

Jat Community to play vital role in Assembly polls: Ch Manmohan

Urges community members to cast votes to deserving candidates

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JAMMU: A general body meeting of the All India Jat Mahasabha (AIJMS) was held today under the leadership of Ch. Manmohan Singh, President AIJMS and former Mayor of Jammu. The meeting saw active participation from community members, who discussed various pressing issues and challenges facing the Jat community.

Ch. Manmohan Singh emphasized the need for the community to address the growing menace of drug abuse and other societal evils that are endangering the future of the youth. He urged parents, particularly mothers, to play a proactive role in guiding their children. "A mother is the best teacher for her child. If our children are well-educated and morally sound, only



President AIJMS, Ch. Manmohan Singh and others at general body meeting.

then will they be able to rise in society and bring pride to our community," he stated.

Ch Manmohan Singh stressed the importance of focusing on education as the key to community progress.

"The education of our children should be our top priority. Only when they are educated and empowered can our community achieve its rightful place in society," he added.

He further encouraged

community members to remain united, especially in the current election climate, advising them to carefully select deserving candidates who are committed to addressing the community's basic issues. "We should not let our votes be divided. Let our senior community members shortlist capable candidates, and then we must collectively support them," Singh urged.

Sunil Choudhary, Tehsil President, who organized

today's meeting, also called on the community to unite and work collectively for the rights and welfare of the general public.

Other speakers applauded the tireless efforts of the AIJMS under the leadership of Ch. Manmohan Singh, which has resulted in the community securing the status of Other Backward Classes (OBC). "We must continue to strengthen the hands of Ch. Manmohan Singh and work for the betterment of our future generations," they said.

The meeting concluded with a unanimous call for

the community to devote time to the activities of the Jat Mahasabha and work towards the collective upliftment of all its members.

Among those who were present in the meeting included Sunil Singh Chaudhary (Bhotyari), Avtar Krishan Choudhary (Kathua), CA Sunil Choudhary (Kunjwani), Bawa Chaudhary (Chumbian Jattan), Capt. Beeri Ram, Sham Chaudhary (Chak Mayree), Capt. Kamel Chaudhary (Chumbian), Surinder Singh (Bade Pur), Capt. Shamsher Singh (Salehar), Subedar Amar Singh (Chumbian), Sarabjeet Singh (Ratnal), Harish Chaudhary (Chumbian Kanditian), Manjeet Singh, Ashok Kumar Chaudhary (Eli Badi Pur), Buti Ram (Pindi), Vikas Singh (Pindi), Subedar Ajit Singh (Phana Phana Chak), Gyan Chaudhary (Seror Camp), and Vijay Chaudhary (Dabbar).

DSE Jammu conducts plantation drive at GMHSS Domana

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JAMMU: In a significant step towards environmental conservation and in alignment with the government's green initiatives, the Government Model Higher Secondary School (GMHSS) Domana in collaboration with Forest Department conducted a plantation drive on Saturday.

The event was graced by the esteemed presence of the Director School Education, Jammu Ashok Kumar Sharma who led the campaign, reinforcing the importance of eco-consciousness among students and educators. The plantation drive is part of a broader governmental strategy aimed at increasing green cover across educational institutions in the region.

This initiative seeks to promote sustainable practices and help achieve the set targets under the government's environmental conservation plan. Students and staff enthusiastically participated, planting a variety of saplings including medicinal plants, fruit-bearing



DSE Jammu Ashok Sharma and others planting a sapling.

trees and ornamental species.

During the event, the Director School Education praised the initiative undertaken by the school and emphasized the role of students in fostering environmental stewardship. "Our schools are not just centers of learning but also hubs for promoting sustainable futures. By involving our students in such green initiatives, we are not only contributing to a greener planet but also instilling in them the values of responsibility and care for nature," said the Director.

Principal GMHSS Domana Mohinder Sharma thanked the Director for the continued support and leadership, noting that the school is committed to organizing similar activities in the future to contribute towards the government's vision of a greener and more sustainable Jammu.

The plantation drive concluded with a pledge by all attendees to actively participate in more such eco-friendly initiatives, reinforcing their commitment to preserving the environment for future generations.

Transparency in Healthcare: Need for clear identification of Medical Professionals : Balvinder

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JAMMU: Balvinder Singh, a renowned RTI and social activist, has once again raised concerns regarding the adherence to standard protocols by hospital staff.

Sharing a personal experience, Singh revealed that during a recent visit to a government hospital for food poisoning treatment, several individuals attended to him, many carrying stethoscopes, but none displaying any form of identification.

