

J&K is among the best in terms of education infrastructure: LG

***Visits NIT Srinagar**

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Aug 14: Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha today laid the foundation stone for the extension of Girls Hostel and inaugurated state-of-the-art Gymnasium here at National Institute of Technology



LG inaugurating state-of-art gymnasium at NIT Srinagar on Saturday.

(NIT), Srinagar. During his visit, the Lt Governor also took a brief review of the ongoing programs of the NIT Srinagar in the field of technological advancements and research.

Speaking on the occasion, the Lt Governor recounted various measures taken by the government for the development of educational sector in the UT.

J&K is among the best in the country in terms of education

infrastructure. We are bringing reforms for the transformation of education ecosystem by bridging the gaps and opening up new opportunities for the younger generation to take up innovative challenges and be the change-maker, observed the Lt Governor.

He asked the NIT Administration and the faculty members to take requisite measures for promoting vibrant, and entrepreneurial environment, besides strengthening institute-industry linkages to promote job creation and develop new start-up ventures for creating better prospects for our younger generation.

On the occasion, two innovators of Innovation, Incubation and Entrepreneurship Department, Izzan Majeed & Sheikh Inayatullah gave interesting presentations of their projects dedicated to the welfare of farmers and youth.

The Lt Governor called upon the young innovators to focus on

new inventions that will bring transformation in the life of a common man. It is high time we came up with people-friendly innovation & creative solutions to address issues like ecological protection, exploring alternate source of fuel, and strong road material. It will complement the government's efforts to achieve development goals, he added.

After the Covid-19 pandemic, the whole world has changed. I believe that opportunities have also taken a dynamic shift. With new policies specially envisaged for empowering the youth & giving special impetus to the industrial growth, the government is creating an enabling environment for youth to be a partner in the progress and development of J&K, the Lt Governor added.

Meanwhile, Director NIT Srinagar, Prof. Rakesh Sehgal briefed the Lt Governor about the Institute's background and present scenario. He also informed the Lt Governor about the implementation of various centrally sponsored flagship programs.

Prof. Saad Parvez, Head of the Innovation, Incubation & Entrepreneurship Development Centre (IIED) also briefed the Lt Governor about various initiatives taken by the IIED centre.

Registrar NIT Registrar, Prof. Kaiser Bukhari, all deans and HODs of the Institute, and faculty members were present on the occasion.

Pandurang K Pole, Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir and Vijay Kumar, IGP Kashmir were also present.

J&K heralds India's 'Purple Revolution': Dr Jitendra

Excelsior Correspondent

NEW DELHI, Aug 14 : Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) Earth Sciences; MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh today said that Jammu & Kashmir heralds



Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh delivering the keynote address at the Special Webinar on CSIR's Aroma Mission on the eve of India's 75th Independence Day, at Anusandhan Bhawan, New Delhi on Saturday.

national capital to share the best practices from across the country. He also floated the idea of having inter-ministerial committees with various Ministries, such as, Agriculture, DoNER, Education and Health & Family Welfare as its constituents.

Termed the new-age farmers as 'Agri-Technocrats' unlike the Indian farmers of the 20th century, Dr. Jitendra Singh observed that the Aroma Mission of the CSIR has generated rural employment of farmers, spurred entrepreneurship in aromatic oils and other aromatic products manufacturing, and lowered the import of essential and aromatic oils. Today, with CSIR's Aroma Mission, important medicinal and aromatic plants are being cultivated in 6,000 hectares of land. The Mission has generated 10 to 12 lakh man-days of rural employment and more than 500 tonnes of essential oil worth Rs.60 crores was produced during the last two years.

During the meeting, Dr Jitendra Singh also engaged in a virtual interaction with farmers engaged in aroma mission through CSIR from across the country, including Doda in Jammu & Kashmir, Assam in Northeast, Shirdi in Maharashtra, Barabanki in Uttar Pradesh and Mandi in Himachal Pradesh.

The webinar was also addressed by Dr Sanjay Kumar, Director, CSIR-Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology (CSIR-IHBT) detailing the Aroma Mission. Dr Ranjana Aggarwal, Director, CSIR-National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research (CSIR-NIScPR) delved deeper into the socio-economic impact of the Mission accomplishments. Prof. Virendra Kumar Vijay, Professor, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi spoke on transforming rural livelihood through Science & Technology interventions.

77 Civil Enggs regularised as XEns

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Aug 14: The Government today issued orders of regularization of 77 Incharge Executive Engineers (Civil) as Executive Engineers in PW (R&B) Department.

