

Jugal, others listen public grievances

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 19: Member of Parliament, from Jammu-Poonch Lok Sabha constituency, Jugal Kishore Sharma, along with SC Morcha, president and Ex-MLA, Prof. Gharu Ram Bhagwat, Ex-MLC, Girdhari Lal Raina and BJP secretary, Veenu Khanna listened to the grievances of a large number of people from different areas of Jammu at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, here, today.

The people in deputations as well as individually from various parts of Jammu as well as Kashmir reached party office, narrated their woes and shared their grievances related to different departments like PDD, PHE, PWD, Health etc.

Their problems were taken up with the concerned officials of the departments by Jugal Kishore Sharma and other leaders and most of the problems were resolved on the spot to the satisfaction of the aggrieved persons.

Jugal Kishore Sharma, said that people in large number have reached the party office to share their various issues and the party has tried to sort out their issues by talking and writing to various departments. He said that massive public response to the sittings of BJP leaders on daily basis itself speaks that the people are convinced that only BJP under the leadership of Prime Minister, Narendra Modi can settle their problems.



Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary J&K along with others during a spiritual programme at Jammu on Saturday.

Programme on Spiritual Empowerment for Kindness organized

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JAMMU, Nov 19: A programme on Empowerment of Administrators for Good Governance and Sustainable Progress under the theme Spiritual Empowerment for Kindness and Compassion was organized by Om Shanti Meditation Center.

Rajyogini Sudershan Didi, I/C Brahma Kumaris J&K and Ladakh began the programme with welcome speech.

Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary J&K was chief guest. Speaking on the occasion he said that spirituality is need of the hour.

"We should not tolerate the evils nor complain but should fight with them and then only our soul can become pure," he maintained.

The guests of honour were Ramesh Kumar, Divisional

Commissioner Jammu and J.P. Sharma, Vice Chancellor SKUAST Jammu.

VC SKUAST said that kindness and compassion are invaluable virtues for humanity.

Rajyogini B.K. Prem Didi, Northern Zone Coordinator and I/C Brahma Kumaris Mohali introduced about the latest project and Administration Wing of RERF (Rajyoga Research Education & Research Foundation).

Rajyogi Bharta B.K. Rattan, Northern Zone Coordinator, Youth Wing RERF gave introduction of Brahma Kumaris organization.

Vote of thanks was given by Rajyogini B.K. Nirmal Didi, I/C Brahma Kumaris Gandhi Nagar Circle, Jammu.

The programme conducted by Rajyogi B.K. Ravinder Bhai, Northern Zone Coordinator, Sports Wing RERF.

Five-day FDP-cum-Training Prog culminates at CU Jammu

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 19: The five-day FDP-cum-Training Program on 'Media Writing and Program Production' organised by the Department of Mass Communication and New Media, Central University of Jammu cul-

Nimish Kapoor during his sessions emphasized on the importance of Science Communication in this fast-paced world which is highly technology-driven.

Other important resource persons Surbhi Chawla and Jagmohan talked about the technicalities of video production and



Dignitaries posing for photograph during valedictory function of FDP-cum-Training Program.

minated with the valedictory function here today.

Eminent personalities from diverse fields of media including Rajesh Badal, Former Executive Director RSTV, Nimish Kapoor, Scientist, Vigyan Prasar, Rakhee Bakshi, News Anchor, DD News and Zee News, Surbhi Chawla, Freelancer and Editor, Jagmohan, AIR Jammu were invited as resource persons for this five-day long workshop.

The technical sessions of training program were enriched with knowledge and learning where Rajesh Badal broadly discussed about biopic production. He touched on all the important aspects of writing news and how to gather ideas for your news story.

Another prominent speaker Rakhi Bakshi made students aware of the minute details of various types of anchoring including news anchoring, sports anchoring, entertainment driven anchoring, and digital anchoring.

Missing youth found dead

Excelsior Correspondent

KATHUA, Nov 19: A missing youth was found dead at village Jakhol.

