

Khajuria urges Govt to expedite relief distribution

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UDHAMPUR: Though there may be little relief to people of Udhampur District after downfall of heavy rains, but post rainfall losses to the people's property including land and houses is still going on in the much of the rural areas of Udhampur rural periphery added Pawan Khajuria former senior BJP leader while addressing a press conference here in Udhampur, urges for needs attention at war foot yet.

Khajuria said every day, images of destruction are emerging from different areas hardly no one has remained unaffected by this disaster. He added that every panchayat has suffered damage, water pipelines are in terrible condition, number of electricity poles have been uprooted, and several transformers have sunk into the ground. That to much of the link roads have also been washed away at many places. Though district administration is doing their best to out reach to the affected people. In addition, several NGOs have also extended help by distributing relief materials in the villages. We, too, along with our colleagues, have visited remote areas to



Former senior BJP leader, Pawan Khajuria addressing a press conference.

meet the affected families, understand their pain, and even in areas where roads were blocked due to landslides and vehicles couldn't go, we reached on foot and provided some relief materials.

He alleged that while everyone is trying to help at their own way during this crises, but concern MLA is busy playing political grimes even amidst this disaster. He is telling people that they don't need to go to the patwari,

too should be included in the list of fully damaged houses, because once a house develops cracks, it becomes uninhabitable and creates a constant sense of fear. People are forced to live in tents. Hundreds of cows, buffaloes, and other animals have also been rendered homeless, making it difficult for their owners to care for them. Additionally, thousands of kanals of local residents' land have become almost barren due to landslides, and crops on that land have been completely destroyed, Khajuria said this time need to be expedite delivery system fast so that affected people can have a sigh of relief. He also lauded that due to road closures and suspension of transport to tourist spots, many transporters and business owners are finding it hard to run their households. We request the administration to also provide them with some form of relief so that they can continue their livelihoods smoothly. Other who present were Sardar Palwinder Singh, Naib Sarpanch Vijay Kumar, Mohammad Anwar, Mohinder Kumar, Natashwar Vaid, Rinku, Shyam Lal, Rohit Sarnal, and Arun Sethi.

Inter-Zone District Level Clubbed Zone Tournaments begin



Participating teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

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BILLAWAR: The much-awaited Inter-Zone District Level Clubbed Zone Tournaments commenced today at Naz Ground, Billawar, with great enthusiasm and participation. The event was inaugurated by the Worthy Deputy CEO Billawar in the presence of all ZPEOs from upper zones along with Organising Secretary ZPEO Barnoti, Pardeep Singh.

The opening day witnessed spirited matches across multiple sports disciplines. In Kabaddi, Zone Billawar showcased remarkable skill and teamwork to defeat Zone Malhar by a margin of 13 points. In an intense Volleyball match, Zone Basohli overcame a strong challenge from Zone Malhar, clinching victory by 2-1 sets. The Kho Kho competition saw Zone Bhaddu emerge victorious against Zone Basohli, winning the match with a solid 13-point lead. In Badminton, Zone Billawar continued its winning streak, defeating Zone Malhar convincingly by 2-0 sets.

The tournament has created an atmosphere of excitement and sportsmanship among the participating zones, setting the tone for more competitive and thrilling matches in the days ahead.

GDC Akhnoor organises awareness program on solar energy, PM Suryaghar Muft Bijli Yojana



GDC Akhnoor faculty during awareness programme.

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AKHNOOR: The Department of Physics under the aegis of IQAC, Government Degree College Akhnoor, organised an Awareness Program on Solar Energy and the Pradhan Mantri Suryaghar Muft Bijli Yojana under the guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Romilla Malla Bhat, Principal GDC Akhnoor. The program aimed to spread awareness about the

Government of India's flagship initiative promoting rooftop solar panels, which enables households to generate their own electricity and contribute towards a greener environment.

Chandan Banerjee, Engineer and Installer from Delhi, served as the main resource person and explained the basics of solar cells and their practical applications. Krotika Gandotra, Managing Partner,

tenance, and benefits of rooftop solar systems. The program concluded with a formal vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Anit Kumar, Assistant Professor in Physics.

The audience comprised mainly of students and faculty members from the Department of Physics and the Department of Environmental Science, who actively participated in discussions and raised queries on the scope of renewable energy.

