

Randhawa inaugurates renovated building of dispensary

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: Member Legislative Council (MLC), Ch. Vikram Randhawa today inaugurated the renovated building of charitable Ayurvedic Dispensary, Shastri Nagar, in Gandhi Nagar Assembly Segment.



MLC, Choudhary Vikram Randhawa inaugurating newly renovated dispensary at Shastri Nagar on Monday.

Randhawa who paid a visit to the dispensary few months back after being elected as member to the Upper House of the J&K Legislature was shocked to see the dilapidated condition of the building and had directed for its renovation.

Randhawa immediately ordered release of the funds required for the renovation of the building out of his Constituency Development Fund (CDF) which now stands completed and has been dedicat-



Dr Kanwarjeet Singh, MD Medicine and HoD, HBOT Department, Amandeep Hospital, being honoured by members of Amritsar City Medical Society.

Amandeep Hospital launches Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

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JAMMU, Mar 26: First time in North India, Amandeep Hospital, Amritsar has launched a special treatment therapy called Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBOT), which will certainly help in quick healing of wounds, especially diabetic foot and non healing wounds.

Several times, wounds do not heal quickly or at times, do not heal at all, resulting in amputation of important limbs of a person, which makes him or her permanently disabled. Such persons become burden on his family, society and country. Many times, due to non healing wound, a person has to stay in hospital for longer duration which incur huge financial costs and physical as well as mental fatigue but now wounds will heal quickly with Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBOT).

Normally oxygen is required to heal a wound but in an accident or badly crushed wound, proper oxygen supply is hindered and wound takes too long for healing. Due to this, that body parts start becoming weak or sometime it becomes dead,

LMD imposes Rs 50000 fine on school

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KATHUA, Mar 26: Acting on a complaint, Legal Metrology Department, Kathua and Sub-District Administration Billawar today raided a private school in Phinter and seized book sale counter, opened in the school premises by a Jammu based book seller.

Various stationary items were not carrying mandatory declarations such as MRP, number of pages on notebooks, size, name and address of publisher etc.

The Inspector Legal Metrology

Sanskrit Sansthan organizes extension lecture

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JAMMU, Mar 26: The Department of Modern Subjects of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, Shri Ranbir Campus, today organized an extension lecture in which Dr Rajendra Mishra, Associate Professor, The Business School, University of Jammu was the key note speaker.

In his lecture on the topic "Sound and its Influence on Human Health, Environment and Spirituality" Dr Rajendra Mishra highlighted the way sound impacts the very basis of our existence. He said that the sound in its pure form subtly influences our health and environment. "The Indian Vedic

Take disability as a challenge to excel like others: Balbir

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: Jammu and Kashmir Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes & Backward Classes Development Corporation, Vice Chairperson, Balbir Ram Rattan, today said the financial assistance availed from the Corporation should be utilized properly to earn livelihood and become self reliant.

While handing over Payment



VC, SC, ST, BC Corporation Balbir Ram Rattan handing over PALs to two differently abled persons in Jammu on Monday.

Authority Letters (PALs) to two physically disabled unemployed young males- Rajeev Kumar with 45 per cent disability and Sukhdev Singh with 55 per cent disability, who got loan of Rs two lakh each for setting up small units, Balbir said that in today's world, the definition and meaning of the expression has altogether changed for people with any disability whether it is from their birth or afflicted during any mishap.

He said gone are the days when people would think that if you have a disability, you shouldn't associate yourself with

anything which normal people can do. With more and more cases of disability ridden people competing or performing better than normal people in respective fields, it has become abundantly clear that they cannot be disqualified for this shortcoming.

Balbir said that the disabled people are moving ahead and competing with normal people in all spheres of life. He further

said it is for the people of all ages and communities with disabilities to shun their inhibitions and feelings of inferiority to come forward, avail the benefits from Government and other agencies, to start own work for a dignified living. This they should take up as a challenge and resolve that they have to excel like others, Balbir added.

Divisional Manager, Gulam Qadir Khatana, Manager Projects Mohd. Iqbal Kataria, District Manager Joginder Paul Atri and Field Supervisor Jatinder Singh were also present on the occasion.

Orientation Prog on life, philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi held

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JAMMU, Mar 26: An Orientation Programme on the life and philosophy of Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi was organized by the Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti, New Delhi at Legislative Council Secretariat here today.

Minister for Cooperatives and Ladakh Affairs, Chering Dorjay was the chief guest on the occasion while MLC, Ramesh Arora presided over the function.

Several prominent personalities attended the function and highlighted the teachings and contribution of Mahatma Gandhi towards the nation.