The deceased was identified as Ganesh Singh (28), son of Narayan Singh, a resident of Village Dodra. He was missing since Thursday. The body with head injuries was spotted by the locals, who informed the police.

On getting information, a team from Police Station Rajbagh rushed to the spot and shifted the body to GMC Kathua for autopsy.

Rajbagh Police has taken cognizance in this regard.

how a radio program is produced. Prof Deepak Pathania, Department of Environmental Sciences, Central University of Jammu was the chief guest for the valedictory function. During his address, he emphasized on the importance of media in shaping the society.

Dr Baccha Babu, Head-in-Charge, Department of Mass Communication and New Media presented a formal vote of thanks.

Around 150 participants including those who joined the workshop through physical mode as well as those who were connected digitally were felicitated with a certificate of participation.

Other faculty members who attended the valedictory ceremony were Dr Ajay Kumar Singh, Dr Shashank Shukla, Dr Ratneswari Yadav, Ashwani Kumar, Dr Archana Kumari and Dr Bhaskar Bhonsale.

The entire training program was jointly organized in collaboration with the State Bank of India, Northern Command Udhampur, Ahluwalia Constructions, and media partners of the workshop were Dainik Jagran, JK Channel, Amar Ujala and Daily Excelsior.

3 girls missing

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POONCH, Nov 19: Three girls were reportedly missing from Chandimarh area here.

As per police sources, three minor girls including two sisters hailing from Chandimarh area were reportedly missing since November 11, 2022.

On the complaints of the parents, a case FIR Number 377/2022 under section 363 IPC stands registered at Police Station Surankote and hunt is going on to trace out the girls.

Ensure BJP's victory in Assembly elections: Manhas to workers

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 19: Former Member Parliament (Rajya Sabha) and ex State President BJP (J&K), Shamsher Singh Manhas today started the construction work of lanes and by-lanes at Mishriwala and Paloura respectively in Jammu North Assembly constituency.

The works will be constructed under the supervision of Block Development Officer, Bhalwal at an estimated cost of Rs. 4.00 lakh approximately which were released from Member-Parliament Local Area Development Fund. The locals expressed their gratitude to Manhas for taking up this work on priority.

On this occasion, Manhas said that with the start of these works, the long pending demands of the people have been redressed and the concerned Department looking after the construction work will complete it in a stipulated period of time.

"There was competition for corruption in previous

Governments. But ever since the Narendra Modi came to power, there has been competition for development", he added.

Manhas said that the Modi Government at the Centre is constantly working to provide better facilities to the general public.

"Like support in recently concluded DDC elections, the people have to extend their support in the upcoming Assembly elections so that benefits of the development and public welfare schemes by the Modi Government continue to pour in", he added.

Manhas said that in the upcoming Assembly elections, they will go among the people on the basis of development works and will connect people with the Bharatiya Janata Party on the basis of work.

Those who were present on the occasion were Sukhdev Singh Jamwal, Mandal Pradhan Raipur-Domana, Rakesh Singh, Ved Prakash Sharma, Rohit Verma, Shamsher Prajapati, Rajinder Singh, Virender Manhas, Jeet Kumar, Ravi Kumar and Dushyant Singh.

Addl Commissioner State Taxes interacts with DDOs at Lakhnapur

Excelsior Correspondent

KATHUA, Nov 19: Continuing the momentum to generate awareness amongst the various stakeholders regarding the proper implementation of GST, Additional Commissioner State Taxes Adm. & Enf) Jammu, Namrita Dogra today visited Lakhnapur to hold an interactive session with DDOs of Kathua District and later on carried out a Plantation drive at State Taxes Office complex.

Rakesh Kumar, President M. C. Lakhnapur; DC State Taxes Enforcement Wing Lakhnapur,

discussion took place on salient features and important information on TDS filing procedure, issues pertaining to TDS deduction, importance of GSTR-07 filing, ways to increase tax base and revenue augmentation.

During the visit, Namrita Dogra exhorted upon the officers to avail the opportunity to familiarize themselves with GST and develop tax deduction mechanism.