The initiative highlighted the objectives of the PM Suryaghar Muft Bijli Yojana to inform people about scheme benefits and eligibility, encourage households to adopt solar energy for long-term savings, and create awareness about government subsidies and financial assistance. Demonstrations, pamphlet distribution, and success stories were also part of the program. The event motivated participants to embrace renewable energy, reduce dependency on fossil fuels, and contribute to India's mission of a sustainable and self-reliant future.

Hindi Diwas celebrated in GDC Bholderwah



Students posing for a photograph with faculty members.

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BHADERWAH: The Department of Hindi with the collaboration of NCC, Government Degree College Bhaderwah, celebrated Hindi Diwas with great enthusiasm and fervour on Thursday.

To mark the occasion, a Poetry Competition and a Poster Display Competition were organised, in which students participated with zeal and creativity.

The whole event was organised under the patronage of worthy Principal, Prof. Basharat Iqbal. The program started with the lighting of auspicious lamp with Saraswati vandna. Lt. (Dr.) Rajni Kumari, HOD Hindi presented welcome address and threw light on the importance of hindi language.

The participants showcased their poetic talent by presenting thought-provoking and self written poems highlighting the richness of Hindi language, while the poster display competition reflected the artistic skills of the students, focusing on the importance of Hindi as a unifying language of the nation.

Speaking on the occasion, the faculty members, Prof. Rakesh Sharma, Dr. Bharat Singh, Prof. Mudassir Majeed and Prof. Zain-ul-Abdeen highlighted the significance of Hindi Diwas as a day to honour and promote the language that serves as a cultural bridge across the country.

The events were judged by an esteemed panel comprising Prof. Zain ul Abdeen Bandy, Dr. Neelam saba and Prof. Renuka Gorla who appreciated the efforts of the students and lauded their creativity. The winners of the competitions were felicitated, and all participants were encouraged to continue contributing towards the enrichment of Hindi language and literature. In this program SUO Naman Kumar were also felicitated for their big achievement as he attended Thal Sena National camp 2025.

At last, the Principal of the college Prof. Basharat Iqbal congratulate the Department of hindi and appreciate the creativity of the students. He also emphasized the role of Hindi in connecting diverse cultures and promoting national integration.

The programme concluded with a formal vote of thanks presented by the Prof. Zain-ul-abdeen Bandy head of the department Political science, acknowledging the contribution of the judges, faculty, and students in making the celebration a success.

GDC Nowshera organises awareness program of entrepreneurship



Dr. Tarun Gupta, Nodal officer YUVA briefing students at GDC Nowshera.

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NOWSHERA: As part of Seva Pakhwada initiative, GDC Nowshera in collaboration with the Labour & Employment Department, Government of Jammu and Kashmir, organized an awareness program of entrepreneurship among students under the guidance of our worthy Principal Dr. Shamim Ahmed Azad.

The campaign aimed at sensitizing youth about self-employment opportunities, and the role of innovation in job creation. Dr. Tarun Gupta, Nodal officer YUVA briefed students about entrepreneurship development schemes, financial assistance programmes, and

incubation support available for budding entrepreneurs.

Students were also informed about skill development programmes, startup registration processes, and avenues for availing government incentives. He also highlighted that entrepreneurship is not only a means of livelihood but also a tool for empowering youth to become job creators rather than job seekers. He urged students to take advantage of the facilities being extended under various central and UT-level schemes. He also apprised students to download the Mission YUVA Mobile App and shared the google form among students for collecting the feedback. The Principal of the college appreciated the initiative and assured that the institutions would continue to support digital skill development and capacity-building programmes for the benefit of students.

J&K Cadet fencers to represent India at Asian Cup



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JAMMU: As many as four young fencers from J&K have made it to the Indian team for the Asian Cadet (Unde-17) Fencing Cup to be held at IGI Sports Stadium, Haldwani in Uttarakhand.

These promising fencers are Antalya Jamwal, Eknoor Kour, Vinayak Sharma and Nishtha. The selection was made on the basis of their performance at recently concluded 20th Cadet National Fencing Championship.

