

Jammu Dist fully prepared for smooth conduct of assembly elections: DEO

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JAMMU: District Election Officer Sachin Kumar Vaishya on Friday said that Jammu District is well prepared for smooth conduct of polling scheduled on October 1, 2024- the third and last phase of Jammu and Kashmir Assembly Elections.

He was giving an overview of the overall preparedness and arrangements for elections at a meeting attended by General Observers, D. Amoy Kumar, Gopala Krishan K., Abhinav Chandra, Monica Malik, D. Sajith Babu, Priyanka Das, along with Expenditure Observers Amaresh Kumar

Tiwari, B.K. Vishnu Priya and Gayatri M, and Police Observer Manav Verma.

Nodal Officers responsible for various aspects of the elections were also present at the meeting.

During the discussions, the Observers stressed on strict enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct and laid emphasis on ensuring that any violations are promptly dealt with to maintain the sanctity of the electoral process.

The Observers particularly highlighted the use of the eVigil app as a tool to empower both officials and citizens to report MCC violations in real-time. They also directed the officers to

ensure that all necessary emergency contact numbers, including those of the DEO office and BLOs, are prominently displayed and accessible to the public.

The DEO, along with the Observers, further discussed key aspects such as the role of polling parties, the need for compliance with photography and videography norms and measures to ensure free, fair and transparent polling. Logistics, security arrangements and potential poll day challenges were also reviewed in detail.

All participating officers were briefed on their respective duties and responsibilities for the

polling phase.

Among the Nodal Officers present at the meeting were Additional District Development Commissioner Sher Singh, Additional Deputy Commissioners Anshu Jamwal and Shishir Gupta, Director IT/DIO NIC Jammu Sanjeev Kapoor and Assistant Commissioner Development Dr. Vikas Sharma, among others.

The meeting concluded with a call for coordinated efforts to ensure the seamless conduct of elections across the district, with a strong focus on maintaining law and order and safeguarding the democratic process.

NIELIT conferred with Demed University status

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SRINAGAR: The National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) functioning under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MEITY) has been conferred with the status of Deemed university, with this the NIELIT Srinagar has become one of the Constituent Campus of newly established NIELIT Deemed-to-be University under Distinct Category.

NIELIT Deemed-to-be University is the only University under Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology. It has its main campus at Ropar; and other 11 constituent centres at Agartala, Aizawl, Ajmer, Aurangabad, Calicut, Imphal, Itanagar, Kohima, Gorakhpur, Patna and

Srinagar. The Deemed to be University is offering IT and Electronics programs which are Research and industry-relevant. The University is also offering Doctorate, Post Graduate, Undergraduate and Diploma courses across its 11 constituent centres.

NIELIT Deemed-to-be University aims to advance education and research in electronics, information technology, and related fields. The move underscores a broader vision for integrating specialized institutions into larger academic frameworks, aiming for comprehensive development and innovation.

NIELIT Srinagar's new status will enhance its capabilities by providing a broader platform for academic and research excellence.

Ashaq Hussain Dar, Director Incharge, NIELIT J&K highlighted that "To begin with, NIELIT Srinagar is launching two significant programs: a Master of Technology (MTech) in Cyber Forensics and a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) program. These programs are designed to address the growing demand for specialized expertise in cybersecurity and advanced research in technology."

He further added that the MTech in Cyber Forensics will offer students cutting-edge knowledge and skills in the analysis and prevention of cybercrimes, while the PhD program aims to foster high-level research and innovation in various technology domains. Both programs reflect the university's commitment to addressing contemporary challenges and driving forward technological advancements. More specialized programs will be launched in near future in the emerging areas of electronics and information technology.

The incorporation of NIELIT Srinagar into the NIELIT Deemed-to-be University is expected to create a ripple effect and foster regional development by elevating the standards of technical education in the region.

Registrations are open under NIELIT Deemed to be University for M.Tech and Ph.D programs at NIELIT Srinagar campus. For further information and registration students can visit www.nielit.ac.in or Call 9906547699/7006685162.

CEC LAHDC for addressing security concerns in Monasteries



CEC, LAHDC Adv. Tashi Gyalson chairing a meeting.

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LEH: Chairman/CEC Adv. Tashi Gyalson, LAHDC, Leh convened a meeting regarding security challenges affecting monasteries with a focus on enhancing safety means.

Dy. SP (Hq) Regzin Sangdup stated that the police are committed to catching the thief as it is their duty, and they are confident that the perpetrators will be apprehended soon. He provided a brief update on the situation and mentioned that the current CCTV system requires an upgrade.