She also acknowledged support provided by Commissioner State Taxes J&K, Dr Rashmi Singh in ensuring strict compliance of GST requirements by all DDOs especially those handling works contracts.

She emphasised upon the DDOs that they shall adhere to the timelines in filing their returns so that the revenue due to the government does not get delayed because of late filing of the returns and thus



Addl Commissioner State Taxes during visit delayed because of late filing of the returns and thus could be utilized for development of Nation.

Ranjeet Singh, Sona Gupta, Assistant Commissioner State Taxes Enforcement Wing, Lakhnapur, Vikas Mengi Xen, Manohar Lal DTO, Dheeraj Bahadur BDO Duggain, Sunil Bhatia BDO Baggan, Vikas Gupta AAO FCD Kathua, Sushil Kumar advocate, Varun Gupta (CA), Nitish Kumar (CA), Rajan Bharti (CA), Sunil Sharma (CA) along with concerned State Taxes Officers attended the session.

DC State Taxes Enforcement Wing Lakhnapur, Ranjeet Singh, presented welcome address to the Add. Comm (ADM & Enf) and various participants while State Taxes Officer Circle 1 Kathua, Sandeep Gupta gave a technical presentation on the duties and responsibility of tax deductor under GST Act 2017.

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could be utilized for development of Nation.

Deputy Commissioner State Taxes Enforcement Lakhnapur, Ranjeet Singh while presenting vote of thanks informed that the session has been organized to provide a common platform for government and all the stakeholders involved to share relevant information thereby ensuring tax compliance and revenue augmentation and more such interactive sessions will be held in the coming days.

Also, during the occasion, Assistant Commissioner enforcement wing, Sona Gupta said that information in the form of FAQs, PPTs, ready reckoners will be disseminated among the various stakeholder for proper handling and knowledge imparting so as to ensure proper implementation of GST.

Awareness Camp organized at Ward 12

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JAMMU, Nov 19: The Social Welfare and Labour Department of J&K government here today organized an awareness camp at Ward number 12.

Senior BJP leader and JMC Councillor, Jeet Angral; former Minister, Sat Sharma; Tehsil Social Welfare Officer Jammu, Manjeet Singh; Labour Officers-Sanjay Bhat and Pawan Bhatti were present in the camp.

Speaking on the occasion Sat Sharma said, after making E-Shram Cards, now with the efforts of Labour Department, the Labour Cards shall be available to the public of Ward 12 and also to that of other Wards of JMC.

Councillor, Jeet Angral said

that motive of organizing the camp is to make the public aware about documents required to make Labour Cards and to enroll in Central Government Sponsored Schemes and take benefits of such schemes as the public is not aware of these schemes.

Manjeet Singh said that people were made aware of pension schemes for old age, women in distress, physically challenged and transgender; State Marriage Assistance Schemes, scholarship schemes, UDIDs for specially-abled persons, prosthetic aid, Nasha Mukh Abhiyan, elderly, childline etc.

"People were also made aware of the new online portal for pension and marriage assistance schemes," he maintained.

Thief arrested with stolen items

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 19: Bathindi Police arrested a thief along with stolen items.

As per official sources, information was received at Police Post Bathindi regarding theft in the house and accordingly a case FIR Number 204/2022 under sections 454 and 380 IPC was registered at Police Station Bahu Fort and investigation started.

During the course of investigation, a team from Police Post Bathindi led by PSI Mohammad Sayaf Khan was constituted under the supervision of SHO Bahu Fort Inspector Nayat Ali, SDPO East Syed Zaheer Abbas Jafari and SP South Mamta Sharma.

The team did strenuous efforts and with the help of CCTV cameras footages of the area finally arrested the thief, who was identified as Irshad Ahmed alias Shadu, son of Saleem of Teli Basti Bari Brahmana District Samba.

On his disclosure, stolen items worth Rs 2 lakhs were recovered.

It is pertinent to mention here that the accused has already been involved in more than dozen burglaries cases in Katra, Kathua, Jammu and once booked under Public Safety Act (PSA).

