

## Kala Kendra instrumental in promoting cultural heritage of Jammu: Secy Tourism

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JAMMU, Mar 13: Secretary, Culture and Tourism, Dr. Syed Abid Rasheed Shah, today visited Kala Kendra here and took stock of its functioning.

During the visit, Secretary had an extensive round of exhibition halls, archive sections and other blocks of the complex and inspected the working. He asked the Secretary of Jammu and Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture and Languages (JKAA-CL) for proper maintenance of Kala Kendra as it is crucially instrumental in preserving and promoting pristine cultural heritage of Jammu region. He also asked him for proper landscaping, repairing and renovation of different sections of the building.

While inspecting different sections of the institution, Secretary praised the staff and artists for their hard work and dedication in promoting the diverse cultural heritage of the region. He emphasized on importance of preserving the traditional art forms for larger interest of the posterity.

Interacting with the officers,

Dr. Abid highlighted that Kala Kendra is a prestigious institution playing pivotal role in promoting the rich and diverse culture of Jammu region. He impressed upon the management of Kala Kendra for optimal utilization of this prestigious institution by holding handicrafts, handloom and photo exhibitions on regular basis.

Speaking on other aspects of the institution, Secretary asked the Director Libraries to create space for reading room in the

district library housed in Kala Kendra. He also directed the management for proper security of the institution as it houses the most sensitive archival material.

During the visit, Secretary was given a detailed briefing on the activities and programs being conducted by Kala Kendra for the promotion and preservation of art and culture in the region. He also had a first-hand experience of various art forms showcased in the Kendra's galleries and workshops.

## Councillor among several held in NDPS cases

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SRINAGAR, Mar 13 : Police today arrested a Councillor of Municipal Council (MC) Pattan among several drug peddlers in separate NDPS cases in North Kashmir.

A police party of Pattan arrested a Councillor of Municipal Council Pattan along with 200 tablets of Spasmoxyvon and 10 bottles

of codeine phosphate at Railway crossing in Pattan.

The arrested Councillor was identified as Barkat Ali Mia son of Mohammad Maqbool Mia, a resident of Mia Mohalla Pattan.

Similarly, in another action at Chakloo area of Baramulla, a suspicious person was apprehended tactfully who upon seeing the police party tried to flee from the spot.

During his personal search, police recovered 36 bottles of Corex from his possession. The man was identified as Umar Yousuf Lone son of Mohammad Yousuf Lone, a resident of Nadihal Rafiabad.

In the meantime, Police today said that the supply network of drugs like charas in Bandipora town has received a big jolt as they have arrested mother-son duo and recovered charas like substance and cash from them in the district.

The Police said that it recovered charas like substance packed in sachets along with a cash seizure of Rs 6980 from the mother-son duo identified as Posha Begum and her son Aqib Waza, whose father Khurshid Waza (MANDELA) has already been booked.

Police also said that a case under relevant sections of laws has been registered and further investigation is going on.

Police also recovered charas like substance along with cash seizure of 71,845 and arrested one lady Babli Begum who is a repeat offender, presently out on bail in an earlier NDPS Case. "Cognizance taken under the relevant sections of NDPS Act in PS Bandipora," it added.

## 2 drown in nallah

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REASI, Mar 13: In a tragic incident, a minor boy and a youth drowned while taking bath in a nallah in Prankote area of Thakrakote, here today.

The deceased were identified as Mohd Arfan, age 22 years, son of Gulam Mohd, resident of Prankote and Shoket Ali, age 11 years, son of Abdul Gani, resident of Prankote. The minor slipped into deep water while taking bath in Rud Nallah at Dukhadwa while the youth also drowned while attempting to rescue the former.

As per the reports, the duo was grazing their goats when Shoket Ali went to the nallah for bath and slipped into deep water. To rescue him, Mohd Arfan immediately jumped in the nallah but he also drowned in the deep water.

Later on, with the help of locals, both of them were pulled out of the water body in an unconscious state and rushed to a nearby healthcare facility where the doctors declared them as brought dead.

The police after completing all the medico-legal formalities, handed over the bodies to their respective families.

## BSF officer dies of cardiac arrest

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MENDHAR, Mar 13: A BSF officer died of cardiac arrest in Mendhar area of district Poonch last night.

Block Medical Officer Mendhar, Dr Parvaiz Khan said that a phone call was received by him from a BSF officer midnight at around 2 am, that an ASI, Budh

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Lal Janko (50), son of Pandu Janko, a resident of Jharkhand, presently posted in 5th Battalion of BSF deployed at forward area (LoC) complained of severe chest pain and later turned unconscious.

The officer was brought to Sub District Hospital Mendhar where he was declared as brought dead by the Medical staff there. He was said to be died of cardiac arrest by the doctor concerned.

After post-mortem, the BSF officer's body was handed over to the Unit officers. It was later sent to his native place for performing last rites.



