

Altat inaugurates 2-day annual book exhibition

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Jan 13: Minister for Education, Syed Mohammad Altat Bukhari today inaugurated a two-day annual book exhibition at SP Model Higher Secondary

various Universities, Librarians, academicians, other officials from education department and students were present on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Altat Bukhari said that book reading is a good habit and through this



Minister for Education, Altat Bukhari releasing a book at Srinagar on Saturday.

School.

The exhibition was organized by Directorate of School Education, Kashmir in which variety of books were put on sale and a total number of sixty stalls were set up by various publishers and booksellers from various parts of Kashmir.

The wide range of books which were put on display on discounted rates during the exhibition includes history books on Kashmir, autobiographies, biographies, novels, inspirational books besides academic books.

Secretary School Education, Farooq Ahmad Shah, Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Dr Syed Abid Rashid Shah, Director School Education, Dr GN Itoo, Director RMSA, Tufail Mattoo, Director Academics, JKBOSE, Dr Farooq Ahmad Peer, Chief Education Officer Srinagar, Farooq Ahmad Dar, officials from

book exhibition, "we are trying to go back to the habit of book reading which is diminishing in this modern world full of technological innovations."

While speaking about the various steps taken by Education Department to fulfill the vacant posts of teachers in various schools, the Minister said that no shortage of teachers in schools across the State will be witnessed from this academic session.

The Minister announced that incentives will be increased for those teachers who opt for the schools in far-flung areas while as there will be the salary cut for the teachers who opt for posting in Srinagar and Jammu districts. He said this step will be taken in the interest of the children studying in schools in far-flung areas.

He congratulated the students who have shown better performance in the recently declared

results of Matric and 10+2. He said that the students in J&K are talented and they are second to none. He said that students only need opportunity and platform where they can showcase their talent and Education Department is dedicated and working hard to provide such platform to the students.

On the occasion, Altat Bukhari also released the book written by Director Academics, JKBOSE, Dr Farooq Ahmad Peer titled "A Critical Study of the Novels of Chinua Achebe and Wole Soyinka". The forward of the book has been written by Dr. Shah Faisal.

The book is a critical analysis of the two prominent Commonwealth novelists Chinua Achebe and Wole Soyinka whose novels are taught at the Post Graduation level in various Universities and Post Graduate colleges of the country. Dr Farooq Peer said that the book is research-based and can prove useful for the students who pursue PG in English.

Dr. Farooq has written more than 100 articles on different issues particularly on education in the various dailies of the state. He has also written articles which have been published in international journals.

Later, Education Minister distributed cash prizes and trophies among the students who were adjudged the top three positions holders in Snow Art Contest 2017 which was organized by Directorate of School Education.

Youth from Jammu province to sit on indefinite chain hunger strike: Mankotia

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UDHAMPUR, Jan 13: Highlighting the grievances of unemployed educated youth, ex-MLA and NPP president Balwant Singh Mankotia today informed that his party is going to launch an indefinite chain hunger strike from January 15, 2018 against the callous and discriminatory attitude of the Coalition Government in employment sector.

Addressing a press conference at party office Udhampur, NPP president alleged that the Government was denying due share of employment to the youth of Jammu region. "After the formation of BJP-PDP

Coalition Govt in State, only 10 percent share has been given to educated youth of Jammu while 90 percent employment being provided to youth of Kashmir," he said and alleged that the Coalition Government not only deprived the youth of Jammu region in employment but also snatched the due rights by implementing the draconian SRO-202 and SRO-520 without considering their contribution in implementation of Central or State schemes at ground level.

The NPP president announced that the party leadership has decided to launch chain hunger indefinite strike from January 15, 2018 against the discriminatory attitude of the

Coalition Government and other burning issues of general masses. Youth from ten district of Jammu province will participate in this agitation and a team of youth from each district will sit on 24 hour hunger strike in front of the statue of Maharaja Hari Singh Ji at Tawi bridge.