"As a patient, it was difficult to determine whether I was being treated by a qualified doctor, a specialist, or a medical assistant," Singh stated.

This lack of transparency, he emphasized, is a serious violation of a patient's right to know the qualifications and identity of their healthcare provider, especially in critical medical situations.

The Medical Council of India (MCI), under the



Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette, and Ethics) Regulations, 2002, underscores the importance of transparency and accountability in patient care. These regulations mandate that every registered medical practitioner must wear an identification badge or nameplate during their professional duties, clearly displaying their name, designation, and registration number.

Such protocols are essential for fostering accounta-

bility and empowering patients to make informed decisions about their healthcare, ensuring trust in the competence of the attending medical professionals.

"In a hospital setting where lives are at stake, knowing that a skilled and qualified doctor or specialist is handling your case can make all the difference," Singh added.

He strongly urged the Lieutenant Governor's administration to strictly enforce the requirement for visible identification for all healthcare workers in medical institutions across the J&K UT.

This measure, he argued, will not only improve transparency but also elevate patient trust and create a safer healthcare environment.

"Understanding the credentials of those providing care is not merely a formality-it is a fundamental right," Singh concluded.

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JAMMU: India has emerged as a beacon of progress globally under the visionary leadership of PM Narendra Modi, and the union territory of J&K has a model of good governance. This was stated by Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) senior leader, MLA candidate for Bahu constituency Vikram Randhawa, in the presence of BJP District President Jammu South Rekha Mahajan, Prabhari Ayodhya Gupta.

Randhawa addressed shopkeepers at the shiv market traders association meeting, highlighting the BJP party's commitment to supporting the business class community. The meeting was organized by the Shiv Market Trade Association, Railway head complex, under the leadership of Vikram Randhawa.



BJP candidate for Bahu constituency Vikram Randhawa speaking in a meeting with traders.

While interactive with the traders association, Randhawa shared the list of achievements of the Modi government, which is very long, as numerous mega projects of development were initiated during these ten years and also countless welfare schemes launched for the poor and needy in the country.

He asked the people to go through the achievements of the Modi government and also educate others about what has been done without

any discrimination.

Randhawa emphasized that the public of Bahu constituency not to get misled by the false propaganda of the Congress and other regional parties and strengthen the BJP as it is the only party that takes care of one and all in a fair manner.

He said that the ten-year rule of Narendra Modi has written new chapters of development and welfare, which has turned opposition parties speechless.

Randhawa emphasized the BJP's proactive approach to empowering entrepreneurs and promoting economic growth.

He cited various initiatives and policies implemented by the Modi government to simplify business operations, reduce regulatory burdens, and foster innovation.

The BJP has consistently worked towards creating a conducive business environment, recognizing the critical role entrepreneurs play

in driving economic progress.

The Shiv Market traders association praised Randhawa's efforts, acknowledging his dedication to the Bahu constituency's well-being. This public meeting is part of Randhawa's extensive door-to-door campaign in Shiv Market and its adjoining areas, where he has been interacting with local shopkeepers and addressing their concerns.

As the BJP candidate for the Bahu Constituency, Randhawa has been actively engaging with the local business community, listening to their concerns and assuring support for their growth and development. His commitment to the region's prosperity has resonated with the community, who see him as a strong leader dedicated to their welfare.

Balbir attends Ravidass Mahapeeth national meeting at Delhi

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JAMMU: One day national meeting of Shri Guru Ravidass Vishva Mahapeeth under the chairmanship of National President & former MLA of Uttarakhand, Ravidassacharya Suresh Rathore, was held at New Delhi, which was attended by the national office bearers and state presidents from across the country.

The daylong meeting held deliberations on the ongoing activities of the Mahapeeth across the country and the future programmes to be undertaken in coming months.

The meeting appreciated the construction of the grand temple of Guru Ravidass in Sagar district of Madhya Pradesh, for which the Prime Minister had laid the foundation stone and is going to be completed soon. The issue of the construction of



National General Secretary of Mahapeeth, Balbir Ram Rattan with others at a meeting.

Ravidass Mandir in Tughlakabad, Delhi, was also discussed. Ravidassacharya Suresh Rathore, while addressing the meeting, said that Shri Guru Ravidass Vishva Mahapeeth is a social organization of people of Ravidass community in India and abroad, which includes sitting and former ministers of union government and in the states, members of Parliament-Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, members of

Legislative Assemblies, intellectuals, journalists, advocates, retired officers, educationists, youth, students etc.