Chairperson, J&K Waqf Board Dr Darakhshan Andrabi addressing a meeting at Mendhar on Monday.

## Darakhshan lays foundation stone for new works at Mendhar

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JAMMU, Mar 13: Concluding her five day visit of Peer Panjal region, Chairperson J&K Waqf Board Dr Darakhshan Andrabi visited Sub-Division Mendhar of Poonch district and participated in several programmes.

The students and Ulema of Hazrat of Madarsa Chottay Shah Badshah gave a rousing welcome to Dr Andrabi on her arrival. Dr Andrabi took stock of the facilities at the shrine of Hazrat Syed Chottay Shah Badshah (RA) situated at Sakhi-Maidan Mendhar and laid the foundation stone of Bait-ul-Ziaraat at the Ziarat and also addressed the public gathering.

In her address Dr Andrabi said that Waqf management has come out of air-conditioned rooms and believes in reaching out to ground zero in all areas of J&K leaving behind no area at all. "We are committed to

implement the reformatory decisions at grass root level in all areas of J&K", Darakhshan said.

The Waqf Board Chairperson also laid foundation stone of shopping-cum-office complex at Bus Stand, Mendhar. The local population appreciated the steps taken by J&K Waqf Board.

Dr Darakhshan Andrabi also interacted with representatives of various delegations of Ulema at Dak Bungalow Mendhar and after listening to them assured to fulfill their genuine demands soon.

CEO J&K Waqf Board Dr Majid Jahangir, Administrator Waqf Poonch Zaheer Ahmed Kaifi ACR Poonch, SDM Mendhar Mohd Jahangir Khan, SDPO Mendhar Sheezan Bhatt, Field Inspector Abdul Rashid and other Waqf Board officers also accompanied the Chairperson during her visit to bordering Sub-Division of Mendhar in Poonch district.

## Mandeep visits Bari Brahmana, inaugurates Panchayat Ghar

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SAMBA, Mar 13: Commissioner Secretary, Department of Rural Development (RDD) and Panchayati Raj, Mandeep Kaur, today conducted a tour of Bari Brahmana block besides visiting panchayat Palli to assess pace of development works underway in the panchayats.

She was accompanied by Deputy Commissioner Samba, Anuradha Gupta, other senior officers, BDC Chairman, Bari-Brahmana, DDC member, Bari-Brahmana-A, Sarpanchs and others elected representatives.

During the visit, Commissioner Secretary inaugurated newly constructed Panchayat Ghar in Panchayat Birpur Upper, which has been constructed under the scheme RGSA with an allotted amount of Rs. 22.27 lakh. She interacted with local elected representatives and citizens of the panchayat besides assessing functioning of SHGs under NRLM in the panchayat.

Commissioner Secretary also visited Panchayat Palli and took detailed overview of progress on several development works being executed in the panchayat. She assessed progress on Smriti Kaksh which is being constructed through convergence of funds under UT CAPEX- CD and Panchayat Plan in the panchayat. She also visited the photo gallery on display regarding the events of National Panchayati Raj Day, 24th April, 2022 when Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, visited the panchayat.

She ascertained the progress

made by the NOKIA Smartpur initiative which was launched on the same day. The initiative intends to put in place a strong ecosystem of rural entrepreneurship designed to create ideas for smart villages in J&K. Apart from the one NOKIA Smartpur initiative underway in the panchayat there are 24 more such initiatives which are in the process of being established in the UT of J&K, 19 in Samba and 6 in Anantnag districts.

Commissioner Secretary gave directions for early execution of all

developmental works underway in the panchayat like Amrit Sarovar, UMEED, SBM-G PMAY-G door to door waste collection, 14th F.C, 100% saturation in beneficiary oriented schemes with emphasis on self employment and sustainable livelihood etc. She also interacted with the local elected representatives.

Later, she visited 500 Kilowatt solar power plant in panchayat Palli and gave directions for proper maintenance and upkeep of the facility.

## DPAP announces office bearers

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JAMMU, Mar 13: Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP) chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad has appointed two spokespersons and one general secretary of the State Committee, besides office bearers for its Jammu Provincial Committee, Central Zone Jammu as well as Students' Union for Jammu Province

As per a handout issued today by DPAP, the Party chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad has appointed Gurmeet Kaur and Sunita Arora as spokespersons and Ch Haroon Khatana as general secretary of the Party's State Committee. Further, the Party chairman has appointed Farooq Ahmed Katoch, Mohd Ameen Batt (Sangaldan), Ch Sobit Ali and Anoop Khajuria as vice-president, general secretary, secretary and media coordinator of Jammu Provincial Committee, respectively.

Azad has also appointed office bearers of DPAP Central Zone Jammu. The office bearers are Mahinder Singh Chib, Shampal Singh Sathia alias Shammi and Parveen Bhagat (vice-presidents), Rajeev Gupta, Ch Ghulam Mohd and Ch Yasmene (general secretaries) and Krishan Spolia (joint secretary).