Prominent among others who spoke on the occasion included Secretary, Legislative Council, Abdul Majid Bhat, Director, Gandhi Smriti, Dipankar Gyan, Professor Pushpa Motiyani, Professor T.K. Thomas, Shameem Raina,

Professor Hemanshu Bourai, Basant.

The speakers stressed upon the need to follow the ideology of Mahatma Gandhi to liberate ourselves from the web of chaos and confusion of present materialistic world.

Prof. T.K. Thomas, a famous writer, delivered lecture on "Children and youth participation in constructive work".

Legislators, Naresh Kumar Gupta, Pardeep Kumar Sharma, Vikram Randhawa, Girdhari Lal Raina, Ashok Khajuria, Showkat Hussain Ganai, Qaiseer Jamsheed Lone, Surinder Mohan Ambaradar and Saif-ud-Din Bhat were also present on the occasion.

Prof. Pushpa Motiyani said that teachings of Gandhiji have greater relevance in present era which needs to be followed in true spirit by all.

Surinder Mohan Ambaradar presented vote of thanks.

Contractual Lecturers' strike enters 406th day

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JAMMU, Mar 26: The ongoing chain hunger strike by the Contractual Lecturers (10+2) entered into 406th day today.

Aggrieved over the no response of the State Government towards their demand, the agitating lecturers held a protest demonstration near the venue of chain hunger strike at Exhibition Ground Jammu. They raised slogans in support of their demand and also against the State Government.

These Contractual Lecturers are demanding regularization as per the Civil Services Special Provision Act 2010, a Legislature passed for the regularization of all the Ad-hoc/ Contractual/ Consolidated employees.

Employment Dept organizes 'Job Fair-2018'

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JAMMU, Mar 26: Additional District Development Commissioner Jammu, Suraiya Jabeen, inaugurated one-day 'Job Fair-2018' organised by the Department of Employment here today.

The aim of the fair was to create awareness among the unemployed educated youth about the job opportunities in private sector.

As many as, 600 youth and representatives of 12 leading companies from private sector participated in the 'Job Fair'.

Urging upon the unemployed educated youth not to depend on Government jobs only, the Additional Deputy Commissioner, stressed upon them to explore avenues in private sector and prove their mettle by working in leading companies of the country. She stressed upon the youth to come forward and avail opportunities from such programmes and explore alternative ventures particularly in the private sector which has an immense scope of

absorption to tackle the unemployment issue to a great extent directly.

On the occasion, Deputy Director Employment, Jammu, Rajeev Magotra, asked the youth to contact Employment and Counselling Centres for any assistance.

Inspector, SI transferred

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Jammu Vivek Gupta has ordered transfer and posting of one Inspector and one Sub Inspector (SI) with immediate effect.

According to the order, Inspector Anita Katal, SHO Women Cell Gandhi Nagar has been transferred and posted at District Police Lines (DPL) Jammu, while SI Kirti Sharma has been transferred from Police Station Gandhi Nagar and posted as SHO Women Cell Gandhi Nagar.

Students joining SBA may get credits

NEW DELHI, Mar 26:

The University Grants Commission (UGC) has asked all universities and colleges to consider offering academic credits to students for participating in the Government's much touted Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

The commission in its meeting earlier this month had approved providing of two credits like any other 'Elective' under Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) to students in higher educational institutions undertaking 15 days (100 hours) summer internships under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan activities.

"In this summer internship, it is expected that students will not only participate in overall cleanliness in villages or slums but would also help in setting up systems for sustaining cleanli-

ness and sanitation efforts under the campaign. These efforts are expected to provide a great learning experience in Indian context to students across the country and would help in improving overall quality of education," a UGC communication to varsities read.

The commission has asked varsities and their affiliated colleges to consider implementation of this elective course from the forthcoming summer session and give wide publicity so that vast majority of students opt for this elective course.

"It is informed that UGC guidelines for Swachh Bharat - Swastha Bharat Scheme have enabling provisions for universities and colleges to collaborate and to come out with ways to make the Mission possible," the UGC letter read. (AGENCIES)



Naveen Verma, North Head-Sales, Force Motors, handing over key of the new Kargo King Star to a customer.

Force Motors launches all new Kargo King Star

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: Force Motors today launched Kargo King Star, its latest offerings on the proven Trax platform, at a grand event organized here today by M/s Jammu Automobiles.

The new Trax Kargo King Star is powered by 2.0 litre BS4 compliant Common Rail Turbo Inter Cooled FM 2.0 CR engine, offering excellent fuel efficiency making it the true king of profitability. It boasts of lowest operating as well as maintenance costs on account of the extremely reliable and durable Mercedes derived power train.