Prajapati Sabha J&K pays tributes to Padma Shri Ratanappa



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JAMMU: The Prajapati Sabha Jammu and Kashmir today paid floral tributes to Padma Shri Ratanappa Kumhar on his 116th Birth Anniversary at the Sabha premises in Jammu. Members of the community, office bearers, and distinguished guests gathered to honor the legacy of the great social reformer, parliamentarian, and visionary leader. Members present on the occasion were Madan Baldotra (Senior Vice President),

Krishan Lal (Vice President), Manga Ram (Vice President), Kartar Chand (Vice President), Kewal Krishan (Joint Secretary), Sunil Prajapati (Social Activist), Ajay Salotra, Gulshan Prajapati (Chairman Jammu Zone) and other members.

Padma Shri Ratanappa Kumhar is remembered for his lifelong dedication to the upliftment of marginalized sections of society, his tireless efforts for education, skill development, social equality, and eradication of caste-based discrimination.

He was one of the distinguished persons who signed the Final Draft of the Constitution of India along with Dr. B. R. Ambedkar. For his selfless service in the field of social work, he was honored with the Padma Shri Award in 1985. He also served as Member of Parliament, Member of Legislative Council, and as Minister of Food and Civil Supplies in the Maharashtra Government.

Dr. Atul Kothari delivers expert lecture at SMVDU

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KATRA: A special lecture on "Charitra Nirman evam Vyaktitva Vikas ki Bharatiya Sankalpana" was organized at the Matrika Auditorium of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University. The chief guest of the event was Dr. Atul Kothari, National Secretary, Shiksha Sanskriti Utthan Nyas. The program commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp and Saraswati Vandana. Thereafter, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Pragati Kumar welcomed the Chief Guest, Dr. Atul Kothari, and in his address emphasized that the objective of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is not limited to making students employment-oriented, but also to ensure their holistic development. He also highlighted the special efforts made by Dr. Kothari in the successful implementation of NEP. In his address, Chief Guest Dr. Atul Kothari stated that the successful implementation of



the National Education Policy requires the active participation not only of teachers but also of students. Through NEP 2020, we have the opportunity to build citizens who are Indian in thought, intellect, and conduct. He further added that for national resurgence, it is essential to integrate Bharatiya knowledge traditions at every level and in every sphere of education. Such integration, he remarked, would naturally instill Bharatiya values in society and among citizens. On this occasion, Dr. Kothari was presented with a memento in the form of a portrait of Mata Bhagwati by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. The vote of thanks was delivered by Prof. Ashutosh Vashishth, Dean, Faculty of Management, and the stage proceedings were conducted by Dr. Anurag Kumar, Head, School of Languages and Literature. The program witnessed the gracious presence of Deans of various faculties, Heads of Departments, section in-charge, faculty members, staff, and students of the University.

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It is notified for information of all the concerned that University of Jammu is conducting the **skill test/ trade test** of the candidates who have qualified the Screening/ written test held in the month of **June-2025** for the various non-teaching positions advertised vide notice no. **Estab./NTW/C&R/24/3111-3210 dated 26.02.2024 & Estab./NTW/C&R/24/3239-3338 dated 14.03.2024**. The candidates who have been shortlisted for the next round of selection, their skill test/ trade test shall be conducted **w.e.f. 27.09.2025 onwards**.

For all other details regarding test, the applicants are required to visit the University website i.e. **www.jammuniversity.ac.in** on regular basis.

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SUBJECT: Call for the Expression of Interest for empanelment of reputed books publishers/suppliers/vendors for supply/procurement of books to College Library for the year i.e. 2025-26 & 2026-27. Library Govt Degree College Budhal is in the process of empanelment of books from Suppliers/Publishers/Vendors for the period of financial year 2025-26 & 2026-27. In this regard, Government Degree College, Budhal intends to submit your "Expression of Interest".

✓ **Eligibility Criteria:** Proof of the following mentioned supporting documents must be enclosed in support of the eligibility criteria and absence of any of them will render the publisher/vendor/supplier ineligible for the empanelment:

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- Registration of Federation of Publishers and Booksellers Association in India (FPBAI).
- Permanent Account No. (PAN) issued by the Income Tax Department.
- Evidence of income tax clearance certificate of last three consecutive years.
- Form C' should be attached with application form at the time submission of EOI.

➤ **Note:** The applicant should read all terms and conditions properly before submitting the application for empanelment.

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- The College reserves the right to reject or accept any offer without assigning any reason or cancel/withdraw notice.
- The College also reserves the right to purchase the books as per the requirement of the College Library. In this regard the College will provide the list of required books keeping in view the learning needs of the students and the Publisher/Supplier/Vendor is required to supply the books as per the list.

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