the ambit of said revised percentile score and are willing to participate in the 3rd/Mop-up round of counseling against the seats that have remained unfilled during 2nd round of counseling as mentioned in the Notification No. 087-BOPEE of 2023 dated 25-09-2023 are advised to register themselves and submit all the requisite documents as mentioned in Notification No. 038-BOPEE of 2023 dated 12-07-2023 physically at BOPEE office Jammu/Srinagar within **03 days** of uploading of the Notice on the official website of the Board and any eligible candidate, who has not registered earlier and does not figure in the UT Merit list of 2023 annexed to the Notification No. 052-BOPEE of 2023 dated 07-08-2023 but wants to be considered himself/herself against the unfilled seat/seats during 2nd round of counseling may also submit their documents physically at BOPEE office Jammu/Srinagar for registration within the prescribed time schedule indicated here in above.

Further any candidate who wants to be considered for seats under Hindu Minority (HM) and NRI Quota in ASCOMS are also advised to submit their requisite documents as mentioned in Notification No. 068-BOPEE of 2023 dated 20-08-2023 physically at BOPEE office Jammu/Srinagar within the above prescribed time.

Note:

1. Mere registration of candidates does not confer any right on them to have a claim on any vacant seat(s) which as of now are to be filled up on the basis of the merit/preference from the eligible/registered candidates.
2. The candidates should go through all relevant Notifications/Notices along with the e-Brochure notified by the Board with particular reference to the mop-up round of counseling;
3. Seat Matrix shall be uploaded a day before start of counseling
4. The other terms and conditions shall remain the same as contained in the e-information Brochure, Notifications/ Notices issued by the Board from time to time in this regards.

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