The Kargo King Star with 1250 Kg payload capability and a large 2.4mx 1.6m (8.01 ft x 5.3 ft) flat deck ensures that one can take both voluminous and heavy cargo with ease. The Kargo King Star offers unmatched safety and sure stop braking with twin pot, 4 piston caliper disc brakes in the front and drum brakes with load sensing valve (LSV) in the rear.

The new Kargo King Star is the ideal pickup for last mile transportation for ferrying fruits and vegetables, consumer durables, water bottles, milk &

egg crates and gas cylinders. The vehicle would be available in four variants viz. fixed side neck, cabin with chassis, dual cabin pickup and delivery van to suit the varying types of requirements in the market.

Soon the high side deck variant will also be offered in new Trax Kargo King Star. Force Motors is the only manufacturer to offer factory built high side deck pickup in the industry. Going forward, Kargo King Star will also be offered in CNG variant.

The Kargo King Star is also the smartest and most robust looking pickup with new front fascia, new generation graphics and muscular faring. The cabin of vehicle is the most spacious in its category that can comfortably accommodate 2 persons including the driver.

Speaking on the launch, Naveen Verma, North Head-Sales, Force Motors, said, "The new Trax Kargo King Star is the first of our new generation products in the category. This new pickup with its outstanding fuel efficiency and least operating and maintenance cost would ensure highest profitability to the operators".

JWAM holds protest against JMC, traffic police

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: Jammu West Assembly Movement (JWAM) today held a protest against Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) and traffic police for harassing the innocent



JWAM activists protesting against JMC and traffic police at New Plot in Jammu.

traders on the name of traffic norms.

Scores of traders and activists of JWAM under the leadership of JWAM president, Sunil Dimple assembled at New Plot on Janipur road and raised slogans against JMC and traffic police.

The protesting traders said that damaging their business establishments, sign boards and seizing goods worth lakhs of rupees by the JMC on the name of traffic reforms will not work unless the basic causes of the traffic are understood and flyovers, ring roads, circular roads, parking spots are constructed. Traders raised slogans against the JMC, Deputy CM, sitting MLA and the BJP-PDP Government, and demanded their resignation for doing nothing to solve the traffic problem in Jammu city.

Addressing the protesters, Sunil Dimple said the JMC demolition drives are the murder of democracy. He threatened of closure of all the shops and markets

if the JMC further harasses the traders. "In future if the JMC damages the sign boards and harasses the traders, they will not remain silent and there could be direct conflict between traders and JMC officials", he added.

He said the innocent poor traders and daily bread earners are dying of starvation due to recent actions of JMC, which has not constructed any municipal markets for the small vendors or rehriwalas, and giving them inhumane behavior.

Dimple said the JMC has failed to perform its duty

of cleanliness, sanitation, beautification of Jammu and is working only to snatch the livelihood of the daily bread earners. He held Deputy Chief Minister Dr Nirmal Singh and the sitting MLA of the constituency, Sat Pal Sharma, responsible for the huge traffic problem, saying they did not bother to solve the traffic problems by taking up matter at the highest level.

LPEF urges Govt to implement 7th PC

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: All J&K Low Paid Employees Federation (LPEF) today urged the Government to issue notification for the implementation of 7th Pay Commission report in respect of State Government employees and pensioners.

The demand was raised during a meeting of the provincial body of the Federation, which was presided over by provincial president, Jagdish Raj Sharma. The speakers made a strong plea



Deputy Speaker, Nazir Ahmad Gurezi chairing a meeting at Jammu on Monday.

Gurezi for better telecommunication services in Gurez, Tulail areas

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: Deputy Speaker Legislative Assembly, Nazir Ahmad Gurezi has urged the concerned service providers to take requisite steps to improve mobile connectivity in inaccessible and hilly areas of tehsil Gurez.

The Deputy Speaker was addressing a meeting held with the officers of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL), Jio and Bharti Airtel to review the status of installations of towers and mobile connectivity.

Detailed discussion was held on various issues related to installation of towers and laying of optical fiber. It was decided that the Bharti Airtel will make a request to BSNL for sharing tower from Bandipora to Dawar and Kazalwon. It was also decided that the Airtel will lay fiber from Dawar to Gujran on sharing basis. Besides, from

Bandipora to Dawar, BSNL will share Airtel and from Dawar to onward BSNL was requested that they will share their Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) from Damsite to Kanzalwon and Dawar with Jio.