During the meeting, it was informed that the tourism management strategies are also being reviewed to regulate tourist entry and exit more effectively and LBA Youth Wing has committed

to supporting night time security efforts. CEC assured that they will implement a system upgrade for the CCTV network, incorporating advanced motion sensors and alarm features to enhance protection, particularly during nighttime. This upgrade will be carried out in phases, beginning with an assessment and initial installation, followed by a review and subsequent enhancements based on the initial results. The possibility of employing private security personnel, under specific conditions, was also considered as a means to further safeguard these sites.

Additionally, Chairman stated that the council is dedicated to implementing these upgrades. A detailed survey will be conducted to determine the precise requirements for CCTV and other security systems and assured that the authorities are committed to enhancing the safety and security of the monasteries and further encouraged all local communities and monastery authorities to stay vigilant.

the installation of improved CCTV cameras and better street lighting. Upgrading to halogen lights will also increase visibility and overall security.

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SVEEP Cell, Electoral Literacy Club of GGM Science College Jammu organize Plantation Drive

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JAMMU: In a remarkable initiative aimed at promoting environmental sustainability and civic responsibility, the Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) Cell and the Electoral Literacy Club of GGM Science College Jammu conducted a plantation drive on Friday.

The event commenced with an opening address by Prof. (Dr)



GGM Science College faculty during plantation drive.

Romesh Kumar Gupta, Principal of GGM Science College, who emphasized the importance of collective action in addressing environmental challenges.

"Today's initiative is not just about planting trees; it's about planting the seeds of awareness and responsibility," stated the Principal. "By engaging in this activity, we are demonstrating our commitment to both our environment and our community." The plantation drive, held on

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cance of integrating environmental stewardship into their mission. The faculty members who present in the event were Dr. Narinder Kumar, Dr. Rahul Kait, Prof. Bal Krishan, Dr. Sheeta Raina, Prof. Arti Sharma, Prof. Amit Kumar, Dr. Chaman Lal Convener (SVEEP), Prof. Brinder Kumar Convener (ELC), Dr. Suresh Sharma, Prof. Vishal Sharma including all committee members.

The induction programme began with an inaugural session, where Er Arun Bangotra Principal Government Polytechnic Jammu delivered a warm welcome address. He emphasized the institution's commitment to academic excellence, skill development, and holistic growth. The session was followed by an overview of the curriculum, facilities, and resources available to students.

Govt Polytechnic Jammu concludes three-day induction programme



Dignitaries speaking during an induction in Government Polytechnic Jammu.

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JAMMU: Government Polytechnic Jammu announced the completion of a three-days induction programme aimed at welcoming and orienting the new batch of students for the academic year-2024.

The event was designed to provide an engaging and informative introduction to the institution, its values, and the academic journey ahead.

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On the 2nd Day, the focus shifted to interactive workshops and seminars conducted by esteemed faculty members. These sessions covered a range of topics, including academic expectations, discipline, and effective study techniques.

Students also had the opportunity to engage in group activities designed to foster teamwork and communication skills.

On the final day, Chamel Singh (PEM) shared with students the various sports activities being conducted in institution.

He encouraged the students to actively take part in the inter department sports competitions.

Lt. Rishab Sharma NCC officer in his addressed the students about the NCC unit of the college and achievements of the cadets and the benefits of joining the NCC.

Dhiraj Kumar NSS program officer also highlighted the activities of the NSS and invited the students to be part of College NSS wing for their all-round development through social service.

Amit Gupta Incharge Unnat Bharat Abhyan also encouraged students to take part in the activities of UBA.

Sanam Gupta Incharge Red Ribbon club urged students to be part of RRC as responsible citizens to save lives through awareness about HIV AIDS disease and precautions.

Throughout the programme, encouraged the students to ask questions, interact with peers, and familiarize themselves with the campus facilities. The feedback from participants has been overwhelmingly positive,

with many students expressing excitement and confidence about their upcoming academic journey.

The induction programme was meticulously planned and executed, thanks to the efforts of the organizing committee

and the enthusiastic participation of both students and staff.

Government Polytechnic Jammu is committed to ensuring that every student feels welcomed and well-prepared as they embark on their educational journey.

Central University of Jammu organises 8th Shiksha Shastraarth

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JAMMU: Central University of Jammu (CUJ) hosted the 8th Shiksha Shastraarth, at Malviya Shiksha Bhawani, a distinguished academic event organised by the Department of Educational Studies which brought together scholars, teacher educators and students to engage in advanced discussions on key aspects of preparing Research Proposal in educational research and Quality publication. The event was organised under the visionary leadership of Prof. Sanjeev Jain, vice-chancellor, Central University of Jammu.

The event featured two prominent sessions by the resource persons Dr. Ashwani Kumar Nanda & Dr. Pawan Kumar on themes related to the Research Proposal and Quality publications.