Further investigation into the case is going on.

Thieves decamp with gold, cash

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 19: Thieves barged into a house and decamped with gold ornaments and cash.

As per official sources, some thieves barged into the house of late Prabhu Dayal Sharma in Patoli Mangrotia area and decamped with gold ornaments and cash.

A complaint in this regard was lodged by the daughter of late Prabhu Dayal Sharma with police.

Acting over the complaint, a case under relevant sections has been registered at Police Station Bakshi Nagar and investigation started.

BJP all set to get over 150 seats in Gujarat: Kavinder

Excelsior Correspondent

GANDHI NAGAR (Gujarat), Nov 19: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister of J&K, Kavinder Gupta today said that scam tainted Congress will face a humiliating defeat in Gujarat once again this time as the people of the State are fed up with the unprincipled moves carried out by this oldest party of the country.

The senior BJP functionary was speaking here during a series of public meetings in connection with Gujarat polls. He said that Congress party has sidelined the iron man of the country, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and given the charge of Kashmir to Pt Jawaharlal Nehru, who committed a number of blunders especially in the case of Kashmir, and the entire country is facing the brunt till date.

Kavinder said that people know well that Congress in power means future of Gujarat getting into troubled waters therefore supporting this party could be suicidal for the people of this region.

Appreciating the State of Gujarat for its phenomenal contribution in the development of the country, Kavinder said that

Gujarat not only ensured prosperity in the country through its outstanding role in boosting the economy of the country but it has also given two dynamic leaders-PM Narendra Modi and Home Minister, Amit Shah, who have changed the course of this country whether it is the defence sector, peace initiatives, development, healthcare, infrastructure and what not.

The former Deputy Chief Minister asked the people to extend wholehearted support to the party and ensure maximum seats in the forthcoming Assembly polls. He said that the target for Gujarat BJP is more than 150 seats to comfortably land in the Vidhan Sabha to carry forward the development initiatives and ensure seamless progress of the region.

Kavinder said that people of Gujarat State have high hopes and therefore they are looking at BJP with hope and lots of expectations therefore every worker should do his or her best to satiate the aspirations of the people. He said that the need of time is to make people aware about the achievements of BJP at grass roots level and its future plans to pace-up development in Himachal Pradesh.

Awareness cum training program on TDS conducted for Health Deptt DDOs

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 19: State Taxes Department organized an awareness-cum-training programme of DDOs with respect to Tax Deduction at Source (TDS) under Section 51 of the

Director General Family Welfare, Immunization & MCH and Director Health Services Jammu Dr Saleem-Ur-Rehman, all DDOs of Health Department of Jammu district attended the training programme.

During the programme, the DDOs were enlightened about financial aspect and all confusion prevailing under TDS under Section 51 of J&K SGST Act 2017 Act was laid to rest.

The speakers were State Taxes Officer Sachin Gupta, Anisa Nabi, Mavesh Ara and Naresh Koul.

The programme ended with vote of thanks presented by Dr Parveen Yograj (Medical Superintendent, Government Hospital, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu) to officers of State Taxes Department and all DDOs of Health Department Jammu.



DDOs of Health Department during a training programme at Conference Hall of Government Hospital, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu.

Bail denied to Burma residents in human trafficking case

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 19: City Judge Jammu Pooja Raina today rejected the bail application of Mohammad Yasin and Abdul Shukur, both residents of Burma who were arrested by the police under Human Trafficking Act.

According to the police case, the accused persons namely Mohd Yasin and Abdul Shukur have been arrested in connection with FIR No 342/2022 for the commission of offences punishable under sections 370 IPC, 14 Foreigner Act, 5/7 the Specified Bank Notes (Cessation of Liabilities) Act 2017 and on the disclosure of accused, three victims namely Asmida, daughter of Rashid Ahmed, Sufairah Begum, daughter of Shamas-UI-Alam and Amina Begum, daughter of Mohd Yousaf were recovered.