The Deputy Speaker requested the management of Jio to extend their services in Dawar, Wanpora and Markote villages of Gurez. He also asked them to operate their services in Tulail, Kanzalwon and Neel villages of Tulail area.

The Deputy Speaker also asked the Airtel authorities to provide Intra Circle Roaming (ICR) facilities in these areas.

The meeting was attended by the General Managers, Bharti Airtel Limited, Sunil Wali and Ajay Khojura, Head Infrastructure Reliance Jio Jammu, Sandeep Kotwal, Assistant General Manager, BSNL Kokil, SDA Rooplal and other officers.

Fena is all set to boost spectacular cricket extravaganza IPL

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: Fena, the leading fabric, home and personal care brand of India is all set to boost the country's most spectacular cricket extravaganza Indian Premier League (IPL) 2018.

For the IPL Season XI, which is going to commence from April 7,



Fena has confirmed its official partnership with Kings XI Punjab, the runner-up of 2014 and as per the association all jerseys and merchandise of Kings XI Punjab will carry Fena's logo. Fena as a truly Indian and highly trusted brand of over 40 years feels that its brand value of trust, loyalty, excellence, teamwork and innovativeness align very well with that of a high performance sports team like Kings XI Punjab. Along with this, Fena will also have in-stadium presence on match days and significant brand exposure at the Kings XI Punjab's home grounds, IS Bindra Stadium, Mohali and Holkar Cricket

Stadium, Indore. The brand will also keep its viewers engaged and entertained via its facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/fenahilena>

On this significant move, Santosh Saraswat, Product Manager, Fena said, "This partnership further strengthens what our brand stands for and will help us engage with cricket fans across the nation through the common spirit and pure raw entertainment of IPL cricket".

Satish Menon, CEO, Kings XI Punjab said, "We are extremely delighted to announce our partnership with Fena as our Principal Sponsor for the season. Fena has been exactly that for us and we are confident about how mutually beneficial this association is going to be for us all."

Arshad Shawl, Director, Alliance Advertising and Marketing Private Limited said, "We welcome Fena into the 'world's most watched sport IPL' and are happy to connect them with millions of viewers and fans. We at alliance are excited to see both Indian and foreign players endorsing the brand Fena and this innovative approach will catapult the brand Fena to the next level".

JTC, SKF for settling Pandits in Satellite townships in Valley

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: A joint meeting of the Jagti Tenement Committee (JTC) and Soan Kashmiri Front (SKF) was held here, today under the chairmanship of Shadi Lal Pandita president JTC and SKF in which various issues faced by the displaced Pandits from Valley were discussed.

The meeting was attended by the office bearers and members and also Pardesh Congress Committee Migrant Cell (PCC) chairman H.L. Pandita, Kashi Nath Bhat, Raj Kumar Tickoo, Sunil Koul, Mithan Pandita, Satish Pandita were also present in it.

While addressing the meeting, Shadi Lal Pandita said that neither the Government of India nor State Government is sincere about the return and rehabilitation of the Kashmiri migrants

living life in exile for past about 29 years. He said that in case the Government is interested in return and rehabilitation of the Kashmiri Pandits to Valley it should not delay in development of Satellite townships in safe and secure places.

Pandita said that Kashmiri migrants carve for return and rehabilitation in Kashmir valley provided three Satellite townships are brought up near Srinagar, Baramulla and Anantnag to ensure their dignified living.

He further said that in order to ensure return and rehabilitation of the Kashmiri migrants by implementing the Prime Ministers employment package in its letter and spirit by providing job to educated migrant unemployed youth particularly of those families who have remained ignored of employment benefits till date.

Gambling den busted, 4 arrested

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Mar 26: Police busted a gambling den with the arrest of four persons along with Rs 7,100 stake money and playing cards from Greater Kailash area.

As per police sources, on reliable information, a joint team from Gangyal Police

Station and Greater Kailash Police Post conducted raid and busted gambling den racket with the arrest of four persons and recovery of Rs 7,100 stake money and playing cards.

The arrested persons have been identified as Dayal, son of Dhani, Naneey Bhai, son of Dojana, Paltu, son of Salaah and Vinod, son of Bagwan Chand, all residents of Madhya Pradesh, at present Greater Kailash.

All the gamblers have been booked under Section 13 Gambling Act by Police Station Gangyal.

Police team led by SHO Gangyal SI Nayan Ali along with Incharge Greater Kailash Police Post PSI Vicky Thapa busted the gambling den and arrested the persons under the supervision of SDDO South Mohammad Rafiq Manhas, SP South Sandeep Choudhary and SSP Jammu Vivek Gupta.