On Monday, 15th of January, educated youth of Reasi district will participate in the chain hunger strike. They will be replaced by youth from Udhampur on 16th January, Kathua on 17th January, Samba on 19th January, Ramban on 20th, Rajouri on 21st, Doda on 22nd, Kishtwar on 23rd and Poonch youth on 24th, January.

Gold ornaments, cash stolen from house

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JAMMU, Jan 13: Some unknown thieves struck a house in Bhour Camp falling in the jurisdiction of police station Satwari and decamped with gold ornaments and cash.

According to a police official, the theft occurred during the intervening night of January 12 and 13 when the family members were away from their house to attend a function.

He said that house in which the theft occurred belong to Rishpal Singh son of Jagat Singh, resident of

Bhour Camp, who in his complaint stated that they had gone to attend a function last night and when returned around midnight, found the lock of the house broken. He said on checking of the house they found that 2 gold rings, 2 nose earrings of gold and a cash amount of Rs 30, 000 were missing.

"In this connection, a case FIR No 10/2018 under Sections 457/380 RPC has been registered at police station Satwari and further investigation in the case is going on", he added.

Govt committed to provide basic amenities to all three regions of State: Kohli

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JAMMU, Jan 13: Minister for Animal, Sheep Husbandry and Fisheries, Abdul Gani Kohli today said that the Government

a public gathering at Government Middle School Panhar in Kalakote today.

Referring to the developmental works under execution in



Minister for Animal Husbandry Abdul Gani Kohli addressing public gathering at Kalakote in Rajouri on Saturday.

is committed to provide basic amenities like adequate drinking water, power supply, education infrastructure, health and other civic facilities to the people of all the three regions of the State.

The Minister was addressing 7 injured in group clash

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RAJOURI, Jan 13: Seven persons were injured in a clash between two groups in Darhal area of district Rajouri today.

Police sources said that over an old dispute on 7 kanals of land, members of Ghulam Abbas and Abdul Hamid had bloody clash at village Udhman Margan in Darhal. Both the families were also involved in litigation since long.

During the day today, Ghulam Abbas had some heated exchanges with the members of other family. It was followed by bloody clash. Both sides pelted stone on each other and also used lathis and some lethal weapons. At least seven members including two women were injured during clash.

All the injured were shifted to Darhal hospital and later referred to District Hospital, Rajouri. The police has taken cognizance of the matter.

Kashmir a Model State of the country and in this regard several measures have been taken and some are in pipe line, he added.

Kohli while highlighting the achievements of the present Coalition Government said that various historical decisions have been taken during last three years which included regularization of casual and daily rated workers, opening of new medical, nursing, degree colleges and Indian Institute of Technology (IIT).

On the occasion, people projected demands which included construction of protection bunds, repairs and renovation of lanes, drains and inner links, footpaths, providing of adequate staff for all existing Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and upgradation of educational institutions of Kalakote constituency. The Minister gave them patient hearing and assured them that their genuine demands will be looked into. He, however, in some cases, on the spot instructed the district administration for immediate redressal.

Govt failed to address problems of exiled Pandits: KPC

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JAMMU, Jan 13: Kashmiri Pandit Conference (KPC) in its meeting at New Delhi today held under the chairmanship of its president Kundan Kashmiri while discussing various problems of Kashmiri Pandits said it is unfortunate that the community is entering in 29th year of its exile on January 19 this year and regretted that during the last 28 years the Government has failed to address the problems of the community and take a bold decision on its permanent rehabilitation in Kashmir valley.

He said though the community will observe the Holocaust Day on January 19 this year as usual as mass exodus of KPs took place on this day when they were warned to leave the Valley

by the communal forces and gun wielding terrorists in Kashmir on the behalf of Pakistan.

He appealed the community that on this year's Holocaust Day a solemn pledge should be taken to accelerate the struggle for carving out a separate part in Kashmir valley with UT status and free flow of Indian Constitution for the honourable and dignified rehabilitation of the community.

Kashmiri also appealed KP community to wear black badges and switch off the lights of their respective residences and business establishment from 6 PM to 7 PM to draw the attention of political masters of the nation towards plight as well as condemn the atrocities and nefarious designs of anti-national elements.

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