After hearing APP Arvind Rathore for the police whereas Advocate Anwar Saleem for the applicants, the court observed, "the offence under Section 370

IPC deals with trafficking of persons and is grave and heinous in nature. Section 370 (3) IPC is punishable with rigorous imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than ten years, but which may extend to imprisonment for life".

"The investigation of the case is still in progress. The applicant is stated by the prosecution is a foreign national and offence under Section 14 Foreigner Act is also alleged against the applicant. Therefore, there is a possibility of accused fleeing from the justice and repeating the offence", the court said, adding "it has come in the investigation that applicant is holding Rs. 2.33 lacs demonetized notes which is punishable under Section 5 & 7 of the Specified Bank notes (Cessation of Liabilities) Act 2017 which amounts to an economic offence which is grave against the society as well as nation".

Accordingly, court rejected the bail application.

Free medical camp organized

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 19: A one-day free medical camp was organized today by the Health Centre, University of Jammu (JU) in association with Medanta Medicity, Gurugram and Sharp Sight Eye Hospital, Jammu.

In the camp, cardiology and eye check-up were done. More than 130 patients of eyes and about 70 patients of cardiology were examined in the camp. In the past, health awareness camps on carcinoma breast,

orthopaedics, cardiology etc were also conducted by the University Health Centre for the benefit of students, scholars, employees and their dependents.

Dr Bharat Bhushan, in-charge, University Health Centre acknowledged the efforts of Dr Ankur Kaushik (Senior Consultant), Sudhanshu Sharma (DGM Marketing J&K), Sandeep Singh Jamwal (Assistant Marketing Manager), Ashutosh Sharma (ECG technician) for making the medical camp successful.

10 bovines rescued

Excelsior Correspondent

POONCH, Nov 19: Police foiled attempts of bovine smuggling in Surankote area and rescued 10 animals.

These animals were being smuggled in two vehicles bearing registration number JK12B-0618 and JK12C-0785, which were on the way towards Kashmir.

On the direction of SSP Poonch Rohit Baskotra, teams headed by DySP Surankote and SHO Surankote had established nakas at Potha and Surankote areas. During the naka checking, these two vehicles were intercepted even as both the drivers managed to flee.

In this connection case, FIRs 387 and 388 of 2022, under section 188 IPC, 11 PCA Act have been registered at Police Station Surankote.

Snowfall in hills, rains lash North Kashmir

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Nov 19: The hills of Kashmir including Gulmarg witnessed fresh snowfall today while parts of the Valley were lashed by rains leading to drop in the temperatures across the region.

A Meteorological Department official said that North Kashmir hills received fresh snowfall since morning with Sadhna Top receiving around one feet of snow. He said that the rain and snow is likely to continue tonight.

Gulmarg, Razdan Top, Gurez, Machil and other places received fresh light snowfall while Bandipora-Gurez has been closed for vehicular movement.

Deputy Director Meteorological department (MeT), Dr Mukhtar Ahmad said that the weather would continue to remain dry from tomorrow.

"There is no possibility of any wet spell from tomorrow till November 28," he added.

He added that the minimum temperature would go further down in coming days amid the dry weather conditions. "There were less chances for today's precipitation forecast and the weather remained cloudy at majority of the places across the Valley," he said.

The minimum temperature in Srinagar on previous night settled at 2.2°C while the maximum temperature today was recorded at 11.3°C. In Gulmarg, the minimum temperature settled at minus 1.5°C while today it was recorded at 3.6°C.

Pahalgam recorded a low of minus 1.3°C precious night while today it settled at 9.4°C. In Kupwara, the minimum temperature settled at 1.8°C while today it settled at 9.3°C.

Notorious drug peddler booked under PITNDPS Act

Excelsior Correspondent

RAJOURI, Nov 19: Police booked a notorious drug peddler under the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance (PITNDPS) Act.

Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Rajouri Mohammad Aslam said that police has detained the notorious drug peddler namely Mohd Tahir, son of Abdul Salam, a resident of Kote Behrote of Thanamandi in District Rajouri under PITNDPS Act and has been lodged in District Jail Dhangri under the orders of Divisional Commissioner, Jammu.

The individual was involved in a number of drugs and criminal cases registered at different Police Stations over the past couple of years, SSP said, adding that the accused has adopted the illicit trade of narcotic drugs as a profession and is posing serious threat to the lives of young generation of the area. He was also posing threat to the health of the public at large, particularly people of Sub-Division Thanamandi, SSP informed.

"The accused is continuously active in drugs consumption and trafficking in Thanamandi town and its adjoining areas and was luring young generation in menace of drug addiction", SSP said, adding that the accused has engaged himself in illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances which are detrimental not only to the economy but is also responsible for spoiling the life of hundreds of youths in their tender age.

"The modus operandi of the subject in illicit traffic in narcotics is organized one and having regard to the fact that in certain areas which are highly vulnerable to such illicit traffic, such activities of a considerable magnitude are clandestinely organized one", SSP Rajouri said.

"This was the third detention by District Police Rajouri in a row as earlier one Abrar Afzal, son of Mohd Afzal of Panghai Tehsil Thanamandi District Rajouri was booked under J&K Public Safety Act 1978 and lodged in Central Jail Kot Bhalwal, Jammu while Tariq Mehmood, son of Pervaiz Ahmed of Hasplotte Tehsil Thanamandi District Rajouri was booked under PITNDPS Act and is lodged at District Jail Dhangri", SSP Rajouri added.

The detention warrants of all the above said notorious criminals/chronic drug peddlers have been meticulously executed by SHO Police Station Thanamandi Inspector Mohd Showket and his team under the supervision of SDPO Thanamandi Imtiaz Ahmed.

Project for affordable housing launched

Excelsior Correspondent

JAMMU, Nov 19: ATFL (Herman City), the first and only approved and planned township has been developed in an area of 50 Acres in Ambala Cant, Sector 42, Ambala-Jagadhari National Highway under Deen Dayal Jan Awas Yojana and it is the first project towards affordable housing for the residents of Ambala Cant.

The seed of this dream is being implanted by ATFL (Monga Infratechs). The project is the first organized township of Ambala Cant that has 8 parks, 4 commercial centres, 4 community centres, Patanjali Wellness Centre and is to be attached with the Ring Road of Ambala Cant at Sector-42 (ATFL-Herman City) Chhota Khudda,

Jagadhri Road, Ambala Cant where one can book or purchase a dream plot, flat or villa.

A handout stated that 3 BHK/2BHK/Villas (Independent Kothi Single/Double Storey) and plots are available at very reasonable price.

Independent Kothi (double storey) and Flats are ready for possession with 2 BHK Floor for Rs. 24.95 lac, 3 BHK for 27.95 lac, Independent Villa 28.95 lac and plot starting from Rs. 16,000 per sq. yard onwards are available.

Appreciable about the project is that the Instant Registries (with bank loan facility) of properties purchased in this project are also available.

One can visit on site to book or purchase or contact: 86990-16234 for Plots and Flats of choice.



Altaf Bukhari with Sikh leaders who joined Apni Party on Saturday.

Sikhs from Baramulla join Apni Party

Excelsior Correspondent

SRINAGAR, Nov 19: A large group, representing the Sikh community from north Kashmir's Rafiaband and Baramulla constituencies joined Apni Party, here today in the presence of Apni Party President Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari and others.

While greeting the new entrants into the party fold, Syed Mohammad Altaf Bukhari said that Apni Party stands for the rights and well-being of the J&K people, irrespective of their geographical location and religious affiliations. He added, "I am pleased to see that Apni Party holds members and leaders from all the regions in J&K and from the various communities. We stand for the unity of Jammu and Kashmir."

Those who joined, included Surjeet Singh, Diljeet Singh, Surjeet Singh (Deedarpur) Prof HS Balli, Sardar Baldev Singh (Rtd Principal), Sardar Manjeet Singh (Master), S N