Moreover, the DPAP chairman also appointed office bearers of Students' Wing of the Party under the name of DASU (Democratic Azad Students Union) for Jammu Province. Anirudh Raina is president of DASU, Manik Sharma as vice-president, Kanav Sharma, Archar Singh and Gulshan Rajput as general secretaries, Mohd Nadeem Choudhary, Aniket Malhotra and Ananya Gupta as secretaries, Ruseel Malik as media coordinator and Harshain Upadhayay and Ankit Bajgotra as Legal Cell.



Scientists releasing a handbook on Laboratory Animal Techniques for Preclinical Research during a workshop at CSIR-IIIM Jammu.

## High-end workshop on Lab Animal Techniques inaugurated at CSIR-IIIM

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JAMMU, Mar 13: CSIR-Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (IIIM) Jammu today started a week long high-end workshop under the theme "Hands-on Workshop on Laboratory Animal Techniques for Preclinical Research".

The workshop sponsored by Department of Science & Technology - Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), Government of India as part of Accelerate Vigyan, was inaugurated by Director CSIR-IICT Hyderabad and CSIR-IIIM Jammu, Dr D Srinivasa Reddy, who was the chief guest on the occasion. Abdul Rahim, Head RMBD&IST was guest of honour.

Dr D Srinivasa Reddy, in his address, said that the drug development is very important and critically required to meet the needs of mankind. He said the workshop on Laboratory Animal Techniques for Preclinical Research would surely be beneficial and improve the skill of researchers working in pre-clinical drug development. During the inaugural session, a handbook on Laboratory Animal Techniques for Preclinical Research was also released.

Earlier Dr Zabeer Ahmed, Chief Scientist and Head

Pharmacology Division, informed that the curriculum of workshop has been design after taking due care about the various requirements of researchers.

Dr Boobalan Gopu, Scientist and Co-ordinator of the Workshop while speaking on the occasion discussed the sub-areas to be covered by the guest speakers and various components to be taught during hands on training.

Pertinently, the Accelerate Vigyan Schemes provides young potential researchers, an opportunity to learn hands on high end scientific research in premier institutions and empower them the requisite skill for undertaking future research assignment.

Dr Anindiya Goswami, Dr Tasduq Abdullah and Dr PN Gupta (Senior Principal Scientists), Dr M Jamal Dar, Dr Govind Yadav and Dr Ajay Kumar (Principal Scientists), Dr Utpal Nandi and Dr Sreedhar Madishetti, (Senior Scientists), Dr Ramanjayan Pandian (Scientist), Asha Bhagat (Principal Technical Officer), Dr Sanket Shukla (Senior Technical Officer and Bhavna Vij (Technical Officer) were present on the occasion.

Dr Shashank Singh (Senior Principal Scientist) presented the vote of thanks while as Dr Gurleen Kour (Scientist) conducted the proceedings.



BJP leaders at a press conference at Jammu on Monday.

## Don't delete votes of migrants from electoral rolls of Kashmir: BJP

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JAMMU, Mar 13: BJP asked the Election Commission not to delete displaced voters from Kashmir electoral rolls, while they also appealed the displaced community members to ensure that their votes do not get deleted from Kashmir.

J&K BJP spokesperson and former MLC, Girdhari Lal Raina accompanied by Kashmir Displaced District (KDD) president, Chandji Bhat, KDD general secretary, Moti Lal Bhat and KDD election in charge, Rajeev Pandita was addressing media persons at BJP headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, here.



"During Booth Sashaktikaran campaign, it has come to our notice that Booth Level Officers (BLO) of various constituencies are approaching voters from the displaced community asking them to confirm as to where their votes are to be entered into the electoral rolls. For the voters belonging to the displaced community are, for obvious reasons, in a state of uncertainty, indecision and in a tight spot," said Raina.

He said reasons are explicable and for a common voter who is


away from his territorial constituency for more than three decades finds it difficult to comprehend importance of remaining integrated to her/his place of origin. Its importance is further accentuated and reinforced by strong resolve and explicit intent to return to places of their origin. It is in this background KDD BJP is appealing the displaced community to express vehemently their decision to remain part of their territorial constituencies in Kashmir.

KDD at the same time urged the Election Commission of UT to explore possibility of allowing these voters to be entered into the electoral list for Urban local bodies like JMC, Articles 243K and 243ZA, empowers SEC with authority of superintendence, direction and control of preparation of electoral rolls and the conduct of Panchayat and ULB election. This way the displaced community will continue to be voters of their territorial constituencies of Kashmir Valley for Assembly and Parliamentary seats, he added.

KDD appeals the community to ensure that their names in electoral rolls of Kashmir are properly and correctly registered.


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