

Only BJP can guarantee inclusive progress for all: Kavinder

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JAMMU: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister, Kavinder Gupta on Sunday asserted that it is only the Saffron party which can ensure every citizen reaps the benefits of progress.

The BJP stalwart leader was chairing Booth and Shakti Kendra meeting of Gandhi Nagar Mandal in Bahu Constituency in view of upcoming Assembly polls. He stressed that only the BJP, under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, can guarantee all-round development, effectively combat terrorism, and bring enduring peace to the region.

While asking the party activists to utilize every single hour in disseminating information among the masses about BJP's



Senior BJP leader, Kavinder Gupta speaking in party workers meeting.

achievements in the past and the upcoming policy to augment development and peace initiatives in the region, Kavinder said that the days ahead of polling are quite crucial as it is time to show the progress report of the party to people so that all the voters should be consolidated and motivated to reach the

polling stations to ensure resounding victory of the party.

He also highlighted the transformative work carried out by the BJP in the Union Territory. He pointed out that the region has witnessed unprecedented development under the BJP's governance, with major projects in infra-

structure, healthcare, and education getting phenomenal push.

The former Deputy Chief Minister strongly criticized the National Conference (NC), Congress, and People's Democratic Party (PDP) for their repeated failures during their respective tenures. He accused these parties of

tacitly supporting Pakistan and encouraging separatism for their narrow political interests. "These parties have betrayed the trust of the people by putting their selfish agendas above the region's security and prosperity," he asserted.

Kavinder urged voters to reject these parties, which have long failed the people, and to place their trust in the BJP. "Only the BJP has the vision and resolve to bring about colossal development and lasting peace in Jammu and Kashmir."

This party has the ability to build a future of hope, stability, and prosperity," he maintained.

He appealed to the people of Jammu region to support the BJP in the ensuing Assembly polls in the Union Territory.

Apni Party delegation from Thanamandi calls on party president in Srinagar



Apni Party delegation from Thanamandi, Rajouri met with party president S.M.A Bukhari.

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SRINAGAR: A delegation comprising leaders and senior workers of the Apni Party from Thanamandi, Rajouri, met with party president Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari at the party office in Srinagar. The delegation was led by Irfan Anjum, the party's district youth president.

The delegation members briefed the party president on certain pressing public issues and party matters.

They also informed Bukhari about the current political scenario in Rajouri district and their preparations for the upcoming assembly polls.

The delegation members included Shabir Hussain (Former Sarpach), Haji Mohammad Afzal, Basharat Hussain (Social Activist), Mohammad Hussain Tass, Mohammad Bashir Tass, Mohammad Anwar Tass, and others. During the meeting, they outlined a strategy for

enhancing the party at the grassroots level in Rajouri.

Bukhari urged the party leaders to intensify their efforts to further strengthen the party in Thanamandi and the surrounding areas.

He assured them that the party leadership would support them while they are out there to serve people in their respective areas.

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Natrang presents Urdu play 'Kissa Badal Gaya'



Natrang artists performing in a play.

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JAMMU: Natrang presented an Urdu play 'Kissa Badal Gaya' which has been

written by Showkat Thanvi and ably directed by Neeraj Kant in its weekly theatre series 'Sunday Theatre' at

its Studio Theatre.

The play 'Kissa Badal Gaya' presents story of a household where the owner of the house 'Zafar' and his wife 'Jameela' are shown scolding their servants 'Rahim' and 'Naseeban' over an issue of breaking crockery and also for not rendering their services properly.

The artists who acted in the play included Kananpreet Kaur, Mihir Gujral, Palshin Dutta, Kushal Bhat, Aadesh Dhar and Vrinda Gujral. The lights of the play were executed by Neeraj Kant whereas the sound was rendered by Kananpreet Kaur. The show was coordinated by Mohd. Yaseen.

NC emerging as preferred choice of J&K people: Rattan Lal

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JAMMU: Dr. Subhash Chander Sharma, a retired professor, social activist, and leader of POK refugees, along with Sunil Sharma, a senior Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader and social activist, joined the National Conference (NC) during a program at Sher-e-Kashmir Bhawan, Jammu.

Rattan Lal Gupta, Provincial President of JKNC, warmly welcomed the new members. The event was organized by Rakesh Singh Raka, Vice President Central Zone, and S. Tejinder Singh, District President Jammu Urban YNC. Rattan Lal



Dr. Subhash Chander Sharma joining NC at Jammu.

highlighted the growing momentum of the National Conference across Jammu & Kashmir, asserting that the party is increasingly becoming the electorate's

preferred choice. He emphasized that the NC's commitment to addressing the concerns of the people is resonating across communities, aligning with the res-

idents' needs and aspirations. Gupta expressed confidence that only the National Conference has the determination and capability to secure a prosperous future for Jammu & Kashmir, promising enhanced development under its leadership.

Sheikh Bashir Ahmed, Provincial Secretary of JKNC, reiterated the party's core values of secularism and unity, assuring the public that NC remains dedicated to inclusiveness.