They all are doing splendid work to spread the message of Guru Ravidass in their respective fields. He said that the Mahapeeth is working to eradicate the social evils, strengthen the social fabric and reach at the doorsteps of the people to make a movement against conversion and make a strong society.

Today, we have organisational set up of the Mahapeeth in 23 states of India, which is itself a big achievement, he added.

In this meeting, Ravinder, All India Sanjyok, Samajik Samrasta, was briefed about the objective of the constitution of the Mahapeeth and its working for the cause of the community, particularly its efforts to strengthen Sanatan.

Ravinder appreciated the efforts of the people associated with this international

social organisation and also suggested various measures to make the Mahapeeth more accessible and reach masses with the teachings and philosophy of Guru Ravidass.

The proceedings of the meeting were conducted by Suraj Bhan Kataria, National Organisational Chief General Secretary. Balbir Ram Rattan, National General Secretary of the Mahapeeth and the former Vice Chairperson, J&K, SC, ST, BC Development Corporation, shared information related to the programmes being undertaken in Jammu and Kashmir to spread the teachings of the great saint of India.

Prominent among those who attended this meeting included Haryana Cabinet Minister Dr. Banwari Lal, former MP Dr. Anita Arya, Suraj Kairo, Surjeet Kumar, former MLA Chaudhary Chandram, former MLA Rajkumari Jatav from Rajasthan, Vijay Singh Premi, Dr. Charan Singh Lisari from Uttar Pradesh, Dr. Bhagwan Singh from Punjab, Sardar Javir Singh Mehta, Delhi State President of Mahapeeth, Manoj Azad and large number of representatives from different states and UTs.

the concerned patient and make it available to the government as soon as possible. Funds for treatment will be released as soon as the estimate is received.

CM got emotional after seeing polio affected child, A woman brought her handicapped child to meet Yogi Adityanath. Seeing him on a wheelchair, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath got emotional. Talking to the woman, he told that this child was not handicapped from birth, he got polio later.

He has been shown to big hospitals in Lucknow and Delhi but the doctors have given up.

On this, the Chief Minister assured the woman that the said child will be shown to the doctors of PGI Lucknow once again. Regarding this, the CM also instructed the officials on the spot.

Solve people's problems quickly and satisfactorily: Yogi

■ SHAHZAD AKHTAR

LUCKNOW: During his two-day stay in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath met people in the 'Janta Darshan' program and ordered the resolution of their problems and instructed the officials present on the spot that resolving people's problems is the priority of his government, so taking the problems of the victims seriously and sensitively, ensure their quick and satisfactory solution.

On Saturday morning, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath went to about 300 people in 'Janta Darshan' at Gorakhpur temple and heard their problems one by one. He assured everyone that no one's problem will be solved in any case.

Some women had come to



'Janta Darshan' with applications related to land disputes. Some complained that the strongmen were trying to occupy their lands. On these complaints, the Chief Minister instructed the officials to take strict action.

He said that those with professional tendencies in occupying land should be identified as land mafia and strict action should be taken. Land disputes

should be resolved promptly in such a way that the victim looks satisfied.

CM Yogi assured the people who came to 'Janta Darshan' with a request for financial help for the treatment of serious diseases that no one's treatment will be stopped due to lack of money.

He also instructed the administration to complete the process of estimate related to the treatment of

LIC of India hosts conference for CEOs and Heads of Foreign Units at GIFT City

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MUMBAI: LIC of India convened a significant conference at GIFT City, Gandhinagar, bringing together its CEOs and heads of foreign units from the UK, Singapore, Bahrain, Kenya, Fiji, Mauritius, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh.

This conference follows the recent approval from the International Financial Services Centres Authority

(IFSCA) for LIC to open an insurance office in GIFT City.

This new office is part of LIC's strategic initiative to leverage the unique advantages of GIFT City and enhance its operations in the global market.

LIC aims to utilize this latest channel to connect with the Indian diaspora worldwide, offering innovative insurance and investment options.

The establishment of this office presents an exciting opportunity to expand LIC's brand presence internationally and engage with Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) and Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs) on a larger scale.

The conference was attended by top leadership from LIC of India, including Siddhartha Mohanty, CEO & MD, Jagannath, MD, Tablesh Pandey, MD, Sat

Pal Bhanoo, MD and Doraiswamy, MD

In his address, Mohanty emphasized the need for a focused approach to capitalize on the strong brand image of LIC in diverse international markets through the new insurance office at GIFT City.

This strategic move underscores LIC's commitment to expanding its footprint and enhancing services for the Indian diaspora globally.