Official sources said that after recommended by the J&K Public Service Commission and conducting DPC, the Government today regularized 77 Civil Engineers as confirmed Executive Engineers. Those promoted are - Hem Raj, Dharam Paul, Tarsem Kumar, Mehraj-ud-Din Bhat, Gh Hassan Malik, Rafiq Ahmed Rafiq, Ravinder Kumar Mansotra, Rajinder Pal Gupta, Ghulam Mohiuddin Akhooon, Tanvir Mir, Pardeep Kumar Sharma, Rajan

Meeng, Shabir Ahmed, Javed Iqbal Bukhari, Shakti Sagar, Mufi Imran Shah, Shaikat Ahmed Dar, Feroz Ahmed Chhatt, Parvaiz Ahmed Bhat, Mushtaq Ahmed Bhat, Aiaz Ahmed Wani, Nazir Ahmed Bandy, Abdul Majid Khan, Mohd Abdullah Sheikh, Mian Abdul Naim, Sadiq Ahmed Wani, Ajay Kumar Rajoo, Kuldeep Singh Nathyal, Amardeep Singh Soodan, Tasho Chombel, Mehraj-ud-Din, Sunil Gupta, Surinder Singh, Sunil Thussu, Ram Gopal, Bhushan Lal Koul, Suman Bhaskar, Vidhu Kumar Sharma, Romesh Kumar Khar, Anil Kumar Pandoh, Nassir Hussain Zargar, Shahid Lateef Haroon, Abdul Qayoom Kirmani, Intiaz Ahmed Azad, Gurdev Singh, Mohit Mahajan, Mushtaq Ahmed Wani, Sayed Arshed Hussain, Javed Maqbool Sheikh, Khursheed Ahmed, Mohd Ayoub Wani, Arvind Gupta, Sanjeev Gupta, ND Khawaja, Sajad Ahmed Naqeeb, Aftab Ahmed, Hardeep Singh, Hilal Ahmed Sheikh, Rajinder Singh, Syed Sajjad Ahmed, Prabodh Sharma, Ishitq Ahmed Malik, Atul Bali, Suresh Kumar, Rajesh Abrol, Muzaffar Ahmed Mir, Rajan Gupta, Balbir Singh, Mohd Yousof Trambo, Vijay Kumar, Paramjeet Singh, Bhushan Lal Thusoo, Anil Kumar Basnotra, Pawan Kumar, Bashir Ahmed War, Manjeet Singh Raina and Khalil Mehmood.

Govt warns against deviation of works after commencement

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Aug 14: Impressing upon all Administrative Secretaries to personally ensure that there are no changes in the scope of any work after its commencement, the Government today warned that any deviation in this regard shall be viewed seriously and invite disciplinary action.

A circular in this regard was issued today by the General Administration Department, in reference to Administrative Council decision, dated July 24, 2021.

"It has been observed that Detailed project Reports, after their vetting from the Competent Authorities, have many times been revised by the departments after allotment of these works to contractors, thereby changing scope of the work, which is violation of the General Financial Rules, 2017, a matter which has been viewed seriously by the authorities," reads the circular, adding that such practices need to end forthwith and all departments need to ensure proper processing of infrastructure projects before their commencement so as to avoid recurrence changes in the scope of works subsequently.



BSF and Rangers (left) and Indo-Pak Armies (right) exchange sweets in Jammu and Kashmir on Saturday.

Army, BSF exchange sweets with Pak counterparts on LoC, IB

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU/SRINAGAR, Aug 14: Army and Border Security Force (BSF) exchanged sweets with their Pakistani counterparts on the Line of Control (LoC) and International Border (IB) respectively in Jammu and Kashmir on the occasion of Pakistan's Independence Day celebrations today.

Indian Army exchanged sweets with Pakistani troops at two places on the LoC including Chakkan-Da-Bagh in Poonch and Tatta Paani in Mendhar sector in Jammu region.

Sweets exchange ceremony at both places on the LoC lasted

for about half an hour. On the International Border (IB) in Jammu, the BSF and Pakistani Rangers exchanged sweets and greeting at various posts.

Sweets exchange ceremonies will also take place tomorrow at several places on the LoC and IB during Indian Independence Day celebrations.

Meanwhile, Army personnel greeted their Pakistani counterparts on their nation's Independence Day and exchanged sweets along the Line of Control (LoC) in Kashmir as well.

The sweets were presented

by the Indian Army personnel to their Pakistani counterparts at Chilehana Tithwal Crossing Point in the Tangdhar sector in north Kashmir's Kupwara district.