Vijay Lochan, Chairman of the JKNC SC Cell, affirmed the party's commitment to protecting the rights of weaker sections and marginalized communi-

ties. Rakesh Singh Raka emphasized the NC's dedication to the welfare of farmers, highlighting policies aimed at improving the livelihoods of the agricultural community.

Dr. Subhash Chander Sharma and Sunil Sharma expressed their admiration for the NC's progressive manifesto, which they believe will bring peace, prosperity, and development to Jammu & Kashmir in the upcoming Assembly elections.

The event was attended by several prominent leaders, including Bimla Luthra, Pardeep Bali, Abdul Gani Teli, Vijay Laxami Datta, Vikram Puri, and others.

JKGPA Jammu urges Govt to redress pharmacist demands

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JAMMU: A meeting of the Jammu Government Pharmacist Association (JKGPA) Jammu was convened under the leadership of Bharat Bhushan Bhagat, President, and Sushil Sudan, a member of the Pharmacy Council of India.

The gathering focused on the key issues concerning the pharmacist community and sought to address several important demands.

During the meeting, the association emphasized the



JKGPA members along with President, Sushil Sudan at a meeting.

need for a change in the nomenclature of pharmacists, in line with practices in other states.

This change is seen as essential for recognizing the evolving role of pharmacists in the healthcare system.

The association also called for the creation of a Senior Pharmacist post at New Type Primary Health Centres (PHC), which have been upgraded from Allopathic dispensaries. This, they argued, would significantly enhance patient care by ensuring that experienced pharmacists are available at these centers.

Furthermore, the association advocated for the establishment of pharmacist positions at Health and Wellness Centers, particularly in rural

areas.

This move is aimed at improving healthcare services for the rural population, ensuring that essential medications and pharmaceutical care are readily accessible.

In addition to these demands, the meeting also discussed plans for celebrating "World Pharmacists Day" on September 25, 2024. The day is recognized globally to honor the contributions of pharmacists to healthcare and to raise awareness about the vital role they play in patient care.

Several prominent members addressed the gathering, including R.P. Singh, Bahadur Singh, Sanjay Choudhary, Sandeep Pandita, Madan Lal Sharma, Surjeet Rajan, Daleep Choudhary, Javed, Sorab Bakshi, Vinod Kumar, Rajesh Kumar, Naresh Sharma, Vikas Sabarwal, Khalid Mehmood, Pawan Kumar, and Ajeet Choudhary.

AICOI felicitates Ritu Singh for her outstanding contributions



AICOI members honouring Ritu Singh, Vice-Chairperson of DPS Jammu.

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JAMMU: In a ceremony marked by both simplicity and significance, the All India Conference of Intellectuals (AICOI) continued its 46th Annual Celebration by honoring exceptional intellectuals and social activists from across India.

The event recognized Ritu Singh, Vice-Chairperson of DPS Jammu, for her outstanding contributions, championing social causes and setting an example of leadership rooted in

compassion and cultural pride.

The ceremony was guided by the esteemed AICOI executive body, including National President Hon'ble Lt. Gen. K.M. Seth, Former Governor of Chhattisgarh; National Patron Justice Rajesh Tandon (Retd.); National Secretary General Prakash Nidhi Sharma, Advocate at the Supreme Court of India, Anushri, CO-Convenor and National Secretary Advocate Abhay Nidhi Sharma.

The award presentation was

conducted by Dr. Nitin Sharma, President of AICOI J&K, and was supported by distinguished executive members: Advocate Kapil Sharma, Founder of Elite Law Institute; Advocate Sanjeev Sharma, renowned Educationist; and Advocate Uma Kapahi, a committed Pro-Bono Lawyer and Social Activist.

Ritu Singh delivered an inspiring address, highlighting the vital role of intellectuals and educators in advancing societal progress.

She encouraged the younger generation to engage in nation-building, uphold the rule of law, and work towards creating a more equitable and just society.

Dr. Nitin Sharma remarked that this year's event not only celebrated individual achievements but also promoted meaningful dialogue on broader societal issues, emphasizing the need for collective action and commitment.

Assembly Elections: Jai Mahabharat Party announces office bearers in JK



Jai Mahabharat Party president addressing press conference.

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JAMMU: The Jai Mahabharat Party on Sunday held a press conference at the Press Club to decide its candidates for the second and third phases of the upcoming assembly elections.

During the event, founder National President of Jai Mahabharat Party, Anantha Vishnu Deva, through Jammu and Kashmir election in-charge Rajeev Khosla, nominated Manoj Gupta as President of Jammu and Kashmir UT,

with Sadiq Malik as Working President and Kuldeep Raj Ghai as General Secretary. Deepak Kumar took on the roles of Secretary and Spokesperson, while Shiv Kumar Gupta was appointed Treasurer. Ajay Sharma became Provincial President, and Ghulam Jilani Khan was assigned as District President of Baramulla. Shaukat Ali Rishi was appointed Vice President of Baramulla, Farooq Ahmed as State President for Scheduled Tribes (ST), and Satendra

Singh Bali as State President for Minority Affairs. Abdul Khali was designated District President of Gandarbal, Abdul Rehman Lone as Vice President of Gandarbal, and Firdous Ahmed Shaikh as District General Secretary of Gandarbal.