The resource persons were welcomed by Prof. Asit Kumar



CUJ faculty and students at a programme.

Mantry, HoD, Department of Educational Studies. In his welcome address, Prof. Mantry reflected that the Department of Educational Studies keeps organising such events for the benefits of the students and the scholars to enrich their professional competencies. He further added that today's event is one of such type for the students.

The first session was chaired by Dr. Ashwani Kumar Nanda, Dean of Social Sciences, Head, Department of Economics, at CUJ, where Dr. Nanda, led an

in-depth session on research proposal preparation. His session was aimed at equipping participants with the necessary skills to craft compelling and high-quality research proposals. His presentation covered essential components of propositional writing, including framing research questions, developing methodologies, and structuring proposals to meet academic and funding criteria. The insights shared by Dr. Nanda had enlightened the participants in their educational jour-

ney as a researcher. The second session under Shiksha Shastraarth was taken by Dr. Pawan Kumar, Associate Dean (Research) where Dr. Kumar conducted a session focusing on writing quality paper to publishing in Standard Journals. He shared his expertise on producing high-standard research articles and papers. His talk addressed critical aspects such as writing clear and concise abstracts, ensuring methodological rigor, and adhering to publication standards. The session was designed to enhance participants' ability to produce impactful academic work and research outputs.

The Shiksha Shastraarth provided a valuable platform for participants to enhance their research capabilities and improve their academic writing skills. The sessions were highly interactive, allowing for

meaningful engagement between the speaker and young research students. CUJ remains committed to fostering academic excellence and supporting the professional development of researchers and educators. The success of this event underscores CUJ's dedication to advancing research skills and scholarship. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Ravi Vanguri, where he expressed his gratitude towards the resource persons for enlightening the scholars and students with their valuable experience and insights.

Dr. Ravi Vanguri also thanked the faculty members namely Prof. Ritu Bakshi, Dr. Aman, Dr. Kiran, Dr. Yadram, Dr. Mohan Galgotra and other members of the Department for their support in organising the 8th Shiksha Shastraarth successfully.

Wine Traders of J&K appeal for restoration of Old Licenses System

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The old wine traders of Jammu & Kashmir, have been engaged in the liquor trade for several decades, providing a respectable livelihood for ourselves and our families.

Historically, Jammu & Kashmir has faced challenges in industrial development, leading to limited employment opportunities. To address this, the government issued JKEL-2 licenses for retail liquor trade specifically to unemployed youth, enabling them to earn a livelihood and create additional job opportunities for salesmen, accountants, and helpers.

In the year 2020-2021, there were 223 JKEL-2 licenses in Jammu & Kashmir (217 in Jammu division, 4 in Kashmir division, and 2 in Ladakh). However, in 2021, the UT government revoked these licenses, which were valid until 2023, by introducing a new Excise Policy under SRO 114 dated 31-03-2021. This policy transitioned the system from individual licenses to an auction-based system.

The implementation of this auction system has caused severe hardships for many license holders, including widows,



Wine traders of Jammu & Kashmir addressing a press conference.

disabled individuals, female entrepreneurs, and senior citizens aged 60 and above. These individuals, who had one license per family, are now facing financial difficulties as they have lost their primary source of income.

The new Excise Policies from 2021 to 2023-2024 have resulted in the formation of liquor cartels and a monopoly in the wine trade. Before the auction system, around 350 families were directly involved in the trade, and approximately 1200 families were indirectly dependent on it. Since the auction, the trade has become controlled by a few individuals, leading to cartelization and monopolistic

practices. Liquor contractors are now overcharging customers, with rates increased by Rs.10 per quarter, Rs.20 per half, and Rs.40 to Rs.50 per bottle. This has led to significant financial losses for consumers and a reduction in government revenue. The previous system of old licensees was more transparent and efficient, generating higher revenue for the government. The shift to the auction system has not only led to higher prices for customers but has also caused a loss of revenue for the government. The old licensees contributed 20-30% more revenue annually compared to the current auction system.

We, the old licensees, have been advocating tirelessly for the restoration of the previous licensing system and have approached various authorities to highlight the issues with the current system. As the Assembly elections in Jammu & Kashmir approach, we appeal to all political parties to take up our cause and advocate for the reinstatement of the old license system.

Old Aggrieved Wine Traders of Jammu and Kashmir, while talking to media persons, here urged all political parties to advocate for the reimplement of the old licensing system, which was beneficial to the local economy and supported numerous families.

They sought immediate action is needed to dismantle the current monopolistic control of the liquor trade and address overcharging practices and ensure that the needs of the affected families, particularly those who are elderly, disabled, or otherwise vulnerable, are addressed.