"On August 14, the Indian Army as a warm gesture, presented sweets to the Pakistan Army at Chilehana Tithwal Crossing Point to extend best wishes to Pakistan on their Independence Day displaying the will to maintain peace along the LoC," an army official said.

He said over the years, India has continuously endeavoured to strengthen the bilateral relations with Pakistan through goodwill gestures like this one across the spectrum to ensure peace and tranquillity in the region.

"The Awam (people) has appreciated the efforts of the Indian Army to maintain peace in the villages along the LoC. These positive endeavours by the Indian Army will further the cause towards prolonged peace along the LoC," the official said.

Vicious circle of violence must stop now: Farooq, Omar

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Aug 14: National Conference (NC) president and Member of Parliament (MP) from Srinagar Dr Farooq Abdullah and vice president Omar Abdullah today said that the vicious circle of violence must stop now.

They said this while unequivocally condemning the ghastly killing of a 2-year-old child in a grenade attack on BJP leader Jasbir Singh's house in Rajouri. Expressing sympathies with the bereaved, Dr Farooq said, "I condemn the attack in strongest possible terms. I express my union with the bereaved family and pray fast recovery to all the others who have sustained injuries in this despicable act of violence".

While denouncing the attack Omar Abdullah said, "I condemn the heinous and despicable act that shows contempt for innocent lives. The perpetrators of the attack must be held accountable and be brought to justice," he said.

Meanwhile, Party general

secretary Ali Muhammad Sagar, additional general secretary Dr Sheikh Mustafa Kamal, provincial president Jammu Devender Singh Rana, senior leaders Sajad Ahmed Kitchloo, Khalid Najeeb Suharwardy, Javed Rana, Aijaz Jan and others also condemned the attack.

MINERVA
COLLEGE OF PHARMACY
Approved By Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) & AICTE

ADMISSION OPEN 2021-22

B. PHARMACY DURATION 4 YEARS 35000/- Per Sem	D. PHARMACY DURATION 2 YEARS 17500/- Per Sem
--	--

Unmatched Features

- ✓ Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for ST/SC & OBC community students.
- ✓ Hostel Charges for Boys 20,000/-per sem.
- ✓ Hostel Charges for Girls 15,000/-per sem.
- ✓ Best Labs Facility in Northern India.
- ✓ Qualified & Experienced Faculty.

College Campus is just 12 km from Pathankot Bus Stand

Address: TEHSIL INDORA DISTT KANGRA (HIMACHAL PRADESH)

Info@minervacollegeofpharmacy.com
https://minervacollegeofpharmacy.org/

ADMISSION HELPDESK
☎ 98158-02173 ☎ 98158-02178
☎ 78077-70255 ☎ 98050-03371

Minervagroupcollegesofficial Minerva Group of College, Indora Minervagroupcollegesofficial

SBI HOME LOANS

ENJOY THE FREEDOM OF YOUR VERY OWN HOME.

With Zero Processing Fee on your home loans.

Home Loan interest rates start @6.70%* onwards.

CELEBRATING 75TH Independence Day

*Offer valid till 31st August, 2021. T&C apply.

For assistance, call 1800 11 2018 or give missed call at 07208933140 | Visit homeloans.sbi

This product maps to the following SDGs and contributes towards Sustainable India.

www.goldiee.com

Happy Independence Day to all our Customers, Dealers, Distributors & Well Wishers

! Jai Hind !

Salman Khan Brand Ambassador

Since 1980

Goldiee MASALE

Jaha Jaye Rishthey Banaye

CHHOLE Masala

GARAM Masala

COMPOUNDED HEENG TADAKA

1800 123 201201 (Toll Free) | 7388635999 | customercare@goldiee.com

Together with the people of India

Celebrating 75th Independence Day

Azadi Ka अमृत महोत्सव

LIC wishes all Indians a Happy Independence Day.

SMS YOUR CITY NAME to 5676474

Call Center Services (022) 6827 6827

Download LIC Mobile App "MyLIC"

Follow us: YouTube Instagram LinkedIn | LIC India Forever | IRDAI Regn No.: 512

BEWARE OF SPURIOUS PHONE CALLS AND FICTITIOUS / FRAUDULENT OFFERS.

IRDAI is not involved in activities like selling insurance policies, announcing bonus or investment of premiums. Public receiving such phone calls are requested to lodge a police complaint.

भारतीय जीवन बीमा निगम
LIFE INSURANCE CORPORATION OF INDIA

Zindagi ke saath bhi, Zindagi ke baad bhi

LIC/MI/0/2021-22/125/Eng