Abdul Rashid Pahari was named District President of Billawar, with Sudarshan as Women Vice President. Sheetal Sharma, Bindu, and Sharda Gupta were appointed Secretaries.

Notable attendees included Sandeep Sharma and Dr. Rakesh Sharma from Samba, Rajiv Gupta from Mata Vaishno Devi Katra, Rajkumar from Jammu, and Vipin Gupta, all of whom pledged their support to bolster the Jai Mahabharat Party.

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JAMMU: The BJP's National Spokesperson, RP Singh, on Sunday said that Sikh community, the most nationalist community, got justice under the Prime Minister Narendra Modi's regime after a long struggle of forty (40) years and hoped that Jagdish Tytler would be hung in Modi's tenure.

This was stated by RP Singh after offering Ardas at Gurudwara Chad Di Kalan in

Sikhs got justice under Modi's regime after 40 years: RP Singh 'Tytler would be hung under Modi's tenure'



BJP's National Spokesperson, RP Singh speaking at a programme.

Jammu today. "I welcome the decision of the CBI court to initiate proceedings against Tytler," RP Singh said, while adding, "I also provided a video to the court in which Tytler has confessed of killing over 100 Sikhs".

"Congress leader, Sajjan Kumar was sentenced during Modi regime and Tytler will also be hanged during PM Modi's tenure," RP Singh said.

Singh said that attack on Akal Takht was carried out to win elections and added, "I have also brought in public domain the video of Rajeev Gandhi saying Jab Bada Ped Girta Hai To Dharti Hilti Hai".

"Dhinga Committee in its report had said that there was some 'invisible hand' in the 84 riots," RP Singh, adding "I have filed a petition demanding

that the 'invisible hand' behind the 84 riots must be made public. We all know which party has its symbol Hand, Singh said. "Former RAW Chief, GB Sidhu, has also mentioned in his book that Police, Judiciary and Administration compromised in 84 riots against Sikhs," RP Singh said.

The former RAW Chief, RP Singh said, "also mentioned in his book that Rajeev Gandhi, Arun Nehru and Kamalnath used to hold meetings on how to target Sikhs during 84 riots".

Singh said that Sikh community, the most nationalist community, got justice during PM Modi's regime. "The Guruvani of Baba Nanak Dev is being

translated in many Indian languages after the initiative of PM Modi led government," Singh said, adding, "With the initiative of UNESCO, Guruvani is also being translated in many foreign languages".

The translation has been completed in Spanish language, he said. The BJP's National Spokesperson said that due to efforts of Modi Government 'Veer Bal Diwas' is celebrated in 190 countries of the world.

"Apart from 190 countries, 'Veer Bal Diwas' is also celebrated in all the States of the country due to efforts of Modi Government," RP Singh said, adding, "It is a matter of pride for the Sikh community".

SPSC Trust sends 17th batch of yatris to Haridwar

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JAMMU: The Smast Parivaar of Swastik Charitable (SPSC) Trust, operating from Swastik Hotel near Gurudwara Sunder Singh Road, Jammu, announced its ongoing efforts to uplift the underprivileged through various social, religious, and spiritual initiatives.

Under the visionary leadership of its president, Pawan Kumar Shastri, the Trust has consistently worked for the betterment of society.

Continuing this noble mission, the Trust has been organizing pilgrimage trips to Haridwar for individuals who have never visited the holy city.

The primary objectives of these trips include conducting a free yoga shivir and arranging a Ganga Darshan for the



SP Jammu South, Ajay Sharma flagging off yatri bus.

devotees. The Trust covers all expenses related to travel, accommodation, and meals for the pilgrims. So far, 16 batches of pilgrims have been sent to Haridwar, facilitating about 900 yatris.

On Sunday, the Trust sent its 17th batch of pilgrims from Sankat Mochan Panch Mukhi Shri Hanuman Mandir, B.C. Road, Jammu.

The event was marked by Vedic rituals and a Havan ceremony conducted by Pawan Kumar Shastri.

The departure was witnessed by a large gathering, including relatives of the pilgrims. Ajay Sharma, Superintendent of Police, Jammu (South), was the Chief Guest and flagged off the bus carrying the pilgrims to Haridwar for the

Somvati Amavasya Parv on September 2, 2024 (Monday).

The pilgrims are set to take a holy dip in the Ganga and seek blessings from Lord Shiva and Ganga Maiya. The celebration was attended by prominent figures, including Gurdas Sharma, General Secretary, Raj Kumar Gupta, Trustee, Sukhdev Sharma, Ashwani Kumar Sharma, and members of the Jammu Yatri Bhawan Trust. Sharat Sharma, Director of Shree Swastik Plastic Industries Private Limited, was also present.

Those interested in participating in future trips can contact the Trust via their website or the mobile numbers Rajesh Kumar (70069-88814), Sharat Sharma (70069-88815) and Rashpal Sharma (94697-48330).