"We look forward to your support and action on this critical issue to restore our livelihoods and ensure fair practices in the liquor trade in Jammu & Kashmir," they said.

BEFORE THE COURT OF COMMISSIONER SURVEY AND LAND RECORDS J&K (EX-OFFICIO SETTLEMENT COMMISSIONER J&K)

In the case of:- 1. Padam Dev Singh, 2. Chanchal Singh, 3. Surinder Singh, All sons of Late Sh. Baldev Singh, all residence of village Hakkal, Teh, Jammu South, Dist. Jammu. (Appellants)

Versus

1. S. Balbir Singh, 2. S. Joginder Singh, 3. S. Ranjit Singh, 4. S. Prabjit Singh, All sons of late Sh. Bachan Singh, All residence of Raipur satwari(Hakkal), Tehsil Jammu south, Dist. Jammu. 5. S. Jagdev Singh S/o: Amar Singh R/O Pander, A/P Bhore cam, Tehsil Jammu South, Jammu. 6. S. Gurcharan Singh S/o S. Kiran Singh R/O Bhore Cam, Tehsil, Jammu South. 7. S. Gurdev Singh s/o S. Balwant Singh, R/O Village Chohalla, Tehsil R.S.Pura, Jammu. (Respondents/Non applicants)

In the matter of:- Appeal against the order dated 05-04-2010 passed by The Regional Director Survey and Land Records Jammu in mutation no. 1106 attested u/s 121 of land revenue act 1996, w.r.t. land measuring 15 kanals 14 marlas comprising khalsa no. 464 including min number of village Hakkal, Tehsil Jammu south (erstwhile Tehsil Jammu) District Jammu.

Notice

Whereas it has been proved beyond any doubt that the aforementioned respondent from serial no. 2 to 7 cannot be served in an ordinary manner. Whereas the perusal of record file reveal that inspite of serving of notice the respondents failed to appear before this court, on the date of hearings. Whereas the perusal of record file further reveal that the respondent no. 4 appeared on 13.3.24 and thereafter failed to attend the court. Whereas through the medium of this notice of publication the above mentioned respondents are directed to appear before this court on 27.9.2024 in person or through some authorized agent failing which ex-parte proceedings shall be instituted against them.

No: CSLR/APP/1205
Date: 11-09-2024

Sd/-
Commissioner
Survey And Land Records
J&K

IN THE COURT OF EXECUTIVE MAGISTRATE 1ST CLASS BILLAWAR

Smt. Lajwanti W/o Late Sh. Jagdev Singh R/o W. No.02, Municipal Committee, Billawar.

IN THE MATTER OF:- An application for registration of date of birth certificate/death certificate u/s 13 (3) Registration of Birth and Death Act, 1969.

NOTICE TO GENERAL PUBLIC

Whereas the above titled applicant has filed this application for seeking direction to nan applicant for registration of birth/death particulars of applicant's herself namely Lajwanti who was born on 15-09-1939 at home.

Whereas through the medium of this publication, the public at large is informed that in case anyone having any objection in issuance of direction with respect to registration of birth/death particulars of applicant's herself mentioned above to the non-applicant, then he/she/they shall file the same before the court in person or through counsel or any recognized agent and contest the claim within 07 days from the date of this publication, failing which appropriate orders shall be passed in this publication. If the date fixed turns to be a holiday, then the matter shall be taken up on the next following working

Issued today on 12-09-2024 under my signature and seal of this court.

Sd/-
Executive Magistrate 1st Class
Billawar

IN THE COURT OF PRINCIPAL DISTRICT JUDGE UDHAMPUR

Present:- Sh. Vrinder Singh Bhou

1. Veenu Singh W/o Sh Prahlad Singh
2. Rishita Bandral D/o Sh Prahlad Singh
3. Veer Partap Singh S/o Sh Prahlad Singh
All residents of H.No. 197, W.No, 11 Shiv Nagar, Tehsil and District Udhampur. Applicants

V/S
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IN THE MATTER OF:- Application for pram of succession certificate under Succession in favour of applicants to the tune of Rs 6079,833/- (Rupees Sixty Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Three only) is lying with the office of Pmpy Executive Engineer Udhampur and Ramnagar.

NOTICE TO GENERAL PUBLIC

Whereas above titled petition is pending disposal before this court and through the medium of this proclamation, public at large is hereby informed that if anybody of any objection/s with respect to the same, then he/she/they shall file the same before this court within 15 days from the date of publication of this proclamation, failing which the matter shall be dealt in accordance with law. The next date is Fixed on 28.09.2024, if the date fixed is declared holiday, then the matter shall be taken up on the next working day.

Issued under my hand and seal of this court today on 6th day of September, 2023.

Sd/-
District Judge
Udhampur